



European Research Council  
Established by the European Commission



Laboratoire de Chimie et Physique Quantiques

# New Electronic Structure Methodologies for Electronic Excited States

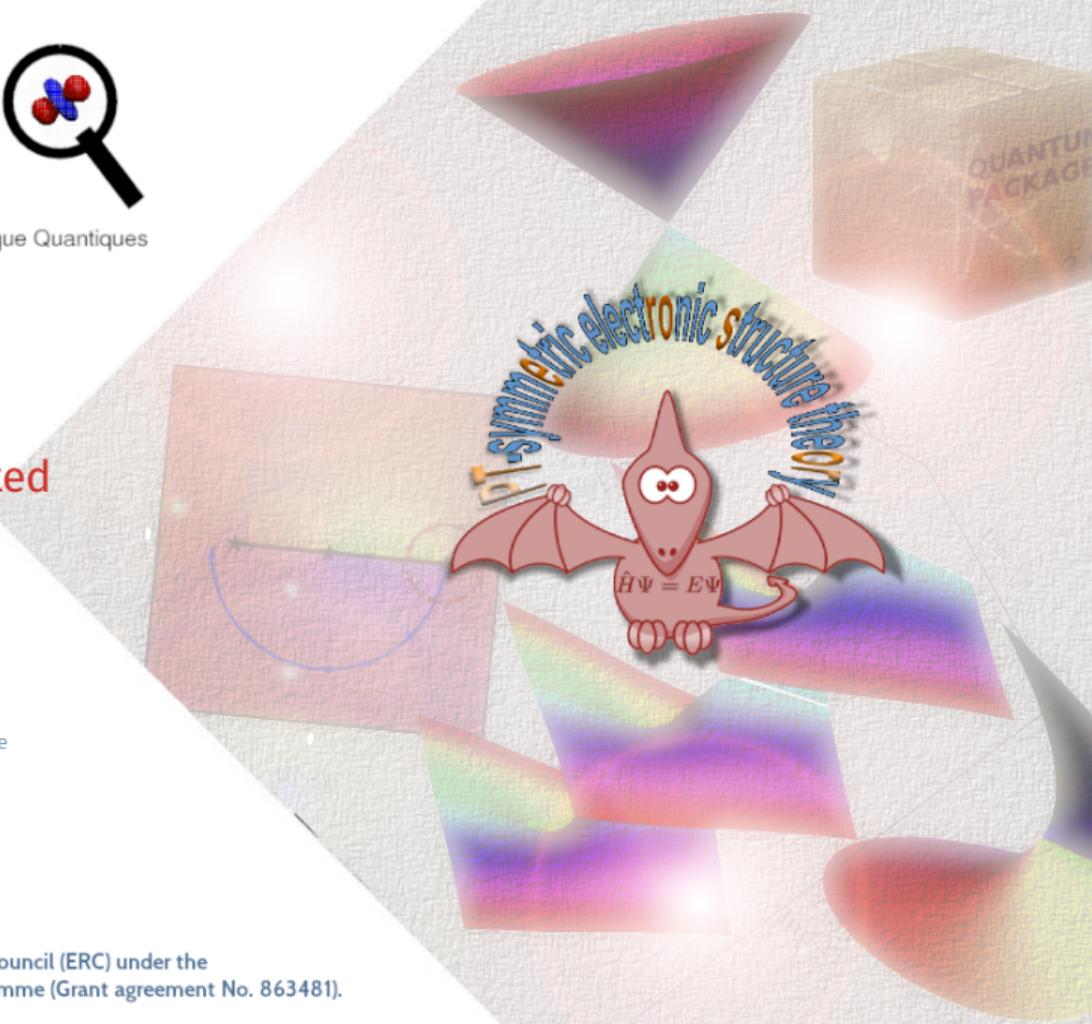
Pierre-François Loos & Friends

24th April 2024

Laboratoire de Chimie et Physique Quantiques, IRSAMC, UPS/CNRS, Toulouse  
<https://lcpq.github.io/pterosor>



PTEROSOR has received funding from the European Research Council (ERC) under the European Union's Horizon 2020 research and innovation programme (Grant agreement No. 863481).



## General Overview of our Research Group

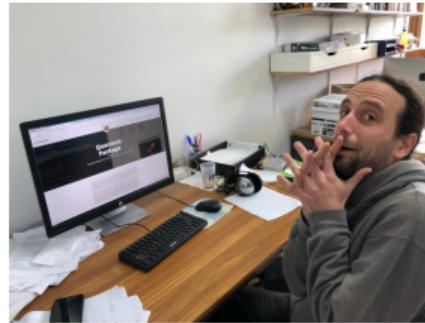




Yann Damour (PhD)



Fábris Kossoski (Postdoc)



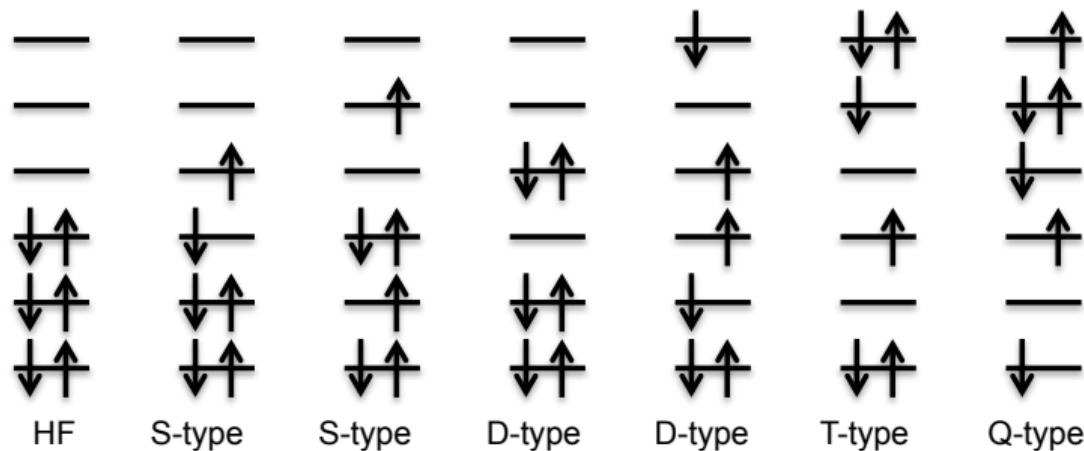
Anthony Scemama (Toulouse)

- ▶ This is the **oldest** and perhaps the **easiest method to understand**
- ▶ The CI wave function is a linear combination of **Slater determinants**
- ▶ CI methods use **excited determinants** to “improve” the reference wave function

$$|\Phi_{\text{CI}}\rangle = \underbrace{c_0 |\Psi_0\rangle}_{\text{reference}} + \underbrace{\sum_i c_i^a |\Psi_i^a\rangle}_{\text{singles}} + \underbrace{\sum_{i < j} c_{ij}^{ab} |\Psi_{ij}^{ab}\rangle}_{\text{doubles}} + \underbrace{\sum_{i < j < k} c_{ijk}^{abc} |\Psi_{ijk}^{abc}\rangle}_{\text{triples}} + \underbrace{\sum_{\substack{i < j < k < l \\ a < b < c < d}} c_{ijkl}^{abcd} |\Psi_{ijkl}^{abcd}\rangle}_{\text{quadruples}} + \dots$$

- ▶ CI is based on the **variational principle**

## Excited determinants



## CI wave function

$$|\Phi_{\text{CI}}\rangle = c_0 |0\rangle + c_S |S\rangle + c_D |D\rangle + c_T |T\rangle + c_Q |Q\rangle + \dots$$

- ▶ When  $|S\rangle$  (**singles**) are taken into account: **CIS**

$$|\Phi_{\text{CIS}}\rangle = c_0 |0\rangle + c_s |S\rangle$$

- ▶ When  $|S\rangle$  and  $|D\rangle$  (**doubles**) are taken into account: **CISD**

$$|\Phi_{\text{CISD}}\rangle = c_0 |0\rangle + c_s |S\rangle + c_d |D\rangle$$

- ▶ When  $|S\rangle$ ,  $|D\rangle$  and  $|T\rangle$  (**triples**) are taken into account: **CISDT**

$$|\Phi_{\text{CISDT}}\rangle = c_0 |0\rangle + c_s |S\rangle + c_d |D\rangle + c_t |T\rangle$$

- ▶ **CISDTQ**, etc.

- ▶ When all possible excitations are taken into account, this is called a Full CI calculation (**FCI**)

$$|\Phi_{\text{FCI}}\rangle = c_0 |0\rangle + c_S |S\rangle + c_D |D\rangle + c_T |T\rangle + c_Q |Q\rangle + \dots$$

- ▶ FCI gives the exact solution of the Schrödinger equation within a given basis
- ▶ So, why do we care about other methods?
- ▶ Because FCI is super computationally expensive!

“Assume we have 10 electrons in 38 spin orbitals: 10 are occupied and 28 are empty”

- ▶ There is  $C_{10}^k$  possible ways of selecting  $k$  electrons out of the 10 occupied orbitals

$$C_n^k = \binom{n}{k} = \frac{n!}{k!(n-k)!}$$

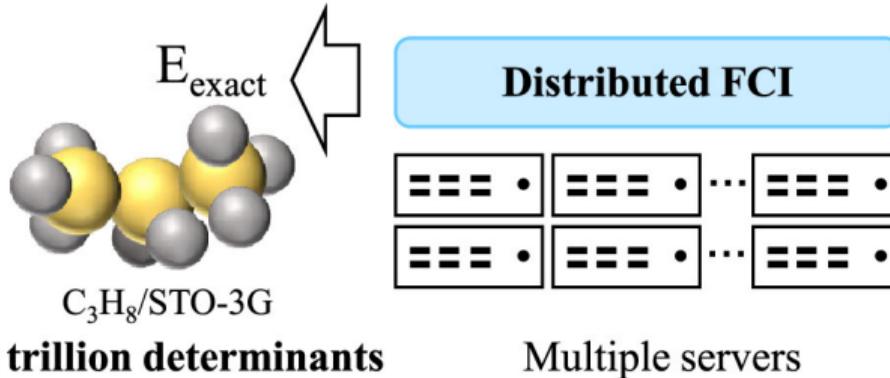
- ▶ There is  $C_{28}^k$  ways of distributing them out in the 28 virtual orbitals
- ▶ For a given excitation level  $k$ , there is  $C_{10}^k C_{28}^k$  excited determinants
- ▶ The total number of possible excited determinant is

$$\sum_{k=0}^{10} C_{10}^k C_{28}^k = C_{38}^{10} = 472,733,756$$

- ▶ This is a lot...

For  $N = 10$  and  $K = 38$ :

$k$	Num. of excitations
0	1
1	280
2	17,010
3	393,120
4	4,299,750
5	24,766,560
6	79,115,400
7	142,084,800
8	139,864,725
9	69,069,000
10	13,123,110
Tot.	472,733,756



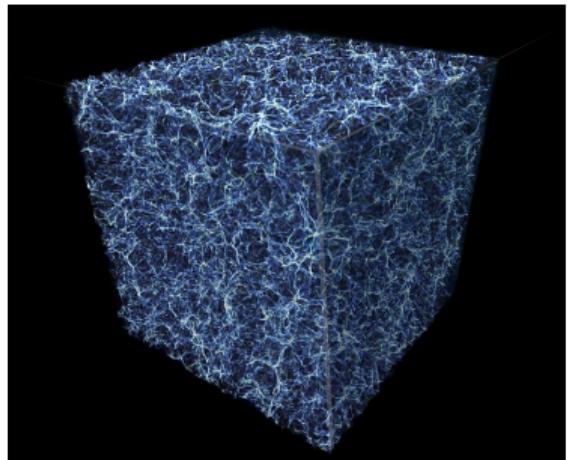
- ❗ FCI energy of propane ( $C_3H_8$ ) in STO-3G
- ❗ Active space of 26 electrons in 23 orbitals  $\Rightarrow 1.3 \times 10^{12}$  determinants!
- ❗ 512 processes on 256 nodes (40 cores each) for a total wall time of 113.6 hours  
 $\Rightarrow \approx 10^6$  CPU hours  $\Rightarrow \approx 10$  MW h  $\Rightarrow \approx 2$  household years
- ❗ 19 TB of memory required!

$$\frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} |\text{green leaf}\rangle + \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} |\text{brown leaf}\rangle$$



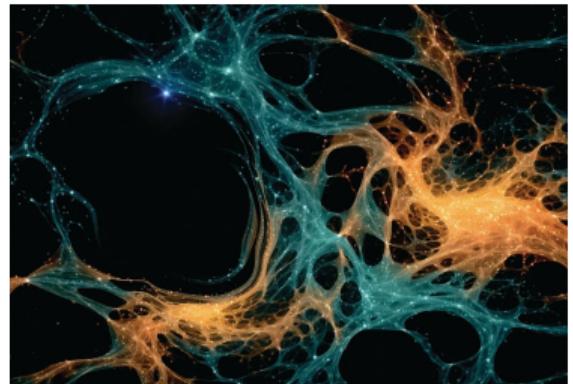
### What do we know?

- ▶ Size of Hilbert space increases **exponentially** fast with system size
- ▶ FCI matrix is (very) large but **full of zeros!**
- ▶ Only a tiny fraction of the determinants **significantly contributes** to the energy
- ▶ SCI performs a **sparse exploration** of the FCI space

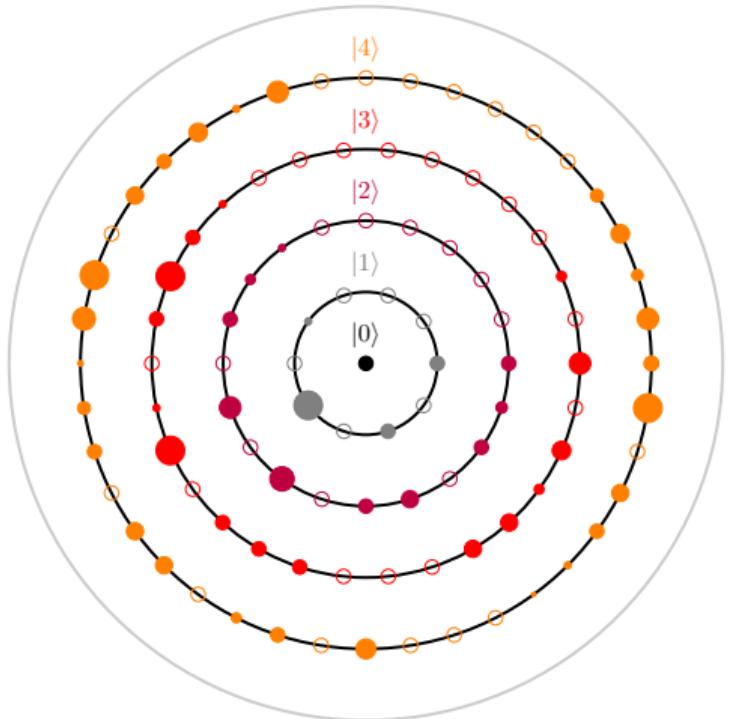


### What do we know?

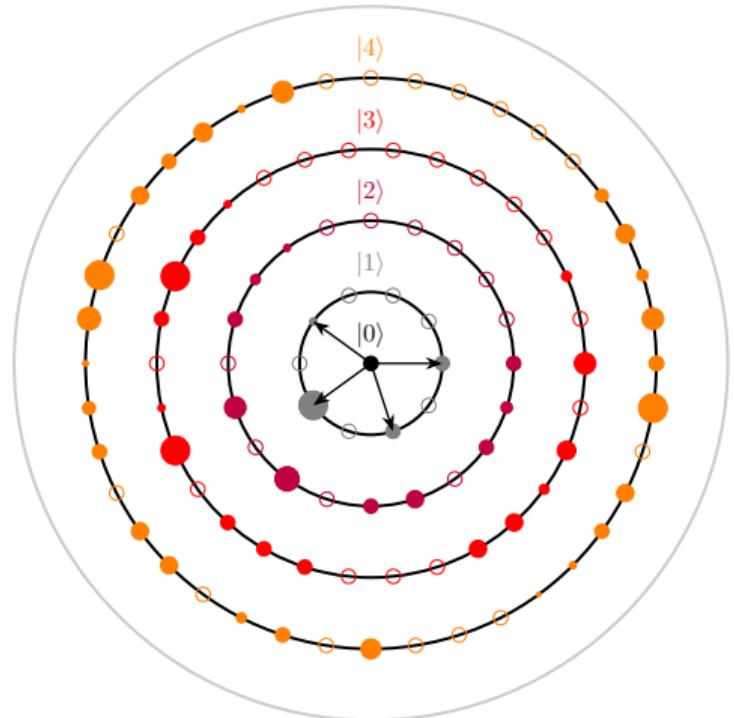
- ▶ Size of Hilbert space increases **exponentially** fast with system size
- ▶ FCI matrix is (very) large but **full of zeros!**
- ▶ Only a tiny fraction of the determinants **significantly contributes** to the energy
- ▶ SCI performs a **sparse exploration** of the FCI space



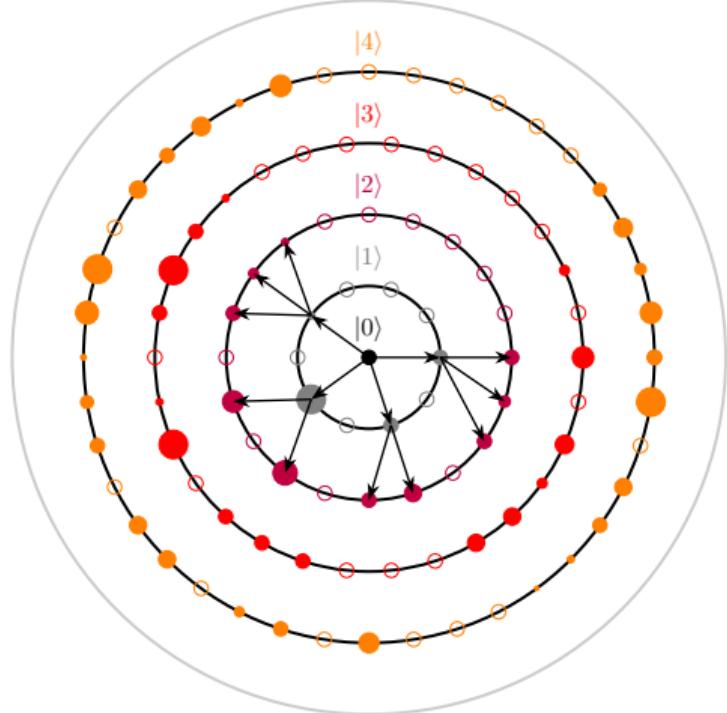
Lemonick, "Cosmic Nothing", Scientific American, 330 (2024) 20



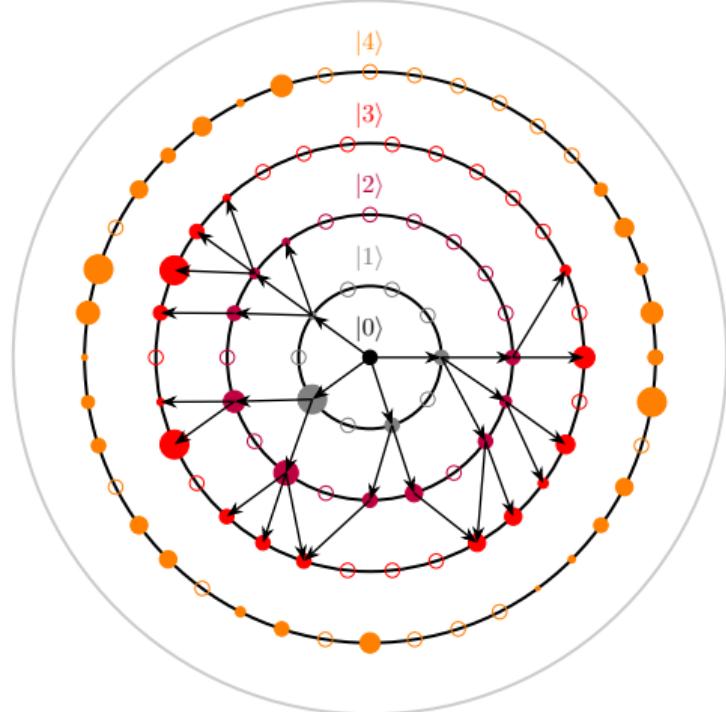
*“Quantum Package 2.0: An Open-Source Determinant-Driven Suite of Programs”,  
Garniron et al, JCTC 15 (2019) 3591*



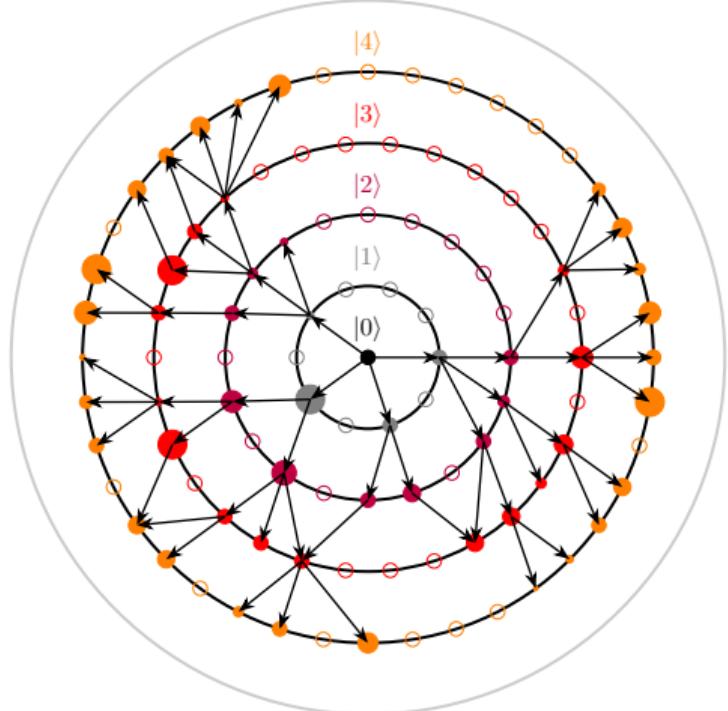
*“Quantum Package 2.0: An Open-Source Determinant-Driven Suite of Programs”,  
Garniron et al, JCTC 15 (2019) 3591*



*“Quantum Package 2.0: An Open-Source Determinant-Driven Suite of Programs”,  
Garniron et al, JCTC 15 (2019) 3591*



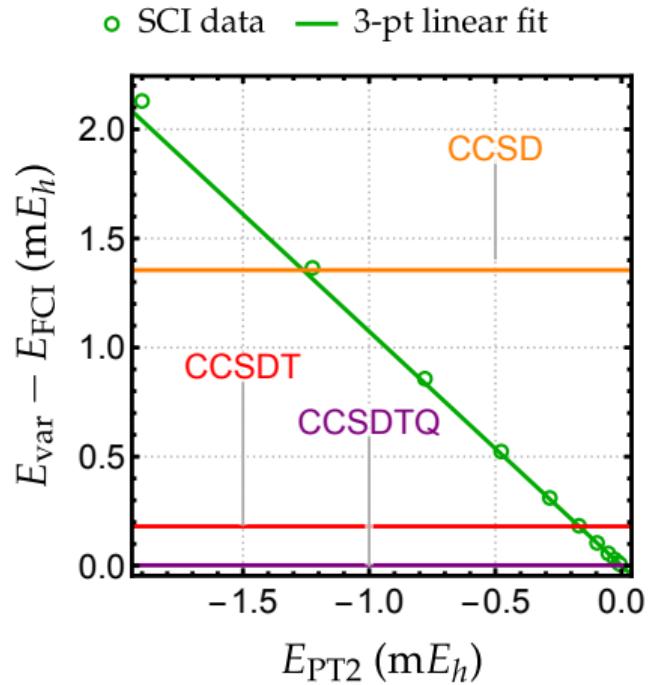
*“Quantum Package 2.0: An Open-Source Determinant-Driven Suite of Programs”,  
Garniron et al, JCTC 15 (2019) 3591*



*"Quantum Package 2.0: An Open-Source Determinant-Driven Suite of Programs",  
Garniron et al, JCTC 15 (2019) 3591*

# Energy of C<sub>3</sub>H<sub>8</sub> in STO-3G basis

Method	Energy ( $E_h$ )	Error wrt FCI
FCI <sup>1</sup>	-117.100 122 681 461	
CCSD	-117.098 767	1.355 m $E_h$
CCSD(T)	-117.099 708	0.414 m $E_h$
CCSDT	-117.099 942 158	0.181 m $E_h$
CCSDTQ	-117.100 120 230	2.451 $\mu E_h$
SCI <sup>2</sup>	-117.100 093 52	0.029 m $E_h$
SCI+PT2 <sup>3</sup>	-117.100 120 66	2.021 $\mu E_h$
exFCI <sup>4</sup>	-117.100 122 89(6)	-0.21(6) $\mu E_h$



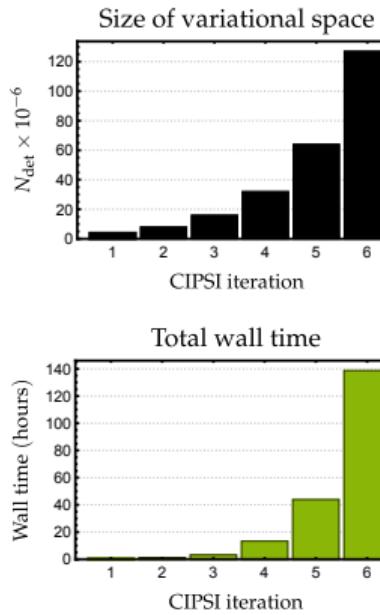
<sup>1</sup>Gao et al. JCTC 20 (2024) 1185

<sup>2</sup>Variational energy obtained with  $N_{\text{det}} = 32 \times 10^6$

<sup>3</sup>Perturbatively-corrected variational energy obtained with  $N_{\text{det}} = 32 \times 10^6$

<sup>4</sup>Extrapolated FCI value obtained via a 3-point linear fit using  $N_{\text{det}} = 32 \times 10^6$  as the largest variational space

# Memory, CPU & Energy Consumptions



$N_{\text{det}}$	Wall time (hh:mm)	Memory consump.	Energy consump.	Error wrt FCI
$2 \times 10^6$	00:14	5.3 GB	74 W h	$3 \mu E_h$
$4 \times 10^6$	00:33	8.1 GB	176 W h	$3 \mu E_h$
$8 \times 10^6$	01:19	15 GB	438 W h	$2 \mu E_h$
$16 \times 10^6$	03:12	25 GB	1.1 kW h	$1 \mu E_h$
$32 \times 10^6$	13:16	47 GB	4.1 kW h	$0.2 \mu E_h$
$64 \times 10^6$	43:54	83 GB	13 kW h	$0.08 \mu E_h$
$127 \times 10^6$	138:44	138 GB	42 kW h	$0.01 \mu E_h$

Loos et al, arXiv:2402.13111<sup>1</sup>

<sup>1</sup>Single-node calculation (dual-socket Intel Skylake 6140 CPU@2.3 Ghz with 192 GB of memory and 36 physical CPU cores)



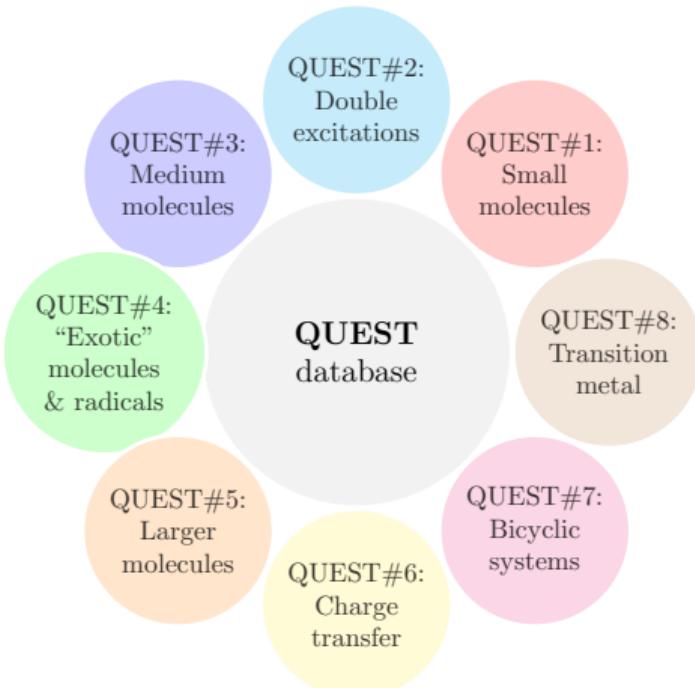
Fábris Kossoski (Postdoc)

Martial Boggio-Pasqua (Toulouse)

Denis Jacquemin (Nantes)

# Highly-accurate excitation energies: The QUEST project

*"The QUEST project aims to provide to the community a large set of highly-accurate excitation energies for various types of excited states"*

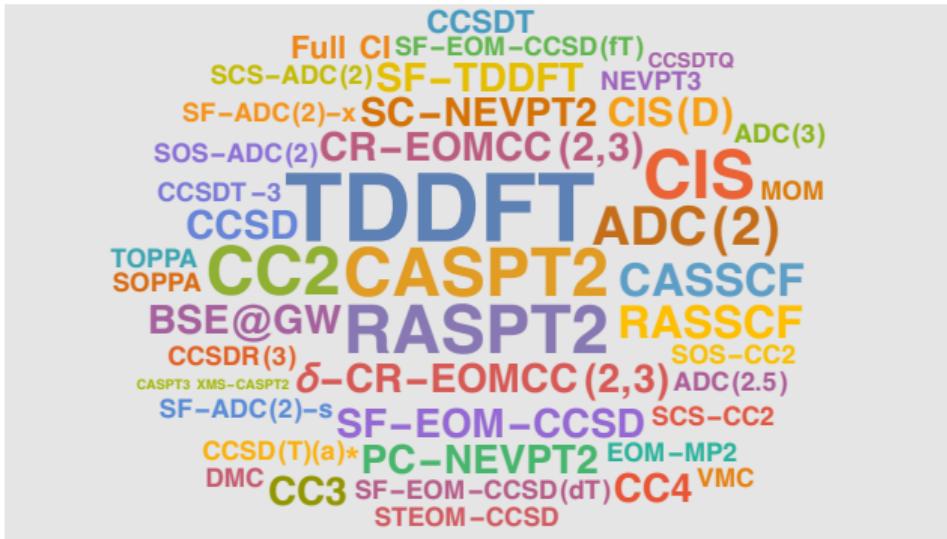


- ▶ #1: JCTC 14 (2018) 4360
- ▶ #2: JCTC 15 (2019) 1939; arXiv:2403.19597
- ▶ #3: JCTC 16 (2020) 1711
- ▶ #4: JCTC 16 (2020) 3720
- ▶ #5: WIREs 11 (2021) e1517
- ▶ #6: JCTC 17 (2021) 3666
- ▶ #7: JPCA 125 (2021) 10174
- ▶ #8: JCTC 19 (2023) 8782

## Zoo of functionals...

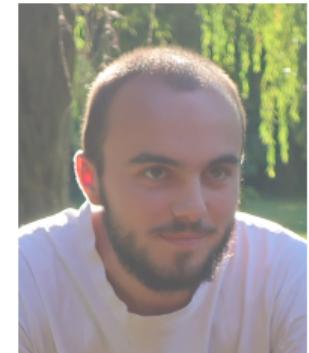
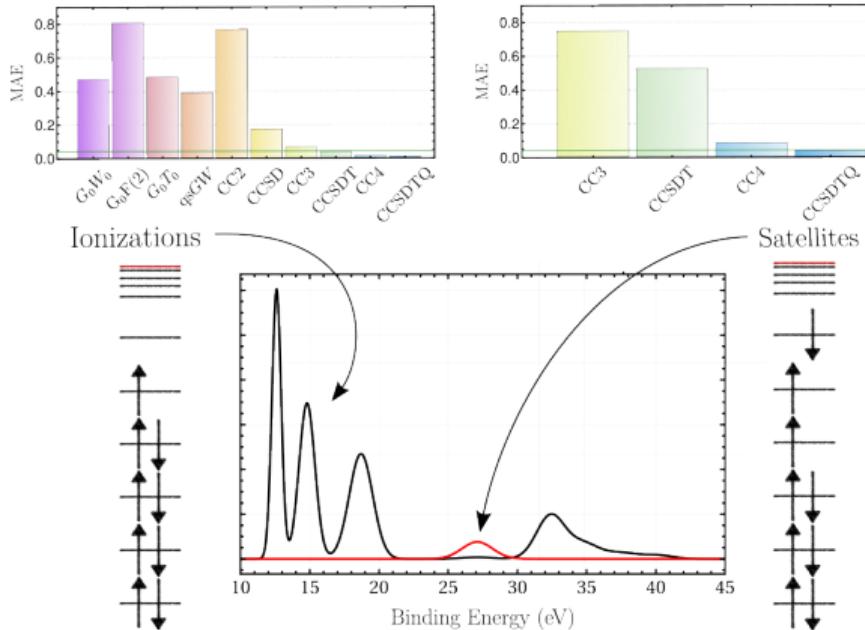


And this is just for excited states...



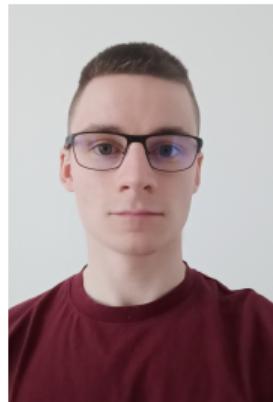
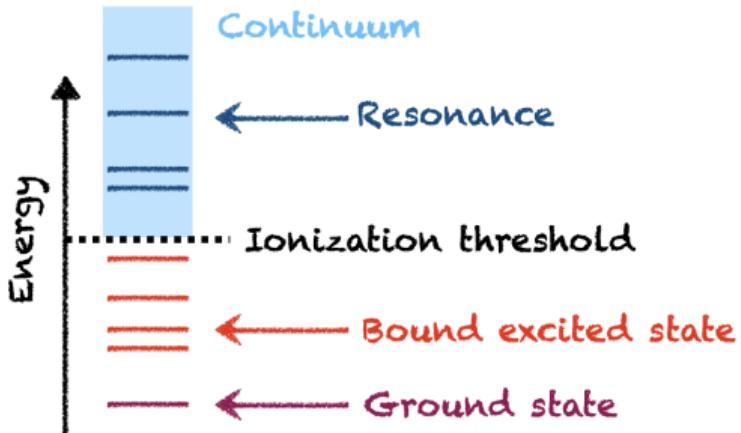
- ▶ Head-Gordon's group: orbital-optimized DFT for double excitations [JCTC 16 (2020) 1699; JPCL 12 (2021) 4517] and TD-DFT benchmark [JCTC 18 (2022) 3460]
- ▶ Kaupp's group: assessment of hybrid functionals [JCP 155 (2021) 124108]
- ▶ Kallay's and Goerigk's groups: double hybrids [JCTC 15 (2019) 4735; JCTC 17 (2021) 927; JCTC 17 (2021) 5165; JCTC 17 (2021) 4211]
- ▶ Truhlar/Gagliardi's group: p-DFT [JCTC 18 (2022) 6065]
- ▶ Bartlett's group: Variants of EOM-CC for doubly-excited states [JCP 156 (2022) 201102; JPCA 127 (2023) 828; JCP 159 (2023) 094101]
- ▶ Neuscamman's group: QMC for doubly-excited states [JCP 153 (2022) 234105]
- ▶ Filippi's group: QMC for excited states [JCTC 15 (2019) 4889; JCTC 17 (2021) 3426; JCTC 18 (2022) 1089; JCTC 18 (2022) 6722]
- ▶ Gould's group: ensemble DFT [JPCL 13 (2022) 2452]

# Extension to Charged Excitations



Antoine Marie (PhD)

Marie & Loos, arXiv:2402.13877

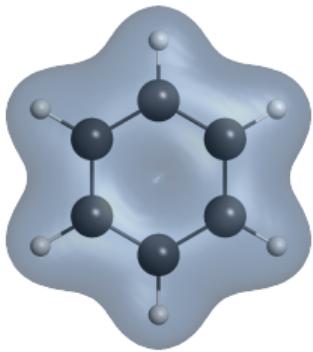


Yann Damour (PhD)



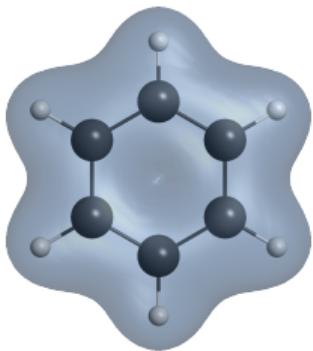
Fábris Kossoski (Postdoc)

## Photochemistry



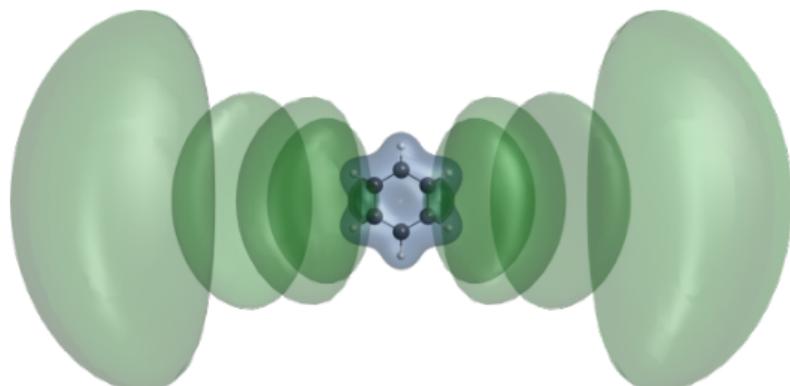
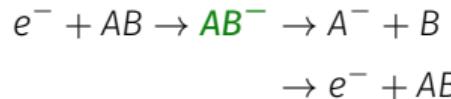
Bound state

## Photochemistry

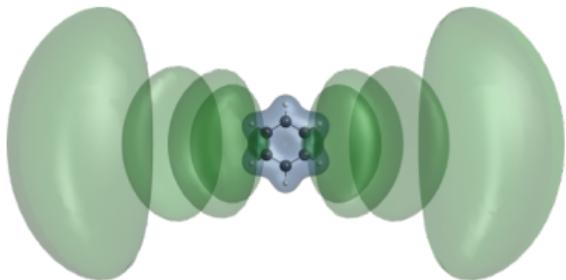


Bound state

## Low-energy electron-induced chemistry

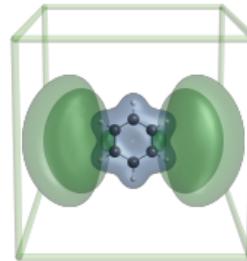
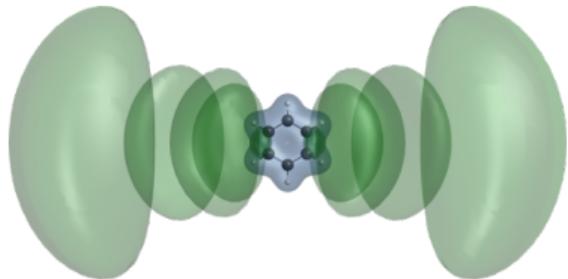


Resonance



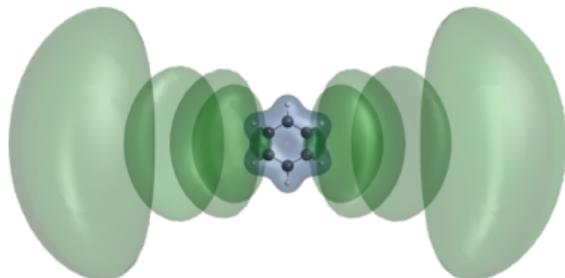
Jagau, Chem. Comm. 58 (2022) 5205

## Complex Absorbing Potential (CAP)

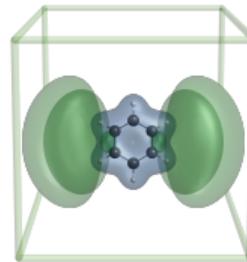
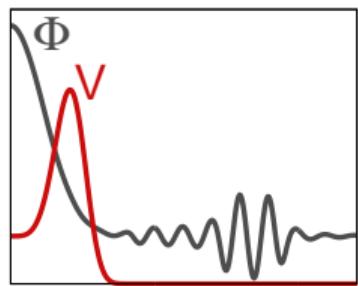


Jagau, Chem. Comm. 58 (2022) 5205

## Complex Absorbing Potential (CAP)

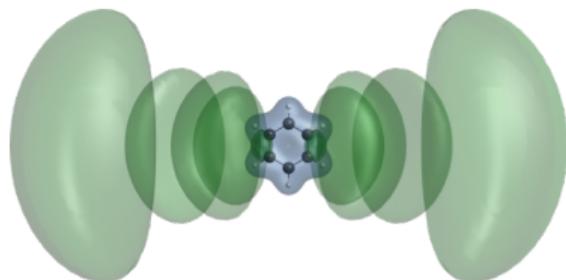


$$H = T + \textcolor{red}{V}$$

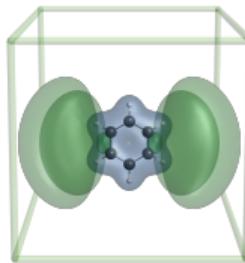
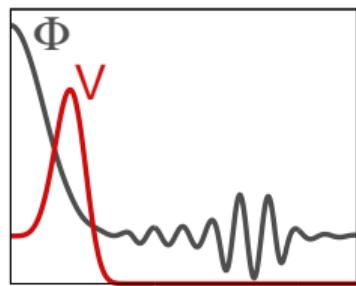


Jagau, Chem. Comm. 58 (2022) 5205

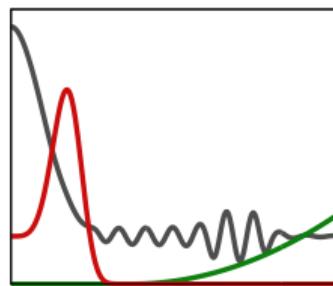
## Complex Absorbing Potential (CAP)



$$H = T + \textcolor{red}{V}$$

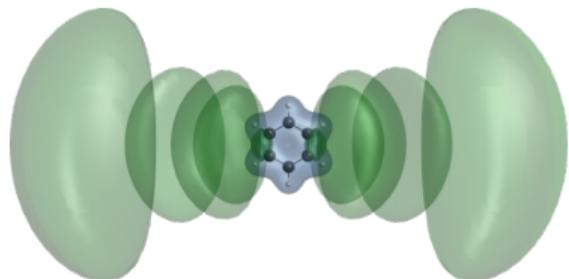


$$H(\eta) = T + \textcolor{red}{V} - i\eta W$$

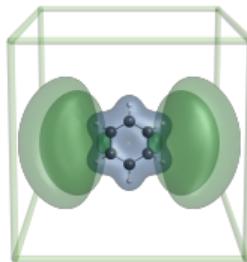
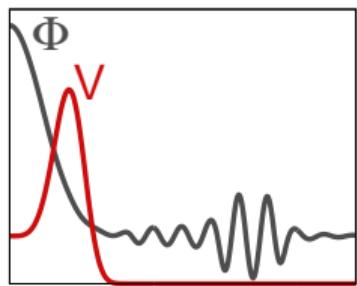


Jagau, Chem. Comm. 58 (2022) 5205

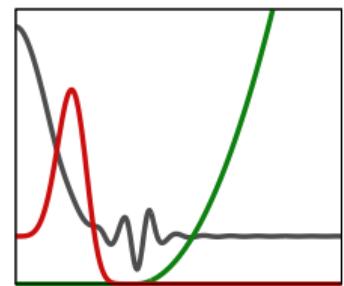
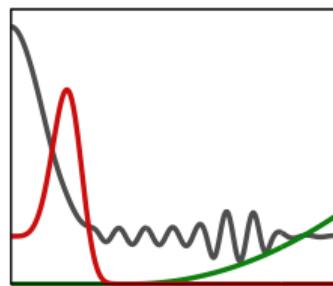
## Complex Absorbing Potential (CAP)



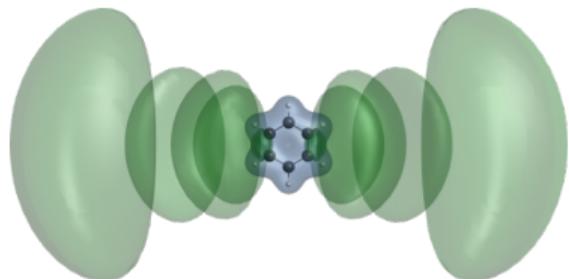
$$H = T + \textcolor{red}{V}$$



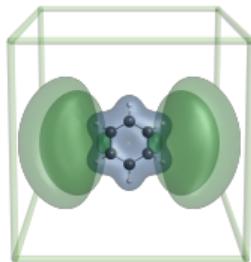
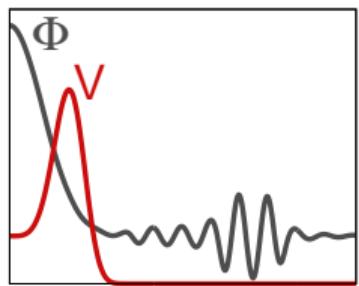
$$H(\eta) = T + \textcolor{red}{V} - i\eta W$$



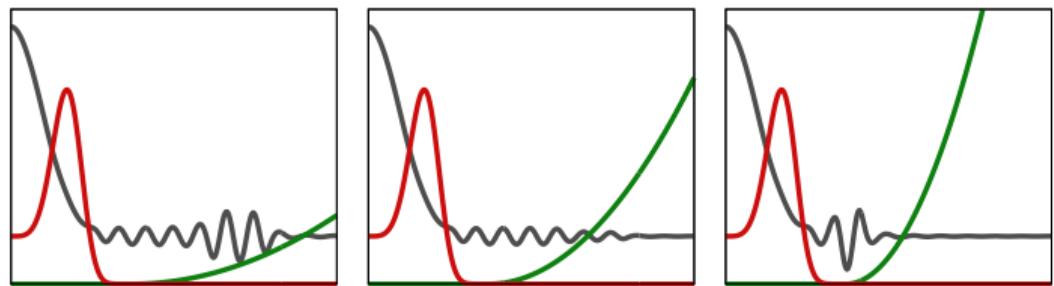
## Complex Absorbing Potential (CAP)



$$H = T + \textcolor{red}{V}$$



$$H(\eta) = T + \textcolor{red}{V} - i\eta W$$





Sara Giarrusso (Postdoc)

## Levy-Lieb constrained search

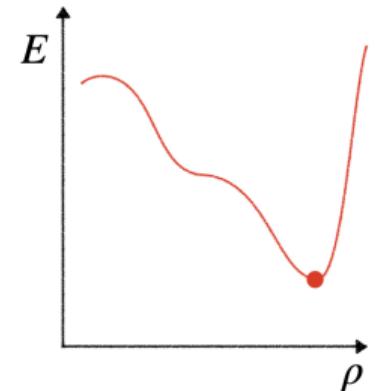
$$E = \min_{\rho} \left\{ F[\rho] + \int v(r) \rho(r) dr \right\}$$

Ground-state Functional

$$F[\rho] = \min_{\Psi} \langle \Psi | \hat{T} + \hat{V}_{ee} | \Psi \rangle$$

$\rho_{\Psi} = \rho$

Kinetic                      Repulsion



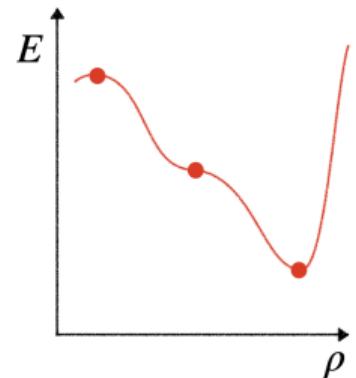
Levy PNAS 76 (1979) 6062; Lieb IJQC 24 (1983) 243

## Generalized constrained search for excited states

$$\text{mth excited-state energy} \quad E_m = \underset{\rho}{\text{stat}} \left\{ F_m[\rho] + \int v(r) \rho(r) dr \right\}$$

Excited-state functional

$$F_m[\rho] = \underset{\substack{\Psi \\ \rho_\Psi = \rho}}{\text{stat}} \langle \Psi | \hat{T} + \hat{V}_{ee} | \Psi \rangle$$



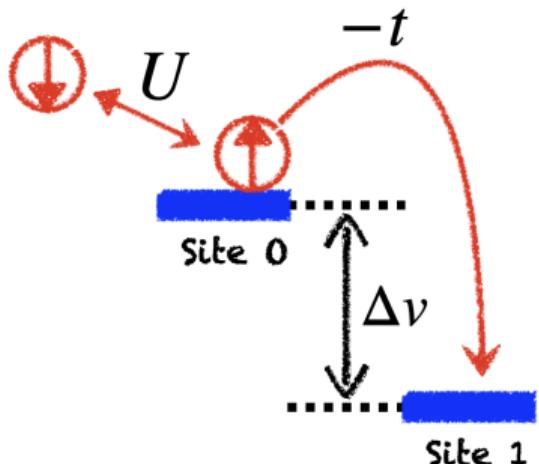
Görling PRA 54 (1996) 3912

## Generic wave function

$$|\Psi\rangle = x|0_{\uparrow}0_{\downarrow}\rangle + y\frac{|0_{\uparrow}1_{\downarrow}\rangle - |0_{\downarrow}1_{\uparrow}\rangle}{\sqrt{2}} + z|1_{\uparrow}1_{\downarrow}\rangle$$

Energy

$$T = -2\sqrt{2}ty(x+z) \quad V_{ee} = U(x^2 + z^2) \quad V_{ext} = \rho \Delta v$$



## Normalization

$$x^2 + y^2 + z^2 = 1 \Rightarrow \text{This is a sphere!}$$

## Density

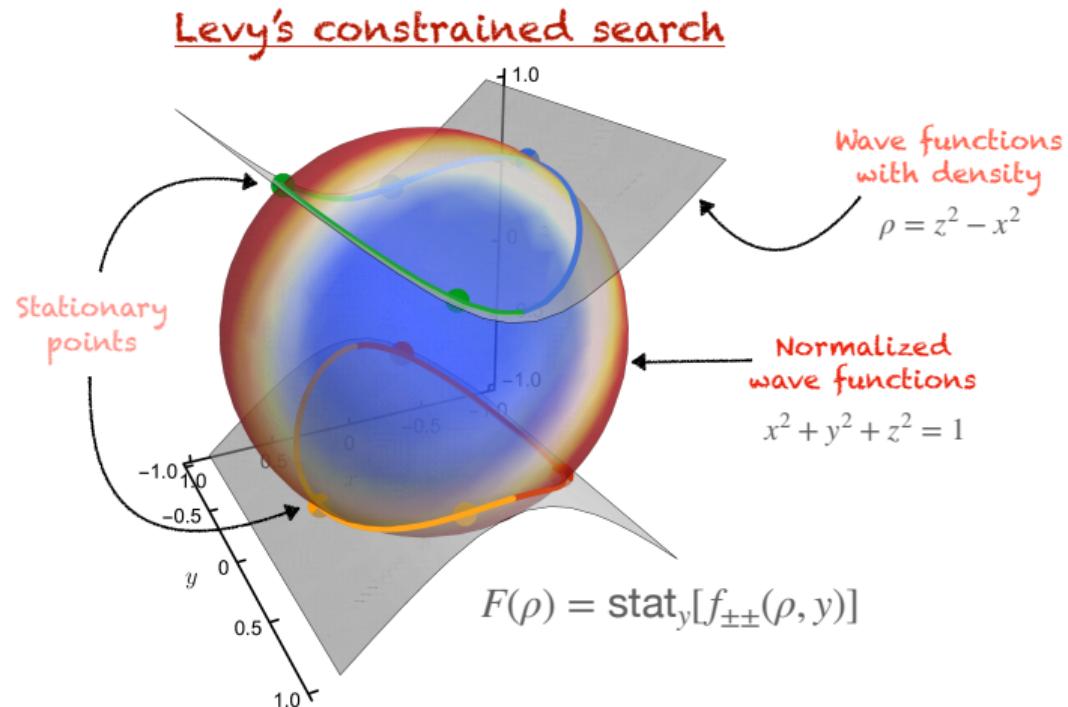
$$\rho = z^2 - x^2 \Rightarrow \text{This is a parabola!}$$

## Stationary condition

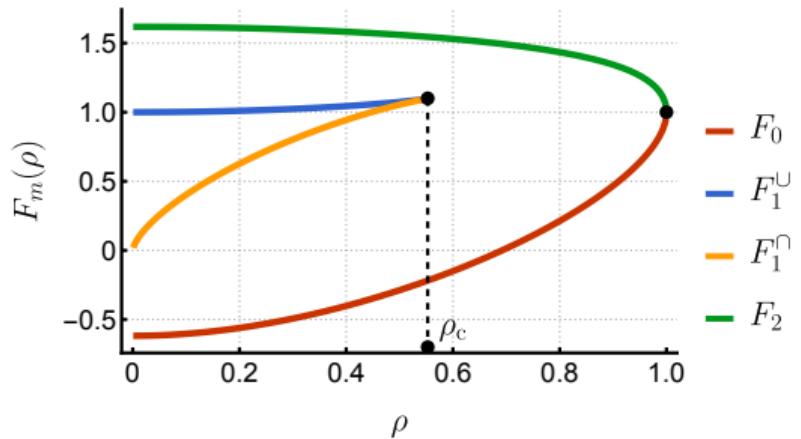
$$F(\rho) = \underset{\substack{\Psi \\ \rho_\Psi = \rho}}{\text{stat}} \langle \Psi | \hat{T} + \hat{V}_{ee} | \Psi \rangle = \underset{\substack{\Psi \\ \rho_\Psi = \rho}}{\text{stat}} \left[ -2\sqrt{2}ty(x+z) + U(x^2 + z^2) \right] = \underset{y}{\text{stat}} [f_{\pm\pm}(\rho, y)]$$

$$f_{\pm\pm}(\rho, y) = -2ty \left( \pm \sqrt{1 - y^2 - \rho} \pm \sqrt{1 - y^2 + \rho} \right) + U(1 - y^2)$$

# Geometrical Perspective of the Levy-Lieb Constrained Search



## Exact Functionals of asymmetric Hubbard dimer



Giarrusso & Loos, JPCL 14 (2023) 8780

## Future developments

- ▶ Practical Kohn-Sham scheme [Giarrusso & Loos, in preparation]
- ▶ State-specific functionals for realistic systems at the TD-DFT &  $\Delta$ SCF levels

- ▶ Antoine Marie, Enzo Monino, Roberto Orlando & Yann Damour
- ▶ Abdallah Ammar, Sara Giarrusso, Raúl Quintero-Monsebaiz & Fábris Kossoski
- ▶ Anthony Scemama
- ▶ Denis Jacquemin
- ▶ Martial Boggio-Pasqua
- ▶ Michel Caffarel



**European Research Council**  
Established by the European Commission

[https://pfloos.github.io/WEB\\_LOOS](https://pfloos.github.io/WEB_LOOS)

<https://lcpq.github.io/PTEROSOR>