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*Chapter 1*

## NOMENCLATURE

What follows is uses the restricted Hartree-Fock formalism with doubly occupied

	Symbol	Description
spatial orbitals.	$i, j, k, l$	Occupied orbitals
	$a, b, c, d$	Virtual orbitals
	$p, q, r, s$	General MO basis
	$\mu, \nu, \lambda, \sigma$	AO basis
	$(\mu\nu \lambda\sigma)$	Two-electron integrals



## Chapter 2

### $G_0W_0$

#### 2.1 Interpretive procedure

The procedure that was used to compute the quasiparticle energies is given by the below equation:

$$\delta_{pq} F_{pq}^{HF} [\gamma^{DFT}] + \Sigma_p^{corr}(\varepsilon_p^{QP}) = \varepsilon_p^{QP} \quad (2.1)$$

We explain the notation starting from left to right. The first term corresponds to taking the diagonal  $\delta_{pq}$  of the Hartree-Fock matrix  $F_{pq}^{HF}$  evaluated at a given electron density  $\gamma$ . These electron densities are obtained from a previous mean-field calculation, either  $\gamma_{DFT}$  or  $\gamma_{HF}$ . The second term evaluates the real part of the correlation self-energy for the  $\varepsilon_p^{QP}$  determined in the previous iteration. The right side of the equality gives the updated quasiparticle energy.

#### The Fock Matrix

In the basis of atomic orbitals, this is given by:

$$F_{\mu\nu}^{HF} = h_{\mu\nu} + \sum_{\lambda\sigma} P_{\lambda\sigma} (\mu\nu|\lambda\sigma) - \frac{1}{2} \sum_{\lambda\sigma} P_{\lambda\sigma} (\mu\lambda|\nu\sigma) \quad (2.2)$$

where  $h_{\mu\nu}$  is the one-electron part of the Hamiltonian,  $P_{\lambda\sigma}$  is the density matrix, and  $(\mu\nu|\lambda\sigma)$  is one of the two-electron integrals. Cite Szabo. This is the simple form of the Hartree-Fock matrix that we want to use here and not the DFT Fock matrix. We transform this Fock matrix into the MO basis with:

$$F_{pq} = \sum_{\mu} \sum_{\nu} C_{\mu p}^* F_{\mu\nu} C_{\nu q} \quad (2.3)$$

where  $C$  is the matrix of MO coefficients. Another useful identity is for the density matrix in terms of the MO coefficients from the mean-field calculation:

$$P_{\mu\nu} = 2 \sum_{i=1}^{N/2} C_{\mu i} C_{\nu i}^* \quad (2.4)$$

We note that the sum runs only over the  $N/2$  occupied *spatial* orbitals.

#### Real Correlation-Solve Energy

This is the second term in 2.1. It is dynamic, as opposed to the previous Fock term that was discussed, as it is updated with a new quasiparticle energy in each

iteration. In the case of the  $G_0W_0$  approximation, we are only interested in the diagonal element of  $\Sigma^{corr}$  corresponding to the orbital with index  $p$ . This function is evaluated at the QP energy  $\varepsilon_p^{QP}$  just obtained in the previous iteration. We will go into greater detail about the form of  $\Sigma^{corr}$  in the next chapter.

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*Appendix A*

## QUESTIONNAIRE

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## CONSENT FORM



POCKET MATERIAL: MAP OF CASE STUDY SOLAR  
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