

Introduction to GW in QE: the GWL code

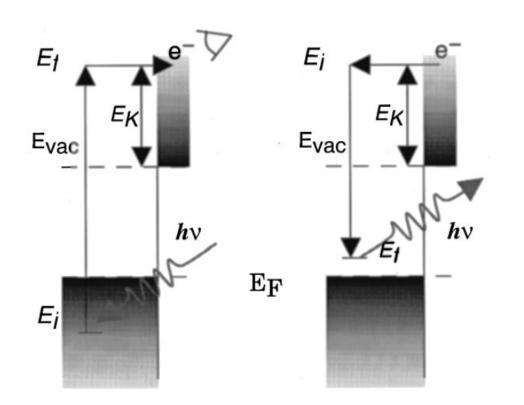
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Summary

- General introduction
- Applications
- GWL
 - analytic continuation
 - no summation over empty states
 - optimal representation of large sets of vectors
 - use of Lanczos chain
 - optimal basis set for the polarizability

What quantities are we looking for?



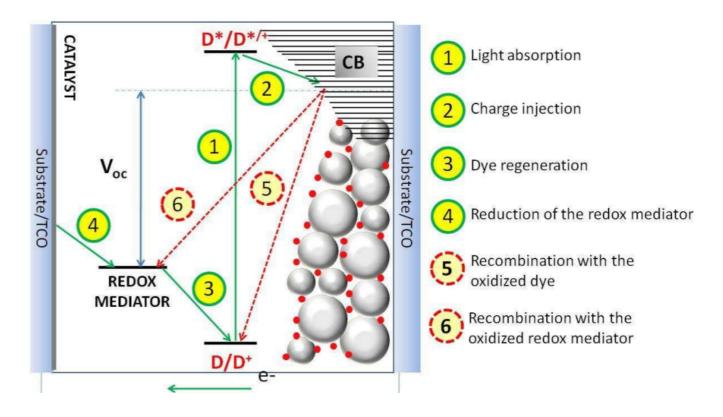
Photoemission:

Experimentally we access difference of total energies between the neutral N-particle ground state and charged N+1 or N-1 particle excited states.

$$h\nu = E_f - E_i = E_{kin} + (E^*(N-1) - E^0(N))$$
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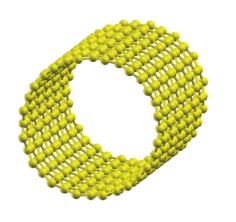
Why?

The knowledge of electronic-energy level alignments, of defect levels, etc.. is extremely important for device design in photovoltaics, electronics, opto-electronics, catalysis etc...



In dye-sensitized solar cells the alignment of the electronic levels of the different part of the device is crucial for cells' functioning and performance.

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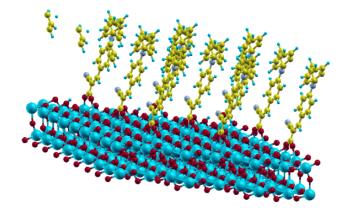
Carbon Nanotubes

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Zn-Phthalocyanine

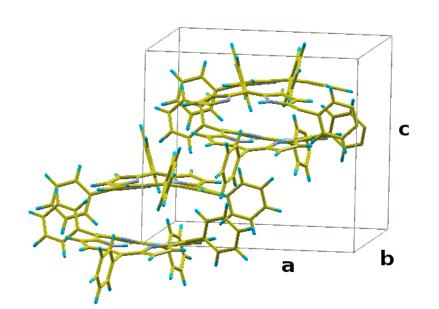
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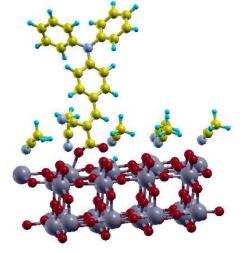
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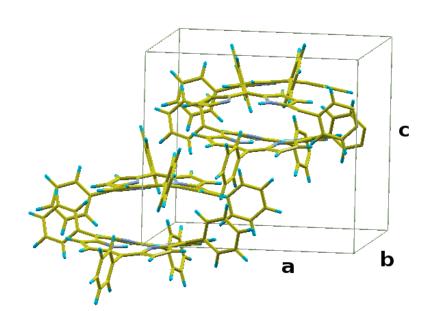
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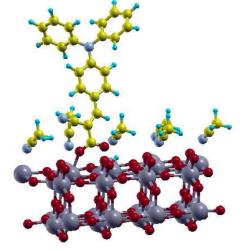
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SYSTEMS WITH MORE THAN 900 ELECTRONS!!

GW standard approach

One of the main bottleneck of GW calculations arise from the computation of the electronic dielectric function.

$$\epsilon(r, r'; \omega) = \delta(r - r') - \int dr'' v(r - r'') P(r'', r', \omega)$$

$$P^{0}(r, r'; \omega) = \sum_{ij} (f_{i} - f_{j}) \frac{\Psi_{i}(r)\Psi_{j}^{*}(r)\Psi_{j}(r')\Psi_{i}^{*}(r')}{\omega - (\epsilon_{j} - \epsilon_{i}) + i\eta}$$

Computationally demanding for:

- sum over empty states
- dimension and frequency dependence of dielectric matrix

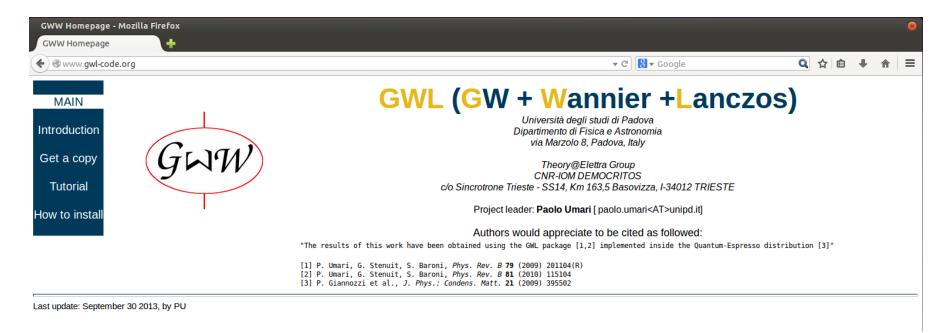
GWL

GWL main features:

- Perturbative G₀W₀ approach for large and inhomogeneous systems
- No summation on empty states
- Optimal basis set for the polarizability
- Polarizability and self-energy operators are expressed through a set of linear-response equations solved using the Lanczos-chain algorithm
- Full frequency dependence of the screening (no plasmonpole)
- Mixed openmp and mpi parallelization

GWL

- GWL is downloaded directly within the QE distribution
- pw.x make.sys should work so GWL can be compiled simply by typing:
 make gwl
 in QE main directory.
- <u>www.gwl-code.org</u> is the code website where you can find tutorials and the user manual.



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Expectation values computed on an imaginary frequency grid and then fitted to a multipole function. (Some) input variables:



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3) Use lanczos-chain algorithm to compute: $\ \langle t_lpha | (H - \epsilon_v + i \omega)^{-1} | t_eta
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The effort is reduced if we find an optimal set of vectors, in terms of which we decompose the vectors belonging to the original set.

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This procedure is called singular value decomposition (SVD). Important input variable: n pola lanczos it defines the number of eigenvectors to be kept.

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4) We perform an other SVD among the blocks keeping the eigenvectors with eigenvalue above a threshold value s.

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GWL tricks at work: (2) optimal representations

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This procedure is part of the so called Lanczos-chain algorithm.

Important input variable: n_steps_lanczos_pola, it determines the dimension of the vectors chain.

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Summary of algorithms and relevant input variables

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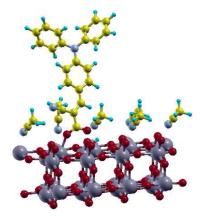
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GWW approach at work: (1) no summation on empty states

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GWL approach

GWL is used to compute GW corrections for systems with more than 900 electrons. What makes this possible?

- ✓ Use of optimal representations when expensive operations on large sets of vectors are needed.
- ✓ Use of lanczos chain algorithm for the computation of response functions.
- ✓ Use of maximally localized Wannier functions.
- ✓ Exact removal of summation over empty states. (In traditional approaches the number of empty states to be considered is ~4 times the number of valence bands!)