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Chapter 1

Introduction

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Charge carrier dynamics in an organic semiconductor can often be described in terms of charge hopping between localized states. The hopping rates depend on electronic coupling elements, reorganization energies, and site energies, which vary as a function of position and orientation of the molecules. The purpose of the VOTCA-XTP package [1] is to simplify the workflow for charge transport simulations, provide a uniform error-control for the methods, flexible platform for their development, and eventually allow *in silico* prescreening of organic semiconductors for specific applications.

The toolkit is implemented using modular concepts introduced earlier in the Versatile Objectoriented Toolkit for Coarse-graining Applications (VOTCA) [2]. It contains different programs, which execute specific tasks implemented in calculators representing an individual step in the workflow. Figure 1.1 summarizes a typical chain of commands to perform a charge transport simulation: First, the VOTCA code structures are adapted to reading atomistic trajectories, mapping them onto conjugated segments and rigid fragments, and substituting (if needed) rigid fragments with the optimized copies (xtp_map). The programs xtp_run and xtp_parallel (for heavy-duty tasks) are then used to calculate all bimolecular charge hopping rates (via precalculation of all required ingredients). Site energies (or energetic disorder) can be determined as a combination of internal (ionization potentials/electron affinities of single molecules) as well as electrostatic and polarization contributions within the molecular environment. The calculation of electronic coupling elements between conjugated segments from the corresponding molecular orbitals can be performed using a dimer-projection technique based on density-functional theory (DFT). This requires explicit calculations using quantum-chemistry software for which we provide interfaces to Gaussian, Turbomole, and NWChem. Alternatively, the molecular orbital overlap module calculates electronic coupling elements relying on the semi-empirical INDO Hamiltonian and molecular orbitals in the format provided by the Gaussian package.

The kinetic Monte Carlo module reads in the neighbor list, site coordinates, and hopping rates and performs charge dynamics simulations using either periodic boundary conditions or charge sources and sinks.

The toolkit is written as a combination of modular C++ code and scripts. The data transfer be-

tween programs is implemented via a state file (sql database), which is also used to restart simulations. Analysis functions and most of the calculation routines are encapsulated by using the
observer pattern [3] which allows the implementation of new functions as individual modules.
In the following chapter 2, we summarize the theoretical background of the workflow of charge
transport simulations and in particular its individual steps. Chapter 3 describes the structure and
content of input and output files, while a full reference of programs and calculators is available
in chapter 4. For a hands-on tutorial, the reader is referred to the VOTCA-XTP project page at
http://code.google.com/p/votca-xtp/.

Figure 1.1: A practical workflow of charge transport simulations using VOTCA-XTP. The theoretical background of the individual steps is given in chapter 2. Chapter 3 describes the content of input and output files, while a full reference of programs and calculators is available in chapter 4.

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Chapter 2

Theoretical background

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2.1 Workflow

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- A typical workflow of charge transport simulations is depicted in figure 2.1. The first step is the simulation of an atomistic morphology, which is then partitioned on hopping sites. The
- coordinates of the hopping sites are used to construct a list of pairs of molecules, or neighbor list.



Figure 2.1: Workflow for microscopic simulations of charge transport.

- 45 For each pair an electronic coupling element, a reorganization energy, a driving force, and even-
- tually the hopping rate are evaluated. The neighbor list and hopping rates define a directed
- 47 graph. The corresponding master equation is solved using the kinetic Monte Carlo method,
- which allows to explicitly monitor the charge dynamics in the system as well as to calculate time
- or ensemble averages of occupation probabilities, charge fluxes, correlation functions, and field-
- 50 dependent mobilities.

2.2 Material morphology

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There is no generic recipe on how to predict a large-scale atomistically-resolved morphology of

an organic semiconductor. The required methods are system-specific: for ultra-pure crystals, for



Figure 2.2: The concept of conjugated segments and rigid fragments. Dashed lines indicate conjugated segments while colors denote rigid fragments. (a) Hexabenzocoronene: the π -conjugated system is both a rigid fragment and a conjugated segment. (b) Alq_3 : the Al atom and each ligand are rigid fragments while the whole molecule is a conjugated segment. (c) Polythiophene: each repeat unit is a rigid fragment. A conjugated segment consists of one or more rigid fragments. One molecule can have several conjugated segments.

fig:segment

example, density-functional methods can be used provided the crystal structure is known from experiment. For partially disordered organic semiconductors, however, system sizes much larger than a unit cell are required. Classical molecular dynamics or Monte Carlo techniques are then the methods of choice.

In molecular dynamics, atoms are represented by point masses which interact via empirical potentials prescribed by a force-field. Force-fields are parametrized for a limited set of compounds and their refinement is often required for new molecules. In particular, special attention shall be paid to torsion potentials between successive repeat units of conjugated polymers or between functional groups and the π -conjugated system. First-principles methods can be used to characterize the missing terms of the potential energy function.

Self-assembling materials, such as soluble oligomers, discotic liquid crystals, block copolymers, partially crystalline polymers, etc., are the most complicated to study. The morphology of such systems often has several characteristic length scales and can be kinetically arrested in a thermodynamically non-equilibrium state. For such systems, the time- and length-scales of atomistic simulations might be insufficient to equilibrate or sample desired morphologies. In this case, systematic coarse-graining can be used to enhance sampling [2]. Note that the coarse-grained representation must reflect the structure of the atomistic system and allow for back-mapping to the atomistic resolution.

Here we assume that the morphology is already known, that is we know how the topology and the coordinates of all atoms in the systems at a given time. VOTCA-XTP can read standard GROMACS topology files. Custom definitions of atomistic topology via XML files are also possible. Since the description of the atomistic topology is the first step in the charge transport simulations, it is important to follow simple conventions on how the system is partitioned on molecules, residues, and how atoms are named in the topology. Required input files are described in section atomistic topology.

2.3 Conjugated segments and rigid fragments

With the morphology at hand, the next step is partitioning the system on hopping sites, or conjugated segments, and calculating charge transfer rates between them. Physically intuitive arguments can be used for the partitioning, which reflects the localization of the wave function of a charge. For most organic semiconductors, the molecular architecture includes relatively rigid, planar π -conjugated systems, which we will refer to as rigid fragments. A conjugated segment can contain one or more of such rigid fragments, which are linked by bonded degrees of freedom.

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The dynamics of these degrees of freedom evolves on timescales much slower than the frequency of the internal promoting mode. In some cases, e.g. glasses, it can be 'frozen' due to non-bonded interactions with the surrounding molecules.

To illustrate the concept of conjugated segments and rigid fragments, three representative molecular architectures are shown in figure 2.2. The first one is a typical discotic liquid crystal, hex-90 abenzocoronene. It consists of a conjugated core to which side chains are attached to aid self-91 assembly and solution processing. In this case the orbitals localized on side chains do not partic-92 ipate in charge transport and the conjugated π -system is both, a rigid fragment and a conjugated 94 segment. In Alq₃, a metal-coordinated compound, a charge carrier is delocalized over all three ligands. Hence, the whole molecule is one conjugated segment. Individual ligands are relatively 95 rigid, while energies of the order of k_BT are sufficient to reorient them with respect to each other. Thus the Al atom and the three ligands are rigid fragments. In the case of a conjugated polymer, one molecule can consist of several conjugated segments, while each backbone repeat unit is a rigid fragment. Since the conjugation along the backbone can be broken due to large out-of-plane gg twists between two repeat units, an empirical criterion, based on the dihedral angle, can be used to partition the backbone on conjugated segments [4]. However, such intuitive partitioning is, to 10 some extent, arbitrary and shall be validated by other methods [5–7]. 102

After partitioning, an additional step is often required to remove bond length fluctuations introduced by molecular dynamics simulations, since they are already integrated out in the derivation of the rate expression. This is achieved by substituting respective molecular fragments with rigid, planar π -systems optimized using first-principles methods. Centers of mass and gyration tensors are used to align rigid fragments, though a custom definition of local axes is also possible. Such a procedure also minimizes discrepancies between the force-field and first-principles-based ground state geometries of conjugated segments, which might be important for calculations of electronic couplings, reorganization energies, and intramolecular driving forces.

To partition the system on hopping sites and substitute rigid fragments with the corresponding ground-state geometries xtp_map program is used: xtp_map -t topol.tpr -c traj.xtc -s map.xml -f state.sql It reads in the GROMACS topology (topol.tpr) and trajectory (traj.xtc) files, definitions of conjugated segments and rigid fragments (map.xml) and outputs coordinates of conjugated segments (hopping sites) and rigid fragments (as provided in the MD trajectory and after rigidification) to the state file (state.sql). In order to do this, a mapping file map.xml has to be provided, which specifies the corresponding atoms in the different representations. After this step, all information (frame number, dimensions of the simulation box, etc) are stored in the state file and only this file is used for further calculations.

VOTCA-XTP requires a wrapped trajectory for mapping the segments and fragments, so all molecules should be whole in the frame.

In order to visually check the mapping one can use either the tdump calculator or the programm xtp_dump with the calculator trajectory2pdb.

124 xtp_dump -f state.sql -e trajectory2pdb

It reads in the state file created by xtp_map and outputs two trajectory files corresponding to the original and rigidified atom coordinates. To check the mapping, it is useful to superimpose the three outputs (original atomistic, atomistic stored in the state file, and rigidified according to ground state geometries), e.g., with VMD.

129 xtp_run -f state.sql -o options.xml -e tdump

130 It also reads in the state file but appends the coordinates to a pdb. file. So make sure to delete old QM.pdb 131 and MD.pdb if you want to create a new imagef

2.4 Neighbor list

A list of neigboring conjugated segments, or neighbor list, contains all pairs of conjugated segments for which coupling elements, reorganization energies, site energy differences, and rates are evaluated.

Two segments are added to this list if the distance between centers of mass of any of their rigid fragments is below a certain cutoff. This allows neighbors to be selected on a criterion of minimum distance of approach

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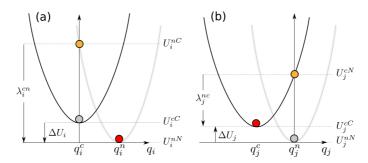


Figure 2.3: Potential energy surfaces of (a) donor and (b) acceptor in charged and neutral states. After the change of the charge state both molecules relax their nuclear coordinates. If all vibrational modes are treated classically, the total internal reorganization energy and the internal energy difference of the electron transfer reaction are $\lambda_{ij}^{\text{int}} = \lambda_i^{cn} + \lambda_j^{nc}$ and $\Delta E_{ij}^{\text{int}} = \Delta U_i - \Delta U_j$, respectively.

rather than center of mass distance, which is useful for molecules with anisotropic shapes. 137

The neighbor list can be generated from the atomistic trajectory by using the neighborlist calculator.

This calculator requires a cutoff, which can be specified in the options.xml file. The list is saved to the

state.sql file: xtp_run -o options.xml -f state.sql -e neighborlist

Reorganization energy

The reorganization energy λ_{ij} takes into account the change in nuclear (and dielectric) degrees of freedom 142 as the charge moves from donor i to acceptor j. It has two contributions: intramolecular, λ_{ij}^{int} , which is 143 due to reorganization of nuclear coordinates of the two molecules forming the charge transfer complex, 144 and intermolecular (outersphere), λ_{ij}^{out} , which is due to the relaxation of the nuclear coordinates of the 145 environment. In what follows we discuss how these contributions can be calculated.

Intramolecular reorganization energy 2.5.1

If intramolecular vibrational modes of the two molecules are treated classically, the rearrangement of their nuclear coordinates after charge transfer results in the dissipation of the internal reorganization energy, 149 λ_{ij}^{int} . It can be computed from four points on the potential energy surfaces (PES) of both molecules in 150 neutral and charged states, as indicated in figure 2.3. 151

Adding the contributions due to discharging of molecule i and charging of molecule j yields [8]

$$\lambda_{ij}^{int} = \lambda_i^{cn} + \lambda_j^{nc} = U_i^{nC} - U_i^{nN} + U_j^{cN} - U_j^{cC} \,. \tag{2.1} \quad \text{equilambdas}$$

Here U_i^{nC} is the internal energy of the neutral molecule i in the geometry of its charged state (small n denotes the state and capital C the geometry). Similarly, U_i^{cN} is the energy of the charged molecule j in the geometry of its neutral state. Note that the PES of the donor and acceptor are not identical for chemically different compounds or for conformers of the same molecule. In this case $\lambda_i^{cn} \neq \lambda_i^{cn}$ and $\lambda_i^{nc} \neq \lambda_i^{nc}$. Thus λ_{ij}^{int} is a property of the charge transfer complex, and not of a single molecule.

157 Intramolecular reorganization energies for discharging (λ^{cn}) and charging (λ^{nc}) of a molecule need to be determined using quantum-chemistry and given in map.xml. The values are written to the state.sql 159 using the calculator einternal (see also internal energy): xtp_run -o options.xml -f state.sql 160 -e einternal

Outersphere reorganization energy

During the charge transfer reaction, also the molecules outside the charge transfer complex reorient and polarize in order to adjust for changes in electric potential, resulting in the outersphere contribution to the

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reorganization energy. λ_{ij}^{out} is particularly important if charge transfer occurs in a polarizable environment. Assuming that charge transfer is much slower than electronic polarization but much faster than nuclear rearrangement of the environment, λ_{ij}^{out} can be calculated from the electric displacement fields created by the charge transfer complex [?]

$$\lambda_{ij}^{out} = \frac{c_p}{2\epsilon_0} \int_{Vout} dV \left[\vec{D}_I(\vec{r}) - \vec{D}_F(\vec{r}) \right]^2 , \qquad (2.2) \text{ equ:lambda_outer1}$$

where ϵ_0 is the the permittivity of free space, $\vec{D}_{I,F}(\vec{r})$ are the electric displacement fields created by the 169 charge transfer complex in the initial (charge on molecule i) and final (charge transferred to molecule j) 170 states, V^{out} is the volume outside the complex, and $c_p=\frac{1}{\epsilon_{opt}}-\frac{1}{\epsilon_s}$ is the Pekar factor, which is determined by the low (ϵ_s) and high (ϵ_{opt}) frequency dielectric permittivities. Eq. (2.2) can be simplified by assuming spherically symmetric charge distributions on molecules i and j 173 with total charge e. Integration over the volume V^{out} outside of the two spheres of radii R_i and R_j centered 174

on molecules i and j leads to the classical Marcus expression for the outersphere reorganization energy

$$\lambda_{ij}^{out} = \frac{c_p e^2}{4\pi\epsilon_0} \left(\frac{1}{2R_i} + \frac{1}{2R_j} - \frac{1}{r_{ij}} \right), \tag{2.3} \quad \text{equ:lambda_outer2}$$

where r_{ij} is the molecular separation. While eq. (2.3) captures the main physics, e.g. predicts smaller outer-sphere reorganization energies (higher rates) for molecules at smaller separations, it often cannot 177 provide quantitative estimates, since charge distributions are rarely spherically symmetric. 178 Alternatively, the displacement fields can be constructed using the atomic partial charges. The difference of the displacement fields at the position of an atom b_k outside the charge transfer complex (molecule $k \neq i, j$) 180 can be expressed as

$$\vec{D}_{I}(\vec{r}_{b_{k}}) - \vec{D}_{F}(\vec{r}_{b_{k}}) = \sum_{a_{i}} \frac{q_{a_{i}}^{c} - q_{a_{i}}^{n}}{4\pi} \frac{(\vec{r}_{b_{k}} - \vec{r}_{a_{i}})}{|\vec{r}_{b_{k}} - \vec{r}_{a_{i}}|^{3}} + \sum_{a_{i}} \frac{q_{a_{j}}^{n} - q_{a_{j}}^{c}}{4\pi} \frac{(\vec{r}_{b_{k}} - \vec{r}_{a_{j}})}{|\vec{r}_{b_{k}} - \vec{r}_{a_{j}}|^{3}},$$
(2.4)

charges of neutral and charged molecules are obtained by fitting their values to reproduce the electrostatic 183 potential of a single molecule (charged or neutral) in vacuum. Assuming a uniform density of atoms, the integration in eq. (2.2) can be rewritten as a density-weighted sum over all atoms excluding those of the 185 charge transfer complex. 186 The remaining unknown needed to calculate λ_{ij}^{out} is the Pekar factor, c_p . In polar solvents $\epsilon_s \gg \epsilon_{opt} \sim 1$ 187 and c_p is of the order of 1. In most organic semiconductors, however, molecular orientations are fixed and 188 therefore the low frequency dielectric permittivity is of the same order of magnitude as ϵ_{opt} . Hence, c_p is 189 small and its value is very sensitive to differences in the permittivities.

where $q_{a_i}^n$ $(q_{a_i}^c)$ is the partial charge of atom a of the neutral (charged) molecule i in vacuum. The partial

Outersphere reorganization energies for all pairs of molecules in the neighbor list can be computed from 191 the atomistic trajectory by using the eoutersphere calculator.

Two methods can be used to compute λ_{ij}^{out} . The first method uses the atomistic partial charges of neutral 193 and charged molecules from files specified in map.xml and eq. (2.2). The Pekar factor c_p and a cutoff 194 radius based on molecular centers of mass have to be specified in the options.xml file. 195

If this method is computationally prohibitive, λ_{ij}^{out} *can be computed using eq.* (2.3), which assumes spherical charge distributions on the molecules. In this case the radii of these spheres are specified in segments.xml, 197 while the Pekar factor c_p is given in the options.xml file and no cutoff radius is needed. 198

The outer sphere reorganization energies are saved to the state.sql file: xtp_run -o options.xml -f state.sql -e outersphere

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A charge transfer reaction between molecules i and j is driven by the site energy difference, $\Delta E_{ij} =$ $E_i - E_j$. Since the transfer rate, ω_{ij} , depends exponentially on ΔE_{ij} (see eq. (2.31)) it is important to compute its distribution as accurately as possible. The total site energy difference has contributions

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due to externally applied electric field, electrostatic interactions, polarization effects, and internal energy differences. In what follows we discuss how to estimate these contributions by making use of first-principles calculations and polarizable force-fields.

2.6.1 Externally applied electric field

The contribution to the total site energy difference due to an external electric field \vec{F} is given by $\Delta E_{ij}^{ext} = q\vec{F} \cdot \vec{r}_{ij}$, where $q = \pm e$ is the charge and $\vec{r}_{ij} = \vec{r}_i - \vec{r}_j$ is a vector connecting molecules i and j. For typical distances between small molecules, which are of the order of $1 \, \mathrm{nm}$, and moderate fields of $F < 10^8 \, \mathrm{V/m}$ this term is always smaller than $0.1 \, \mathrm{eV}$.

2.6.2 Internal energy

The contribution to the site energy difference due to different internal energies (see figure 2.3) can be written as

$$\Delta E_{ij}^{int} = \Delta U_i - \Delta U_j = \left(U_i^{cC} - U_i^{nN} \right) - \left(U_j^{cC} - U_j^{nN} \right) , \tag{2.5} \quad \text{equ:conformational}$$

where $U_i^{cC(nN)}$ is the total energy of molecule i in the charged (neutral) state and geometry. ΔU_i corresponds to the adiabatic ionization potential (or electron affinity) of molecule i, as shown in figure 2.3. For one-component systems and negligible conformational changes $\Delta E_{ij}^{int} = 0$, while it is significant for donor-acceptor systems.

Internal energies determined using quantum-chemistry need to be specified in map.xml. The values are written to the state.sql using the calculator einternal (see also intramolecular reorganization energy): xtp_run -o options.xml -f state.sql -e einternal

2.6.3 Electrostatic interaction energy

We represent the molecular charge density by choosing multiple expansion sites ("polar sites") per molecule in such a way as to accurately reproduce the molecular electrostatic potential (ESP), with a set of suitably chosen multipole moments $\{Q_{lk}^a\}$ (in spherical-tensor notation) allocated to each site. The expression for the electrostatic interaction energy between two molecules A and B in the multi-point expansion includes an implicit sum over expansion sites $a \in A$ and $b \in B$,

$$U_{AB} = \sum_{l=2} \sum_{l=3} \hat{Q}_{l_1 k_1}^a T_{l_1 k_1 l_2 k_2}^{a,b} \hat{Q}_{l_2 k_2}^b \equiv \hat{Q}_{l_1 k_1}^a T_{l_1 k_1 l_2 k_2}^{a,b} \hat{Q}_{l_2 k_2}^b, \tag{2.6}$$

where we have used the Einstein sum convention for the site indices a and b on the right-hand side of the equation, in addition to the sum convention that is in place for the multipole-moment components $t \equiv l_1 k_1$ 225 and $u \equiv l_2 k_2$. The $T_{l_1 k_1 l_2 k_2}^{a,b}$ are tensors that mediate the interaction between a multipole component $l_1 k_1$ on site a with the moment $l_2 k_2$ on site b. If we include the molecular environment into a perturbative term 226 W to enter in the single-molecule Hamiltonian, the above expression is exactly the first-order correction to 228 the energy where the quantum-mechanical detail has been absorbed in classical multipole moments. 229 The are a number of strategies how to arrive at such a collection of distributed multipoles. They can be classified according to whether the multipoles are derived (a) from the electrostatic potential generated by 231 the SCF charge density or (b) from a decomposition of the wavefunction itself. Here, we will only draft two of those approaches, CHELPG [9] from category (a) and DMA [10] from category (b). The CHELPG (CHarges from ELectrostatic Potentials, Grid-based) method relies on performing a leastsquares fit of atom-placed charges to reproduce the electrostatic potential as evaluated from the SCF density on a regularly spaced grid [9]. The fitted charges result from minimizing the Lagrangian function [11]

$$z(\{q_i\}) = \sum_{k=1}^{M} \left(\phi(\vec{r}_k) - \sum_{i=1}^{N} \frac{1}{4\pi\varepsilon_0} \frac{q_i}{|\vec{r}_i - \vec{r}_k|} \right) + \lambda \left(q_{mol} - \sum_{i=1}^{N} q_i \right), \tag{2.7}$$

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with M grid points, N atomic sites, the set of atomic partial charges $\{q_i\}$ and the SCF potential ϕ . The 234 Lagrange multiplier λ constrains the sum of the fitted charges to the molecular charge q_{mol} . The main 235 difference from other fitting schemes [12] is the algorithm that selects the positions at which the potential is evaluated (we note that the choice of grid points can have substantial effects especially for bulky molecules). Clearly, the CHELPG method can be (and has been) extended to include higher atomic multipoles. It should 238 be noted, however, how already the inclusion of atomic dipoles hardly improves the parametrization, and 239 can in fact be harmful to its conformational stability.

The Distributed-Multipole-Analysis (DMA) approach [10, 13], developed by A. Stone, operates directly on the quantum-mechanical density matrix, expanded in terms of atom- and bond-centered Gaussian functions $\chi_{\alpha} = R_{LK}(\vec{x} - \vec{s}_{\alpha}) \exp[-\zeta(\vec{x} - \vec{s}_{\alpha})^2],$

$$\rho(\vec{x}) = \sum_{\alpha\beta} \rho_{\alpha\beta} \chi_{\alpha}(\vec{x} - \vec{s}_{\alpha}) \chi_{\beta}(\vec{x} - \vec{s}_{\beta}). \tag{2.8}$$

The aim is to compute multipole moments according in a distributed fashion: If we use that the overlap product $\chi_{\alpha}\chi_{\beta}$ of two Gaussian basis functions yields itself a Gaussian centered at $\vec{P}=(\zeta_{\alpha}\vec{s}_{\alpha}+$ $\zeta_{\beta}\vec{s}_{\beta})/(\zeta_{\alpha}+\zeta_{\beta})$, it is possible to proceed in two steps: First, we compute the multipole moments associated with a specific summand in the density matrix, referred to the overlap center \vec{P} :

$$Q_{LK}[\vec{P}] = -\int R_{LK}(\vec{x} - \vec{P})\rho_{\alpha\beta}\chi_{\alpha}\chi_{\beta}d^3x.$$
 (2.9)

Second, we transfer the resulting $Q_{lk}[\vec{P}]$ to the position \vec{S} of a polar site according to the rule [10]

$$Q_{nm}[\vec{S}] = \sum_{l=0}^{L} \sum_{k=-l}^{l} \left[\binom{n+m}{l+k} \binom{n-m}{l-k} \right]^{1/2} R_{n-l,m-k}(\vec{S} - \vec{P}) \cdot Q_{lk}[\vec{P}].$$
 (2.10)

Note how this requires a rule for the choice of the expansion site to which the multipole moment should 241 be transferred. In the near past [13], the nearest-site algorithm, which allocates the multipole moments to the site closest to the overlap center, was replaced for diffuse functions by an algorithm based on a sxtpth 243 weighting function in conjunction with grid-based integration methods in order to decrease the basis-set 244 dependence of the resulting set of distributed multipoles. 245

One important advantage of the DMA approach over fitting algorithms such as CHELPG or Merz-246 Kollman (MK) is that higher-order moments can also be derived without too large an ambiguity. 247 The 'mps' file format used by VOTCA for the definition of distributed multipoles (as well as point polariz-

abilities, see subsequent section) is based on the GDMA punch format of A. Stone's GDMA program [13] 249 (the punch output file can be immediately plugged into VOTCA without any conversions to be applied). Furthermore the log-file of different QM packages (currently Gaussian, Turbomole and NWChem) 251 may be fed into the log2mps tool, which will subsequently generate the appropriate mps-file. 252

xtp_tools -ooptions.xml -e log2mps

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Induction energy - the Thole model

If we in addition to the permanent set of multipole moments $\{Q_t^a\}$ allow for induced moments $\{\Delta Q_t^a\}$ and penalize their generation with a bilinear form (giving rise to a strictly positive contribution to the energy),

$$U_{int} = \frac{1}{2} \sum_{A} \Delta Q_t^a \eta_{tt'}^{aa'} \Delta Q_{t'}^{a'}, \tag{2.11}$$

it can be shown that the induction contribution to the site energy evaluates to an expression where all interactions between induced moments have cancelled out, and interactions between permanent and induced moments are scaled down by 1/2 [14]:

$$U_{pu} = \frac{1}{2} \sum_{A} \sum_{B > A} \left[\Delta Q_t^a T_{tu}^{ab} Q_u^b + \Delta Q_t^b T_{tu}^{ab} Q_u^a \right]. \tag{2.12}$$

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This term can be viewed as the second-order (induction) correction to the molecular interaction energy. The sets of $\{Q_t^a\}$ are solved for self-consistently via

$$\Delta Q_t^a = -\sum_{B \neq A} \alpha_{tt'}^{aa'} T_{t'u}^{a'b} (Q_u^b + \Delta Q_u^b), \tag{2.13}$$

where the polarizability tensors $\alpha_{tt'}^{aa'}$ are given by the inverse of $\eta_{tt'}^{aa'}$.

With eqs. 2.13 and 2.12 we have at hand expressions that allow us to compute the induction energy contribution to site energies in an iterative manner based on a set of molecular distributed multipoles $\{Q_t^a\}$ and polarizabilities $\{\alpha_{tt'}^{aa'}\}$. We have drafted in the previous section how to obtain the former from a wavefunction decomposition or fitting scheme (GDMA, CHELPG). The $\{\alpha_{tt'}^{aa'}\}$ can be derived formally (or rather: read off) from a perturbative expansion of the molecular interaction. In this work we make use of the Thole model [15?] as a semi-empirical approach to obtain the sought-after point polarizabilities in the local dipole approximation, that is, $[\alpha_{tt'}^{aa'}] = \alpha_{tt'}^{aa'} \delta_{t\beta} \delta_{t'\beta} \delta_{aa'}$, where $\beta \epsilon \{x,y,z\}$ references the dipole-moment component.

The Thole model is based on a modified dipole-dipole interaction, which can be reformulated in terms of the interaction of smeared charge densities. This has been shown to be necessary due to the divergent head-to-tail dipole-dipole interaction that otherwise results at small interseparations on the Å scale [15??]. Smearing out the charge distribution mimics the nature of the QM wavefunction, which effectively guards against this unphysical polarization catastrophe. Since the point dipoles however only react individually to the external field, any correlation effects as were still accounted for in the $\{\alpha_{tt'}^{aa'}\}$ are lost, except perhaps those correlations that are due to the mere classical field interaction.

The smearing of the nuclei-centered multipole moments is obtained via a fractional charge density $\rho_f(\vec{u})$ which should be normalized to unity and fall off rapidly as of a certain radius $\vec{u} = \vec{u}(\vec{R})$. The latter is related to the physical distance vector \vec{R} connecting two interacting sites via a linear scaling factor that takes into account the magnitude of the isotropic site polarizabilities α^a . This isotropic fractional charge density gives rise to a modified potential

$$\phi(u) = -\frac{1}{4\pi\varepsilon_0} \int_0^u 4\pi u' \rho(u') du' \tag{2.14}$$
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We can relate the multipole interaction tensor $T_{ij...}$ (this time in Cartesian coordinates) to the fractional charge density in two steps: First, we rewrite the tensor in terms of the scaled distance vector \vec{u} ,

$$T_{ij...}(\vec{R}) = f(\alpha^a \alpha^b) t_{ij...}(\vec{u}(\vec{R}, \alpha^a \alpha^b)), \qquad (2.15)$$

where the specific form of $f(\alpha^a \alpha^b)$ results from the choice of $u(\vec{R}, \alpha^a \alpha^b)$. Second, we demand that the smeared interaction tensor $t_{ij...}$ is given as usual by the appropriate derivative of the potential in eq. 2.14,

$$t_{ij...}(\vec{u}) = -\partial_{u_i}\partial_{u_j}\dots\phi(\vec{u}). \tag{2.16}$$

It turns out that for a suitable choice of $\rho_f(\vec{u})$, the modified interaction tensors can be rewritten in such a way that powers n of the distance $R = |\vec{R}|$ are damped with a damping function $\lambda_n(\vec{u}(\vec{R}))$ [16].

There is a large number of fractional charge densities $\rho_f(\vec{u})$ that have been tested for the purpose of giving best results for the molecular polarizability as well as interaction energies. Note how a great advantage of the Thole model is the exceptional transferability of the atomic polarizabilities to compounds not used for the fitting procedure [?]. In fact, for most organic molecules, a fixed set of atomic polarizabilities $(\alpha_C = 1.334, \alpha_H = 0.496, \alpha_N = 1.073, \alpha_O = 0.873, \alpha_S = 2.926 \,\text{Å}^3)$ based on atomic elements yields satisfactory results.

VOTCA implements the Thole model with an exponentially-decaying fractional charge density

$$\rho(u) = \frac{3a}{4\pi} \exp(-au^3),\tag{2.17}$$

where $\vec{u}(\vec{R}, \alpha^a \alpha^b) = \vec{R}/(\alpha^a \alpha^b)^{1/6}$ and the smearing exponent a = 0.39 (which can however be changed from the program options), as used in the AMOEBA force field [16].

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281 Even though the 1 note model performs very well for many organic compounds with only the above small set 282 of element-based polarizabilities, conjugated molecules may require a more intricate parametrization. The 283 simplest approach is to resort to scaled polarizabilities to match the effective molecular polarizable volume 284 $V \sim \alpha_x \alpha_y \alpha_z$ as predicted by QM calculations (here $\alpha_x, \alpha_y, \alpha_z$ are the eigenvalues of the molecular 285 polarizability tensor). The molpol tool assists with this task, it self-consistently calculates the Thole 286 polarizability for an input mps-file and optimizes (if desired) the atomic polarizabilities in the above simple 287 manner.

288 xtp_tools -ooptions.xml -e molpol

The electrostatic and induction contribution to the site energy is evaluated by the emultipole calculator.

Atomistic partial charges for charged and neutral molecules are taken from mps-files (extended GDMA format) specified in map.xml. Note that, in order to speed up calculations for both methods, a cut-off radius (for the molecular centers of mass) can be given in options.xml. Threaded execution is advised.

293 xtp_run -o options.xml -f state.sql -e emultipole
294 Furthermore available are zmultipole, which extends emultipole to allow for an electrostatic buffer
295 layer (loosely related to the z-buffer in OpenGL, hence the name) and anisotropic point polarizabilities. For
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297 xqmultipole can be used.

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2.7 Transfer integrals

The electronic transfer integral element J_{ij} entering the Marcus rates in eq. (2.31) is defined as

$$J_{ij} = \left\langle \phi_i \left| \hat{H} \right| \phi_j \right\rangle,$$
 (2.18) equ:T1

where ϕ_i and ϕ_j are diabatic wavefunctions, localized on molecule i and j respectively, participating in the charge transfer, and \hat{H} is the Hamiltonian of the formed dimer. Within the frozen-core approximation, the usual choice for the diabatic wavefunctions ϕ_i is the highest occupied molecular orbital (HOMO) in case of hole transport, and the lowest unoccupied molecular orbital (LUMO) in the case of electron transfer, while \hat{H} is an effective single particle Hamiltonian, e.g. Fock or Kohn-Sham operator of the dimer. As such, J_{ij} is a measure of the strength of the electronic coupling of the frontier orbitals of monomers mediated by the dimer interactions.

Intrinsically, the transfer integral is very sensitive to the molecular arrangement, i.e. the distance and the

Intrinsically, the transfer integral is very sensitive to the molecular arrangement, i.e. the distance and the mutual orientation of the molecules participating in charge transport. Since this arrangement can also be significantly influenced by static and/or dynamic disorder [17?? -19], it is essential to calculate J_{ij} explicitly for each hopping pair within a realistic morphology. Considering that the number of dimers for which eq. (2.18) has to be evaluated is proportional to the number of molecules times their coordination number, computationally efficient and at the same time quantitatively reliable schemes are required.

2.7.1 Projection of monomer orbitals on dimer orbitals (DIPRO)

An approach for the determination of the transfer integral that can be used for any single-particle electronic structure method (Hartree-Fock, DFT, or semiempirical methods) is based on the projection of monomer orbitals on a manifold of explicitly calculated dimer orbitals. This dimer projection (DIPRO) technique including an assessment of computational parameters such as the basis set, exchange-correlation functionals, and convergence criteria is presented in detail in ref. [20]. A brief summary of the concept is given below. We start from an effective Hamiltonian ¹

$$\hat{H}^{\textit{eff}} = \sum_{i} \epsilon_{i} \hat{a}_{i}^{\dagger} \hat{a}_{i} + \sum_{j \neq i} J_{ij} \hat{a}_{i}^{\dagger} \hat{a}_{j} + c.c. \tag{2.19}$$

¹we use following notations: a - number, $\bar{\mathbf{a}}$ - vector, \mathbf{A} - matrix, \hat{A} - operator

where \hat{a}_i^{\dagger} and \hat{a}_i are the creation and annihilation operators for a charge carrier located at the molecular site i. The electron site energy is given by ϵ_i , while J_{ij} is the transfer integral between two sites i and j. We label their frontier orbitals (HOMO for hole transfer, LUMO for electron transfer) ϕ_i and ϕ_j , respectively. Assuming that the frontier orbitals of a dimer (adiabatic energy surfaces) result exclusively from the interaction of the frontier orbitals of monomers, and consequently expand them in terms of ϕ_i and ϕ_j . The expansion coefficients, $\bar{\mathbf{C}}$, can be determined by solving the secular equation

$$(\mathbf{H} - E\mathbf{S})\bar{\mathbf{C}} = 0$$
 (2.20) equidipro_eq2

where \mathbf{H} and \mathbf{S} are the Hamiltonian and overlap matrices of the system, respectively. These matrices can be written explicitly as

$$\mathbf{H} = \begin{pmatrix} e_i & H_{ij} \\ H_{ij}^* & e_j \end{pmatrix} \qquad \mathbf{S} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & S_{ij} \\ S_{ij}^* & 1 \end{pmatrix}$$
 (2.21) equidipro_eq3

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$$e_{i} = \langle \phi_{i} | \hat{H} | \phi_{i} \rangle \qquad H_{ij} = \langle \phi_{i} | \hat{H} | \phi_{j} \rangle$$

$$e_{j} = \langle \phi_{j} | \hat{H} | \phi_{j} \rangle \qquad S_{ij} = \langle \phi_{j} | \phi_{j} \rangle$$

$$(2.22) \quad \text{equ:dipro_eq4}$$

The matrix elements $e_{i(j)}$, H_{ij} , and S_{ij} entering eq. (2.21) can be calculated via projections on the dimer orbitals (eigenfunctions of \hat{H}) $\{|\phi_n^D\rangle\}$ by inserting $\hat{1} = \sum_n |\phi_n^D\rangle \langle \phi_n^D|$ twice. We exemplify this explicitly for H_{ij} in the following

$$H_{ij} = \sum_{nm} \left\langle \phi_i \mid \phi_n^D \right\rangle \left\langle \phi_n^D \mid \hat{H} \mid \phi_m^D \right\rangle \left\langle \phi_m^D \mid \phi_j \right\rangle. \tag{2.23}$$

The Hamiltonian is diagonal in its eigenfunctions, $\langle \phi_n^D | \hat{H} | \phi_m^D \rangle = E_n \delta_{nm}$. Collecting the projections of the frontier orbitals $|\phi_{i(j)}\rangle$ on the n-th dimer state $(\bar{\mathbf{V}}_{(i)})_n = \langle \phi_i | \phi_n^D \rangle$ and $(\bar{\mathbf{V}}_{(j)})_n = \langle \phi_j | \phi_n^D \rangle$ respectively, into vectors we obtain

$$H_{ij} = \bar{\mathbf{V}}_{(i)} \mathbf{E} \bar{\mathbf{V}}_{(i)}^{\dagger}.$$
 (2.24) eq:dipro_eq17

What is left to do is determine these projections $\bar{\mathbf{V}}_{(k)}$. In all practical calculations the molecular orbitals are expanded in basis sets of either plane waves or of localized atomic orbitals $|\varphi_{\alpha}\rangle$. We will first consider the case that the calculations for the monomers are performed using a counterpoise basis set that is commonly used to deal with the basis set superposition error (BSSE). The basis set of atom-centered orbitals of a monomer is extended to the one of the dimer by adding the respective atomic orbitals at virtual coordinates of the second monomer. We can then write the respective expansions as

$$|\phi_k\rangle = \sum_{\alpha} \lambda_{\alpha}^{(k)} |\varphi_{\alpha}\rangle \qquad \text{and} \qquad |\phi_n^D\rangle = \sum_{\alpha} D_{\alpha}^{(n)} |\varphi_{\alpha}\rangle \qquad (2.25) \text{ eq:dipro_eq18}$$

where k=i,j. The projections can then be determined within this common basis set as

$$\left(\bar{\mathbf{V}}_{k}\right)_{n} = \left\langle \phi_{k} \mid \phi_{n}^{D} \right\rangle = \sum_{\alpha} \lambda_{\alpha}^{(k)} \left\langle \alpha \mid \sum_{\beta} D_{\beta}^{(n)} \mid \beta \right\rangle = \bar{\mathbf{\lambda}}_{(k)}^{\dagger} \mathcal{S} \bar{\mathbf{D}}_{(n)} \tag{2.26}$$

where S is the overlap matrix of the atomic basis functions. This allows us to finally write the elements of the Hamiltonian and overlap matrices in eq. (2.21) as:

$$H_{ij} = \bar{\lambda}_{(i)}^{\dagger} \mathcal{S} \mathbf{D} \mathbf{E} \mathbf{D}^{\dagger} \mathcal{S}^{\dagger} \bar{\lambda}_{(j)}$$

$$S_{ij} = \bar{\lambda}_{(i)}^{\dagger} \mathcal{S} \mathbf{D} \mathbf{D}^{\dagger} \mathcal{S}^{\dagger} \bar{\lambda}_{(j)}$$
(2.27) eq:dipro_eq20

Since the two monomer frontier orbitals that form the basis of this expansion are not orthogonal in general $(S \neq 1)$, it is necessary to transform eq. (2.20) into a standard eigenvalue problem of the form

$$\mathbf{H}^{\mathrm{eff}}\bar{\mathbf{C}}^{\mathrm{eff}} = E\bar{\mathbf{C}}^{\mathrm{eff}}$$
 (2.28) eq:dipro_eq7

 $_{
m 47}$ to make it correspond to eq. (2.19). According to Löwdin such a transformation can be achieved by

$$\mathbf{H}^{\text{eff}} = \mathbf{S}^{-1/2} \mathbf{H} \mathbf{S}^{-1/2}$$
. (2.29) eq:dipro_eq9

This then yields an effective Hamiltonian matrix in an orthogonal basis, and its entries can directly be identified with the site energies ϵ_i and transfer integrals J_{ij} :

$$\mathbf{H}^{\text{eff}} = \begin{pmatrix} e_i^{\text{eff}} & H_{ij}^{\text{eff}} \\ H_{ij}^{*,\text{eff}} & e_j^{\text{eff}} \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} \epsilon_i & J_{ij} \\ J_{ij}^{*} & \epsilon_j \end{pmatrix}$$
(2.30) eq:dipro_eq11

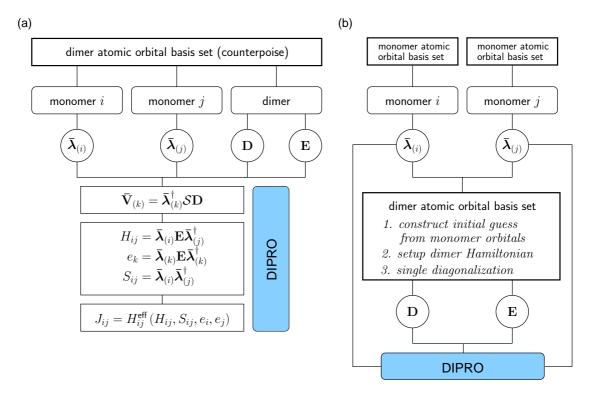


Figure 2.4: Schematics of the DIPRO method. (a) General workflow of the projection technique. (b) Strategy of the efficient noCP+noSCF implementation, in which the monomer calculations are performed independently form the dimer configurations (noCP), using the edft calculator. The dimer Hamiltonian is subsequently constructed based on an initial guess formed from monomer orbitals and only diagonalized once (noSCF) before the transfer integral is calculated by projection. This second step is performed by the idft calculator.

fig:dipro_scheme

2.7.2 DFT-based transfer integrals using DIPRO

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The calculation of one electronic coupling element based on DFT using the DIPRO method requires the overlap matrix of atomic orbitals S, the expansion coefficients for monomer $\bar{\lambda}_{(k)} = \{\lambda_{\alpha}^{(k)}\}$ and dimer orbitals $\bar{\mathbf{D}}_{(n)} = \{D_{\alpha}^{(n)}\}$, as well as the orbital energies E_n of the dimer are required as input. In practical situations, performing self-consistent quantum-chemical calculations for each individual monomer and one for the dimer to obtain this input data is extremely demanding. Several simplifications can be made to reduce the computational effort, such as using non-Counterpoise basis sets for the monomers (thereby decoupling the monomer calculations from the dimer run) and performing only a single SCF step in a dimer calculation starting from an initial guess formed from a superposition of monomer orbitals. This

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"noCP+noSCF" variant of DIPRO is shown in figure 2.4(a) and recommended for production runs. A detailed comparative study of the different variants can be found in [20].

The code currently contains supports evaluation of transfer integrals from quantum-chemical calculations performed with the Gaussian, Turbomole, and NWChem packages. The interfacing procedure consists of three main steps: generation of input files for monomers and dimers, performing the actual quantum-chemical calculations, and calculating the transfer integrals.

Monomer calculations

First, hopping sites and a neighbor list need to be generated from the atomistic topology and trajectory and written to the state.sql file. Then the parallel edft calculator manages the calculation of the monomer properties required for the determination of electronic coupling elements. Specifically, the individual steps it performs are:

- Creation of a job file containing the list of molecules to be calculated with DFT xtp_parallel -o options.xml -f state.sql -e edft -j write
- 2. Running of all jobs in job file xtp_parallel -o options.xml -f state.sql -e edft -j run which includes
 - creating the input files for the DFT calculation (using the package specified in options.xml) in the directory

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OR_FILES/package/frame_F/mol_M
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where F is the index of the frame in the trajectory, M is the index of a molecule in this frame,

- executing the DFT run, and
- after completion of this run, parsing the output (number of electrons, basis set, molecular orbital expansion coefficients), and saving it in compressed form to

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OR_FILES/molecules/frame_F/molecule_M.orb
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Calculating the transfer integrals

After the momomer calculations have been completed successfully, the respective runs for dimers from the neighborlist can be performed using the parallel idft calculator, which manages the DFT runs for the hopping pairs and determines the coupling element using DIPRO. Again, several steps are required:

- 1. Creation of a job file containing the list of pairs to be calculated with DFT xtp_parallel -o options.xml -f state.sql -e idft -j write
- 2. Running of all jobs in job file xtp_parallel -o options.xml -f state.sql -e idft -j run which includes
 - creating the input files (including the merged guess for a noSCF calculation, if requested) for the DFT calculation (using the package specified in options.xml) in the directory

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where M and N are the indices of the molecules in this pair,

- executing the DFT run, and
- after completion of this run, parsing the output (number of electrons, basis set, molecular orbital expansion coefficients and energies, atomic orbital overlap matrix), and saving the pair information in compressed form to

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• loading the monomer orbitals from the previously saved *.orb files.

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- calculating the coupling elements and write them to the job file
- 3. Reading the coupling elements from the job file and saving them to the state.sql file xtp_parallel -o options.xml -f state.sql -e idft -j read

2.7.3 ZINDO-based transfer integrals using MOO

An approximate method based on Zerner's Intermediate Neglect of Differential Overlap (ZINDO) has been described in Ref. [21]. This semiempirical method is substantially faster than first-principles approaches, since it avoids the self-consistent calculations on each individual monomer and dimer. This allows to construct the matrix elements of the ZINDO Hamiltonian of the dimer from the weighted overlap of molecular orbitals of the two monomers. Together with the introduction of rigid segments, only a single self-consistent calculation on one isolated conjugated segment is required. All relevant molecular overlaps can then be constructed from the obtained molecular orbitals.

The main advantage of the molecular orbital overlap (MOO) library is fast evaluation of electronic coupling elements. Note that MOO is based on the ZINDO Hamiltonian which has limited applicability. The general advice is to first compare the accuracy of the MOO method to the DFT-based calculations.

414 MOO can be used both in a standalone mode and as an izindo calculator of VOTCA-XTP.

Since MOO constructs the Fock operator of a dimer from the molecular orbitals of monomers by translating and rotating the orbitals of rigid fragments, the optimized geometry of all conjugated segments and the coefficients of the molecular orbitals are required as its input in addition to the state file (state.sql) with the neighbor list. Coordinates are stored in geometry.xyz files with four columns, first being the atom type and the next three atom coordinates. This is a standard xyz format without a header. Note that the atom order in the geometry.xyz files can be different from that of the mapping files. The correspondence between the two is established in the map.xml file.

Izindo requires the specification of orbitals for hole and electron transport in map.xml. They are the HOMO and LUMO respectively and can be retrieved from the log file from which the zindo.orb file is generated. The number of alpha electrons is the HOMO, the LUMO is HOMO+1

The calculated transfer integrals are immediately saved to the state.sql file. xtp_run -o options.xml

425 -f state.sql -e izindo

2.8 Charge transfer rate

Charge transfer rates can be postulated based on intuitive physical considerations, as it is done in the
Gaussian disorder models [22–25]. Alternatively, charge transfer theories can be used to evaluate rates
from quantum chemical calculations [1, 8, 20, 26–28]. In spite of being significantly more computationally demanding, the latter approach allows to link the chemical and electronic structure, as well as the
morphology, to charge dynamics.

2.8.1 Classical charge transfer rate

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The high temperature limit of classical charge transfer theory [29, 30] is often used as a trade-off between theoretical rigor and computational complexity. It captures key parameters which influence charge transport while at the same time providing an analytical expression for the rate. Within this limit, the transfer rate for a charge to hop from a site i to a site j reads

$$\omega_{ij} = \frac{2\pi}{\hbar} \frac{J_{ij}^2}{\sqrt{4\pi \lambda_{ij} k_B T}} \exp\left[-\frac{\left(\Delta E_{ij} - \lambda_{ij}\right)^2}{4\lambda_{ij} k_B T}\right],\tag{2.31}$$

where T is the temperature, $\lambda_{ij} = \lambda_{ij}^{int} + \lambda_{ij}^{out}$ is the reorganization energy, which is a sum of intra- and inter-molecular (outersphere) contributions, ΔE_{ij} is the site-energy difference, or driving force, and J_{ij} is the electronic coupling element, or transfer integral.

2.8.2 Semi-classical bimolecular rate

The main assumptions in eq. (2.31) are non-adiabaticity (small electronic coupling and charge transfer between two diabatic, non-interacting states), and harmonic promoting modes, which are treated classically. At ambient conditions, however, the intramolecular promoting mode, which roughly corresponds to C-C bond stretching, has a vibrational energy of $\hbar\omega\approx 0.2\,\mathrm{eV}\gg k_\mathrm{B}T$ and should be treated quantum-mechanically. The outer-sphere (slow) mode has much lower vibrational energy than the intramolecular promoting mode, and therefore can be treated classically. The weak interaction between molecules also implies that each molecule has its own, practically independent, set of quantum mechanical degrees of freedom.

A more general, quantum-classical expression for a bimolecular multi-channel rate is derived in the Supporting Information of ref. [1] and has the following form

$$\omega_{ij} = \frac{2\pi}{\hbar} \frac{|J_{ij}|^2}{\sqrt{4\pi\lambda_{ij}^{out}k_{\rm B}T}} \sum_{l',m'=0}^{\infty} |\langle \chi_{i0}^c|\chi_{il'}^n \rangle|^2 |\langle \chi_{j0}^n|\chi_{jm'}^c \rangle|^2 \exp\left\{-\frac{\left[\Delta E_{ij} - \hbar(l'\omega_i^n + m'\omega_j^c) - \lambda_{ij}^{out}\right]^2}{4\lambda_{ij}^{out}k_{\rm B}T}\right\}. \tag{2.32}$$

If the curvatures of intramolecular PES of charged and neutral states of a molecule are different, that is $\omega_i^c \neq \omega_i^n$, the corresponding reorganization energies, $\lambda_i^{cn} = \frac{1}{2}[\omega_i^n(q_i^n - q_i^c)]^2$ and $\lambda_i^{nc} = \frac{1}{2}[\omega_i^c(q_i^n - q_i^c)]^2$, will also differ. In this case the Franck-Condon (FC) factors for discharging of molecule i read [31]

$$|\langle \chi_{i0}^{c} | \chi_{il'}^{n} \rangle|^{2} = \frac{2}{2^{l'} l'!} \frac{\sqrt{\omega_{i}^{c} \omega_{i}^{n}}}{(\omega_{i}^{c} + \omega_{i}^{n})} \exp\left(-|s_{i}|\right) \left[\sum_{\substack{k=0\\k \, even}}^{l'} \binom{l'}{k} \left(\frac{2\omega_{i}^{c}}{\omega_{i}^{c} + \omega_{i}^{n}}\right)^{k/2} \frac{k!}{(k/2)!} H_{l'-k} \left(\frac{s_{i}}{\sqrt{2S_{i}^{cn}}}\right) \right]^{2}, \tag{2.33}$$

where $H_n(x)$ is a Hermite polynomial, $s_i = 2\sqrt{\lambda_i^{nc}\lambda_i^{cn}}/\hbar(\omega_i^c + \omega_i^n)$, and $S_i^{cn} = \lambda_i^{cn}/\hbar\omega_i^c$. The FC factors for charging of molecule j can be obtained by substituting $(s_i, S_i^{cn}, \omega_i^c)$ with $(-s_j, S_j^{nc}, \omega_j^n)$. In order to evaluate the FC factors, the internal reorganization energy λ_i^{cn} can be computed from the intramolecular PES.

2.8.3 Semi-classical rate

One can also use the quantum-classical rate with a common set of vibrational coordinates [?]

$$\omega_{ij} = \frac{2\pi}{\hbar} \frac{|J_{ij}|^2}{\sqrt{4\pi\lambda_{ij}^{out}k_BT}} \sum_{N=0}^{\infty} \frac{1}{N!} \left(\frac{\lambda_{ij}^{int}}{\hbar\omega^{int}}\right)^N \exp\left(-\frac{\lambda_{ij}^{int}}{\hbar\omega^{int}}\right) \exp\left\{-\frac{\left[\Delta E_{ij} - \hbar N\omega^{int} - \lambda_{ij}^{out}\right]^2}{4\lambda_{ij}^{out}k_BT}\right\}. \tag{2.34}$$

Numerical estimates show that if $\lambda_{ij}^{int} \approx \lambda_{ij}^{out}$ and $|\Delta E_{ij}| \ll \lambda_{ij}^{out}$ the rates are similar to those of eq. (2.31). In general, there is no robust method to compute λ_{ij}^{out} [32] and both reorganization energies are often assumed to be of the same order of magnitude. In this case the second condition also holds, unless there are large differences in electron affinities or ionization potentials of neighboring molecules, e.g. in donor-acceptor blends.

To calculate rates of the type specified in options.xml for all pairs in the neighbor list and to save them into the state.sql file, run the rates calculator. Note that all required ingredients (reorganization energies, transfer integrals, and site energies have to be calculated before). xtp_run -ooptions.xml -f state.sql -e rates

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2.9 Master equation

Having determined the list of conjugated segments (hopping sites) and charge transfer rates between them, the next task is to solve the master equation which describes the time evolution of the system

$$\frac{\partial P_{\alpha}}{\partial t} = \sum_{\beta} P_{\beta} \Omega_{\beta \alpha} - \sum_{\beta} P_{\alpha} \Omega_{\alpha \beta}, \tag{2.35}$$

where P_{α} is the probability of the system to be in a state α at time t and $\Omega_{\alpha\beta}$ is the transition rate from 469 state α to state β . A state α is specified by a set of site occupations, $\{\alpha_i\}$, where $\alpha_i = 1(0)$ for an occupied 470 (unoccupied) site i, and the matrix $\hat{\Omega}$ can be constructed from rates ω_{ij} . 471 The solution of eq. (2.35) is be obtained by using kinetic Monte Carlo (KMC) methods. KMC explicitly 472 simulates the dynamics of charge carriers by constructing a Markov chain in state space and can find both 473 stationary and transient solutions of the master equation. The main advantage of KMC is that only states 474 with a direct link to the current state need to be considered at each step. Since these can be constructed 475 solely from current site occupations, extensions to multiple charge carriers (without the mean-field approx-476 imation), site-occupation dependent rates (needed for the explicit treatment of Coulomb interactions), and different types of interacting particles and processes, are straightforward. To optimize memory usage and 478 efficiency, a combination of the variable step size method [33] and the first reaction method is implemented. 479 To obtain the dynamics of charges using KMC, the program xtp_kmc_run executes a specific calculator 480 after reading its options (charge carrier type, runtime, numer of carriers etc.) from options.xml. 481 xtp_kmc_run -o options.xml -f state.sql -e kmcsingle

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482 xtp_kmc_run -ooptions.xml -f state.sql -e kmcsingle
483 xtp_kmc_run -ooptions.xml -f state.sql -e kmcmultiple
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2.9.1 Extrapolation to nondispersive mobilities

Predictions of charge-carrier mobilities in partially disordered semiconductors rely on charge transport simulations in systems which are only several nanometers thick. As a result, simulated charge transport might be dispersive for materials with large energetic disorder [34, 35] and simulated mobilities are system-size dependent. In time-of-flight (TOF) experiments, however, a typical sample thickness is in the micrometer range and transport is often nondispersive. In order to link simulation and experiment, one needs to extract the nondispersive mobility from simulations of small systems, where charge transport is dispersive at room temperature. Such extrapolation is possible if the temperature dependence of the nondispersive mobility is known in a wide temperature range. For example, one can use analytical results derived for one-dimensional models [36–38]. The mobility-temperature dependence can then be parametrized by simulating charge transport at elevated temperatures, for which transport is nondispersive even for small system sizes. This dependence can then be used to extrapolate to the nondispersive mobility at room temperature [39]. For Alq_3 , the charge carrier mobility of a periodic system of 512 molecules was shown to be more than three orders of magnitude higher than the nondispersive mobility of an infinitely large system [39]. Furthermore, it was shown that the transition between the dispersive and nondispersive transport has a logarithmic dependence on the number of hopping sites N. Hence, a brute-force increase of the system size cannot resolve the problem for compounds with large energetic disorder σ , since N increases exponentially with

2.10 Macroscopic observables

Spatial distributions of charge and current densities can provide a better insight in the microscopic mechanisms of charge transport. If O is an observable which has a value O_{α} in a state α , its ensemble average at time t is a sum over all states weighted by the probability P_{α} to be in a state α at time t

$$\langle O \rangle = \sum_{\alpha} O_{\alpha} P_{\alpha}. \tag{2.36}$$

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If O does not explicitly depend on time, the time evolution of $\langle O \rangle$ can be calculated as

$$\frac{d\langle O\rangle}{dt} = \sum_{\alpha,\beta} \left[P_{\beta} \Omega_{\beta\alpha} - P_{\alpha} \Omega_{\alpha\beta} \right] O_{\alpha} = \sum_{\alpha,\beta} P_{\beta} \Omega_{\beta\alpha} \left[O_{\alpha} - O_{\beta} \right]. \tag{2.37}$$

If averages are obtained from KMC trajectories, $P_{\alpha} = s_{\alpha}/s$, where s_{α} is the number of Markov chains ending in the state α after time t, and s is the total number of chains.

Alternatively, one can calculate time averages by analyzing a single Markov chain. If the total occupation time of the state α is τ_{α} then

$$\overline{O} = \frac{1}{\tau} \sum_{\alpha} O_{\alpha} \tau_{\alpha} \,, \tag{2.38}$$

where $au = \sum_{lpha} au_{lpha}$ is the total time used for time averaging.

For ergodic systems and sufficient sampling times, ensemble and time averages should give identical results. In many cases, the averaging procedure reflects a specific experimental technique. For example, an ensemble average over several KMC trajectories with different starting conditions corresponds to averaging over injected charge carriers in a time-of-flight experiment. In what follows, we focus on the single charge carrier (low concentration of charges) case.

2.10.1 Charge density

For a specific type of particles, the microscopic charge density of a site i is proportional to the occupation probability of the site, p_i

$$\rho_i = e p_i / V_i \,, \tag{2.39}$$

where, for an irregular lattice, the effective volume V_i can be obtained from a Voronoi tessellation of space. For reasonably uniform lattices (uniform site densities) this volume is almost independent of the site and a constant volume per cite, $V_i = V/N$, can be assumed. In the macroscopic limit, the charge density can be calculated using a sxtpthing kernel function, i.e. a distance-weighted average over multiple sites. Site occupations p_i can be obtained from eq. (2.36) or eq. (2.38) by using the occupation of site i in state α as an observable.

If the system is in thermodynamic equilibrium, that is without sources or sinks and without circular currents (and therefore no net flux) a condition, known as detailed balance, holds

$$p_i \omega_{ii} = p_i \omega_{ij},$$
 (2.40) equivalent equivalence

It can be used to test whether the system is ergodic or not by correlating $\log p_i$ and the site energy E_i .

Indeed, if $\lambda_{ij} = \lambda_{ji}$ the ratios of forward and backward rates are determined solely by the energetic disorder, $\omega_{ji}/\omega_{ij} = \exp(-\Delta E_{ij}/k_B T)$ (see eq. (2.31)).

2.10.2 Current

If the position of the charge, \vec{r} , is an observable, the time evolution of its average $\langle \vec{r} \rangle$ is the total current in the system

$$\vec{J} = e \left\langle \vec{v} \right\rangle = e \frac{d \left\langle \vec{r} \right\rangle}{dt} = e \sum_{i,j} p_j \omega_{ji} (\vec{r}_i - \vec{r}_j). \tag{2.41}$$

ss Symmetrizing this expression we obtain

$$\vec{J} = \frac{1}{2}e\sum_{i,j} (p_j\omega_{ji} - p_i\omega_{ij})\vec{r}_{ij}, \tag{2.42}$$

where $\vec{r}_{ij} = \vec{r}_i - \vec{r}_j$. Symmetrization ensures equal flux splitting between neighboring sites and absence of local average fluxes in equilibrium. It allows to define a local current through site i as

$$\vec{J}_i = \frac{1}{2}e\sum_j \left(p_j\omega_{ji} - p_i\omega_{ij}\right)\vec{r}_{ij}. \tag{2.43}$$

A large value of the local current indicates that the site contributes considerably to the total current. A collection of such sites thus represents most favorable charge pathways [40].

2.10.3 Mobility and diffusion constant

For a single particle, e.g. a charge or an exciton, a zero-field mobility can be determined by studying particle diffusion in the absence of external fields. Using the particle displacement squared, Δr_i^2 , as an observable we obtain

$$2dD_{\gamma\delta} = \frac{d\left\langle \Delta r_{i,\gamma} \Delta r_{i,\delta} \right\rangle}{dt} = \sum_{\substack{i,j\\i \neq j}} p_j \omega_{ji} \left(\Delta r_{i,\gamma} \Delta r_{i,\delta} - \Delta r_{j,\gamma} \Delta r_{j,\delta} \right) = \sum_{\substack{i,j\\i \neq j}} p_j \omega_{ji} \left(r_{i,\gamma} r_{i,\delta} - r_{j,\gamma} r_{j,\delta} \right) \,. \tag{2.44}$$

Here $\vec{r_i}$ is the coordinate of the site i, $D_{\gamma\delta}$ is the diffusion tensor, $\gamma, \delta = x, y, z$, and d = 3 is the system dimension. Using the Einstein relation,

$$D_{\gamma\delta} = k_B T \mu_{\gamma\delta} \,, \tag{2.45}$$

one can, in principle, obtain the zero-field mobility tensor $\mu_{\gamma\delta}$. Eq. (2.44), however, does not take into account the use of periodic boundary conditions when simulating charge dynamics. In this case, the simulated occupation probabilities can be compared to the solution of the Smoluchowski equation with periodic boundary conditions (see the supporting information for details).

Alternatively, one can directly analyze time-evolution of the KMC trajectory and obtain the diffusion tensor from a linear fit to the mean square displacement, $\Delta r_{i,\gamma} \Delta r_{i,\delta} = 2dD_{\gamma\delta}t$.

The charge carrier mobility tensor, $\hat{\mu}$, for any value of the external field can be determined either from the average charge velocity defined in eq. (2.41)

$$\langle \vec{v} \rangle = \sum_{i,j} p_j \omega_{ji} (\vec{r}_i - \vec{r}_j) = \hat{\mu} \vec{F} , \qquad (2.46)$$

or directly from the KMC trajectory. In the latter case the velocity is calculated from the unwrapped (if periodic boundary conditions are used) charge displacement vector divided by the total simulation time.

Projecting this velocity on the direction of the field \vec{F} yields the charge carrier mobility in this particular direction. In order to improve statistics, mobilities can be averaged over several KMC trajectories and MD snapshots.

2.10.4 Spatial correlations of energetic disorder

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Long-range, e.g. electrostatic and polarization, interactions often result in spatially correlated disorder [41], which affects the onset of the mobility-field (Poole-Frenkel) dependence [36, 42, 43]. To quantify the degree of correlation, one can calculate the spatial correlation function of E_i and E_j at a distance r_{ij}

$$C(r_{ij}) = \frac{\langle (E_i - \langle E \rangle) (E_j - \langle E \rangle) \rangle}{\langle (E_i - \langle E \rangle)^2 \rangle}, \tag{2.47}$$

where $\langle E \rangle$ is the average site energy. $C(r_{ij})$ is zero if E_i and E_j are uncorrelated and 1 if they are fully correlated. For a system of randomly oriented point dipoles, the correlation function decays as 1/r at large distances [44].

For systems with spatial correlations, variations in site energy differences, ΔE_{ij} , of pairs of molecules from the neighbor list are smaller than variations in site energies, E_i , of all individual molecules. Since only neighbor list pairs affect transport, the distribution of ΔE_{ij} rather than that of individual site energies, E_i , should be used to characterize energetic disorder.

Note that the eanalyze calculator takes into account all contributions to the site energies xtp_run -o options.xml -f state.sql -e eanalyze

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Input and output files

3.1 Atomistic topology

If you are using GROMACS for generating atomistic configurations, it is possible to directly use the topology file provided by GROMACS (topology.tpr). In this case the GROMACS residue and atom names should be used to specify the coarse-grained topology and conjugated segments.

A custom topology can also be defined using an XML file. Moreover, it s possible to partially overwrite the information provided in, for example, GROMACS topology file. We will illustrate how to create a custom topology file using DCV2T. The structure of DCV2T, together with atom type definitions, is shown in fig. 3.1. DCV2T has two thiophene (THI) and two dicyanovinyl (NIT) residues. The pdb file which contains residue types, residue numbering, atom names, atom types, and atom coordinates is shown in listing 3.1.

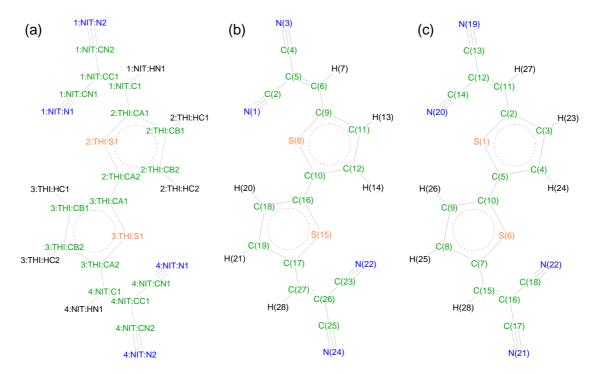


Figure 3.1: (a) DCV2T with atoms labelled according to residue_number:residue_name:atom_name. There are four residues and two residue types: thiophene (THI) and dicyanovinyl (NIT). The corresponding pdb file is shown in listing 3.1. Atom numbering is used to split conjugated segments on rigid fragments and to link atomistic ((b) from GROMACS topology) and quantum descriptions (c).

fig:dcv2t

Listing 3.1: pdb file of DCV2T.

						Listing 5.	1. pat 111	COIDC			
583 584	HETATM	1	N1	NIT	1	2.388	8.533	11.066	1.00	4.14	N
585	HETATM	2	CN1	NIT	1	1.984	9.553	10.718	1.00	2.54	C
586	HETATM	3	N2	NIT	1	-1.138	10.872	10.087	1.00	3.24	N
587	HETATM	4	CN2	NIT	1	0.003	10.871	10.213	1.00	2.37	\boldsymbol{C}
588	HETATM	5	CC1	NIT	1	1.441	10.824	10.327	1.00	1.91	C
589	HETATM	6	C1	NIT	1	2.193	11.939	10.071	1.00	1.61	C
590	HETATM	7	HN1	NIT	1	1.715	12.710	9.872	1.00	1.97	H
591	HETATM	8	S1	THI	2	4.758	10.743	10.130	1.00	1.52	${\mathcal S}$
592	HETATM	9	CA1	THI	2	3.613	12.024	9.948	1.00	1.22	C
593	HETATM	10	CA2	THI	2	6.099	11.836	9.997	1.00	1.30	C
594	HETATM	11	CB1	THI	2	4.251	13.243	9.782	1.00	1.39	C
595	HETATM	12	CB2	THI	2	5.658	13.131	9.818	1.00	1.45	C
596	HETATM	13	HC1	THI	2	3.800	14.047	9.660	1.00	1.66	H
597	HETATM	14	HC2	THI	2	6.230	13.860	9.731	1.00	1.74	H
598	HETATM	15	S1	THI	3	8.803	12.414	9.882	1.00	1.38	${\mathcal S}$
599	HETATM	16	CA1	THI	3	7.456	11.347	10.094	1.00	1.37	C
600	HETATM	17	CA2	THI	3	9.940	11.122	10.152	1.00	1.42	C
601	HETATM	18	CB1	THI	3	7.873	10.048	10.355	1.00	1.73	C
602	HETATM	19	CB2	THI	3	9.267	9.926	10.399	1.00	1.82	C
603	HETATM	20	HC1	THI	3	7.288	9.335	10.487	1.00	2.05	H
604	HETATM	21	HC2	THI	3	9.704	9.123	10.576	1.00	2.21	H
605	HETATM	22	N1	NIT	4	11.235	14.572	9.094	1.00	3.08	N
606	HETATM	23	CN1	NIT	4	11.665	13.566	9.441	1.00	2.04	C
607	HETATM	24	N2	NIT	4	14.733	12.005	10.009	1.00	2.17	N
608	HETATM	25	CN2	NIT	4	13.590	12.149	9.933	1.00	1.77	C
609	HETATM	26	CC1		4	12.156	12.282	9.861	1.00	1.71	C
610	HETATM	27	C1		4	11.363		10.154	1.00	1.59	C
612	HETATM	28	HN1	NIT	4	11.813	10.440	10.389	1.00	1.89	Н

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Table 3.1: Description of the XML mapping file (map.xml).

topology	Definitions of molecules, segments, and fragments.				
molecules	Container for all molecules.				
molecule	Mapping of a single molecule.				
name	Name of the molecule in the coarse-grained model.				
ident	Name (identification) of the molecule in the all-atom representation. This must match the molecule name in the atomistic representation.				
segments	Partitioning of the molecule on conjugated segments.				
segment	Description of a conjugated segment.				
name	Name of a conjugated segment in a molecule.				
fragments	Container for all fragments in a segment.				
fragment	Description of a rigid fragment.				
name	Name of the rigid fragment in a conjugated segment				
mdatoms	List of all atoms belonging to the rigid fragment in the format residue number:residue name:atom name.				
qmatoms	List of atoms of the rigid fragment in its ground state geometry, atom number:atom type.				
weights	Weights are used to determine the fragment center. The order should be the same as in the mdatoms and qmatoms definitions. If the mass of a nucleus in atomic mass units is used, the center of the rigid fragment will be its center of mass.				
localframe	Three atoms which define a local frame for each rigid fragment.				

3.2 Mapping file

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617 618 The mapping file (referred here as map.xml) is used by the program xtp_map to convert an atomistic trajectory to a trajectory with conjugated segments and rigid fragments. This trajectory is stored in a state file and contains positions, names, types of atoms belonging to rigid fragments. The description of the mapping options is given in table 3.1. An example of map.xml for a DCV2T molecule is shown in listing 3.2.

The file map.xml contains the whole electrostatic information about the molecules as well as the structural information. The toolpdb2map creates a map.xml from a pdb file and is a good starting point for further refinement.

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Listing 3.2: Examle of map.xml for DCV2T. Each rigid fragment (coarse-grained bead) is defined by a list of atoms. Atom numbers, names, and residue names should correspond to those used in GROMACS topology (see the corresponing listing 3.1 of the pdb file).

```
<topology> <!--
                    this file is used to conver an atomistic trajectory to conjugated segments -->
    <molecule>
625
       <name>DCV2T-MOL</name> <!-- name of the conjugated molecule --->
626
       <mdname>Protein</mdname> <!-- name of the confugate a motecule in the MD trajectory, should be
the same as the name given at the end of topol.top-->
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628
629
        <segments>
630
            <name>DCV</name> <!-- name of the conjugated segment within the molecule -->
631
             <qmcoords>QC_FILES/DCV2T.xyz</qmcoords> <!-- QM coordinates of the conjugated segment --->
632
633
                 <!-- IZINDO INPUT
634
             <basisset>INDO</basisset>
635
             <orbitals>QC_FILES/DCV2T.orb</orbitals>
             <torbital_h>50</torbital_h><!-- Number of the HOMO Orbital (e.g. alpha electrons, can be found in the log-file belonging to DCV2T.orb) -->
637
638
639
                 <!-- EMULTIPOLE INPUT
640
             <multipoles_n>MP_FILES/DCV2T.mps</multipoles_n><!-- Multipole file for neutral state --</pre>
            644
645
                  qm e.g. DFT or GWBSE calculations-->
646
647
             <!-- EINTERNAL INPUT --->
```

```
<U_cC_nN_h>0.0</U_cC_nN_h> <!-- Site energy
649
              <U_nC_nN_h>0.1</U_nC_nN_h> <!-- Reorg. discharge --->
              <U_cN_cC_h>0.1</U_cN_cC_h> <!-- Reorg. charge
652
                  <!-- MD QM MP Mapping -->
653
              <fragments>
654
655
              <fragment>
               <name>NI1<!-- name of the rigid fragment within the segment --->
656
               <!-- list of atoms in the fragment resnum:resname:atomname
               <mdatoms>1:NIT:N1 1:NIT:CN1 1:NIT:N2 1:NIT:CN2 1:NIT:CC1 1:NIT:C1 1:NIT:HN1
//mdatoms>
658
               659
               <qmatoms> 20:N 19:C 14:N 13:C 12:C 11:C 23:H
<!-- corresponding group state geometry multipoles read from .mps files -->
<mpoles> 20:N 19:C 14:N 13:C 12:C 11:C 23:H
<!-- weights to determine the fragment center (here CoM is used) -->
<mpoles> 14
                                                                                                23:H </gmatoms>
660
661
                                                                                               23:H </mpoles>
662
              <weights 14 12 14 12 12 12 1 4 </p>
<!-- three atoms: define a cartesian local frame, two atoms: fragment is assumed to be rotationally invariant around the axis, one atom: fragment is assumed isotropic -->
664
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               <localframe> 20 19 14 </localframe>
667
              <!-- Optional parameters (if not set <localframe > is used): used when atom labels in the .mps
668
                     and .xyz file differ or more sites in the .mps file are used, so refers to <mpoles>
               <localframe_mps> 20 19 14 </localframe_mps>
               <!-- Optional parameters (if not set <localframe> is used): weights to determine the fragment center (here CoM is used), used when atom labels in the .mps and .xyz file differ or additional sites in the .mps file are used -->
<weights_mps> 14 12 14 12 12 12 1 
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             674
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              <virtual_mps>
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                  virtual_mps>
             </fragment>
679
680
681
            <fragment>
               <name>TH1</name>
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               <mdatoms>2:THI:S1 2:THI:CA1 2:THI:CA2 2:THI:CB1 2:THI:CB2 2:THI:HC1 2:THI:HC2/mdatoms>
               <qmatoms> 7:S 8:C 6:C 9:C 10:C 24:H 25:H 
<mpoles> 7:S 8:C 6:C 9:C 10:C 24:H 25:H 

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                            7:S
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685
               <weights>
                                         12
                                                    12
                                                                12
                                                                           12
                                                                                                   1 </weights>
686
               <localframe> 7 8 6 </localframe>
687
            </fragment>
690
            <fragment>
691
               <name>TH2</name>
               <mdatoms>3:THI:S1 3:THI:CA1 3:THI:CA2 3:THI:CB1 3:THI:CB2 3:THI:HC1 3:THI:HC2//pdatoms>
692
                                                                                            27:H </qmatoms>
               <qmatoms> 3:S 4:C 2:C
<weights> 32 12 12
                                                           5:C 1:C 26:H
12 12 1
693
               <localframe> 3 4 2 </localframe>
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696
            </fragment>
697
698
            <fragment>
               <name>NI2</name>
699
               <mdatoms>4:NIT:N1 4:NIT:CN1 4:NIT:N2
700
                                                                                              28:H </qmatoms>
28:H </mpoles>
1 </weights>
               <qmatoms> 22:N
                                       21:C 18:N
                                                           17:C 16:C 15:C
702
               <mpoles> 22:N
                                      21:C
                                                  18:N
                                                             17:C
                                                                        16:C
                                                                                    15:C
               <weights>
                                                             12
                                                                          12
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                                         12
703
                              14
                                                   14
               <localframe> 22 21 18 </localframe>
704
            </fragment>
705
            </fragments>
706
        </segment>
        </segments>
708
     </molecule>
709
710
     </molecules>
     </topology>
712
```

3.3 Molecular orbitals

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If the semi-empirical method is used to calculate electronic coupling elements, molecular orbitals of all molecules must be supplied. They can be generated using Gaussian program. The Gaussian input file for DCV2T is shown in listing 3.3. Provided with this input, Gaussian will generate fort. 7 file which contains the molecular orbitals of a DCV2T. This file can be renamed to DCV2T. orb. Note that the order of the atoms in the input file and the order of coefficients should always match. Therefore, the coordinate part of the input file must be supplied together with the orbitals. We will assume the coordinates, in the format atom_type: x y z, is saved to the DCV2T.xyz file.

Izindo requires the specification of orbitals for hole and electron transport in map.xml. They are the HOMO and LUMO respectively and can be retrieved from the log file from which the DCV2T.orb file is generated. The number of alpha electrons is the HOMO, the LUMO is HOMO+1

Listing 3.3: Gaussian input file <code>get_orbitals.com</code> used for generating molecular orbitals. The first line contains the name of the check file, the second the requested RAM. <code>int=zindos</code> requests the method ZINDO, <code>punch=mo</code> states that the molecular orbitals ought to be written to the <code>fort.7</code> file, <code>nosymm</code> forbids use of symmetry and is necessary to ensure correct position of orbitals with respect to the provided coordinates. The two integer numbers correspond to the charge and multiplicity of the system: <code>01</code> corresponds to a neutral system with a multiplicity of one. They are followed by the types and coordinates of all atoms in the molecule.

```
%chk=DCV2T.chk
725
726
    %mem=100Mb
727
    #p int=zindos punch=mo nosymm
728
   DCV2T molecular orbitals
730
   0 1
731
              -1.44650
                                             0.00135
   S
                             2.12185
732
                                             -0.00048
733
   C
              -2.43098
                              0.58936
734
              -1.59065
                             -0.51859
                                             -0.00146
735
              -0.21222
                             -0.22233
                                             -0.00095
              0.07761
                                              0.00040
   C
                              1.13376
736
737
               2.87651
                              0.79316
                                              0.00148
   C
              3.86099
                              2.32565
                                             0.00235
738
                              3.43359
              3.02066
739
   C
                                              0.00231
               1.64223
                                              0.00162
740
                              3.13733
   C
              1.35240
                              1.78125
                                             0.00114
741
742
   C
              -3.85350
                              0.52245
                                             -0.00081
743
                                             -0.00008
   C
              -6.18500
                                             -0.00117
                              1.18622
744
              -4.47544
                              2.91565
                                             0.00081
745
              5.28350
                              2.39256
                                              0.00296
746
                              1.39020
                                             0.00327
747
              6.22569
748
              7.61500
                              1.72876
                                             0.00432
   C
               5.90542
                             -0.00064
                                              0.00333
749
              -7.32389
750
   N
                              0.89743
                                             -0.00195
751
              -4.21872
                              4.06274
                                             0.00142
              8.75389
                              2.01754
                                              0.00510
752
   N
   N
              5.64864
                             -1.14772
                                              0.00361
753
  H
              -1.98064
                             -1.52966
                                             -0.00256
754
              0.55785
                             -0.98374
                                             -0.00169
755 H
756
   H
               3.41065
                               4.44466
                                              0.00272
               0.87216
  H
                              3.89874
                                              0.00147
757
758 H
              -4.24640
                              -0.49192
                                             -0.00188
                               3.40692
                                              0.00337
               5.67641
758
```

3.4 Monomer calculations for DFT transfer integrals

list:edft_gaussian_xml

list:zindo_orbitals

Listing 3.4: Example package.xml file for the Gaussian package required in the options of the edft calculator for the monomer calculations as preparation for the determination of transfer integrals using DIPRO.

```
762
763
      <name>gaussian</name>
764
765
      <executable>q09</executable>
766
      <checkpoint></checkpoint>
      <scratch></scratch>
767
768
      <charge>0</charge>
769
770
      <spin>1</spin>
      <options># pop=minimal pbepbe/6-311g** scf=tight punch=mo nosymm test/options>
```

list:edft_turbomole_xml

Listing 3.5: Example package.xml file for the Turbomole package required in the options of the edft calculator for the monomer calculations as preparation for the determination of transfer integrals using DIPRO.

```
778
779
     <package>
      <name>turbomole</name>
780
781
       <executable>ridft</executable>
       <scratch>/tmp</scratch>
782
783
       <options>
784
    TITLE
785
786
    a coord
787
788
    no
789
    b all def-TZVP
790
791
    eht
792
    0
793
794
795
    dft
796
    on
    func
    pbe
798
799
    grid
800
801
    ri
802
803
    on
    m 300
804
805
    scf
806
807
    conv
808
    iter
809
810
    200
811
    marij
812
813
814
815
       </options>
816
      <cleanup></cleanup>
817
    </package>
818
```

list:edft_nwchem_xm

Listing 3.6: Example package.xml file for the NWChem package required in the options of the edft calculator for the monomer calculations as preparation for the determination of transfer integrals using DIPRO.

```
<package>
821
      <name>nwchem</name>
822
      <executable>nwchem</executable>
823
      <checkpoint></checkpoint>
824
825
      <scratch>/tmp/nwchem</scratch>
      <charge>0</charge>
826
      <spin>1</spin>
827
828
      <threads>1</threads>
      <memory></memory>
829
830
      <options>
```

```
832
    * library 6-311gss
833
834
    memory 1500 mb
835
836
837
    xc xpbe96 cpbe96
838
839
     direct
     iterations 100
840
    noprint "final vectors analysis"
841
    task dft
843
844
    </options>
      <cleanup></cleanup>
845
    </package>
849
```

3.5 Pair calculations for DFT transfer integrals

list:idft_gaussian_xm

Listing 3.7: Example package.xml file for the Gaussian package required in the options of the idft calculator for the pair calculations and the determination of transfer integrals using DIPRO.

```
<package>
850
851
    <name>gaussian</name>
    <executable>g09</executable>
852
    <checkpoint></checkpoint>
853
    <scratch></scratch>
855
856
    <charge>0</charge>
    <spin>1</spin>
857
    858
859
    <memory>1Gb</memory>
    <threads>1</threads>
860
861
862
    <cleanup></cleanup>
  </package>
863
```

list:idft_turbomole_xm

Listing 3.8: Example package.xml file for the Turbomole package required in the options of the idft calculator for the pair calculations and the determination of transfer integrals using DIPRO.

```
<package>
866
      <name>turbomole</name>
867
868
      <executable>ridft</executable>
      <scratch>/tmp</scratch>
869
870
871
      <options>
    $intsdebug cao
872
873
    a coord
874
875
    no
876
    b all def-TZVP
877
878 eht
879
    0
880
881
    dft
882
883 On
884 func
885 pbe
886 grid
887 m3
888
889 ri
```

```
m 300
891
892
893
    conv
894
895
896
    iter
897
    1
898
   diis
    3
899
    damo
900
    0.00
902
903
904
    marij
905
906
907
       </options>
908
909
       <cleanup></cleanup>
910
    </package>
912
```

list:idft_nwchem_xml

Listing 3.9: Example package.xml file for the NWChem package required in the options of the idft calculator for the pair calculations and the determination of transfer integrals using DIPRO.

```
913
914
      <name>nwchem</name>
915
916
      <executable>nwchem</executable>
      <checkpoint></checkpoint>
917
918
      <scratch>/tmp/nwchem</scratch>
      <charge>0</charge>
919
      <spin>1</spin>
920
921
      <memory></memory>
922
      <threads>1</threads>
      <options>
923
924
    start
    basis
925
    * library 6-311gss
926
927
   memory 1500 mb
928
929
    dft
930
    print "ao overlap"
931
932
     xc xpbe96 cpbe96
    direct
933
934
    iterations 1
935
     convergence nodamping nodiis
    noprint "final vectors analysis"
936
937
     vectors input system.movecs
938
    task dft
939
    </options>
      <cleanup></cleanup>
941
    </package>
943
```

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list:TI_xml

Listing 3.10: Example TI.xml file created as the output of a DIPRO calculation. Due to slightly different implementations, the orbitals indices refer to monomer indices in a Gaussian run but to indices in the merged dimer guess in a Turbomole run.

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```
<NoccA>1</NoccA>
949
            <LUMO_A>164</LUMO A>
950
            <NvirtA>1</NvirtA>
951
           <HOMO_B>161</HOMO_B>
952
953
           <NoccB>1</NoccB>
            <LUMO_B>163</LUMO_B>
954
           <NvirtB>1</NvirtB>
955
        </parameters>
         <transport name="hole">
957
              <channel name="single">
958
                  <J>1.546400416750696E-003</J>
                  <e A>-6.30726450715697</e A>
960
                  <e_B>-6.36775613794166</e_B>
961
              </channel>
962
              <channel name="multi">
963
964
                 <molecule name="A">
                     <e_HOMOm0>-6.30726450715697</e_HOMOm0>
965
                 </molecule>
966
                 <molecule name="B">
                     <e_HOMOm0>-6.36775613794166</e_HOMOm0>
968
969
                 </molecule>
                     <dimer name="integrals">
970
                           <T_00>1.546400416750696E-003</T_00>
971
972
                           <J_sq_degen>2.391354248926727E-006</J_sq_degen>
                           <J_sq_boltz>2.391354248926727E-006</J_sq_boltz>
973
                     </dimer>
974
              </channel>
         </transport>
976
977
         <transport name="electron">
              <channel name="single">
978
                  <J>-2.797473760331286E-003</J>
979
980
                  <e A>-4.50318366770689</e A>
                  <e_B>-4.53143397059021</e_B>
981
982
              </channel>
              <channel name="multi">
984
                     <molecule name="A">
985
                           <e_LUMOp0>-4.50318366770689</e_LUMOp0>
986
                     </molecule>
                     <molecule name="B">
987
988
                           <e_LUMOp0>-4.53143397059021</e_LUMOp0>
                     </molecule>
989
                     <dimer name="integrals">
990
                           <T_00>-2.797473760331286E-003</T_00>
991
                           <J_sq_degen>7.825859439742066E-006</J_sq_degen>
992
                           <J_sq_boltz>7.825859439742066E-006</J_sq_boltz>
993
                     </dimer>
994
              </channel>
995
996
         </transport>
     </pair>
887
```

3.7 State file

```
sec:state
```

```
All data structures are saved to the state.sql file in sqlite3 format, see http://www.sqlite.org/. They are
1000
    available in form of tables in the state.sql file as can be seen by the command
1001
    sqlite3 state.sql " .tables "
    An example of such a table are molecules. The full table can be displayed using the command (similar
1003
    for the other tables)
    sqlite3 state.sql " SELECT * FROM molecules "
    The meaning of all the entries in the table can be displayed by a command like
1006
    sqlite3 state.sql " .SCHEMA molecules "
1007
    The first and second entry are integers for internal and regular id of the molecule and the third entry is the
1008
    name. A single field from the table like the name of the molecule can be displayed by a command like
```

```
sqlite3 state.sql " SELECT name FROM molecules "
1010
    Besides molecules, the following tables are stored in the state.sql:
1011
    conjseg_properties:
    Conjugated segments are stored with id, name and x,y,z coordinates of the center of mass in nm.
1014
    Reorganization energies for charging or discharging a conjugated segment are stored together with the
1015
    coulomb energy and any other user defined energy contribution (in eV) and occupation probabilities.
1016
1017
    The pairs from the neighborlist are stored with the pair id, the id of the first and second segment, the rate
1018
    from the first to the second, the rate from the second to the first (both in s^{-1}) and the x,y,z coordinates in
1019
    nm of the distance between the first and the second segment.
1020
    pairintegrals:
    Transfer integrals for all pairs are stored in the following way: The pair id, the number for counting
1022
    possible different electronic overlaps (e.g if only the frontier orbitals are taken into account this is always
1023
    zero, while an effective value is stored in addition to the different overlaps of e.g. HOMO-1 and HOMO-1
    if more frontier orbitals are taken into account) and the integral in eV.
1025
    pairproperties:
1026
    The outer sphere reorganization energy of all pairs is stored by an id, the pair id, a string lambda_outer
1027
    and the energy in eV.
    coniseas:
1029
    Conjugated segments are saved in the following way: The id, the name, the type, the molecule id, the time
1030
    frame, the x,y,z coordinates in nm and the occupation probability.
1031
    conjseq properties:
    Properties of the conjugated segments like reorganization energies for charging or discharging a charge
1033
    unit or the coulomb contribution to the site energy are stored by: id, conjugated segment id, a string like
1034
    lambda_intra_charging, lambda_intra_discharging or energy_coulomb and a corre-
1035
    sponding value in eV.
    The tables rigidfrag_properties, rigidfrags and frames offer information about rigid frag-
1037
    ments and time frames including periodic boundary conditions.
1038
    The data in the state.sql file can also be modified by the user. Here is an example how to modify
1039
    the transfer integral between the conjugated segments number one and two assuming that they are in the
1040
    neighborlist. Their pair id can be found by the command
104
    pair_ID='sqlite3state.sql"SELECT _id FROM pairs WHERE conjseg1=1 AND conjseg2=2"'
1042
    The old value of the transfer integral can be deleted using
1043
    sqlite3 state.sql "DELETE FROM pair_integrals WHERE pair=$pair_ID"
    Finally the new transfer integral J can be written to the state.sql file by the command
1045
    sqlite3state.sql"INSERT INTO pair_integrals (pair,num,J) VALUES ($pair_ID,0,$J)"
1046
    Here the num=0 indicates that only the effective transfer integrals is written to the file, while other values
1047
    of num would correspond to overlap between other orbitals than the frontier orbitals.
1048
    In a similar way the coulomb contribution to the site energy of the first conjugated segment can be over-
1049
    written by first getting its id
1050
    c_ID='sqlite3 state.sql "SELECT _id from conjseg_properties where conjseg=1 AND
105
    key =\"energy_coulomb\""
    Then deleting the old value
1053
    sqlite3 state.sql "DELETE FROM from conjseg_properties WHERE _id=$c_ID"
1054
    Then the new coulomb energy E can be written to this id
    sqlite3 state.sql "INSERT INTO conjseg_properties (_id,conjseg,key,value)
1056
    VALUES ($c_ID,1,\"energy_coulomb\",$E)"
1057
    Finally the resulting coulomb contribution to all conjugated segments can be displayed by
1058
    sqlite3 state.sql"SELECT * from conjseg_properties WHERE key=\"energy_coulomb\""
1060
```

Chapter 4

Reference

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4.1 Programs

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Programs execute specific tasks (calculators).

4.1.1 xtp_testsuite

```
prog:xtp_testsuite
          Performs tests en suite + optional arguments:
      1066
                -h, --help show this help message and exit
      1067
                -e [ [ ...]], --execute [ [ ...]] Tests to perform, accepts regex (def=".*")
      1068
                -1, --listonly List all tests available, then quit.
      1069
                -x , --xml Test-suite file (def="$VOTCASHARE/xtp/xml/testsuite.xml")
      1070
                       --source Test source input directory (def="source")
      107
                 -td , --testdirectory Test run directory (def="suite")
      1072
                -t , --target Directory where to store targets (def="targets")
      1073
                -r , --reference Folder with reference data to compare to (def="reference")
      1074
                -g, --generate Generate reference from targets (def=False)
      1075
                -cmp, --compareonly Only compare existing targets to reference (def=False)
      1076
                -v, --verbose The wordy version (def=False)
      1077
                -sh, --showoutput Display VOTCA::XTP exec. output (def=False)
      1078
                -c, --clean To clean or not to clean test dir. (def=False)
                 -m , --mailto Mail the result. (def=False)
      1080
```

4.1.2 xtp_update

prog:xtp_update

1082

1083

1084

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```
Updates the state file + optional arguments:
-h, --help show this help message and exit
-f SQLFILE, --file SQLFILE State file to update.
```

4.1.3 xtp_update_exciton

prog:xtp_update_excitor

```
Updates the state file for singlets and triplets + optional arguments:

-h, --help show this help message and exit

-f SQLFILE, --file SQLFILE State file to update.
```

4.1.4 xtp_basisset

prog:xtp_basisse

xtp_update, version 1.4-dev gitid: e01ec53 Creates votca xml basissetfiles from NWCHEM basissetfiles optional arguments:

1135

```
-h, --help show this help message and exit
   1092
              -f NWCHEM, --inputnw NWCHEM NWchem file containing the basisset.
   1093
              -o OUTPUTFILE, --outputvotca OUTPUTFILE Path of votca outputfile
   1094
        4.1.5 xtp_map
   1095
        Generates QM|MD topology
   1096
              -h [ --help ] display this help and exit
   1097
              -v [ --verbose ] be loud and noisy
   1098
              -t [ --topology ] arg topology
   1099
              -c [ --coordinates ] arg coordinates or trajectory
              -s [ --segments ] arg definition of segments and fragments
   110
              -f [ --file ] arg state file
   1102
        4.1.6 xtp_run
   1103
prog:xtp_run
        Runs excitation/charge transport calculators
   1104
              -h [ --help ] display this help and exit
              -v [ --verbose ] be loud and noisy
   1106
              -o [ --options ] arg calculator options
   1107
              -f [ --file ] arg sqlight state file, *.sql
   1108
              -i [ --first-frame ] arg (=1) start from this frame
   1109
              -n [ --nframes ] arg (=1) number of frames to process
              -t [ --nthreads ] arg (=1) number of threads to create
   1111
              -s [ --save ] arg (=1) whether or not to save changes to state file
   1112
              -e [ --execute ] arg List of calculators separated by ',' or '
   1113
              -1 [ --list ] Lists all available calculators -d [ --description ] arg Short description of a cal-
   1114
              culator
   1115
        4.1.7
               xtp_tools
   1116
prog:xtp_tools
        Runs excitation/charge transport tools
   1117
              -h [ --help ] display this help and exit
   1118
              -v [ --verbose ] be loud and noisy
              -t [ --nthreads ] arg (=1) number of threads to create
   1120
              -o [ --options ] arg calculator options Tools:
   1121
              -e [ --execute ] arg List of tools separated by ',' or ''
   1122
              -1 [ --list ] Lists all available tools -d [ --description ] arg Short description of a tool
   1123
        4.1.8 xtp_parallel
        Runs job-based heavy-duty calculators
   1125
              -h [ --help ] display this help and exit
   1126
              -v [ --verbose ] be loud and noisy
   1127
              -o [ --options ] arg calculator options
              -f [ --file ] arg sqlite state file, *.sql
   1129
              -i [ --first-frame ] arg (=1) start from this frame
   1130
              -n [ --nframes ] arg (=1) number of frames to process
   113
              -t [ --nthreads ] arg (=1) number of threads to create
              -s [ --save ] arg (=1) whether or not to save changes to state file
   1133
              -r [ --restart ] arg restart pattern: 'host(pc1:234) stat(FAILED)'
   1134
              -c [ --cache ] arg (=8) assigns jobs in blocks of this size
```

-j [--jobs] arg (=run) task(s) to perform: input, run, import

```
-m [ --maxjobs ] arg (=-1) maximum number of jobs to process (-1 = inf)

-e [ --execute ] arg List of calculators separated by ',' or ' '

-l [ --list ] Lists all available calculators -d [ --description ] arg Short description of a cal-

culator
```

4.1.9 xtp_dump

```
Extracts information from the state file
1142
          -h [ --help ] display this help and exit
1143
          -v [ --verbose ] be loud and noisy
          -o [ --options ] arg calculator options
1145
          -f [ --file ] arg sqlight state file, *.sql
1146
          -i [ --first-frame ] arg (=1) start from this frame
1147
          -n [ --nframes ] arg (=1) number of frames to process
          -t [ --nthreads ] arg (=1) number of threads to create
1149
          -s [ --save ] arg (=1) whether or not to save changes to state file Extractors:
1150
          -e [ --extract ] arg List of extractors separated by ',' or ' '
          -1 [ --list ] Lists all available extractors -d [ --description ] arg Short description of an ex-
1152
          tractor
1153
```

4.1.10 xtp_overlap

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4.1.11 xtp_kmc_run

```
prog:xtp_kmc_rur
           kmc_run, version 1.4-dev gitid: e01ec53 (compiled Sep 15 2016, 16:22:09) Runs specified calculators
      1163
                 -h [ --help ] display this help and exit
                 -v [ --verbose ] be loud and noisy
      1165
                 -o [ --options ] arg program and calculator options
      1166
                 -f [ --file ] arg sqlite state file
      1167
                 -t [ --textfile ] arg output text file (otherwise: screen output)
                 -e [ --execute ] arg list of calculators separated by commas or spaces
      1169
                 -1 [ --list ] lists all available calculators -d [ --description ] arg detailed description of a
      1170
                 calculator
      1171
```

4.2 Calculators

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Calculator is a piece of code which computes specific system properties, such as site energies, transfer integrals, etc. xtp_run, xtp_kmc_run are wrapper programs which executes such calculators. The generic syntax is

```
76 xtp_run -e "calc1, calc2, ..." -o options.xml
```

File options.xml lists all options needed to run a specific calculator. The format of this file is explained in listing 4.1. A complete list of calculators is given in the calculators reference section.

list:calc

Listing 4.1: A part of the options.xml file with options for the calculator_name $\{1,2\}$ calculators.

```
1179
     <calculator_name1>
1180
                <option1>value1</option1>
                <option2>value2</option2>
1182
1183
     </calculator_name1>
1184
1185
1186
     <calculator_name2>
1187
                <option1>value1</option1>
                <option2>value2</option2>
1188
     </calculator_name2>
1190
1191
1193
```

A list of all calculators and their short descriptions can be obtain using

xtp_run --list 1194

A detailed description of all options of a specific calculator(s) is available via 1195

xtp_run --desc calc1,calc2,...

4.2.1 coupling

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Electronic couplings from log and orbital files (GAUSSAIN, TURBOMOLE, NWChem)

option	default	unit	description
package			First-principles package
output	coupling.out.xn	ıl	Output file
degeneracy	0	eV	Criterium for the degeneracy of two levels
moleculeA			
log	A.log		Log file of molecule A
orbitals	A.orb		Orbitals file
levels	3		Output HOMO,, HOMO-levels; LUMO,, LUMO+levels
trim	2		
moleculeB			
log	B.log		Log file of molecule B
orbitals	B.orb		Orbitals file
levels	3		Output HOMO,, HOMO-levels; LUMO,, LUMO+levels
trim	2		
dimerAB			
log	AB.log		Log file of dimer AB
orbitals	A.orb		Orbitals file

Return to the description of coupling.

4.2.2 excitoncoupling

Exciton couplings from serialized orbital files

option	default	unit	description
output	excitoncoupling	c	Output file
bsecoupling			
orbitalsA	A.orb		Serialized orbitals file
orbitalsB	B.orb		Serialized orbitals file
orbitalsAB	AB.orb		Serialized orbitals file

4.2.3 gencube

c:gencube 1204

Tool to generate cube files from .orb file

option	default	unit	description
output	state.cube		Output file
input	system.orb		Input file
padding	6.5		How far the grid should start from the molecule
xsteps	25		Gridpoints in x-direction
ysteps	25		Gridpoints in y-direction
zsteps	25		Gridpoints in z-direction
state	1		State to generate cube file for
spin			Singlet or Triplet
type	ground		qp:quasiparticle,ground:groundstate,transition:transitionstate,excited/excite gs:excitedstate density/density excited-ground state
mode	new		new: generate new cube file, substract: substract to cube files specified below
infile1			Cubefile to substract infile2 from
infile2			Cubefile to substract from infile1

Return to the description of gencube.

4.2.4 log2mps



Generates an mps-file (with polar-site definitions) from a QM log-file

option	default	unit	description
package			QM package
logfile			Log-file generated by QM package, with population/esp-fit data

Return to the description of log2mps.

4.2.5 molpol

1209 calc:molpol 1210

Molecular polarizability calculator (and optimizer)

option	default	unit	description
mpsfiles			
input			mps input file
output			mps output file
polar			xml file with infos on polarizability tensor
induction			
expdamp			Thole sharpness parameter
wSOR			mixing factor for convergence
maxiter			maximum number of iterations
tolerance			rel. tolerance for induced moments
target			
optimize			if 'true', refine atomic polarizabilities to match molecular polar- izable volume specified in target.molpol
molpol			target polarizability tensor in format xx xy xz yy yz zz (this should be in the eigen-frame, hence $xy = xz = yz = 0$), if optimize=true the associated polarizable volume will be matched iteratively and the resulting set of polar sites written to mpsfiles.output
tolerance			relative tolerance when optimizing the polarizable volume

Return to the description of molpol.

4.2.6 orb2isogwa

Analysis tool for QM results stores in serialized file

option	default	unit	description
output	qmanalyze.out		Output file
property			
input	molecule.orb		Serialized file

Return to the description of orb2isogwa.

4.2.7 partialcharges

Tool to derive partial charges from QM results stores in serialized file

option	default	unit	description
output	Moleculecharges.		Output file either .mps or .pdb
input	molecule.orb		Serialized file
esp2multipole			options for the method

Return to the description of partialcharges.

4.2.8 pdb2map

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Converts MD + QM files to VOTCA mapping. Combinations: pdb+xyz,gro+xyz,pdb

option	default	unit	description
pdb	conf.pdb		Input pdb file
gro	conf.gro		Input gro file
xyz	conf.xyz		Input xyz file
xml	conf.xml		Resulting xml file

Return to the description of pdb2map.

4.2.9 pdb2top

Generates fake Gromacs topology file .top

option	default	unit	description
num	1		Num of mols in the box
pdb	conf.pdb		Input pdb file
gro	conf.gro		Input gro file

Return to the description of pdb2top.

4.2.10 ptopreader

Reads binary .ptop-files (serialized from ewdbgpol) and processes them into something readable

option	default	unit	description
ptop_file			Binary archive .ptop-file

Return to the description of ptopreader.

4.2.11 qmanalyze

alc:qmanalyze

Analysis tool for QM results stores in serialized file

option	default	unit	description
output	qmanalyze.out		Output file
BSE			additonal info about BSE results
input	molecule.orb		Serialized file

Return to the description of qmanalyze.

4.2.12 eanalyze

calc:eanalyze

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Histogram and correlation function of site energies and pair energy differences

option	default	unit	description
resolution_sites		eV	Bin size for site energy histogram
resolution_pairs		eV	Bin size for pair energy histogram
resolution_space		eV	Bin size for site energy correlation
states			?

Return to the description of eanalyze.

4.2.13 eimport

1233 Ilc:eimpor

Imports site energies from the output file of emultipole and writes them to the state file

option	default	unit	description
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Return to the description of eimport.

1236 calc:einternal

4.2.14 einternal

Reads in site and reorganosation energies and writes them to the state file

option	default	unit	description
energiesXML			XML input file with vacuum site, reorganization (charging, discharging) energies

Return to the description of einternal.

4.2.15 emultipole

calc:emultipole 1240

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Evaluates polarization contribution based on the Thole model

option	default	unit	description
multipoles			Polar Site Definitions in GDMA punch-file format
control			Control options for induction computation
induce	1		Enter '1' / '0' to toggle induction on / off
first			First segment for which to compute site energies
last			Last segment for which to compute site energies
output			File to write site energies to. Site energies are also stored in the state file
check			Check mapping of polar sites to fragment
tholeparam			Thole parameters required for charge-smearing
cutoff		nm	Cut-off beyond which all interactions are neglected

cutoff2	nm	Cut-off beyond which polarization is neglected
expdamp		Damping exponent used in exponential damping function
scaling		1-n interaction scaling, currently not in use
esp		Control options for potential calculation
calcESP		Enter '1' / '0' to toggle on / off. If '1', site energies will not be evaluated
cube		
grid		XYZ file specifying grid points for potential evaluation
output		File to write grid-point potential to
esf		Control options for field calculation
calcESF		Enter '1' / '0' to toggle on / off. If '1', site energies will not be evaluated
grid		XYZ file specifying grid points for field evaluation
output		File to write grid-point field to
alphamol		Control options for molecular-polarizability calculation
calcAlpha		Enter '1' / '0' to toggle on / off. If '1', site energies will not be evaluated
output		File to write polarizability tensor in global frame and in diagonal form to
convparam		Convergence parameters for self-consistent field calculation
$wSOR_N$		Mixing factor for successive overrelaxation of neutral system, usually between 0.3 and 0.5
wSOR_C		Mixing factor for successive overrelaxation of charged system, usually between 0.3 and 0.5
tolerance		Convergence criterion, fulfilled if relative change smaller than tolerance
maxiter		Maximum number of iterations in the convergence loop

Return to the description of emultipole.

4.2.16 eoutersphere

Evaluates outersphere reorganization energy

option	default	unit	description
multipoles			XML allocation polar sites
method			Type of the method: **constant** - all pairs have value **lambda**. **spheres** - molecules are treated as spheres with radii **radius** and Pekar factor **pekar**. **dielectric** - with Pekar factor **pekar** and partial charges from resulting dielectric fields
lambdaconst		eV	The value for all pairs in the **constant** method
pekar			Pekar factor used for methods **spheres** and **dielectric**
segment			
type			
radius			
segment			
type			
radius			
cutoff		nm	Cutoff radius in between pair and the exterior molecule. Can be used in **spheres** and **dielectric**

Return to the description of eoutersphere.

4.2.17 ianalyze

caic:ianaiyze

Evaluates a histogram of a logarithm of squared couplings

option	default	unit	description
resolution_logJ2			Bin size of histogram log(J2)
resolution_space		nm	Bin size for r in $log(J2(r))$
states			States for which to calculate the histogram. Example: 1 -1

Return to the description of ianalyze.

4.2.18 iimport

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Imports electronic couplings from xml of xtp-dipro using folders of pairdump

option	default	unit	description
idft_jobs_file			idft jobs file
probabilityfile_h	ianalyze.ispatial- h.out		For coarse grained simulations provide here the distance dependent means and sigmas of hole transfer integrals. This file can be created using the ianalyze calculator.
probabilityfile_e	ianalyze.ispatial- e.out		For coarse grained simulations provide here the distance dependent means and sigmas of electron transfer integrals. This file can be created using the ianalyze calculator.

Return to the description of iimport.

4.2.19 izindo

Semiempirical electronic coupling elements for all neighbor list pairs

option	default	unit	description
orbitalsXML			File with paths to .orb files

Return to the description of izindo.

4.2.20 jobwriter

Writes list of jobs for a parallel execusion

option	default	unit	description
keys			job type
single_id			Segment ID as argument for mps.single
kmc_cutoff		nm	Pair-interaction cut-off as argument for mps.kmc

Return to the description of jobwriter.

4.2.21 pairdump

Coordinates of molecules and pairs from the neighbor list

option	default	unit	description
molecules			If **true** outputs single molecules, otherwise only pairs

Return to the description of pairdump.

4.2.22 panalyze

Probability of neighbours being in the pair list as a function of their centre of mass distance

option	default	unit	description
resolution_space		nm	Spatial resolution for the probability function.

Return to the description of panalyze.

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Density and site energy profiles

option	default	unit	description
axis			Axis along which to calculate density and energy profiles
direction	0 0 1		Axis direction
min		nm	Minimal projected position for manual binning
max		nm	Maximal projected position for manual binning
bin	0.1	nm	Spatial resolution of the profile
auto	1		'0' for manual binning using min and max, '1' for automated
particles			
type	segments		What centers of mass to use: 'segments' or 'atoms'
first	1		ID of the first segment
last	-1		ID of the last segment, -1 is the list end
output			
density	density.dat		Density profile file
energy	energy.dat		Energy profile file

Return to the description of profile.

4.2.24 rates

1267 Hopping rates using classical or semi-classical expression

option	default	unit	description
field			Field in x y z direction
temperature		K	Temperature for rates
method			Method chosen to compute rates. Can either be **marcus** or **jortner**. The first is the high temperature limit of Marcus theory, the second is the rate proposed by Jortner and Bixon
nmaxvib	20		If the method of choice is **jortner**, the maximal number of excited vibrations on the molecules has to be specified as an integer for the summation
omegavib	0.2	eV	If the method of choice is **jortner**, the vibration frequency of the quantum mode has to be given in units of eV. The default value is close to the CC bond-stretch at 0.2eV

Return to the description of rates.

4.2.25 sandbox

Sandbox to test xtp classes

option	default	unit	description
ID			Not in use

1272 calc:stateserve 1273

4.2.26 stateserver

Export SQLite file to human readable format

option	default	unit	description
out			Output file name
pdb			PDB coordinate file name
keys			Sections to write to readable format (topology, segments, pairs, coordinates)

Return to the description of stateserver.

1275 4.2.27 tdump

alc:tdump 1276

Coarse-grained and back-mapped (using rigid fragments) trajectories

option	default	unit	description
md	MD.pdb		Name of the coarse-grained trajectory
qm	QM.pdb		Name of the trajectory with back-substituted rigid fragments
frames	1		Number of frames to output

Return to the description of tdump.

4.2.28 vaverage



Computes site-centered velocity averages from site occupancies

option	default	unit	description
carriers			Carrier types for which to compute velocity averages
tabulate			Tabulate 'atoms' or 'segments'

Return to the description of vaverage.

4.2.29 zmultipole



Evaluates polarization contribution based on the Thole model

option	default	unit	description
multipoles			Polar Site Definitions in GDMA punch-file format
control			Control options for induction computation
induce	1		Enter '1' / '0' to toggle induction on / off
first			First segment for which to compute site energies
last			Last segment for which to compute site energies
output			File to write site energies to. Site energies are also stored in the state file
check			Check mapping of polar sites to fragment
tholeparam			Thole parameters required for charge-smearing
cutoff		nm	Cut-off beyond which all interactions are neglected
cutoff2		nm	Cut-off beyond which polarization is neglected
expdamp			Damping exponent used in exponential damping function
scaling			1-n interaction scaling, currently not in use
esp			Control options for potential calculation
calcESP			Enter '1' / '0' to toggle on / off. If '1', site energies will not be evaluated
cube			
grid			XYZ file specifying grid points for potential evaluation
output			File to write grid-point potential to

esf	Control options for field calculation
calcESF	Enter '1' / '0' to toggle on / off. If '1', site energies will not be evaluated
grid	XYZ file specifying grid points for field evaluation
output	File to write grid-point field to
alphamol	Control options for molecular-polarizability calculation
calcAlpha	Enter '1' / '0' to toggle on / off. If '1', site energies will not be evaluated
output	File to write polarizability tensor in global frame and in diagonal form to
convparam	Convergence parameters for self-consistent field calculation
wSOR_N	Mixing factor for successive overrelaxation of neutral system, usually between 0.3 and 0.5
wSOR_C	Mixing factor for successive overrelaxation of charged system, usually between 0.3 and 0.5
tolerance	Convergence criterion, fulfilled if relative change smaller than tolerance
maxiter	Maximum number of iterations in the convergence loop

Return to the description of zmultipole.

1284 calc:edft 1285

4.2.30 edft

A wrapper for first principles based single site calculations

option	default	unit	description
job			Job options
tasks	input,run,parse		What to run
store	orbitals		What to store

Return to the description of edft.



4.2.31 egwbse



An implementation of GW-BSE.

option	default	unit	description Job options
job			Job options
dftbasis			
job dftbasis gwbasis			
rpamax			
qpmin			
qpmax			
bsemin			
bsemax			
shift			
tasks			
store			
exctotal			
print			

Return to the description of egwbse.

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4.2.32 idft

Projection method for electronic couplings. Requires edft otput

option	default	unit	description
tasks	input,run,parse,t		What to do
store	orbitals,overlap,ii		What to store
degeneracy	0	eV	Criterium for the degeneracy of two levels
levels	3		Output between HOMO,, HOMO-levels; LUMO,, LUMO+levels
trim	2		Use trim*occupied of virtual orbitals

Return to the description of idft.

4.2.33 igwbse

Projection method for excitonic couplings. Requires gwbse output

option	default	unit	description
package			
job			
file			
tasks			
gwbse			
dftbasis			
gwbasis			
shift			
tasks			
exctotal			
print			
type	singlets		Spin types for couplings
degeneracy	0	eV	Criterium for the degeneracy of two levels
states	5		Number of excitons considered

Return to the description of igwbse.

4.2.34 qmmm

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1297 QM/MM with the Thole MM model

option	default	unit	description
control			
pdb_check			PDB file of polar sites
write_chk	dipoles.xyz		XYZ file with dipoles split onto point charges
format_chk	xyz		format, gaussian or xyz
split_dpl	1		'0' do not split dipoles onto point charges, '1' do split
dpl_spacing	1e-3	nm	Spacing to be used when splitting dipole onto point charges: $d = q * a$
qmpackage			
package			QM package to use for the QM region
gwbse			Specify if GW/BSE excited state calculation ist needed
gwbse_options			GW/BSE options file
state			Number of excited state, which is to be calculated
type			Character of the excited state to be calculated
filter			Filter with which to find the excited state after each calculation
oscilla-			Oscillator strength filter, only states with higher oscillator
tor_strength			strength are considered
charge_transfer			Charge transfer filter , only states with charge transfer above threshold are consdered
qmmmconvg			convergence criteria for the QM/MM
dR	0.001	nm	RMS of coordinates

40	0.001		PMC of charges
dQ		e	RMS of charges
dE_QM	0.0001	eV	Energy change of the QM region
dE_MM	0.0001	eV	Energy change of the MM region
max_iter	10		Number of iterations
coulombmethod			Options for the MM embedding
method	cut-off		Method for evaluation of electrostatics
cutoff1			Cut-off for the polarizable MM1 shell
cutoff2			Cut-off for the static MM2 shell
tholemodel			Parameters for teh Thole model
induce			'1' - induce '0' - no induction
i			'1' - include mutual interaction of induced dipoles in the QM
induce_intra_pair			region. '0' - do not
exp_damp	0.39		Sharpness parameter
scaling			Bond scaling factors
convergence			Convergence parameters for the MM1 (polarizable) region
wSOR N			Mixing factor for the succesive overrelaxation algorithm for a
WSOK_IV			neutral QM region
TUCOR C			Mixing factor for the succesive overrelaxation algorithm for a
wSOR_C			charged QM region
max_iter	512		Maximal number of iterations to converge induced dipoles
tolerance			Maximum RMS change allowed in induced dipoles

Return to the description of ammm.

4.2.35 xqmultipole

calc:xqmultipole 1300

Electrostatic interaction and induction energy of charged molecular clusters

option	default	unit	description
multipoles			Polar-site mapping definition
control			
job_file			Job file
emp_file			Polar-background definition, allocation of mps-files to segments
pdb_check			Whether or not to output a pdb-file of the mapped polar sites
format_chk			Format for check-file: 'xyz' or 'gaussian'
split_dpl			Split dipoles onto point charges in check-file
dpl_spacing		nm	Spacing between point charges for check-file output
coulombmethod			
method			Currently only cut-off supported
cutoff1		nm	Full-interaction radius cut-off
cutoff2		nm	Radius of electrostatic buffer
tholemodel			
induce			Induce - or not
induce_intra_pair			Induce mutually within the charged cluster
exp_damp			Thole sharpness parameter
scaling			Bond scaling parameters, currently not used
convergence			
wSOR_N			SOR mixing factor for overall neutral clusters
wSOR_C			SOR mixing factor for overall charged clusters
max_iter			Maximum number of iterations
tolerance			Relative tolerance as convergence criterion

Return to the description of xqmultipole.

4.2.36 energy2xml



Write out energies from SQL file

default description unit Return to the description of energy2xml. integrals2xml 4.2.37 1305 Write out transfer integrals from SQL file default description unit Return to the description of integrals2xml. occupations2xml 4.2.38 1308 Write out site occupation probabilities from SQL file default description option unit Return to the description of occupations2xml. 4.2.39 pairs2xml 1311 Write out neighbourlist from SQL file 1312 default unit description Return to the description of pairs2xml. 1313 rates2xml 4.2.40 1314 Write out charge transfer rates from SQL file 1315 default unit description Return to the description of rates2xml. 1316 4.2.41 segments2xml 1317 Write out segment data from SQL file 1318 default unit description Return to the description of segments2xml. 4.2.42 trajectory2pdb Generate PDB files for the mapped MD/QM topology 1321 default unit description Return to the description of trajectory2pdb.

4.3 Common options

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