

Excited States

McWeeny, "Methods of Molecular Quantum Mechanics" 2nd Ed
Chs.13&14

First Idea: CI

$$\begin{pmatrix} . & . & . & . \\ . & . & . & . \\ . & . & . & . \\ . & . & . & . \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} . \\ . \\ . \\ . \end{pmatrix} = E_i \begin{pmatrix} . \\ . \\ . \\ . \end{pmatrix}$$

$H \quad c_i = E_i c_i$

MCSCF, CISD, CIS, MR-CI, CASSCF, RASSCF

E_i not size consistent*

*except for CIS

$$\Delta E_i = E_i - E_0 \sim \text{intensive}$$

Linear Response: Leveraging the Ground State

Suppose Ψ depends on some parameters, \mathbf{p} , and determine Ψ_0 by:

$$\min E[\mathbf{p}] \equiv \langle \Psi[\mathbf{p}^*] | \hat{H} | \Psi[\mathbf{p}] \rangle \rightarrow |\Psi_0[\mathbf{p}]\rangle$$

$$\frac{dE}{d\mathbf{p}^*} = \left\langle \frac{d\Psi_0}{d\mathbf{p}^*} \right| \hat{H} | \Psi_0 \rangle = 0$$

Add a time dependent term to \hat{H} :

$$\hat{H}(t) = \hat{H} + \phi(t)\hat{A}$$

What will $\Psi(t)$ be?

$$\vec{p}(t) = \vec{p} + \vec{d}(t)$$

Time Dependent Variational Principle (TDVP)

$$\left\langle \frac{d\Psi(t)}{d\mathbf{p}} \right| \hat{H}(t) - i \frac{\partial}{\partial t} \left| \Psi(t) \right\rangle = 0$$

$$|\Psi(t)\rangle = |\Psi_0\rangle + \left| \frac{d\Psi_0}{d\mathbf{p}} \right\rangle \cdot \vec{d}(t) + \dots$$

$$\left\langle \frac{d\Psi(t)}{d\mathbf{p}^*} \right| = \left\langle \frac{d\Psi_0}{d\mathbf{p}^*} \right| + \left\langle \frac{d^2\Psi_0}{d\mathbf{p}^* d\mathbf{p}} \right| \cdot \vec{d}(t) + \dots$$

$$\left[\left\langle \frac{d\Psi_0}{d\mathbf{p}^*} \right| + \left\langle \frac{d^2\Psi_0}{d\mathbf{p}^* d\mathbf{p}} \right| \vec{d}(t) \right] \hat{H} - i \frac{\partial}{\partial t} \left[|\Psi_0\rangle + \left| \frac{d\Psi_0}{d\mathbf{p}} \right\rangle \cdot \vec{d}(t) \right] = 0$$

↳ free (not forced) oscillations

d-independent terms:

$$\left\langle \frac{d\Psi_0}{d\mathbf{p}^*} \right| \hat{H} - i \frac{\partial}{\partial t} \left| \Psi_0 \right\rangle = 0$$

true if I start in ground state

Terms linear in \mathbf{d} :

$$\mathbf{d}^*(t) \left\langle \frac{d^2\Psi}{d\mathbf{p}^* d\mathbf{p}} \right| \hat{H}(t) - i \frac{\partial}{\partial t} \left| \Psi_0 \right\rangle + \left\langle \frac{d\Psi_0}{d\mathbf{p}^*} \right| \hat{H}(t) - i \frac{\partial}{\partial t} \left| \frac{d\Psi}{d\mathbf{p}} \right\rangle \mathbf{d}(t) = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow \mathbf{d}^*(t) \left\langle \frac{d^2\Psi}{d\mathbf{p}^* d\mathbf{p}} \right| \hat{H}(t) \left| \Psi_0 \right\rangle + \left\langle \frac{d\Psi_0}{d\mathbf{p}^*} \right| \hat{H}(t) \left| \frac{d\Psi}{d\mathbf{p}} \right\rangle \mathbf{d}(t) = i \left\langle \frac{d\Psi_0}{d\mathbf{p}^*} \right| \frac{d\Psi}{d\mathbf{p}} \mathbf{d}(t)$$



Details response of system
to fluctuations in \vec{p} !

All $H(t)$
↓
 $H!$
Sorry!

$$\underline{\mathbf{A}} \equiv \left\langle \frac{d\Psi_0}{d\mathbf{p}^*} \left| \hat{H}(t) \right| \frac{d\Psi}{d\mathbf{p}} \right\rangle \quad \underline{\mathbf{B}} \equiv \left\langle \frac{d^2\Psi}{d\mathbf{p}^* d\mathbf{p}} \left| \hat{H}(t) \right| \Psi_0 \right\rangle \quad \underline{\mathbf{V}} \equiv \left\langle \frac{d\Psi_0}{d\mathbf{p}^*} \left| \frac{d\Psi}{d\mathbf{p}} \right\rangle$$

$$\underline{\underline{\mathbf{B}}} \cdot \underline{\underline{\dot{\mathbf{d}}}}^* + \underline{\underline{\mathbf{A}}} \cdot \underline{\underline{\dot{\mathbf{d}}}} = i \underline{\underline{\mathbf{V}}} \cdot \underline{\underline{\dot{\mathbf{d}}}}$$

Now, we guess a form for $\mathbf{d}(t)$

$$\mathbf{d}(t) \equiv \mathbf{X} e^{-i\omega t} + \mathbf{Y}^* e^{i\omega t}$$

$$\Rightarrow \underline{\underline{\mathbf{B}}} \cdot (\underline{\underline{\mathbf{X}}}^* e^{i\omega t} + \underline{\underline{\mathbf{Y}}} e^{-i\omega t}) + \underline{\underline{\mathbf{A}}} (\underline{\underline{\mathbf{X}}} e^{-i\omega t} + \underline{\underline{\mathbf{Y}}}^* e^{i\omega t})$$

$$= i \underline{\underline{\mathbf{V}}} (-i\omega \underline{\underline{\mathbf{X}}} e^{-i\omega t} + i\omega \underline{\underline{\mathbf{Y}}}^* e^{i\omega t})$$

$$e^{i\omega t}: \underline{\underline{\mathbf{B}}} \cdot \underline{\underline{\mathbf{X}}}^* + \underline{\underline{\mathbf{A}}} \cdot \underline{\underline{\mathbf{Y}}}^* = -\omega \underline{\underline{\mathbf{V}}} \underline{\underline{\mathbf{Y}}}^*$$

$$e^{-i\omega t}: \underline{\underline{\mathbf{B}}} \cdot \underline{\underline{\mathbf{Y}}} + \underline{\underline{\mathbf{A}}} \cdot \underline{\underline{\mathbf{X}}} = \omega \underline{\underline{\mathbf{V}}} \underline{\underline{\mathbf{X}}}$$

$$\underline{\underline{\mathbf{B}}}^* \underline{\underline{\mathbf{X}}} + \underline{\underline{\mathbf{A}}}^* \underline{\underline{\mathbf{Y}}} = -\omega \underline{\underline{\mathbf{V}}} \underline{\underline{\mathbf{Y}}}$$

Re-arrange:

$$\begin{pmatrix} \underline{\underline{\mathbf{A}}} & \underline{\underline{\mathbf{B}}} \\ \underline{\underline{\mathbf{B}}}^* & \underline{\underline{\mathbf{A}}}^* \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} \underline{\underline{\mathbf{X}}} \\ \underline{\underline{\mathbf{Y}}} \end{pmatrix} = \omega \begin{pmatrix} \underline{\underline{\mathbf{V}}} & 0 \\ 0 & -\underline{\underline{\mathbf{V}}} \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} \underline{\underline{\mathbf{X}}} \\ \underline{\underline{\mathbf{Y}}} \end{pmatrix}$$

$\underline{\underline{\mathbf{H}}} \quad \underline{\underline{\mathbf{C}}} = \underline{\underline{\mathbf{E}}} \quad \underline{\underline{\mathbf{S}}} \quad \underline{\underline{\mathbf{C}}}$

$$\omega = \Delta E_i \quad (\text{excitation energy})$$

Same derivation applies to any **variational** energy function:

$$E = \min_{\mathbf{p}, \mathbf{q}} F \left[\langle \Psi[\mathbf{p}] |, | \Psi[\mathbf{q}] \rangle \right]$$

Examples:

LR-HF (aka TDHF, RPA)

$$\delta\phi_i(t) = (X_{ia}e^{-i\omega t} + Y_{ia}^*e^{-i\omega t})\phi_a$$

$$\begin{pmatrix} \mathbf{A} & \mathbf{B} \\ \mathbf{B} & \mathbf{A} \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} \mathbf{X} \\ \mathbf{Y} \end{pmatrix} = \omega \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & -1 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} \mathbf{X} \\ \mathbf{Y} \end{pmatrix}$$

EOM-CC (LR-cc) *not variational!*
 $L[\] = E_{cc} - \Delta_{ij}^{ab} \langle \Phi_{ij}^{ab} | \hat{H} | \Phi_{HF} \rangle$

LR-TD-DFT

$$\delta\phi_i(t) = (X_{ia}e^{-i\omega t} + Y_{ia}^*e^{-i\omega t})\phi_a$$

Looks like TD-HF

Theorem (Runge-Gross) For a system that starts in the ground state and is subjected to a one-body potential $v(\mathbf{r},t)$, there is a one-to-one correspondence between $v(\mathbf{r},t)$ and $\rho(\mathbf{r},t)$.

*$\rho(t) \rightarrow \text{Everything!}$
*in Principle Exact.**

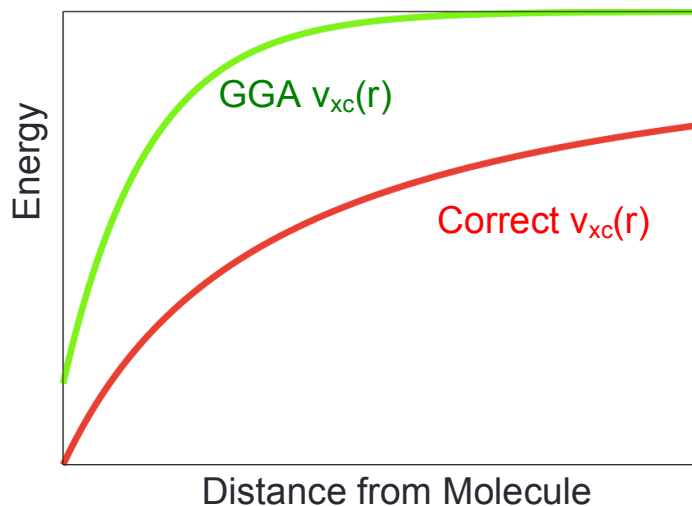
Present TDDFT functionals have trouble with...



Source of problem: SIE (CT states come out too low)

Rydberg
States

exist in
continuum



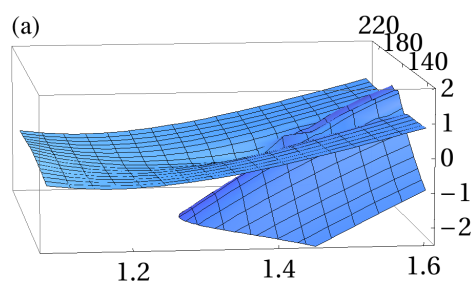
Double
Excitations

$$\hat{\rho} \phi_i(t) = \left(X_{ia} e^{-i\omega t} + Y_{ia}^* e^{-i\omega t} \right) \phi_a$$

Where are double excitations here?

$$\text{Solution: } \begin{pmatrix} \mathbf{A}(\omega) & \mathbf{B}(\omega) \\ \mathbf{B}(\omega) & \mathbf{A}(\omega) \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} \mathbf{X} \\ \mathbf{Y} \end{pmatrix} = \omega \begin{pmatrix} \mathbf{1} & 0 \\ 0 & -\mathbf{1} \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} \mathbf{X} \\ \mathbf{Y} \end{pmatrix}$$

Conical
Intersections



Note: The conical intersection problem is a general “feature” of linear response methods. The ground state can never “know” that the excited state is there.

Suggested Further Reading: Dreuw and Head-Gordon, “Single Reference Methods for the calculation of excited states of large molecules”, *Chem. Rev.* **105**, 4009-4037 (2005).