Random-phase approximations for ground-state long-range correlation

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Two main families of electronic-structure methods

Wave-function theory (WFT)

$$E = \min_{oldsymbol{\Psi}} \langle oldsymbol{\Psi} | \, \hat{\mathcal{T}} + \hat{\mathcal{V}}_{\sf ne} + \hat{\mathcal{W}}_{\sf ee} | oldsymbol{\Psi}
angle$$

- variational approximations (HF, MCSCF, CI) or non-variational approximations (MP, CC, RPA)
- quite systematic and accurate
- description of short-range e-e interaction is computationally costly

Kohn-Sham density-functional theory (DFT)

$$E = \min_{\mathbf{\Phi}} \left\{ \langle \mathbf{\Phi} | \, \hat{\mathcal{T}} + \hat{\mathcal{V}}_{\mathsf{ne}} | \mathbf{\Phi}
angle + E_{\mathsf{Hxc}}[n_{\mathbf{\Phi}}]
ight\}$$

- approximations for $E_{xc}[n]$: LDA, GGAs, ...
- low computational cost
- description of long-range e-e interaction is inaccurate

\implies combine long-range WFT with short-range DFT



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▶ Derivation by constrained-search formalism (Savin, 1996)

$$E = \min_{\Psi} \langle \Psi | \hat{T} + \hat{V}_{ne} + \hat{W}_{ee} | \Psi \rangle$$

=
$$\min_{n} \min_{\Psi \to n} \langle \Psi | \hat{T} + \hat{V}_{ne} + \hat{W}_{ee} | \Psi \rangle$$

=
$$\min_{n} \left\{ \min_{\Psi^{lr} \to n} \langle \Psi^{lr} | \hat{T} + \hat{V}_{ne} + \hat{W}_{ee}^{lr} | \Psi^{lr} \rangle + E_{Hxc}^{sr}[n] \right\}$$

$$E = \min_{\Psi^{\text{lr}}} \left\{ \langle \Psi^{\text{lr}} | \hat{T} + \hat{V}_{\text{ne}} + \hat{W}_{\text{ee}}^{\text{lr}} | \Psi^{\text{lr}} \rangle + E_{\text{Hxc}}^{\text{sr}} [n_{\Psi^{\text{lr}}}] \right\}$$

► Long-range e-e interaction

$$\hat{W}_{\mathsf{ee}}^{\mathsf{Ir}} = \sum_{i < j} \frac{\mathsf{erf}(\mu r_{ij})}{r_{ij}}$$

with $1/\mu$ acting as a cutoff radius



Fast basis convergence with long-range interaction

Behavior of the wave function at small interelectronic distance $r_{12}
ightarrow 0$:

Coulomb interaction

$$\frac{\Psi(r_{12})}{\Psi(0)} = 1 + \frac{r_{12}}{2} + \cdots$$
$$= \sum_{\ell=0}^{\infty} c_{\ell} P_{\ell}(\cos \theta) \text{ with } \mathbf{c}_{\ell} \sim \ell^{-2}$$

1.05

Long-range interaction

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{\Psi^{\rm lr}(r_{12})}{\Psi^{\rm lr}(0)} &= 1 + \frac{\mu r_{12}^2}{3\sqrt{\pi}} + \cdots \\ &= \sum_{\ell=0}^{\infty} c_\ell P_\ell(\cos\theta) \text{ with } \mathbf{c}_\ell \sim \mathbf{e}^{-\alpha\ell} \end{aligned}$$



Gori-Giorgi, Savin, PRA, 2006; Franck, Mussard, Luppi, Toulouse, JCP, 2015

The short-range density functional

- ► Decomposition into Hartree and exchange-correlation contributions: $E_{H\times c}^{sr}[n] = E_{H}^{sr}[n] + E_{\times c}^{sr}[n]$ where $E_{H}^{sr}[n] = (1/2) \iint n(\mathbf{r}_{1})n(\mathbf{r}_{2})w_{ee}^{sr}(\mathbf{r}_{12})d\mathbf{r}_{1}d\mathbf{r}_{2}$
- Semilocal density-functional approximations (srLDA, srGGAs) for $E_{xc}^{sr}[n]$:

$$E_{\mathsf{xc}}^{\mathsf{sr}}[n] \approx \int e_{\mathsf{xc}}^{\mathsf{sr}}(n(\mathbf{r}), \nabla n(\mathbf{r})) \, \mathrm{d}\mathbf{r}$$

In the limit of a very short-range interaction, i.e. µ → ∞, the short-range exchange energy becomes a local functional of the density:

$$\boldsymbol{E}_{\mathsf{x}}^{\mathsf{sr}}[\boldsymbol{n}] = -\frac{\pi}{4\mu^2} \int \boldsymbol{n}(\mathbf{r})^2 \mathrm{d}\mathbf{r} + \cdots$$

and the short-range correlation energy becomes a local functional of the on-top pair density:

$$\boldsymbol{E}_{\mathsf{c}}^{\mathsf{sr}}[\boldsymbol{n}] = \frac{\pi}{2\mu^2} \int \boldsymbol{n}_{2,\mathsf{c}}(\mathbf{r},\mathbf{r}) \mathrm{d}\mathbf{r} + \cdots$$

Toulouse, Colonna, Savin, PRA, 2004

Long-range single-reference perturbation theory

Single-determinant approximation: IrHF+srDFT

$$E_{\rm IrHF+srDFT} = \min_{\Phi} \left\{ \langle \Phi | \hat{T} + \hat{V}_{\rm ne} + \hat{W}_{\rm ee}^{\rm Ir} | \Phi \rangle + E_{\rm Hxc}^{\rm sr} [n_{\Phi}] \right\}$$

with minimizing single-determinant Φ_0 given by

$$\left(\hat{\mathcal{T}}+\hat{\mathcal{V}}_{\mathsf{ne}}+\hat{\mathcal{V}}_{\mathsf{Hx},\mathsf{HF}}^{\mathsf{lr}}+\hat{\mathcal{V}}_{\mathsf{Hxc}}^{\mathsf{sr}}\right)|\Phi_{0}\rangle=\mathcal{E}_{0}|\Phi_{0}\rangle$$

Adiabatic connection between the single-determinant reference (λ = 0) and the exact energy (λ = 1):

$$E^{\lambda} = \min_{\Psi} \left\{ \langle \Psi | \hat{T} + \hat{V}_{\mathsf{ne}} + \hat{V}_{\mathsf{H}_{\mathsf{X}},\mathsf{HF}}^{\mathsf{Ir}} + \lambda \hat{W}^{\mathsf{Ir}} | \Psi \rangle + E_{\mathsf{H}_{\mathsf{X}_{\mathsf{C}}}}^{\mathsf{sr}} [n_{\Psi}] \right\}$$

with the long-range MP perturbation operator $\hat{W}^{\sf lr} = \hat{W}_{\sf ee}^{\sf lr} - \hat{V}_{\sf Hx,\sf HF}^{\sf lr}$

► Total energy by adding the **long-range correlation energy** E_c^{lr} $E = E_{lrHF+srDFT} + E_c^{lr}$ with $E_c^{lr} = \sum_{n=2}^{\infty} E^{(n)}$

Ángyán, Gerber, Savin, Toulouse, PRA, 2005

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Adiabatic-connection fluctuation-dissipation (ACFD) approach

► Long-range correlation energy from adiabatic connection formula

$$E_{\rm c}^{\rm lr} = \int_0^1 d\lambda \Big\{ \langle \Psi_{\lambda}^{\rm lr} | \hat{\mathcal{W}}^{\rm lr} | \Psi_{\lambda}^{\rm lr} \rangle - \langle \Phi_0 | \hat{\mathcal{W}}^{\rm lr} | \Phi_0 \rangle \Big\} = \frac{1}{2} \int_0^1 d\lambda \operatorname{tr}[\mathbf{w}^{\rm lr} \ \mathbf{P}_{{\rm c},\lambda}^{\rm lr}]$$

• Two-particle density matrix $P_{c,\lambda}^{lr}$ from fluctuation-dissipation theorem

$$\begin{split} \mathbf{P}_{\mathsf{c},\lambda}^{\mathsf{lr}} &= -\int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \frac{d\omega}{2\pi i} \; \left[\boldsymbol{\chi}_{\lambda}^{\mathsf{lr}}(\omega) - \boldsymbol{\chi}_{0}(\omega) \right] e^{i\omega 0^{+}} + \Delta_{\lambda}^{\mathsf{lr}} \end{split}$$
where $\Delta_{\lambda}^{\mathsf{lr}} &= \Gamma[G_{\lambda}^{\mathsf{lr}}] - \Gamma[G_{0}]$

► Long-range one-particle Green function $\mathbf{G}_{\lambda}^{lr}(\omega)$ from Dyson equation $\left(\mathbf{G}_{\lambda}^{lr}\right)^{-1} = \mathbf{G}_{0}^{-1} - \left(\Sigma_{\mathsf{Hxc},\lambda}^{lr}[G_{\lambda}^{lr}] - \Sigma_{\mathsf{Hx},\lambda}^{lr}[G_{0}]\right) - \Delta_{\lambda}^{\mathsf{sr}}$ where $\Delta_{\lambda}^{\mathsf{sr}} = \mathbf{v}_{\mathsf{Hxc}}^{\mathsf{sr}}[G_{\lambda}^{lr}] - \mathbf{v}_{\mathsf{Hxc}}^{\mathsf{sr}}[G_{0}]$

► Long-range response function $\chi_{\lambda}^{lr}(\omega)$ from Bethe-Salpeter equation $(\chi_{\lambda}^{lr})^{-1} = (\chi_{lP,\lambda}^{lr})^{-1} - \mathbf{f}_{Hxc,\lambda}^{lr}$ where $\chi_{lP,\lambda}^{lr} = -i\mathbf{G}_{\lambda}^{lr} * \mathbf{G}_{\lambda}^{lr}$ and $\mathbf{f}_{Hxc,\lambda}^{lr} = i\delta\Sigma_{Hxc,\lambda}^{lr}/\delta\mathbf{G}_{\lambda}^{lr}$ Toulouse, Zhu, Ángyán, Savin, PRA, 2010

direct random-phase approximation (dRPA)

We keep only the Hartree part in the long-range self-energy

$$\boldsymbol{\Sigma}_{\mathsf{Hxc},\boldsymbol{\lambda}}^{\mathsf{lr}} \approx \boldsymbol{\Sigma}_{\mathsf{H},\boldsymbol{\lambda}}^{\mathsf{lr}} = -i\boldsymbol{\lambda}\mathbf{w}_{\mathsf{ee}}^{\mathsf{lr}}\mathbf{G}_{\boldsymbol{\lambda}}^{\mathsf{lr}}$$

which implies

$$\mathbf{G}^{\mathsf{lr}}_{\lambda} pprox \mathbf{G}_{0}$$
 and $\mathbf{f}^{\mathsf{lr}}_{\mathsf{Hxc},\lambda} pprox \lambda \mathbf{w}^{\mathsf{lr}}_{\mathsf{ee}}$

The dRPA long-range correlation energy is

$$E_{\rm c,dRPA}^{\rm lr} = \frac{-1}{2} \int_0^1 d\lambda \int_{-\infty}^\infty \frac{d\omega}{2\pi i} \operatorname{tr} \left[\mathbf{w}_{\rm ee}^{\rm lr} \left(\boldsymbol{\chi}_{\lambda}^{\rm lr}(\omega) - \boldsymbol{\chi}_0(\omega) \right) \right] e^{i\omega 0^+}$$

where $\chi^{\rm lr}_\lambda(\omega)$ is obtained in a spin-orbital basis

$$\chi_{\lambda}^{\mathsf{lr}}(\omega)^{-1} = \chi_{0}^{-1}(\omega) - \lambda \mathsf{w}_{\mathsf{ee}}^{\mathsf{lr}} = -\left[\left(egin{array}{cc} \mathsf{A}_{\lambda} & \mathsf{B}_{\lambda} \\ \mathsf{B}_{\lambda}^{*} & \mathsf{A}_{\lambda}^{*} \end{array}
ight) - \omega \left(egin{array}{cc} \mathbf{1} & \mathbf{0} \\ \mathbf{0} & -\mathbf{1} \end{array}
ight)
ight]$$

with $(A_{\lambda})_{ia,jb} = (\varepsilon_a - \varepsilon_i)\delta_{ij}\delta_{ab} + \lambda \langle aj|w_{ee}^{lr}|ib \rangle$ and $(B_{\lambda})_{ia,jb} = \lambda \langle ab|w_{ee}^{lr}|ij \rangle$

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Dissociation of ${\rm H}_2^+$ molecule: ${\rm H}_2^+$ \longrightarrow $~{\rm H}^{+0.5}$ + $~{\rm H}^{+0.5}$



Mussard, Toulouse, MP, 2017

Random-phase approximation with exchange (RPAx)

We keep the Hartree-Fock part in the long-range self-energy

$$\boldsymbol{\Sigma}_{\mathsf{Hxc},\boldsymbol{\lambda}}^{\mathsf{lr}} \approx \boldsymbol{\Sigma}_{\mathsf{Hx},\boldsymbol{\lambda}}^{\mathsf{lr}} = -i\boldsymbol{\lambda}\bar{\mathbf{w}}_{\mathsf{ee}}^{\mathsf{lr}}\mathbf{G}_{\boldsymbol{\lambda}}^{\mathsf{lr}}$$

where \bar{w}_{ee}^{lr} is the antisymmetrized e-e interaction, which implies $G_{\lambda}^{lr} \approx G_0$ and $f_{Hxc,\lambda}^{lr} \approx \lambda \bar{w}_{ee}^{lr}$

The RPAx long-range correlation energy is

$$E_{\rm c,RPAx}^{\rm lr} = \frac{-1}{2} \int_0^1 d\lambda \int_{-\infty}^\infty \frac{d\omega}{2\pi i} \operatorname{tr} \left[\mathbf{w}_{\rm ee}^{\rm lr} \left(\bar{\boldsymbol{\chi}}_{\lambda}^{\rm lr}(\omega) - \boldsymbol{\chi}_0(\omega) \right) \right] e^{i\omega 0^+}$$

where $ar{\chi}^{\sf lr}_\lambda(\omega)$ is obtained in a spin-orbital basis

$$\begin{split} \bar{\chi}_{\lambda}^{\mathrm{lr}}(\omega)^{-1} &= \chi_{0}^{-1}(\omega) - \lambda \bar{\mathbf{w}}_{\mathrm{ee}}^{\mathrm{lr}} = -\left[\begin{pmatrix} \bar{\mathbf{A}}_{\lambda} & \bar{\mathbf{B}}_{\lambda} \\ \bar{\mathbf{B}}_{\lambda}^{*} & \bar{\mathbf{A}}_{\lambda}^{*} \end{pmatrix} - \omega \begin{pmatrix} \mathbf{1} & \mathbf{0} \\ \mathbf{0} & -\mathbf{1} \end{pmatrix} \right] \\ \text{with } (\bar{A}_{\lambda})_{ia,jb} &= (\varepsilon_{a} - \varepsilon_{i})\delta_{ij}\delta_{ab} + \lambda \left(\langle aj | w_{\mathrm{ee}}^{\mathrm{lr}} | ib \rangle - \langle aj | w_{\mathrm{ee}}^{\mathrm{lr}} | bi \rangle \right) \\ \text{and } (\bar{B}_{\lambda})_{ia,jb} &= \lambda \left(\langle ab | w_{\mathrm{ee}}^{\mathrm{lr}} | ij \rangle - \langle ab | w_{\mathrm{ee}}^{\mathrm{lr}} | ji \rangle \right) \\ & \text{Toulouse, Zhu, Ángyán, Savin, PRA, 2010} \end{split}$$

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Self-interaction error in IrRPAx+srDFT

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Eint (kcal/mol)CCSD(T)/CBS11.66IrMP2+srDFT/aVDZ15.11IrdRPA+srDFT/aVDZ9.38IrRPAx+srDFT/aVDZ10.97

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Coupled-cluster (CC) approach

Long-range correlation energy from transition formula

$$E_{\rm c}^{\rm lr} = \langle \Phi_0 | \hat{\mathcal{H}}^{\rm lr} | \Psi^{\rm lr} \rangle - \langle \Phi_0 | \hat{\mathcal{H}}^{\rm lr} | \Phi_0 \rangle + \Delta^{\rm sr}$$

where $\hat{H}^{lr} = \hat{T} + \hat{V}_{ne} + \hat{W}_{ee}^{lr} + \hat{V}_{Hxc}^{sr}$ and Δ^{sr} comes from the variation of the density

$$\Delta^{\mathrm{sr}} = E_{\mathrm{Hxc}}^{\mathrm{sr}}[n_{\Psi^{\mathrm{lr}}}] - E_{\mathrm{Hxc}}^{\mathrm{sr}}[n_{\Phi_0}] - \int v_{\mathrm{Hxc}}^{\mathrm{sr}}[n_{\Psi^{\mathrm{lr}}}](\mathbf{r}) \left(n_{\Psi^{\mathrm{lr}}}(\mathbf{r}) - n_{\Phi_0}(\mathbf{r})\right) d\mathbf{r}$$

Long-range coupled-cluster wave function

$$|\Psi^{\text{lr}}\rangle=e^{\hat{\mathcal{T}}}|\Phi_{0}\rangle$$

where $\hat{T} = \hat{T}_1 + \hat{T}_2 + ... + \hat{T}_N$ are excitation operators with amplitudes found from the CC equations

$$\begin{split} \langle \Phi_i^a | e^{-\hat{T}} \hat{H}^{\mathsf{lr}} e^{\hat{T}} | \Phi_0 \rangle &= 0 \\ \langle \Phi_{ij}^{ab} | e^{-\hat{T}} \hat{H}^{\mathsf{lr}} e^{\hat{T}} | \Phi_0 \rangle &= 0 \\ \langle \Phi_{ijk}^{abc} | e^{-\hat{T}} \hat{H}^{\mathsf{lr}} e^{\hat{T}} | \Phi_0 \rangle &= 0 \\ & \text{etc...} \end{split}$$

Toulouse, Zhu, Savin, Jansen, Ángyán, JCP, 2011

dRPA as direct ring CCD

• If we restrict \hat{T} to double excitations (CCD)

$$\hat{T} \approx \hat{T}_2 = \frac{1}{4} \sum_{k,l}^{\text{occ}} \sum_{c,d}^{\text{vir}} T_{kc,ld} \hat{a}_c^{\dagger} \hat{a}_d^{\dagger} \hat{a}_l \hat{a}_k$$

use the direct ring approximation in the CC amplitude equations, i.e.

$$T_{kc,ld} \rightarrow T_{kc,ld} \left(\delta_{ik} \delta_{ac} + \delta_{jl} \delta_{bd} \right)$$

in $\langle \Phi_{ij}^{ab} | e^{-\hat{T}_2} \hat{H}^{lr} e^{\hat{T}_2} | \Phi_0 \rangle = 0$ and remove exchange terms, giving a simple Riccati equation

 $\mathbf{B}^* + \mathbf{A}^*\mathbf{T} + \mathbf{T}\mathbf{A} + \mathbf{T}\mathbf{B}\mathbf{T} = \mathbf{0}$

- ► and neglect the density variation $n_{\Psi^{
 m lr}}({f r}) pprox n_{\Phi_0}({f r})$
- we obtain another expression for the dRPA correlation energy

$$E_{c,dRPA}^{lr} = \frac{1}{2} \operatorname{tr} \left[\mathbf{w}_{ee}^{lr} \mathbf{T} \right]$$

Scuseria, Henderson, Sorensen, JCP, 2008 Toulouse, Zhu, Savin, Jansen, Ángyán, JCP, 2011

Another RPAx variant from ring CCD

► If we keep the exchange terms in the Riccati equation

 $\bar{\mathbf{B}}^* + \bar{\mathbf{A}}^*\bar{\mathbf{T}} + \bar{\mathbf{T}}\bar{\mathbf{A}} + \bar{\mathbf{T}}\bar{\mathbf{B}}\bar{\mathbf{T}} = \mathbf{0}$

we obtain a new RPAx variant for the correlation energy

$$E_{\rm c,RPAxSO2}^{\rm lr} = \frac{1}{2} \, {\rm tr} \left[{\bf w}_{\rm ee}^{\rm lr} \overline{{\bf T}} \right]$$

which was first proposed by Szabo and Ostlund as a zero iteration of self-consistent RPA.

Szabo, Ostlund, JCP, 1977 Toulouse, Zhu, Savin, Jansen, Ángyán, JCP, 2011 Interaction energy between DNA base pairs (adenine - thymine) in "stacking" configuration:

 CCSD(T)/CBS
 11.66

 IrMP2+srDFT/aVDZ
 15.11

 IrdRPA+srDFT/aVDZ
 9.38

 IrRPAx+srDFT/aVDZ
 10.97

 IrRPAxSO2+srDFT/aVDZ
 12.02



Zhu, Toulouse, Savin, Ángyán, JCP, 2010 Toulouse, Zhu, Savin, Jansen, Ángyán, JCP, 2011

Summary and perspectives

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combination of long-range RPA with short-range DFT

- ► IrRPA has a fast basis convergence
- ► different IrdRPA/IrRPAx variants from ACFD or CC approaches
- ► IrRPAx accounts well for van der Waals dispersion interactions

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Perspectives

development of a (multireference) IrRPA variant for strong correlation?

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