

# Density Functional Theory with Nonorthogonal Orbitals

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- DFT with orthogonal orbitals — constrained minimization  
(Problem) Minimize the energy functional,

$$E[\{\psi_i(r)\}] = \sum_{i=1}^N \langle \psi_i | \frac{\hat{p}^2}{2m} | \psi_i \rangle + F[\rho(r)] \quad (1)$$

with the orthonormal constraints,

$$\langle \psi_i | \psi_j \rangle = \int d\mathbf{r} \psi_i^*(\mathbf{r}) \psi_j(\mathbf{r}) = \delta_{ij} \quad (2)$$

In Eq. (1),

$$\rho(r) = \sum_{i=1}^N |\psi_i(r)|^2 \quad (3)$$

$$F[\rho(r)] = \int d\mathbf{r} \rho(r) V_{\text{ext}}(r) + \frac{e^2}{2} \int d\mathbf{r} d\mathbf{r}' \frac{\rho(r)\rho(r')}{|\mathbf{r}-\mathbf{r}'|} + F_{\text{xc}}[\rho(r)] \quad (4)$$

Note that

$$\langle \psi_i | \frac{\hat{p}^2}{2m} | \psi_i \rangle = \int d\mathbf{r} \underbrace{\langle \psi_i | \mathbf{r} \rangle}_{\psi_i^*(\mathbf{r})} \underbrace{\langle \mathbf{r} | \frac{\hat{p}^2}{2m} | \psi_i \rangle}_{-\frac{\hbar^2 \nabla^2}{2m} \langle \mathbf{r} | \psi_i \rangle} = \int d\mathbf{r} \psi_i^*(\mathbf{r}) \left( -\frac{\hbar^2}{2m} \nabla^2 \right) \psi_i(\mathbf{r}) \quad (5)$$

$\psi_i^*(\mathbf{r}) - \frac{\hbar^2 \nabla^2}{2m} \langle \mathbf{r} | \psi_i \rangle = -\frac{\hbar^2 \nabla^2}{2m} \psi_i(\mathbf{r})$  (☺ 12/31/99)

- Constrained minimization procedure

(Gradient)

$\psi_i(r)$  and  $\psi_i^*(r)$  are taken to be independent functions.

$$\frac{\delta E}{\delta \psi_i^*(\mathbf{r})} = -\frac{\hbar^2}{2m} \nabla^2 \psi_i(\mathbf{r}) + \underbrace{\int d\mathbf{r}' \frac{\delta \rho(\mathbf{r}')}{\delta \psi_i^*(\mathbf{r})} \frac{\delta F}{\delta \rho(\mathbf{r}')}}_{\psi_i(\mathbf{r}) \delta(\mathbf{r}-\mathbf{r}')} \quad (\text{☺ functional chain rule})$$

$$= -\frac{\hbar^2}{2m} \nabla^2 \psi_i(\mathbf{r}) + \underbrace{\frac{\delta F}{\delta \rho(\mathbf{r})}}_{\psi_i(\mathbf{r})} \psi_i(\mathbf{r})$$

$$V_{\text{ext}}(r) + e^2 \int d\mathbf{r}' \frac{\rho(\mathbf{r}')}{|\mathbf{r}-\mathbf{r}'|} + \frac{\delta F_{\text{xc}}}{\delta \rho(\mathbf{r})}$$

$$\therefore \frac{\delta E}{\delta \psi_i^*(\mathbf{r})} = \hat{H}(\mathbf{r}) \psi_i(\mathbf{r})$$

$$= \left[ -\frac{\hbar^2}{2m} \nabla^2 + \underbrace{V_{\text{ext}}(\mathbf{r}) + V_H(\mathbf{r}) + V_{\text{xc}}(\mathbf{r})}_{V(\mathbf{r})} \right] \psi_i(\mathbf{r}) \quad (6)$$

where

$$\left\{ \begin{array}{l} V_H(\mathbf{r}) = e^2 \int d\mathbf{r}' \frac{\rho(\mathbf{r}')}{|\mathbf{r} - \mathbf{r}'|} \quad (\text{Hartree potential}) \end{array} \right. \quad (7)$$

$$\left\{ \begin{array}{l} V_{\text{xc}}(\mathbf{r}) = \frac{\delta F_{\text{xc}}}{\delta \rho(\mathbf{r})} \quad (\text{exchange-correlation potential}) \end{array} \right. \quad (8)$$

(Lagrange multiplier)

Minimize, without constraint,

$$\tilde{E}[\{\psi_i(\mathbf{r})\}] = E[\{\psi_i(\mathbf{r})\}] - \sum_{ij} \Lambda_{ij} (\langle \psi_i | \psi_j \rangle - \delta_{ij}) \quad (9)$$

The gradient is

$$\mathcal{G}_i \equiv -\frac{\partial \tilde{E}}{\partial \psi_i^*(\mathbf{r})} \quad (10)$$

$$= -\hat{H}(\mathbf{r}) \psi_i(\mathbf{r}) + \sum_j \Lambda_{ij} \psi_j(\mathbf{r}) \quad (11)$$

The Lagrange multipliers,  $\Lambda_{ij}$ , are determined to satisfy the orthonormal constraints (e.g., using SHAKE-like iterative procedures).

Often the orthonormal constraints are satisfied by Gram-Schmidt procedures, not through the constraint forces except for the diagonal ones. Diagonal constraint forces are derived considering the following unconstrained functional.

$$E[\psi_i(r)] = \frac{\langle \psi_i | \hat{H} | \psi_i \rangle}{\langle \psi_i | \psi_i \rangle} \quad (12)$$

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{\delta E}{\delta \psi_i^*(r)} &= \frac{\hat{H} | \psi_i \rangle}{\langle \psi_i | \psi_i \rangle} - \frac{\langle \psi_i | \hat{H} | \psi_i \rangle}{\langle \psi_i | \psi_i \rangle^2} | \psi_i \rangle \\ &\xrightarrow{\langle \psi_i | \psi_i \rangle = 1} (\hat{H} - \langle \psi_i | \hat{H} | \psi_i \rangle) | \psi_i \rangle \end{aligned} \quad (13)$$

(Ordinary procedure)

① Use an iterative method such as conjugate gradient using gradients,

$$\left\{ \begin{aligned} \mathbb{D}_i &= - [\hat{H}(r) - E_i] \psi_i(r) \end{aligned} \right. \quad (14)$$

$$\left\{ \begin{aligned} E_i &= \langle \psi_i | \hat{H} | \psi_i \rangle \end{aligned} \right. \quad (15)$$

② After each iterative step, reinforce the orthonormal constraints by the Gram-Schmidt procedure,

$$| \psi_i \rangle \leftarrow | \psi_i \rangle - \sum_{j < i} | \psi_j \rangle \langle \psi_j | \psi_i \rangle \quad (16)$$

Note that

$$\hat{Q} \equiv \mathbb{1} - \sum_{j < i} | \psi_j \rangle \langle \psi_j | \quad (17)$$

is the projection operator "out of" the subspace spanned by  $\{ | \psi_j \rangle | j < i \}$ , i.e., the lower-lying states.

## - Biorthogonal complement

[E.B. Stechel, A.R. Williams, & P.J. Feibelman, PRB 49, 10088 (1994)]

Consider a finite Hilbert space  $\mathcal{H}$  of dimension  $N$ , spanned by a linearly independent set  $\{\phi_i | i=1, 2, \dots, N\}$ . The "metric" of the (curved) space is defined by the overlap matrix  $S$ ,

$$S_{ij} = \langle \phi_i | \phi_j \rangle \quad (18)$$

The biorthogonal complement is defined as the set  $\{\bar{\phi}_i | i=1, 2, \dots, N\}$ , where

$$|\bar{\phi}_i\rangle = \sum_{j=1}^N |\phi_j\rangle S_{ji}^{-1} \quad (19)$$

The biorthogonal complement satisfies the biorthogonality relationship,

$$\langle \bar{\phi}_i | \phi_j \rangle = \delta_{ij} \quad (20)$$

$$\left( \odot \langle \bar{\phi}_i | \phi_j \rangle = \sum_k \underbrace{(S_{ki}^{-1})^*}_{S_{ik}^{-1}} \underbrace{\langle \phi_k | \phi_j \rangle}_{S_{kj}} = \delta_{ij} \quad // \right)$$

Note that  $S_{ij}$  is Hermitian,

$$S_{ij}^* = \langle \psi_i | \psi_j \rangle^* = \langle \psi_j | \psi_i \rangle = S_{ji} \quad (21)$$

On  $\mathcal{H}$ , the unit operator is defined as

$$\mathbb{1} = \sum_{i=1}^N |\bar{\phi}_i\rangle \langle \phi_i| \quad (22)$$

$$\left( \odot \left[ \sum_i |\bar{\phi}_i\rangle \langle \phi_i| \right] |\phi_j\rangle = \sum_k \sum_r |\phi_k\rangle \underbrace{S_{ki}^{-1}}_{S_{ij}} \underbrace{\langle \phi_i | \phi_j \rangle}_{S_{ij}} = \sum_k |\phi_k\rangle \delta_{kj} = |\phi_j\rangle \quad // \right)$$

$$\langle \bar{\phi}_i | = \sum_j (S_{ji}^{-1})^* \langle \phi_j | = \sum_j S_{ij}^{-1} \langle \phi_j |$$

(5)

### Biorthogonal energy functional

All relevant quantities (if a fully separable pseudopotential is used — G. Galli & M. Parrinello, PRL 69, 3547 (1992) — check!) for DFT (single-particle scheme) depend on  $\bar{\phi}_i^*(r) \phi_i(r)$ . The energy functional is,

$$E[\{\phi_i(r)\}] = \sum_i \langle \bar{\phi}_i | \frac{\hat{p}^2}{2m} | \phi_i \rangle + F[\rho(r)] \quad (23)$$

$$= \sum_i \sum_j S_{ij}^{-1} \langle \phi_j | \frac{\hat{p}^2}{2m} | \phi_i \rangle + F[\rho(r)] \quad (24)$$

$$\rho(r) = \sum_i \bar{\phi}_i^*(r) \phi_i(r) \quad (25)$$

$$= \sum_i \sum_j S_{ij}^{-1} \phi_j^*(r) \phi_i(r) \quad (26)$$

Eqs. (23) - (26) are equivalent to Eqs. (1) and (3) by introducing the orthonormal set defined by

$$|\psi_i\rangle = \sum_j |\phi_j\rangle S_{ji}^{-1/2} \quad (27)$$

(Orthonormality)

$$\langle \psi_i | \psi_j \rangle = \sum_k \underbrace{(S_{ki}^{-1/2})^*}_{S_{ik}^{1/2}} \langle \phi_k | \left( \sum_l |\phi_l\rangle S_{lj}^{-1/2} \right)$$

$$= \sum_l \left( \sum_k S_{ik}^{1/2} S_{kl} \right) S_{lj}^{-1/2}$$

$$= \sum_k S_{ik}^{1/2} S_{kj}^{-1/2}$$

$$= \delta_{ij}$$

(28)

The orthonormal density functional is

$$\begin{aligned}
 \textcircled{1} \quad E[\{\psi_i(r)\}] &= \sum_{i=1}^N \langle \psi_i | \frac{\hat{p}^2}{2m} | \psi_i \rangle + F[\rho(r)] \\
 &= \sum_i \sum_j S_{ij}^{-1/2} \langle \phi_j | \frac{\hat{p}^2}{2m} \left( \sum_R |\phi_R\rangle S_{Ri}^{-1/2} \right) + F[\rho(r)] \\
 &= \sum_{jR} \underbrace{\left( \sum_R S_{Ri}^{-1/2} S_{ij}^{-1/2} \right)}_{S_{Rj}^{-1}} \langle \phi_j | \frac{\hat{p}^2}{2m} | \phi_R \rangle + F[\rho(r)] = \text{Eq. (24)}
 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 \textcircled{2} \quad \rho(r) &= \sum_i \psi_i^*(r) \psi_i(r) \\
 &= \sum_i \sum_j \phi_j^*(r) \underbrace{(S_{ji}^{-1/2})^*}_{S_{ij}^{-1/2}} \sum_R \phi_R(r) S_{Ri}^{-1/2} \\
 &= \sum_{jR} \underbrace{\left( \sum_i S_{Ri}^{-1/2} S_{ij}^{-1/2} \right)}_{S_{Rj}^{-1}} \phi_j^*(r) \phi_R(r) \\
 &= \sum_{jR} S_{Rj}^{-1} \phi_j^*(r) \phi_R(r) = \text{Eq. (26)}
 \end{aligned}$$

The equivalence  $\textcircled{1}$  and  $\textcircled{2}$  proves that Eqs. (24) and (26) are proper functionals to be minimized without constraints.