

Derivation of the Quantum Molecular Dynamics Equations

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§. Transformation Function

(System)

$$\left\{ \begin{array}{l} H(t) = \sum_{I=1}^N \frac{P_I^2}{2M} + h(r, R, t) \end{array} \right. \quad (1)$$

$$\left\{ \begin{array}{l} h(r, R, t) = \sum_{i=1}^n \left[\frac{P_i^2}{2m} + V(r_i, t) \right] + \frac{1}{2} \sum_{i \neq j} \frac{e^2}{|r_i - r_j|} - \sum_{i,j} \frac{ze^2}{|r_i - R_j|} \\ \quad + \frac{1}{2} \sum_{I \neq j} \frac{(ze)^2}{|R_I - R_j|} + \sum_{I=1}^N V(R_I, t) \end{array} \right. \quad (2)$$

where M, R_I, P_I are the mass, coordinates, and momenta of nuclei of charge ze ; m, r_i, p_i are the same for electrons.

(Transformation Function)

$$S = \frac{1}{\sum_k P_k(R)} \sum_k P_k(R) \langle kR | U_-(t_0, t_f) U_+(t_f, t_0) | kR \rangle \quad (3)$$

where

$$U_{\pm}(t, t') = T_{\pm} \exp \left[-\frac{i}{\hbar} \int_{t'}^t d\tau H_{\pm}(\tau) \right] \quad (4)$$

and at the initial time t_0 , the nuclei are located at R and the electrons are in a mixed state represented by the statistical matrix $P_k(R)$.

(ex)



(Physical Meaning)

Suppose the Hamiltonian includes a term $\hat{X}F(t)$, then

$$\frac{\delta S}{\delta F(t)} = \frac{1}{\sum_k P_k(R)} \sum_k P_k(R) \underbrace{\langle kR | \frac{\delta}{\delta F(t)} T_p \exp \left[-\frac{i}{\hbar} \int_p dt H(t) \right] | kR \rangle}_{-\frac{i}{\hbar} \langle kR | T_p [X_t U] | kR \rangle}$$

$$\xrightarrow{F_+ = F_-} -\frac{i}{\hbar} \langle kR | U_-(t_0, t) X U_+(t, t_0) | kR \rangle$$

$$U_-(t_0, t) = [U_+(t, t_0)]^\dagger$$

$$= -\frac{i}{\hbar} \langle k(t) | X | k(t) \rangle$$

$$\frac{\delta S}{\delta F_+(t)} \Big|_{F_+ = F_-} = -\frac{i}{\hbar} \frac{1}{\sum_k P_k(R)} \sum_k P_k(R) \langle k(t) | X | k(t) \rangle \quad (5)$$

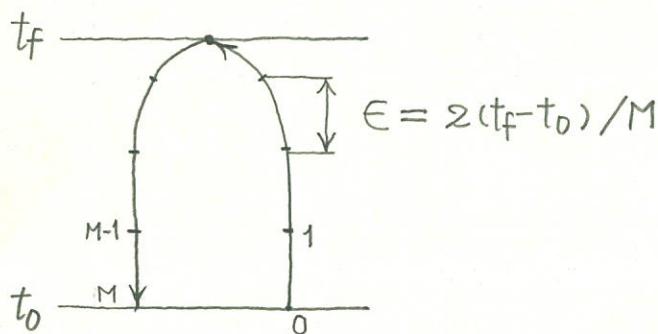
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$$\begin{aligned} \frac{\delta}{\delta F(t)} U &= \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{1}{n!} \left(-\frac{i}{\hbar} \right)^n \frac{\delta}{\delta F(t)} \underbrace{\int_p dt_1 \dots \int_p dt_n T_p [H(t_1) \dots H(t_n)]}_{n \underbrace{\int_p dt_2 \dots \int_p dt_n T_p [X_t H(t_2) \dots H(t_n)]}} \\ &= \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{1}{(n-1)!} \left(-\frac{i}{\hbar} \right)^n T_p \{ X_t \underbrace{\int_p dt_2 \dots \int_p dt_n T_p [H(t_2) \dots H(t_n)]} \} \\ &= -\frac{i}{\hbar} T_p [X_t U] \quad // \end{aligned}$$

- * If we add an appropriate external field to the system, and differentiate S with respect to the field and set $F_+ = F_-$, we can calculate the physical average value of the quantity.

§. Decoupling of the Nucleus-Electron Motions

We divide the closed time path $t_0 \rightarrow t_f \rightarrow t_0$ into M sections. Hereafter, we confine ourselves to the case $N=1$.



Then,

$$\begin{aligned} & \langle kR | T_p \exp \left[-\frac{i}{\hbar} \int dt H(t) \right] | kR \rangle \\ &= \langle kR | e^{-iH(t_{M-1})\epsilon/\hbar} \dots e^{-iH(t_0)\epsilon/\hbar} | kR \rangle \\ &= \int dR_1 \dots \int dR_{M-1} \langle kR | e^{-iH(t_{M-1})\epsilon/\hbar} | R_{M-1} \rangle \langle R_{M-1} | e^{-iH(t_{M-2})\epsilon/\hbar} | R_{M-2} \rangle \\ & \quad \times \dots \times \langle R_1 | e^{-iH(t_0)\epsilon/\hbar} | kR \rangle \end{aligned}$$

Here,

$$\begin{aligned} & \langle R_j | e^{-iH(t_j)\epsilon/\hbar} | R_{j-1} \rangle \\ &= \underbrace{\langle R_j | e^{-iP^2\epsilon/2M\hbar} | R_{j-1} \rangle}_{\int d^3P \exp(-\frac{iP^2\epsilon}{2M\hbar})} e^{-i\hbar(r, R_{j-1}, t_{j-1})\epsilon/\hbar} \\ & \quad (2\pi\hbar)^{-3/2} e^{iP \cdot R_j / \hbar} \left(\begin{array}{l} \text{momentum eigen states} \\ \rightarrow \text{plane wave} \end{array} \right) \end{aligned}$$

$$= \int \frac{d^3P}{(2\pi\hbar)^3} \exp \left[-\frac{i\epsilon}{2M\hbar} P^2 + iP \cdot (R_j - R_{j-1}) / \hbar \right]$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 &= \int \frac{d^3 p}{(2\pi\hbar)^3} \exp \left\{ -\frac{i\epsilon}{2M\hbar} \left[p_x - \frac{M(R_{jx} - R_{j-1x})}{\epsilon} \right]^2 + \frac{iM(R_{jx} - R_{j-1x})^2}{2\hbar\epsilon} \right\} \times (\psi) \times (\chi) \\
 &= \frac{1}{(2\pi\hbar)^3} \exp \left(\frac{iM|R_j - R_{j-1}|^2}{2\hbar\epsilon} \right) \underbrace{\left[\int_{-\infty}^{\infty} dP_x e^{-\frac{i\epsilon P_x^2}{2M\hbar}} \right]^3}_{\left(\frac{2\pi M\hbar}{i\epsilon} \right)^{3/2}} \\
 &= \left(\frac{M}{2\pi i\epsilon\hbar} \right)^{3/2} \exp \left(\frac{iM|R_j - R_{j-1}|^2}{2\hbar\epsilon} \right)
 \end{aligned}$$

$$\therefore \langle R_j | e^{-iH(t_{j-1})\epsilon/\hbar} | R_{j-1} \rangle = \left(\frac{M}{2\pi i\epsilon\hbar} \right)^{3/2} \exp \left(\frac{iM|R_j - R_{j-1}|^2}{2\hbar\epsilon} \right)$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 &\therefore \langle kR | T_p \exp \left[-\frac{i}{\hbar} \int_p dt H(t) \right] | kR \rangle \\
 &= \int dR_1 \dots \int dR_{M-1} \left(\frac{M}{2\pi i\epsilon\hbar} \right)^{3M/2} \exp \left(\frac{i\epsilon}{\hbar} \sum_{i=1}^M \frac{M}{2} \frac{|R_i - R_{i-1}|^2}{\epsilon} \right) \\
 &\quad \times \underbrace{\langle kR | e^{-ih(r, R_{M-1}, t_{M-1})\epsilon/\hbar} \dots e^{-ih(r, R_0, t_0)\epsilon/\hbar} | kR \rangle}_{T_p \exp \left[-\frac{i}{\hbar} \int_p dt h(r, R(t), t) \right]}
 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 &\therefore S = \frac{1}{\sum_k P_k(R)} \sum_k P_k(R) \int dR_1 \dots \int dR_{M-1} \left(\frac{M}{2\pi i\epsilon\hbar} \right)^{3M/2} \exp \left(\frac{i}{\hbar} \int_p dt \frac{M}{2} \dot{R}^2(t) \right) \\
 &\quad \times \langle kR | T_p \exp \left[-\frac{i}{\hbar} \int_p dt h(r, R(t), t) \right] | kR \rangle
 \end{aligned}$$

$$S = \int_p^{R(t_0)=R} \mathcal{D}[R(t)] \exp\left(\frac{i}{\hbar} S_0[R(t)]\right) T[R(t)] \quad (6)$$

where

$$S_0 = \int_p dt \frac{M}{2} \left(\frac{dR}{dt} \right)^2 \quad (7)$$

$$T = \frac{1}{\sum_k P_k(R)} \sum_k P_k(R) \underbrace{\langle kR | T_p \exp\left[-\frac{i}{\hbar} \int_p^R dt h(r, R(t), t)\right] | kR \rangle}_u \quad (8)$$

$$\int_p^{R(t_0)=R} \mathcal{D}[R(t)] = \lim_{M \rightarrow \infty} \left(\frac{M}{2\pi i \hbar \epsilon} \right)^{3M/2} \prod_{j=1}^{M-1} \int dR_j \quad (9)$$

S. Stationary-phase Approximation

$$\exp\left(\frac{i}{\hbar}S_0\right) \underbrace{\exp(\ln T)}_{= \exp\left[\frac{i}{\hbar}\left(S_0 + \frac{\hbar}{i}\ln T\right)\right]}$$

We expand the above quantity in a power series in \hbar ; the most significant contribution comes from the stationary point,

$$\delta\{S_0[R(t)] + \frac{\hbar}{i}\ln T[R(t)]\} = 0 \quad (10)$$

* (Saddle-point Method)

$$\begin{aligned} I &= \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} dx \exp\left[\frac{i}{\hbar}S(x)\right] \\ &\downarrow \frac{i}{\hbar}\left[S(x_0) + \frac{1}{2}S''(x_0)(x-x_0)^2 + \sum_{n=3}^{\infty} \frac{(x-x_0)^n}{n!} S^{(n)}(x_0)\right] \\ &\quad \text{where } S'(x_0) = 0 \\ &= \exp\left[\frac{i}{\hbar}S(x_0)\right] \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} dx \exp\left[\frac{i}{2\hbar}S''(x_0)(x-x_0)^2 + \frac{i}{\hbar}\sum_{n=3}^{\infty} \frac{(x-x_0)^n}{n!} S^{(n)}(x_0)\right] \\ &\quad \downarrow \sqrt{\frac{i}{2\hbar}S''(x_0)}(x-x_0) = -r \\ &= \exp\left[\frac{i}{\hbar}S(x_0)\right] \sqrt{\frac{2\hbar}{iS''(x_0)}} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} dr \exp\left(-r^2 + \frac{i}{\hbar}\sum_{n=3}^{\infty} \frac{S^{(n)}}{n!} \left(\frac{2\hbar}{iS''(x_0)}\right)^{n/2} r^n\right) \\ &= \exp\left[\frac{i}{\hbar}S(x_0) + \ln\sqrt{\frac{2\hbar}{iS''(x_0)}}\right] + O(\hbar) \end{aligned}$$

Thus, the stationary-phase approximation is a small \hbar expansion.

Here,

$$\begin{aligned}
 ① \frac{\delta}{\delta R(t)} \frac{1}{i} \ln T &= \frac{1}{iT} \frac{1}{\sum_k P_k(R)} \sum_k P_k(R) \langle kR | T_p [u(-\frac{i}{\hbar}) \frac{\delta h(r, R(t), t)}{\delta R(t)}] | kR \rangle \\
 &\quad \curvearrowleft = 1 \quad \text{for } u_- = u_+ \\
 &= - \frac{1}{\sum_k P_k(R)} \sum_k P_k(R) \underbrace{\langle kR | u_-(t_0, t) \frac{\delta h(r, R(t), t)}{\delta R(t)} u_+(t, t_0) | kR \rangle}_{\langle k(t), R |} \\
 &= - \frac{1}{\sum_k P_k(R)} \sum_k P_k(R) \langle k(t), R | \frac{\delta h(r, R(t), t)}{\delta R(t)} | k(t), R \rangle
 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 ② \delta S_0 &= \int_P dt M \underbrace{\dot{R}(t)}_{\downarrow} \cdot \underbrace{\delta \dot{R}(t)}_{\uparrow} \\
 &= - \int_P dt M \ddot{R}(t) \cdot \delta R(t)
 \end{aligned}$$

$$\therefore \frac{\delta S_0}{\delta R(t)} = - M \ddot{R}(t)$$

Substituting ① and ② into Eq.(40), we get

$$\ddot{M}\vec{R}(t) = - \frac{1}{\sum_k P_k(R)} \sum_k \langle k(t), R | \frac{\partial h(r, R(t), t)}{\partial R(t)} | k(t), R \rangle P_k(R) \quad (11)$$

Since the electronic motion is governed by the propagator

$$U(t, t') = T_p \exp \left[-\frac{i}{\hbar} \int_{t'}^t d\tau h(r, R(t), \tau) \right], \quad (12)$$

the dynamics of the electrons is equivalent to solving

$$i\hbar \frac{\partial}{\partial t} |k(t), R\rangle = h(r, R(t), t) |k(t), R\rangle \quad (13)$$

with the initial condition,

$$|k(t=t_0), R\rangle = |k, R\rangle \quad (14)$$

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(⇒ Electrons move in a time dep. external potential. //)

* The transformation function $S = \exp \left[\frac{i}{\hbar} S_0(R(t)) \right]$ is equivalent to the equation system, (11) and (13).

A. Energy Conservation in the QMD Equations

$\dot{R}(t) \times \text{Eq. (11)}$

$$\textcircled{1} M \ddot{R}(t) \cdot \dot{R}(t) = \underbrace{\frac{d}{dt} \left(\frac{1}{2} M \dot{R}(t)^2 \right)}$$

$$\textcircled{2} - \frac{1}{\sum_k P_k(R)} \sum_k \langle k(t), R | \dot{R} \cdot \frac{\partial h(r, R(t), t)}{\partial R(t)} | k(t), R \rangle P_k(R)$$

Here,

$$- \frac{d}{dt} \frac{1}{\sum_k P_k(R)} \sum_k \langle k(t), R | h(r, R(t), t) | k(t), R \rangle P_k(R)$$

$$= - \frac{1}{\sum_k P_k(R)} \sum_k P_k(R) \left(\underbrace{\frac{d}{dt} \langle k(t), R | h | k(t), R \rangle}_{\frac{i}{\hbar} \langle k(t), R | \dot{h} \rangle} + \underbrace{\langle k(t), R | h | \frac{d}{dt} | k(t), R \rangle}_{-\frac{i}{\hbar} \dot{h} | k(t), R \rangle} \right. \\ \left. + \langle k(t), R | \dot{R} \cdot \frac{\partial h(r, R(t), t)}{\partial R(t)} + \frac{\partial h(r, R(t), t)}{\partial t} | k(t), R \rangle \right)$$

$$\therefore \textcircled{2} = - \frac{d}{dt} \frac{1}{\sum_k P_k(R)} \sum_k \langle k(t), R | h(r, R(t), t) | k(t), R \rangle P_k(R) \\ + \frac{1}{\sum_k P_k(R)} \sum_k \langle k(t), R | \frac{\partial h(r, R(t), t)}{\partial t} | k(t), R \rangle P_k(R)$$

$$\therefore \frac{d}{dt} \left[\frac{1}{2} M \left(\frac{dR(t)}{dt} \right)^2 + \frac{1}{\sum_k P_k(R)} \sum_k \langle k(t), R | h(r, R(t), t) | k(t), R \rangle \right] \\ = \frac{1}{\sum_k P_k(R)} \sum_k \langle k(t), R | \frac{\partial h(r, R(t), \tilde{t})}{\partial t} | k(t), R \rangle \quad (\text{a1})$$