Time-dependent configuration interaction singles on a grid: Applications

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Time-dependent configuration interaction singles

TDCIS





Full electronic Hamiltonian (clamped nuclei)

$$\hat{H}(t) = \hat{T} + \hat{V}_{e-n} + \hat{V}_{e-e} + \hat{V}_{rel} - \hat{D} \cdot \mathcal{E}(t)$$

introduction of mean-field \hat{V} :

 \hat{T} : electron kinetic energy

 \hat{V}_{e-n} : electron-nucleus interaction \hat{V}_{e-e} : electron-electron interaction \hat{V}_{rel} : relativistic corrections $-\hat{D} \cdot \mathcal{E}(t)$: semiclassical interation of EM field with electrons

$$\hat{H}(t) = \underbrace{\hat{T} + \hat{V}_{e-n} + \hat{V}}_{\hat{H}_0} + \underbrace{\hat{V}_{e-e} - \hat{V} + \hat{V}_{rel}}_{\hat{H}_1} - \hat{D} \cdot \mathcal{E}(t)$$

 \rightarrow use one-body operator \hat{H}_0 to define spin orbitals:

$$\hat{H}_0|\varphi_p\rangle = \varepsilon_p|\varphi_p\rangle$$

$$\hat{H}_0 = \sum_p \varepsilon_p \hat{c}_p^{\dagger} \hat{c}_p$$





Basis for N-electron problem

N-electron ground state at mean-field level

$$|\Phi_0^N
angle = \prod_{i=1}^N \hat{c}_i^\dagger |0
angle$$

using the N energetically lowest spin orbitals

(unique if $|\Phi_0^N\rangle$ is closed-shell state)

basis for N-electron problem:

$$\begin{split} |\Phi_0^N\rangle & 0\mathbf{p} - 0\mathbf{h} \\ |\Phi_i^a\rangle &= \hat{c}_a^{\dagger}\hat{c}_i |\Phi_0^N\rangle & 1\mathbf{p} - 1\mathbf{h} \\ \Phi_{ij}^{ab}\rangle &= \hat{c}_a^{\dagger}\hat{c}_b^{\dagger}\hat{c}_j\hat{c}_i |\Phi_0^N\rangle & 2\mathbf{p} - 2\mathbf{h} \\ &\vdots \end{split}$$

 \rightarrow general N-electron solution to TDSE

$$i\frac{\partial}{\partial t}|\Psi^N,t\rangle=\hat{H}(t)|\Psi^N,t\rangle$$

may be written

$$|\Psi^N, t\rangle = \alpha_0(t) |\Phi_0^N\rangle + \sum_{i,a} \alpha_i^a(t) |\Phi_i^a\rangle + \dots$$



Hartree-Fock mean field for N-electron ground state

If and only if

$$\hat{\bar{V}} = \sum_{p,q} \left\{ \sum_{i} [v_{piqi} - v_{piiq}] \right\} \hat{c}_{p}^{\dagger} \hat{c}_{q},$$

where

$$v_{pqrs} = \int d^3x_1 \int d^3x_2 \varphi_p^{\dagger}(\boldsymbol{x}_1) \varphi_q^{\dagger}(\boldsymbol{x}_2) rac{1}{|\boldsymbol{x}_1 - \boldsymbol{x}_2|} \varphi_r(\boldsymbol{x}_1) \varphi_s(\boldsymbol{x}_2),$$

then, neglecting $\hat{V}_{\rm rel}$,

 $\langle \Phi_0^N | \hat{H}_0 + \hat{H}_1 | \Phi_i^a \rangle = 0$ (Brillouin)

and

$$\langle \Phi_i^{N-1} | \hat{H}_0 + \hat{H}_1 | \Phi_j^{N-1} \rangle - \langle \Phi_0^N | \hat{H}_0 + \hat{H}_1 | \Phi_0^N \rangle \delta_{ij} = -\varepsilon_i \delta_{ij}, \qquad \text{(Koopmans)}$$

where

$$|\Phi_i^{N-1}\rangle = \hat{c}_i |\Phi_0^N\rangle.$$

Note that the matrix $\langle \Phi_i^a | \hat{H}_0 + \hat{H}_1 | \Phi_j^b \rangle$ is not diagonal with respect to i, j (or a, b) \rightarrow interchannel coupling





Implementation using a radial grid

$$\begin{split} |\Psi(t)\rangle &= \alpha_0(t)|\Phi_0\rangle + \sum_{i,a} \alpha_i^a(t) |\Phi_i^a\rangle, \\ |\Phi_i^a\rangle &= \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \{ \hat{c}_{a+}^{\dagger} \hat{c}_{i+} + \hat{c}_{a-}^{\dagger} \hat{c}_{i-} \} |\Phi_0\rangle, \end{split}$$

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$$\hat{H}(t) = \hat{F}_{\text{CAP}} + \hat{V}_{C} - \hat{V}_{\text{HF}} - E_{\text{HF}} - \mathcal{E}(t)\hat{z},$$

$$\hat{F}_{\rm CAP} = \hat{F} - i\eta\hat{W},$$

$$i\dot{\alpha}_{0}(t) = -\sqrt{2}\mathcal{E}(t)\sum_{i,a}\alpha_{i}^{a}(t)z_{(i,a)},$$

$$i\dot{\alpha}_{i}^{a}(t) = (\varepsilon_{a} - \varepsilon_{i})\alpha_{i}^{a}(t) + \sum_{i',a'}\alpha_{i'}^{a'}(t)(2v_{(a,i',i,a')} - v_{(a,i',a',i)})$$

$$-\mathcal{E}(t)\left\{\sqrt{2}\alpha_{0}(t)z_{(a,i)} + \sum_{a'}\alpha_{i}^{a'}(t)z_{(a,a')}\right\}$$

$$-\sum_{i'}\alpha_{i'}^{a}(t)z_{(i',i)}\right\}.$$





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The Xe giant dipole resonance (GDR)

2014 marked the 50th anniversary of the discovery of the giant dipole resonance in the XUV photoabsorption spectrum of atomic xenon.



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Total photoabsorption cross section of atomic xenon calculated with TDCIS









The impact of the GDR on the high-harmonic-generation spectrum of atomic xenon





Experimental observation



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Predicted by M. V. Frolov et al., Phys. Rev. Lett. 102, 243901 (2009).





The basic picture

> Giant Dipole Resonance

- Collective excitation of 4d electrons
- 5s and 5p electrons are also participating

> HHG

- GDR opens up new recombination mechanism
- HHG yield is strongly affected by the GDR



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TDCIS calculation of HHG in xenon



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Revealing the substructure of the Xe GDR





Xenon ATI in the XUV regime: experimental data

Electronic level scheme and photoelectron spectrum

$$\label{eq:main_state} \begin{split} \hbar \omega &= 105 \text{ eV} \\ I &= 6 \cdot 10^{12} \text{ Wcm}^{-2} \end{split}$$



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Comparison of theory and experiment

Intensity dependence of photoelectron yields



Full theory (interchannel) coincides with experimental data



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Theoretical characterization of the resonance states underlying the Xe GDR





> A calculation by Göran Wendin in 1971 predicted two resonances and their respective energy positions:

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Here: A detailed characterization of the resonance substructure by two complementary methods within CIS.





Time-dependent technique: Gabor analysis

> Time-dependent autocorrelation function:

$$C(t) := (\Psi(0)|\Psi(t)) = \sum_{n} a_n^2 e^{-i\Xi_n t - \frac{\Gamma_n}{2}t}$$
$$|\Psi(0)) = \hat{D}_z |\Phi_0^{HF})$$

- > Autocorrelation function in frequency domain:
 - \Rightarrow The two resonances cannot be disentangled.





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Autocorrelation function in combined time-frequency domain:

$$C_t(\omega) = \frac{1}{\sigma\sqrt{2\pi}} \int_0^{+\infty} dt' e^{i\omega t'} e^{-\frac{(t'-t)^2}{2\sigma^2}} C(t')$$





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Resonance energies through complex scaling

> $(\Xi_1, \Gamma_1) = (74 \text{ eV}, 25 \text{ eV}),$ $(\Xi_2, \Gamma_2) = (107 \text{ eV}, 60 \text{ eV})$

➤ Resonance waves functions cannot be written as a single particle-hole state ⇒ Collective excitations of the 4d shell









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- In the Xe GDR, an electron excited from the 4d shell is temporarily trapped by an angular-momentum barrier in an f-wave resonance state. As a consequence of strong particle-hole interaction, the true resonance states are entangled particlehole states, i.e., collective electronic states.
- TDCIS is an *ab-initio* electronic-structure model that captures the essential physics associated with the Xe GDR, including the experimentally observed impact of the Xe GDR on the HHG spectrum of atomic xenon.
- TDCIS calculations demonstrate that XUV two-photon ATI is sensitive to the substructure of the Xe GDR.
- This indicates that nonlinear XUV spectroscopy can reveal previously hidden quantum states of matter.



