

Correlation Energy

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I. HAMILTONIAN WITH VARIABLE COUPLING CONSTANT

$$\begin{aligned} H(\lambda) &= H_0 + \lambda H_1 \\ H(1) &= H \quad H(0) = H_0 \end{aligned} \quad (1)$$

Suppose we know the eigenvalues and eigenfunctions of $H(\lambda)$, then

$$\begin{aligned} H(\lambda)|\psi_0(\lambda)\rangle &= E(\lambda)|\psi_0(\lambda)\rangle \\ \text{where } \langle\psi_0(\lambda)|\psi_0(\lambda)\rangle &= 1 \end{aligned} \quad (2)$$

Therefore

$$\begin{aligned} E(\lambda) &= \langle\psi_0(\lambda)|H(\lambda)|\psi_0(\lambda)\rangle \\ \Rightarrow \frac{dE(\lambda)}{d\lambda} &= \langle\psi_0(\lambda)|H_1|\psi_0(\lambda)\rangle + E(\lambda) \frac{d}{d\lambda} \langle\psi_0(\lambda)|\psi_0(\lambda)\rangle \\ \Rightarrow \frac{dE(\lambda)}{d\lambda} &= \langle\psi_0(\lambda)|H_1|\psi_0(\lambda)\rangle \end{aligned} \quad (3)$$

Therefore upon integration

$$\begin{aligned} E - E_0 &= \int_0^1 d\lambda \langle\psi_0(\lambda)|H_1|\psi_0(\lambda)\rangle \\ &= \int_0^1 \frac{d\lambda}{\lambda} \langle\psi_0(\lambda)|\lambda H_1|\psi_0(\lambda)\rangle \end{aligned} \quad (4)$$

II. CORRELATION ENERGY

The energy due to Coulomb interaction is

$$\langle V \rangle = \frac{1}{2} \sum_{k,k',q} V(q) \langle c_{k+q}^\dagger c_{k'-q}^\dagger c_{k'} c_k \rangle \quad (5)$$

Thus the total energy of the system is

$$E = E_{\text{kin}} + E_{\text{exc}} + E_{\text{corr}} \quad (6)$$

where $E_{\text{corr}} = \langle V \rangle - E_{\text{exc}}$. Define

$$\begin{aligned} iD(q, \omega) &= \sum_{k,k'} \langle c_{k+q}^\dagger c_{k'-q}^\dagger c_{k'} c_k \rangle \\ iD_0(q, \omega) &= \sum_{k,k'} \langle c_{k+q}^\dagger c_{k'-q}^\dagger c_{k'} c_k \rangle_0 \end{aligned} \quad (7)$$

where ' $\langle \dots \rangle$ ' is the average with respect to the interacting ground state while ' $\langle \dots \rangle_0$ ' is the average with respect to the non-interacting ground state. Therefore

$$E_{\text{corr}} = \frac{1}{2} \sum_q \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \frac{\hbar d\omega}{2\pi} V(q) [iD(q, \omega) - iD_0(q, \omega)] \quad (8)$$

Assuming that the Coulomb interaction term can be tuned by a coupling constant λ ,

$$E_{\text{corr}} = \frac{i}{2} \int_0^1 \frac{d\lambda}{\lambda} \sum_q \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \frac{\hbar d\omega}{2\pi} \lambda V(q) [D_\lambda(q, \omega) - D_0(q, \omega)] \quad (9)$$

The perturbative expansion of the average ' \dots ' is done

$$\begin{aligned} V(q)D(q, \omega) &= U(q, \omega)D^*(q, \omega) \\ &= [V + VD^*V + \dots] D^*(q, \omega) \\ &= \frac{V(q)D^*(q, \omega)}{1 - V(q)D^*(q, \omega)} \end{aligned} \quad (10)$$

where $D^*(q, \omega)$ is the proper polarization. [If only the polarization bubble is included as proper polarization, then we get the contribution of all the ring diagrams]. The dielectric constant is then defined as

$$\varepsilon(q, \omega) = 1 - V(q)D^*(q, \omega) \Rightarrow V(q)D(q, \omega) = \frac{1}{\varepsilon(q, \omega)} - 1 \quad (11)$$

Define

$$\begin{aligned} \lambda V(q)D_0(q, \omega) &= \Pi_{0,\lambda}(q, \omega) \\ \lambda V(q)D_\lambda(q, \omega) &= \frac{1}{\varepsilon_\lambda(q, \omega)} - 1 \end{aligned} \quad (12)$$

Thus, the correlation energy can be expressed as

$$\begin{aligned} E_{\text{corr}} &= \frac{i}{2} \int_0^1 \frac{d\lambda}{\lambda} \sum_q \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \frac{\hbar d\omega}{2\pi} \lambda V(q) [D_\lambda(q, \omega) - D_0(q, \omega)] \\ &= i \int_0^1 \frac{d\lambda}{\lambda} \sum_q \int_0^{\infty} \frac{\hbar d\omega}{2\pi} \left[\frac{1}{\varepsilon_\lambda(q, \omega)} - 1 - \Pi_{0,\lambda}(q, \omega) \right] \end{aligned} \quad (13)$$

Since energy is real, and in general ε and Π are complex. We can pick the appropriate components such the the correlation energy is real.

$$E_{\text{corr}} = - \int_0^1 \frac{d\lambda}{\lambda} \sum_q \int_0^{\infty} \frac{\hbar d\omega}{2\pi} \left[\text{Im} \left(\frac{1}{\varepsilon_\lambda(q, \omega)} \right) - \text{Im} (\Pi_{0,\lambda}(q, \omega)) \right] \quad (14)$$

III. ELECTRON ONE-COMPONENT SYSTEM

$$E_{\text{corr}} = - \int_0^1 \frac{d\lambda}{\lambda} \sum_q \int_0^{\infty} \frac{\hbar d\omega}{2\pi} \left[\text{Im} \left(\frac{1}{\varepsilon_\lambda(q, \omega)} \right) - \text{Im} (\Pi_{0,\lambda}(q, \omega)) \right] \quad (15)$$

where the dielectric constant is the sum of the electron polarization $\varepsilon = 1 - \Pi_{e,\lambda}^H$ and $\Pi_{0,\lambda} = \Pi_{e,\lambda}$. The superscript ' H ' in the dielectric constant corresponds to the Hubbard correction.

$$\Pi_{e,\lambda}^H = \frac{\Pi_{e,\lambda}}{1 + f\Pi_{e,\lambda}} \quad (16)$$

For the case of electrons,

$$\begin{aligned} \Pi_{e,\lambda} &= A_\lambda + i\Sigma_\lambda \\ \Pi_{e,\lambda}^H &= \frac{\Pi_{e,\lambda}}{1 + f\Pi_{e,\lambda}} \\ \frac{1}{\varepsilon_\lambda} &= \frac{1 + f\Pi_{e,\lambda}}{1 - (1 - f)\Pi_{e,\lambda}} = \frac{1 + fA_\lambda + if\Sigma_\lambda}{1 - A'_\lambda - i\Sigma'_\lambda} \end{aligned} \quad (17)$$

where $A'_\lambda = (1-f)A_\lambda$ and $\Sigma'_\lambda = (1-f)\Sigma_\lambda$. The term $\Pi_{0,\lambda} = \Pi_{e,\lambda} = A_\lambda - i\Sigma_\lambda$.

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Im} \left[\frac{1}{\varepsilon_\lambda} \right] &= \frac{\Sigma_\lambda}{(1-A'_\lambda)^2 + (\Sigma'_\lambda)^2} \\ \text{Im} [\Pi_{0,\lambda}] &= \Sigma_\lambda \end{aligned} \quad (18)$$

Since $A_\lambda = \lambda A$ and $\Sigma_\lambda = \lambda \Sigma$,

$$\begin{aligned} E_{\text{corr}} &= - \int_0^1 \frac{d\lambda}{\lambda} \sum_q \int_0^\infty \frac{\hbar d\omega}{2\pi} \left[\frac{\lambda \Sigma}{(1-\lambda A')^2 + \lambda^2 (\Sigma')^2} - \lambda \Sigma \right] \\ &= \sum_q \int_0^\infty \frac{d\omega}{2\pi} \left[\frac{\Sigma}{\Sigma'} \tan^{-1} \left(\frac{-\Sigma'}{1-A'} \right) + \Sigma \right] \end{aligned} \quad (19)$$

Thus the correlation energy is

$$E_{\text{corr}} = \sum_q \int_0^\infty \frac{\hbar d\omega}{2\pi} \left[\frac{1}{1-f} \tan^{-1} \left(\frac{-(1-f)\Sigma}{1-(1-f)A} \right) + \Sigma \right] \quad (20)$$

The Hubbard correction factor f is

$$f(q) = \begin{cases} \frac{1}{2} \frac{q^2}{q^2 + k_F^2} & \text{3D} \\ \frac{1}{2} \frac{q}{q + k_F} & \text{2D} \end{cases}$$

The correlation energy per electron is

$$\varepsilon_{\text{corr}} = \frac{1}{N} \sum_q \int_0^\infty \frac{\hbar d\omega}{2\pi} \left[\frac{1}{1-f} \tan^{-1} \left(\frac{-(1-f)\Sigma}{1-(1-f)A} \right) + \Sigma \right] \quad (21)$$

where N is the number of electrons.

IV. ELECTRON-HOLE TWO-COMPONENT SYSTEM

$$E_{\text{corr}} = - \int_0^1 \frac{d\lambda}{\lambda} \sum_q \int_0^\infty \frac{\hbar d\omega}{2\pi} \left[\text{Im} \left(\frac{1}{\varepsilon_\lambda(q, \omega)} \right) - \text{Im} (\Pi_{0,\lambda}(q, \omega)) \right] \quad (22)$$

where the dielectric constant is the sum of the electron and hole polarization $\varepsilon = 1 - (\Pi_{e,\lambda}^H + \Pi_{h,\lambda}^H)$ and $\Pi_{0,\lambda} = \Pi_{e,\lambda} + \Pi_{h,\lambda}$. The superscript 'H' in the dielectric constant corresponds to the Hubbard correction.

$$\Pi_{e/h,\lambda}^H = \frac{\Pi_{e/h,\lambda}}{1 + f\Pi_{e/h,\lambda}} \quad (23)$$

If the electrons and holes have the same mass,

$$\begin{aligned} \Pi_{e,\lambda} &= \Pi_{h,\lambda} = \Pi_\lambda = A_\lambda + i\Sigma_\lambda \\ \Pi_{e,\lambda}^H + \Pi_{h,\lambda}^H &= \frac{2\Pi_\lambda}{1 + f\Pi_\lambda} \\ \frac{1}{\varepsilon_\lambda} &= \frac{1 + f\Pi_\lambda}{1 - (2-f)\Pi_\lambda} = \frac{1 + fA_\lambda + if\Sigma_\lambda}{1 - A'_\lambda - i\Sigma'_\lambda} \end{aligned} \quad (24)$$

where $A'_\lambda = (2-f)A_\lambda$ and $\Sigma'_\lambda = (2-f)\Sigma_\lambda$. The term $\Pi_{0,\lambda} = \Pi_{e,\lambda} + \Pi_{h,\lambda} = 2A_\lambda - i2\Sigma_\lambda$.

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Im} \left[\frac{1}{\varepsilon_\lambda} \right] &= \frac{2\Sigma_\lambda}{(1-A'_\lambda)^2 + (\Sigma'_\lambda)^2} \\ \text{Im} [\Pi_{0,\lambda}] &= 2\Sigma_\lambda \end{aligned} \quad (25)$$

Since $A_\lambda = \lambda A$ and $\Sigma_\lambda = \lambda \Sigma$,

$$\begin{aligned} E_{\text{corr}} &= - \int_0^1 \frac{d\lambda}{\lambda} \sum_q \int_0^\infty \frac{\hbar d\omega}{2\pi} \left[\frac{2\lambda\Sigma}{(1-\lambda A')^2 + \lambda^2(\Sigma')^2} - \lambda 2\Sigma \right] \\ &= \sum_q \int_0^\infty \frac{\hbar d\omega}{2\pi} \left[\frac{2\Sigma}{\Sigma'} \tan^{-1} \left(\frac{-\Sigma'}{1-A'} \right) + 2\Sigma \right] \end{aligned} \quad (26)$$

From this we can generalize to a situation where the electron and hole masses are different by making the following substitutions

$$\begin{aligned} 2\Sigma &= \Sigma_e + \Sigma_h \\ \Sigma' &= (2-f)\Sigma = (1-f/2)(\Sigma_e + \Sigma_h) \\ A' &= (2-f)A = (1-f/2)(A_e + A_h) \end{aligned} \quad (27)$$

Thus the correlation energy is

$$E_{\text{corr}} = \sum_q \int_0^\infty \frac{\hbar d\omega}{2\pi} \left[\frac{1}{1-f/2} \tan^{-1} \left(\frac{-(1-f/2)(\Sigma_e + \Sigma_h)}{1-(1-f/2)(A_e + A_h)} \right) + (\Sigma_e + \Sigma_h) \right] \quad (28)$$

The Hubbard correction factor f is

$$f(q) = \begin{cases} \frac{1}{2} \frac{q^2}{q^2 + k_F^2} & \text{3D} \\ \frac{1}{2} \frac{q}{q + k_F} & \text{2D} \end{cases}$$

The correlation energy per electron-hole pair is

$$\varepsilon_{\text{corr}} = \frac{1}{N} \sum_q \int_0^\infty \frac{\hbar d\omega}{2\pi} \left[\frac{1}{1-f/2} \tan^{-1} \left(\frac{-(1-f/2)(\Sigma_e + \Sigma_h)}{1-(1-f/2)(A_e + A_h)} \right) + (\Sigma_e + \Sigma_h) \right] \quad (29)$$

where N is the number of electron-hole pairs.