

# Theoretical Spectroscopy and Electronic Excitations

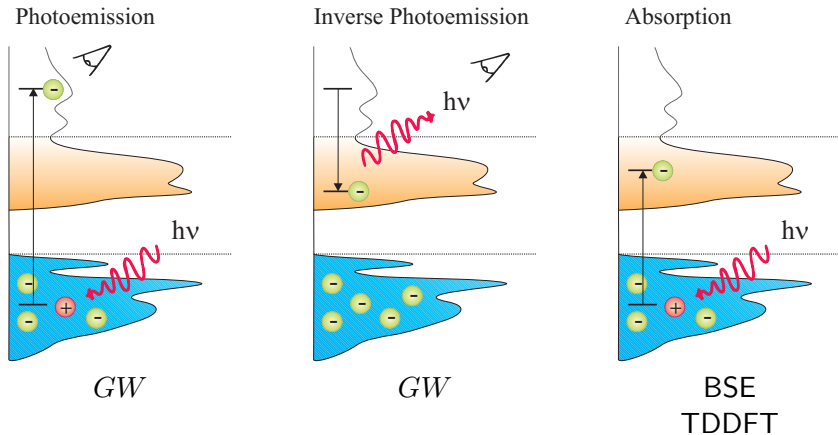
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# Band structures: photo-electron spectroscopy

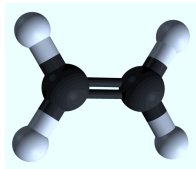


# In this tutorial

## Theoretical spectroscopy of $C_2H_4$ (and $H_2O$ )

### Ethylene:

- simplest unsaturated hydrocarbon (after acetylene ( $C_2H_2$ ))
- key component of polyethylene
  - ▶ plastics (of any shape and form)
- 109 million tons produced worldwide (in 2006)
- plant hormone: induces fruit ripening



# Photo-Electron Excitation Energies

## ● Photoemission

- ▶ electron removal

$$\psi_s(\mathbf{r}) = \langle N-1, s | \hat{\psi}(\mathbf{r}) | N \rangle$$

- ▶ removal energy

$$\epsilon_s = E(N) - E(N-1, s)$$

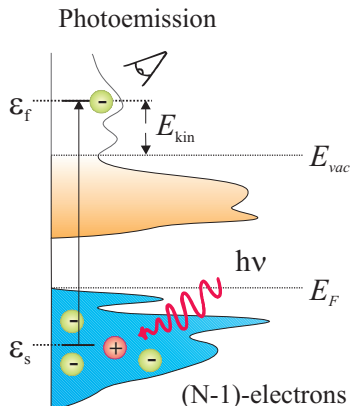
## ● Inverse Photoemission

- ▶ electron addition

$$\psi_s(\mathbf{r}) = \langle N | \hat{\psi}(\mathbf{r}) | N+1, s \rangle$$

- ▶ addition energy

$$\epsilon_s = E(N+1, s) - E(N)$$



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$ N\rangle$	:	$N$ -particle ground state
$ N-1, s\rangle$	:	$(N-1)$ -particle excited state $s$
$E(N, s)$	:	total energy in state $s$

# Ionisation Potential, Electron Affinity and (Band) Gaps

Could use total energy method to compute

$$\epsilon_s = E(N \pm 1, s) - E(N)$$

Ionisation potential: *minimal energy to remove an electron*

$$I = E(N - 1) - E(N)$$

*Electron affinity: minimal energy to add an electron*

$$A = E(N) - E(N + 1)$$

*(Band) gap:  $E_{gap} = I - A$*

# Ionisation Potential, Electron Affinity and (Band) Gaps

Exercise:

- use HF and DFT-PBE total energies to compute  $I$  and  $A$  of  $C_2H_4$

This procedure is often called  $\Delta$ SCF  
(difference of two self-consistent field calculations)

# $\Delta$ SCF versus eigenvalues

Hartree-Fock:

Koopmans' theorem: (Physica 1, 104 (1934))

$$E^*(N \pm 1, s) - E(N) = -\epsilon_s^{\text{HF}}$$

where the same orbitals are used in calculating  $E^*$  and  $E$   
(frozen orbitals)

but:

- orbital relaxations can be important
- correlations absent from HF

# $\Delta$ SCF versus eigenvalues

Density-functional theory:

- in exact KS-DFT: *ionization potential given by KS eigenvalue of highest occupied state*

$$I_{\text{KS}} = -\epsilon_N(N)$$

- otherwise **Janak's theorem**: (PRA 18, 7165 (1978)))

$$\frac{\partial E}{\partial n_s} = \epsilon_s$$

rearranging and making mid point approximation:

$$E(N + 1, s) - E(N) = \int_0^1 dn \epsilon_s(n) \approx \epsilon_s(0.5)$$

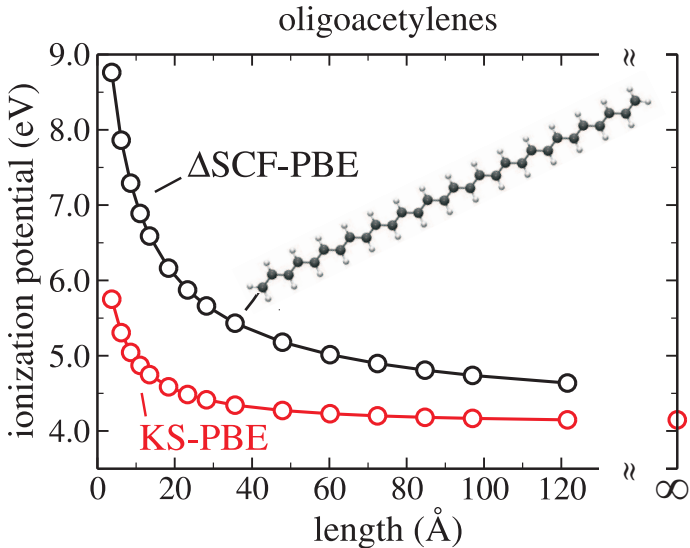


## $\Delta$ SCF versus eigenvalues

Exercise:

- calculate  $I$  and  $A$  of  $C_2H_4$  using HF and DFT-PBE eigenvalues

# $\Delta$ SCF versus eigenvalues for finite systems



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# Single Particle Green's Functions

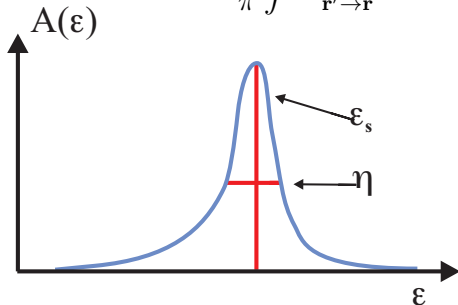
- Lehmann representation of single particle Green's function  $G$ :

$$G(\mathbf{r}, \mathbf{r}'; \epsilon) = \lim_{\eta \rightarrow 0^+} \sum_s \frac{\psi_s(\mathbf{r})\psi_s^*(\mathbf{r}')}{\epsilon - (\epsilon_s + i\eta \operatorname{sgn}(E_f - \epsilon_s))}$$

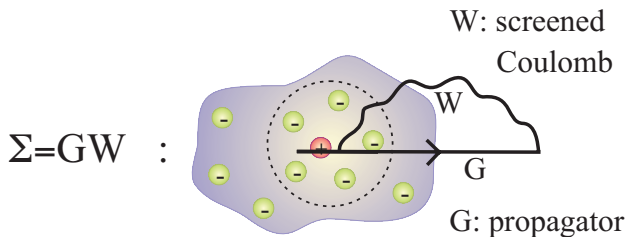
Excitation energies are poles of the Green's function!

- spectroscopically relevant quantity: spectral function  $A$ :

$$A(\epsilon) = -\frac{1}{\pi} \int d\mathbf{r} \lim_{\mathbf{r}' \rightarrow \mathbf{r}} \operatorname{Im} G(\mathbf{r}, \mathbf{r}'; \epsilon)$$



# GW Approximation - Screened Electrons

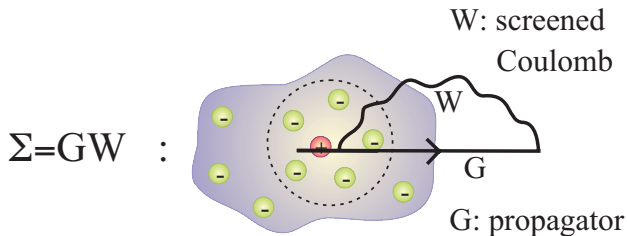


## Self-Energy

$$\Sigma^{GW}(\mathbf{r}, \mathbf{r}', \omega) = -\frac{i}{2\pi} \int d\omega' e^{i\omega\eta} G(\mathbf{r}, \mathbf{r}', \omega + \omega') W(\mathbf{r}, \mathbf{r}', \omega')$$

$$\epsilon_s^{qp} = \epsilon_s^{KS} + \langle s | \Sigma(\epsilon_s^{qp}) | s \rangle - \langle s | v_{xc} | s \rangle$$

# GW Approximation - Screened Electrons



Self-Energy:  $\Sigma = \Sigma_x + \Sigma_c$

- $\Sigma_x = iGv$ :
  - ▶ exact (Hartree-Fock) exchange
- $\Sigma_c = iG(W - v)$ :
  - ▶ correlation (screening due to other electrons)

# $G_0W_0$ exercise

Exercise:

- calculate the quasiparticle excitations of  $C_2H_4$  in  $G_0W_0$  starting from
  - ▶ DFT-PBE
  - ▶ HF
  - ▶ DFT-PBE0

# GW – The Issue of Self-Consistency

Hedin's  $GW$  equations:

$$G(1, 2) = G_0(1, 2) \quad \text{notation: } 1 = (\mathbf{r}_1, \sigma_1, t_1)$$

$$\Gamma(1, 2, 3) = \delta(1, 2)\delta(1, 3)$$

$$P(1, 2) = -iG(1, 2)G(2, 1^+)$$

$$W(1, 2) = v(1, 2) + \int v(1, 3)P(3, 4)W(4, 2)d(3, 4)$$

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Dyson's equation:

$$G^{-1}(1,2) = G_0^{-1}(1,2) - \Sigma(1,2)$$

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Exercise:

- calculate the quasiparticle spectrum of  $\text{C}_2\text{H}_4$  in scGW
- extract  $I$  and  $A$  from the spectrum

# Convergence of $G_0W_0$ and $GW$

- single particle Green's function  $G_0$ :

$$G_{\sigma}^0(\mathbf{r}, \mathbf{r}', \omega) = \sum_n \frac{\psi_{n\sigma}(\mathbf{r})\psi_{n\sigma}^*(\mathbf{r}')}{\omega - \epsilon_{n\sigma} - i\eta \operatorname{sgn}(\epsilon_F - \epsilon_{n\sigma})}$$

- polarizability:

$$\chi^0(\mathbf{r}, \mathbf{r}', i\omega) = \sum_{\sigma} \sum_m^{\text{occ}} \sum_a^{\text{unocc}} \frac{\psi_{m\sigma}^*(\mathbf{r})\psi_{a\sigma}(\mathbf{r})\psi_{a\sigma}^*(\mathbf{r}')\psi_{m\sigma}(\mathbf{r}')}{i\omega - \epsilon_{a\sigma} + \epsilon_{m\sigma}} + \text{c.c.},$$

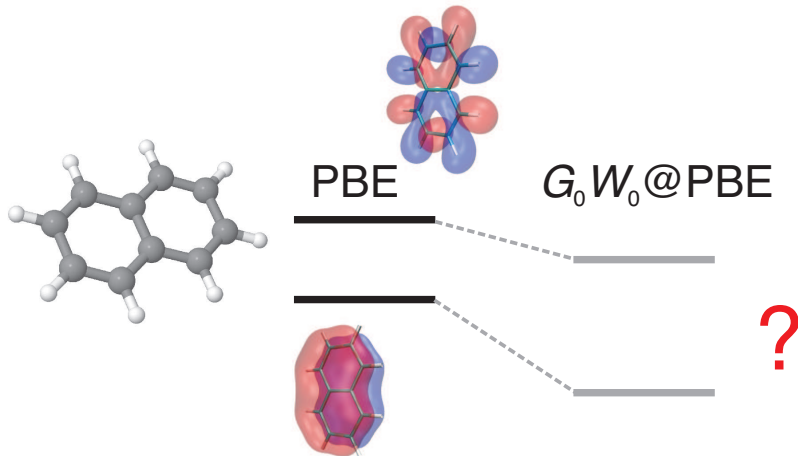
where c.c. denotes “complex conjugate”

# Convergence of $G_0W_0$ and scGW with basis size

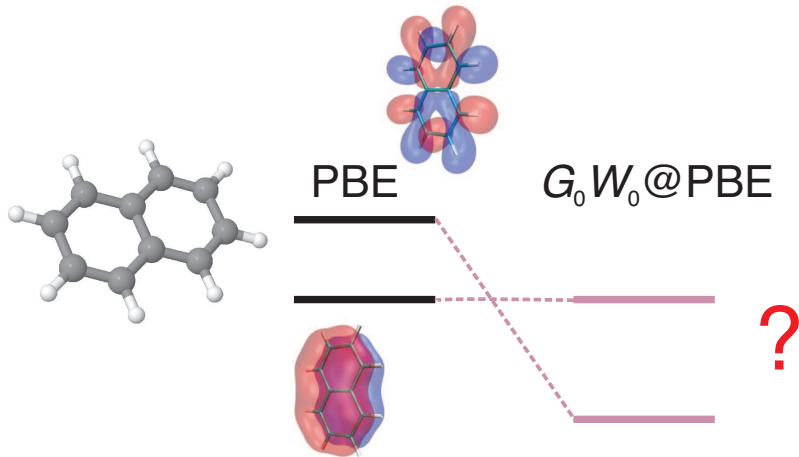
Exercise:

- calculate the quasiparticle spectrum of  $C_2H_4$  in  $G_0W_0$  and scGW for Tier 1 to Tier 3.

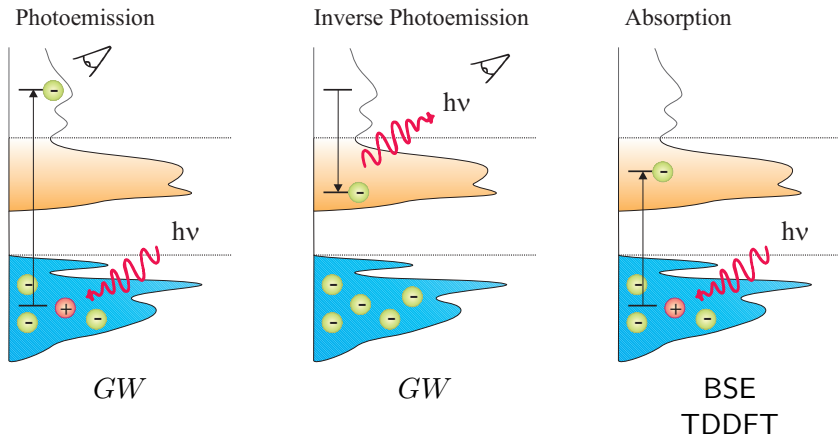
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# Absorption spectroscopy



## Casida equation

- (Non-linear) eigenvalue equation for excitation energies

$$\Omega \mathbf{F}_j = \omega_j^2 \mathbf{F}_j$$

with

$$\Omega_{ia\sigma,jb\tau} = \delta_{\sigma,\tau} \delta_{i,j} \delta_{a,b} (\epsilon_a - \epsilon_i)^2 + 2\sqrt{(\epsilon_a - \epsilon_i)} K_{ia\sigma,jb\tau} \sqrt{(\epsilon_b - \epsilon_j)}$$

and

$$K_{ia\sigma,jb\tau}(\omega) = \int d^3r \int d^3r' \phi_{i\sigma}(\mathbf{r}) \phi_{j\sigma}(\mathbf{r}) \\ \times \left[ \frac{1}{|\mathbf{r} - \mathbf{r}'|} + f_{xc}(\mathbf{r}, \mathbf{r}', \omega) \right] \phi_{k\tau}(\mathbf{r}) \phi_{l\tau}(\mathbf{r})$$

- Eigenvalues  $\omega_j$  are exact vertical excitation energies
- Eigenvectors can be used to compute oscillator strength

# Absorption spectroscopy and excited states

## Exercise 6:

- Vertical Franck-Condon absorption spectrum for  $C_2H_4$  using the Casida implementation in FHI-aims

## Exercise 7:

- Excited state Born-Oppenheimer surfaces for  $C_2H_4$



# Real-time evolution - Magnus expansion

- Time-ordered evolution operator

$$\hat{U}(t + \Delta t, t) = \hat{T} \exp \left( -i \int_t^{t+\Delta t} \hat{H}_{\text{KS}}(\tau) d\tau \right)$$

- Magnus expansion

$$\hat{U}(t + \Delta t, t) = \exp \left( \hat{\Omega}_1 + \hat{\Omega}_2 + \hat{\Omega}_3 + \dots \right)$$

- Magnus operators

$$\hat{\Omega}_1 = -i \int_t^{t+\Delta t} \hat{H}_{\text{KS}}(\tau) d\tau$$

$$\hat{\Omega}_2 = \int_t^{t+\Delta t} \int_t^{\tau_1} [\hat{H}_{\text{KS}}(\tau_1), \hat{H}_{\text{KS}}(\tau_2)] d\tau_2 d\tau_1$$

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# Real-time evolution - Magnus expansion

- Exponential midpoint rule

$$\hat{U}(t + \Delta t, t) = \exp\left(\hat{\Omega}_1\right) + O(\Delta t^3)$$
$$\hat{\Omega}_1 = -i\hat{H}(t + \Delta t/2) + O(\Delta t^3).$$

- Time-evolved state

$$|\Psi(t + \Delta t)\rangle \approx \exp\left(\hat{H}(t + \Delta t/2)\right) |\Psi(t)\rangle$$

- Task: Compute exponential of operator/matrix  
→ Taylor series, Chebyshev polynomials, (Krylov) subspace diagonalization, ...

## Real-time evolution - Crank-Nicholson/Cayley propagator

- Padé approximation of exponential, e.g. lowest order (Crank-Nicholson)

$$\exp(-i\hat{H}\Delta t) \approx \frac{1 - i\hat{H}\Delta t/2}{1 + i\hat{H}\Delta t/2}$$

- Need only action of operator on a state vector

$$|\Psi(t + \Delta t)\rangle = \frac{1 - i\hat{H}\Delta t/2}{1 + i\hat{H}\Delta t/2} |\Psi(t)\rangle$$

- (Non-)Linear system of equations at each time-step

$$(1 + i\hat{H}\Delta t/2)|\Psi(t + \Delta t)\rangle = (1 - i\hat{H}\Delta t/2)|\Psi(t)\rangle$$

# Real-time evolution - Operator splitting methods

- Typically, the Hamiltonian has the form  $\hat{H} = \hat{T} + \hat{V}$
- $\hat{T}$  is diagonal in momentum space,  $\hat{V}$  in position space
- Baker-Campbell-Hausdorff relation

$$e^{\hat{A}}e^{\hat{B}} = \exp(\hat{A} + \hat{B} + \frac{1}{2}[\hat{A}, \hat{B}] + \dots)$$

- Split-Operator

$$\exp(-i\Delta t(\hat{T} + \hat{V})) \approx \exp(-i\Delta t\hat{T}/2) \exp(-i\Delta t\hat{V}) \exp(-i\Delta t\hat{T}/2)$$

Use FFT to switch between momentum space and real-space.

## Real-time evolution - Enforced time reversal symmetry

- Enforced time-reversal symmetry

$$\exp(+i\frac{\Delta t}{2}\hat{H}(t + \Delta t))|\Psi(t + \Delta t)\rangle = \exp(-i\frac{\Delta t}{2}\hat{H}(t))|\Psi(t)\rangle$$

- Propagator with time-reversal symmetry

$$\hat{U}^{\text{ETRS}}(t + \Delta t, t) = \exp(-i\frac{\Delta t}{2}\hat{H}(t + \Delta t)) \exp(-i\frac{\Delta t}{2}\hat{H}(t))$$

# Properties of approximate real-time propagators

## Exercise 8: Getting familiar with real-time propagators

- Crank-Nicholson/Caley, Runge-Kutta 4th order (efficiency, stability)
- Coherent and squeezed states as initial state
- Spectra of autocorrelation functions
- Movies of wavepacket propagation

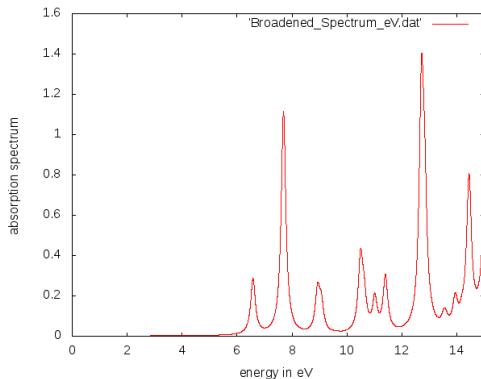
# Nuclear wavepacket dynamics

## Exercise 9: Nuclear wavepacket dynamics on coupled BO surfaces

- Combining excited state BO surfaces from exercise 7 and real-time propagation from exercise 8.

# Vertical Frank-Condon transitions

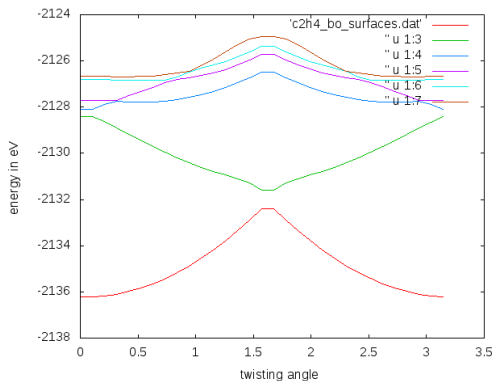
## Exercise 6: RESULTS - Vertical Frank-Condon transitions





# Ground state and excited state Born-Oppenheimer surfaces

Exercise 7: RESULTS - Ground and excited state Born-Oppenheimer surfaces for  $C_2H_4$



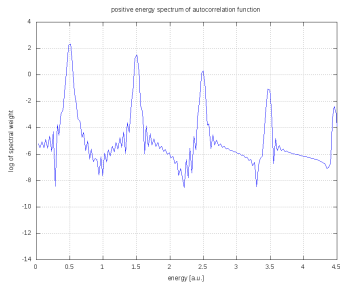
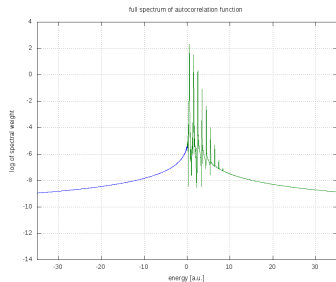
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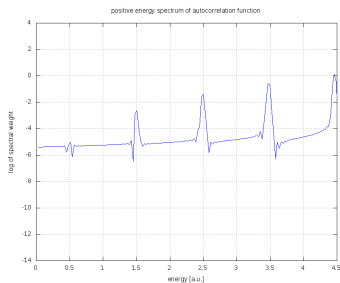
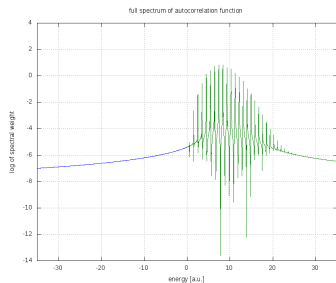
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$x_{\min} = 1.0$ ,  $\text{squeeze} = 1.2$ , 9 spectral peaks

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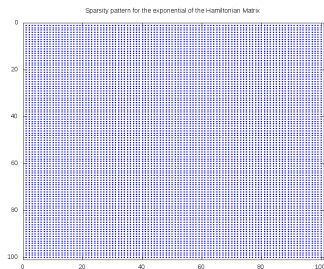
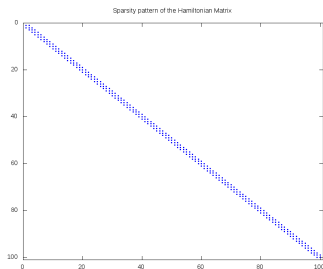
## Exercise 8: RESULTS - autocorrelation function



$x_{\min} = 4.0$ ,  $\text{squeeze} = 1.2$ , 28 spectral peaks

# Properties of approximate real-time propagators

## Exercise 8: RESULTS - sparsity of matrices



# Properties of approximate real-time propagators

## Exercise 8: RESULTS - Runge-Kutta 4th order

```
rk1 = -sqrt(-1) * dt * Hm_t * (psi);  
rk2 = -sqrt(-1) * dt * Hm_t_dt2 * (psi + rk1/2);  
rk3 = -sqrt(-1) * dt * Hm_t_dt2 * (psi + rk2/2);  
rk4 = -sqrt(-1) * dt * Hm_t_dt * (psi + rk3);  
psi = psi + (rk1 + 2*rk2 + 2*rk3 + rk4)/6;
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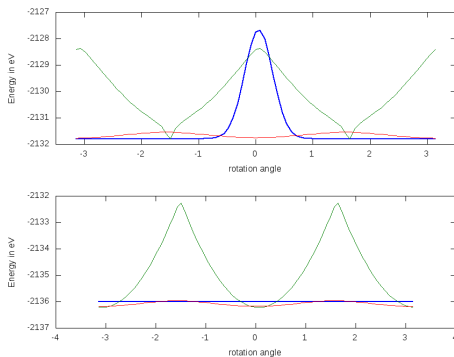
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## Exercise 8: RESULTS - Quiz time

- Which method allows for the largest time step?
  - ▶ Crank-Nicholson/Caley
- Which method allows for the fastest time stepping?
  - ▶ Runge-Kutta 4th order, Taylor expansion
- How is the grid spacing related to the time step?
  - ▶ The spacings appear in the ratio  $\Delta t/\Delta x^2$  in the exponential

# Wavepacket dynamics on coupled BO surfaces

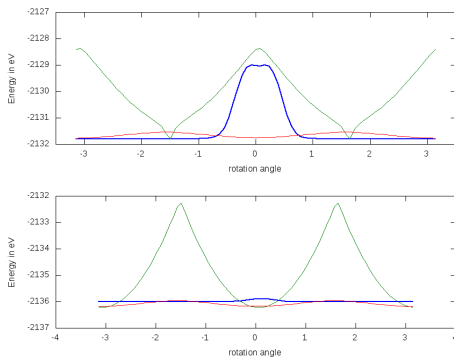
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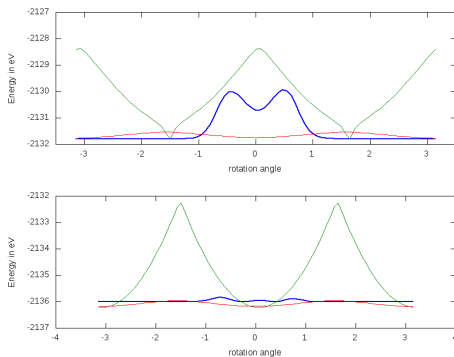
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