Properties

MD simulation: output

- Trajectory of atoms
 - positions: e.g. diffusion, mass transport
 - velocities: e.g. v-v-autocorrelation spectrum
- Energies
 - temperature
 - displacement
 - fluctuations

Mean square displacement, diffusion

• mean square displacement

$$\operatorname{msd}(t) = \left\langle \Delta \mathbf{R}(t)^2 \right\rangle = \left\langle \left[\mathbf{R}(t) - \mathbf{R}(0) \right]^2 \right\rangle$$

• diffusion coefficient (Einstein relation)

$$D = \frac{1}{2d} \lim_{t \to \infty} \left\langle \Delta \mathbf{R}(t)^2 \right\rangle$$

alternative definition (Green-Kubo formula)

$$D = \int_{t=0}^{\infty} \left\langle v_x(t) \, v_x(0) \right\rangle \, dt$$

Vibrational spectrum

• Velocity-velocity autocorrelation

$$C_{v}\left(t
ight)=\int_{t=0}^{\infty}\left\langle v_{x}\left(t
ight)v_{x}\left(0
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angle \,dt$$

• Its cosine transform gives the vibrational, or power spectrum

$$I(\omega) = \int_{t} C_{v}(t) e^{i\omega t} dt$$

Vibrational (harmonic) frequencies

- The vibrational frequencies can be evaluated either using the finite differences (**VIBRATIONAL ANALYSIS** in CPMD) or perturbation theory (see *e. g.* the work of Stefano Baroni for calculating phonon frequencies in solids)
- Always remember to relax the ionic structure first; the more better the convergence, the more accurate will your frequencies be, especially the lowest ones

Electronic density of states

- n(E) is the number of electrons in the energy range $E \dots E + \delta E$
- Can be evaluated via

$$n(E) = \sum_{i,\mathbf{k}} \delta(E - \varepsilon_{i,\mathbf{k}})$$

- in practise δ functions have to be broadened *e.g.* with Gaussian functions
- in CPMD: $E_{i,k}$ can be obtained with KOHN-SHAM ENERGIES

Kohn-Sham states

- Although not necessarily physical, it is often useful to plot them
- In CPMD: $\psi_{i,k}$ can be obtained with KOHN-SHAM ENERGIES followed with a run employing either CUBEFILE ORBITALS of RHOOUT BANDS

Energy level diagram

• Example: Water molecule



Local density of states

- Project the Kohn-Sham orbitals on the localised (pseudo) wave functions around the central atom
- Yields information about the energetic location of the orbitals and molecular hybrids formed by the atom
- Example: Hydroxyl on Pt(111) surface





Atoms In Molecules, AIM Bader's zero flux surface

- Surface partitioning the charge to different atoms
- Based on the "zero flux", *i. e.* finding locations where $\nabla n \cdot \mathbf{u} = 0$, where \mathbf{u} is the normal (unit) vector of the surface



• The optical conductivity according to the Kubo-Greenwood formula

$$\sigma(\omega) = \frac{2\pi e^2}{3m^2 V_{\text{cell}}} \frac{1}{\omega} \sum_{i,j} \left(f_i - f_j \right) \left| \left\langle \psi_i \left| \hat{\mathbf{p}} \right| \psi_j \right\rangle \right|^2 \delta\left(\varepsilon_i - \varepsilon_j - \hbar \omega \right)$$

Electron localisation function

- Derived from Taylor expansion of the conditional probability of finding a second electron with the same spin close to a reference electron
- Normalised to the uniform electron gas

$$\mathsf{ELF} = \frac{1}{1 + (D_{\sigma}/D_{\sigma}^0)^2}$$

$$D_{\sigma} = \tau_{\sigma} - \frac{1}{4} \frac{(\nabla n_{\sigma})^2}{n_{\sigma}} \qquad \tau_{\sigma} = \sum_{i} |\nabla \psi_{i}|^2 \qquad D_{\sigma}^{0} = \frac{3}{5} \left(6\pi^2\right)^{2/3} n_{\sigma}^{5/3}$$

- ELF is limited to $0 \le ELF \le 1$
 - ELF = 1: Perfect localisation
 - ELF = 1/2: Uniform electron gas

Modern theory of polarisation

- Recently large interest was paid to polarisation in crystals
- Problem: periodicity makes use of position operator $\hat{\mathbf{r}}$ impossible in solids
- Solution: Berry phases
- Yielded as "side products" e.g. Wannier centres, Wannier orbitals

Position operator in periodic systems

• Wave functions are periodic

$$\psi\left(\mathbf{r}\right) = \psi\left(\mathbf{r} + \mathbf{L}\right)$$

• Result of operator acting on wave function has also to be periodic

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• Result of operator acting on wave function has also to be periodic

$$\mathbf{r}\psi\left(\mathbf{r}\right) = (\mathbf{r} + \mathbf{L})\psi\left(\mathbf{r} + \mathbf{L}\right)$$

• The expectation value of the position operator of a wave function using PBC

$$\left\langle \hat{X} \right\rangle = \frac{L}{2\pi} \Im \ln \left\langle \psi \left| e^{i(2\pi/L)\hat{X}} \right| \psi \right\rangle$$

 $ig\langle \widehat{X}ig
angle$ is defined only modulo ${f L}$

Polarisation in periodic systems

• Total polarisation

$$P_{\rm tot} = P_{\rm nuc} + P_{\rm el}$$

• Electronic contribution (Γ-only)

$$P_{\mathsf{el}}^{\alpha} = -\frac{2e}{2\pi |\mathbf{G}_{\alpha}|} \Im \ln \det S^{\alpha} ,$$

$$S_{mn}^{\alpha} = \left\langle \phi_m \left| e^{-\mathrm{i}\mathbf{G}_{\alpha}\mathbf{r}_{\alpha}} \right| \phi_n \right\rangle$$

• infrared adsorption coefficient

$$\alpha\left(\omega\right) = \frac{4\pi\omega \tanh(\beta\hbar\omega/2)}{3\hbar n\left(\omega\right)c\Omega} \int_{t=-\infty}^{\infty} \left\langle \mathbf{P}\left(t\right) \cdot \mathbf{P}\left(0\right) \right\rangle e^{i\omega t} dt$$

• $n(\omega) = \text{refractive index}, c = \text{speed of light}, \Omega = \text{volume}$

Wannier orbitals

- Kohn-Sham energy is invariant upon a unitary rotation of the occupied orbitals
- Use this to define *localised* orbitals by minimising the spread Ω

$$\Omega = 2\sum_{i} \left(\left\langle \phi_{i} \left| \mathbf{r}^{2} \right| \phi_{i} \right\rangle - \left\langle \phi_{i} \left| \mathbf{r} \right| \phi_{i} \right\rangle^{2} \right)$$

• Leads to spread

$$\Omega_i = \frac{2}{(2\pi)^2} \sum_{I=1}^{6} \omega_I (1 - |z_{\alpha,i}|)$$

where ω_I are weights depending on cell symmetry and

$$z_{\alpha,i} = \int_{\mathbf{r}} \exp\left(i\mathbf{G}_{\alpha}\cdot\mathbf{r}\right) |\phi_i(\mathbf{r})|^2 d\mathbf{r}$$

• Centre of orbital

$$r_{lpha,i} = -\sum_eta rac{\mathbf{h}_{lphaeta}}{2\pi}\Im\ln z_{lpha,i}$$

• Using the minimisation of Ω one obtains "maximally localised orbitals"

Wannier centres, orbitals Example: Water

• Dipole moment of water molecules in different environments



Raman spectrum

With CPMD Raman spectrum can be evaluated in two ways:

- Harmonic analyasis: Calculate the vibrational normal modes (VIBRATIONAL ANALYSIS) and displace the ions along those modes; the Raman intensity would be proportional to the change in polarisibility
- Perform molecular dynamics and every now and then evaluate the polarisability; the Raman intensity is related to its autocorrelation function



Nature of the chemical shielding





Chemical shifts – chemical bonding

• NMR shielding tensor σ : definition through induced field

 $B^{\text{tot}}(R) = B^{\text{ext}} + B^{\text{ind}}(R)$

$$\sigma(\mathbf{R}) = -\frac{\partial \mathbf{B}^{\mathsf{ind}}(\mathbf{R})}{\partial \mathbf{B}^{\mathsf{ext}}} \ll 1$$

- Strong effect of chemical bonding Hydrogen atoms: H-bonds
- ⇒ NMR spectroscopy:
 Unique characterization
 of local microscopic structure



(liquid water)

Chemical shielding tensor

$$\sigma(R) = -\begin{pmatrix} \frac{\partial B_x^{\text{ind}}(R)}{\partial B_x^{\text{ext}}} & \frac{\partial B_x^{\text{ind}}(R)}{\partial B_y^{\text{ext}}} & \frac{\partial B_x^{\text{ind}}(R)}{\partial B_z^{\text{ext}}} \\ \frac{\partial B_y^{\text{ind}}(R)}{\partial B_x^{\text{ext}}} & \frac{\partial B_y^{\text{ind}}(R)}{\partial B_y^{\text{ext}}} & \frac{\partial B_y^{\text{ind}}(R)}{\partial B_z^{\text{ext}}} \\ \frac{\partial B_z^{\text{ind}}(R)}{\partial B_x^{\text{ext}}} & \frac{\partial B_z^{\text{ind}}(R)}{\partial B_y^{\text{ext}}} & \frac{\partial B_z^{\text{ind}}(R)}{\partial B_z^{\text{ext}}} \end{pmatrix}$$

- Tensor is *not* symmetric
 ⇒ symmetrization ⇒ diagonalization ⇒ Eigenvalues
- Isotropic shielding: Tr $\sigma(R)$
- Isotropic chemical shift: $\delta(R) = \text{Tr}\sigma^{\text{TMS}} \text{Tr}\sigma(R)$

Magnetic field perturbation

• Magnetic field perturbation: vector potential A

$$\mathbf{A} = -\frac{1}{2} \left(\mathbf{r} - \mathbf{R}_{\mathbf{g}} \right) \times \mathbf{B}$$
$$\hat{\mathcal{H}}^{\mathsf{pert}} = -\frac{e}{m} \hat{\mathbf{p}} \cdot \hat{\mathbf{A}}$$

$$= i \frac{\hbar e}{2m} \mathbf{B} \cdot (\hat{\mathbf{r}} - \mathbf{R}_{g}) \times \hat{\nabla}$$

- Cyclic variable: gauge origin $\mathbf{R}_{\mathbf{g}}$
- Perturbation Hamiltonian purely imaginary $\implies n^{\lambda} = 0$

Magnetic field perturbation

Resulting electronic current density:

$$\begin{aligned} \hat{\mathbf{j}}_{\mathbf{r}'} &= \frac{e}{2m} \Big[\hat{\pi} |\mathbf{r}'\rangle \langle \mathbf{r}'| + |\mathbf{r}'\rangle \langle \mathbf{r}'| \hat{\pi} \Big] \\ &= \frac{e}{2m} \Big[(\hat{\mathbf{p}} - e\hat{\mathbf{A}}) |\mathbf{r}'\rangle \langle \mathbf{r}'| + |\mathbf{r}'\rangle \langle \mathbf{r}'| (\hat{\mathbf{p}} - e\hat{\mathbf{A}}) \Big] \\ \mathbf{j}(\mathbf{r}') &= \sum_{k} \langle \varphi_{k}^{(0)} | \, \hat{\mathbf{j}}_{\mathbf{r}'}^{(2)} | \varphi_{k}^{(0)} \rangle + 2 \langle \varphi_{k}^{(0)} | \, \hat{\mathbf{j}}_{\mathbf{r}'}^{(1)} | \varphi_{k}^{(1)} \rangle \\ &= \mathbf{j}^{\text{dia}}(\mathbf{r}') + \mathbf{j}^{\text{para}}(\mathbf{r}') \end{aligned}$$

Dia- and paramagnetic contributions: zero and first order wavefunctions

The Gauge origin problem

- Gauge origin \mathbf{R}_{g} theoretically not relevant
- In practice: very important: $j^{\text{dia}}(r') \propto R_g^2$
- GIAO: Gauge Including Atomic Orbitals
- IGLO: Individual Gauges for Localised Orbitals
- CSGT: Continuous Set of Gauge Transformations: $\mathbf{R}_{\mathrm{g}}=\mathbf{r}'$
- IGAIM: Individual Gauges for Atoms In Molecules

Magnetic field under periodic boundary conditions

- Basis set: plane waves (approach from condensed matter physics)
- Single unit cell (*window*) taken as a representative for the full crystal
- All quantities defined in reciprocal space (periodic operators)
- Position operator $\widehat{\mathbf{r}}$ not periodic
- non-periodic perturbation Hamiltonian $\hat{\mathcal{H}}^{\text{pert}}$

PBC: Individual \hat{r} -operators for localized orbitals

• Localised Wannier orbitals φ_i via unitary rotation:

$$\varphi_i = U_{ij} \psi_j$$

orbital centers of charge \boldsymbol{d}_i



Magnetic fields in electronic structure

- Variational principle \mapsto electronic response orbitals
- Perturbation Hamiltonian $\hat{\mathcal{H}}^{\text{pert}}$: $\hat{A} = -\frac{1}{2} \left(\hat{r} R_g \right) \times B$
- Response orbitals \mapsto electronic ring currents
- Ring currents \mapsto NMR chemical shielding
- Reference to standard \mapsto NMR chemical shift

Isolated molecules

- Isolated organic molecules, ¹H and ¹³C chemical shifts
- Comparison with Gaussian 98 calculation, (converged basis set DFT/BLYP)



Supercritical water: gas – liquid shift



- Excellent agreement with experiment
- Slight overestimation of H-bond strength at T⁺ BLYP overbinding ? Insufficient relaxation ?



⇒ confirmation of simulation

Properties: Summary

• CPMD provides many post-processing methods