# **Time-dependent density-functional theory**

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$$i\hbar \frac{\partial}{\partial t} \Psi(\mathbf{r}_1,...,\mathbf{r}_N,t) = (\hat{T} + \hat{V}(t) + \hat{W}) \Psi(\mathbf{r}_1,...,\mathbf{r}_N,t)$$

kinetic energy operator:  $\hat{T} = \sum_{j=1}^{N} - \frac{\hbar^2 \nabla_j^2}{2m}$  electron interaction

$$\hat{W} = \frac{1}{2} \sum_{\substack{j,k\\j \neq k}}^{N} \frac{e^2}{\left|\mathbf{r}_j - \mathbf{r}_k\right|}$$

The TDSE describes the time evolution of a many-body state  $\Psi(t)$ , starting from an initial state  $\Psi(t_0)$ , under the influence of an external time-dependent potential  $\hat{V}(t) = \sum_{j=1}^{N} V(\mathbf{r}_j, t)$ .

From now on, we'll (mostly) use atomic units ( $e = m = \hbar = 1$ ).

Start from nonequilibrium initial state, evolve in static potential:



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#### 1. Survey Real-time electron dynamics: second scenario

Start from ground state, evolve in time-dependent driving field:



Nonlinear response and ionization of atoms and molecules in strong laser fields





#### 1. Survey

#### **Coupled electron-nuclear dynamics**

- Dissociation of molecules (laser or collision induced)
- Coulomb explosion of clusters
- Chemical reactions



#### High-energy proton hitting ethene

T. Burnus, M.A.L. Marques, E.K.U. Gross, Phys. Rev. A **71**, 010501(R) (2005)

Nuclear dynamics treated classically

For a quantum treatment of nuclear dynamics within TDDFT (beyond the scope of this tutorial), see O. Butriy et al., Phys. Rev. A **76**, 052514 (2007).



#### 1. Survey

#### **Optical spectroscopy**

- Uses weak CW laser as Probe
- <u>System Response</u> has peaks at electronic excitation energies





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#### 2. Fundamentals

For any system with Hamiltonian of form  $H = T + W + V_{ext}$ , e-e interaction

Runge & Gross (1984) proved the 1-1 mapping:

$$n(\mathbf{r} t) \longleftrightarrow V_{ext}(\mathbf{r} t)$$

> For a given initial-state  $\psi_0$ , the time-evolving one-body density  $n(\mathbf{r} t)$  tells you everything about the time-evolving interacting electronic system, exactly.

This follows from :

 $\Psi_0$ ,  $n(r,t) \rightarrow$  unique  $v_{ext}(r,t) \rightarrow H(t) \rightarrow \Psi(t) \rightarrow$  all observables

Consider two systems of *N* interacting electrons, both starting in the same  $\Psi_0$ , but evolving under different potentials  $V_{ext}(r,t)$  and  $V_{ext}'(r,t)$  respectively:

$$v_{\text{ext}}(\mathbf{r}, t) - v'_{\text{ext}}(\mathbf{r}, t) \neq c(t)$$

$$\Psi_{\text{o}} = \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} \frac{1}{k!} v_{k}(\mathbf{r})(t-t_{0})^{k}$$

$$v'(\mathbf{r}, t) = \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} \frac{1}{k!} v'_{k}(\mathbf{r})(t-t_{0})^{k}.$$

RG prove that the resulting densities n(r,t) and n'(r,t) eventually must differ, i.e.

$$v_{\mathrm{ext}}({m r},t)$$
 same  $n({m r},t)$ 

### 2. Fundamentals **Proof of the Runge-Gross Theorem (2/4)**

The <u>first part</u> of the proof shows that the **current-densities** must differ.

Consider Heisenberg e.o.m's for the current-density in each system,

$$\frac{\partial}{\partial t} \langle \Psi(t) | \hat{Q}(t) | \Psi(t) \rangle = \langle \Psi(t) | \left( \frac{\partial \hat{Q}}{\partial t} - i[\hat{Q}(t), \hat{H}(t)] \right) | \Psi(t) \rangle$$

$$\hat{\mathbf{j}}_{\mathbf{p}}(\mathbf{r}) = \frac{1}{2i} \sum_{j=1}^{N} \left( \nabla_{\mathbf{r}_{j}} \delta(\mathbf{r} - \mathbf{r}_{j}) + \delta(\mathbf{r} - \mathbf{r}_{j}) \nabla_{\mathbf{r}_{j}} \right)$$

$$H = -\frac{1}{2} \sum_{i=1}^{N} \nabla_{i}^{2} + \frac{1}{2} \sum_{i=1}^{N} \sum_{j=1}^{N} \frac{1}{|\mathbf{r}_{i} - \mathbf{r}_{j}|} + \sum_{i=1}^{N} v_{\text{ext}}(\mathbf{r}_{i}; t)$$

At the initial time: 
$$\frac{\partial}{\partial t} \{j(r,t) - j'(r,t)\}_{t=0} = -i\langle\Psi_0| \left[\hat{j}(r,t), \{\hat{H}(0) - \hat{H'}(0)\}\right] |\Psi_0\rangle$$
$$= -i\langle\Psi_0| \left[\hat{j}(r), \{v_{\text{ext}}(r,0) - v'_{\text{ext}}(r,0)\}\right] |\Psi_0\rangle$$
$$= -n_0(r)\nabla\{v_{\text{ext}}(r,0) - v'_{\text{ext}}(r,0)\}$$
initial density

 $\rightarrow$  if initially the 2 potentials differ, then *j* and *j* ' differ infinitesimally later  $\odot$ 

#### 2. Fundamentals **Proof of the Runge-Gross Theorem (3/4)**

If  $v_{\text{ext}}(\mathbf{r}, 0) = v_{\text{ext}}(\mathbf{r}, 0)$ , then look at later times by repeatedly using Heisenberg e.o.m :

$$\cdots \quad \frac{\partial^{k+1}}{\partial t^{k+1}} \left\{ j(r,t) - j'(r,t) \right\}_{t=0} = -n_0(r) \nabla \frac{\partial^k}{\partial t^k} \left\{ v(r,t) - v'(r,t) \right\}_{t=0} \quad *$$

As  $V_{\text{ext}}(r,t) - V_{\text{ext}}(r,t) \neq c(t)$ , and assuming potentials are Taylor-expandable at t=0, there must be some k for which RHS  $\neq 0 \rightarrow j(r,t) \neq j'(r,t)$ 

→ proves 
$$j(r,t) \xrightarrow{1-1} v_{ext}(r,t)$$
  $\checkmark 1^{st}$  part of RG  $\odot$ 

The second part of RG proves 1-1 between *densities* and potentials:

Take div. of both sides of \* and use the eqn of continuity,

$$\frac{\partial n(\boldsymbol{r},t)}{\partial t} = -\nabla \cdot \boldsymbol{j}(\boldsymbol{r},t) \dots$$

$$\frac{\partial^{k+2}}{\partial t^{k+2}} \{n(r,t) - n'(r,t)\}_{t=0} = \nabla \cdot \left[ n_0(r) \nabla \frac{\partial^k}{\partial t^k} \{v_{\text{ext}}(r,t) - v'_{\text{ext}}(r,t)\}_{t=0} \right]$$

$$\equiv u(r) \text{ is nonzero for some } k, \text{ but the transformed of } k = 0$$

 $\equiv$  *u*(*r*) is nonzero for some *k*, but must taking the div here be nonzero? *Yes*!

By reductio ad absurdum: assume  $\operatorname{div}[n(\vec{r} t_0) \bigtriangledown u(\vec{r})] = 0$  with  $u(\vec{r}) \neq \operatorname{const}$ 

Then 
$$0 = \int d^3 r \ u(\vec{r}) \operatorname{div}[n(\vec{r} t_0) \bigtriangledown u(\vec{r})]$$
 assume fall-off of  $n_0$  rapid enough  
that surface-integral  $\rightarrow 0$   
 $= -\int d^3 r \ n(\vec{r} t_0) [\bigtriangledown u(\vec{r})]^2 + \frac{1}{2} \oint n(\vec{r} t_0) [\bigtriangledown u^2(\vec{r})] \cdot d\vec{f}$ 

integrand  $\geq 0$ , so if integral 0, then  $\nabla u = 0 \rightarrow \text{contradiction}$ 

i.e.  $\begin{array}{c} v_{\mathrm{ext}}({\pmb{r}},t) \\ v_{\mathrm{ext}}'({\pmb{r}},t) \end{array} \xrightarrow{} \mathrm{same} \; n({\pmb{r}},t) \end{array}$ 

1-1 mapping between time-dependent densities and potentials, for a given initial state

 $\bullet n \rightarrow v$  for given  $\Psi_0$ , implies any observable is a functional of *n* and  $\Psi_0$ 

-- So map interacting system to a non-interacting (Kohn-Sham) one, that reproduces the same  $n(\mathbf{r}, t)$ .

All properties of the true system can be extracted from TDKS  $\rightarrow$  "bigger-faster-cheaper" calculations of spectra and dynamics

KS "electrons" evolve in the 1-body KS potential:

$$v_{s}[n; \Phi_{0}](\mathbf{r}t) = v_{ext}(\mathbf{r}t) + \int d^{3}r' \frac{n(\mathbf{r}'t)}{|\mathbf{r} - \mathbf{r}'|} + v_{xc}[n; \Psi_{0}, \Phi_{0}](\mathbf{r}t)$$

functional of the history of the density and the initial states

-- memory-dependence (see more shortly!)

• If begin in ground-state, then no initial-state dependence, since by HK,  $\Psi_0 = \Psi_0[n(0)]$  (eg. in linear response). Then  $v_{\rm XC} = v_{\rm XC}[n](\mathbf{r}t)$ 

#### 2. Fundamentals Clarifications and Extensions

But how do we know a non-interacting system exists that reproduces a given interacting evolution  $n(\mathbf{r},t)$ ?

✓ van Leeuwen (*PRL*, 1999) (under mild restrictions of the choice of the KS initial state  $Φ_0$ )

The KS potential is *not* the density-functional derivative of any action !

If it were, causality would be violated:

 $\begin{aligned} & \text{Vxc}[n, \Psi_0, \Phi_0](\mathbf{r}, t) \text{ must be causal} - \text{ i.e. cannot depend on } n(\mathbf{r} \ t' > t) \\ & \text{But if} \quad v_{\text{XC}}[n](\mathbf{r}t) = \frac{\delta A_{\text{XC}}[n]}{\delta n(\mathbf{r}t)} \quad \text{then} \quad \frac{\delta v_{\text{XC}}[n](\mathbf{r}t)}{\delta n(\mathbf{r}'t')} = \frac{\delta^2 A_{\text{XC}}[n]}{\delta n(\mathbf{r}t)\delta n(\mathbf{r}'t')} \end{aligned}$ 

But RHS must be symmetric in  $(t,t') \rightarrow$  symmetry-causality paradox.

✓ van Leeuwen (*PRL 1998*) showed how an action, and variational principle, may be defined, using Keldysh contours.

## 2. Fundamentals Clarifications and Extensions

Restriction to Taylor-expandable potentials means RG is technically not valid for many potentials, eg adiabatic turn-on, although RG is assumed in practise.

van Leeuwen (*Int. J. Mod. Phys. B. 2001*) extended the RG proof in the linear response regime to the wider class of Laplace-transformable potentials.

The first step of the RG proof showed a 1-1 mapping between *currents* and potentials → TD current-density FT

In principle, must use TDCDFT (not TDDFT) for

-- response of periodic systems (solids) in uniform E-fields

-- in presence of external magnetic fields

(Maitra, Souza, Burke, PRB 2003; Ghosh & Dhara, PRA, 1988)

*In practice,* approximate functionals of current are simpler where spatial nonlocal dependence is important

(Vignale & Kohn, 1996; Vignale, Ullrich & Conti 1997) ... Stay tuned!

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#### 3. TDKS Time-dependent Kohn-Sham scheme (1)

Consider an *N*-electron system, starting from a stationary state.

Solve a set of static KS equations to get a set of *N* ground-state orbitals:

$$\left(-\frac{\nabla^2}{2} + V_{ext}(\mathbf{r}, t_0) + V_H(\mathbf{r}) + V_{xc}(\mathbf{r})\right) \phi_j^{(0)}(\mathbf{r}) = \varepsilon_j \phi_j^{(0)}(\mathbf{r})$$

The N static KS orbitals are taken as initial orbitals and will be propagated in time:

$$\phi_{j}^{(0)}(\mathbf{r}) = \phi_{j}(\mathbf{r}, t_{0}), \quad j = 1,...,N$$

$$i\frac{\partial}{\partial t}\phi_{j}(\mathbf{r},t) = \left(-\frac{\nabla^{2}}{2} + V_{ext}(\mathbf{r},t) + V_{H}(\mathbf{r},t) + V_{xc}(\mathbf{r},t)\right)\phi_{j}(\mathbf{r},t)$$
  
Time-dependent density:  $n(\mathbf{r},t) = \sum_{j=1}^{N} \left|\phi_{j}(\mathbf{r},t)\right|^{2}$ 

Only the N initially occupied orbitals are propagated. How can this be sufficient to describe all possible excitation processes?? Here's a simple argument:

Expand TDKS orbitals in complete basis of static KS orbitals,

$$\phi_{j}(\mathbf{r},t) = \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} a_{jk}(t) \phi_{k}^{(0)}(\mathbf{r})$$
finite for  $k > N$ 

A time-dependent potential causes the TDKS orbitals to acquire admixtures of initially unoccupied orbitals.

$$V_{H}(\mathbf{r},t) = \int d^{3}r' \frac{n(\mathbf{r}',t)}{|\mathbf{r}-\mathbf{r}'|}$$

depends on density at time *t* (instantaneous, no memory)

$$V_{xc}[n](\mathbf{r},t)$$
 is a functional of  $n(\mathbf{r}',t'), t' \le t$   
The time-dependent xc potential has a memory!

Adiabatic approximation:

$$V_{xc}^{adia}[n]\mathbf{r},t) = V_{xc}^{gs}[n(t)]\mathbf{r})$$

(Take xc functional from static DFT and evaluate with time-dependent density)

ALDA:

$$V_{xc}^{ALDA}(\mathbf{r},t) = V_{xc}^{LDA}(n(\mathbf{r},t)) = \frac{d^2 e_{xc}^{hom}(\overline{n})}{d\overline{n}^2}\Big|_{\overline{n}=n(\mathbf{r},t)}$$



Propagate a time step  $\Delta t$ :  $\phi_j(\mathbf{r}, t + \Delta t) = e^{-i\hat{H}\Delta t}\phi_j(\mathbf{r}, t)$ 

Crank-Nicholson algorithm:

$$e^{-i\hat{H}\Delta t} \approx \frac{1-i\hat{H}\Delta t/2}{1+i\hat{H}\Delta t/2}$$

$$\left(1 + \frac{i}{2}\Delta t\hat{H}\right)\phi_j(\mathbf{r}, t + \Delta t) = \left(1 - \frac{i}{2}\Delta t\hat{H}\right)\phi_j(\mathbf{r}, t)$$

Problem:  $\hat{H}$  must be evaluated at the mid point  $t + \Delta t/2$ But we know the density only for times  $\leq t$ 

#### **Predictor Step:**

$$\phi_j(t) \longrightarrow \phi_j^{(1)}(t + \Delta t) \Rightarrow \hat{H}^{(1)}(t + \Delta t)$$

## n<sup>th</sup> Corrector Step:

$$\phi_{j}(t) \xrightarrow{\hat{H}(t + \Delta t/2) =} \phi_{j}^{(n+1)}(t + \Delta t) \Rightarrow \hat{H}^{(n+1)}(t + \Delta t)$$

$$\frac{1}{2} \left[ \hat{H}(t) + \hat{H}^{(n)}(t + \Delta t) \right]$$

Selfconsistency is reached if n(t) remains unchanged for  $t \in [t_0, T]$  upon addition of another corrector step in the time propagation.

Prepare the initial state, usually the ground state, by a static DFT calculation. This gives the initial orbitals:  $\phi_j^{(0)}(\mathbf{r},0)$ 

Solve TDKS equations selfconsistently, using an approximate time-dependent xc potential which matches the static one used in step 1. This gives the TDKS orbitals:  $\phi_j(\mathbf{r}, t) \rightarrow n(\mathbf{r}, t)$ 

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Calculate the relevant observable(s) as a functional of  $n({f r},t)$ 

#### 3. TDKS Example: two electrons on a 2D quantum strip



C.A. Ullrich, J. Chem. Phys. 125, 234108 (2006)

Step 1: solve full 2-electron Schrödinger equation

$$\left[-\frac{\nabla_{1}^{2}}{2}-\frac{\nabla_{2}^{2}}{2}+V(z_{1},t)+V(z_{2},t)+\frac{1}{\left|\vec{r_{1}}-\vec{r_{2}}\right|}-i\frac{\partial}{\partial t}\right]\Psi(\vec{r_{1}},\vec{r_{2}},t)=0$$

Step 2: calculate the exact time-dependent density

$$\sum_{s_1, s_2} \int d\vec{r}_2 |\Psi(\vec{r}, \vec{r}_2, t)|^2 = n(z, t) = 2 |\varphi(z, t)|^2$$

Step 3: find that TDKS system which reproduces the density

$$\left[-\frac{1}{2}\frac{d^2}{dz^2} + V(z,t) + V_H(z,t) + V_{xc}(z,t) + i\frac{\partial}{\partial t}\right]\varphi(z,t) = 0$$

Ansatz: 
$$\varphi(\vec{r},t) = \sqrt{\frac{n(\vec{r},t)}{2}} \exp(i\alpha(\vec{r},t))$$
$$\Longrightarrow V_{xc}(\vec{r},t) = -V(\vec{r},t) - V_H(\vec{r},t) + \frac{1}{4}\nabla^2 \ln n(\vec{r},t) + \frac{1}{8} |\vec{\nabla} \ln n(\vec{r},t)|^2$$
$$- \dot{\alpha}(\vec{r},t) - \frac{1}{2} |\vec{\nabla} \alpha(\vec{r},t)|^2$$
$$V_{xc}^{dyn}$$

# **2D** quantum strip: charge-density oscillations 3. TDKS density adiabatic $V_{xc}$ exact $V_{xc}$ 7.5 0 15 x (nm) movie3

- The TD xc potential can be constructed from a TD density
- Adiabatic approximations get most of the qualitative behavior right, but there are clear indications of nonadiabatic (memory) effects
- Nonadiabatic xc effects can become important (see later)

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$$v_{s}[n; \Phi_{0}](\mathbf{r}t) = v_{ext}(\mathbf{r}t) + \int d^{3}r' \frac{n(\mathbf{r}'t)}{|\mathbf{r} - \mathbf{r}'|} + v_{xc}[n; \Psi_{0}, \Phi_{0}](\mathbf{r}t)$$

functional dependence on history, n(r t' < t), and on initial states

Almost all calculations today ignore this, and use an "adiabatic approximation":

Just take xc functional from static DFT and evaluate on instantaneous density

$$v_{xc}^{\mathsf{A}}[n; \Psi_0, \Phi_0](\mathbf{r}t) = v_{xc}^{\mathsf{gs}}[n(\mathbf{r}t)]$$

e.g. 
$$v_{xc}^{ALDA}(\mathbf{r}t) = v_{xc}^{LDA}[n(\mathbf{r}t)] = \frac{de_{xc}^{unff}(n(\mathbf{r}t))}{dn}$$



But what about the exact functional?



Hessler, Maitra, Burke, (J. Chem. Phys, 2002); Wijewardane & Ullrich, (PRL 2005); Ullrich (JCP, 2006)

• Development of History-Dependent Functionals: *Dobson, Bunner & Gross (1997), Vignale, Ullrich, & Conti (1997), Kurzweil & Baer (2004), Tokatly (2005)* 



periodic potentials.)

Maitra & Burke, (PRA 2001)(2001, E); Chem. Phys. Lett. (2002).

$$0 = i \sum_{j=1}^{N_{\sigma}} \int_{-\infty}^{t} dt' \int d^{3}r' \left[ V_{xc\sigma}(\mathbf{r}',t') - u_{xcj\sigma}(\mathbf{r}',t') \right] \\ \times \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} \phi_{k\sigma}(\mathbf{r}',t') \phi_{k\sigma}^{*}(\mathbf{r},t) \phi_{j\sigma}(\mathbf{r},t) \phi_{j\sigma}^{*}(\mathbf{r}',t') + c.c.$$

where 
$$u_{xcj\sigma}(\mathbf{r},t) = \frac{1}{\phi_{j\sigma}^*(\mathbf{r},t)} \frac{\delta A_{xc}[\{\phi_{i\sigma}\}]}{\delta \phi_{j\sigma}(\mathbf{r},t)}$$

exact exchange:

$$u_{xj\sigma}(\mathbf{r},t) = -\frac{1}{\phi_{j\sigma}^*(\mathbf{r},t)} \sum_{k=1}^{N_{\sigma}} \int d^3r' \frac{\phi_{j\sigma}^*(\mathbf{r}',t)\phi_{k\sigma}(\mathbf{r}',t)\phi_{k\sigma}(\mathbf{r},t)}{|\mathbf{r}-\mathbf{r}'|}$$

C.A.Ullrich, U.J. Gossmann, E.K.U. Gross, PRL **74**, 872 (1995) H.O. Wijewardane and C.A. Ullrich, PRL **100**, 056404 (2008)

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$$\delta n(\mathbf{r}\omega) = \int d^{3}r'\chi[n_{0}](\mathbf{r}\mathbf{r}'\omega)\delta v_{\text{ext}}(\mathbf{r}'\omega)$$

$$= \int d^{3}r'\chi_{s}[n_{0}](\mathbf{r}\mathbf{r}'\omega)\delta v_{s}(\mathbf{r}'\omega)$$

$$\chi(\mathbf{r},\mathbf{r}';\omega) = \sum_{I} \left\{ \frac{F_{I}(\mathbf{r})F_{I}^{*}(\mathbf{r}')}{\omega - \omega_{I} + i0^{+}} - \frac{F_{I}^{*}(\mathbf{r})F_{I}(\mathbf{r}')}{\omega + \omega_{I} + i0^{+}} \right\} \quad F_{I}(\mathbf{r}) = \langle \Psi_{0}|\hat{n}(\mathbf{r})|\Psi_{I}\rangle$$
Poles at true
Poles at true
Poles at KS
$$\frac{1}{|\mathbf{r}-\mathbf{r}'|} + f_{\text{xc}}[n_{0}](\mathbf{r},\mathbf{r}',\omega)$$
adiabatic approx: no  $\omega$ -dep

Need (1) ground-state  $v_{S,0}[n_0](r)$ , and its bare excitations

(2) XC kernel 
$$f_{xc}[n_0](\mathbf{r},\mathbf{r}',t-t') = \delta v_{xc}(\mathbf{r}t)/\delta n(\mathbf{r}t')|_{n_0}$$

Yields exact spectra in principle; in practice, approxs needed in (1) and (2).

Petersilka, Gossmann, Gross, (PRL, 1996)
### 5. Linear Response Matrix equations (a.k.a. Casida's equations)

Quantum chemistry codes cast eqns into a matrix of coupled KS single excitations (*Casida 1996*) : Diagonalize

$$\widetilde{\Omega}(\omega)_{qq'} = \delta_{qq'} \omega_q^2 + 4 \sqrt{\omega_q \omega_{q'}} [q|f_{\text{HXC}}(\omega)|q']$$

$$q = (i \rightarrow a)$$

$$[q|f_{\text{HXC}}(\omega)|q'] = \int d\mathbf{r} d\mathbf{r}' \phi_i^*(\mathbf{r}) \phi_a(\mathbf{r}) f_{\text{HXC}}(\mathbf{r}, \mathbf{r}', \omega) \phi_{i'}(\mathbf{r}') \phi_{a'}^*(\mathbf{r}')$$

 $\rightarrow$  Excitation energies and oscillator strengths

<u>Useful tools for analysis:</u> "single-pole" and "small-matrix" approximations (SPA,SMA) Zoom in on a single KS excitation,  $q = i \rightarrow a$ 

Well-separated single excitations: SMA  $\omega^2 = \omega_q^2 + 4\omega_q [q|f_{\rm HXC}(\omega_q)|q]$ When shift from bare KS small: SPA  $\omega = \omega_q + 2[q|f_{\rm HXC}(\omega_q)|q]$ 

### 5. Linear Response How it works: atomic excitation energies



- Energies typically to within about "0.4 eV"
- Bonds to within about 1%
- Dipoles good to about 5%

Vibrational frequencies good to 5%

- Cost scales as N<sup>3</sup>, vs N<sup>5</sup> for wavefunction methods of comparable accuracy (eg CCSD, CASSCF)
- Available now in many electronic structure codes



## Can study big molecules with TDDFT !



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6. TDDFT in solids **Excitations in finite and extended systems** 

$$\chi(\mathbf{r},\mathbf{r}',\omega) = \lim_{\eta \to 0^+} \left[ \sum_{j} \frac{\left\langle \Psi_0 | \hat{n}(\mathbf{r}) \Psi_j \right\rangle \left\langle \Psi_j | \hat{n}(\mathbf{r}') \Psi_0 \right\rangle}{\omega - E_j + E_0 + i\eta} + c.c.(\omega \to -\omega) \right]$$

The full many-body response function has poles at the exact excitation energies



- Discrete single-particle excitations merge into a continuum (branch cut in frequency plane)
- New types of <u>collective excitations</u> appear off the real axis (finite lifetimes)



Excitation spectrum of simple metals:

- single particle-hole continuum (incoherent)
- collective <u>plasmon</u> mode



### Metals vs. insulators



Plasmon dispersion of Al

Quong and Eguiluz, PRL 70, 3955 (1993)

- RPA (i.e., Hartree) gives already reasonably good agreement
- ► ALDA agrees very well with exp.

In general, (optical) excitation processes in (simple) metals are very well described by TDDFT within ALDA.

Time-dependent Hartree already gives the dominant contribution, and  $f_{xc}$  typically gives some (minor) corrections.

This is also the case for 2DEGs in doped semiconductor heterostructures

### **Semiconductor heterostructures**



- Donor atoms separated from quantum well: modulation delta doping
- $\bullet$  Total sheet density  $N_{\rm s}$  typically ~10^{11} \rm cm^{-2}



### **Collective excitations**



**Effective-mass approximation:** 
$$m^* = \mu m$$
  $e^* = e/\sqrt{\kappa}$   
(for GaAs :  $\mu = 0.067, \kappa = 13$ )

Electrons in a quantum well: plane waves in *x-y* plane, confined along *z* 

$$\psi_{jq_{\parallel}}(\vec{r}) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{A}} e^{iq_{\parallel}r_{\parallel}} \varphi_{j}(z) \quad \text{with energies} \quad E_{jq_{\parallel}} = \frac{\hbar^{2}q_{\parallel}^{2}}{2m^{*}} + \varepsilon_{j}$$

$$\begin{array}{c} \text{quantum well}\\ \text{confining potential} \\ \hline \left[ -\frac{\hbar^{2}}{2m^{*}} \frac{d^{2}}{dz^{2}} + V_{conf}(z) + V_{H}(z) + V_{xc}^{LDA}(z) \right] \varphi_{j}(z) = \varepsilon_{j}\varphi_{j}(z) \end{array}$$

### **Quantum well subbands**



### Intersubband plasmon dispersions



### **Optical absorption of insulators**



G. Onida, L. Reining, A. Rubio, RMP **74**, 601 (2002) S. Botti, A. Schindlmayr, R. Del Sole, L. Reining, Rep. Prog. Phys. **70**, 357 (2007)

### 6. TDDFT in solids **Optical absorption of insulators: failure of ALDA**

Optical absorption requires imaginary part of macroscopic dielectric function:

$$\operatorname{Im} \{ \varepsilon_{mac} \} = -\lim_{\mathbf{q} \to 0} V_{\mathbf{G}}(\mathbf{q}) \operatorname{Im} \{ \overline{\chi}_{\mathbf{GG}} \}$$
where  $\overline{\chi} = \chi_{KS} + \chi_{KS}(\overline{V} + f_{xc}) \overline{\chi}$ ,  $\overline{V}_{\mathbf{G}} = \begin{cases} V_{\mathbf{G}}, \quad \mathbf{G} \neq 0\\ 0, \quad \mathbf{G} = 0 \end{cases}$ 

$$\mathbf{q} \to 0 \text{ limit:} \qquad \sim q^2 \qquad \text{Long-range excluded,} \\ \text{so RPA is ineffective} \qquad \qquad \operatorname{Needs} 1/q^2 \\ \operatorname{component to} \\ \operatorname{correct} \chi_{KS} \end{cases}$$

$$\operatorname{But ALDA is \ constant}_{for \ \mathbf{q} \to 0:} \\ f_{xc}^{ALDA} = \lim_{q \to 0} f_{xc}^{hom}(q, \omega = 0) \end{cases}$$

## 6. TDDFT in solids Long-range XC kernels for solids

 LRC (long-range correlation) kernel (with fitting parameter α):

$$f_{xc}^{LRC}(\mathbf{q}) = -\frac{\alpha}{q^2}$$

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• **TDOEP** kernel (X-only): 
$$f_x^{OEP}(\mathbf{r},\mathbf{r}') = -\frac{\left|\sum_k f_k \phi_k(\mathbf{r}) \phi_k^*(\mathbf{r}')\right|}{2|\mathbf{r}-\mathbf{r}'| n(\mathbf{r}) n(\mathbf{r}')}$$

Simple real-space form: Petersilka, Gossmann, Gross, PRL **76**, 1212 (1996) TDOEP for extended systems: Kim and Görling, PRL **89**, 096402 (2002)



# 6. TDDFT in solids **Optical absorption of insulators**, again



F. Sottile et al., PRB 76, 161103 (2007)



## 6. TDDFT in solids **Extended systems - summary**

- TDDFT works well for metallic and quasi-metallic systems already at the level of the ALDA. Successful applications for plasmon modes in bulk metals and low-dimensional semiconductor heterostructures.
- ► TDDFT for insulators is a much more complicated story:
  - ALDA works well for EELS (electron energy loss spectra), but not for optical absorption spectra
  - difficulties originate from long-range contribution to  $f_{xc}$
  - some long-range XC kernels have become available, but some of them are complicated. Stay tuned....
  - Nonlinear real-time dynamics including excitonic effects: TDDFT version of Semiconductor Bloch equations
     V.Turkowski and C.A.Ullrich, PRB 77, 075204 (2008) (Wednesday P13.7)

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- Double excitations
- Long-range charge transfer
- Conical Intersections

Adiabatic approx for fxc fails.

Can use frequency-dependent kernel derived for *some* of these cases



Quantum control phenomena

Single-determinant constraint of KS leads to unnatural description of the true state  $\rightarrow$  weird xc effects

• Other strong-field phenomena ?  $\blacksquare$  ? Memory-dependence in  $v_{xc}[n;\psi_0,\Phi_0](r t)$ 

- Observables that are not directly related to the density, eg NSDI, NACs...
  Need to know observable as functional of n(r t)
- Coulomb blockade 
  Lack of derivative discontinuity
- Coupled electron-ion dynamics

Lack of electron-nuclear correlation in Ehrenfest, but surface-hopping has fundamental problems

### 7. Where the usual approxs. fail **Double Excitations**

Excitations of interacting systems generally involve mixtures of (KS) SSD's that have either 1,2,3,...electrons in excited orbitals.

single-, double-, triple- excitations

Now consider:

$$\chi(\mathbf{r},\mathbf{r}';\omega) = \sum_{I} \left\{ \frac{F_{I}(\mathbf{r})F_{I}^{*}(\mathbf{r}')}{\omega - \omega_{I} + i0^{+}} - \frac{F_{I}^{*}(\mathbf{r})F_{I}(\mathbf{r}')}{\omega + \omega_{I} + i0^{+}} \right\} \quad F_{I}(\mathbf{r}) = \langle \Psi_{0}|\hat{n}(\mathbf{r})|\Psi_{I}\rangle$$

 $\chi$  – poles at true states that are mixtures of singles, doubles, and higher excitations

 $\chi_{\rm S}\,$  -- poles only at single KS excitations, since one-body operator  $\hat{n}({f r})\,$  can't connect Slater determinants differing by more than one orbital.

 $\Rightarrow \chi$  has more poles than  $\chi_s$ 

? How does  $f_{xc}$  generate more poles to get states of multiple excitation character?

### 7. Where the usual approxs. fail **Double Excitations**

Exactly Solve a Simple Model: one KS single (q) mixing with a nearby double (D)

KS Exact  

$$\begin{array}{c} \mathbf{M} \\ \mathbf{D} \\ \mathbf{Q} \\$$

Invert and insert into Dyson-like eqn for kernel  $\rightarrow$  dressed SPA (i.e.  $\omega$ -dependent):

$$2[q|f_{H\times c}(\omega)|q] = 2\left([q|\chi_{s}^{-1}|q] - [q|\chi^{-1}|q]\right)$$
$$\bar{\omega} = (1 - m^{2})\omega_{a} + m^{2}\omega_{b} = (\bar{\omega} - \omega_{q}) + \frac{\bar{\omega}'\bar{\omega} - \omega_{a}\omega_{b}}{(\omega - \bar{\omega}')}$$
$$\bar{\omega}' = m^{2}\omega_{a} + (1 - m^{2})\omega_{b}$$
Strong non-adiabaticity!

**General case**: Diagonalize many-body H in KS subspace near the double ex of interest, and require reduction to adiabatic TDDFT in the limit of weak coupling of the single to the double  $\rightarrow$ 



NTM, Zhang, Cave, & Burke JCP (2004), Casida JCP (2004)

### 7. Where the usual approxs. fail **Double Excitations**

### Example: Short-chain polyenes

Lowest-lying excitations notoriously difficult to calculate due to significant double-excitation character.

Cave, Zhang, NTM, Burke, CPL (2004)



E.g. Butadiene, dark  $2^{1}A_{a}$  state

 2<sup>1</sup>A<sub>g</sub> Vertical excitation energies (eV) for butadiene and hexatriene

System	CASPT2	ATDDFT	D-TD-TDDFT
$C_4H_6$	6.27	7.02	6.28
$C_6H_8$	5.20	5.83	5.16

 $\bullet~2^1A_g$  Vertical and 0-0 excitations for but adiene at the estimated planar stationary point for  $2^1A_g$ 

$\Delta E$	CASPT2	ATDDFT	P-TD-TDDFT
Vertical	4.3	5.8	4.16
0-0	5.2	6.8	5.28

 Note importance of accurate double-excitation description in coupled electron-ion dynamics – propensity for curve-crossing Levine, Ko, Quenneville, Martinez, Mol. Phys. (2006)

### Example: Dual Fluorescence in DMABN in Polar Solvents





Rappoport & Furche, JACS 126, 1277 (2004).

"Local" Excitation (LE)

Intramolecular Charge Transfer (ICT)

TDDFT resolved the long debate on ICT structure (neither "PICT" nor "TICT"), and elucidated the mechanism of LE -- ICT reaction

Success in predicting ICT structure – How about CT energies ??

TDDFT typically **severely underestimates** long-range CT energies







*(light-harvesting in plants and purple bacteria)* 

Dreuw & Head-Gordon, JACS 126 4007, (2004).

TDDFT predicts CT states energetically well below local fluorescing states. Predicts CT quenching of the fluorescence. ! Not observed !

TDDFT error ~ 1.4eV

Why do the usual approximations in TDDFT fail for these excitations?

We know what the *exact* energy for charge transfer at long range should be:



*i.e. get just the bare KS orbital energy difference: <u>missing xc contribution to</u> <u>acceptor's electron affinity, A<sub>xc,2</sub>, and -1/R</u> (Also, usual g.s. approxs underestimate I)* 

What are the properties of the unknown exact xc kernel that must be wellmodelled to get long-range CT energies correct ?

 $\succ$  Exponential dependence on the fragment separation *R*,

$$f_{\rm xc} \sim \exp(aR)$$

For transfer between open-shell species, need strong frequency-dependence.

Step in  $V_{xc}$  re-aligns the 2 atomic HOMOs  $\rightarrow$  near-degeneracy of molecular HOMO & LUMO  $\rightarrow$  static correlation, crucial double excitations  $\rightarrow$ frequency-dependence!



(It's a rather ugly kernel...)

Gritsenko & Baerends (PRA, 2004), Maitra (JCP, 2005), Tozer (JCP, 2003) Tawada et al. (JCP, 2004)

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- In general, the adiabatic approximation works well for excitations which have an analogue in the KS system (single excitations)
- formally justified only for infinitely slow electron dynamics. But why is it that the frequency dependence seems less important?

The frequency scale of  $f_{xc}$  is set by correlated multiple excitations, which are absent in the KS spectrum.

- Adiabatic approximation fails for more complicated excitations (multiple, charge-transfer)
- misses dissipation of long-wavelength plasmon excitations

Fundamental question: what is the proper extension of the LDA into the dynamical regime?

# 8. TDCDFT Nonlocality in space and time

Visualize electron dynamics as the motion (and deformation) of infinitesimal fluid elements:



# Nonlocality in time (memory) implies nonlocality in space!

Dobson, Bünner, and Gross, PRL **79**, 1905 (1997) I.V. Tokatly, PRB **71**, 165105 (2005) Zero-force theorem:

$$\int d^3 r \, n(\vec{r},t) \vec{\nabla} V_{xc}(\vec{r},t) = 0$$

Linearized form:

$$\int d^3r' \vec{\nabla} n_0(\vec{r}') f_{xc}(\vec{r},\vec{r}',\omega) = \vec{\nabla} V_{xc,0}(\vec{r})$$

If the xc kernel has a finite range, we can write for slowly varying systems:

$$\vec{\nabla} n_0(\vec{r}) \int d^3 r' f_{xc}(\vec{r}, \vec{r}', \omega) = \vec{\nabla} V_{xc,0}(\vec{r})$$
$$\Rightarrow f_{xc}^{\text{hom}}(\vec{k} = 0, \omega)$$

I.h.s. is frequency-dependent, r.h.s is not: contradiction!

 $\longrightarrow f_{xc}(\vec{r},\vec{r}',\omega)$  has infinitely long spatial range!

#### 8. TDCDFT



An xc functional that depends only on the local density (or its gradients) cannot see the motion of the entire slab.

A density functional needs to have a long range to see the motion through the changes at the edges.
#### 8. TDCDFT Harmonic Potential Theorem – Kohn's mode

J.F. Dobson, PRL **73**, 2244 (1994)



A parabolically confined, interacting N-electron system can carry out an undistorted, undamped, collective "sloshing" mode, where  $n(\vec{r},t) = n_0 (\vec{r} - \vec{R}(t))$  with the CM position  $\vec{R}(t)$ 



• xc functionals based on local density can't distinguish the two cases!

#### 8. TDCDFT

### Point of view of local current



much better chance to capture the physics correctly!

8. TDCDFT Upgrading TDDFT: time-dependent Current-DFT



- Continuity equation only gives the longitudinal current
- TDCDFT gives also the transverse current
- We can find a short-range current-dependent xc vector potential

generalization of RG theorem: Ghosh and Dhara, PRA **38**, 1149 (1988) G. Vignale, PRB **70**, 201102 (2004)

$$\hat{H}_{int}(t) = \sum_{i} \left\{ \frac{1}{2} \left[ \vec{p}_{i} + \frac{1}{c} \vec{A}_{ext}(\vec{r}_{i}, t) \right] + V_{ext}(\vec{r}_{i}, t) \right\} + \sum_{i>j} U(\vec{r}_{i} - \vec{r}_{j})$$

$$\int \int \vec{j}(\vec{r}, t) = \vec{j}_{L}(\vec{r}, t) + \vec{j}_{T}(\vec{r}, t)$$

$$\hat{I}(\vec{r}, t) = \vec{j}_{L}(\vec{r}, t) + \vec{j}_{T}(\vec{r}, t)$$

$$\hat{H}_{KS}(t) = \sum_{i} \left\{ \frac{1}{2} \left[ \vec{p}_{i} + \frac{1}{c} \vec{A}_{KS}(\vec{r}_{i}, t) \right] + V_{KS}(\vec{r}_{i}, t) \right\}$$

uniquely determined up to gauge transformation

$$\vec{j}_1(\vec{r},\omega) = \int d^3r' \,\vec{\chi}_{KS}(\vec{r},\vec{r}',\omega) \left\{ \vec{A}_{ext,1}(\vec{r},\omega) + \vec{A}_{H,1}(\vec{r},\omega) + \vec{A}_{xc,1}(\vec{r},\omega) \right\}$$

KS current-current response tensor: diamagnetic + paramagnetic part

$$\chi_{\mu\nu}(\vec{r},\vec{r}',\omega) = n_0(\vec{r})\delta(\vec{r}-\vec{r}')\delta_{\mu\nu} + \frac{1}{2}\sum_{j,k}^{\infty}\frac{f_k - f_j}{\varepsilon_k - \varepsilon_j + \omega + i\eta}P_{\mu}^{kj}(\vec{r})P_{\nu}^{jk}(\vec{r}')$$

where 
$$P_{\mu}^{kj} = \varphi_k^* (\vec{r}) \nabla_{\mu} \varphi_j (\vec{r}) - \varphi_j (\vec{r}) \nabla_{\mu} \varphi_k^* (\vec{r})$$

 $\vec{A}_{ext,1}(\vec{r},\omega)$ : external perturbation. Can be a true vector potential, or a gauge transformed scalar perturbation:

$$\vec{A}_{ext,1} = \frac{1}{i\omega} \vec{\nabla} V_{ext,1}$$

$$\vec{A}_{H,1}(\vec{r},\omega) = \frac{\vec{\nabla}}{(i\omega)^2} \int d^3r' \frac{\vec{\nabla}' \cdot \vec{j}(\vec{r}',\omega)}{|\vec{r} - \vec{r}'|}$$

gauge transformed Hartree potential

$$\vec{A}_{xc,1}(\vec{r},\omega) = \int d^3r' \vec{f}_{xc}(\vec{r},\vec{r}',\omega) \vec{j}(\vec{r}',\omega)$$

the xc kernel is now a tensor!

ALDA: 
$$\vec{A}_{xc,1}^{ALDA}(\vec{r},\omega) = \frac{\vec{\nabla}}{(i\omega)^2} \int d^3r' f_{xc}^{ALDA}(\vec{r},\vec{r}') \vec{\nabla}' \cdot \vec{j}(\vec{r}',\omega)$$

#### 8. TDCDFT TDCDFT beyond the ALDA: the VK functional

G. Vignale and W. Kohn, PRL **77**, 2037 (1996)

G. Vignale, C.A. Ullrich, and S. Conti, PRL 79, 4878 (1997)

$$\vec{A}_{xc,1}(\vec{r},\omega) = \vec{A}_{xc,1}^{ALDA}(\vec{r},\omega) - \frac{c}{i\omega n_0(\vec{r})} \vec{\nabla} \cdot \vec{\sigma}_{xc}(\vec{r},\omega)$$

xc viscoelastic stress tensor:

$$\begin{split} \sigma_{xc,jk} &= \widetilde{\eta}_{xc} \left( \nabla_{j} v_{1,k} + \nabla_{k} v_{1,j} - \frac{2}{3} \vec{\nabla} \cdot \vec{v}_{1} \delta_{jk} \right) + \widetilde{\xi}_{xc} \vec{\nabla} \cdot \vec{v}_{1} \delta_{jk} \\ \vec{v} (\vec{r}, \omega) &= \vec{j} (\vec{r}, \omega) / n_{0} (\vec{r}) \quad \text{velocity field} \end{split}$$

- automatically satisfies zero-force theorem/Newton's 3<sup>rd</sup> law
- automatically satisfies the Harmonic Potential theorem
- is local in the current, but nonlocal in the density
- introduces dissipation/retardation effects

#### 8. TDCDFT

$$\widetilde{\eta}_{xc}(n,\omega) = -\frac{n^2}{i\omega} f_{xc}^T(n,\omega)$$
$$\widetilde{\xi}_{xc}(n,\omega) = -\frac{n^2}{i\omega} \left( f_{xc}^L(n,\omega) - \frac{4}{3} f_{xc}^T(n,\omega) - \frac{d^2 e_{xc}^{unif}}{dn^2} \right)$$

In contrast with the classical case, the xc viscosities have both real and imaginary parts, describing <u>dissipative</u> and <u>elastic</u> behavior:

$$\widetilde{\eta}(\omega) = \eta(\omega) - \underbrace{S_{xc}(\omega)}_{i\omega} \text{ shear modulus} \qquad \text{reflect the stiffness of Fermi surface against deformations} \\ \widetilde{\zeta}(\omega) = \zeta(\omega) - \underbrace{B_{xc}^{dyn}(\omega)}_{i\omega} \text{ dynamical bulk modulus} \qquad \text{reflect the stiffness of Fermi surface against deformations}$$

#### 8. TDCDFT

#### xc kernels of the homogeneous electron gas



GK: E.K.U. Gross and W. Kohn, PRL 55, 2850 (1985)
NCT: R. Nifosi, S. Conti, and M.P. Tosi, PRB 58, 12758 (1998)
QV: X. Qian and G. Vignale, PRB 65, 235121 (2002)

$$f_{xc}^{L}(0) = \frac{d^{2}e_{xc}^{unif}(n)}{dn^{2}} + \frac{4}{3}\frac{S_{xc}(0)}{n^{2}}$$
$$f_{xc}^{T}(0) = \frac{S_{xc}(0)}{n^{2}}$$

The shear modulus of the electron liquid does **not** disappear for  $\omega \rightarrow 0$ . (as long as the limit  $q \rightarrow 0$  is taken first). Physical reason:

- Even very small frequencies <<E<sub>F</sub> are large compared to relaxation rates from electron-electron collisions.
- The zero-frequency limit is taken such that local equilibrium is not reached.
- The Fermi surface remains stiff against deformations.

#### 8. TDCDFT

## **TDCDFT for conjugated polymers**



M. van Faassen et al., PRL 88, 186401 (2002) and JCP 118, 1044 (2003)

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## 9. Transport **DFT and nanoscale transport**



9. Transport **TDDFT and nanoscale transport: weak bias** 

Current response:  $\vec{j}(\vec{r},\omega) = \int d^3r' \,\vec{\sigma}_0(\vec{r},\vec{r}',\omega) \vec{E}_{eff}(\vec{r}',\omega)$ 

$$\delta I(\omega \to 0) = \frac{T_0(\varepsilon_F)}{\pi} \int d^3 r' \left[ \delta E_{ext}(\omega) + \delta E_H(\vec{r}', \omega) + \delta E_{xc}(\vec{r}', \omega) \right]$$

XC piece of voltage drop: Current-TDDFT

PRL 94, 186810 (2005)

Sai, Zwolak, Vignale, Di Ventra,

40 BDT



dynamical resistance: ~10% correction



## 9. Transport TDDFT and nanoscale transport: finite bias

### (A) Current-TDDFT and Master equation

Burke, Car & Gebauer, PRL 94, 146803 (2005)



- periodic boundary conditions (ring geometry), electric field induced by vector potential A(t)
- current as basic variable
- requires coupling to phonon bath for steady current

#### (B) TDDFT and Non-equilibrium Green's functions

Stefanucci & Almbladh, PRB 69, 195318 (2004)



- localized system
- density as basic variable
- steady current via electronis dephasing with continuum of the leads

(A) and (B) agree for weak bias and small dissipation
 some preliminary results are available – stay tuned!

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In addition to an approximation for  $v_{xc}[n;\Psi_0,\Phi_0](r,t)$ , also need an approximation for the <u>observables of interest</u>.

 $\rightarrow$  Is the relevant KS quantity physical ?

Certainly measurements involving only density (eg dipole moment) can be extracted directly from KS – no functional approximation needed for the observable. But generally not the case.

We'll take a look at:

- High-harmonic generation (HHG)
- Above-threshold ionization (ATI)
- Non-sequential double ionization (NSDI)
- Attosecond Quantum Control
- Correlated electron-ion dynamics



Figure 7. Harmonic spectra of helium resulting from the Hartree–Fock equation (without correlation) and the Kohn–Sham equation (with correlation). The laser parameters are  $\lambda = 616$  nm and  $I = 7.0 \cdot 10^{14}$  W/cm<sup>2</sup>.

Erhard & Gross, (1996)



Nguyen, Bandrauk, and Ullrich, PRA **69**, 063415 (2004).



Knee forms due to a switchover from a sequential to a non-sequential (correlated) process of double ionization.

Knee missed by all single-orbital theories eg TDHF

#### TDDFT can get it, but it's difficult :

• Knee requires a derivative discontinuity, lacking in most approxs

• Need to express *pair-density* as purely a density functional – uncorrelated expression gives wrong knee-height. (*Wilken & Bauer (2006)*)

#### 10. Strong-field processes **Electronic quantum control**

Is difficult: Consider pumping He from  $(1s^2) \rightarrow (1s2p)$ 

**Problem!!** The KS state remains doubly-occupied throughout – *cannot* evolve into a singly-excited KS state.

<u>Simple model</u>: evolve two electrons in a harmonic potential from ground-state (KS doubly-occupied  $\phi_0$ ) to the first excited state ( $\phi_0, \phi_1$ ) :



KS system achieves the target excited-state density, but with a doubly-occupied *ground-state* orbital !! The exact  $v_{xc}(t)$  is unnatural and difficult to approximate.

Maitra, Woodward, & Burke (2002), Werschnik & Gross (2005), Werschnik, Gross & Burke (2007)

#### 10. Strong-field processes Coupled electron-ion dynamics

Classical nuclei coupled to quantum electrons, via Ehrenfest coupling, i.e.

 $M\underline{\ddot{\mathbf{R}}} = -\nabla_R \left( W_{nn} + V_{ext,N}(t) + \langle \Phi_R | H_{el} | \Phi_R \rangle_{\underline{\mathbf{r}}} \right)$ Eg. Collisions of O atoms/ions with





FIG. 2. Kinetic energies of (a)  $\mathrm{O}(^3P),$  (b) the graphite cluster, and (c) the entire system.

#### Isborn, Li. Tully, JCP 126, 134307 (2007)

Freely-available TDDFT code for strong and weak fields:



http://www.tddft.org

Castro, Appel, Rubio, Lorenzen, Marques, Oliveira, Rozzi, Andrade, Yabana, Bertsch

octopus is a program aimed at the ab initio virtual experimentation on a hopefully ever increasing range of systems types. Its main characteristics are:

- Electrons are describe quantum-mechanically within the Density-Functional Theory (DFT), in its time-dependent form (TDDFT) when doing simulations in time. Nuclei are described classically as point particles.

Electron-nucleus interaction is described within the Pseudopotential approximation.

Classical Ehrenfest method misses electron-nuclear correlation ("branching" of trajectories) !! essential for photochemistry, relaxation, electron transfer, branching ratios, reactions near surfaces...

How about <u>Surface-Hopping</u> a la Tully with TDDFT?

Simplest: nuclei move on KS PES between hops. But, KS PES  $\neq$  true PES, and generally, may give wrong forces on the nuclei.

Should use TDDFT-corrected PES (eg calculate in linear response).

But then, trajectory hopping probabilities cannot be simply extracted – e.g. they depend on the coefficients of the true  $\Psi$  (not accessible in TDDFT), and on non-adiabatic couplings.

Craig, Duncan, & Prezhdo PRL 2005, Tapavicza, Tavernelli, Rothlisberger, PRL 2007, Maitra, JCP 2006

### To learn more...



*Time-dependent density functional theory,* edited by M.A.L. Marques, C.A. Ullrich, F. Nogueira, A. Rubio, K. Burke, and E.K.U. Gross, Springer Lecture Notes in Physics, Vol. 706 (2006)

(see handouts for TDDFT literature list)

**Upcoming TDDFT conferences:** 

- 3rd International Workshop and School on TDDFT Benasque, Spain, August 31 - September 15, 2008 http://benasque.ecm.ub.es/2008tddft/2008tddft.htm
- Gordon Conference on TDDFT, Summer 2009 http://www.grc.org

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