Time-dependent approach to nuclear response in the continuum

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Time-dependent approach to quantum mechanical problems

- Time representation vs Energy representation
- Boundary Condition
- Electronic TDDFT
 - Optical response (linear response)
 - Nuclear TDDFT (TDHF)
 - Giant resonances
 - Summary

Time Domain

Basic equations

- Time-dep. Schroedinger eq.
- Time-dep. Kohn-Sham eq.
- $d\mathbf{x}/dt = A\mathbf{x}$

Energy resolution

∆E∽ħ/T All energies

Boundary Condition

- Approximate boundary condition
- Easy for complex systems

Energy Domain

Basic equations

- Time-indep. Schroedinger eq.
- Static Kohn-Sham eq.
- Ax=ax (Eigenvalue problem)
- Ax=b (Linear equation)

Energy resolution

 $\Delta E \sim 0$ A single energy point

Boundary condition

- Exact scattering boundary condition is possible
- Difficult for complex systems



We can rewrite E1 strength function as

$$\frac{dB(E1,E)}{dE} = \sum_{lm'} \int dE' \delta(E-E') \left| \left\langle \phi_{E,l=1,m} \left| M_{1m} \right| \phi_0 \right\rangle \right|^2$$
$$= \left\langle \phi_0 \left| M_{1m}^+ \delta(E-H) M_{1m} \right| \phi_0 \right\rangle$$
$$= -\frac{1}{\pi} \operatorname{Im} \left\langle \phi_0 \left| M_{1m}^+ \frac{1}{E+i\varepsilon - H} M_{1m} \right| \phi_0 \right\rangle$$

$$\frac{dB(E1,E)}{dE} = -\frac{1}{\pi} \operatorname{Im} \sum_{m} \frac{1}{i\hbar} \int_{0}^{\infty} dt e^{iEt/\hbar} \left\langle \phi_{0} \left| M_{1m}^{+} e^{-iHt/\hbar} M_{1m} \right| \phi_{0} \right\rangle$$
$$= \frac{1}{\pi\hbar} \operatorname{Re} \int_{0}^{\infty} dt e^{iEt/\hbar} \int \sum_{m} \psi_{1m}^{*}(\mathbf{r},0) \psi_{1m}(\mathbf{r},t) d\mathbf{r}$$

Time propagation

$$\psi(\vec{r},t=0) = M_{1m}\phi_0(\vec{r})$$
$$i\hbar \frac{\partial}{\partial t}\psi(\vec{r},t) = H\psi(\vec{r},t)$$

Boundary Condition

Absorbing boundary condition (ABC)

Absorb all outgoing waves outside the interacting region

$$i\hbar \frac{\partial}{\partial t} \psi(\vec{r},t) = (H - i\,\tilde{\eta}(r))\psi(\vec{r},t)$$

How is this justified?

 $\langle \mathbf{k'} | S | \mathbf{k} \rangle = \delta(\mathbf{k'} - \mathbf{k}) + 2\pi i \delta(E' - E) \langle \mathbf{k'} | V | \phi^{(+)} \rangle$

 $\frac{dB(E1,E)}{dE} = \frac{1}{\pi\hbar} \operatorname{Re} \int_{0}^{\infty} dt \, e^{iEt/\hbar} \sum_{m} \left\langle \psi_{1m}(0) \, \psi_{1m}(t) \right\rangle$

Finite time period up to T

Localized w.f.

Time evolution can stop when all the outgoing waves are absorbed.

$$\int_0^\infty dt \Longrightarrow \int_0^T dt$$

 $M_{1m}\phi_0$

 $-i\widetilde{\eta}(r)$



Time-Dependent Density Functional Theory (TDDFT)

In nuclear theory, the concept is very similar to

TDHF with effective interactions.

Electronic TDDFT vs Nuclear TDHF

Density Functional Theory

- Hohenberg, Kohn (1964)
- Kohn, Sham (1965)
 Existence of density functional Free particles in a KS potential

Time-dependent DFT

 Runge, Gross (1985)
 Existence of density functional to reproduce the time evolution of interacting many-particle systems

TDDFT in real space & real time

- Yabana, Bertsch (1996)
- Nakatukasa, Yabana (2001) Continuum boundary condition

Brueckner HF \rightarrow Skyrme HF

- Negele (1972) DME
- Vautherin, Brink (1972)
 Density functional to reproduce mass, radius, deformation of nuclear ground states

TDHF in real space & real time

- Bonche, Koonin, Negele (1976)
- Flocard, Koonin, Weiss (1978) Heavy ion reactions, fusion prob.
- Nakatsukasa, Yabana (2005) Nuclear response in the continuum



Real-space TDDFT calculations

Time-Dependent Kohn-Sham equation

$$i\frac{\partial}{\partial t}\psi_{i}(\mathbf{r},t) = \left(-\frac{1}{2m}\nabla^{2} + V_{\text{ion}}(\mathbf{r}) + V_{\text{H}}[\rho(\mathbf{r},t)] + \mu_{\text{xc}}[\rho(\mathbf{r},t)] + V_{\text{ext}}(\mathbf{r},t)\right)\psi_{i}(\mathbf{r},t)$$

3D space is discretized in lattice

Each Kohn-Sham orbital: $\varphi_i(\mathbf{r},t) = \{\varphi_i(\mathbf{r}_k,t_n)\}_{k=1,\cdots,Mr}^{n=1,\cdots,Mt}, i = 1,\cdots,N$

N : Number of particles Mr : Number of mesh points

Mt : Number of time slices

K. Yabana, G.F. Bertsch, Phys. Rev. B54, 4484 (1996).

T. Nakatsukasa, K. Yabana, J. Chem. Phys. 114, 2550 (2001).



Real-time dynamics of electrons in photoabsorption of molecules

1. External perturbation t=0

$$V_{ext}(\mathbf{r},t) = -\varepsilon r_i \delta(t), \quad i = x, y, z$$

2. Time evolution of dipole moment $d_i(t) \propto \int r_i \rho(\mathbf{r}, t)$









Comparison with measurement (linear optical absorption)

TDDFT accurately describe optical absorption Dynamical screening effect is significant



Photoabsorption cross section in C₃H₆ isomer molecules

Nakatsukasa & Yabana, Chem. Phys. Lett. 374 (2003) 613.

- TDLDA cal with LB94 in 3D real space
- 33401 lattice points (r < 6 Å)
- Isomer effects can be understood in terms of symmetry and antiscreening effects on bound-to-continuum excitations.



Skyrme TDHF in real space

Time-dependent Hartree-Fock equation

$$i\frac{\partial}{\partial t}\psi_{i}(\mathbf{r}\,\sigma\tau,t) = \left(h_{\mathrm{HF}}[\rho,\tau,\mathbf{j},\mathbf{s},\mathbf{\ddot{J}}](t) + V_{\mathrm{ex}\,t}(t)\right)\psi_{i}(\mathbf{r}\,\sigma\tau,t)$$

3D space is discretized in lattice



Real-time calculation of response functions

1. Weak instantaneous external perturbation

 $V_{\rm ext}(t) = \hat{F}\delta(t)$

- 2. Calculate time evolution of $\left< \Psi(t) \left| \hat{F} \right| \Psi(t) \right>$
- 3. Fourier transform to energy domain

$$\frac{dB(\omega;\hat{F})}{d\omega} = -\frac{1}{\pi} \operatorname{Im} \int \langle \Psi(t) | \hat{F} | \Psi(t) \rangle e^{i\omega t} dt$$

$$f(\Psi(t)|\hat{F}|\Psi(t)\rangle$$

$$f(t)|\hat{F}|\Psi(t)\rangle$$







Giant dipole resonance in stable and unstable nuclei



Classical image of GDR









High-energy E1 strengths



Summary

TDHF+ABC to study dynamical aspects of nuclear response in the continuum

GDR near the neutron drip line shows a large broadening, and strong low-energy E1

Neutron-proton attractive correlation leads to a complex dipole motion ("screening"?)

Neutron-rich (N >> Z)

Stable (N=Z)