# Density Functional Calculations with ParaGauss

Perspectives for modeling catalyst materials

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### Overview

- □ Quantum Chemistry
  - Density Functional Theory
  - Numerical aspects

#### □ Program PARAGAUSS

- Features
- Parallelization
- Modeling Catalyst Materials
  - Scaling of metal particles
  - Self-interaction in Kohn-Sham calculations
  - Mixed metal oxides



## Computational Chemistry

Computation of physical and chemical properties ...

- Chemical behavior, reactivity
- □ Spectroscopic quantities
- □ Materials properties
- ... on a microscopic scale ...
- Atoms, molecules
- □ Clusters, solids (crystals)
- Biomolecules, polymers
- ... by solving the Schrödinger equation  $\hat{H}\Psi = E\Psi$

Impressive progress over last decades: Nobel Prize in Chemistry 1998





John A. Pople "for his development of computational methods in quantum chemistry"

 $H \Psi(\{\mathbf{x}_i\}, \{\mathbf{R}_\alpha\}) = E \Psi(\{\mathbf{x}_i\}, \{\mathbf{R}_\alpha\})$ 

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## Methods of Quantum Chemistry

Basis of quantum chemistry: Many-electron Schrödinger equation

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- □ Wave function  $\Psi$ , nuclear pos. { $\mathbf{R}_{\alpha}$ } electron space and spin coords., **x**;
- **Total energy as expectation value**  $E[\Psi] = \langle \Psi | \hat{H} | \Psi \rangle = \int \cdots \int \Psi^{\dagger} \hat{H} \Psi d\mathbf{x}_{1} \cdots d\mathbf{x}_{N}$
- □ High-level wave function theory approximations often far too expensive

Density Functional Theory (DFT) achieves better accuracy/cost value

Ground state energy  $E_0$  as functional of g.s. electron density  $\rho_0$ :  $E_0 = E[\rho_0]$ 

□ Kohn-Sham formalism (KS) turns DFT into a practical tool

$$p(\mathbf{r}) = \sum_{\sigma_i} \int \left| \varphi_i(\mathbf{x}) \right|^2 d\mathbf{r} \quad \Leftarrow \hat{h} \varphi_i = \varepsilon_i \varphi_i \quad \text{KS orbitals}$$

Partitioning of total electronic energy

 $E[\rho] = T[\rho] + E_{\text{ext}}[\rho] + E_{\text{coul}}[\rho] + E_{\text{X}}[\rho] + E_{\text{corr}}[\rho]$ 

■ Various approx. for exchange+correlation (XC)  $E_{\rm XC}[\rho] = E_{\rm X}[\rho] + E_{\rm corr}[\rho]$ 





### DFT in Practice

- $\Box$  Expand KS orbitals in "basis set"  $\{\chi_a\}$  so that  $\varphi_i = \sum_a \chi_a C_{ai}$ 
  - Algebraic formulation: Matrix algebra
- DFT calculations require various different numerical algorithms
  - Generalized eigenvalue problem
  - h depends on C : iterative solution
  - Hamilton matrix  $h_{ab} = t_{ab} + v_{ab}^{\text{ext}} + v_{ab}^{\text{coul}} + v_{ab}^{\text{XC}}$  built from analytic integrals

 $\mathbf{h} | \mathbf{P} | \mathbf{C} = \mathbf{SCe}$ 

$$\begin{split} t_{ab} &= \frac{1}{2} \int \left[ \nabla \chi_a(\mathbf{r}) \right] \nabla \chi_b(\mathbf{r}) d\mathbf{r} \qquad v_{ab}^{\text{ext}} = -\sum_{\alpha} Z_{\alpha} \int \frac{\chi_a(\mathbf{r}) \chi_b(\mathbf{r})}{\left| \mathbf{R}_{\alpha} - \mathbf{r} \right|} d\mathbf{r} d\mathbf{r} \\ v_{ab}^{\text{coul}} &= \frac{1}{2} \sum_{cd} P_{cd} \iint \frac{\chi_a(\mathbf{r}) \chi_b(\mathbf{r}) \chi_c(\mathbf{r}') \chi_d(\mathbf{r}')}{\left| \mathbf{r}' - \mathbf{r} \right|} d\mathbf{r} d\mathbf{r}' = \frac{1}{2} \sum_{cd} P_{cd} G_{abcd} \end{split}$$

XC integrals computed numerically  $v_{ab}^{\rm XC} = \int \chi_a(\mathbf{r})\chi_b(\mathbf{r}) \frac{\partial E_{\rm XC}\left[\rho(\mathbf{r})\right]}{\partial\rho(\mathbf{r})} d\mathbf{r}$ 

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Plane Wave vs. Localized Basis Sets

#### Plane Wave Basis

- + FFT/PAW: Very neat approaches
- + Orthogonal basis
- + Basis set easy to improve
- Ideal for calculations solid state systems
- Repeating images for isolated systems or long-range interactions
- All-electron calculations impossible
- Advanced DFT and wave function methods very slow or not available
- Charged systems problematic
- Elaborate convergence techniques essential
- Interpretation of electronic structure often difficult

#### Localized (Gaussian) Basis

- + Admit easier reduction of scaling
- + Fewer basis functions needed
- + Hierarchical models available (solvation, embedding etc.)
- Ideal for calculations on molecular systems
- Less efficient than PW for standard DFT calculations
- More memory required
- Issues when modeling extended surfaces



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 $P_{ab} = \sum_{i} C_{ai} C_{bi}^*$ 

## ParaGauss: Highly Parallelized DFT Implementation

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## ParaGauss



- Version 4.0, Technische Universität München, 2012
  T. Belling, T. Grauschopf, S. Krüger, F. Nörtemann, M. Staufer, M. Mayer,
  V. A. Nasluzov, U. Birkenheuer, A. Hu, A. V. Matveev, A. Shor, M. Fuchs-Rohr,
  K. M. Neyman, D. I. Ganyushin, T. Kerdcharoen, A. Woiterski, S. Majumder,
  A. B. Gordienko, M. Huix i Rotllant, R. Ramakrishnan, G. Dixit, A. Nikodem,
  T. M. Soini, M. Roderus, NR
- Started 1994 as parallel density functional package
- Continuous development, successful applications to a variety of chemical systems
- □ Recently major revisions and extensions within IGSSE-MAC initiative
- □ Favorable for heavy elements, large metal clusters, symmetric systems

## Features of PARAGAUSS



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- Use of group representation theory to block matrices
  Exploit spatial symmetry: 74 point groups & double groups
- Hybrid density functionals
- □ DFT+U self interaction corrections
- □ Scalar relativistic method (DKH)
- 1<sup>st</sup> and 2<sup>nd</sup> order energy gradients also for scalar relativistics
- Spin-orbit interaction
- Solvation via PCM, RISM
- Embedding in cryst. Environment: EPE, covEPE
- □ Linear response TDDFT for spectra
- High performance parallelization
- PARATOOLS suite for exploring potential energy surfaces

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1.5

1.0

0.5

0.0

-1.0

-0.5

X1

0.0

**X**<sub>2</sub>

## Parallelization Approaches

- □ Originally master-slave concept (1994)
- □ Dynamic load balancing (DLB, 2012)
  - Self-management: Processes do computation and load balancing
  - Initial tasks equally distributed
  - Idle process steals part of tasks from randomly chosen other process
  - DLB highly efficient, scales favorably with system size





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# **Modelling Catalyst Materials**

## Transition Metal Clusters



 $M_{13}$ 

M<sub>79</sub>

 $M_{38}$ 

 $M_{116}$ 

 $X(n) = X_{\infty} + k_X n^{-1/3}$ 

- Binding energies
- Bond-lengths
- Electronic properties
- Adsorption energies

 $\Box$  Extrapolation: finite systems  $\rightarrow$  bulk or surface

- Bulk or surface modelling
- Physically motivated test set:
  Assessment of DFT methods for large metallic species

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 $M_{55}$ 





Adsorption site preference of CO on Pt(111):

- Experimental: Top position
- □ GGA, semi-local XC functional: hollow position preferred
- □ Self-interaction affects CO  $2\pi^*$  orbital → corrected with empirical self-interaction correction **DFT+Umol**
- $\Box$  DFT+Umol yields correct site preference but underestimates  $E_{ads}$



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Large unit cell model computationally demanding



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Summary and Outlook

Methodological progress

- Dynamic load balancing: General algorithm for highly parallel quantum chemistry
- Parallel exact exchange implementation in ParaGauss for favorably scaling hybrid DFT calculations for large applications
- Efficient self interaction correction DFT+Umol
- New applications accessible in catalysis: Mixed metal oxides
  - Efficient hybrid DFT for electron localization in mixed oxidation state compounds
- Further development
  - Sparse, parallel data structures
  - Efficient memory management, caching
  - Algorithmic improvements: Linear scaling, convergence acceleration

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