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The COLUMBUS Project - General Purpose Ab Initio Quantum Chemistry

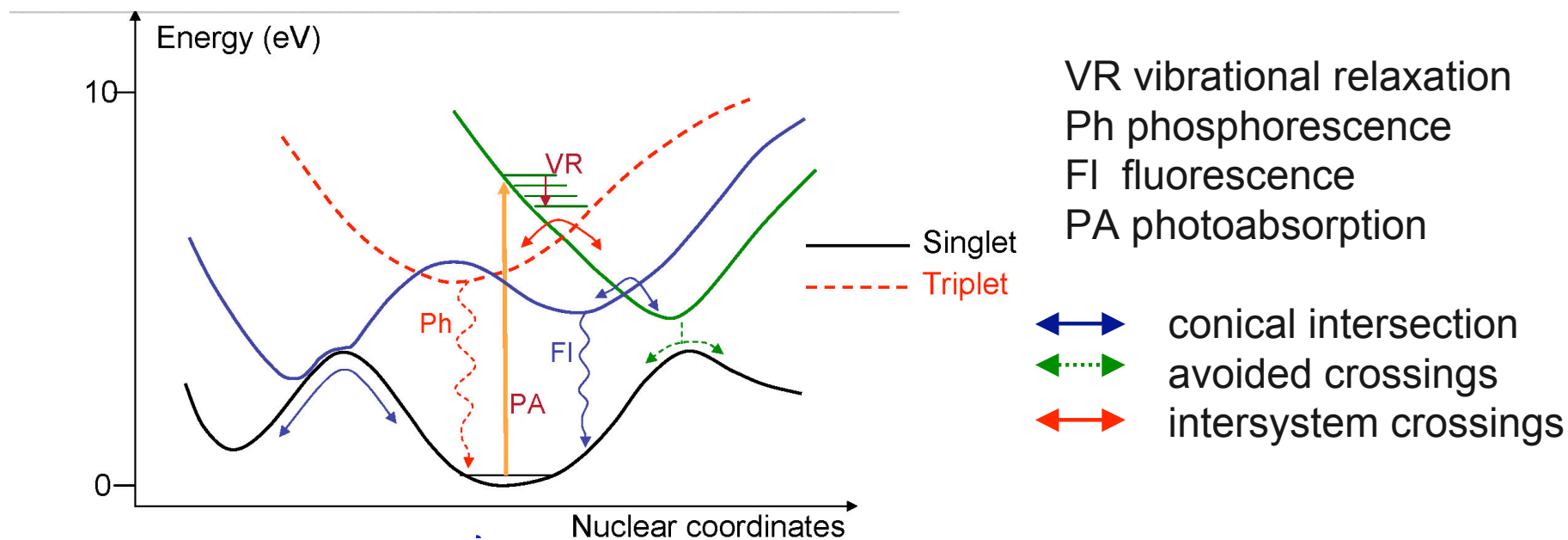
I. Background and Overview

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Quantum Chemistry

- Multiple Potential Energy Surfaces (Born-Oppenheimer Approximation)
- Electron Correlation (various approximations and approaches)
- Molecular Structure and Properties (ground and excited states)
- Critical Points of high-dimensional surfaces (transition states, minima, intersections, etc.)



COLUMBUS

Goal: Parallel general-purpose ab initio techniques applicable to ground and excited states for arbitrary points on the PES

Applications: spectroscopy, dynamics, kinetics

History: 1980 first sequential version, 1990 first parallel version

Distribution: Open source and binary (~500K lines of Fortran+C+Perl)

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<http://www.univie.ac.at/columbus/>

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Real Symmetric Eigenvalue Problem

- Use the iterative Davidson Method for the lowest (or lowest few) eigenpairs
- *Direct CI*: \mathbf{H} is not explicitly constructed, $\mathbf{w}=\mathbf{H}\mathbf{v}$ are constructed in “operator” form
- Matrix dimensions are 10^4 to 10^9
- All floating point calculations are 64-bit

Davidson Method

Generate an initial vector \mathbf{x}_1

MAINLOOP: DO $n=1$, NITER

 Compute and save $\mathbf{w}_n = \mathbf{H} \mathbf{x}_n$

 Compute the n^{th} row and column of $\mathbf{G} = \mathbf{X}^T \mathbf{H} \mathbf{X} = \mathbf{W}^T \mathbf{X}$

 Compute the subspace Ritz pair: $(\mathbf{G} - \rho \mathbf{1}) \mathbf{c} = 0$

 Compute the residual vector $\mathbf{r} = \mathbf{W} \mathbf{c} - \rho \mathbf{X} \mathbf{c}$

 Check for convergence using $|\mathbf{r}|$, \mathbf{c} , ρ , etc.

 IF (converged) THEN

 EXIT MAINLOOP

 ELSE

 Generate a new expansion vector \mathbf{x}_{n+1} from \mathbf{r} , ρ , $\mathbf{v}=\mathbf{X}\mathbf{c}$, etc.

 ENDIF

ENDDO MAINLOOP

Matrix Elements

- $H_{mn} = \langle m | H^{op} | n \rangle$
- $|n\rangle = |\phi(\mathbf{r}_1) \sigma_1 \phi(\mathbf{r}_2) \sigma_2 \dots \phi(\mathbf{r}_n) \sigma_n |$ Slater Determinant
with $\sigma_j = \alpha, \beta$

$$H^{op} = \sum_j^n \frac{-\hbar^2}{2m_e} \nabla_j^2 + \sum_j^n \sum_a^{Nuc} \frac{Z_e Z_a}{|\mathbf{r}_j - \mathbf{R}_a|} + \sum_{j < k}^n \frac{Z_e^2}{|\mathbf{r}_j - \mathbf{r}_k|}$$

$$\langle \rangle \equiv \int \int \dots \int d\mathbf{r}_1 d\mathbf{r}_2 \dots d\mathbf{r}_n$$

...Matrix Elements

- $$H_{mn} = \sum_{p,q}^{Norb} h_{pq} \langle m | E_{pq} | n \rangle + \frac{1}{2} \sum_{p,q,r,s}^{Norb} g_{pqrs} \langle m | e_{pqrs} | n \rangle$$
- h_{pq} and g_{pqrs} are computed and stored as arrays (with index symmetry)
- $\langle m | E_{pq} | n \rangle$ and $\langle m | e_{pqrs} | n \rangle$ are *coupling coefficients*; these are sparse and are recomputed as needed

Matrix-Vector Products

- $\mathbf{w} = \mathbf{H} \mathbf{x}$

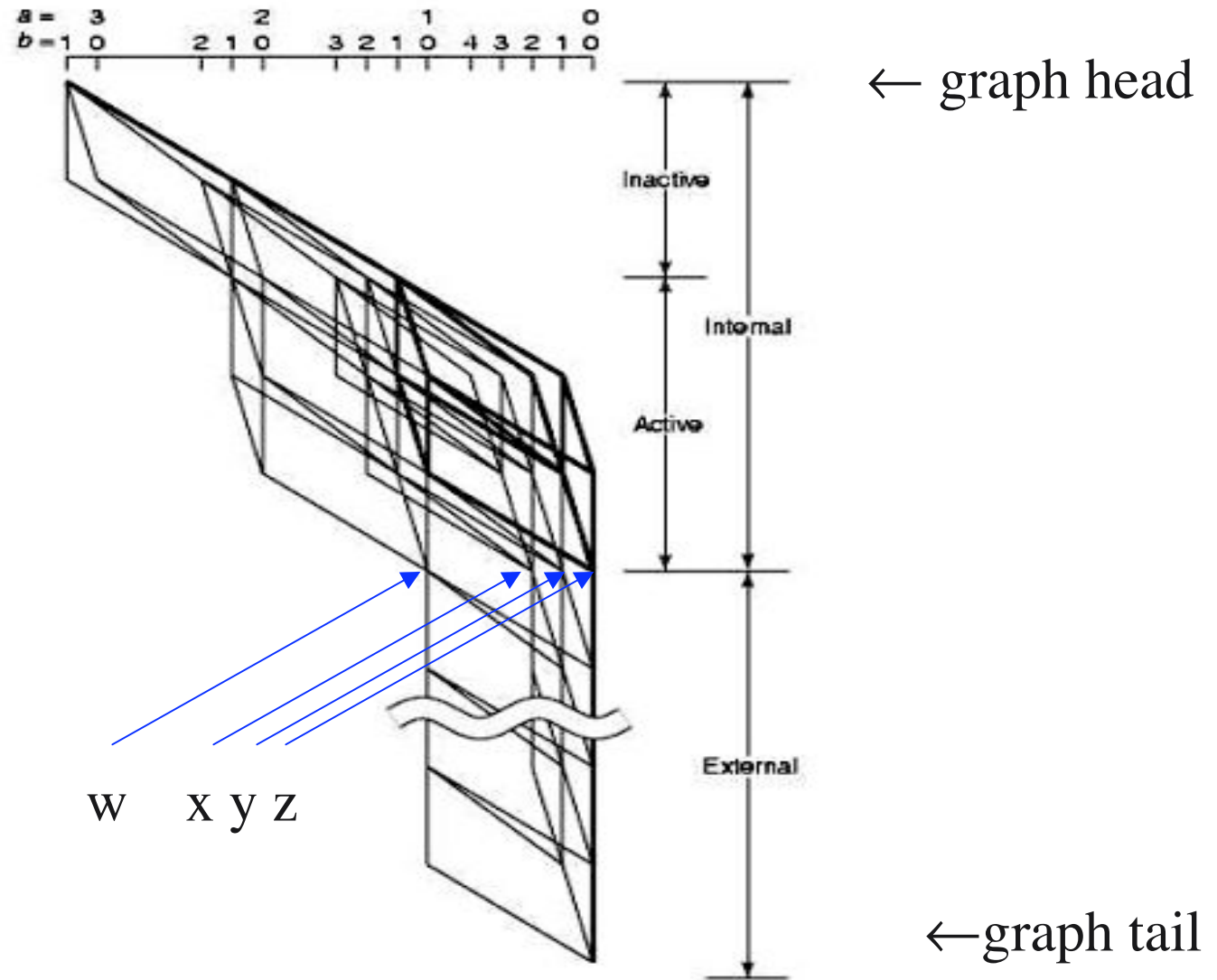
$$\begin{aligned} w_m &= \sum_n^{Ncsf} H_{mn} x_n \\ &= \sum_n^{Ncsf} \sum_{p,q}^{Norb} h_{pq} \langle m | E_{pq} | n \rangle x_n + \frac{1}{2} \sum_n^{Ncsf} \sum_{p,q,r,s}^{Norb} g_{pqrs} \langle m | e_{pqrs} | n \rangle x_n \end{aligned}$$

- The challenge is to bring together the different factors in order to compute \mathbf{w} efficiently

Coupling Coefficient Evaluation

- Graphical Unitary Group Approach (**GUGA**)
- Define a directed graph with nodes and arcs: *Shavitt Graph*
- Nodes correspond to spin-coupled states consisting of a subset of the total number of orbitals
- Arcs correspond to the (up to) four allowed spin couplings when an orbital is added to the graph
- Coupling coefficients are evaluated as products of "segment values" of interacting segments within the Shavitt Graph.

CSF/Walk order



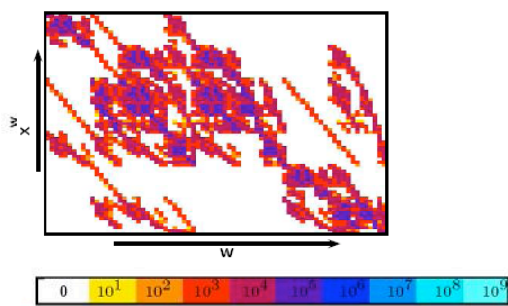
Integral Types

- 0: g_{pqrs}
- 1: g_{pqra}
- 2: g_{pqab} ,
 $g_{pa,qb}$
- 3: g_{pabc}
- 4: g_{abcd}

	<u>z</u>	<u>y</u>	<u>x</u>	<u>w</u>
<u>z</u>	0	1	2	2
<u>y</u>	1	0,2	1,3	1,3
<u>x</u>	2	1,3	0,2,4	2
<u>w</u>	2	1,3	2	0,2,4

Computational Kernels and Scaling

- Depending on the block (zz, yz, wx, etc., the low-level arithmetic operations are DDOT, DAXPY, DGEMV, or DGEMM with the matrix dimension being N_{orb} or N_{ext} .



Relative cost for wx 2-external block in terms of groups of valid internal walks

- Total effort is $\sim 4^{N_{active}} N_{orb}^6$

this problem can use an arbitrarily large amount of computer time as the size of the molecule increases

Original Program (1980)

- Need to optimize wave functions for $N_{csf}=10^5$ to 10^6
- Available memory was typically 10^5 words
- Must segment the vectors, \mathbf{v} and \mathbf{w} , and partition the matrix \mathbf{H} into subblocks, then work with one subblock at a time.

...*First Parallel Program (1990)*

- Networked workstations using TCGMSG
- Each matrix subblock corresponds to a compute task
- Different tasks require different resources (pay attention to load balancing)
- Same vector segmentation for all g_{pqrs} types
- g_{pqrs} , $\langle m | e_{pqrs} | n \rangle$, \mathbf{w} , and \mathbf{v} were stored on external shared files (file contention bottlenecks)

Current Parallel Program

- Eliminate shared file I/O by distributing data across the nodes with the GA Library
- Parallel efficiency depends on the vector segmentation and corresponding **H** subblocking
- Apply different vector segmentation for different g_{pqrs} types
- Treat upper- and lower-triangle parts separately (larger segments per task or less memory per task)
- Tasks are timed each Davidson iteration, then sorted into decreasing order and reassigned for the next iteration in order to optimize load balancing
- Capable of optimizing expansions up to $N_{csf}=10^9$