

# Introduction to HF instability

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Let us start from the HF-wavefunction:

$$|\text{HF}\rangle = \prod_{i=1}^n \phi_i^+ |\text{vac}\rangle$$

Now let us mix the occupied orbitals with virtual orbitals.

(Note: there is no point mixing the occupied orbitals between each other, since the energy depends only on the subspace of occupied orbitals, independent from the actual choice of orbitals.)

$$\phi_i^+ \longrightarrow \phi_i^+ + \sum_{a=1}^m c_{ai} \phi_a^+ = \left(1 + \sum_{a=1}^m c_{ai} \phi_a^+ \phi_i^-\right) \phi_i^+$$

The new determinant wavefunction:

$$\begin{aligned} |\text{HF}\rangle \longrightarrow |\Psi\rangle &= \prod_{i=1}^n \left(1 + \sum_{a=1}^m c_{ai} \phi_a^+ \phi_i^-\right) |\text{HF}\rangle = \\ &= \prod_{i=1}^n \prod_{a=1}^m (1 + c_{ai} \phi_a^+ \phi_i^-) |\text{HF}\rangle = \\ &= \exp\left(\sum_{i=1}^n \sum_{a=1}^m c_{ai} \phi_a^+ \phi_i^-\right) |\text{HF}\rangle \end{aligned}$$

( $i, j$  are indices for occupied,  $a, b$  for virtual orbitals) The  $\Psi$  is not normalised:

$$\langle \Psi | \Psi \rangle = 1 + \sum_{i=1}^n \sum_{a=1}^m |c_{ai}|^2 + \mathcal{O}(c^4)$$

$$\langle \Psi | \Psi \rangle^{-1} = 1 - \sum_{i=1}^n \sum_{a=1}^m |c_{ai}|^2 + \mathcal{O}(c^4)$$

$$\begin{aligned} \langle \Psi | H | \Psi \rangle &= \langle \text{HF} | \prod_{i=1}^n \prod_{a=1}^m (1 + c_{ai}^* \phi_i^+ \phi_a^-) H \prod_{j=1}^n \prod_{b=1}^m (1 + c_{bj} \phi_b^+ \phi_j^-) | \text{HF} \rangle = \\ &= E_{HF} + \sum_{i,j=1}^n \sum_{a,b=1}^m \left[ c_{ai}^* c_{bj} \langle \phi_i^+ \phi_a^- H \phi_b^+ \phi_j^- \rangle + \frac{1}{2} \left( c_{ai}^* c_{bj}^* \langle \phi_i^+ \phi_a^- \phi_j^+ \phi_b^- H \rangle + c_{ai} c_{bj} \langle H \phi_a^+ \phi_i^- \phi_b^+ \phi_j^- \rangle \right) \right] + \mathcal{O}(c^4) \\ &= E_{HF} + \sum_{k,l=1}^{n \cdot m} \left[ c_k^* c_l A_{kl} + \frac{1}{2} \left( c_k^* c_l^* B_{kl} + c_k c_l B_{kl}^\dagger \right) \right] + \mathcal{O}(c^4), \end{aligned}$$

where  $k = (a, i)$  and  $l = (b, j)$  multiindices. Set  $A' = A - E_{HF}I$ .

$$\begin{aligned}\Delta E &= \frac{\langle \Psi | H | \Psi \rangle}{\langle \Psi | \Psi \rangle} - E_{HF} \\ &= \sum_{k,l=1}^{n \cdot m} \left[ c_k^* c_l A'_{kl} + \frac{1}{2} \left( c_k^* c_l^* B_{kl} + c_k c_l B_{kl}^\dagger \right) \right] + \mathcal{O}(c^4) \\ &= \frac{1}{2} \begin{pmatrix} c^* & c \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} A' & B \\ B^\dagger & A' \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} c^* \\ c \end{pmatrix}\end{aligned}$$

The Hartree-Fock wavefunction is stable if for every  $c$  the energy difference  $\Delta E > 0$ , which means that the stability matrix is positive definite and all the eigenvalues are positive. If there is a negative eigenvalue, the HF wavefunction is unstable.

Now let us calculate the elements of the  $A$  and  $B$  matrices.

$$\begin{aligned}A'_{kl} &= \langle \text{HF} | \phi_i^+ \phi_a^- (H - E_{HF}) \phi_b^+ \phi_j^- | \text{HF} \rangle = -E_{HF} \delta_{kl} + A_{kl}^{1el} + A_{kl}^{2el} = \\ &= \sum_{\mu\nu} h_{\mu\nu} \langle \text{HF} | \phi_i^+ \phi_a^- \phi_\mu^+ \phi_\nu^- \phi_b^+ \phi_j^- | \text{HF} \rangle + \frac{1}{2} \sum_{\mu\nu\lambda\sigma} [\mu\nu | \lambda\sigma] \langle \text{HF} | \phi_i^+ \phi_a^- \phi_\mu^+ \phi_\nu^+ \phi_\sigma^- \phi_\lambda^- \phi_b^+ \phi_j^- | \text{HF} \rangle\end{aligned}$$

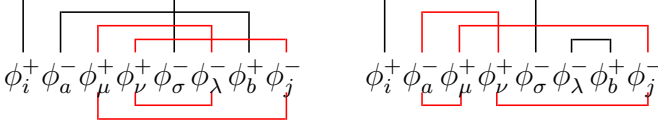
Contractions for the first term:

$$\langle \text{HF} | \phi_i^+ \phi_a^- \phi_\mu^+ \phi_\nu^- \phi_b^+ \phi_j^- | \text{HF} \rangle = \delta_{ij} \delta_{ab} \delta_{\mu\nu} n_\mu - \delta_{i\nu} \delta_{ab} \delta_{j\mu} + \delta_{ij} \delta_{a\mu} \delta_{b\nu}$$

The one-electron term is:

$$A_{kl}^{1el} = \delta_{kl} \sum_{\mu}^{occ} h_{\mu\mu} - \delta_{ab} h_{ij} + \delta_{ij} h_{ab}$$

The contractions for the second term:



The two electron term:

$$\begin{aligned}
 A_{kl}^{2el} &= \frac{1}{2} \left( \delta_{kl} \sum_{\mu\nu}^{occ} [\mu\nu|\mu\nu] + \delta_{ij} \left( \sum_{\mu}^{occ} [\mu a|\mu b] + \sum_{\nu}^{occ} [a\nu|b\nu] \right) + \delta_{ab} \left( \sum_{\sigma}^{occ} [\sigma j|i\sigma] + \sum_{\lambda}^{occ} [j\lambda|\lambda i] \right) - 2[bi|aj] \right) = \\
 &= \frac{1}{2} \delta_{kl} \sum_{\mu\nu}^{occ} [\mu\nu|\mu\nu] + \delta_{ij} \sum_{\mu}^{occ} [\mu a|\mu b] - \delta_{ab} \sum_{\sigma}^{occ} [\sigma j|\sigma i] - [bi|aj]
 \end{aligned}$$

Finally the matrix element of  $A'$ :

$$\begin{aligned}
 A'_{kl} &= \delta_{kl} \left( -E_{HF} + \sum_{\mu}^{occ} h_{\mu\mu} + \frac{1}{2} \sum_{\mu\nu}^{occ} [\mu\nu|\mu\nu] \right) + \delta_{ij} \left( h_{ab} + \sum_{\mu}^{occ} [\mu a|\mu b] \right) - \delta_{ab} \left( h_{ij} + \sum_{\mu}^{occ} [i\mu|j\mu] \right) - [bi|aj] \\
 &= \delta_{ij} f_{ab} - \delta_{ab} f_{ij} - [bi|aj]
 \end{aligned}$$

Now let us calculate the matrix elements of  $B$ :

$$B_{kl} = \langle \text{HF} | \phi_i^+ \phi_a^- \phi_j^+ \phi_b^- H | \text{HF} \rangle = \frac{1}{2} \sum_{\mu\nu\lambda\sigma} [\mu\nu|\lambda\sigma] \langle \text{HF} | \phi_i^+ \phi_a^- \phi_j^+ \phi_b^- \phi_\mu^+ \phi_\nu^+ \phi_\sigma^- \phi_\lambda^- | \text{HF} \rangle$$

The  $i, j$  indices must coincide with  $\lambda, \sigma$  and  $a, b$  must coincide with  $\mu, \nu$ . Thus:

$$\langle \text{HF} | \phi_i^+ \phi_a^- \phi_j^+ \phi_b^- \phi_\mu^+ \phi_\nu^+ \phi_\sigma^- \phi_\lambda^- | \text{HF} \rangle = (\delta_{i\lambda} \delta_{j\sigma} - \delta_{j\lambda} \delta_{i\sigma}) (\delta_{a\mu} \delta_{b\nu} - \delta_{b\mu} \delta_{a\nu})$$

$$B_{kl} = \frac{1}{2} ([ab|ij] + [ba|ji]) = [ab|ij]$$

**Special case: RHF**

$A'$	$\phi_j^\alpha \rightarrow \phi_b^\alpha$	$\phi_j^\beta \rightarrow \phi_b^\beta$	$\phi_j^\alpha \rightarrow \phi_b^\beta$	$\phi_j^\beta \rightarrow \phi_b^\alpha$
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$$A_{11} = \delta_{ij} f_{ab} - \delta_{ab} f_{ij} - [bi|aj],$$

where  $f$  is with spatial orbitals.

$$A_{12} = [ja|bi]$$

$$A_{33} = \delta_{ij} f_{ab} - \delta_{ab} f_{ij} - [bi|aj]$$

$B$	$\phi_j^\alpha \rightarrow \phi_b^\alpha$	$\phi_j^\beta \rightarrow \phi_b^\beta$	$\phi_j^\alpha \rightarrow \phi_b^\beta$	$\phi_j^\beta \rightarrow \phi_b^\alpha$
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