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① Numerical methods for 1D differential eqs.

- (A) Finite-difference method (aka grid-based method)
- (B) Basis-set method (aka spectral method including finite-element method)

② Schrödinger eq. and atomic units and amu

H
atom

$\hbar = 1 \text{ a.u.}$
 $e = 1 \text{ a.u.}$
 $m_e = 1 \text{ a.u.}$
 $4\pi\epsilon_0 = 1 \text{ a.u.}$

the best units
ever invented
by men

As diff eqs. describe
virtually all phys. chem,
bio, economics, etc.,
knowing how to solve
them numerically (in add.
to or more than analytically)
makes you useful.

$$\left(-\frac{\hbar^2}{2m_e} \nabla^2 - \frac{e^2}{4\pi\epsilon_0 r} \right) \psi = E \psi$$

$$\frac{m_e e^4}{2(4\pi\epsilon_0)^2 \hbar^2} = -\frac{1}{2} \text{ a.u.}$$

↓

$$\left(-\frac{1}{2} \nabla^2 - \frac{1}{r} \right) \psi = E \psi \quad E = -\frac{1}{2}$$

- 1 a.u. of energy = $1 E_h = 1 \text{ Hartree} = \frac{m_e e^4}{(4\pi\epsilon_0)^2 \hbar^2} = 27.211 \text{ eV} = 627.51 \text{ kcal/mol}$
- 1 a.u. of length = $1 a_0 = 1 \text{ Bohr} = \frac{\hbar^2}{(4\pi\epsilon_0) m_e e^2} = 0.529177 \text{ \AA}$
- 1 a.u. of time = $1 \frac{\hbar}{E_h} = 2.419 \times 10^{-17} \text{ s}$

Atomic mass unit (u)
one ^{12}C atom weighs 12u

$$1 \text{ u} = \frac{1 \text{ g}}{6.022 \times 10^{23}} = 1.661 \times 10^{-24} \text{ g} = 1.661 \times 10^{-27} \text{ kg}$$

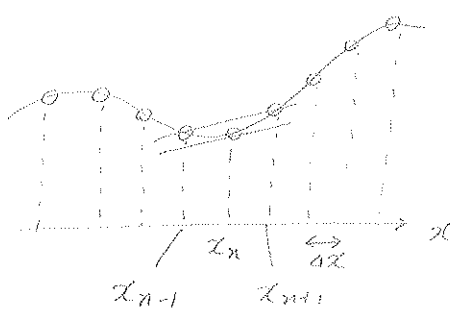
$$1 m_e = 9.109 \times 10^{-31} \text{ kg}$$

$$1 \text{ u} = 1823 m_e = 1823 \text{ a.u.}$$

③ FD method

$$\left(-\frac{1}{2m} \frac{\partial^2}{\partial x^2} + V(x)\right) \psi(x) = E \psi(x)$$

i) Represent $\psi(x)$ by its numerical values on an (evenly spaced) grid.



$\psi(x) \leftrightarrow \psi(x_1), \psi(x_2), \dots, \psi(x_N)$
 (outside the grid, $\psi=0$)
 → boundary condition implicit

ii) Approximate $\psi'(x), \psi''(x)$ by finite differences

$$\left. \frac{\partial \psi}{\partial x} \right|_{x=x_n} \approx \frac{\psi(x_{n+1}) - \psi(x_{n-1}))}{2\Delta x} \quad (\text{exact at } \Delta x \rightarrow 0)$$

$$\left. \frac{\partial^2 \psi}{\partial x^2} \right|_{x=x_n} \approx \frac{\frac{\psi(x_{n+1}) - \psi(x_n)}{\Delta x} - \frac{\psi(x_n) - \psi(x_{n-1}))}{\Delta x}}{\Delta x} = \frac{\psi(x_{n+1}) + \psi(x_{n-1}) - 2\psi(x_n)}{\Delta x^2}$$

$$V(x) \psi(x) \Big|_{x=x_n} = V(x_n) \psi(x_n)$$

iii) Differential eq. → matrix eq.

$$\left(-\frac{1}{2m} \frac{\partial^2}{\partial x^2} + V(x)\right) \psi(x) \Big|_{x=x_n} \approx -\frac{1}{2m} \frac{\psi(x_{n+1}) + \psi(x_{n-1}) - 2\psi(x_n)}{\Delta x^2} + V(x_n) \psi(x_n)$$

$$\begin{matrix} 1 \\ \vdots \\ n \\ \vdots \\ N \end{matrix} \begin{pmatrix} a_1 & b_1 & & & \\ & b_2 & & & \\ & & \ddots & & \\ & & & a_n & b_n \\ & & & & b_{N-1} \\ & & & & & a_N \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} \psi(x_1) \\ \vdots \\ \psi(x_{n-1}) \\ \psi(x_n) \\ \psi(x_{n+1}) \\ \vdots \\ \psi(x_N) \end{pmatrix} = E \begin{pmatrix} \psi(x_1) \\ \vdots \\ \psi(x_n) \\ \vdots \\ \psi(x_N) \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\Leftrightarrow \begin{matrix} b_n \psi(x_{n-1}) + a_n \psi(x_n) \\ + b_n \psi(x_{n+1}) = E \psi(x_n) \\ \left(\begin{matrix} 0 + a_1 \psi(x_1) \\ + b_1 \psi(x_2) = E \psi(x_1) \end{matrix} \right) \Leftrightarrow \psi(x_0) = 0 \end{matrix}$$

$$a_n = -\frac{1}{2m} \frac{-2}{\Delta x^2} + V(x_n) = \frac{1}{m\Delta x^2} + V(x_n)$$

$$b_n = -\frac{1}{2m} \frac{1}{\Delta x^2}$$

$N \times N$ symmetric matrix has N eigenvalues and N real eigenvectors

$$H C_i = E_i C_i \quad (i=1, \dots, N)$$

$$H_{nn} = a_n$$

$$H_{n,n+1} = H_{n+1,n} = b_n$$

otherwise $H_{pq} = 0$

$$H \underbrace{(C_1, C_2, \dots, C_N)}_C = (C_1, C_2, \dots, C_N) E$$

note the order

$$E_{pq} = \delta_{pq} E_p$$

diagonal
Kronecker's delta
$$\delta_{pq} = \begin{cases} 1, & p=q \\ 0, & p \neq q \end{cases}$$

adjoint $HC = CE$

$$C^T HC = E \quad \text{where } C^T C = \mathbb{1} \quad (C^T = C^{-1})$$

diagonalization

- Jacobi
- Householder
- QL
- ...

(H is a symmetric matrix. Its eigenfunctions are orthogonal. An orthogonal \rightarrow orthogonal basis transformation is represented by a unitary matrix which satisfies $W^T W = \mathbb{1}$)

cf. Numerical Recipes in Fortran/C
BLAS, LAPACK, LINPACK
Davidson's method

$$(C^T)_{rB} = C_{Bp}^T$$

$$\langle i|j \rangle = \delta_{ij}, \quad \sum_i |i\rangle \langle i| = \mathbb{1}$$

$$\langle \alpha|\beta \rangle = \delta_{\alpha\beta}, \quad \sum_\alpha |\alpha\rangle \langle \alpha| = \mathbb{1}$$

$$|\alpha\rangle = \sum_i |i\rangle \langle i|\alpha\rangle = \sum_i |i\rangle U_{i\alpha}$$

transform. matrix
$$\delta_{\alpha\beta} = \langle \alpha|\beta \rangle = \sum_{i,j} U_{i\alpha}^* \langle i|j \rangle U_{j\beta}$$

$$= \sum_i (W^T)_{\alpha i} (W)_{i\beta} = (W^T W)_{\alpha\beta}$$

$$W^T W = \mathbb{1}$$

ii) Lagrange's undetermined multiplier

The versatile method for constrained optimization.

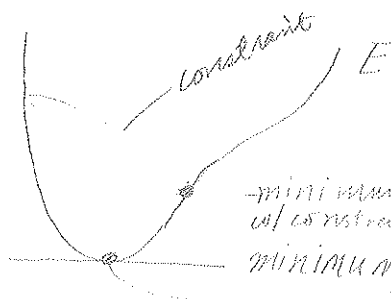
1) variational theorem

$$|\psi\rangle = c_A|A\rangle + c_B|B\rangle$$

$$E = \langle \psi | \hat{H} | \psi \rangle = c_A^2 \langle A | \hat{H} | A \rangle + c_B^2 \langle B | \hat{H} | B \rangle + 2c_A c_B \langle A | \hat{H} | B \rangle$$

Minimize E by varying c_A, c_B with constraint (not always possible to eliminate as in previous page)

$$1 = \langle \psi | \psi \rangle = c_A^2 \langle A | A \rangle + c_B^2 \langle B | B \rangle + 2c_A c_B \langle A | B \rangle$$



How do we ensure $1 = \langle \psi | \psi \rangle$?
 minimum $\rightarrow \frac{\partial E}{\partial c_A} = \frac{\partial E}{\partial c_B} = 0$??

2) Lagrange's method

$$\frac{\partial \{E - \lambda (\langle \psi | \psi \rangle - 1)\}}{\partial c_A} = \frac{\partial \{E - \lambda (\langle \psi | \psi \rangle - 1)\}}{\partial c_B} = \frac{\partial \{E - \lambda (\langle \psi | \psi \rangle - 1)\}}{\partial \lambda} = 0$$

⊗ two conditions $\begin{cases} \text{minimize } E \\ \text{constraint } \langle \psi | \psi \rangle = 1 \end{cases}$ with two params, c_A, c_B

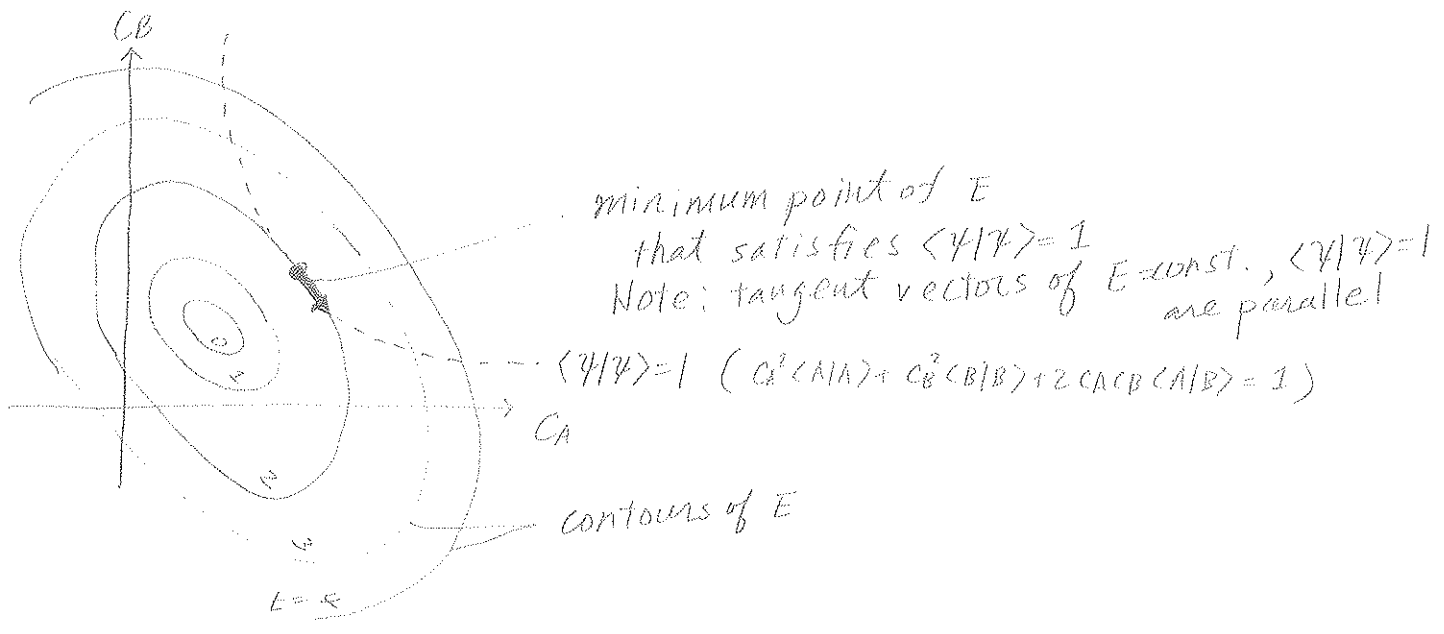
↓ Lagrange

⊙ one condition $\left\{ \frac{\partial \mathcal{L}}{\partial \text{param}} = 0 \right.$ with three params, c_A, c_B, λ
 undetermined multiplier

Justification I/why ⊗ ≡ ⊙ : if ⊙ then $\langle \psi | \psi \rangle = 1$
 if $\langle \psi | \psi \rangle = 1$ then ⊙, ⊙ become

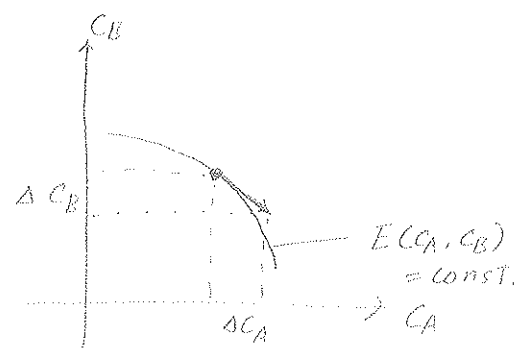
$$\frac{\partial E}{\partial c_A} = \frac{\partial E}{\partial c_B} = 0 \quad (\text{with } \langle \psi | \psi \rangle = 1)$$

Justification II



Lagrange eq. can be written as

$$\begin{pmatrix} \Delta C_A \\ \Delta C_B \end{pmatrix} \propto \begin{pmatrix} \frac{\partial E}{\partial C_B} \\ -\frac{\partial E}{\partial C_A} \end{pmatrix} = \lambda \begin{pmatrix} \frac{\partial (\langle \psi | \psi \rangle - 1)}{\partial C_B} \\ -\frac{\partial (\langle \psi | \psi \rangle - 1)}{\partial C_A} \end{pmatrix} (\neq 0)$$



Signifies \Rightarrow

tangents of $E = \text{const}$
and $\langle \psi | \psi \rangle = 1$ are parallel

$$\Delta C_A \frac{\partial E}{\partial C_A} + \Delta C_B \frac{\partial E}{\partial C_B} = 0$$

for $(\Delta C_A, \Delta C_B)$ which is tangent to the $E = \text{const}$ contour!

$$\frac{\partial (E - \lambda (\langle \psi | \psi \rangle - 1))}{\partial C_A} = 0 \rightarrow 2 C_A \langle A | \hat{H} | A \rangle + 2 C_B \langle A | \hat{H} | B \rangle = 2 \lambda (C_A \langle A | A \rangle + C_B \langle A | B \rangle)$$

$$\frac{\partial (E - \lambda (\langle \psi | \psi \rangle - 1))}{\partial C_B} = 0 \rightarrow 2 C_A \langle A | \hat{H} | B \rangle + 2 C_B \langle B | \hat{H} | B \rangle = 2 \lambda (C_A \langle A | B \rangle + C_B \langle B | B \rangle)$$

$$\begin{pmatrix} \langle A | \hat{H} | A \rangle & \langle A | \hat{H} | B \rangle \\ \langle B | \hat{H} | A \rangle & \langle B | \hat{H} | B \rangle \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} C_A \\ C_B \end{pmatrix} = \lambda \begin{pmatrix} \langle A | A \rangle & \langle A | B \rangle \\ \langle B | A \rangle & \langle B | B \rangle \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} C_A \\ C_B \end{pmatrix}$$

$\hat{H} \leftarrow \text{Hamiltonian matrix}$ energy \downarrow overlap matrix \leftarrow
 $\mathbb{C} \leftarrow$ $\mathbb{C} \leftarrow$ MO, etc.