# JDFT + RPA + GW calculations in practice with JDFTx + BGW

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Moving beyond DFT: calculating RPA energies

• Replace DFT exchange-correlation energy with exact exchange energy and RPA correlation energy

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E_{RPA} = E_{DFT} - E_{XC} + E_{XX} + E_{corr,RPA}
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- How do we calculate each energy component?
	- JDFTx  $\rightarrow E_{DFT}$ ,  $E_{XC}$ ,  $E_{XX}$
	- BerkeleyGW  $\rightarrow E_{corr,RPA}$
- Steep scaling for RPA correlation energy
	- BerkeleyGW can scale to thousands of atoms



Moving beyond DFT: calculating GW electronic structures

- GW electronic structure "compatible" with RPA total energies
	- The RPA is used for  $\chi^0$ , which is used to calculate correlation E
	- GW uses  $\chi^0$  within the RPA to (eventually) calculate the self-energy,  $\Sigma$
- Update the DFT eigenvalues with GW quasiparticle (QP) eigenvalues
	- Either single shot  $(\mathsf{G}_0\mathsf{W}_0)$  or self-consistent QP eigenvalues (GW<sub>0</sub>)
- How do we calculate these new eigenvalues?
	- JDFTx  $\Rightarrow \varepsilon_{nk}^{DFT}$
	- BerkeleyGW  $\Rightarrow \varepsilon_{nk}^{GW}$
- Steep scaling for GW electronic structures
	- BerkeleyGW can scale to thousands of atoms



#### Practical workflow for RPA total energies

1. DFT (JDFTx) 3. EXX (JDFTx) 2. Wavefunction generation (JDFTx) 4. RPA  $E_{corr}$  calculations (BerkeleyGW) Screened cutoffs Ex: 6.0 6.5 7.0 7.5 8.0 8.5 Ryd 5. RPA+EXX total energy (Python, Excel, etc.) Note: you can run steps 2 and 3 simultaneously!

- Both GW and RPA require many unoccupied states to be converged, this is done in step 2 of the workflow
- This assumes you will be studying a metallic system
- If you want to study gapped materials, you will need to have special adjustments to the q-point grid, see the BerkeleyGW docs about this

## 1. Standard DFT calculation with JDFTx

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3. EXX

1. DFT

- See tutorials from yesterday for inputs
	- Standard DFT calculation
- Pay attention to convergence
	- RPA and EXX calculations may converge slower with respect to planewave cutoff and k-grid density than DFT calculations
- Keep in mind the RPA cost scales quickly with number of electrons and size of supercell, so you should carefully think about what exactly you want to study before starting the workflow!



### 2. Empty state generation with JDFTx



- JDFTx can produce output for BerkeleyGW to read later
	- bgw-params

#### bgw-params

#### Syntax:

bgw-params <key1> <value1> <key2> <value2> ...

#### Description:

Control BGW output. Possible keys and value types are:

- blockSize: Block size for ScaLAPACK diagonalization (default: 32)
- clusterSize : Maximum eigenvalue cluster size to allocate extra ScaLAPACK workspace for (default: 10) ٠
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- freqPlasma : Plasma frequency in Hartrees used in GW imaginary frequency grid (default: 1.), set to zero for RPA frequency grid
- freqReMax\_eV: Maximum real frequency in eV (default: 30.)
- freqReStep eV : Real frequency grid spacing in eV (default: 1.)
- nBandsDense : If non-zero, use a dense ScaLAPACK solver to calculate more bands
- q0 : Zero wavevector replacement to be used for polarizability output (default: (0,0,0))
- rpaExx : Whether to compute RPA-consistent exact-exchange energy (default: no)
- saveVxx : Whether to write exact-exchange matrix elements (default: no)

Any number of these key-value pairs may be specified in any order.



### 2. Empty state generation with JDFTx

#### **New tags appended to "in" file**

fix-electron-density jdft.\$VAR bgw-params nBandsDense 500 blockSize 96 dump End BGW



- Perform fixed electron density calculation starting from converged DFT calculation
- The bgw-params tag tells JDFTx to use SCALAPACK to do a dense diagonalization and generate 500 bands in the wfn
	- The dump command tells JDFTx to print jdft.bgw.wfn.h5
- Use same k-point settings as 1-scf job
- These wavefunctions can be huge!  $\sim$ 1 500 GB



### 3. Exact exchange calculation w/ JDFTx



- Since this is a calculation for the RPA workflow, use the same tag as for step 2
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# 3. Exact exchange calculation w/ JDFTx



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- The bgw-params tag tells JDFTx to calculate EXX energy
- Use same k-point settings as 1-scf job



### 4. RPA correlation energy with BGW



- RPA correlation energies converge slowly with respect to screened cutoff
	- Extrapolate to infinite screened cutoff
	- Each calculation is individually expensive
- The screened cutoff/number of bands change together
	- Screened cutoff defines max cutoff for G-vectors used for  $\chi$



## Note about k/q-grids in BGW

- BGW needs an explicit list of k/q-points
	- Convergence is usually best for RPA+EXX and GW if all calculations use same grid
	- See BGW docs for detailed syntax
	- Polarizability and dielectric matrices calculated on q-point grid
		- Regular,  $\Gamma$ -centered grid obtained from all transfer vectors  $q = k' k$
	- "dump End Kpoints" tells JDFTx to print the irreducible k-points it finds
		- These points should be copied into BGW epsilon/sigma input files
	- "kpoint-reduce-inversion no" is needed because BGW never uses time-reversal symmetry
- For metals (as in the Pt+H adsorption tutorial here), we neglect the long-wave contribution and replace  $q \rightarrow 0$  with the next smallest magnitude q-point
	- https://doi.org/10.1103/PhysRevB.81.115126 <https://doi.org/10.1103/PhysRevB.81.115126>





#### 5. Extrapolation of RPA energies



- Can be done with any post-processing analysis tool
	- Python, Excel, MATLAB, etc.
- Extrapolate to infinite screened cutoff (y-axis)
	- 5-8 points for extrapolation is common, depending on size and fit of extrapolation
- Assumes electrons behave as free-electron gas



#### (JDFTx) 6. RPA total energy calculation



 $E_{RPA} = E_{DFT} - E_{XC} + E_{XX} + E_{corr,RPA}$ 

- Find each energy component from the ends of the JDFTx/BGW out files
	- JDFTx DFT calculation  $\rightarrow E_{DFT}$ ,  $E_{XC}$
	- JDFTx EXX calculation  $\rightarrow E_{XX}$
	- BerkeleyGW  $\rightarrow E_{corr, RPA}$
- Repeat this entire process for each system needed to calculate an adsorption energy



### Practical workflow for GW electronic structures



- Steps 1 and 2 are the same as for RPA
- Both GW and RPA require many unoccupied states to be converged (step 2)
- This assumes you will be studying a metallic system
- If you want to study gapped materials, you will need to have special adjustments to the q-point grid, see the BerkeleyGW docs about this
- To compare vacuum to solvated jobs, need to have 2 separate workflows because starting from different DFT wavefunctions



# 3. Fluid χ generation with JDFTx

- See tutorial on solvated GW calculations
- Adjusts the screening environment of the surface
- Uses the bgw-params JDFTx input tag to output file containing the fluid polarizability
- File is read by BGW and incorporated into the GW calculation
	- RPA still in development
- Must generate a separate fluid  $\chi$  file for each screened cutoff used in the GW calculations when testing convergence
	- Note that they can be large (100s GB to TB)!
- Resulting file allows both solvated wavefunctions AND fluid screening to impact beyond-DFT results



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# 3. Fluid χ generation with JDFTx

#### 3. Fluid  $\chi$ 1. DFT (optional) (JDFTx) (JDFTx) 4. Epsilon (dielectric) 2. Wavefunction 5. Sigma (selfcalculation generation energy) calculation (JDFTx) (BerkeleyGW) (BerkeleyGW)

#### **New tags appended to "in" file**

fix-electron-density jdft.\$VAR

bgw-params EcutChiFluid 2.5 freqReMax\_eV 20.0 freqNimag 15 freqReStep\_eV 0.25

- Perform fixed electron density calculation starting from converged DFT calculation
- SaLSA is currently only implicit solvation model compatible
- The bgw-params tag tells JDFTx to write the fluid polarizability (chi) file. EcutChiFluid is the same as the screened cutoff in epsilon.inp but in Ha instead of Ryd
- The frequency parameters used here must match those used in epsilon.inp
- Use same k-point settings as 1-scf job



### 4. GW epsilon calculation



- Generally similar tags as for RPA epsilon job
- If present, fluid polarizability file(s) is (are) read here and used to modify electronic polarizability
	- There will be 1 file for  $q_0$  and another for the rest of the q-points
- Writes epsilon matrix file(s) that will be read by sigma code in next step
- Recommend looking at BGW docs

epsilon.inp new key tags

Match those on previous slide. Affect convergence of calculation

delta\_frequency 0.25 frequency\_low\_cutoff 20.0 number\_imaginary\_freqs 15 broadening 0.1

Note: k/q-point slide from the RPA section applies to this workflow as well

*read\_chi\_add chi\_eigenvalue\_cutoff 1.0E-6* Read fluid polarizability



### 5. GW sigma calculation



- Generally similar tags as for epsilon
- GW convergence is non-trivial and important to consider
- Reads epsilon matrix file from last step to calculate self-energy and quasiparticle eigenvalues, these can be plotted for a GW electronic structure
- eqp1.dat is file with eigenvalues you should use (DFT and GW eigenvalues together)
- Recommend looking at BGW docs

sigma.inp new key tags

screened\_coulomb\_cutoff 5.0 number\_bands 500 Generally match these cutoffs/bands to epsilon.inp

band index min 2 band index max 16 Specify bands for which you want GW eigenvalues. Smaller range = much cheaper job



#### Note about convergence

- The convergence of GW/RPA is non-trivial!
	- Much more involved than DFT calculations usually
- See the BerkeleyGW tutorials for more resources for GW convergence
	- Screened cutoff, epsilon number of bands, sigma number of bands crucial
- RPA convergence has been studied in these papers in these papers for example
	- Assessing the quality of the random phase approximation for lattice constants and atomization energies of solids, <https://journals.aps.org/prb/abstract/10.1103/PhysRevB.81.115126>
	- Our paper using this workflow: Static Subspace Approximation for Random Phase Approximation Correlation Energies: Applications to Materials for Catalysis and Electrochemistry, [https://chemrxiv.org/engage/chemrxiv/article](https://chemrxiv.org/engage/chemrxiv/article-details/6658bc46418a5379b0b04f64)[details/6658bc46418a5379b0b04f64](https://chemrxiv.org/engage/chemrxiv/article-details/6658bc46418a5379b0b04f64)



### Let's begin the tutorials!

- Please log-in to Jupyter Hub for Perlmutter like yesterday
- Please copy a new version of the RPA and GW tutorials
	- Look for the RPA Pt+H adsorption tutorial
	- Look for the solvated GW tutorial
	- Descend into each directory, open the README, and begin!
- These jobs will not be run interactively like yesterday
	- The different scripts you run will be submitting jobs to the queue on our workshop reservation
	- Use the "sq" command in your terminal to see the status of your jobs after running any "XX run job.sh" command

