

\mathcal{V} -representability in the Time-Dependent Current Density Functional Theory

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Conceptually TDDFT is a theory of collective variables, which operates only with observables.

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Question: How to formulate the inverse problem mathematically?

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Inverse problem (given \mathbf{j} , $|\Psi_0\rangle$): Nonlinear many-body problem

$$i\partial_t |\Psi(t)\rangle = H[\mathbf{A}] |\Psi(t)\rangle, \quad |\Psi(0)\rangle = |\Psi_0\rangle$$

$$\mathbf{A}(\mathbf{r}, t) = \frac{m}{n(\mathbf{r}, t)} [\langle \Psi(t) | \hat{\mathbf{j}}^p(\mathbf{r}) | \Psi(t) \rangle - \mathbf{j}(\mathbf{r}, t)]$$

The solution, if exists, gives us the functionals $\Psi[\mathbf{j}, \Psi_0]$ and $\mathbf{A}[\mathbf{j}, \Psi_0]$

Simple example of the inverse problem: $N=1$

$$i\partial_t\Psi(\mathbf{r},t) = \frac{1}{2m} (i\nabla + \mathbf{A}(\mathbf{r},t))^2 \Psi(\mathbf{r},t), \quad \Psi(\mathbf{r},0) = \Psi_0(\mathbf{r}) \equiv \sqrt{n_0(\mathbf{r})}e^{i\varphi_0(\mathbf{r})}$$

$$\mathbf{A}(\mathbf{r},t) = \frac{1}{|\Psi|^2} \left[\frac{-i}{2} (\Psi^* \nabla \Psi - \Psi \nabla \Psi^*) - m\mathbf{j}(\mathbf{r},t) \right]$$

This nonlinear problem is exactly solvable!

Exact solution of the inverse TDCDFT problem for one particle

$$\Psi[\Psi_0, \mathbf{j}](\mathbf{r}, t) = \sqrt{n(\mathbf{r}, t)}e^{i\varphi(\mathbf{r}, t)},$$

$$\mathbf{A}[\Psi_0, \mathbf{j}](\mathbf{r}, t) = \nabla\varphi(\mathbf{r}, t) - m\frac{\mathbf{j}(\mathbf{r}, t)}{n(\mathbf{r}, t)},$$

where the functions $n(\mathbf{r}, t)$ and $\varphi(\mathbf{r}, t)$ are defined as follows

$$n(\mathbf{r}, t) = n_0(\mathbf{r}) - \int_0^t dt' \nabla \cdot \mathbf{j}(\mathbf{r}, t'),$$

$$\varphi(\mathbf{r}, t) = \varphi_0(\mathbf{r}) + \int_0^t dt' \left[\frac{\nabla^2 \sqrt{n(\mathbf{r}, t')}}{2m\sqrt{n(\mathbf{r}, t')}} - \frac{m\mathbf{j}^2(\mathbf{r}, t')}{2n^2(\mathbf{r}, t')} \right]$$

General N-body inverse problem of TDCDFT

Nonlinear many-body problem – finding $|\Psi\rangle$ for a given $\mathbf{j}(\mathbf{r}, t)$

$$i\partial_t|\Psi(t)\rangle = H[\mathbf{A}]|\Psi(t)\rangle, \quad |\Psi(0)\rangle = |\Psi_0\rangle \quad (1)$$

$$\mathbf{A}(\mathbf{r}, t) = \frac{m}{\langle\Psi(t)|\hat{n}(\mathbf{r})|\Psi(t)\rangle} [\langle\Psi(t)|\hat{\mathbf{j}}^p(\mathbf{r})|\Psi(t)\rangle - \mathbf{j}(\mathbf{r}, t)] \quad (2)$$

“NLSE” approach to the TDCDFT problem – Plug $\mathbf{A}[\Psi]$ from Eq. (2) into Eq. (1). The results is a nonlinear Schrödinger equation (NLSE):

$$i\partial_t|\Psi(t)\rangle = \tilde{H}_j[\Psi]|\Psi(t)\rangle, \quad |\Psi(0)\rangle = |\Psi_0\rangle$$

TDCDFT is valid if there exists a unique solution to this NLSE.

Current status of the TD(C)DFT problem

TD(C)DFT in continuum

- Assuming V -representability (the existence) we can prove the uniqueness for t -analytic potentials using RG-type arguments [E. Runge and E. K. U. Gross, PRL **52**, 997 (1984)]
- The V -representability problem remains unsolved (all existing proofs rely on some reasonable, but unjustified assumptions)

TD(C)DFT on a lattice

For lattice systems both the uniqueness and the existence has been proved rigorously without any additional assumption.

TDCDFT: IVT, PRB, **83**, 035127 (2011);

TDDFT: M. Farzanehpour and IVT, PRB, **86**, 125130 (2012)

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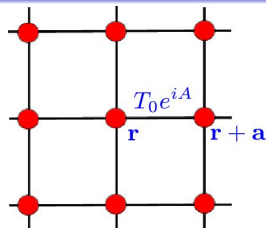
Many-body theory on a lattice (temporal gauge)

N particles on M -site lattice ($N_{\mathcal{H}} = M^N$)

Many-body wave function: $\psi(\mathbf{r}_1, \mathbf{r}_2 \dots \mathbf{r}_N, t)$

Vector potential enters via hopping phases:

$$T(\mathbf{r}, \mathbf{r} + \mathbf{a}) \rightarrow T_0 e^{iA(\mathbf{r}, \mathbf{r} + \mathbf{a}; t)}$$



$$A(\mathbf{r}, \mathbf{r} + \mathbf{a}; t) = \int_{\mathbf{r}}^{\mathbf{r} + \mathbf{a}} \mathbf{A}(\mathbf{x}, t) d\mathbf{x} - \text{link vector potential (two-point object)}$$

Schrödinger equation on a lattice (Cauchy problem for $N_{\mathcal{H}}$ ODE!)

$$i\partial_t \psi(\mathbf{r}_1 \dots \mathbf{r}_N; t) = - \sum_{j=1}^N \sum_{\mathbf{a}} T_0 e^{iA(\mathbf{r}_j, \mathbf{r}_j + \mathbf{a}; t)} \psi(\dots \mathbf{r}_j + \mathbf{a} \dots; t) + \sum_{i>j} V_{\mathbf{r}_i - \mathbf{r}_j} \psi(\mathbf{r}_1 \dots \mathbf{r}_N; t)$$

$$\psi(\mathbf{r}_1 \dots \mathbf{r}_N; t_0) = \psi_0(\mathbf{r}_1 \dots \mathbf{r}_N)$$

Basic one-particle observables (identical particles)

$$\text{On-site density: } n(\mathbf{r}; t) = \sum_{\mathbf{r}_2 \dots \mathbf{r}_N} |\psi(\mathbf{r}, \mathbf{r}_2 \dots \mathbf{r}_N; t)|^2$$

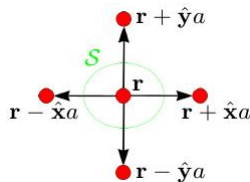
Local current is expressed in terms of the link density matrix:

$$\rho(\mathbf{r}, \mathbf{r} + \mathbf{a}) = \sum_{\mathbf{r}_2 \dots \mathbf{r}_N} \psi^*(\mathbf{r}, \mathbf{r}_2 \dots \mathbf{r}_N, t) \psi(\mathbf{r} + \mathbf{a}, \mathbf{r}_2 \dots \mathbf{r}_N; t)$$

$$\text{Current on a lattice link: } J(\mathbf{r}, \mathbf{r} + \mathbf{a}; t) = 2\text{Im} \{ T_0 e^{iA(\mathbf{r}, \mathbf{r} + \mathbf{a}; t)} \rho(\mathbf{r}, \mathbf{r} + \mathbf{a}; t) \}$$

Continuity equation on a lattice:

$$\partial_t n(\mathbf{r}; t) = - \sum_{\mathbf{a}} J(\mathbf{r}, \mathbf{r} + \mathbf{a}; t)$$



$$\text{Kinetic energy on a link: } K(\mathbf{r}, \mathbf{r} + \mathbf{a}; t) = 2\text{Re} \{ T_0 e^{iA(\mathbf{r}, \mathbf{r} + \mathbf{a}; t)} \rho(\mathbf{r}, \mathbf{r} + \mathbf{a}; t) \}$$

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Many-body NLSE on a lattice (1)

I. Start from the definition of the current:

$$J(\mathbf{r}, \mathbf{r} + \mathbf{a}; t) = 2\text{Im} \left\{ T_0 e^{iA(\mathbf{r}, \mathbf{r} + \mathbf{a}; t)} \rho(\mathbf{r}, \mathbf{r} + \mathbf{a}; t) \right\}$$

$$|J(\mathbf{r}, \mathbf{r} + \mathbf{a}; t)|^2 + |K(\mathbf{r}, \mathbf{r} + \mathbf{a}; t)|^2 = 4T_0^2 |\rho(\mathbf{r}, \mathbf{r} + \mathbf{a}; t)|^2$$

II. Express the vector potential as $A[J, \psi]$:

$$T_0 e^{iA(\mathbf{r}, \mathbf{r} + \mathbf{a})} = \frac{s_0 \sqrt{4T_0^2 |\rho(\mathbf{r}, \mathbf{r} + \mathbf{a}; t)|^2 - |J(\mathbf{r}, \mathbf{r} + \mathbf{a}; t)|^2} + iJ(\mathbf{r}, \mathbf{r} + \mathbf{a}; t)}{2\rho(\mathbf{r}, \mathbf{r} + \mathbf{a}; t)}$$

$$s_0 \equiv s(\psi_0) = \text{sgn} \{K(\mathbf{r}, \mathbf{r} + \mathbf{a}; t_0)\}$$

Initial state enters via the sign of the initial link kinetic energy!

III. Final step in the derivation of the lattice NLSE:

Insert $T_0 e^{iA[\psi](\mathbf{r}, \mathbf{r} + \mathbf{a}; t)} = T_J[\psi](\mathbf{r}, \mathbf{r} + \mathbf{a}; t)$ into the lattice SE

Many-body NLSE on a lattice (2)

Nonlinear Schrödinger equation on a lattice

$$\begin{aligned}
 i\partial_t\psi(\mathbf{r}_1 \dots \mathbf{r}_N; t) &= - \sum_{j=1}^N \sum_{\mathbf{a}} T_J[\psi](\mathbf{r}_j, \mathbf{r}_j + \mathbf{a}; t) \psi(\dots \mathbf{r}_j + \mathbf{a} \dots; t) \\
 &\quad + \sum_{i>j} V_{\mathbf{r}_i - \mathbf{r}_j} \psi(\mathbf{r}_1 \dots \mathbf{r}_N; t), \\
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 \end{aligned}$$

The problem of TDCDFT reduces a system of $N_{\mathcal{H}}$ nonlinear ODE

$$\dot{\psi} = \mathbf{F}(\psi, t), \quad \psi(t_0) = \psi_0$$

which by Picard's theorem has a unique solution if $\mathbf{F}(\psi, t)$ is continuous in time and Lipschitz continuous in ψ -variables.

$$\text{Lipschitz condition: } \|\mathbf{F}(\psi_1) - \mathbf{F}(\psi_2)\| < L\|\psi_1 - \psi_2\|$$

Many-body NLSE on a lattice (3)

$$T_J[\psi](\mathbf{r}, \mathbf{r} + \mathbf{a}; t) = \frac{s_0 \sqrt{4T_0^2 |\rho(\mathbf{r}, \mathbf{r} + \mathbf{a}; t)|^2 - |J(\mathbf{r}, \mathbf{r} + \mathbf{a}; t)|^2} + iJ(\mathbf{r}, \mathbf{r} + \mathbf{a}; t)}{2\rho(\mathbf{r}, \mathbf{r} + \mathbf{a}; t)}$$

On a lattice physical (A-representable) currents are bounded

$$|J(\mathbf{r}, \mathbf{r} + \mathbf{a})| < 2T_0 |\rho(\mathbf{r}, \mathbf{r} + \mathbf{a})| \quad (3)$$

The reason is that the maximal “hopping rate” is bounded by T_0 .

$|J(\mathbf{r}, \mathbf{r} + \mathbf{a})| = 2T_0 |\rho(\mathbf{r}, \mathbf{r} + \mathbf{a})|$ implies $|K(\mathbf{r}, \mathbf{r} + \mathbf{a})| = 0$:
vanishing kinetic energy on a link

Inequality (3) determines a subset of “A-representability” in the Hilbert space \mathcal{H}

Theorem 1 (existence of the lattice TDCDFT)

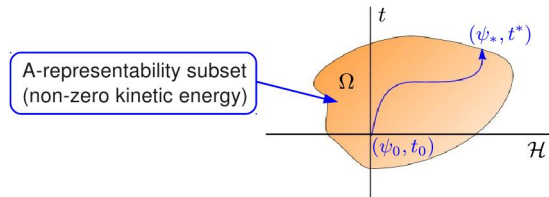
$$NLSE : \quad i\partial_t\psi(t) = \hat{T}_J[\psi]\psi(t) + \hat{W}\psi(t)$$

Let $J(\mathbf{r}, \mathbf{r} + \mathbf{a}; t)$ be continuous functions of t , such that in the extended phase space $\mathcal{H} \times \mathbb{R}$ there exists a subset Ω defined by

$$2T_0|\rho(\mathbf{r}, \mathbf{r} + \mathbf{a})| > |J(\mathbf{r}, \mathbf{r} + \mathbf{a}; t)|.$$

If the initial point $(\psi_0, t_0) \in \Omega$, then:

- (i) There is a neighborhood of (ψ_0, t_0) where $\psi(t)$ is a unique functional of $J(t)$ and the map $J \mapsto A$ is bijective.
- (ii) The statement (i) holds globally in time unless at some t^* the boundary of Ω is reached.



The solution is not global only if it hits the boundary, i. e., at least for one link:
 $t \rightarrow t^*, |K(\mathbf{r}, \mathbf{r} + \mathbf{a}; t)| \rightarrow 0$

Exact solution of the Lattice NLSE for $N = 1$

$$i\partial_t\psi(\mathbf{r};t) = -\sum_{\mathbf{a}} T_J[\psi](\mathbf{r}, \mathbf{r} + \mathbf{a}; t)\psi(\mathbf{r} + \mathbf{a}; t), \quad \psi(\mathbf{r}; t_0) = |\psi_0(\mathbf{r})|e^{i\chi_0(\mathbf{r})}$$

The exact solution for one particle: $\psi(\mathbf{r}; t) = |\psi(\mathbf{r}; t)|e^{i\chi(\mathbf{r}; t)}$

$$|\psi(\mathbf{r}; t)| = \sqrt{|\psi_0(\mathbf{r})|^2 - \int_{t_0}^t \sum_{\mathbf{a}} J(\mathbf{r}, \mathbf{r} + \mathbf{a}; t') dt'}$$

$$\chi(\mathbf{r}; t) = \chi_0(\mathbf{r}) + \int_{t_0}^t \frac{\sum_{\mathbf{a}} K(\mathbf{r}, \mathbf{r} + \mathbf{a}; t')}{2|\psi(\mathbf{r}; t')|^2} dt'$$

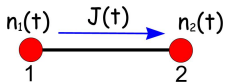
$$K(\mathbf{r}, \mathbf{r} + \mathbf{a}; t) = s_0 \sqrt{4T_0^2 |\psi(\mathbf{r}; t)|^2 |\psi(\mathbf{r} + \mathbf{a}; t)|^2 - J^2(\mathbf{r}, \mathbf{r} + \mathbf{a}; t)}$$

The maximal existence time t^* is determined by $K(\mathbf{r}, \mathbf{r} + \mathbf{a}; t^*) = 0$

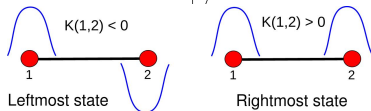
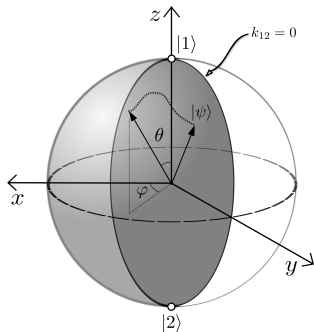
The behavior of one-particle system is generic!

There is no conceptual difference between $N = 1$ and $N > 1$.

Simplest case: One particle on two sites



$$|\psi\rangle = \cos\theta e^{i\phi/2}|1\rangle + \sin\theta e^{-i\phi/2}|2\rangle$$



$$n_{1,2}(t) = n_{1,2}(t_0) \mp \int_{t_0}^t J(t') dt'$$

$$\dot{A}[J] = V[J] = s_0 \frac{\dot{j} - 2T_0^2(n_1 - n_2)}{\sqrt{4T_0^2 n_1 n_2 - J^2}}$$

$$s_0 = \text{sgn}\{K(t_0)\}$$

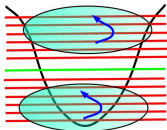
- On the left/right hemispheres:

$$V^{L/R}[J] = \pm \frac{\dot{j} - 2T_0^2(n_1 - n_2)}{\sqrt{4T_0^2 n_1 n_2 - J^2}}$$

$$K(1, 2) = 0 \mapsto \text{prime meridian}$$

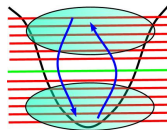
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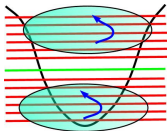


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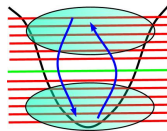
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Solution: Generalized lattice TDCDFT

- Allow for variations of the hopping rate $|T(\mathbf{r}, \mathbf{r}')|$
- Expand the set of basic variables, $\{\mathcal{N}\} = \{J, K\}$

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$$2Q(\mathbf{r}, \mathbf{r} + \mathbf{a}; t) = \underbrace{K(\mathbf{r}, \mathbf{r} + \mathbf{a}; t)}_{\text{kinetic energy}} + i \underbrace{J(\mathbf{r}, \mathbf{r} + \mathbf{a}; t)}_{\text{current}}$$

- Conjugated driving field – complex hopping parameters

$$T(\mathbf{r}, \mathbf{r} + \mathbf{a}; t) = |T(\mathbf{r}, \mathbf{r} + \mathbf{a}; t)| e^{iA(\mathbf{r}, \mathbf{r} + \mathbf{a}; t)}$$

- The inverse problem in the generalized TDCDFT:

Finding $|\psi(t)\rangle$ and $\{T(t)\}$ from given $\{Q(t)\}$ and $|\psi_0\rangle$.

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$$T(\mathbf{r}, \mathbf{r} + \mathbf{a}; t) = |T(\mathbf{r}, \mathbf{r} + \mathbf{a}; t)| e^{iA(\mathbf{r}, \mathbf{r} + \mathbf{a}; t)}$$

- The inverse problem in the generalized TDCDFT:

Finding $|\psi(t)\rangle$ and $\{T(t)\}$ from given $\{Q(t)\}$ and $|\psi_0\rangle$.

Construction of the corresponding NLSE

$$T(\mathbf{r}, \mathbf{r} + \mathbf{a}; t) \rightarrow T[Q, \psi](\mathbf{r}, \mathbf{r} + \mathbf{a}; t) = \frac{Q(\mathbf{r}, \mathbf{r} + \mathbf{a}; t)}{\rho(\mathbf{r}, \mathbf{r} + \mathbf{a}; t)}$$

Theorem 2 (existence of the generalized TDCDFT)

$$NLSE : \quad i\partial_t\psi(t) = \hat{T}_Q[\psi]\psi(t) + \hat{W}\psi(t); \quad T_Q[\psi] = \frac{Q(\mathbf{r}, \mathbf{r}'; t)}{\rho(\mathbf{r}, \mathbf{r}'; t)}$$

Let complex link currents $Q(\mathbf{r}, \mathbf{r} + \mathbf{a}; t)$ be continuous functions of t , and the initial state ψ_0 is such that for all links $|\rho(\mathbf{r}, \mathbf{r} + \mathbf{a}; t_0)| \neq 0$. Then the following statements hold true.

- (i) The wave function $\psi(t)$ is a unique functional of $Q(t)$ and ψ_0 .
- (ii) There is a bijective map $Q \leftrightarrow T$ between the set of complex currents and the set of complex hopping integrals.
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- \mathcal{V} -representability is violated only if there are broken lattice links!
- Any current is (locally in t) reproducible by adjusting hoping rates.

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