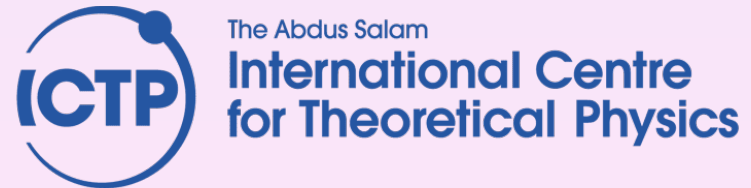


# GW Common Approximations

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- 2 The Quasi-Particle Equation
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# The Dyson Equation

In general the scattering path for an interacting  $G$  is given by

$$G = G_0 + G_0 \Sigma G_0 + G_0 \Sigma G_0 \Sigma G_0 + \dots$$

Or, more compactly,

$$G = G_0 + G_0 \Sigma G$$

- This equation shows the relationship between the interacting system  $G$  and the non-interacting  $G_0$

$G_0$ , can be approximated from

- DFT
- HF ...

In typical GW@LDA implementations

- The Dyson equation is not solved in this formulation.
- Its written in a different form.

# The Dyson Equation can be written as

$$\left[-\frac{1}{2}\nabla^2 + V_H + V_{\text{ext}}\right]\Psi_i(\mathbf{x}) + \int \Sigma(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{x}'; E_i)\Psi_i(\mathbf{x}')d\mathbf{x}' = E_i\Psi_i(\mathbf{x})$$

This is a single-particle equation of motion, known as the **quasiparticle equation**

This looks very familiar to KS-DFT,

Its however a non-linear differential equation,

# The Dyson and Quasiparticle equations: Perturbation

$$[-\frac{1}{2}\nabla^2 + V_H + V_{ext}]\psi_i(\mathbf{x}) + \int \Sigma^{GW}(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{x}'; E_i)\psi_i(\mathbf{x}')d\mathbf{x}' = E_i^{GW} \psi_i(\mathbf{x})$$

$$[-\frac{1}{2}\nabla^2 + V_H + V_{ext}]\psi_i(\mathbf{x}) + V_{xc}\psi_i = E_i^{KS} \psi_i(\mathbf{x})$$

- Laid out this way, the parallels between the Quasiparticle equation and the KS equation is clear.
- These are true excitation energies
- Excitation energies of fictitious states,

This similarity makes it a small step to use perturbation theory.

$$E_i^{GW} = \epsilon_i^{KS} + \langle \psi_i | \Sigma^{GW}(E_i^{GW}) - V_{xc} | \psi_i \rangle$$

or as commonly implemented, the **linearized solution**

$$E_i^{GW} = \epsilon_i^{KS} + Z_i \langle \psi_i | \Sigma^{GW}(E_i^{KS}) - V_{xc} | \psi_i \rangle$$

$$Z_i = (1 - \langle \psi_i | \Sigma_i^{GW}(E_i^{KS}) | \psi_i \rangle)^{-1}$$

### Z: the renormalization factor.

- This gives the proportion of the spectral weight under the quasiparticle peak.

### Back to The Self Energy

- Can be decomposed into:
- The exchange term
- and the correlation terms:

$$\Sigma^{GW}(\omega) = iG_0 W = iG_0 \nu + iG_0(W - \nu) = \Sigma^x - \Sigma^c(\omega)$$

## The exchange self-energy: $\Sigma^x$

$$\Sigma^x(\mathbf{r}_1, \mathbf{r}_2, \omega) = \frac{i\hbar}{2\pi} \int G_0(\mathbf{r}_1, \mathbf{r}_2, \omega + \omega') \nu(\mathbf{r}_1, \mathbf{r}_2) e^{i\omega'\nu} d\omega'$$

this the Fock term from HF self-energy, and can be rewritten:

$$\Sigma^x(\mathbf{r}_1, \mathbf{r}_2) = \langle \psi_i | \Sigma^x | \psi_i \rangle = -\frac{e^2}{4\pi\epsilon_0} \sum_j^{\text{occ}} \int \psi_i^*(\mathbf{r}_1) \psi_j(\mathbf{r}_2) \psi_j^*(\mathbf{r}_2) \psi_i(\mathbf{r}_2) d\mathbf{r}_1 d\mathbf{r}_2$$

this can be integrated analytically.

and the correlation self-energy:  $\Sigma^c$

$$\Sigma^c(\mathbf{r}_1, \mathbf{r}_2, \omega) = \frac{i\hbar}{2\pi} \int G_0(\mathbf{r}_1, \mathbf{r}_2, \omega + \omega') [W(\mathbf{r}_1, \mathbf{r}_2, \omega') - \nu(\mathbf{r}_1, \mathbf{r}_2)] e^{i\omega' \nu} d\omega'$$

Can be re-written as:

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this can only be computed numerically, this is quite expensive to do.



Lets rewrite both in the plane wave representation:

the exchange part,

$$\Sigma_{nk}^x = \langle nk | \Sigma^x(\mathbf{r}_1, \mathbf{r}_2) | nk \rangle = - \sum_{n_1} \int_{BZ} \frac{d\mathbf{q}}{(2\pi)^3} \sum_{\mathbf{G}} \frac{4\pi}{|\mathbf{q} + \mathbf{G}|^2} |\rho_{nm}(\mathbf{k}, \mathbf{q}, \mathbf{G})|^2 f_{n_1\mathbf{k}_1},$$

where,  $\rho_{nm}(\mathbf{k}, \mathbf{q}, \mathbf{G}) = \langle nk | e^{i(\mathbf{q} + \mathbf{G} \cdot \mathbf{r})} | n_1\mathbf{k}_1 \rangle$ ,

and the correlation part:

$$\begin{aligned} \Sigma_{nk}^c(\omega) &= \langle nk | \Sigma^c(\mathbf{r}_1, \mathbf{r}_2; \omega) | nk \rangle \\ &= \sum_{n_1} \int_{BZ} \frac{d\mathbf{q}}{(2\pi)^3} \sum_{\mathbf{G}, \mathbf{G}'} \frac{4\pi}{|\mathbf{q} + \mathbf{G}|^2} \rho_{nn_1}(\mathbf{k}, \mathbf{q}, \mathbf{G}) \rho_{nn_1}^*(\mathbf{k}, \mathbf{q}, \mathbf{G}') \\ &\quad \times \int d\omega' G_{m\mathbf{k}-\mathbf{q}}^0(\omega - \omega') \epsilon_{\mathbf{G}\mathbf{G}'}^{-1}(\mathbf{q}, \omega') \end{aligned}$$

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A Sum over unoccupied States:

$$\begin{aligned} \Sigma_{nk}^c(\omega) &= \langle nk | \Sigma^c(\mathbf{r}_1, \mathbf{r}_2; \omega) | nk \rangle \\ &= \sum_{n_1} \int_{BZ} \frac{d\mathbf{q}}{(2\pi)^3} \sum_{\mathbf{G}, \mathbf{G}'} \frac{4\pi}{|\mathbf{q} + \mathbf{G}|^2} \rho_{nn_1}(\mathbf{k}, \mathbf{q}, \mathbf{G}) \rho_{nn_1}^*(\mathbf{k}, \mathbf{q}, \mathbf{G}') \\ &\quad \times \int d\omega' G_{m\mathbf{k}-\mathbf{q}}^0(\omega - \omega') \epsilon_{\mathbf{G}\mathbf{G}'}^{-1}(\mathbf{q}, \omega') \end{aligned}$$

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(7) Exchange self energy - Vxc :  $\Sigma_{nk}^x - V_{nk}^{xc}$  **yambo -hf**

$$\Sigma_{nk}^x = \langle nk | \Sigma^x(\mathbf{r}_1, \mathbf{r}_2) | nk \rangle = - \sum_m \int_{BZ} \frac{d\mathbf{q}}{(2\pi)^3} \sum_{\mathbf{G}} v(\mathbf{q} + \mathbf{G}) |\rho_{nm}(\mathbf{k}, \mathbf{q}, \mathbf{G})|^2 f_m(\mathbf{k} - \mathbf{q})$$

occupied bands only

DFT k-grid  
{q} = {k-k'}

See (6)

See (2)

**G-vectors in the exchange and xc-potential**  
 Number of RL vectors, or energy in Ry / mHa / etc  
 Tip : to be converged, possibly leave the maximum value

```
EXXRLvcs= 2487001 RL
```

```
VXCRLvcs= 2487001 RL
```

```
%QPkrange
 1 |  5 | 20 | 59 |
 4 |  8 | 60 | 80 |
%
%QPperange (-V qp)
 1 | 32 | 0.0 | -1.0 |
%
```

**nk, n'k' ranges where GW/ $\Sigma_x$  elements are calculated**  
 first k-point | last k-point | lower band | upper band  
 This can be split over several lines for multiple groups  
 Tip: careful use of fewer k-points and bands reduces the calculation time; yambo will interpolate the rest  
**nk,nk' ranges (alternative method)**  
 first k-point | last k-point | lower energy | upper energy

## (8) Correlation part of self energy:

yambo -gw0 ppa

$$\Sigma_{n\mathbf{k}}^c(\omega) = \langle n\mathbf{k} | \Sigma^c | n\mathbf{k} \rangle = i \sum_m \int_{BZ} \frac{d\mathbf{q}}{(2\pi)^3} \sum_{\mathbf{G}, \mathbf{G}'} \frac{4\pi}{|\mathbf{q} + \mathbf{G}|^2} \rho_{nm}(\mathbf{k}, \mathbf{q}, \mathbf{G}) \rho_{nm}^*(\mathbf{k}, \mathbf{q}, \mathbf{G}') \times \int d\omega' G_{m\mathbf{k}-\mathbf{q}}^0(\omega - \omega') \epsilon_{\mathbf{G}\mathbf{G}'}^{-1}(\mathbf{q}, \omega')$$

```
% GbndRnge
1 | 50 |
%
```

**Bands used in the GW summation**

QP energies usually shows slow convergence

Tip: If you are interested in gaps, energy differences converge faster

```
NGsBlkXp= 100 RL
Response block size
See (9)
```

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Lets look at that again

The energy integral,

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The **energy integral** can be computed once the inverse dielectric function is known.  $\epsilon$  follows from the **reducible response function**  $\chi$ ,

$$\epsilon_{\mathbf{G}\mathbf{G}'}^{-1}(\mathbf{q}, \omega) = \delta_{\mathbf{G}\mathbf{G}'} + \frac{4\pi}{|\mathbf{q} + \mathbf{G}|^2} \chi_{\mathbf{G}\mathbf{G}'}(\mathbf{q}, \omega)$$

$\chi$  is computed within the **RPA**, for the GW approximation,

$$\chi_{\mathbf{G}\mathbf{G}'}(\mathbf{q}, \omega) = [\delta_{\mathbf{G}\mathbf{G}'} - \frac{4\pi}{|\mathbf{q} + \mathbf{G}|^2} \chi_{\mathbf{G}\mathbf{G}''}^0(\mathbf{q}, \omega)]^{-1} \chi_{\mathbf{G}''\mathbf{G}'}^0(\mathbf{q}, \omega).$$

and the **non-interacting response function**  $\chi_{\mathbf{G}\mathbf{G}''}^0$ , can be computed from  $G_0$ ,

$$\begin{aligned} \chi_{\mathbf{G}''\mathbf{G}'}^0(\mathbf{q}, \omega) = & 2 \sum_{nn'} \int_{BZ} \frac{d\mathbf{k}}{(\pi)^3} \rho_{n'\mathbf{n}\mathbf{k}}^*(\mathbf{q}, \mathbf{G}) \rho_{n'\mathbf{n}\mathbf{k}}(\mathbf{q}, \mathbf{G}') f_{n\mathbf{k}-\mathbf{q}} (1 - f_{n'\mathbf{k}}) \\ & \times \left[ \frac{1}{\omega + \epsilon_{n\mathbf{k}-\mathbf{q}} - \epsilon_{n'\mathbf{k}} + i0^+} - \frac{1}{\omega + \epsilon_{n'\mathbf{k}} - \epsilon_{n\mathbf{k}-\mathbf{q}} - i0^+} \right] \end{aligned}$$

# The PPA

Lets take a look at that energy integral,

$$\int d\omega' G_{m\mathbf{k}-\mathbf{q}}^0(\omega - \omega') \epsilon_{\mathbf{G}\mathbf{G}'}^{-1}(\mathbf{q}, \omega')$$

- A numerical integration of this would require the inversion of  $\epsilon$  for many frequency points.
- This is something that's expensive,
- So we typically use the Plasmon Pole Approximation,

In the PPA,  $\epsilon^{-1}$  is approximated by a single pole function,

$$\epsilon^{-1}\mathbf{G}\mathbf{G}'(\mathbf{q}, \omega) \approx \delta_{\mathbf{G}\mathbf{G}'} + R_{\mathbf{G}\mathbf{G}'}(\mathbf{q}) \left[ (\omega - \Omega_{\mathbf{G}\mathbf{G}'}(\mathbf{q}) + i0^+)^{-1} (\omega + \Omega_{\mathbf{G}\mathbf{G}'}(\mathbf{q}) - i0^+)^{-1} \right].$$

the residuals  $R_{\mathbf{G}\mathbf{G}'}$  and energies  $\Omega_{\mathbf{G}\mathbf{G}'}$ , are found in turn by imposing a condition that the PPA reproduces the exact  $\epsilon^{-1}$  function at **two frequencies**  $\omega = 0$  and a user defined value,  $\omega = iE_{PPA}$ .

finally, back to the beginning, and ready to calculate:

We can now take the Taylor expansion of the SE about the KS energy,

$$G_i(\omega) \approx Z_i \left[ \frac{f_i}{\omega - E_i^{GW} + i0^+} + \frac{1 - f_i}{\omega - E_i^{GW} + i0^+} \right]$$

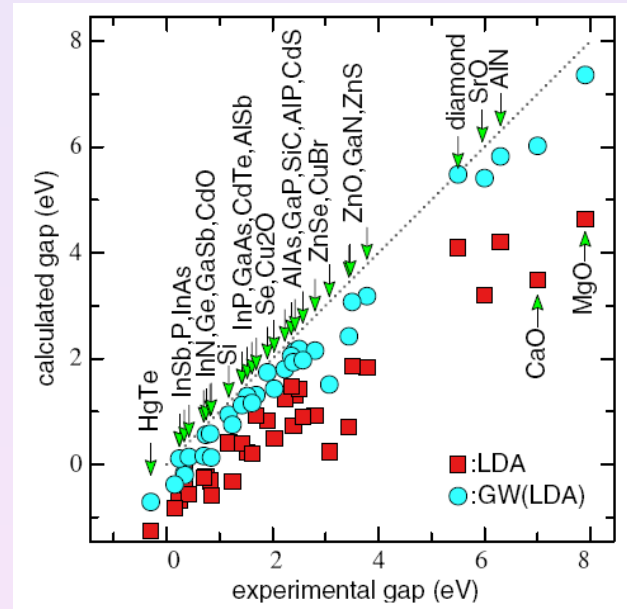
with:

$$E_i^{GW} = \epsilon_i^{KS} + Z_i \langle \psi_i | \Sigma^{GW}(E_i^{KS}) - V_{xc} | \psi_i \rangle$$

and

$$Z_i = (1 - \langle \psi_i | \Sigma_i^{GW}(E_i^{KS}) | \psi_i \rangle)^{-1}$$

After all this work, what do we get?

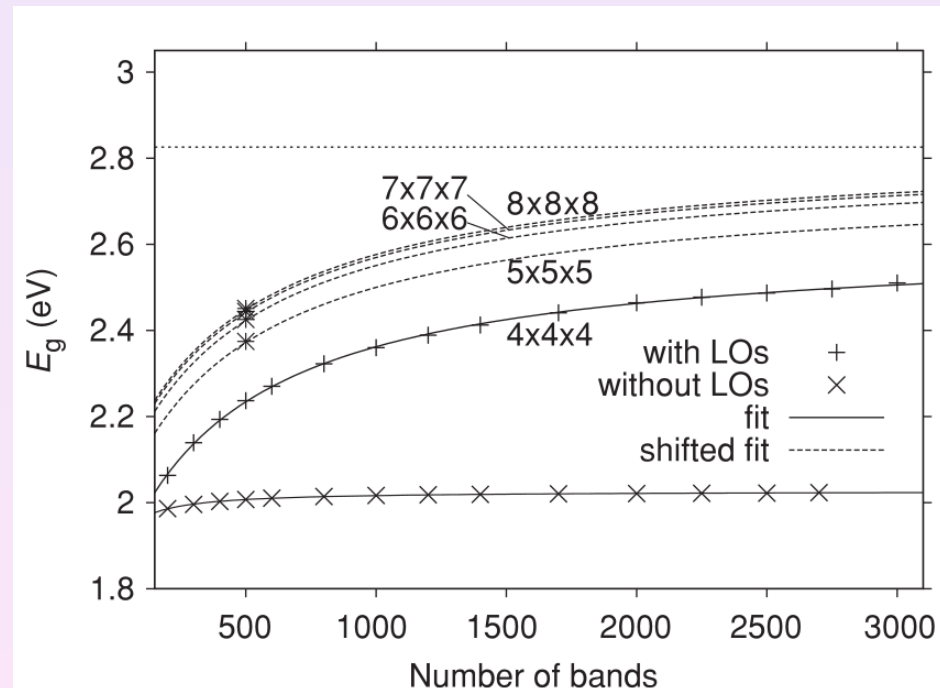


The results, (van Schilfgaarde, 2008)

- This is a good description for one 1-particle G.
- We get back accurate quasiparticle energies, corrected band gaps, lifetime broadening, plasma satellites etc.

## $G_0W_0$ results are quite acceptable, any issues?

- Convergence needs to be performed with caution, the typical case is ZnO, (Phys. Rev. B 84, 039906)



False convergence w.r.t. bands

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