Tully Models revisited: The molecule is the limit?

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Molecule is in its ground state.

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Molecule absorbs a photon...

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Evolution in S₁



Nonadiabatic processes

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Splitting of wavepacket. Challenge for computational chemistry:

- Electrons and nuclei coupled!
- Accurate electronic structure, valid at all times
- Nuclear dynamics

Nonadiabatic Dynamics Approaches



Countless different methods to describe photodynamics:

- different representation of nuclear wavefunction
- different level of approximations
- quantum or classical nuclei
- accounting for quantum effects
- Any new method needs to be duly tested to understand its limitations

Tully Models: A 1D Testbed



Used to test e.g.: full multiple spawning, semiclassical initial value representation, symmetrical quasi-classical windowing combined with Meyer-Miller mapping Hamiltonian, surface hopping Herman-Kluk semiclassical initial value representation method, semiclassical Monte-Carlo, dephasing representation of quantum fidelity, counter-propagating wave methods trajectories, Ehrenfest-Plus, coupled-trajectory mixed quantum/classical dynamics, quantum trajectory mean-field approach, iterative linearized approach to nonadiabatic dynamics, mean-field dynamics with stochastic decoherence, nonadiabatic Bohmian dynamics, mean-field molecular dynamics with surface hopping, non-Hermitian surface hopping, multi-state trajectory approach to nonadiabatic dynamics, partial linearized density matrix dynamics, ring polymer surface hopping, quantum trajectory surface hopping, consensus surface hopping, quasiclassical mapping Hamiltonian methods...

Tully, J. Chem. Phys. (1990), 93, 1061-1071

Test Set for Molecular Simulations

As we want to ultimately simulate dynamics of molecular in their full dimensionality: *Molecular Tully Models*



Highlighted challenges with *Ab* Initio Multiple Spawning and (decoherence corrected) Trajectory Surface Hopping

All initial conditions are available at DOI:10.15128/r1qj72p715m

We want to provide a testset of real, full-dimensional, molecular systems for nonadiabatic dynamics!

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Ab Initio Multiple Spawning



- Nuclear wavefunction expressed in basis of Gaussian trajectory basis functions (TBFs)
- TBFs propagated classically, but are fully coupled
- Spawning allows to adapt the size of the basis in regions of high nonadiabaticity
- Full Multiple Spawning (FMS) in principle exact
- Ab Initio Multiple Spawning (AIMS) for molecules approximates couplings:
 - Saddle Point Approximation of order zero (SPA0)
 - Independent First Generation Approximation (IFGA)

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Trajectory Surface Hopping



- Applying an Independent Trajectory Approximation (ITA)
- Swarm of totally independent classical trajectories
- Associated amplitudes mimic a wavepacket
- Nonadiabatic effects: Hops between surfaces allow change of electronic states

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Trajectory Surface Hopping



► TSH is overcoherent

- All electronic population follows force of active state
- ► A variety of *ad hoc* corrections (dTSH), see e.g.:
 - Zhu et al., J. Chem. Phys. (2004) 121, 7658
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 - ▶ Ha et al., J. Phys. Chem. Lett. (2018), 9, 1097

► ...

Molecular Tully I: Ethylene



Single avoided crossing SA(3)-CASSCF(2/2)/6-31G* (MOLPRO) 66 Initial Conditions (d)TSH repeated with 10 random numbers with SHARC AIMS with FMS90 in Molpro





Molecular Tully I: Ethylene



AIMS: rapid decay, on average below 2 spawns TSH: similar decay, number of hops rises above two dTSH: significantly slower decay than AIMS In TSH larger number of back hops – slower deactivation artifact of overcoherence



Molecular Tully I: Ethylene



Surface Hopping approach to AIMS: Approximates AIMS equations of motion to ressemble TSH:

- remove all intrastate couplings
- force overlap=1 between TBFs on different states
- place the TBFs on the same position
- only consider the NACV of parent TBF
 Reproduces dTSH perfectly differences due to ITA
 inherent to TSH

Molecular Tully II: DMABN



Dual avoided crossing

TDA-LC-PBA/6-31G 21 Initial Conditions (d)TSH repeated with 10 random numbers with Gaussian09/SHARC AIMS with FMS90 in TeraChem from ^a





^aCurchod et al., J. Phys. Chem. A (2017), 121, 1, 265-276

Molecular Tully II: DMABN



AIMS:^a rapid decay, after 50 fs oscillations in the population, large number of spawns TSH: similar initial decay, deviations after 25 fs, total comparable number of hops dTSH: great agreement with AIMS, much smaller number of hops



^aCurchod et al., J. Phys. Chem. A (2017), 121, 1, 265-276



Extended coupling with reflection SA(3)-CASSCF(6/6)/6-31G* (MOLPRO) 18 Initial Conditions (momenta set to zero) (d)TSH repeated with 10 random numbers with SHARC AIMS with FMS90 in Molpro







AIMS: almost complete initial decay, $\sim 18\%$ of reflection

TSH: less decay, stronger reflection (~48%) dTSH: similar to TSH





pseudo Independent Trajectory Approximation in AIMS:

removes all direct intrastate couplings between TBFs in AIMS

 \rightarrow close agreement with AIMS – interstate couplings stronger effect



In TSH different scheme for the rescaling of the velocity after hops: Often default: isotropically along the velocity vector Alternatively parallel to the NACV – strong influence on the result. (Similar different rescalings after spawns in AIMS have no influence)

Summary



Test your new nonadiabatic methods on a testset of real, full dimensional molecules! All initial conditions are available at DOI:10.15128/r1qj72p715m



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