"Faster G0W0 implementation for more accurate material design"

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Abstract

Density-functional theory (DFT) is currently the ab initio method most widely used to predict electronic energy levels of new materials. However, approxima- tions intrinsic to the theory limit the accuracy of calculated energy levels to about 0.5 eV. The G0W0 approach is an alternate ab initio method that provides an enhanced precision (about 0.05 eV). However, its computational cost is currently prohibitive for systems with more than a few tens of electrons, thus limiting its use in the simulation and design of technologically relevant materials. This limitation of current G0W0 implementations can be traced to two bottle- necks : the need to invert a large matrix (the dielectric matrix) and the need to carry out summations over a large number of electronic states (conduction states). The first bottleneck is caused by the choice of the basis in which the dielectric matrix is represented : traditional G0W0 implementations use a plane wave basis, which needs to be relatively large to p...

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