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A Comparative Study of Mixed Quantum-Classical and Semi-classical Methods for an Electronic Spectroscopy Benchmark Model
PORSCHA MCROBBIE, EITAN GEVA, University of Michigan — We performed a comparative study of the reliability of different mixed quantum-classical and semi-classical approaches to calculating equilibrium one- and two-dimensional electronic spectra. These approaches include the popular second-order Cumulant expansion approximation, the Mixed Quantum-Classical Liouville method, and the Forward-Backward Semiclassical method. The comparison was performed within the framework of a benchmark system that can distinguish between these methods and for which the exact quantum results can be obtained [1]. More recently, this work has been extended to cases where the system is initially prepared in a non-equilibrium state, in order to study electronic pump-vibrational probe type spectroscopies.

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