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## CHAPTER 1

## INTRODUCTION

### 1.1 Computational Science

It is generally agreed that rapid development in the field of computer technology plays a significant role in many fields of science. In the past, physical properties were characterized by experiments and theories. In experiment, a system is subjected to measurements and results. In theory, a model of the system is developed in form of a set of mathematical equations. Computational science techniques are used to simulate physical events and to process large amounts of generated or collected data. The use of simulation in research is now established as a third basic methodology of doing scientific research, joining theory and experiments.

As such, computational science must be distinguished from computer science. Computer science focuses on the computer itself; it is the science and engineering of computer systems, including hardware and software. On the other hand, computational science refers to the application of computers solving problems in science and engineering. In addition to a particular scientific knowledge or engineering application, it includes mathematics (mathematical modeling, numerical analysis), computer science (computer architecture, programming, networks), and scientific visualization. d6 ha 9 2 $/$ c 6

Computational science refers to the knowledge and techniques required to perform computer simulations instead of experiments for evaluating interesting informations of systems, particularly, those systems for which experiments are prohibitive. Due to the rapid development of computer technology, computer
simulations have been expanded at a tremendous speed and application of these and other simulation methods have penetrated in almost every field of mathematics, physics, chemistry, biology, other applied science and engineering fields. Results of the simulations may also be compared with those of real experiments. In the first place, this is a test of the underlying model used in a computer simulation. Eventually, if the model is acceptable, the simulator hopes the model will offer insights to the experimentalist, and assist in the interpretation of new results. This dual roles of simulation, as a bridge between models and theoretical predictions on one hand, and between models and experimental results on the other, is illustrated in Figure 1.1. Because of this connecting role, and the way in which simulations are conducted and analysed, these techniques are often termed "computer experiments".


Figure 1.1 The connection between experiment, theory, and computer simulation [1].

### 1.2 Computer Simulations in Chemistry

Quantum chemical investigations, which still have strong limits in the size of molecular system and the related computational time, have been a useful tool for predicting configurations of molecules, stabilization energies, excitation energies, force constants, and other physical data. Although they often produce data in good agreement with experiment, this approach is not reflect all properties of a condensed system with large amounts of particles.

Models of chemical systems and specialized theoretical chemistry are mainly constructed in the form of quantum chemical calculations and statistical mechanics simulations. These tools are widely applicable for many systems, especially for investigation of microscopic properties and lead directly and perhaps easily to a set of interesting results or macroscopic properties of the system and can fill the gap between theory and experiment.

Computer simulation methods, such as Monte Carlo practically introduced by Metropolis [2], and Molecular Dynamics introduced by Alder [3], are tools for studying statistical and dynamical properties of rather large ensembles of molecules based on accurate potentials derived from quantum chemical calculations. Both simulation methods can be used to evaluate structural properties of systems, included some data unacquirable by experimental techniques.Therefore, theoretical investigations of the liquid state and solutions have rapidly developed and numerous studies based on these methods for solution have been published [4-18].

### 1.3 Objectives of This Study

As already mentioned, computer simulations is a powerful tool for developing our understanding of molecular systems at the atomic/molecular level. However, there is major limitation preventing computer simulations from fulfilling their true potential in providing scientific insights and aiding the industrial development of new materials. The problem is the accuracy of the fundamental input into the simulations, i.e., the intermolecular model potential, which quantifies the forces acting between the particles. In other word, due to the shortage of reasonable intermolecular potentials, the development in the field of solution research by means of computer simulations seem to be slower than it should be according to technological advances.

Nowadays, many simulations are undertaken in order to model real systems. The simulations seek to produce results that are in agreement with experiment. The first stage in such a computer simulation is to find a model for the intermolecular interactions in the chosen system, which is sufficiently realistic to give acceptable results. Since the quality of the results from the simulations definitely depend on the quality of the input, it is important to be able to assess the accuracy of an intermolecular potential. The accuracy of intermolecular potentials is well known for the rare gases. Much current work on deriving accurate intermolecular potentials is concentrating on small rigid polyatomic molecules. There are, of course, difficulties to do so since there are no generally reliable simple procedures for developing intermolecular potentials. $9 / 9$ ? $/ \mathrm{Cl}$ Ge

To improve this situation, it is the main objectives of this study, i.e., to develop part of the semi-automatic Fortran programming for the development of intermolecular pair potential function. In continuation from the first part which generates the stabilization energies of the complex, molecules and/or ions, in all
possible configurations [19], this work fits those interaction energies to a functional form and improves quality of the function.

FORTRAN (FORmula TRANslation) has been the most common programming language for computer simulation, in view of its suitability for scientific applications, with a variety of mathematical functions, and the availability of FORTRAN compilers producing efficient code. In this study, FORTRAN-77 has been use to develop the program [20-21].

### 1.4 Scope of This Study

Since the development of the potential function by means of quantum chemical calculations are divided into four consecutive steps, namely, (i) selection of representative geometries of the pairs; (ii) performance the $a b$ initio calculations; (iii) fitting of pair interaction energies to a functional form and (iv) improving quaility of the function, the scope of this work is to write the second part of the semi-automatic Fortran programming regarding to steps (iii) and (iv). The $\mathrm{Li}^{+}-\mathrm{NH}_{3}$ and $\mathrm{NH}_{3}-\mathrm{NH}_{3}$ systems are used to develop and test the performance of the program.

This thesis is organized into 5 Chapters. After brief review of Computational Science, Computer Simulations in Chemistry, objectives and scope of this study in Chapter 1, theoretical background of the intermolecular potential function, and Nonlinear least squares are presented in Chapters 2 and 3, respectively. Then, detailed calculations, results and discussion are given in Chapters 4 and 5, respectively.

## CHAPTER 2

## THE INTERMOLECULAR POTENTIAL FUNCTION: HEART OF THE SIMULATION

### 2.1 Total Interaction Energy of the Simulated System

The Monte Carlo (MC) and Molecular Dynamics (MD) simulation techniques have been well established and are used by numerous scientists at present. The most important factor, the results of calculations, depends undoubtedly on the potential functions used. At the same time, it is necessary to evaluate energy and force as rapidly as possible in the course of the simulation. A potential function describes the interaction energy among particles in that system. In general, the total configurational interaction energy of the N particles system can be written as

$$
\begin{equation*}
\Delta E=\sum_{i}^{N} v_{1}\left(r_{i}\right)+\sum_{i}^{N} \sum_{j>i}^{N} v_{2}\left(r_{i}, r_{j}\right)+\sum_{i}^{N} \sum_{j>i}^{N} \sum_{k \ggg i}^{N} v_{3}\left(r_{i}, r_{j}, r_{k}\right)+\ldots \tag{2.1}
\end{equation*}
$$

where the first term in the right hand side of equation (2.1), $v_{1}\left(r_{\mathrm{i}}\right)$, represents the effect of an external field. The second term, $v_{2}$ called the pair potential, is the term with highest. The third term, $\sqrt{3}$, called three-body connecting interaction that sometime becomes very significant in case of condensed systems. In most of published simulation, however, they were not included, due to the requirement of the large computer time. Four-body (and higher) terms are expected to be small in comparison to $v_{2}$ and $v_{3}$. In practice, one assumes to represent $\Delta \mathrm{E}$ of the system by the pair potential only, known as the pair-wise additive approximation, whereas the remaining terms are often referred to as non-additive corrections. The basic idea is that the total configurational energy of the many particles system is approximately written as a sum of the individual interaction between the particles.

The general procedures for developing the $a b$ initio intermolecular potential function consist of four steps as illustrated in Figure 2.1.


Figure 2.1 The general procedure for constructing the intermolecular potential function (Steps 2-4 are executed more than once).

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### 2.2 Pair Potential

As mentioned above, majorities of simulations approximate $\Delta \mathrm{E}$ simply by the pair potential term. So far, there have been several types of pair potentials used in computer simulations. The Lennard-Jones 6-12 pair potential [22], is one of the commonly used. It has the form as given bellows;

$$
\begin{equation*}
v^{\mathrm{LJ}}(\mathrm{r})=4 \varepsilon\left[-\left(\frac{\sigma}{\mathrm{r}}\right)^{6}+\left(\frac{\sigma}{\mathrm{r}}\right)^{12}\right] \tag{2.2}
\end{equation*}
$$

The function contains only two adjustable parameters: the collision diameter $\sigma$ (the separation for which the energy is zero) and the well depth $\varepsilon$. Physical meaning of these parameters are graphically illustrated in Figure 2.2.


Figure 2.2 The Lennard-Jones potential.

The Lennard-Jones equation may also be expressed in term of the separation at which the energy passes through a minimum, $\mathrm{r}_{\mathrm{m}}$. At this separation, the first partial derivative of the energy with respect to the internuclear distance is zero (i.e. $\partial v / \partial r=0)$ from which it can easily be shown that $r_{m}=2^{1 / 6} \sigma$. We can thus also write Lennard-Jones 6-12 potential function as follows,

$$
\begin{equation*}
v^{\mathrm{LL}}(\mathrm{r})=\varepsilon\left[-2\left(\frac{\mathrm{r}_{\mathrm{m}}}{\mathrm{r}}\right)^{6}+\left(\frac{\mathrm{r}_{\mathrm{m}}}{\mathrm{r}}\right)^{12}\right] \tag{2.3}
\end{equation*}
$$

or

$$
\begin{equation*}
{ }^{L J}(r)=-\frac{A}{r^{6}}+\frac{B}{r^{12}} \tag{2.4}
\end{equation*}
$$

where $A$ is equal to $2 \varepsilon r_{m}^{6}$ (or $4 \varepsilon \sigma^{6}$ ) and $B$ is equal to $\varepsilon r_{m}^{12}$ (or $4 \varepsilon \sigma^{12}$ ).

The Lennard-Jones potential is characterised by an attractive part that varies as $\mathrm{r}^{-6}$ and a repulsive part as $\mathrm{r}^{-12}$. These two components are drawn in Figure 2.3.


Figure 2.3 The Lennard-Jones potential as a sum of attractive $\left(\mathrm{Ar}^{-6}\right)$ and repulsive $\left(\mathrm{Br}^{-12}\right)$ components.

The other forms of pair potential, which are very simple and convenient to implement in the computer simulation and the liquid-state theory, are:
a) The hard-sphere potential

$$
v^{\mathrm{HS}}(r)= \begin{cases}\infty & (\mathrm{r}<\sigma)  \tag{2.5}\\ 0 & (\mathrm{r} \geq \sigma)\end{cases}
$$

b) The square-well potential

$$
v^{s W}(r)=\left\{\begin{array}{cl}
\infty & \left(r<\sigma_{1}\right)  \tag{2.6}\\
-\varepsilon & \left(\sigma_{1} \leq r<\sigma_{2}\right) \\
0 & \left(r \geq \sigma_{2}\right)
\end{array}\right.
$$

c) The soft-sphere potential

$$
\begin{equation*}
v^{\mathrm{SS}}(\mathrm{r})=\varepsilon\left(\frac{\sigma}{\mathrm{r}}\right)^{\kappa}=\mathrm{ar}^{-\kappa} \tag{2.7}
\end{equation*}
$$

where $\kappa$ is a parameter, often chosen to be an integer. The soft-sphere potentials contain no attractive part. Q18 6
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These three potentials are graphically shown in Figure 2.4.


Figure 2.4 (a) the hard-sphere potential, (b) the square-well potential and (c) the soft-sphere potential with repulsion parameter $\kappa=1$.

### 2.3 Analytical Form of Potential Functions

Among the analytical forms of potential function, if the data points can be fitted into many forms, the simplest function is normally chosen. One of the necessary criteria is that the selected function must be differentiable; otherwise it will not able to be used in the molecular dynamics simulations in which force acting on each particle has to be derived from the function and its derivative. Given two molecules M and N , the pair interaction potential $\Delta \mathrm{E}_{\mathrm{MN}}$ might contain explicitly both angular and radial dependency. Practically, one normally use only the radial function depending on the interatomic distance $r_{i j}$ with $i$ and $j$ being atoms belonging to molecules M and N , respectively. For accuracy and flexibility reasons, one would like to use a fairly long series of terms. On the other hand, the longer the series, the larger the number of associated fitting parameters, and the larger the number of machine cycles required to compute interaction energies in the simulation.

The two general forms of the potential functions are expressed as:
(1) $\Delta \mathrm{E}_{\mathrm{MN}}=\sum_{\mathrm{i}}^{\mathrm{k}} \sum_{\mathrm{j}}^{1}\left(-\frac{\mathrm{A}_{\mathrm{ij}}}{\mathrm{r}_{\mathrm{ij}}^{\mathrm{x}}}+\frac{\mathrm{B}_{\mathrm{ij}}}{\mathrm{r}_{\mathrm{ij}}^{\mathrm{y}}}+\frac{\mathrm{q}_{\mathrm{i}} \mathrm{q}_{\mathrm{j}}}{\mathrm{r}_{\mathrm{ij}}}+\mathrm{Z}_{\mathrm{ij}}\right) ; \mathrm{x} \neq \mathrm{y}$
(2) $\Delta \mathrm{E}_{\mathrm{MN}}=\sum_{\mathrm{i}}^{\mathrm{k}} \sum_{\mathrm{j}}^{1}\left(-\frac{\mathrm{A}_{\mathrm{ij}}}{\mathrm{r}_{\mathrm{ij}}^{\mathrm{x}}}+\mathrm{B}_{\mathrm{ij}} \exp \left(-\mathrm{C}_{\mathrm{ij}} \mathrm{r}_{\mathrm{ij}}\right)+\frac{\mathrm{q}_{\mathrm{i}} \mathrm{q}_{\mathrm{j}}}{\mathrm{r}_{\mathrm{ij}}}+\mathrm{Z}_{\mathrm{ij}}\right)$
where k and l are the number of atoms on molecules M and N , respectively, $\mathrm{A}_{\mathrm{ij}}, \mathrm{B}_{\mathrm{ij}}$ and $\mathrm{C}_{\mathrm{ij}}$ are fitting parameters which represent interaction between atom i of molecule M and atom j of molecule N , and $\mathrm{q}_{\mathrm{i}}, \mathrm{q}_{\mathrm{j}}$ are the atomic net charges of each atom $i$ and atom $j$ of molecules $M$ and $N$, respectively. These charges were normally taken from Mulliken populations analysis in the quantum chemical calculations [23]. In additions, although $x$ and $y$ are normally set at 6 and 12, respectively, however, these values can be adjust. $\Delta \mathrm{E}_{\mathrm{MN}}$ is the interaction energy. The first two terms formally describe the short-range attractive and repulsive interactions, respectively. The third term describes the long-range Coulomb interaction, and the last terms, which has the form as in equation (2.10), will be added in order to obtain a good statistical fitting.
where $\mathrm{E}_{\mathrm{ij}}, \mathrm{F}_{\mathrm{ij}}$, and $\mathrm{G}_{\mathrm{ij}}$ are fitting parameters; $m$, $n$ and o are integers which differ from x and y .

Among the 2 forms, equation (2.8) is normally used for the pair of weak interactions (the stabilization energy is higher than $-20 \mathrm{kcal} . \mathrm{mol}^{-1}$ ) such as ligand-
ligand or ligand-solvent interactions. On the other hand, equation (2.9) is suitable for the pair of strong interactions such as ion-ion, ion-ligand or ion-solvent.


## CHAPTER 3

## NONLINEAR LEAST SQUARES

### 3.1 Introduction

Given a set of observations, one often wants to condense and summarize the data by fitting it to a "model" that depends on adjustable parameters. Frequently, the model is simply a convenient class of functions, such as polynomials or Gaussians, and the fit supplies the appropriate coefficients. Otherwise, the model's parameters come from some underlying theory that the data are supposed to satisfy such as coefficients of rate equations in a complex network of chemical reactions, or orbital elements of a binary star. Modeling can also be used as a kind of constrained interpolation, where one wants to extend a few data points into a continuous function, but with some underlying idea of what that function should look like.

The basic approach in all cases is usually the same: One chooses or designs a figure-of-merit function ("merit function", for short) that measures the agreement between the data and the model with a particular choice of parameters. The merit function is conventionally arranged so that small values represent close agreement. The parameters of the model are then adjusted to achieve a minimum in the merit function, yielding best-fit parameters. The adjustment process is thus a problem of


There are important issues that go beyond the finding of best-fit parameters. Data are generally not exact. They are subjected to measurement errors. Thus, typical data never exactly fit the model that is being used, even when that model is correct. One needs the means to assess whether or not the model is appropriate, that is, one needs to test the goodness-of-fit against some useful statistical standard.

One usually also needs to know the accuracy with which parameters are determined by the data set. In other word, one needs to know the likely errors of the best-fit parameters.

The important message one wants to deliver is that fitting of parameters is not the end-all of parameter estimation. To be genuinely useful, a fitting procedure should provide (i) parameters, (ii) error estimates on the parameters, and (iii) a statistical measurement of goodness-of-fit. When the third item suggests that the model is an unlikely match to the data, then items (i) and (ii) are probably worthless.

## Chi-Square Fitting

Suppose that one fits N data points $\left(\mathrm{x}_{\mathrm{i}}, \mathrm{y}_{\mathrm{i}}\right) \mathrm{i}=1, \ldots, \mathrm{~N}$, to a model that has M adjustable parameters $\mathrm{a}_{\mathrm{j}}, \mathrm{j}=1, \ldots, \mathrm{M}$. The model predicts a functional relationship between the measured independent and dependent variables,

$$
\begin{equation*}
y(x)=y\left(x ; a_{1} \ldots a_{M}\right) \tag{3.1}
\end{equation*}
$$

where the dependence on the parameters is indicated explicitly on the right-hand side.

One wants to minimize to get fitted values for the $\mathrm{a}_{\mathrm{j}}$ 's. The first thing that
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$$
\begin{equation*}
\text { minimize over } a_{1} \ldots a_{M}: \quad \sum_{i=1}^{N}\left[y_{i}-y\left(x_{i} ; a_{1} \ldots a_{M}\right)\right]^{2} \tag{3.2}
\end{equation*}
$$

If each data point $\left(\mathrm{x}_{\mathrm{i}}, \mathrm{y}_{\mathrm{i}}\right)$ has its own, known standard deviation $\sigma_{\mathrm{i}}$, then the model parameters are obtained by minimizing the quantity

$$
\begin{equation*}
\chi^{2}=\sum_{i=1}^{N}\left[\frac{y_{i}-y\left(x_{i} ; a_{1} \ldots a_{m}\right)}{\sigma_{i}}\right]^{2} \tag{3.3}
\end{equation*}
$$

called the "chi-square."

To whatever extent the measurement errors actually are normally distributed, the quantity $\chi^{2}$ is corresponding to a sum of N squares of normally distributed quantities, each normalized to unit variance. Once one has adjusted the $a_{1} \ldots a_{M}$ to minimize the value of $\chi^{2}$, the terms in the sum are not all statistically independent. For models that are linear in the a's, however, it turns out that the probability distribution for different values of $\chi^{2}$ at its minimum can nevertheless be derived analytically, and is the chi-square distribution for $N-M$ degrees of freedom.

In some cases the uncertainties associated with a set of measurements are not known in advance, and considerations related to $\chi^{2}$ fitting are used to derive a value for $\sigma$.If one assumes that all measurements have the same standard deviation, $\sigma_{i}=$ $\sigma$, and that the model fit well, then one can proceed by first assigning an arbitrary constant $\sigma$ to all points, next fit for the model parameters by minimizing $\chi^{2}$, and finally recomputing,

$$
\begin{equation*}
\sigma^{2}=\sum_{\mathrm{i}=1}^{\mathrm{N}}\left[\mathrm{y}_{\mathrm{i}}-\mathrm{y}\left(\mathrm{x}_{\mathrm{i}}\right)\right]^{2} / \mathrm{N} \tag{3.4}
\end{equation*}
$$

If one takes the derivative of equation (3.3) with respect to the parameters $\mathrm{a}_{\mathrm{k}}$, one obtains equations that must hold at the chi-square minimum,

$$
\begin{equation*}
0=\sum_{i=1}^{N} \frac{\left[y_{i}-y\left(x_{i}\right)\right]}{\sigma_{i}^{2}} \frac{\left(\partial y\left(x_{i} ; \ldots a_{k} \ldots\right)\right)}{\partial a_{k}} \tag{3.5}
\end{equation*}
$$

Equation (3.5) is, in general, a set of $M$ nonlinear equations for the $M$ unknown $\mathrm{a}_{\mathrm{k}}$.

## Multidimensional Fits

If one measures a single variable y as a function of more than one variable say, a vector of variables $\mathbf{x}$, then basis functions will be functions of a vector, $\mathrm{X}_{1}(\mathbf{x}), \ldots, \mathrm{X}_{\mathrm{M}}(\mathbf{x})$. The $\chi^{2}$ merit function is now

$$
\begin{equation*}
\chi^{2}=\sum_{i=1}^{N}\left[\frac{y_{i}-\sum_{k=1}^{M} a_{k} x_{k}\left(x_{i}\right)}{\sigma_{i}}\right]^{2} \tag{3.6}
\end{equation*}
$$

## 

One now considers fitting when the model depends nonlinearly on the set of M unknown parameters $\mathrm{a}_{\mathrm{k}}, \mathrm{k}=1,2, \ldots$, M . One uses the same approach as in previous section, namely to define a $\chi^{2}$ merit function and determine best-fit parameters by its minimization. With nonlinear dependences, however, the minimization must proceed iteratively. Given trial values for the parameters, one
develops a procedure that improves the trial solution. The procedure is then repeated until $\chi^{2}$ stops (or effectively stops) decreasing.

Sufficiently close to the minimum, one expects the $\chi^{2}$ function to be well approximated by a quadratic form, which one can write as

$$
\begin{equation*}
\chi^{2}(\mathbf{a}) \approx \gamma-\mathbf{d} \cdot \mathbf{a}+\frac{1}{2} \mathbf{a} \cdot \mathbf{D} \cdot \mathbf{a} \tag{3.7}
\end{equation*}
$$

where $\mathbf{d}$ is an M - vector (Gradient vector) and $\mathbf{D}$ is an $\mathrm{M} \times \mathrm{M}$ matrix (Hessian matrix).

If the approximation is good, one knows how to jump from the current trial parameters $\mathbf{a}_{\text {cur }}$ to the minimizing ones $\mathbf{a}_{\text {min }}$ in a single leap, namely

$$
\begin{equation*}
\mathbf{a}_{\min }=\mathbf{a}_{\mathrm{cur}}+\mathbf{D}^{-1} \cdot\left[-\nabla \chi^{2}\left(\mathbf{a}_{\mathrm{cur}}\right)\right] \tag{3.8}
\end{equation*}
$$

On the other hand, (3.7) might be a poor local approximation to the shape of the function that we are trying to minimize at $\mathbf{a}_{\text {cur }}$. In that case, one can do is taken a step down the gradient, as in the steepest descent method. In other words,

$$
\begin{equation*}
\mathbf{a}_{\text {next }}=\mathbf{a}_{\mathrm{cur}}-\text { constant } \times \nabla \chi^{2}\left(\mathbf{a}_{\mathrm{cur}}\right) \tag{3.9}
\end{equation*}
$$

where the constant is small enough and the downhill direction is not exhausted.

To use (3.8) or (3.9), one must be able to compute the gradient of the $\chi^{2}$ function at any set of parameters $\mathbf{a}$. To use (3.8) one also needs the matrix $\mathbf{D}$, which is the second derivative matrix (Hessian matrix) of the $\chi^{2}$ merit function, at any a. One knows exactly the form of $\chi_{2}^{2}$, since it is based on a model function that one has specified. Therefore the Hessian matrix is known to us. Thus one is free to use (3.8) whenever cares to do so.

## Calculation of the Gradient and Hessian

The fitted model is

$$
\begin{equation*}
y=y(x ; \mathbf{a}) \tag{3.10}
\end{equation*}
$$

and the $\chi^{2}$ merit function is

$$
\begin{equation*}
\chi^{2}(a)=\sum_{i=1}^{N}\left[\frac{y_{i}-y\left(x_{i} ; a\right)}{\sigma_{i}}\right]^{2} \tag{3.11}
\end{equation*}
$$

The gradient of $\chi^{2}$ with respect to the parameters $\mathbf{a}$, which will be zero at the $\chi^{2}$ minimum, has components

$$
\begin{equation*}
\frac{\partial \chi^{2}}{\partial a_{k}}=-2 \sum_{i=1}^{N} \frac{\left[y_{i}-y\left(x_{i} ; a\right)\right]}{\sigma_{i}^{2}} \frac{\partial y\left(x_{i} ; a\right)}{\partial a_{k}} \quad k=1,2, \ldots, M \tag{3.12}
\end{equation*}
$$

Taking an additional partial derivative gives

$$
\begin{equation*}
\frac{\partial^{2} \chi^{2}}{\partial a_{1} \partial a_{k}}=2 \sum_{i=1}^{N} \frac{1}{\sigma_{i}^{2}}\left[\frac{\partial y\left(x_{i} ; a\right)}{\partial a_{k}} \frac{\partial y\left(x_{i} ; a\right)}{\partial a_{1}}-\left[y_{i}-y\left(x_{i} ; a\right)\right] \frac{\partial^{2} y\left(x_{i} ; a\right)}{\partial a_{1} \partial a_{k}}\right] \tag{3.13}
\end{equation*}
$$

It is conventional to remove the factors of 2 by defining

$$
\begin{equation*}
\beta_{\mathrm{k}} \equiv-\frac{1}{2} \frac{\partial \chi^{2}}{\partial \mathrm{a}_{\mathrm{k}}} \frown \quad \alpha_{\mathrm{kl}} \equiv \frac{1}{2} \frac{\partial^{2} \chi^{2}}{\partial \mathrm{a}_{1} \partial \mathrm{a}_{\mathrm{k}}} \tag{3.14}
\end{equation*}
$$

Making $[\alpha]=\frac{1}{2} \mathbf{D}$ in equation (3.8), in terms of which that equation can be rewritten as the set of linear equations 6616019 ? 9 cl?

$$
\begin{equation*}
\sum_{\mathrm{l}=1}^{\mathrm{M}} \alpha_{\mathrm{kl}} \delta_{\mathrm{al}}=\beta_{\mathrm{k}} \tag{3.15}
\end{equation*}
$$

This set is solved for the increments $\delta_{\text {al }}$ that, added to the current approximation, give the next approximation. In the context of least-squares, the
matrix $[\alpha]$, equal to one-half times the Hessian matrix, is usually called the curvature matrix.

Equation (3.9), the steepest descent formula, translates to

$$
\begin{equation*}
\delta_{\text {al }}=\text { constant } \times \beta_{1} \tag{3.16}
\end{equation*}
$$

Note that the components $\alpha_{k l}$ of the Hessian matrix (3.13) depend both on the first derivatives and on the second derivatives of the basis functions with respect to their parameters.

Second derivatives occur because the gradient (3.12) already has dependence on $\partial y / \partial \mathbf{a}_{\mathrm{k}}$, so the next derivative simply must contain terms involving $\partial^{2} \mathrm{y} / \partial \mathrm{a}_{1} \partial \mathrm{a}_{\mathrm{k}}$. The second derivative term can be dismissed when it is zero, or small enough to be negligible when compared to the term involving the first derivative. It also has an additional possibility of being ignorable small in practice: The term multiplying the second derivative in equation (3.13) is $\left[y_{i}-\mathrm{y}\left(\mathrm{x}_{\mathrm{i}} ; \mathbf{a}\right)\right]$. For a successful model, this term should just be the random measurement error of each point. This error can have either sign, and should in general be uncorrelated with the model. Therefore, the second derivative terms tend to cancel out when summed over i.

Inclusion of the second-derivative term can in fact be destabilizing if the model fits badly or is contaminated by outlier points that are unlikely to be offset by compensating points of opposite sign. From this point on, one will always use as the definition of $\alpha_{k l}$ as

$$
\begin{equation*}
\alpha_{k l}=\sum_{\mathrm{i}=1}^{\mathrm{N}} \frac{1}{\sigma_{\mathrm{i}}^{2}}\left[\frac{\partial \mathrm{y}\left(\mathrm{x}_{\mathrm{i}} ; \mathrm{a}\right)}{\partial \mathrm{a}_{\mathrm{k}}} \frac{\partial \mathrm{y}\left(\mathrm{x}_{\mathrm{i}} ; \mathrm{a}\right)}{\partial \mathrm{a}_{1}}\right] \tag{3.17}
\end{equation*}
$$

One should understand that minor (or even major) fiddling with $[\alpha]$ has no effect at all on what final set of parameters $\mathbf{a}$ is reached, but affects only the iterative
route that is taken in getting there. The condition at the $\chi^{2}$ minimum that $\beta_{\mathrm{k}}=0$ for all $k$ is independent of how $[\alpha]$ is defined.

### 3.3 Levenberg-Marquardt Method

The Levenberg-Marquardt [24] is one of the most widely used non-linear curve fitting methods. It is very useful for finding solutions to complex fitting problems. Its utility is the way in which the fit method moves smoothly between the two extremes of the steepest descent method and the inverse-Hessian method [2531], for finding the next step. The algorithm uses the method of steepest descent to determine the direction and then step size when the results are far from the minimum. But as the solution approaches the minimum, the algorithm switches to the Hessian matrix for determining the step in order to zero in on the best fit.

The method is based on two elementaries, but important, insights. Consider the "constant" in equation (3.16). There is no information about the answer in the gradient that tells only the slope, not how far that slope extends. Marquardt's first insight is that the components of the Hessian matrix give some information about the order-of-magnitude scale of the problem.

The quantity $\chi^{2}$ is nondimensional, i.e., is a pure number; this is evident from its definition (3.11). On the other hand, $\beta_{k}$ has the dimensions of $1 / a_{k}$, which may well be dimensional. The constant of proportionality between $\beta_{k}$ and $\delta \mathrm{a}_{\mathrm{k}}$ must therefore have the dimensions of $\mathrm{a}_{\mathrm{k}}^{2}$. Scan the components of $[\alpha$ ]and one sees that there is only one obvious quantity with these dimensions, and that is $1 / \alpha_{\mathrm{kk}}$, the reciprocal of the diagonal element. So that must set the scale of the constant. But that scale might itself be too big. So let's divide the constant by some (nondimensional) fudge factor $\lambda$, with the possibility of setting $\lambda \gg 1$ to cut down the step. In other words, replace equation (3.16) by

$$
\begin{equation*}
\delta \mathrm{a}_{1}=\frac{1}{\lambda \alpha_{\| 1}} \beta_{1} \quad \text { or } \quad \lambda \alpha_{\| 1} \delta \mathrm{a}_{1}=\beta_{1} \tag{3.18}
\end{equation*}
$$

It is necessary that $\alpha_{11}$ be positive, but this is guaranteed by definition (3.17) another reason for adopting that equation.

Marquardt's second insight is that equations (3.18) and (3.15) can be combined if we define a new matrix $\alpha^{\prime}$ by the following prescription

$$
\begin{array}{ll}
\alpha_{\mathrm{jj}}^{\prime} & \equiv \alpha_{\mathrm{ij}}(1+\lambda) \\
\alpha_{\mathrm{jk}}^{\prime} & \equiv \alpha_{\mathrm{jk}} \tag{3.19}
\end{array} \quad(\mathrm{j} \neq \mathrm{k})
$$

and then replace both (3.18) and (3.15) by

$$
\begin{equation*}
\sum_{i=1}^{M} \alpha_{k l}^{\prime} \delta a_{1}=\beta_{k} \tag{3.20}
\end{equation*}
$$

When $\lambda$ is very large, the matrix $\alpha^{\prime}$ is forced into being diagonally dominant, so equation (3.20) goes over to be identical to (3.18). On the other hand, as $\lambda$ approaches zero, equation (3.20) goes over to (3.15).

Given an initial guess for the set of fitted parameters a, the recommended Marquardt recipe is as follows:

- Compute $x^{2}(\mathbf{a}), 19 \rightarrow 29 ?$
- Pick a modest value for $\lambda$, say $\lambda=0.001$,
- (*) Solve the linear equations (3.20) for $\delta \mathbf{a}$ and evaluate $\chi^{2}(\mathbf{a}+\delta \mathbf{a})$,
- If $\chi^{2}(\mathbf{a}+\delta \mathbf{a}) \geq \chi^{2}(\mathbf{a})$ then increase $\lambda$ by a factor of 10 (or any other substantial factor) and go back to (*).
else decrease $\lambda$ by a factor of 10, update the trial solution $\mathbf{a} \longleftarrow \mathbf{a}+\delta \mathbf{a}$, and go back to (*).

Also necessary is a condition for stopping. Iterating to convergence (to machine accuracy or to the round off limit) is generally wasteful and unnecessary since the minimum is best only a statistical estimate of the parameters a. A change in the parameters that changes $\chi^{2}$ by an amount $\ll 1$ is never statistically meaningful.

Outright failure by a zero pivot is possible, but unlikely. More often, a small pivot will generate a large correction, which is then rejected, the value of $\lambda$ being then increased. For sufficiently large $\lambda$ the matrix $\left[\alpha^{\prime}\right]$ can have no small pivots. Thus the method does tend to stay away from zero pivots.

These considerations suggest that, in practice, one might as well stop iterating on the first or second occasion that $\chi^{2}$ decreases by a negligible amount, say either less than 0.01 absolutely or (in case round off prevents that being reached) some fractional amount like $10^{-3}$. Don't stop after a step where $\chi^{2}$ increases: That only shows that $\lambda$ has not yet adjusted itself optimally.

Once the acceptable minimum has been found, one wants to set $\lambda=0$ and compute the matrix
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which is the estimated covariance matrix of the standard errors in the fitted parameters a. 69 d6W9.

One hopes that this algorithm will converge to the desired solution, but it could also end up in a local minimum or diverge. This depends on the initial value. Since the Levenberg-Marquardt method is an iterative process that requires the initial input, any interpretations from the final results are only as good as the initial
input. Therefore the use of incorrect function forms can fit the data fine, but using the "fit parameters" for further interpretation would be erroneous.


## CHAPTER 4

## DETAIL OF CALCULATIONS

### 4.1 Development of Intermolecular Potential Function

As mentioned before that the following steps are required to develop the potential function by means of quantum chemical calculations:
(i) selection of representative geometries of the pairs,
(ii) the $a b$ initio calculations,
(iii) fitting of the computed interaction energies to the functional form,
and (iv) improving quality of the function which consists of 2 steps:

- testing the quality of the function
- search for false minima of the function.

This procedure is schematically illustrated in Figure 4.1.

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Figure 4.1 The procedure for constructing the potential function by means of quantum chemical calculations.

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### 4.1.1 Selection of Representative Geometries of the Pairs

The pair geometries were selected with regard to chemically representative conformations. The first molecule was fixed at the origin of the cartesian coordinate system and the second molecule was placed at numerous positions around the first molecule. The distance between atoms of two molecules should not be too close to
each other because this may lead to strong repulsive interaction. The symmetry of the molecules can reduce the repetition and save the calculated time of the interaction energies in the next step. Both molecules were treated as rigid throughout the calculations.

### 4.1.2 The SCF Calculations

In the SCF calculations, the interaction energy $\Delta \mathrm{E}_{\text {SCF }}$ between two molecules is determined as the difference of the supersystem energy ( $\mathrm{E}_{12}$ ) and sum of the subsystem energies ( $\mathrm{E}_{1}, \mathrm{E}_{2}$ )

$$
\begin{equation*}
\Delta \mathrm{E}_{\mathrm{SCF}}(\mathrm{kcal} / \mathrm{mol})=\left[\mathrm{E}_{12}-\left(\mathrm{E}_{1}+\mathrm{E}_{2}\right)\right] \times 627.5 \tag{4.1}
\end{equation*}
$$

where $E_{12}, E_{1}$ and $E_{2}$ are total energy (in atomic units) obtained from quantum chemical calculations.

In this study, part of the semi-automatic Fortran program has been developed to construct the intermolecular pair potential function in the steps (iii) and (iv), fitting of pair interaction energies to a functional form and improving quality of the function. Details of the program are given in the next section.
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### 4.2 Program Implementation

The program, "MRQFIT" version 1.0, has been developed and its source code has been written in Fortran language.

The program manual is given in Appendix I.

## Program Strategies

For easy understanding, the program can be separated into seven parts:

1. Input Elementary Data,
2. Selection of the Functional Form,
3. Setting an Initial Guess of the Fitting Parameters,
4. Fitting Energies to the Function,
5. Testing the Quality of the Function,
6. Search for False Minima,
7. Write Output.

The flowchart of MRQFIT program is shown in Figure 4.2.
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Figure 4.2 The sequence of MRQFIT program version 1.0.


The structure of input is shown in Figure 4.3.


Figure 4.3 The structure of input elementary data.

The variables of input elementary data are defined as follows:

Section 1:
fname: Data filename, i.e., imrqfit
natom1: Number of atoms of molecule 1
natom2: Number of atoms of molecule 2 maxiter: Maximum number of iterations


## Section 2:

charge1: Atomic net charge of each atom of molecule 1 charge2: Atomic net charge of each atom of molecule 2

## Section 3:

$$
\begin{array}{ll}
\text { pair12, sset: } & \text { A positive interger which represents atom } i \text { and atom } j \text { of two } \\
& \text { molecules and specify types of subfunctions }
\end{array}
$$

## Section 4:

comol1: $\quad$ Cartesian coordinates of molecule 1

Section 5:
thetha, phi: Angles of each trajectories (see Figure 4.11, 4.12)
ener, comol2: Interaction energies and corresponding cartesian coordinates of molecule 2

The second step, section 5 of input elementary data, is separated into two files using subroutine Isplit. The first file is for fitting and the second one is for testing the function.

The criteria to separate file which implements in this program is to keep approximately one-fifth of the data for testing. Therefore, the trajectories are selected by choosing one and skiping four trajectories. The selected trajectories (tested set) which should be between 10 to 20 percent of all the data and corresponding cartesian coordinates are used for testing and the rests are used for fitting the function. The procedure of this part is shown in Figure 4.4. $G$


Figure 4.4 The flowchart of part 1; Input Elementary Data.

### 4.2.2 PART 2: Selection of the Functional Form

This part is designed for the user to select the function form suitable for the studying system. Power of denominator of each term can be also assigned. The functional form which available in the program are:

1. $\Delta \mathrm{E}_{\mathrm{MN}}=\sum_{\mathrm{i}}^{\mathrm{m}} \sum_{\mathrm{j}}^{\mathrm{n}}\left(-\frac{\mathrm{A}_{\mathrm{ij}}}{\mathrm{r}_{\mathrm{ij}}^{\mathrm{x}}}+\frac{\mathrm{B}_{\mathrm{ij}}}{\mathrm{r}_{\mathrm{ij}}^{\mathrm{y}}}+\frac{\mathrm{q}_{\mathrm{i}} \mathrm{q}_{\mathrm{j}}}{\mathrm{r}_{\mathrm{ij}}}\right)$
$2 \Delta \mathrm{E}_{\mathrm{MN}}=\sum_{\mathrm{i}}^{\mathrm{m}} \sum_{j}^{\mathrm{n}}\left(-\frac{\mathrm{A}_{\mathrm{ij}}}{\mathrm{r}_{\mathrm{ij}}^{\mathrm{x}}}+\frac{\mathrm{B}_{\mathrm{ij}}}{\mathrm{r}_{\mathrm{ij}}^{\mathrm{y}}}+\frac{\mathrm{q}_{\mathrm{i}} \mathrm{q}_{\mathrm{j}}}{\mathrm{r}_{\mathrm{ij}}}+\frac{\mathrm{C}_{\mathrm{ij}}}{\mathrm{r}_{\mathrm{ij}}^{\mathrm{z}}}\right)$


2. $\Delta \mathrm{E}_{\mathrm{MN}}=\sum_{\mathrm{i}}^{m} \sum_{\mathrm{j}}^{\mathrm{n}}\left(-\frac{\mathrm{A}_{\mathrm{ij}}}{\mathrm{r}_{\mathrm{ij}}^{\mathrm{x}}}+\mathrm{B}_{\mathrm{ij}} \exp \left(-\mathrm{C}_{\mathrm{ij}} \mathrm{r}_{\mathrm{ij}}\right)+\frac{\mathrm{q}_{\mathrm{i}} \mathrm{q}_{\mathrm{j}}}{\mathrm{r}_{\mathrm{ij}}}+\mathrm{D}_{\mathrm{ij}} \exp \left(-\mathrm{E}_{\mathrm{ij}} \mathrm{r}_{\mathrm{ij}}\right)\right)$
3. $\Delta \mathrm{E}_{\mathrm{MN}}=\sum_{\mathrm{i}}^{\mathrm{m}} \sum_{\mathrm{j}}^{\mathrm{n}}\left(-\mathrm{A}_{\mathrm{ij}} \exp \left(-\mathrm{B}_{\mathrm{ij} \mathrm{r}_{\mathrm{ij}}}\right)+\mathrm{C}_{\mathrm{ij}} \exp \left(-\mathrm{D}_{\mathrm{ij}} \mathrm{r}_{\mathrm{ij}}\right)+\frac{\mathrm{q}_{\mathrm{i}} \mathrm{q}_{\mathrm{j}}}{\mathrm{r}_{\mathrm{ij}}}\right)$

This procedure executes by subroutine Selectf. It starts with reading the selected choice (1-6), then, sets the power of denominater of each term to yield the functional form.

The procedure of this part is shown in Figure 4.5.


Figure 4.5 The flowchart of part 2; Selection of the Functional Form.

### 4.2.3 PART 3: Set an Initial Guess for the Parameters $\frac{\sim}{6}$

This part is designed to set an initial guess for the parameters. The procedure is given in subroutines Ranpar and Ran.

This part begins with reading the functional form (the output of subroutine Selectf), then set the initial parameters which are corresponding to each function.

Initial guess for the parameters are generated from the power of denominator of each parameters using the following expression,

$$
\begin{equation*}
\mathrm{a}(\mathrm{i})=(10.0+(40.0 * \boldsymbol{\operatorname { R a n }}(\text { iseed })))^{*}(1.5)^{\mathrm{R}} \tag{4.8}
\end{equation*}
$$

where $\mathrm{a}(\mathrm{i})$ is ith initial parameter, R is its power of denominator. The subroutine Ran assigns real number between 0.0 and 1.0 , and initial iseed is 1.

If the parameter is the power of exponential term, its initial value was assigned as a real number in an interval between 0.0 and 1.0,

$$
\begin{equation*}
\mathrm{a}(\mathrm{i})=\operatorname{Ran}(\text { iseed }) \tag{4.9}
\end{equation*}
$$

The main procedure of this part is shown in Figure 4.6.


Figure 4.6 The flowchart of part 3; Set an initial Guess for the Parameters.

### 4.2.4 PART 4: Fitting Energies to the Function

This part is designed to fit the function by using a multidimensional nonlinear least-squares procedure, namely the Marquardt-Levenberg algorithm (See Chapter 3). This will minimize the $\chi^{2}$ merit function until constancy of the fitting parameters is reached.

In many applications, the data points will not be equally important, because some data points are known to be more important than others. The more important the data point, the larger the weight. To improve the fit, weighting factor is included in the fitting process. If the error in the $j$ th data point is approximately $e_{\mathrm{j}}$ then choose $\mathrm{w}_{\mathrm{j}}=1 / \mathrm{e}_{\mathrm{j}}$, where $\mathrm{w}_{\mathrm{j}}$ are the weights. Thus the smaller the error, the larger the weight. Weighting can improve the statistical properties of the solution. Of course, the parameters obtained from the model will change as the weighting factor changes.

In this study, weighting factor has been given to the most important configuration (which corresponds to the lowest SCF energy points). In addition, highly repulsive configurations are also excluded from the process.

The $\chi^{2}$ merit function that will be used to minimize to get goodness-of-fit in the program is:

$$
\begin{align*}
& \chi^{2}(\mathrm{j})=\sum_{\mathrm{j}=1}^{\text {nconf }}\left[\left(\Delta \mathrm{E}_{\operatorname{SCF}(\mathrm{j})}-\Delta \mathrm{E}_{\mathrm{FIT}(\mathrm{j})}\right)^{2} * \mathrm{w}(\mathrm{j})\right] / \mathrm{df}
\end{align*}
$$

where $\mathrm{w}(\mathrm{j}), \Delta \mathrm{E}_{\mathrm{SCF}(\mathrm{j})}$ and $\Delta \mathrm{E}_{\mathrm{FIT}(\mathrm{j})}$ are weight value, SCF energy and the energy which calculate from the function of $j$ th data point, respectively, nconf is number of configurations and df is number of degree of freedom which is expressed as:
df = nconf-(npar+ncut)
where npar is number of parameter which will be used to adjust in fitting procedure and ncut is number of SCF energy data points which are excluded from the process.

Input of this part consists of:

1. An initial guess for the set of fitting parameters (the output from subroutine Ranpar),
2. Functional form (the output from subroutine Selectf).

The following is the steps inside this part:

1. Read an initial guess of fitting parameters (a),
2. Compute $\chi^{2}(\mathrm{a})$,
3. Set $\lambda=0.001$,
4. Solve $\delta \mathbf{a}$ and evaluate $\chi^{2}(\mathbf{a}+\delta \mathbf{a})$ by following conditions:

> - If $\chi^{2}(\mathbf{a}+\delta \mathbf{a}) \geq \chi^{2}(\mathbf{a})$ then set $\lambda=\lambda * 10$ and go back to (4).
> else update the trial solution $\mathbf{a} \longleftarrow \mathbf{a}+\delta \mathbf{a}$ and go back to (4).

The step 4 will be repeated until consistency of the fitting parameters is reached.

The convergence criteria which implements in this program is to use the following equation:

$$
\begin{equation*}
/ \mathbf{a}_{\text {new }}-\mathbf{a}_{\text {old }} / \leq / 0.01 * \mathbf{a}_{\text {old }} / \text { and } \chi^{2}(\mathbf{a}) \leq 0.5 \tag{4.12}
\end{equation*}
$$

where $\mathbf{a}_{\text {new }}$ and $\mathbf{a}_{\text {old }}$ are the current and previous parameters, respectively.

Note that warning message will be given in the output file if the convergence is not reached.

Thus, from the above procedure, the output consists of:

1. Set of parameters,
2. Standard deviation yielded from adjusting the function $\left(\sigma_{\text {ajjust }}\right)$,
3. Number of iterations.

Beside subroutines Ranpar and Selectf, this part also uses:

- Subroutine Gradhs to calculate matrix [ $\alpha$ ] (equation 3.17) and vector $\beta$ (equation 3.12 and 3.14).
- Subroutine Dev to calculate vector of derivatives (term $\frac{\partial y\left(x_{i} ; a\right)}{\partial a_{k}}$ in equation 3.12).

Note that the program uses two different methods to compute derivative. They are the analytical derivative computation and the approximate derivative computation using central difference technique [32-33].

To calculate analytically, the partial derivative with respect to the parameters of two general forms of the potential functions (see equations 4.2 and 4.4) are


$$
\begin{align*}
& \frac{\partial \Delta \mathrm{E}_{\mathrm{MN}}}{\partial \mathrm{~A}_{\mathrm{ij}}}=\sum_{\mathrm{i}}^{\mathrm{m}} \sum_{\mathrm{j}}^{\mathrm{n}}\left(-\frac{1}{\mathrm{r}_{\mathrm{ij}}^{\mathrm{x}}}\right)  \tag{4.13}\\
& \frac{\partial \Delta \mathrm{E}_{\mathrm{MN}}}{\partial \mathrm{~B}_{\mathrm{ij}}}=\sum_{\mathrm{i}}^{\mathrm{m}} \sum_{\mathrm{j}}^{\mathrm{n}}\left(\frac{1}{\mathrm{r}_{\mathrm{ij}}^{\mathrm{y}}}\right) \tag{4.14}
\end{align*}
$$

and

$$
\begin{gather*}
\frac{\partial \Delta \mathrm{E}_{\mathrm{MN}}}{\partial \mathrm{~A}_{\mathrm{ij}}}=\sum_{\mathrm{i}}^{\mathrm{m}} \sum_{\mathrm{j}}^{\mathrm{n}}\left(-\frac{1}{\mathrm{r}_{\mathrm{ij}}^{\mathrm{x}}}\right)  \tag{4.15}\\
\frac{\partial \Delta \mathrm{E}_{\mathrm{MN}}}{\partial \mathrm{~B}_{\mathrm{ij}}}=\sum_{\mathrm{i}}^{\mathrm{m}} \sum_{\mathrm{j}}^{\mathrm{n}}\left(\exp \left(-\mathrm{C}_{\mathrm{ij}} \mathrm{r}_{\mathrm{ij}}\right)\right)  \tag{4.16}\\
\frac{\partial \Delta \mathrm{E}_{\mathrm{MN}}}{\partial \mathrm{C}_{\mathrm{ij}}}=\sum_{\mathrm{i}}^{\mathrm{m}} \sum_{\mathrm{j}}^{\mathrm{n}}\left(\left(\mathrm{~B}_{\mathrm{ij}} *\left(-\mathrm{r}_{\mathrm{ij}}\right)\right) *\left(\exp \left(-\mathrm{C}_{\mathrm{ij}} \mathrm{r}_{\mathrm{ij}}\right)\right)\right) \tag{4.17}
\end{gather*}
$$

Considering the partial derivative with respect to $\mathrm{A}_{\mathrm{ij}}$ and $\mathrm{B}_{\mathrm{ij}}$ of the first form and $\mathrm{A}_{\mathrm{ij}}$ of second form, only $\mathrm{r}_{\mathrm{ij}}$ are involved. Because we fixed the distance in each calculation, therefore the derivative yields the same value. Considering the first form, this means that $\Delta \mathrm{E}_{\mathrm{MN}}$ is a linear function in term of $\mathrm{A}_{\mathrm{ij}}$ and $\mathrm{B}_{\mathrm{ij}}$.

- Subroutine Guassj, which perfoms with Guass-Jordan method [32-33], is used to calculate the matrix solution ( $\delta \mathbf{a}$ in equation 3.20 ).
- Subroutine Statva to calculate the statistical value.
- Subroutine Funct to return the model function.

The procedure of this patt is shown in Figure 4.7.
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Figure 4.7 The flowchart of part 4; Fitting Energies to the Function.

### 4.2.5 PART 5: Testing the Quality of the Function

This part is designed to test the obtained function. The predictive capabilities of the potential functions are tested according to the procedure suggested by Beveridge et al. [6], i.e., namely, the SCF energies (outside the original set) are calculated and compared with the values predicted by the function. These points are then included in the fitting procedure and the whole process was repeated until constancy of the fitting parameters, fluctuated within a range of $\pm 5 \%$, is obtained and a sufficiently low standard deviation is reached.

This part is examined using subroutine Testf.

Input of this procedure consists of :

1. The pair potential function (output from part 4),
2. Standard deviation of the fit ( $\sigma_{\text {adjust }}$, also output from part 4),
3. The configurations (Cartesian coordinate of molecule 2 and corresponding interaction energy which yields from quantum chemical calculations $\Delta \mathrm{E}_{\text {SCF }}$ ), which have never been used in the fit (tested set).

The following is the steps inside this procedure:


1. Calculate the energy points using the pair potential function ( $\Delta \mathrm{E}_{\mathrm{FIT}}$ ),
2. Compare all $\triangle \mathrm{E}_{\text {SCF }}$ and $\Delta \mathrm{E}_{\mathrm{FIT}}$ values and their-standard deviation from each other ( $\sigma_{\text {test }}$ ) by following conditions:

- If $\sigma_{\text {test }}>105 \%$ of $\sigma_{\text {adjust }}$ then go back to step of fitting function and included these points in the fitting procedure and the whole processes are repeated. else go to the next step to search for false minima of the function.

Thus, from the above procedure, the output consists of:

1. Standard deviation for the tested data set $\left(\sigma_{\text {test }}\right)$,
2. $\Delta \mathrm{E}_{\text {SCF }}$ and $\Delta \mathrm{E}_{\mathrm{FIT}}$ of the tested configurations.

The procedure of this part is shown in Figure 4.8.


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Figure 4.8 The flowchart of part5; Testing the Quality of the Function.

### 4.2.6 PART 6: Search for False Minima of the Function

In this part, false minima that may be available in the function will be searched. This checking procedure is also essential as unwanted minima may take place in the function.

The procedure for this part is in subroutines Sfmin and Genco.

Input of this procedure consists of :

1. The configurations, which different from the previous (the output from subroutine Genco),
2. The pair potential function (the output from part 4).

The following steps are in this procedure:

1. Calculate the energy points for as many configurations of the dimer as possible using the pair potential function ( $\Delta \mathrm{E}_{\mathrm{FIT}}$ ),
2. Search for the false minima of the function by following conditions:

- If the function contains artificial minima then go back to step of calculate SCF energy. Then these points are included in the fitting procedure and the whole processes are repeated.
else write the pair potential function to the output file.

Note that artificial minima are the energy points which are deeper or higher than those yielded from quantum chemical calculations at the nearest configuration.

Thus, from above procedure, the output consists of the final fitting parameters and its function. $\approx 6$ Fang

The procedure of this part is shown in Figure 4.9.


Figure 4.9 The flowchart of part 6; Search for False Minima of the Function.


### 4.2.7 PART 7: Write Output

This part is designed to write output of the calculations. The output consists of three files. The first file contains statistical values and adjusted parameters every iterations, the second one collects final values of the fitting parameters. The third file
keeps interaction energy of all configurations both those yield from quantum chemical calculations ( $\Delta \mathrm{E}_{\text {SCF }}$ ) and the pair potential function ( $\Delta \mathrm{E}_{\mathrm{FIT}}$ ).

The example of output files are given in Appendix II.

The procedure of this part is shown in Figure 4.10.


Figure 4.10 The flowchart of part 7; Write Output.

### 4.3 Specification of the systems for this study

In this study, the $\mathrm{Li}^{+}-\mathrm{NH}_{3}$ and $\mathrm{NH}_{3}-\mathrm{NH}_{3}$ systems are used to develop and test the performance of the program.

In the $\mathrm{Li}^{+}-\mathrm{NH}_{3}$ system, the nitrogen atom of the ammonia molecule was placed at the origin of cartesian coordinate and the lithium ion was placed at numerous positions within the space around ammonia, where $0^{\circ} \leq \theta \leq 180^{\circ}$ and $0^{\circ} \leq$ $\phi \leq 120^{\circ}$ in steps of $30^{\circ}$ and $1.20 \leq \mathrm{r} \leq 10.00 \AA$, when r is distance between the nitrogen atom of ammonia molecule and the lithium ion. With this consideration 735 configurations of the lithium ion have been generated. The corresponding interaction energies were calculated using DZP basis set (Double Zeta plus Polarization

Function) with BSSE corrections. Both molecules were treated as rigid throughout the calculations.

The graphic drawing represented the definition of geometries variable for configurations of ammonia-lithium ion was shown in Figure 4.11.


Figure 4.11 Definition of geometries variable $(\theta, \phi)$ for the configuration of ammonia-lithium ion.

The atomic coordinates of ammonia molecule and the atomic net charges obtained from the Mulliken population analysis which are used in the Coulombic term in the pair potential were collected in Table 4.1. Due to the symmetry reason, all three hydrogen atoms of $\mathrm{NH}_{3}$ are treated equivalently. Therefore, only two types of subfunctions are available in the $\mathrm{Li}^{+}-\mathrm{NH}_{3}$ system, i.e., those for $\mathrm{Li}^{+}-\mathrm{N}^{\text {and }} \mathrm{Li}^{+}-\mathrm{H}^{-}$


Table 4.1 Cartesian coordinates (in Angstroms) and atomic net charges (in a.u.) of ammonia molecule obtained from ab initio calculations using DZP basis set.

| Atom | $\mathbf{X}$ | $\mathbf{Y}$ | $\mathbf{Z}$ | Atomic Charge |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| N | 0.000000 | 0.000000 | 0.000000 | -0.74207 |
| H | 0.937760 | 0.000000 | -0.381470 | 0.24736 |
| H | -0.468880 | -0.812120 | -0.381470 | 0.24736 |
| H | -0.468880 | 0.812120 | -0.381470 | 0.24736 |

For the $\mathrm{NH}_{3}-\mathrm{NH}_{3}$ system, the nitrogen atom of the first molecule was placed at the origin of cartesian coordinate and the second molecule was placed at numerous positions within the space around the first molecule, where $0^{\circ} \leq \theta \leq 180^{\circ}$ and $0^{\circ} \leq \phi \leq 60^{\circ}$ in steps of $30^{\circ}$ and $2.30 \leq r \leq 10.00 \AA$, when $r$ is distance between the nitrogen atoms of two molecules. Here, orientation of the second ammonia around its nitrogen atom using the same conditions for $\mathrm{r}, \theta$ and $\phi$, has been also taken into consideration. With this consideration 819 configurations of the second molecule have been generated. The corresponding interaction energies were calculated using DZP basis set (Double Zeta plus Polarization Function) with BSSE corrections. Both molecules were treated as rigid throughout the calculations.

The graphic drawing represented the definition of geometries variable for the configurations of ammonia-ammonia was shown in Figure 4.12.
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- = Nitrogen atom of the second molecule


Figure 4.12 Definition of geometries variable $(\theta, \phi)$ for the ammonia- ammonia configuration.

Due to the symmetry reason, all three hydrogen atoms of $\mathrm{NH}_{3}$ are treated equivalently. Therefore, only three types of subfunctions are available in the $\mathrm{NH}_{3}-$ $\mathrm{NH}_{3}$ system, i.e., $\mathrm{N}-\mathrm{N}, \mathrm{N}-\mathrm{H}, \mathrm{H}-\mathrm{H}$ pairs.

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## CHAPTER 5

## RESULTS AND DISCUSSION

In this Chapter, characteristics of the newly developed Fortran program, case studied for the lithium ion-ammonia and ammonia- ammonia potentials have been reported. Discussed has been made in terms of optimized parameters, the statistical values, number of iteration cycle, etc.

### 5.1 Development of Lithium Ion - Ammonia Potential Function

### 5.1.1 Input Elementary Data

In this part, after user inputs elementary data, the program will count and report the number of all trajectories, SCF data points and the corresponding cartesian coordinates which will be included in the development of the function. In this example, the fitting procedure contains 35 trajectories and 735 SCF energy points in the geometries mentioned in Figure 4.11. Then, one-fifth of the trajectory, taking one every five lines, will be kept for testing.

The selected 7 trajectories as well as the corresponding 147 SCF energies are shown in Table 5.1. Here, the other 28 trajectories with 588 SCF energy points were


Table 5.1 The selected trajectories, in term of $\theta$ and $\phi$ angles (see Figure 4.11), for lithium ion around ammonia.

| Trajectory | $\theta$ | $\phi$ |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 1 | 0 | 0 |
| 2 | 30 | 0 |
| 3 | 60 | 0 |
| 4 | 90 | 0 |
| 5 | 120 | 0 |
| 6 | 150 | 0 |
| 7 | 180 | 0 |

An input file for the $\mathrm{Li}^{+}-\mathrm{NH}_{3}$ system is shown in Figure 5.1.


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Figure 5.1 An input file for the $\mathrm{Li}^{+}-\mathrm{NH}_{3}$ system (see Figure 4.3).

In this program, the input elementary data using free format.

### 5.1.2 Selection of the Functional Form

Here, the energy points for the lithium ion-ammonia dimer, with choice 3 of the functional form, $x=6$ (see equation 4.4), were displayed, that is

$$
\begin{equation*}
\Delta \mathrm{E}_{\mathrm{NH} 3-\mathrm{Li}}=\sum_{\mathrm{i}}^{\mathrm{k}} \sum_{\mathrm{j}}^{1}\left(-\frac{\mathrm{A}_{\mathrm{ij}}}{\mathrm{r}_{\mathrm{ij}}^{\mathrm{x}}}+\mathrm{B}_{\mathrm{ij}} \exp \left(-\mathrm{C}_{\mathrm{ij}} \mathrm{r}_{\mathrm{ij}}\right)+\frac{\mathrm{q}_{\mathrm{i}} \mathrm{q}_{\mathrm{j}}}{\mathrm{r}_{\mathrm{ij}}}\right) \tag{5.1}
\end{equation*}
$$

where $\mathrm{k}=4$ (number of atoms of ammonia molecule) and $\mathrm{l}=1$ (number of atom of $\left.\mathrm{Li}^{+}\right), \mathrm{A}_{\mathrm{ij}}, \mathrm{B}_{\mathrm{ij}}$ and $\mathrm{C}_{\mathrm{ij}}$ are fitting parameters, $\mathrm{r}_{\mathrm{ij}}$ is the distance between the $i t h$ atom of ammonia and lithium ion, $\mathrm{q}_{\mathrm{i}}=-0.74207$ and 0.24736 atomic unit for atoms N and H of ammonia and $\mathrm{q}_{\mathrm{j}}=+1$ atomic unit for $\mathrm{Li}^{+}$.

### 5.1.3 Set an Initial Guess for the Parameters

In this part, the program random set of an initial guess of the fitting parameters. In this example, equation (5.1) contains 6 parameters namely $\mathrm{A}_{\mathrm{NLi}}, \mathrm{B}_{\mathrm{NLi}}$, $\mathrm{C}_{\mathrm{NLI}}, \mathrm{A}_{\mathrm{HLi}}, \mathrm{B}_{\mathrm{HLi}}, \mathrm{C}_{\mathrm{HLL}}$. The first 3 parameters represents interaction between atom N and $\mathrm{Li}^{+}$while the last 3 parameters for the H and $\mathrm{Li}^{+}$pair.

Note that due to symmetry reason, all 3 hydrogen atoms of $\mathrm{NH}_{3}$ are represented by the same set of fitting parameters.
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- The initial guess of parameters

| - The initial guess of parameters |  |
| ---: | :--- |
| $\mathrm{A}_{\mathrm{NLi}}$ | $=624.434555$ |
| $\mathrm{~B}_{\mathrm{NLi}}$ | $=23.7004414$ |
| $\mathrm{C}_{\mathrm{NLi}}$ | $=0.13874417$ |
| $\mathrm{~A}_{\mathrm{HLi}}$ | $=402.141846$ |
| $\mathrm{~B}_{\mathrm{HLi}}$ | $=37.5042381$ |
| $\mathrm{C}_{\mathrm{HLi}}$ | $=0.91231015$ |

### 5.1.4 Fitting Energies to the Functional Form

With 588 ammonia-lithium interaction energies (see Section 5.1.1), the pair lower than $10 \mathrm{kcal}_{\mathrm{k}} \mathrm{mol}^{-1}$ were fitted to the analytical function, equation 5.1. Note that repulsive interaction higher than $10 \mathrm{kcal} . \mathrm{mol}^{-1}$ are excluded from the fit because it is assumed that those configurations should be rarely detected in the simulation.

In this program, the vector of derivatives (term $\frac{\partial y\left(x_{i} ; a\right)}{\partial \mathrm{a}_{\mathrm{k}}}$ in equation 3.12) has been calculated by the two methods. The first method, the derivatives were approximated using the central different technique which the second one, the derivatives were calculated analytically.

The optimized parameters of fit in which using the first method are given in the Table 5.2.

Table 5.2. The optimized parameters (the derivatives were approximated using the central different technique) representing interaction of N and H atoms of ammonia with lithium ion (energy and r are in $\mathrm{kcal} . \mathrm{mol}^{-1}$ and angstroms, respectively).


Characteristics of the fit in which the derivatives were approximated using the central different technique:

| Minimum energy included in the fit | -40.83 | kcal.mol ${ }^{-1}$. |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Maximum energy included in the fit | 10.00 | kcal.mol ${ }^{-1}$. |
| Maximum absolute residual | 4.54 | kcal.mol ${ }^{-1}$. |
| Minimum absolute residual | 0.001 | kcal.mol ${ }^{-1}$. |
| Average absolute residual | 0.61 | kcal.mol ${ }^{-1}$. |
| Number of iteration | 47 | cycle. |
| Standard deviation ( $\sigma_{\text {fit }}$ ) | 0.196 | kcal.mol ${ }^{-1}$. |

The optimized parameters of fit in which using the second method are given in the Table 5.3.

Table 5.3. The optimized parameters (the derivatives were calculated analytically) representing interaction of N and H atoms of ammonia with lithium ion (energy and $r$ are in $\mathrm{kcal} . \mathrm{mol}^{-1}$ and angstroms, respectively).

| Atom | $\mathrm{A}\left(\AA^{6} \mathrm{kcal} . \mathrm{mol}^{-1}\right)$ | $\mathrm{B}\left(\mathrm{kcal} . \mathrm{mol}^{-1}\right)$ | $\mathrm{C}\left(\mathrm{kcal} . \mathrm{mol}^{-1}\right)$ |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| $\mathrm{NL}_{\mathrm{i}}$ | $-0.80015872 \mathrm{E}+03$ | $-0.21806948 \mathrm{E}+03$ | $0.10526058 \mathrm{E}+01$ |
| $\mathrm{HL}_{\mathrm{i}}$ | $0.58478275 \mathrm{E}+03$ | $0.5649 .9844 \mathrm{E}+04$ | $0.2 .9654104 \mathrm{E}+01$ |

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Characteristics of the fit in which the derivatives were calculated analytically:

| Minimum energy included in the fit | $=-40.83 \mathrm{kcal} \cdot \mathrm{mol}^{-1}$. |
| ---: | :--- |
| Maximum energy included in the fit | $=10.00 \mathrm{kcal} \cdot \mathrm{mol}^{-1}$. |
| Maximum absolute residual $=16.91 \mathrm{kcal} . \mathrm{mol}^{-1}$. <br> Minimum absolute residual $=0.005 \mathrm{kcal} \cdot \mathrm{mol}^{-1}$. <br> Average absolute residual $=1.19 \mathrm{kcal} \cdot \mathrm{mol}^{-1}$.. |  |


| Number of iteration | $=$ | 53 | cycle. |
| :--- | :--- | ---: | :---: |
| Standard deviation $\left(\sigma_{f t 1}\right)$ | $=$ | 0.41 | $\mathrm{kcal} . \mathrm{mol}^{-1}$. |

### 5.1.5 Testing the Quality of the Function

The analytical potential function obtained from 588 SCF data points was carefully tested in order to make sure that it is possible to represent interactions of all lithium ion positions and orientations relative to ammonia molecule.

In this part, the 147 ammonia-lithium configurations (with the corresponding $147 \Delta \mathrm{E}_{\text {SCF }}$ ), which are different from the first 588 configurations, were used to test the quality of the function. The energy points ( $\Delta \mathrm{E}_{\mathrm{FIT}}$ ) due to the tested configurations were calculated using the pair potential with the optimal parameter for the two fitted methods shown in Table 5.2 and 5.3.

The standard deviations for the tested data set ( $\sigma_{\text {test }}$ ) have been calculated for both methods, the values of 0.195 and $0.42 \mathrm{kcal}_{\mathrm{k}} . \mathrm{mol}^{-1}$ have, respectively yielded.


Characteristics of the test in which the energy points ( $\Delta \mathrm{E}_{\mathrm{FIT}}$ ) were calculated using the pair potential with the optimal parameter shown in Table 5.2:


Characteristics of the test in which the energy points ( $\Delta \mathrm{E}_{\mathrm{FIT}}$ ) were calculated using the pair potential with the optimal parameter shown in Table 5.3:

| Minimum energy included in the test $=$ | -4.928 | $\mathrm{kcal} \cdot \mathrm{mol}^{-1}$. |  |
| :--- | ---: | ---: | :--- |
| Maximum energy included in the test $=$ | 10.00 | $\mathrm{kcal} \cdot \mathrm{mol}^{-1}$. |  |
| Maximum absolute residual | $=$ | 8.46 | $\mathrm{kcal} . \mathrm{mol}^{-1}$. |
| Minimum absolute residual | $=0.024$ | $\mathrm{kcal} \cdot \mathrm{mol}^{-1}$. |  |
| Average absolute residual | $=$ | 1.34 | $\mathrm{kcal} \cdot \mathrm{mol}^{-1}$. |
| Standard deviation $\left(\sigma_{\text {test }}\right)$ | $=0.42$ | $\mathrm{kcal} . \mathrm{mol}^{-1}$. |  |

The $147 \Delta \mathrm{E}_{\text {SCF }}$ were, then, added to the fit and the standard deviations $\left(\sigma_{f t 2}\right)$ of 0.194 and $0.43 \mathrm{kcal} . \mathrm{mol}^{-1}$, respectively observed. The final optimal parameters are given in table 5.4 and 5.5 for the method 1 and 2, respectively.

Table 5.4. The final optimized parameters (the derivatives were approximated using the central different technique) representing interaction of N and H atoms of ammonia with lithium ion (energy and $r$ are in $\mathrm{kcal}^{\mathrm{m}} \mathrm{mol}^{-1}$ and angstroms, respectively).


Characteristics of the fit in which the derivatives were approximated using the central different technique:

| Minimum energy included in the fit | $=$ | -40.83 | $\mathrm{kcal} \cdot \mathrm{mol}^{-1}$. |
| :--- | :--- | ---: | :--- |
| Maximum energy included in the fit | $=$ | 10.00 | $\mathrm{kcal} \cdot \mathrm{mol}^{-1}$. |
| Maximum absolute residual | $=$ | 4.97 | $\mathrm{kcal} \cdot \mathrm{mol}^{-1}$. |
| Minimum absolute residual | $=0.4 \mathrm{E}-03 \mathrm{kcal} . \mathrm{mol}^{-1}$. |  |  |
| Average absolute residual | $=$ | 0.60 | $\mathrm{kcal} . \mathrm{mol}^{-1}$. |
| Number of iteration | $=$ | 48 | cycle. |
| Standard deviation $\left(\sigma_{f t 2}\right)$ | $=$ | 0.194 | $\mathrm{kcal} \cdot \mathrm{mol}^{-1}$. |

Table 5.5. The final optimized parameters (the derivatives were calculated analytically) representing interaction of N and H atoms of ammonia with lithium ion (energy and r are in $\mathrm{kcal} \cdot \mathrm{mol}^{-1}$ and angstroms, respectively).

| Atom | $\mathrm{A}\left(\AA^{6} \mathrm{kcal} . \mathrm{mol}^{-1}\right)$ | $\mathrm{B}\left(\mathrm{kcal} \cdot \mathrm{mol}^{-1}\right)$ | $\mathrm{C}\left(\mathrm{kcal} . \mathrm{mol}^{-1}\right)$ |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| $\mathrm{NL}_{\mathrm{i}}$ | $-0.78853383 \mathrm{E}+03$ | $-0.24192296 \mathrm{E}+03$ | $0.10348343 \mathrm{E}+01$ |
| $\mathrm{HL}_{\mathrm{i}}$ | $0.43054531 \mathrm{E}+03$ | $0.21654474 \mathrm{E}+04$ | $0.24836065 \mathrm{E}+01$ |

Characteristics of the fit in which the derivatives were calculated analytically:


It can be seen from the characteristic data that both methods are well fit, especially the first method, with $\sigma_{f i t 1}$ of 0.196 and $0.41 \mathrm{kcal}^{\mathrm{kc}} \mathrm{mol}^{-1}$. Moreover, the quality of the fit is confirmed by the testing procedure. The standard deviations for the tested data set $\left(\sigma_{\text {test }}\right)$ for both methods are 0.195 and $0.42 \mathrm{kcal} . \mathrm{mol}^{-1}$, respectively. After inclusion of the test set, the $\sigma_{f i t 2}$ for both methods are 0.194 and $0.43 \mathrm{kcal}^{\mathrm{k}} \mathrm{mol}^{-1}$, respectively.

### 5.1.6 Search for False Minima of the Function

Now come to the last step of the development of the potential function, false minima which lower than the global minimum of the pair was searched. In this step, subroutine Genco will be used to generated 2322 ammonia-lithium configurations, which different from those included in the fitted and tested sets, where $0^{\circ} \leq \theta \leq 150^{\circ}$ and $0^{\circ} \leq \phi \leq 60^{\circ}$ in steps of $10^{\circ}$ and $1.20 \leq r \leq 10.00 \AA$ (see Figure 4.11). Then, the 2322 energy points have been calculated using the pair potential function.

The results show that among the generated 2322 data points, all of them are higher than the global minimum of the pair $\left(-40.83 \mathrm{kcal}_{\mathrm{kc}} . \mathrm{mol}^{-1}\right)$. This means that no artificial minima were found in the fitted function.

The minimum interaction energy between ammonia and lithium is found at the distance of 2.0 $\AA, \theta=0, \phi=0$ as given in Table $5.6\left(\Delta \mathrm{E}_{\text {FIT }}\right.$ which the derivatives calculate using central different technique $\left(\Delta \mathrm{E}_{\mathrm{FFT}}{ }^{1}\right)$ and calculated analytically $\left.\left(\Delta \mathrm{E}_{\text {FIT }}{ }^{2}\right)\right)$. Some of the computed energies with different values of $\theta$ and $\phi$ are shown in Table 5.7 (a-c) and plotted in Figure 5.2 and Figure 5.3, respectively.

Table 5.6. The energies from $a b$ intio calculations ( $\Delta \mathrm{E}_{\text {SCF }}$ ) and from the pair potential function which the derivatives calculated using central different technique ( $\Delta \mathrm{E}_{\mathrm{FIT}}{ }^{1}$ ) and calculated analytically ( $\Delta \mathrm{E}_{\mathrm{FIT}}{ }^{2}$ ) (energy and r are in kcal.mol ${ }^{-1}$ and angstroms, respectively).


Table 5.7. Lithim ion-ammonia interaction energies from $a b$ initio calculation ( $\Delta \mathrm{E}_{\text {SCF }}$ ) and from the pair potential function which the derivatives calculated using central different technique $\left(\Delta \mathrm{E}_{\text {FIT }}{ }^{1}\right)$ and calculated analytically ( $\Delta \mathrm{E}_{\mathrm{FIT}}{ }^{2}$ ), for (a) $\theta=$ 90 and $\phi=0$, (b) $\theta=60$ and $\phi=0$, (c) $\theta=30$ and $\phi=0$ (energy and $r$ are in kcal. $\mathrm{mol}^{-1}$ and angstroms, respectively).
(a) $\theta=90$ and $\phi=0$

(b) $\theta=60$ and $\phi=0$

| Distance | $\Delta \mathrm{E}_{\text {SCF }}$ | $\Delta \mathrm{E}_{\text {FIT }}{ }^{1}$ | $\Delta \mathrm{E}_{\text {FIT }}{ }^{2}$ |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 1.6000 | -4.2320 | 0.14441 | 1.383 |
| 1.7000 | -12.605 | -10.418 | -8.293 |
| 1.8000 | -17.471 | -16.176 | -14.278 |
| 1.9000 | -20.026 | -19.203 | -17.916 |
| 2.0000 | -21.059 | -20.641 | -20.011 |
| 2.1000 | -21.118 | -21.127 | -21.062 |
| 2.2000 | -20.568 | -21.025 | -21.395 |
| 2.3000 | -19.655 | -20.554 | -21.231 |
| 2.4000 | -18.545 | -19.845 | -20.726 |
| 2.5000 | -17.346 | -18.986 | -19.990 |
| 2.6000 | -16.131 | -18.036 | -19.106 |
| 3.0000 | -11.774 | -14.023 | -15.056 |
| 3.4000 | -8.6110 | -10.471 | -11.325 |
| 3.8000 | -6.4490 | -7.7164 | -8.393 |
| 4.2000 | -4.9780 | -5.7054 | -6.232 |
| 5.2000 | -2.9630 | -2.8808 | -3.150 |
| 6.2000 | -1.9930 | -1.6766 | -1.809 |
| 8.2000 | -1.0870 | -0.81299 | -0.843 |

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(c) $\theta=30$ and $\phi=0$

| Distance | $\Delta \mathrm{E}_{\text {SCF }}$ | $\Delta \mathrm{E}_{\text {FIT }}{ }^{1}$ | $\Delta \mathrm{E}_{\text {FIT }}{ }^{2}$ |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 1.6000 | -18.264 | -16.892 | -20.176 |
| 1.7000 | -27.085 | -27.311 | -28.812 |
| 1.8000 | -32.107 | -32.669 | -33.287 |
| 1.9000 | -34.575 | -35.020 | -35.225 |
| 2.0000 | -35.340 | -35.565 | -35.599 |
| 2.1000 | -34.993 | -35.021 | -35.008 |
| 2.2000 | -33.940 | -33.830 | -33.830 |
| 2.3000 | -32.463 | -32.267 | -32.309 |
| 2.4000 | -30.755 | -30.509 | -30.602 |
| 2.5000 | -28.944 | -28.669 | -28.816 |
| 2.6000 | -27.116 | -26.820 | -27.017 |
| 3.0000 | -20.453 | -20.049 | -20.392 |
| 3.4000 | -15.369 | -14.803 | -15.200 |
| 3.8000 | -11.718 | -10.997 | -11.386 |
| 4.2000 | -9.1480 | -8.2964 | -8.644 |
| 5.2000 | -5.5180 | -4.4995 | -4.715 |
| 6.2000 | -3.7220 | -2.7952 | -2.910 |
| 8.2000 | $\boxed{0} \%$ | -2.0210 | -1.4412 |

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Figure 5.2 The stabilization energies obtained from the DZP-ab initio ( $\Delta \mathrm{E}_{\text {SCF }}$ ) and from the fitting analytical potential $\left(\Delta \mathrm{E}_{\mathrm{FIT}}\right)$, which the derivatives calculated using central different technique, with the parameter given in Table $5.4\left(\phi=0^{\circ}\right.$ see Figure 4.11) .
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Figure 5.3 The stabilization energies obtained from the DZP-ab initio ( $\Delta \mathrm{E}_{\text {SCF }}$ ) and from the fitting analytical potential ( $\Delta \mathrm{E}_{\mathrm{FIT}}$ ), which the derivatives calculated analytically, with the parameter given in Table $5.5\left(\phi=0^{\circ}\right.$ see Figure 4.11).

It is clearly seen that distance to the energy minimum obtained from the two sources takes place at the same position. Good agreement was yielded, especially in the area around the minimum. In addition, all data points were, again, compared in Figure 5.4 and Figure 5.5. It is clearly seen that the energies, obtained from the functions are good agreement with the SCF energies, especially for the attractive regions, which is important for prediction of the simulation results.
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Figure 5.4 Comparison of the stabilization energies from the DZP-ab initio ( $\Delta \mathrm{E}_{\mathrm{SCF}}$ ) and the potential function ( $\Delta \mathrm{E}_{\mathrm{FIT}}$ ), which the derivatives calculated using central different technique, with the final values of the fitting parameters given in Table 5.4.
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Figure 5.5 Comparison of the stabilization energies from the DZP-ab initio ( $\Delta \mathrm{E}_{S C F}$ ) and the potential function ( $\Delta \mathrm{E}_{\mathrm{FIT}}$ ), which the derivatives calculated analytically, with the final values of the fitting parameters given in Table 5.5.
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### 5.2 Development of Ammonia - Ammonia Potential Function

### 5.2.1 Input Elementary Data

In this example, the fitting procedure contains 21 trajectories and 819 SCF energy points in the geometries mentioned in Figure 4.12. Then, one-fifth of the trajectory, taking one every five lines, will be kept for testing.

The selected 5 trajectories as well as the corresponding 195 SCF energies were used for testing. Here, the other 16 trajectories with 624 SCF energy points were used for fitting.

### 5.2.2 Selection of the Functional Form

Here, the energy points for the ammonia-ammonia dimer, with choice 2 of the functional form, $\mathrm{x}=4, \mathrm{y}=7$ and $\mathrm{z}=12$ (see equation 4.3), were displayed, that is

$$
\begin{equation*}
\Delta \mathrm{E}_{\mathrm{NHB}-\mathrm{NHB}}=\sum_{\mathrm{i}}^{\mathrm{k}} \sum_{\mathrm{j}}^{1}\left(-\frac{\mathrm{A}_{\mathrm{ij}}}{\mathrm{r}_{\mathrm{ij}}^{\mathrm{x}}}+\frac{\mathrm{B}_{\mathrm{ij}}}{\mathrm{r}_{\mathrm{ij}}^{\mathrm{y}}}+\frac{\mathrm{q}_{\mathrm{i}} \mathrm{q}_{\mathrm{j}}}{\mathrm{r}_{\mathrm{ij}}}+\frac{\mathrm{C}_{\mathrm{ij}}}{\mathrm{r}_{\mathrm{ij}}^{\mathrm{z}}}\right) \tag{5.2}
\end{equation*}
$$

where $\mathrm{k}=4$ and $\mathrm{I}=4$ (number of atoms of ammonia molecule), $\mathrm{A}_{\mathrm{i}}, \mathrm{B}_{\mathrm{ij}}$ and $\mathrm{C}_{\mathrm{ij}}$ are fitting parameters, $\mathrm{r}_{\mathrm{ij}}$ is the distance, $\mathrm{q}_{\mathrm{i}}=-0.74207$ and 0.24736 atomic unit for atoms N and H of ammonia.
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### 5.2.3 Set an Initial Guess for the Parameters

In this example, equation (5.2) contains 9 parameters namely $\mathrm{A}_{\mathrm{NN}}, \mathrm{B}_{\mathrm{NN}}, \mathrm{C}_{\mathrm{NN}}$, $\mathrm{A}_{\mathrm{NH}}, \mathrm{B}_{\mathrm{NH}}, \mathrm{C}_{\mathrm{NH}}, \mathrm{A}_{\mathrm{HH}}, \mathrm{B}_{\mathrm{HH}}, \mathrm{C}_{\mathrm{HH}}$. The first 3 parameters represents interaction between atom N and N , the second one represents interaction between atom N and H while the last 3 parameters for the H and H pair.

Note that due to symmetry reason, all 3 hydrogen atoms of the two $\mathrm{NH}_{3}$ are represented by the same set of fitting parameters.

- The initial guess of parameters

| $\mathrm{A}_{\mathrm{NN}}$ | $=$ | 99.7486877 |
| :--- | :--- | ---: |
| $\mathrm{~B}_{\mathrm{NN}}$ | $=$ | 269.96283 |
| $\mathrm{C}_{\mathrm{NN}}$ | $=$ | 2017.52527 |
| $\mathrm{~A}_{\mathrm{NH}}$ | $=$ | 147.81398 |
| $\mathrm{~B}_{\mathrm{NH}}$ | $=$ | 475.154297 |
| $\mathrm{C}_{\mathrm{NH}}$ | $=2221.89502$ |  |
| $\mathrm{~A}_{\mathrm{HH}}$ | $=68.1932144$ |  |
| $\mathrm{~B}_{\mathrm{HH}}$ | $=251.712234$ |  |
| $\mathrm{C}_{\mathrm{HH}}$ | $=2970.36646$ |  |

### 5.2.4 Fitting Energies to the Functional Form

With 624 ammonia-ammonia interaction energies (see Section 5.2.1), the pair lower than $5.2 \mathrm{kcal} . \mathrm{mol}^{-1}$ were fitted to the analytical function, equation 5.2.

The optimized parameters of fit in which using the first method are given in the Table 5.8.
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Table 5.8. The optimized parameters (the derivatives were approximated using the central different technique) representing interaction of atoms between the two ammonia molecules (energy and r are in kcal. $\mathrm{mol}^{-1}$ and angstroms, respectively).

| Atom | $\mathrm{A}\left(\AA^{4} \mathrm{kcal} . \mathrm{mol}^{-1}\right)$ | $\mathrm{B}\left(\AA^{7} \mathrm{kcal} . \mathrm{mol}^{-1}\right)$ | $\mathrm{C}\left(\AA^{12} \mathrm{kcal} . \mathrm{mol}^{-1}\right)$ |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| NN | $-0.32110724 \mathrm{E}+04$ | $-0.72573423 \mathrm{E}+04$ | $-0.25824919 \mathrm{E}+06$ |
| NH | $0.85169143 \mathrm{E}+03$ | $0.51342317 \mathrm{E}+04$ | $-0.34077085 \mathrm{E}+05$ |
| HH | $-0.20315592 \mathrm{E}+03$ | $-0.99981208 \mathrm{E}+03$ | $0.57742285 \mathrm{E}+04$ |

Characteristics of the fit in which the derivatives were approximated using the central different technique:

| Minimum energy included in the fit | -1.007 | kcal.mol ${ }^{-1}$. |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Maximum energy included in the fit $=$ | 5.20 | kcal.mol ${ }^{-1}$. |
| Maximum absolute residual = | $0.66$ | kcal.mol ${ }^{-1}$. |
| Minimum absolute residual | $0.001$ | kcal.mol ${ }^{-1}$. |
| Average absolute residual | 0.089 | kcal.mol ${ }^{-1}$. |
| Number of iteration | 7 | cycle. |
| $\text { tandard deviation }\left(\sigma_{\text {fit }}\right) \ell \\| Q \frac{\partial}{\partial}=$ | $0.129$ | cal.mol ${ }^{-1}$. |

The optimized parameters of fit in which using the second method are given in the Table 5.9.

Table 5.9. The optimized parameters (the derivatives were calculated analytically) representing interaction of atoms between the two ammonia molecules (energy and r are in kcal. $\mathrm{mol}^{-1}$ and angstroms, respectively).

| Atom | $\mathrm{A}\left(\AA^{4} \mathrm{kcal} \cdot \mathrm{mol}^{-1}\right)$ | $\mathrm{B}\left(\AA^{7} \mathrm{kcal} \cdot \mathrm{mol}^{-1}\right)$ | $\mathrm{C}\left(\AA^{12} \mathrm{kcal} . \mathrm{mol}^{-1}\right)$ |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| NN | $-0.11872595 \mathrm{E}+04$ | $0.10477691 \mathrm{E}+05$ | $-0.35927283 \mathrm{E}+05$ |
| NH | $0.32843524 \mathrm{E}+03$ | $0.11187137 \mathrm{E}+04$ | $-0.10420567 \mathrm{E}+04$ |
| HH | $-0.60452460 \mathrm{E}+02$ | $-0.79040317 \mathrm{E}+02$ | $0.30113348 \mathrm{E}+04$ |

Characteristics of the fit in which the derivatives were calculated analytically:


### 5.2.5 Testing the Quality of the Function <br> In this part, the 195 ammonia-ammonia configurations (with the

 corresponding $195 \Delta \mathrm{E}_{\text {SCF }}$ ), which are different from the first 624 configurations, were used to test the quaility of the function. The energy points ( $\Delta \mathrm{E}_{\mathrm{FIT}}$ ) due to the tested configurations were calculated using the pair potential with the optimal parameter for the two fitted methods shown in Table 5.8 and 5.9.The standard deviations for the tested data set ( $\sigma_{\text {test }}$ ) have been calculated for both methods, the values of 0.23 and $0.414 \mathrm{kcal}_{\mathrm{k}} \mathrm{mol}^{-1}$ have, respectively yielded.

Characteristics of the test in which the energy points ( $\Delta \mathrm{E}_{\mathrm{FIT}}$ ) were calculated using the pair potential with the optimal parameter shown in Table 5.8:

| Minimum energy included in the test $=$ | -1.007 | $\mathrm{kcal} \cdot \mathrm{mol}^{-1}$. |  |
| :--- | ---: | :--- | :--- |
| Maximum energy included in the test $=$ | 5.20 | $\mathrm{kcal} \cdot \mathrm{mol}^{-1}$. |  |
| Maximum absolute residual | $=$ | 0.66 | $\mathrm{kcal} \cdot \mathrm{mol}^{-1}$. |
| Minimum absolute residual | $=0.001$ | $\mathrm{kcal} . \mathrm{mol}^{-1}$. |  |
| Average absolute residual | $=0.124$ | $\mathrm{kcal} . \mathrm{mol}^{-1}$. |  |
| Standard deviation $\left(\sigma_{\text {test }}\right)$ | $=0.23$ | $\mathrm{kcal} \cdot \mathrm{mol}^{-1}$. |  |

Characteristics of the test in which the energy points ( $\Delta \mathrm{E}_{\mathrm{FIT}}$ ) were calculated using the pair potential with the optimal parameter shown in Table 5.9:


The $195 \Delta \mathrm{E}_{\text {SCF }}$ were, then, added to the fit and the standard deviations $\left(\sigma_{f i t 2}\right)$ of 0.139 and $0.406 \mathrm{kcal} \mathrm{mol}^{-1}$, respectively observed. The final optimal parameters are given in Table 5.10 and 5.11 for the method 1 and 2, respectively.

Table 5.10. The final optimized parameters (the derivatives were approximated using the central different technique) representing interaction of atoms between the two ammonia molecules (energy and r are in kcal.mol ${ }^{-1}$ and angstroms, respectively).

| Atom | $\mathrm{A}\left(\AA^{4} \mathrm{kcal} . \mathrm{mol}^{-1}\right)$ | $\mathrm{B}\left(\AA^{7} \mathrm{kcal} . \mathrm{mol}^{-1}\right)$ | $\mathrm{C}\left(\AA^{12} \mathrm{kcal} . \mathrm{mol}^{-1}\right)$ |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| NN | $-0.31868972 \mathrm{E}+04$ | $-0.72983431 \mathrm{E}+04$ | $-0.25665577 \mathrm{E}+06$ |
| NH | $0.85014415 \mathrm{E}+03$ | $0.51776934 \mathrm{E}+04$ | $-0.349114735 \mathrm{E}+05$ |
| HH | $-0.20485087 \mathrm{E}+03$ | $-0.10305909 \mathrm{E}+04$ | $0.61156608 \mathrm{E}+04$ |

Characteristics of the fit in which the derivatives were approximated using the central different technique:

$$
\begin{aligned}
& \text { Minimum energy included in the fit }=-1.007 \mathrm{kcal} \cdot \mathrm{~mol}^{-1} \text {. } \\
& \text { Maximum energy included in the fit }=5.20 \mathrm{kcal} \cdot \mathrm{~mol}^{-1} \text {. } \\
& \text { Maximum absolute residual }=0.40 \mathrm{kcal} \cdot \mathrm{~mol}^{-1} \text {. } \\
& \text { Minimum absolute residual }=0.001 \mathrm{kcal} \cdot \mathrm{~mol}^{-1} \text {. } \\
& \text { Average absolute residual }=0.079 \mathrm{kcal} \cdot \mathrm{~mol}^{-1} \text {. }
\end{aligned}
$$

$$
\begin{aligned}
& \text { Standard deviation }\left(\sigma_{\text {fit } 2}\right) \approx 0.139{\mathrm{kcāl} . \mathrm{mol}^{-1} \text {. }}_{\text {. }} \text {. }
\end{aligned}
$$

Table 5.11. The final optimized parameters (the derivatives were calculated analytically) representing interaction of atoms between the two ammonia molecules (energy and r are in $\mathrm{kcal} . \mathrm{mol}^{-1}$ and angstroms, respectively).

| Atom | $\mathrm{A}\left(\AA^{4} \mathrm{kcal} . \mathrm{mol}^{-1}\right)$ | $\mathrm{B}\left(\AA^{7} \mathrm{kcal} . \mathrm{mol}^{-1}\right)$ | $\mathrm{C}\left(\AA^{12} \mathrm{kcal} . \mathrm{mol}^{-1}\right)$ |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| NN | $-0.11229922 \mathrm{E}+04$ | $0.12181375 \mathrm{E}+05$ | $-0.33087938 \mathrm{E}+06$ |
| NH | $0.31530579 \mathrm{E}+03$ | $0.10815344 \mathrm{E}+04$ | $-0.12755814 \mathrm{E}+04$ |
| HH | $-0.55114130 \mathrm{E}+02$ | $-0.401867519 \mathrm{E}+02$ | $0.30061042 \mathrm{E}+04$ |

Characteristics of the fit in which the derivatives were calculated analytically:

| Minimum energy included in the fit | $=-1.007$ | $\mathrm{kcal} . \mathrm{mol}^{-1}$. |
| :--- | ---: | :--- |
| Maximum energy included in the fit | $=$ | 5.20 |
| $\mathrm{kcal} . \mathrm{mol}^{-1}$. |  |  |
| Maximum absolute residual | $=4.06$ | $\mathrm{kcal} . \mathrm{mol}^{-1}$. |
| Minimum absolute residual | $=0.8 \mathrm{E}-04$ | $\mathrm{kcal} . \mathrm{mol}^{-1}$. |
| Average absolute residual | $=0.18$ | $\mathrm{kcal} . \mathrm{mol}^{-1}$. |
| Number of iteration | $=301$ | cycle. |
| Standard deviation $\left(\sigma_{f i t 2}\right)$ |  |  |

### 5.2.6 Search for False Minima of the Function

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Now come to the last step of the development of the potential function, false minima which lower than the global minimum of the pair was searched. In this step, subroutine Genco will be used to generated 3610 ammonia-ammonia configurations, which different from those included in the fitted and tested sets, where $0^{\circ} \leq \theta \leq 360^{\circ}$
and $0^{\circ} \leq \phi \leq 360^{\circ}$ in steps of $20^{\circ}$ and $2.30 \leq r \leq 10.00 \AA$. Then, the 3610 energy points have been calculated using the pair potential function.

The results show that among the generated 3610 data points, all of them are higher than the global minimum of the pair ( $-1.007 \mathrm{kcal}_{\mathrm{k}} . \mathrm{mol}^{-1}$ ). This means that no artificial minima were found in the fitted function.

The minimum interaction energy between ammonia and ammonia is found at the distance of $3.8 \AA, \theta=150, \phi=0$ as given in Table 5.12 ( $\Delta \mathrm{E}_{\text {FIT }}$ which the derivatives calculate using central different technique ( $\Delta \mathrm{E}_{\mathrm{FIT}}{ }^{1}$ ) and calculated analytically $\left(\Delta \mathrm{E}_{\text {FIT }}{ }^{2}\right)$ ). Some of the computed energies with different values of $\theta$ and $\phi$ are shown in Table 5.13 (a,b) and plotted in Figure 5.6 and Figure 5.7, respectively.

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Table 5.12. The energies from $a b$ intio calculations ( $\Delta \mathrm{E}_{\mathrm{SCF}}$ ) and from the pair potential function which the derivatives calculated using central different technique $\left(\Delta \mathrm{E}_{\mathrm{FIT}}{ }^{1}\right)$ and calculated analytically ( $\Delta \mathrm{E}_{\mathrm{FIT}}{ }^{2}$ ) (energy and r are in kcal.mol ${ }^{-1}$ and angstroms, respectively).


Table 5.13. Ammonia-ammonia interaction energies from $a b$ initio calculation ( $\Delta \mathrm{E}_{\text {SCF }}$ ) and from the pair potential function which the derivatives calculated using central different technique $\left(\Delta \mathrm{E}_{\text {FIT }}{ }^{1}\right)$ and calculated analytically ( $\Delta \mathrm{E}_{\mathrm{FIT}}{ }^{2}$ ), for (a) $\theta=$ 150 and $\phi=30$, (b) $\theta=150$ and $\phi=60$ (energy and r are in kcal.mol ${ }^{-1}$ and angstroms, respectively).
(a) $\theta=150$ and $\phi=30$

| Distance | $\Delta \mathrm{E}_{\text {SCF }}$ | $\Delta \mathrm{E}_{\text {FIT }}{ }^{1}$ | $\Delta \mathrm{E}_{\text {FIT }}{ }^{2}$ |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 3.3000 | -0.022 | -0.054 | 0.034 |
| 3.3500 | -0.200 | -0.133 | -0.144 |
| 3.4000 | -0.345 | -0.287 | -0.293 |
| 3.4500 | -0.463 | -0.412 | -0.417 |
| 3.5000 | -0.558 | -0.513 | -0.519 |
| 3.5500 | -0.633 | -0.593 | -0.603 |
| 3.6000 | -0.692 | -0.657 | -0.671 |
| 3.6500 | -0.737 | -0.705 | -0.725 |
| 3.7000 | -0.771 | -0.742 | -0.768 |
| 3.7500 | -0.795 | -0.769 | -0.801 |
| 3.8000 | -0.811 | -0.787 | -0.826 |
| 3.8500 | $9-0.8219$ | -0.798 | -0.844 |
| 3.9000 | -0.825 | -0.803 | -0.855 |
| 3.9500 | -0.824 | 90.803 | -0.80 |
| 4.0000 | -0.820 | -0.799 | -0.862 |
| 4.0500 | -0.813 | -0.792 | -0.864 |
| 6.0500 | -0.293 | -0.266 | -0.863 |
| 8.0500 | -0.124 | -0.101 | -0.346 |

(b) $\theta=150$ and $\phi=60$


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Figure 5.6 The stabilization energies obtained from the DZP-ab initio ( $\Delta \mathrm{E}_{\text {SCF }}$ ) and from the fitting analytical potential ( $\Delta \mathrm{E}_{\mathrm{FIT}}$ ), which the derivatives calculated using central different technique, with the parameter given in Table $5.10\left(\theta=150^{\circ}\right.$ see Figure 4.12).

It is clearly seen that distance to the energy minimum obtained from the two sources takes place at the same position. Good agreement was yielded, especially in the area around the minimum.

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Figure 5.7 The stabilization energies obtained from the DZP-ab initio ( $\Delta \mathrm{E}_{\text {SCF }}$ ) and from the fitting analytical potential ( $\Delta \mathrm{E}_{\mathrm{FIT}}$ ), which the derivatives calculated analytically, with the parameter given in Table $5.11\left(\theta=150^{\circ}\right.$ see Figure 4.12).

In addition, all data points were, again, compared in Figure 5.8 and Figure 5.9 for first and second method, respectively. In the first method, it is clearly seen that the energies, obtained from the functions are good agreement with the SCF energies, especially for the attractive regions, which is important for prediction of the simulation results. 9 2 26919 ? 9


Figure 5.8 Comparison of the stabilization energies from the DZP-ab initio ( $\Delta \mathrm{E}_{\mathrm{SCF}}$ ) and the potential function ( $\Delta \mathrm{E}_{\mathrm{FIT}}$ ), which the derivatives calculated using central different technique, with the final values of the fitting parameters given in Table 5.10.
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Figure 5.9 Comparison of the stabilization energies from the DZP-ab initio ( $\Delta \mathrm{E}_{\mathrm{SCF}}$ ) and the potential function ( $\Delta \mathrm{E}_{\mathrm{FIT}}$ ), which the derivatives calculated analytically, with the final values of the fitting parameters given in Table 5.11.


As mention in Chapter 4 in section 4.2.4 (see equations 4.13-4.17) and taking into account all the characteristics data in term of statistical values, we found that the first method where the partial derivative with respect to the parameters (term $\frac{\partial \mathrm{y}\left(\mathrm{x}_{\mathrm{i}} ; \mathrm{a}\right)}{\partial \mathrm{a}_{\mathrm{k}}}$ in equation 3.12) are calculated analytically, is not appropriate especially in the first form because the obtained derivatives are constant for every fitting iterations. Hence, we should select more term and construct the Lagrange's function for the $\chi^{2}$ merit function that will be used to minimize to get goodness-of-fit (see equation 3.11, 3.12 and 4.10) and minimize it. It may give a better result.

Another approach is approximated the partial derivative using the central different technique which is independent of the model we use. This method shows the reliable result so we suggest using this approximation to extract the parameter.


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## Appendix I

## MRQFIT version 1.0

## Program Manual

Program MRQFIT version 1.0 has been developed to fit the interaction energies to the functional form (the intermolecular potential function) and improve quality of the function. The source code has been written in Fortran language using FORTRAN-77. This compact manual provided step-by-step instructions, and demonstration with an example in an easy understanding.

## Running the MRQFIT Program

1.) If you have the source code of MRQFIT program, you should first compile the MRQFIT program by Fortran-77 (see the compile procedures in the FORTRAN-77 manual). In the other hand, if you already have execute file, i.e. MRQFIT.out, you can run the program by typing MRQFIT.out in the UNIX prompt as:


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After pressing the ENTER key，the program start to run as：

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    PROGRAM FOR FITTING
    ニニニニニニニニニニニニニニニニニニニニニ
        MENU
    1) -A/R^M + B/R^N + QiQj/R
    2) -A/R^M + B/R^N + QiQj/R + C/R^Q
    3) -A/R^M + B*EXP(-C*R) + QiQj/R
    4) -A/R^M + B*EXP(-C*R) + QiQj/R + D/R^Q
    5) -A/R^M + B*EXP(-C*R) + QiQj/R + D*EXP(-E*R)
    6) -A*EXP(-B*R) + C*EXP(-D*R) + QiQj/R
    7) Exit
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2．）Select a choice of functional form from the list by pressing a number such as：

```
SELECT NUMBER OF CHOICE (1,2,3,\ldots,7):
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2

Note that the program should protect you to select unreasonable choice such as＂ 0 ＂， ＂1．5＂，＂8＂，etc．

3．）Select a power of denominater of each term such as：

```
PLEASE INPUTO VALUE M, N AND Q OF THE FORMMC|? & &
    M G
4
    N =
7
    Q =
12
```

In this step, you must wait for the program optimization. When the program finish, the output which containing three files are obtained (see Appendix II).

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** NORMAL TERMINATION **
STOP ** RUN COMPLETED ** statement executed
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## Appendix II

## Output Files for MRQFIT Program

In this appendix, the example of output files in the $\mathrm{NH}_{3}-\mathrm{NH}_{3}$ system are shown as follow:

## Output I

NUMBER OF ATOMS IN THE MOLECULES :
NUMBER OF PARAMETERS :
NUMBER OF TRAJECTORIES :
NUMBER OF CONFIGURATIONS :
POINTS ABOVE 5.20 KCAL/MOL WILL BE EXCLUDED
DEGREES OF FREEDOM = 658
ITERATION LIMIT: 500 STEPS
FITTING STOP WHEN PARAMETERS CHANGE LESS THAN : $1.0000 \%$

INITIAL PARAMETER

| 99.7486877 | 269.9628300 | 2017.5252700 |
| ---: | ---: | ---: |
| 147.8139800 | 475.1542970 | 2221.8950200 |
| 68.1932144 | 251.7122340 | 2970.3664600 |

STEP
CHISQUARE STD.

0




FINAL LAMBDA $=0.0000000010000001$

FINAL PARAMETERS AND STATISTICS VALUES:

| STEP | CHISQUARE | STD. | PARAMETERS |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 7 | 0.0193527 | 0.1391141 | A $1=$ | -3186.8972441 |
|  |  |  | A $2=$ | -7298. 3430995 |
|  |  |  | A $3=$ | -256655.7768786 |
|  |  |  | A $4=$ | 850.1441511 |
|  |  |  | A $5=$ | 5177.6934100 |
|  |  |  | A $6=$ | -34911.4735306 |
|  |  |  | A $7=$ | -204.8508799 |
|  |  |  | A $8=$ | -1030.5909715 |
|  |  |  | A $9=$ | 6115.6608036 |

## Output II



Maximum absolute residual $=0.4020830 \mathrm{kcal} / \mathrm{mol}$
Minimum absolute residual $=0.0017987 \mathrm{kcal} / \mathrm{mol}$
Average absolute residual $=0.0796535 \mathrm{kcal} / \mathrm{mol}$



## Output III



| 72 | -0.54800 | -0.58136 | 0.33362E-01 | 4.0500 |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 73 | -0.35300 | -0.31273 | -0.40270E-01 | 6.0500 |
| 74 | -0.17000 | -0.13340 | -0.36595E-01 | 8.0500 |
| 75 | $-0.93000 E-01-0.67282 E-01-0.25718 E-01$$:$ |  |  | 10.050 |
| 274 | 33.729 | 33.729 | 0.0000 | 2.3000 |
| 275 | 16.749 | 16.749 | 0.0000 | 2.5000 |
| 276 | 13.924 | 13.924 | 0.0000 | 2.5500 |
| 277 | 11.515 | 11.515 | 0.0000 | 2.6000 |
| 278 | 9.4660 | 9.4660 | 0.0000 | 2.6500 |
| 279 | 7.7250 | 7.7250 | 0.0000 | 2.7000 |
| 280 | 6.2480 | 6.2480 | 0.0000 | 2.7500 |
| 281 | 4.9990 | 5.3734 | -0.37441 | 2.8000 |
| 282 | 3.9430 | 4.3340 | -0.39103 | 2.8500 |
| 283 | 3.0540 | 3.4235 | -0.36948 | 2.9000 |
| 284 | 2.3070 | 2.6371 | -0.33007 | 2.9500 |
| 285 | 1.6810 | 1.9654 | -0.28444 | 3.0000 |
| 286 | 1.1570 | 1.3971 | -0.24009 | 3.0500 |
| 287 | 0.72200 | 0.91998 | -0.19798 | 3.1000 |
| 288 | 0.36200 | 0.52236 | -0.16036 | 3.1500 |
| 289 | $0.64000 E$ | 0.19336 | -0.12936 | 3.2000 |
| 290 | -0.17900 | -0.76896E | -0.10210 | 3.2500 |
| 291 | -0.37700 | -0.29714 | -0.79858E-01 | 3.3000 |
| 292 | -0.53700 | -0.47504 | -0.61963E-01 | 3.3500 |
| 293 | -0.66500 | -0.61722 | -0.47778E-01 | 3.4000 |
| 294 | -0.76500 | -0.72940 | -0.35602E-01 | 3.4500 |
| 295 | -0.84300 | -0.81645 | -0.26553E-01 | 3.5000 |
| 296 | -0.90200 | -0.88253 | -0.19472E-01 | 3.5500 |
| 297 | -0.94500 | -0.93116 | -0.13836E-01 | 3.6000 |
| 298 | -0.97500 | -0.96534 | -0.96596E-02 | 3.6500 |
| 299 | -0.99400 | -0.98757 | -0.64258E-02 | 3.7000 |
| 300 | -1.0040 | -0.99999 | -0.40139E-02 | 3.7500 |
| 301 | -1.0070 | -1.0044 | -0.26391E-02 | 3.8000 |
| 302 | -1.0040 | -1.0022 | -0.18052E-02 | 3.8500 |
| 303 | -0.99700 | -0.99474 | -0.22559E-02 | 3.9000 |
| 304 | -0.98500 | -0.98306 | -0.19412E-02 | 3.9500 |
| 305 | -0.97000 | -0.96802 | -0.19833E-02 | 4.0000 |
| 306 | -0.95300 | -0.95035 | -0.26502E-02 | 4.0500 |
| 307 | -0.30700 | -0.28070 | -0.26301E-01 | 6.0500 |
| 308 | -0.12700 | -0.10353 | -0.23465E-01 | 8.0500 |
| 309 | -0.65000E | -0.48859E | 1-0.16141E-01 | 10.050 |
| 781 | $45.411$ | $45.411$ | 0.0000 | 2.3000 |
| 782 | 22.513 | 22.513 | 0.0000 | 2.5000 |
| 783 | 18.789 | 18.789 | 0.0000 | 2.5500 |
| 790 | 4.7280 | 4.4235 | 0.30449 | 2.9000 |
| 791 | 3.7850 | 万3.8080 | -0.22954E-01 | 2.9500 |
| 792 | 2.9990 | 3.1211 | -0.12213 | 3.0000 |
|  | : |  |  |  |
| 811 | -0.34000 | -0.74065 | 0.40065 | 3.8000 |
| 812 | -0.34400 | -0.73506 | 0.39106 | 3.8500 |
| 813 | -0.34300 | -0.72368 | 0.38068 | 3.9000 |
| 814 | -0.33800 | -0.70795 | 0.36995 | 3.9500 |
| 815 | -0.33000 | -0.68901 | 0.35901 | 4.0000 |
| 816 | -0.31900 | -0.66778 | 0.34878 | 4.0500 |
| 817 | -0.18000E | 1-0.10425 | 0.86249E-01 | 6.0500 |
| 818 | $0.70000 E$ | 2-0.20816E | 01 0.27816E-01 | 8.0500 |
| 819 | $0.70000 E$ | 2-0.50074E | 02 0.12007E-01 | 10.050 |

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