

Presentation of the General Density Matrix Embedding Theory (DMET) [1],[2],[3]

Relies on obtaining the ground state 1-body reduced density matrix (1-rdm) of a system by working with **higher accuracy on several subsystems** in a **iterative and self-consistent procedure**

Considering a physical system, a Hilbert space $\mathcal{H}$, and its Hamiltonian, $\hat{H}$

- **The fragmentation:** decomposing the one-particle Hilbert space $\mathcal{H}$ into a direct sum of fragment spaces:

$$\mathcal{H} = \mathcal{H}_{\text{frag}}^{1,D} \oplus \dots \oplus \mathcal{H}_{\text{frag}}^{N_f^D,D}, \quad (1)$$

where N_f^D the number of fragments, and $\mathcal{H}_{\text{frag}}^{x,D}$ the one-particle state space associated with fragment x . For each fragment space $\ell^{x,D} := \dim(\mathcal{H}_{\text{frag}}^{x,D})$

- **The High-Level procedure:** for each fragment, building a **bath** subspace $\mathcal{H}_{\text{bath}}^{x,D}$ of finite dimension $\dim(\mathcal{H}_{\text{bath}}^{x,D}) = \ell_b^{x,D}$ such that the space defined by s-the direct sum of the fragment and the bath, the **cluster**

$$\mathcal{H} = \mathcal{H}_{\text{clust}}^{x,D} \oplus \mathcal{H}_{\text{env}}^{x,D}, \quad \mathcal{H}_{\text{clust}}^{x,D} = \mathcal{H}_{\text{frag}}^{x,D} \oplus \mathcal{H}_{\text{bath}}^{x,D},$$

where the *environment* space $\mathcal{H}_{\text{env}}^{x,D}$ is the orthogonal complement of the *impurity* space $\mathcal{H}_{\text{clust}}^{x,D}$, and get the ground state 1-rdm of the local cluster systems

$$\hat{\Gamma}_{\text{clust}}^{x,D,\mu} := \underset{\hat{\Gamma}_{\text{clust}}^{x,D} \in \mathcal{S}(\text{Fock}(\mathcal{H}_{\text{clust}}^{x,D}))}{\text{argmin}} \quad \text{Tr} \left(\left(\hat{H}_{\text{clust}}^{x,D} - \mu \hat{N}_{\text{frag}}^{x,D} \right) \hat{\Gamma}_{\text{clust}}^{x,D} \right), \quad (2)$$

$\hat{\Gamma}_{\text{clust}}^{x,D} \geq 0, \text{Tr}(\hat{\Gamma}_{\text{clust}}^{x,D}) = 1, \text{Tr}(\hat{N}_{\text{clust}}^{x,D} \hat{\Gamma}_{\text{clust}}^{x,D}) = N - N_{\text{env}}^{x,D}$

and assemble the results $D_{\text{HL}} = \text{blockdiag}(D_{\text{HL}}^{x,D})$

- **The Low-Level procedure:** maintaining the mean-field consistency with a low-level solver

$$D_{\text{LL}} = \underset{D \in \mathcal{D}_{\text{DMET}} \mid \text{Bd}^{\text{DHL}}(D) = g(D_{\text{HL}})}{\text{argmin}} \quad E(D), \quad (3)$$

where $E : \mathcal{D}_{\text{DMET}} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ is a given objective function and $\text{Bd}^{\text{DHL}}(D) = g(D_{\text{HL}})$ are linear constraints on the block-diagonals.

Perspectives in extending DMET [3]

In conventional DMET, the set of 1-RDMs:

$$\mathcal{D}_{\text{Slater}} := \{D \in \mathcal{S}(\mathcal{H}) \mid D^2 = D, \text{Tr}(D) = N\}$$

where $\mathcal{S}(\mathcal{H})$, space of symmetric operators in $\mathcal{H}$, $\text{Tr}(D)$, the trace of D .

In the variants of DMET, the 1-RDMs set

$$\mathcal{D}_{\text{MS}} := \{D \in \mathcal{S}(\mathcal{H}) \mid 0 \leq D \leq 1, \text{Tr}(D) = N\},$$

of all N -representable mixed-state 1-RDMs.

Extending the algorithm to general density matrices

- **Fragmentation procedure:** using a "cluster-friendly" basis set optimization

$$Q^{\bullet,D} = \min_{Q^{\bullet} \in \mathcal{M}} J(Q^{\bullet}), \quad J(Q^{\bullet}) := \sum_{x=1}^{N_f} \min_{\substack{P^x \in \text{Gr}(L_{\text{clust}}^x, \mathcal{H}) \\ P^x(P_a^x + Q^x) = P_a^x + Q^x}} \|P^x D(P^x)^{\perp}\|^2. \quad (4)$$

- **High-Level procedure:** for each fragment f using optimization to build the bath of dimension ℓ_b in order to get a basis where the 1-rdm $D = \begin{pmatrix} D_{\text{ff}} & D_{\text{ff}} \\ D_{\text{ff}} & D_{\text{ff}} \end{pmatrix}$ is written

$$\begin{pmatrix} D_{\text{cc}} & D_{\text{ce}} \\ D_{\text{ce}} & D_{\text{ee}} \end{pmatrix}, \quad D_{\text{cc}} \in \mathbb{R}_{\text{sym}}^{\ell_{\text{clust}} \times \ell_{\text{clust}}}, \quad D_{\text{ee}} \in \mathbb{R}_{\text{sym}}^{(L-\ell_{\text{clust}}) \times (L-\ell_{\text{clust}})}, \quad \ell_{\text{clust}} = \ell + \ell_b, \quad M = L - \ell. \quad (5)$$

with $\|D_{\text{ce}}\|^2$ as small as possible.

$$\min_{Q \in \text{Gr}(\ell_b, M)} J(Q), \quad J(Q) := -\frac{1}{2} \text{Tr}(AQAQ) + \text{Tr}(BQ), \quad A = D_{\text{ff}}, \quad B = \frac{1}{2} (D_{\text{ff}}^2 - D_{\text{ff}} D_{\text{ff}}) \quad (6)$$

$$\text{Gr}(\ell_b, M) := \{Q \in \mathcal{S}(\mathbb{R}^M) \mid Q^2 = Q, \text{Tr}(Q) = \ell_b\}$$

- **Low-Level procedure:** considering more flexible energy functionals and methods to tackle the constraint on the blocs

$$D_{\text{out}} := \underset{D \in \mathcal{D}_{\text{MS}} \mid \text{Bd}(D) = g(D_{\text{in}})}{\text{argmin}} \quad E(D), \quad (7)$$

Challenges in extended bath constructions

Mixed 1rdm and fractional occupation numbers

obtaining a stable cluster subspace of controllable dimension. The dimension has as an upper bound the number of distinct occupation numbers. [4]

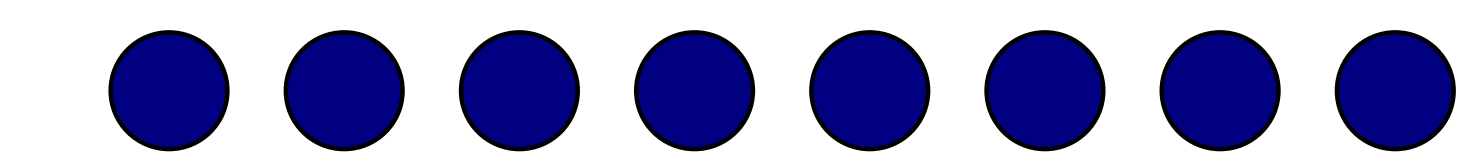
Accuracy of solution through the overall DMET procedure

Considering and comparing the different optimization procedure solutions in the overall DMET procedure and the physical arguments their results. [5]

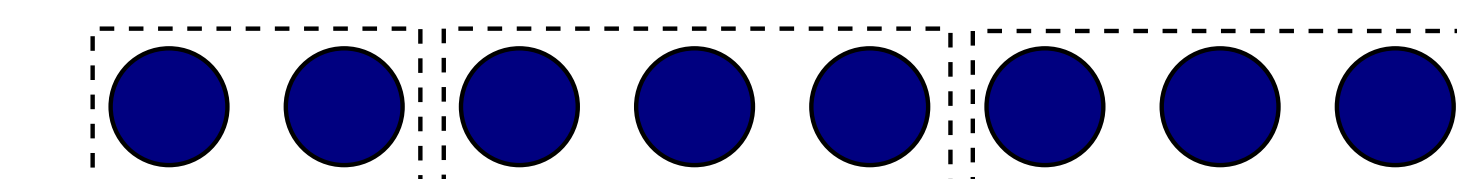
System Hamiltonian

$$\hat{H} = \sum_{\mu,\nu=1}^L h_{\mu\nu} \hat{a}_{\mu}^{\dagger} \hat{a}_{\nu} + \frac{1}{2} \sum_{\kappa,\lambda,\mu,\nu=1}^L V_{\kappa\lambda\mu\nu} \hat{a}_{\kappa}^{\dagger} \hat{a}_{\lambda}^{\dagger} \hat{a}_{\nu} \hat{a}_{\mu}$$

$L = 8$



Choice of fragmentation ($N_f = 3$)

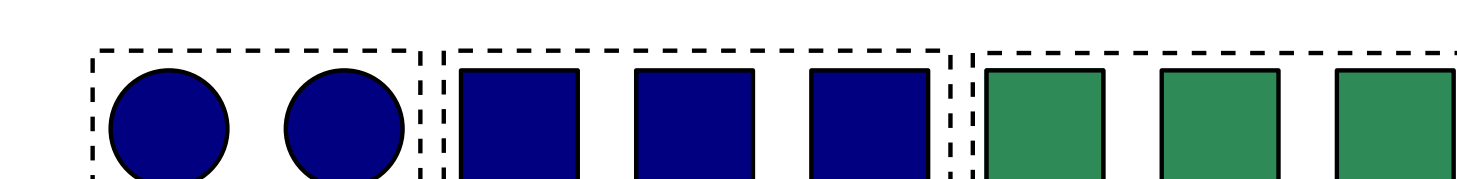


$\ell^1 = 2$

$\ell^2 = 3$

$\ell^3 = 3$

Definition of impurity subspace ($x = 1$)



fragment ℓ^x

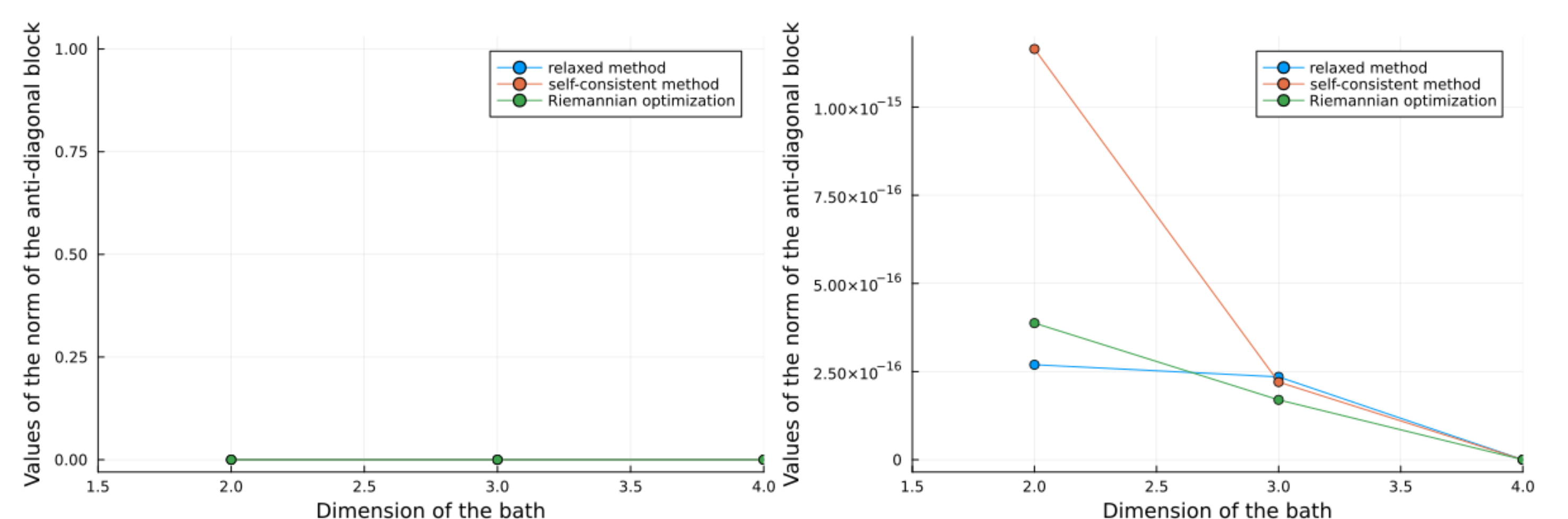
bath ℓ_b^x

environment

impurity ℓ_{imp}^x

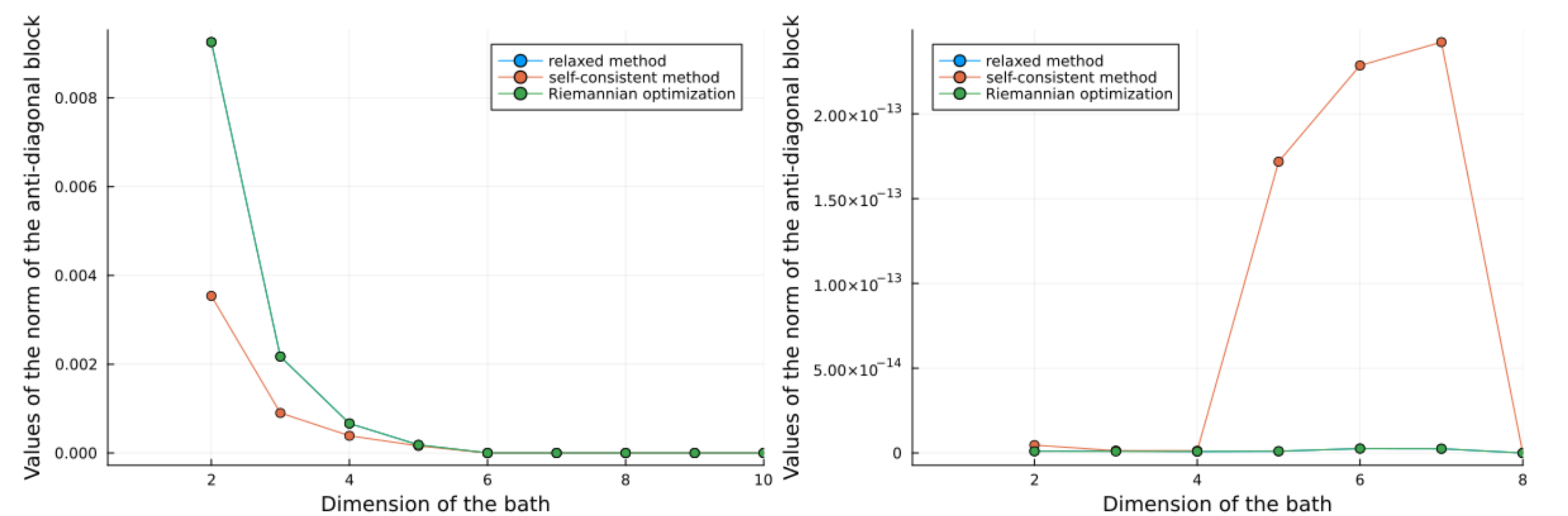
Figure 1. Definition of the various subspaces used in DMET. L the total number of orbitals, N the total number of electrons, N_f the number of fragments, ℓ^x the size of the x th fragment and ℓ_b^x the size of its bath (in conventional DMET, $\ell_b^x = \ell^x$). The different shapes used for the orbitals specify the bases in which they are represented.[3]

Numerical results for bath construction optimization methods



(a) Bath construction applied on fragment F1 of dimension 2. **(b)** Bath construction applied on Fragment F2 of dimension 2.

Figure 2. Graphs of the norm of the anti-diagonal blocks depending on the dimension (size) of the bath. The system considered is the fluorine hydrate molecule HF 1-rdm obtained after a CCSD calculation (PySCF), with in the STO-3G basis set. Fragmentation is done spatially. The initialization here focused on the matrix A in equation (6).



(a) Bath construction applied on Fragment F1 of dimension 2. **(b)** Bath construction applied on Fragment F3 of dimension 4.

Figure 3. Graphs of the norm of the anti-diagonal blocks depending on the dimension (size) of the bath. The system considered is the ethene molecule C_2H_2 1-rdm obtained after a CCSD calculation (PySCF), with in the STO-3G basis set. Fragmentation is done spatially. The initialization here focused on the matrix A in equation (6).

On-going works and open questions

- **Characterization on how the considered system impacts**
 - performances of the initialization procedure and optimization method
 - possibilities to considerably reduced the bath dimension
- **Cluster resolution considerations**
 - impacts on local cluster problems resolution
 - level of precision required to run the overall DMET algorithm
- **Considering the fragmentation procedure based on "disentanglement"**

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