

# Gastvortrag

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## High-order Mortar Finite Element Discretization for PDE Eigenvalue Problems in Quantum Chemistry

### Abstract:

Mortar element methods use a decomposition of the computational domain and couple different discretization spaces in the subdomains weakly by a mortar condition. We use a high-order mortar element method for full-potential electronic structure calculations in Quantum Chemistry. For this we use a spherical discretization in spherical elements around each nucleus, which is adapted to resolve the core singularity due to an unbounded potential term. This spherical discretization is coupled to a finite element discretization in between the nuclei. We discuss the error of the mortar element method with uniform refinement as well as the reliability of a residual error estimator. With a series of numerical experiments we illustrate the theoretical convergence results for uniform refinement also in comparison with a conforming  $hp$ -adaptive finite element method and a  $p$ -adaptive refinement strategy based on the residual error estimator.