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EXCHANGE AND CORRELATION
IN DENSITY FUNCTIONAL
THEORY

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LECTURE 2

TOTAL ENERGY

$$E[\rho] = T_R[\rho] + E_H[\rho] + V_{ext}[\rho] + E_{xc}[\rho]$$

UNKNOWN

EXCHANGE-CORRELATION ENERGY

$$E_{xc}[\rho] = \frac{1}{2} \iint \frac{\rho(\mathbf{r}) \rho(\mathbf{r}')}{|\mathbf{r} - \mathbf{r}'|} [g(\mathbf{r}, \mathbf{r}') - 1] d\mathbf{r} d\mathbf{r}'$$

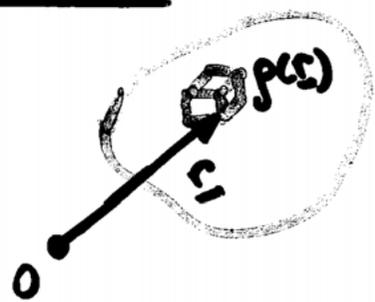
NON-LOCAL UNKNOWN OBJECT.

LOCAL DENSITY APPROXIMATION

(LDA)

$$E_{xc}[\rho] = \int \rho(\mathbf{r}) \epsilon_{xc}^{LDA}[\rho](\mathbf{r}) d\mathbf{r}$$

XC ENERGY DENSITY OF HOMOG. ELECTRON GAS



$$E_{xc}^{LDA}[\rho] = \frac{1}{2} \int \frac{\tilde{\rho}_{xc}^{LDA}(\mathbf{r}, \mathbf{r}')}{|\mathbf{r} - \mathbf{r}'|} d\mathbf{r}'$$

$$\tilde{\rho}_{xc}^{LDA}(\mathbf{r}, \mathbf{r}') = \tilde{g}_{xc}^h(|\mathbf{r} - \mathbf{r}'|, \rho(\mathbf{r})) \cdot \left(\frac{\rho(\mathbf{r})}{\rho(\mathbf{r}')} \right)$$

- LDA XC HOLE CENTERED AT \mathbf{r} , INTERACTS WITH ELECTRON AT \mathbf{r}' . EXACT XC HOLE CENTERED AT \mathbf{r}' , NOT \mathbf{r} .
- THIS IS COMPENSATED BY MULTIPLYING \tilde{g}_{xc}^h WITH THE DENSITY RATIO $\rho(\mathbf{r})/\rho(\mathbf{r}')$.

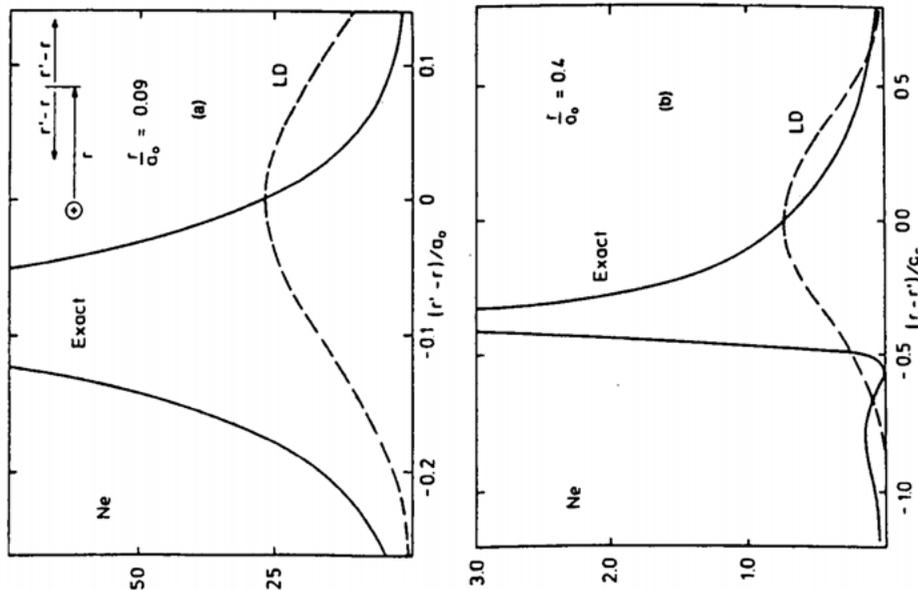


Figure 8.1 Exchange hole $\rho_c(r, r')$ for a neon atom. The full curves shown exact results and broken curves show the results in the LD approximation. The curves in (a) and (b) are for two different values of r . (From Gunnarsson, Jonson, and Lundqvist 1979.)

density (WD) method; namely,

$$\rho_{xc}^{WD}(\mathbf{r}_1, \mathbf{r}_2) = \rho(\mathbf{r}_2) \bar{\rho}_0(|\mathbf{r}_1 - \mathbf{r}_2|; \bar{\rho}(\mathbf{r}_1)) \quad (8.5.33)$$

where $\bar{\rho}(\mathbf{r}_1)$ is determined by the sum rule

$$\int \rho_{xc}^{WD}(\mathbf{r}_1, \mathbf{r}_2) d\mathbf{r}_2 = \int \rho(\mathbf{r}_2) \bar{\rho}_0(|\mathbf{r}_1 - \mathbf{r}_2|; \bar{\rho}(\mathbf{r}_1)) d\mathbf{r}_2 = -1 \quad (8.5.34)$$

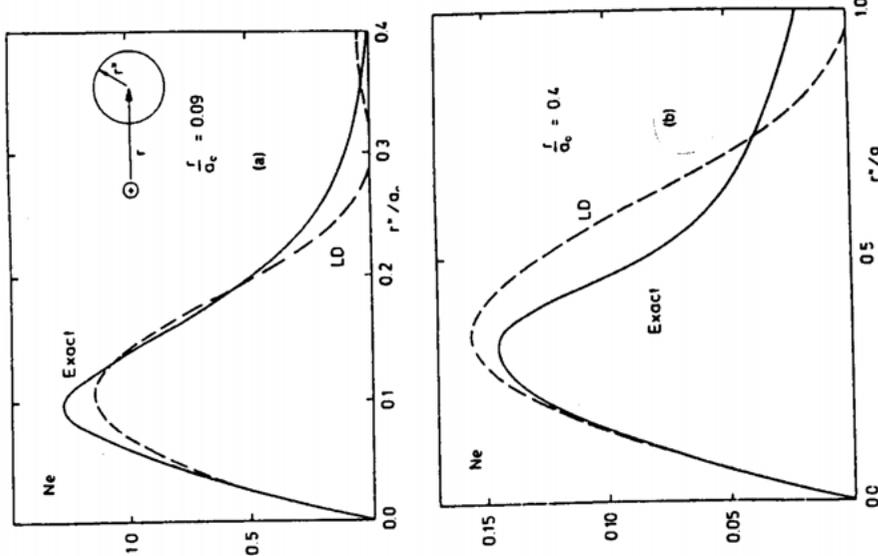


Figure 8.2 Spherical average of the neon atom exchange hole times r' for (a) $r = 0.09$ a.u. and (b) $r = 0.4$ a.u. The full curves give the exact results and the dashed curves are obtained in the LD approximation. (From Gunnarsson, Jonson, and Lundqvist 1979.)

The WD exchange-correlation energy is given by inserting ρ_{xc}^{WD} into (8.5.12). Comparing (8.5.13) with (8.5.33), we see that ρ_{xc}^{WD} has the correct prefactor $\rho(\mathbf{r}_2)$, which is not the case with ρ_{xc}^{LDA} or ρ_{xc}^{AD} .

The modified WD scheme (MWD) (Gunnarsson and Jones 1980) approximates the pair-correlation function by the approximate analytic function

$$h^{MWD}(|\mathbf{r}_1 - \mathbf{r}_2|; \rho) = -A \exp[-B^5/|\mathbf{r}_1 - \mathbf{r}_2|^5] \quad (8.5.35)$$

where the parameters A and B are dependent on ρ and are determined

What about $E_{xc}^h[\rho]$?

• EXCHANGE : $E_x^h[\rho] = -\frac{3}{4} \left(\frac{3}{\pi}\right)^{1/3} \rho^{1/3} = -\frac{0.458 \text{ a.u.}}{r_s}$
 (DIRAC) (2.62)

• CORRELATION : $E_c^h[\rho] = \begin{cases} \frac{A \ln r_s + B + C r_s \ln r_s + D r_s}{\text{RPA HIGH DENSITY}} & r_s \leq 1 \\ \frac{\gamma}{(1 + \beta_1 \sqrt{r_s} + \beta_2 r_s)} & r_s > 1 \\ \text{LOW DENSITY} \end{cases}$
 (PERDEW-ZUNGER) 81 (2.63)

(VOSKO, WILK, NUSAIR '80).

• HIGH-DENSITY : RPA (Saltzman-Bridgman '57)

• LOW-DENSITY : Pade fit to Quantum MC results ofeperky & Hohen ('80).

High-density : X dominant, C correction

Low-density : C dominant

Homogeneous electron gas (Fetter & Walecka - Mahan). ^{see}

$$E[\rho] = \underbrace{\frac{C_k}{r_s^2}}_{\text{kinetic}} - \underbrace{\frac{C_x}{r_s}}_{\text{exchange}} + \underbrace{C_c \ln r_s + \dots}_{\text{correlation}}$$

$$r_s = \left(\frac{3}{4\pi\rho}\right)^{1/3} \quad \text{or} \quad \rho^{-1} = \frac{4}{3}\pi r_s^3$$

LSDA

Define $\rho_{\uparrow}(\mathbf{r})$, $\rho_{\downarrow}(\mathbf{r})$ Spin up/down densities.

$$\rho(\mathbf{r}) = \rho_{\uparrow}(\mathbf{r}) + \rho_{\downarrow}(\mathbf{r})$$
 Charge Density

$$\zeta(\mathbf{r}) = \frac{\rho_{\uparrow}(\mathbf{r}) - \rho_{\downarrow}(\mathbf{r})}{\rho(\mathbf{r})}$$
 Magnetization Density.

$$E_{\text{ext}}[\rho], E_{\text{H}}[\rho], \underline{E_{\text{xc}}[\rho_{\uparrow}, \rho_{\downarrow}]}$$

$$V_{\text{KS}}^{\uparrow}(\mathbf{r}) = v(\mathbf{r}) + v_{\text{H}}(\mathbf{r}) + \frac{\delta E_{\text{xc}}}{\delta \rho_{\uparrow}}$$

$$V_{\text{KS}}^{\downarrow}(\mathbf{r}) = v(\mathbf{r}) + v_{\text{H}}(\mathbf{r}) + \frac{\delta E_{\text{xc}}}{\delta \rho_{\downarrow}}$$

$$E_{\text{xc}}^{\text{LSDA}}[\rho_{\uparrow}, \rho_{\downarrow}] = \int [\rho_{\uparrow}(\mathbf{r}) + \rho_{\downarrow}(\mathbf{r})] \underline{E_{\text{xc}}^{\text{h}}[\rho_{\uparrow}, \rho_{\downarrow}]} d\mathbf{r}$$

Obtained interpolating unpolarized \rightarrow fully pol.
 $\zeta = 0$ $\zeta = 1$.

$$E_{\text{xc}}^{\text{h}}[\rho, \zeta] = E_{\text{xc}}^{\text{h}}[\rho, 0] + f(\zeta) [E_{\text{xc}}^{\text{h}}[\rho, 1] - E_{\text{xc}}^{\text{h}}[\rho, 0]].$$
$$f(\zeta) = \frac{[(1+\zeta)^{4/3} + (1-\zeta)^{4/3} - 2]}{2^{4/3} - 2}$$

LDA-LSDA TRENDS

1. FAVOURS MORE HOMOGENEOUS e^- -DENSITIES
2. OVERBINDS MOLECULES AND SOLIDS
(HF UNDERBINDS)
3. GEOMETRIES, BOND LENGTHS AND ANGLES
VIBRATIONAL FREQUENCIES \approx 2-3%
4. DIELECTRIC CONST. OVERESTIMATED \approx 10%
5. BOND LENGTHS TOO SHORT FOR WEAKLY
BOUND SYSTEMS (H-BOND - VDW)
6. CORRECT CHEMICAL TRENDS (E_F)

LIMITATIONS

1. (ATOMIC) CORE ELECTRONS POORLY DESCRIBED
(HF MUCH BETTER)
2. XC POTENTIAL DECAYS EXPONENTIALLY
INTO VACUUM, RATHER THAN $-e^2/r$.
 \Rightarrow WRONG DISSOCIATION + IONIZATION.
3. METALLIC SURFACES AND PHYSISORPTION.
4. NEGATIVELY CHARGED IONS (sic)
5. WEAKLY BOUND SYSTEMS $\left\{ \begin{array}{l} \text{H-BONDS (??)} \\ \text{VDW (??)} \end{array} \right.$
6. BAND GAP IN SEMICONDUCTORS ($<$ 40%)
7. STRONGLY CORRELATED SYSTEMS (OXIDES - VO_2)

ATOMIC IONIZATION ENERGIES

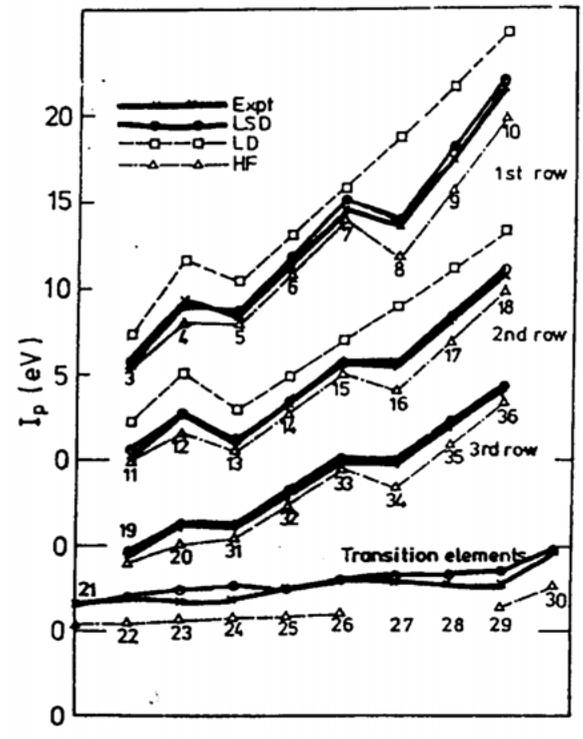


FIG. 8. First ionization energy of atoms in the local-density (LD), local spin-density (LSD), and Hartree-Fock (HF) approximations compared with experiment. The numbers show the atomic numbers of the atoms considered. For reasons of clarity, the zero of energy is shifted by 5, 10, and 15 eV for the second row, the third row, and the transition-element row, respectively. The LD results for the first and second rows are increased by an additional 2 eV.

R.O. Jones and O. Gunnarsson
 Rev. Mod. Phys., Vol. 61, No. 3, July 1989

	I^{exp}	$I^{LSD-\Delta SCF}$	$I^{LSD-\mu}$	[eV]
Li	5.4	5.7	3.4	
Be	9.3	9.1	5.7	
B	8.3	8.8	4.2	
C	11.3	12.1	6.3	
N	14.5	15.3	6.5	
O	13.6	14.2	7.4	
F	17.4	18.4	10.5	
Ne	21.6	22.6	13.3	

BEYOND LDA

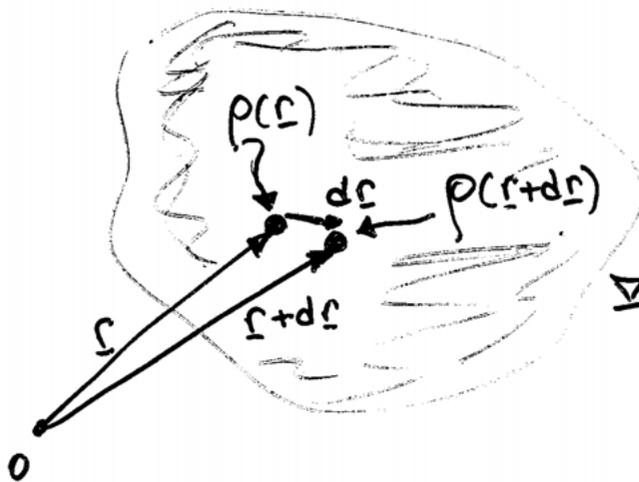
- INHOMOGENEITIES IN ρ
- SELF-INTERACTION CANCELLATION
- NON-LOCALITY IN XC.
- STRONG LOCAL CORRELATIONS.

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- GRADIENT EXPANSIONS
 - WEIGHTED DENSITY
 - EXACT EXCHANGE (OEP)
 - HYBRIDS DFT-HF
 - VAN DER WAALS FUNCTIONALS
 - LDA + U
 - GW APPROXIMATION
 - SIC

GRADIENT EXPANSION

$$E_{xc}[\rho] = \int \underbrace{A_{xc}[\rho]}_{\text{LDA}} \rho^{4/3}(r) dr + \int \underbrace{C_{xc}[\rho]}_{\text{Correction for inhomogeneous systems}} \frac{|\nabla \rho|^2}{\rho^{4/3}} dr + \dots$$

(2.65)



$$\nabla \rho = \left[\frac{\rho(r+dr) - \rho(r)}{dr} \right] \hat{u}$$

In the gradient expansion, $\nabla \rho$ enters in absolute value, the direction being absent.

WARNINGS

- 1) THIS EXPANSION IS NOT MONOTONICALLY CONVERGENT
- 2) HIGHER ORDER TERMS ARE DIVERGENT, AND BECOME FINITE ONLY AFTER BEING RESUMMED TO INFINITE ORDER
(Renormalization)
- 3) DOESN'T SATISFY SUM RULES !!

The expressions above, however, should be reserved for slowly varying densities.

Langreth-Mehl (181-183)

Most of the problem comes from Correlation - Real space cutoff method diminishes divergences and enforces some limits (known)

$$\epsilon_c = \epsilon_c^{RPA} + a \frac{|\nabla \rho|^2}{\rho^{4/3}} \cdot \underbrace{(2e^{-F} + 18f^2)}_{\text{cancelled by exchange}}$$

$$F = b \frac{|\nabla \rho|}{\rho^{7/6}} \text{ (cutoff)}$$

+ CORRECT scaling behaviour in the high density limit.
 - RPA instead of LDA for ϵ_c
 - Does not recover GGA.

Perdew (185)

Enforcing exactly known properties of the X and C holes IMPROVES the quality of the funct.

Perdew-Wang (186)

$$\epsilon_c = \epsilon_c^{LDA} + e^{-\phi} C_c(\rho) \frac{|\nabla \rho|^2}{\rho^{4/3}}$$

$$\phi = 1.745 \hat{f} \frac{C_c(\infty)}{C_c(\rho)} \frac{|\nabla \rho|}{\rho^{7/6}} \quad \text{Langreth-Mehl-like}$$

$$C_c(\rho) = C_1 + \frac{C_2 + C_3 r_s + C_4 r_s^2}{1 + C_5 r_s + C_6 r_s^2 + C_7 r_s^3}$$

beyond RPA coeff. (Roselt & Geldart) (Hu & Langreth)

- Correct LDA limit for uniform density.
- Recovers gradient expansion for slowly varying densities

$$E_x = \underline{E_x^{LDA}} \left(1 + 0.0864 \frac{s^2}{m} + bs^4 + cs^6 \right)^m$$

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NOT FITTED TO DATA.

$$m = \frac{1}{15}, \quad s = \frac{|\nabla \rho|}{2k_F \rho}; \quad k_F = 3\pi^2 \rho^{1/3}$$

Scaled density

- $\rho_x(r, r') \leq 0$
- $\int \rho_x(r, r') dr' = -1$

Becke (1988)

Correct LDA limit.

$$E_x = \underline{E_x^{LDA}} \left(1 - \frac{\beta}{2^{1/3} A_x} \cdot \frac{x^2}{1 + 6\beta x \sinh^{-1}(x)} \right)$$

$$x = 2^{1/3} \frac{|\nabla \rho|}{\rho^{4/3}}; \quad A_x = \frac{3}{4} \left(\frac{3}{\pi} \right)^{1/3}; \quad \boxed{\beta = 0.0042}$$

Correct asymptotic behaviour of $v_x(r) \rightarrow -1/r$.

FITTED TO MOLECULAR DATA.

AB INITIO vs. AB FINE

Perdew-Wang (1991)

+ Scaling limits like $\lim_{\lambda \rightarrow 0} \frac{1}{\lambda} E_x[\rho(\lambda x, y, z)] = 0$

Lee-Yang-Parr (1988)

BLYP

$$E_c = -a \frac{1}{1+d\rho^{-1/3}} \left\{ \rho + b\rho^{-2/3} \left[C_F \rho^{5/3} - 2tw + \frac{1}{9} \left(tw + \frac{\nabla^2 \rho}{2\rho} \right) \right] e^{-c\rho^{1/3}} \right\}$$

$$tw = \frac{1}{8} \left(\frac{|\nabla \rho|^2}{\rho} - \nabla^2 \rho \right)$$

- from Colle-Salvetti E_c for He.
- No LDA limit.

Perdew-Burke-Ernzerhof (PBE): The ultimate GGA. -42-

(1996) LSDA + energetically most important features

$$E_{xc}[\rho] = \int \rho(\mathbf{r}) E_{xc}^{LDA}[\rho] \underbrace{F_{xc}(\rho, \zeta, s)}_{\text{enhancement factor}} d\mathbf{r}$$

$\left\{ \begin{array}{l} \rho = \text{density} \\ \zeta = \text{spin polarization} \end{array} \right.$

$\left\{ \begin{array}{l} s = |\nabla\rho|/2k_F\rho \quad \text{density gradient.} \end{array} \right.$

Exchange: $F_x(s) = 1 + \textcircled{K} - \frac{K}{1 + \mu s^2/K}$

- Uniform scaling
 - LDA limit
 - Spin-scaling relationship
 - LSDA linear response
 - Lieb-Oxford bound $E_x \geq -1.68 \rho^{4/3}$ ($K < 0.01$)
- \hookrightarrow interpolates between LDA and full GGA.
 [Can play with K and μ .]

Correlation: $E_c^{GGA} = \int \rho(\mathbf{r}) [e_c^{LDA}(\rho, \zeta) + H[\rho, \zeta, t]] d\mathbf{r}$

$$H[\rho, \zeta, t] = \gamma \phi^3 \ln \left\{ 1 + \frac{\beta \gamma^2}{t} \left[\frac{1 + At^2}{1 + At^2 + A^2 t^4} \right] \right\}$$

with $t = |\nabla\rho|/2\phi k_s \rho$; $k_s = k_{TF}$ (Thomas Fermi)

$$\left\{ \begin{array}{l} \phi(\zeta) = [(1+\zeta)^{2/3} + (1-\zeta)^{2/3}]/2 \\ A = \frac{\beta}{\gamma} [e^{-E_c^{LDA}/\gamma\phi^3} - 1]^{-1} \end{array} \right.$$

- Correct second order expansion for $t \rightarrow 0$
- Enforces the correlation hole sum rule
- $\epsilon_c(\rho)$ vanishes for rapidly varying densities
- Cancels the logarithmic singularity of ϵ_c^{LDA} in the high-density limit (uniform scaling)

Sacrifices a few less important features.

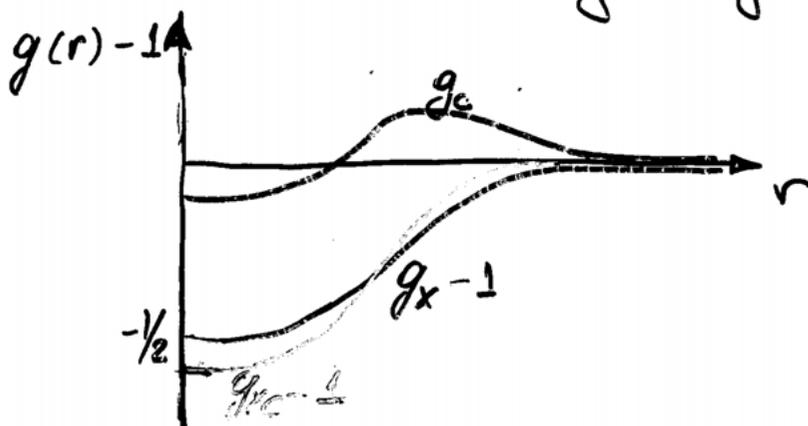
PROPERTIES OF GGA.

- Improves atomization & surface energies
- Favours density inhomogeneities
- Increases lattice constants of metals
- Favours non-spherical distortions BECKE
- Improves bond lengths
- Improves energetics, geometry & dyn of weakly bound systems (H-bonds).
- Still incorrect asymptotic decay into vacuum.

$$V_{xc}(\underline{r}) \rightarrow -\exp(-\alpha r) \text{ in the vac.}$$

($-1/r$ is correct.)
- Some improvement for the gap problem.
- What's correct in LDA, is worsened by GGA.

- No derivative discontinuities
(Incorrect dissociation limit \rightarrow fractionally charged frags.)
- Interconfigurational (interterm) errors of ionization potentials & e^- affinities.
- As in the LDA, in GGA there is still an error cancellation between X and C .
- This cancellation is not complete in the long-range part \Rightarrow exp vs $1/r$ decay.
- X hole is more long-ranged than XC hole.



EXCHANGE LIMITS ACCUR. OF GGA

HYBRID FUNCTIONALS

G. SCUSERIA

$$E_{xc}[\rho, \{\psi\}] = \underset{\sim 0.75}{\alpha} E_X^{GGA} + (1-\alpha) E_X^{HF} + E_C^{GGA}$$

B3LYP \approx MP2 quality

Again ... ab fine. Very popular in chemistry.

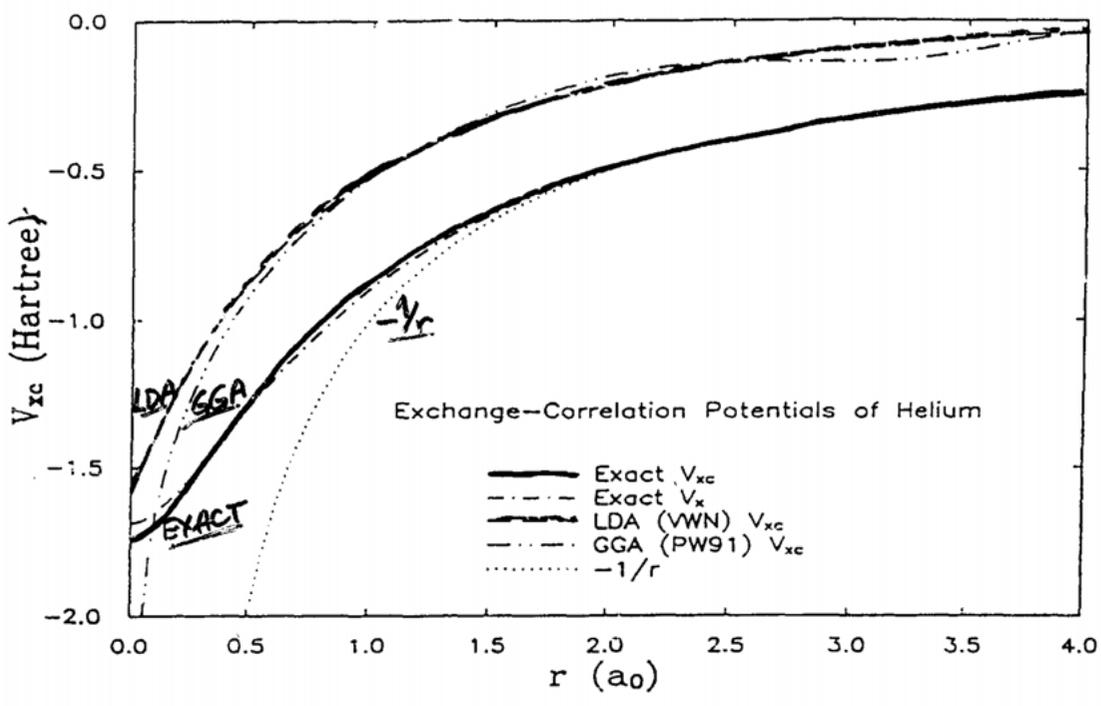


FIG. 3. Comparison of the LDA, and GGA v_{xc} with the exact v_{xc} and with v_x for He.

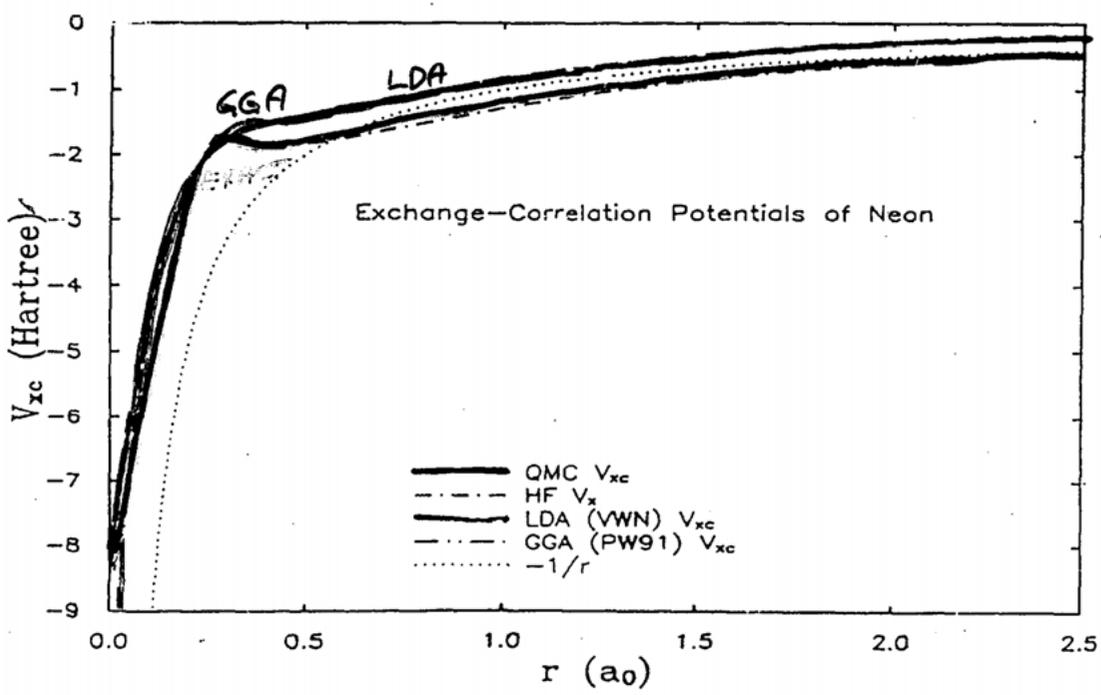


FIG. 4. Comparison of the LDA, and GGA v_{xc} with an accurate v_{xc} and with v_x for Ne.

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II. ATOMS

As a first test of our density functionals, we consider the total and electron-removal energies of atoms. The electron density may be constructed via self-consistent solution of either the Hartree-Fock (HF) or Kohn-Sham equations. The former approach, which we adopt here, has certain advantages: Its one-electron potential has the correct asymptotic ($r \rightarrow \infty$) limit^{30,39} (so that negative-ion solutions exist), and the exact exchange energy E_x^{HF} is evaluated automatically. For a given continuum density-functional approximation, there is some energy difference between the HF and Kohn-Sham densities. For Zn, this difference is about 1 eV in the total energy and about 0.2 eV in the ionization energy. (Full density-functional self-consistency lowers the energy of the neutral atom more than that of the positive ion; compare Table III of Ref. 13 to our Table II.) From the discussion of Sec. I, we expect that the Hartree-Fock density is more realistic and thus more appropriate for comparison with experiment.

Following the approach of Lagowski and Vosko,¹¹ we have performed self-consistent spin-restricted Hartree-Fock calculations in the central-field approximation for

the atoms with $1 \leq Z \leq 30$ and their first positive and negative ions. Each atom or ion is assigned its observed ground-state configuration and term.^{44,45} The nonspherical density is constructed by occupying nonrelativistic spherical-harmonic orbitals in a Slater determinant with $M_L = L$ and $M_S = S$. The scalar-relativistic correction to the total energy is treated as a first-order perturbation.

Table I shows $-E_x^{\text{HF}}$, the magnitude of the exact or Hartree-Fock exchange energy, as well as the difference $-E_{xc}^{\text{DF}} + E_x^{\text{HF}}$, whose experimental value¹¹ is the magnitude of the correlation energy. The first density-functional (DF) considered is PW GGA-IIX, the exchange-energy functional of Eqs. (3)-(8). The PW GGA-IIX column of Table I shows an error relative to HF that is typically only a fraction of 1% of the exact exchange energy, as expected.^{7,10} The other density functionals considered are the LSD, PW GGA-I, PW GGA-II, and PW GGA-IIA approximations for the exchange-correlation energy, as defined in Sec. I. All take $\epsilon_c(r_s, \zeta)$ from Ref. 26, except PW GGA-I which employs Ref. 39. Clearly the large total-energy errors of LSD and HF, which are significantly reduced by PW GGA-I^{7,8,11-13} are further reduced by PW GGA-II and PW GGA-IIA. The LSD overestimation of the magnitude of the correla-

TABLE II. First ionization energies (I) of 30 atoms. All calculations employ Hartree-Fock densities for the observed ground-state configuration and term of the neutral atom and positive ion, and include scalar relativity as a perturbation. Experimental values from Ref. 44.

Atom	Process	HF	PW GGA-IIX	LSD	PW GGA-I	PW GGA-II	PW GGA-IIA	Expt.
H	s	13.61	13.45	13.00	13.65	13.63	13.63 ^a	13.61
He	s	23.45	23.51	24.27	24.96	24.56	24.56 ^a	24.59
Li	s	5.34	5.42	5.45	5.63	5.61	5.55	5.39
Be	s	8.05	8.17	9.01	9.22	9.04	9.14	9.32
B	p	7.93	7.92	8.57	8.69	8.57	8.53	8.30
C	p	10.78	10.95	11.67	11.65	11.64	11.56	11.26
N	p	13.95	14.20	14.92	14.84	14.91	14.82	14.53
O	p	11.88	12.38	13.82	14.12	13.76	13.90	13.62
F	p	15.70	16.53	17.94	17.94	17.79	17.87	17.42
Ne	p	19.82	20.77	22.10	21.99	21.96	21.99	21.56
Na	s	4.96	5.19	5.31	5.45	5.36	5.26	5.14
Mg	s	6.62	6.89	7.70	7.89	7.64	7.81	7.65
Al	p	5.49	5.38	5.98	6.06	6.01	5.95	5.99
Si	p	7.64	7.59	8.21	8.25	8.25	8.19	8.15
P	p	10.03	9.88	10.51	10.54	10.56	10.51	10.49
S	p	9.01	9.07	10.49	10.50	10.30	10.44	10.36
Cl	p	11.78	11.88	13.18	13.14	13.05	13.11	12.97
Ar	p	14.75	14.71	15.92	15.89	15.85	15.86	15.76
K	s	4.02	4.28	4.48	4.60	4.46	4.36	4.34
Ca	s	5.14	5.44	6.20	6.36	6.10	6.26	6.11
Sc	s	5.38	5.71	6.56	6.73	6.42	6.66	6.54
Ti	s	5.54	5.88	6.79	6.97	6.62	6.91	6.82
V	sd	6.06	5.76	6.17	6.60	5.96	6.33	6.74
Cr	s	6.00	7.06	7.36	7.45	7.23	7.20	6.77
Mn	s	5.94	6.29	7.31	7.50	7.06	7.50	7.43
Fe	s	6.34	6.84	7.85	8.04	7.59	7.95	7.87
Co	sd	8.21	7.57	7.56	8.01	7.47	7.45	7.86
Ni	sd	8.11	7.05	7.12	7.62	7.00	6.99	7.63
Cu	s	6.56	7.65	8.16	8.32	8.01	7.86	7.73
Zn	s	7.78	8.71	9.64	9.82	9.40	9.61	9.39

^aValue identically the same as with PW GGA-II.

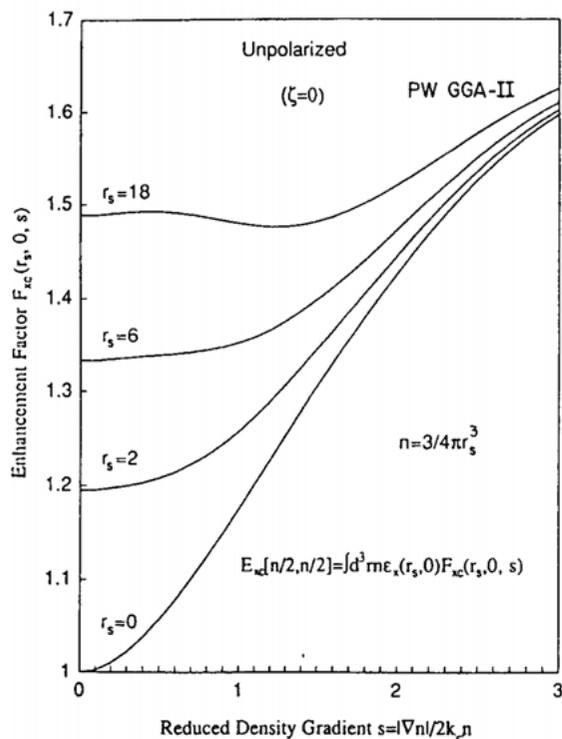


FIG. 3. PW GGA-II nonlocality in the spin-unpolarized case. The enhancement factor $F_{xc}(r_s, 0, s)$ (relative to spin-unpolarized local exchange) is plotted vs the reduced density gradient s for several values of the local-density parameter r_s . The corresponding enhancement factors for LSD are the horizontal lines $F_{xc}(r_s, 0, 0) = \epsilon_{xc}(r_s, 0) / \epsilon_x(r_s, 0)$. For the second-order gradient expansion, they are downward-turning parabolas $F_{xc}(r_s, 0, 0) - |C(r_s, 0)|s^2$.

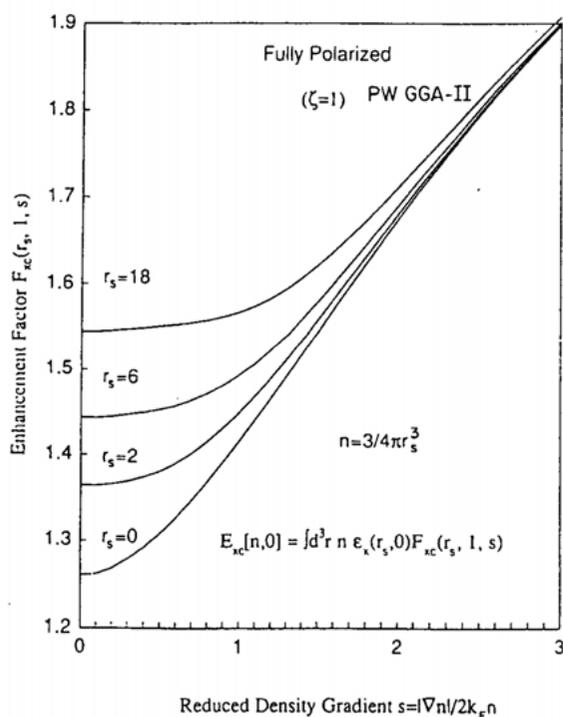


FIG. 4. Same as Fig. 3, but for the fully spin-polarized case.

The values of s that are important in the interior of a metal typically fall in the range $0 \lesssim s \lesssim 2.0$. Atoms sample the range $0.2 \lesssim s$, with s diverging into the vacuum around the atom.⁷² (Within an electronic shell, $|\nabla n|/n$ is approximately constant, but k_F^{-1} and s increase in the outward direction.) Clearly, for most physical properties of real systems, the nonlocal effect of PW GGA-II is *opposite* to that of the second-order gradient expansion. Thus, Bagno, Jepsen and Gunnarsson²¹ found that the gradient expansion shrinks the lattice constants of metals, which are already too small in LSD, and further destabilizes the bcc ferromagnetic ground state of Fe, which is wrongly unstable in LSD. PW GGA-II has the opposite (and correct) effects.

The exchange-only PW GGA-IIX nonlocality is presented in the $r_s = 0$ curves of Figs. 3 and 4. The nonlocality of exchange ($E_x^{\text{PW GGA-II}} < E_x^{\text{LSD}} < 0$), which favors density inhomogeneity, is strong when s is of order unity, i.e., when the density varies significantly over the range of the exchange hole. An opposite nonlocality ($0 > E_c^{\text{PW GGA-II}} > E_c^{\text{LSD}}$), which opposes density inhomogeneity, extinguishes the correlation contribution to F_{xc} as $t \rightarrow \infty$. (Compare the similar behavior of the linear response function in Ref. 41, and the somewhat different behavior produced by the wave-vector-space cutoff of Refs. 4 or 8.) In the high-density limit ($r_s \rightarrow 0$), the correlation contribution vanishes on the scale of these figures. But for metallic densities ($2 \lesssim r_s \lesssim 6$), the nonlocality of correlation cancels much of that for exchange ($E_{xc}^{\text{PW GGA-II}} \lesssim E_{xc}^{\text{LSD}}$). For these and lower densities, the exchange-correlation hole is significantly deeper and (apart from oscillations) more short ranged than the exchange hole, making F_{xc} larger and more "local" than F_x . As a result, LSD can give a reasonably good description of valence-electron energies in metals, even though it makes serious errors for the cores.

Since the residue of this cancellation between nonlocalities is still exchange-like in PW GGA-II, the principal PW GGA-II nonlocal effect is to favor density inhomogeneity or surface formation more than LSD does. Thus the PW GGA-II correction to LSD lowers total, atomization, surface, and curvature energies. It enlarges the lattice constants of metals, where expansion continuously increases the inhomogeneity. PW GGA-II also favors nonspherical distortions over spherical densities.

Although the PW GGA-II functional improves upon LSD, too much should not be expected from it:

(1) Even the exact density functional would not predict all excited-state energies,^{1,2} nor would its Kohn-Sham eigenvalue spectrum predict the fundamental gap (twice "hardness") of an insulator or semiconductor^{28,29} or the exact Fermi surface of a metal.⁹²

(2) Many incorrect features of LSD are carried over into PW GGA-II and other GGA's: (a) Incorrect asymptotic decay^{30,39} of the density and one-electron potential into the vacuum, blocking self-consistent solutions for negative ions; (b) absence of derivative discontinuities, leading to incorrect fractionally charged fragments instead of neutral atoms as dissociation products of heteronuclear molecules or solids;^{28,29} (c) interconfigurational and interterm errors of ionization energies and

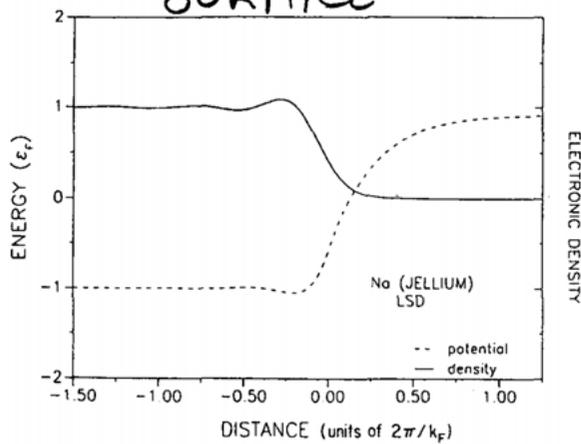


FIG. 1. LSD solution for the $r_s = 3.99$ jellium surface. The solid curve is the electron-density profile, measured in units of the bulk density $k_F^3/3\pi^2$. The dashed curve is the self-consistent one-electron potential, measured in units of the bulk Fermi energy $k_F^2/2$. A constant has been added to this potential to make it tend to $-k_F^2/2$ in the bulk. Distance from the jellium edge is measured in units of the Fermi wavelength $2\pi/k_F$.

with PW GGA-II correlation.)

The correction that we find to the LSD surface energy is rather small, as a result of a delicate cancellation between the nonlocalities of exchange and correlation (Tables X–XII). This correction is much smaller than that found by the Fermi hypernetted-chain method,⁸⁵ which was regarded as the standard before the advent of the quantum Monte Carlo calculation.⁸¹ However, it is consistent with the results of Skriver and Rosengaard,⁸⁶ who calculated LSD surface energies, for the close-packed faces of the alkali metals, that agree closely with measured liquid-metal surface tensions extrapolated to zero temperature. Note further that a sophisticated version of the fully nonlocal weighted-density approximation gives surface energies close to those of LSD.⁸⁷

The LSD and PW GGA-II electron-density profiles

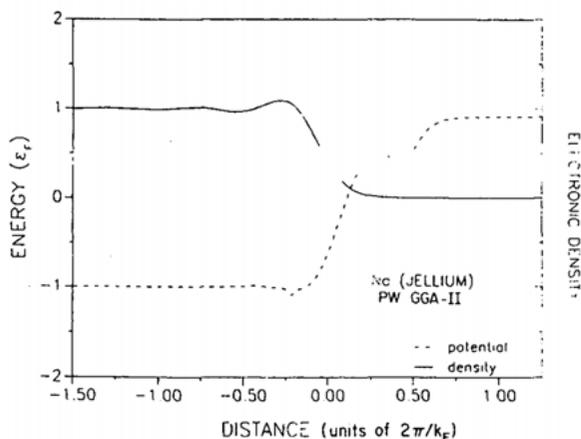


FIG. 2. PW GGA-II solution for the $r_s = 3.99$ jellium surface. See caption of Fig. 1.

and one-electron potentials for the $r_s = 3.99$ jellium surface are displayed in Figs. 1 and 2. On the scale of these figures, the LSD and PW GGA-II density profiles are indistinguishable. The potentials are barely distinguishable until the electron density has decayed to about 10% of its bulk value. From this point, the PW GGA-II potential first rises above and then dips below the LSD potential. A similar oscillation is found in the PW GGA-I and LM potentials for atoms.¹⁹

VI. ATOMS, SOLIDS, AND SURFACES IN THE JELLIUM MODEL: A UNIFIED PERSPECTIVE

Here we present simple estimates which tie together our results for atomic total energies (Sec. II), atomization energies (Sec. III), and surface and curvature energies (Sec. V). Use will be made of the jellium model of Sec. V.

According to the liquid-drop model for crystalline metals,⁸⁴ the expansion (22) can be valid even for microscopic radii of curvature, so long as electronic shell-structure effects may be neglected. Clear-cut examples are provided by the monovacancy-formation energy and the crystal-face dependence of the surface energy for a metal of infinite volume. The expansion (22) also seems to apply to one-electron atoms, i.e., the shell-structure oscillation tends to vanish for these systems with half-filled shells.

Consider a monovalent atom of jellium, i.e., one electron bound to a uniform positive background of density $3/4\pi r_s^3$ confined inside a sharp spherical surface of radius r_s . The total energy is⁸⁸ $-I + 3/5r_s$, where I is the energy needed to ionize the electron and $3/5r_s$ is the electrostatic energy of the positive background. Since this is a one-electron problem, I is easily calculated exactly or in a density-functional approximation.⁸⁸

The cohesive energy of jellium is the atomization energy per atom, i.e.,

$$\epsilon_{\text{coh}} = [-I + 3/5r_s] - \epsilon, \quad (25)$$

where $\epsilon = 3k_F^2/10 + \epsilon_{\text{xc}}(r_s)$ is the energy per electron in the uniform or condensed phase. By Eq. (22), the liquid-drop-model estimate of the cohesive energy⁸⁴ is just the energy needed to create the curved surface of the jellium atom:

$$\sigma 4\pi r_s^2 + \gamma 2\pi r_s. \quad (26)$$

In Table XIII we compare the LSD cohesive energy of Eq. (25) against the liquid-drop prediction of Eq. (26), using LSD values for σ and γ from Sec. V. We also compare the exact cohesive energy against the liquid-drop prediction, using PW GGA-II values for σ and γ . [We omit the long-range contribution of Eq. (24), which arises from an effect present only for a semi-infinite system and thus irrelevant to the cohesive energy.] The following conclusions may be drawn: (1) Except at the highest density considered ($r_s = 2.07$), the liquid-drop model has good quantitative accuracy. Even at $r_s = 2.07$, the curvature term helps. (The liquid-drop model must fail in the limit $r_s \rightarrow 0$, in which the jellium atom reduces to hydro-

Meta GGA

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Gross & Dreizler ('81) + Perdew ('85) + Ghosh & Parr ('86)

$$(2.67) \quad F_x(p, q) = 1 + \frac{10}{81} p + \frac{146}{2025} q^2 - \frac{73}{405} qp + Dp^2 + \dots$$

$$p = \frac{|\nabla \rho|}{\rho^{8/3}} \cdot (C_p)$$

(Gradient)²

11 orders

$$q = \frac{\nabla^2 \rho}{\rho^{5/3}} \cdot (C_q)$$

(Laplacian)

Perdew-Kurth-Zupan-Balaha (PKZB) (199) (TPSS)

Exchange

$$F_x^{MGGGA}(p, q) = 1 + K - \frac{K}{1 + \alpha/K} \quad (2.68)$$

→ PBE-like.

$$\alpha = \alpha(p, \bar{q}) = \frac{10}{81} p + \frac{146}{2025} \bar{q}^2 - \frac{73}{405} \bar{q} p + \left(D + \frac{1}{K} \left(\frac{10}{81} \right)^2 \right) p^2$$

$$\bar{q} = \bar{C}_q \left(\frac{\tau}{\rho^{5/3}} - \frac{q}{20} - \frac{p}{12} \right) \rightarrow q \quad \text{slowly varying densities}$$

$$\left[\tau = \frac{1}{2} \sum_{\alpha=1}^{occ} |\nabla \varphi_{\alpha}(\mathbf{r})|^2 \quad \text{kinetic energy density} \right]$$

2nd order gradient expansion:

$$\mathcal{E}^{GGA} = \frac{3}{10} (3\pi^2)^{2/3} \rho^{5/3} + \frac{1}{72} \frac{|\nabla \rho|^2}{\rho} + \frac{1}{6} \nabla^2 \rho$$

- spin-scaling relation
- uniform-density scaling relation
- Lieb-Oxford bound on X .
- D fitted to molecular atomization energies
- Correct linear response to 4th order in $k/2k_F$.
(PBE recovers LSDA linear response)

Correlation:

$$E_c^{MGGA} = \int P(\underline{r}) \underbrace{E_c^{GGA}}_{\text{PBE}}(\rho, \rho_t, \nabla \rho, \nabla \rho_t) \cdot \left[1 + C \left(\frac{\sum_{\sigma} \mathcal{B}_{\sigma}^W}{\sum_{\sigma} \rho_{\sigma}} \right)^2 \right] d\underline{r}$$

$$- (1+C) \sum_{\sigma} \int \left(\frac{\mathcal{B}_{\sigma}^W}{\rho_{\sigma}} \right)^2 \underbrace{P_{\sigma}^{(r)} E_c^{GGA}}_{\text{PBE}}(\rho_{\sigma}, 0, \nabla \rho_{\sigma}, 0) d\underline{r}$$

$$\mathcal{B}_{\sigma}^W = \frac{1}{8} \frac{|\nabla \rho_{\sigma}|^2}{\rho_{\sigma}} \quad \text{von Weizsäcker K.E. density}$$

- \mathcal{B}_{σ}^W is exact for a one-electron system.
 $\Rightarrow E_c^{MGGA} = 0$ for a one-electron system !! (sic)
- for many-electron systems, the sic is not complete but it's shifted to 4th order in $\nabla \rho \Rightarrow$ ok for slowly varying densities.
- C fitted to surface correlation energies for jellium.

Thus: $E_c(\text{He}) = \begin{cases} -0.24 \text{ eV} & (\text{PBE}) \\ -0.15 \text{ eV} & (\text{LSDA}) \\ -0.15 \text{ eV} & (\text{PBE}) \end{cases} \rightarrow \text{exact}$

META - GGA

$(\nabla \rho, \nabla^2 \rho)$

Perdew, Kurth, Zupan & Blaha

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TABLE I. Atomization energies (in kcal/mole). All functionals evaluated on GGA densities at experimental geometries. Zero-point vibration removed from experimental energies [5]. The GGA is PBE [5], and the LSD is the local part of PBE. The Gaussian basis sets are of triple-zeta quality, with p and d polarization functions for H and d and f polarization functions for first- and second-row atoms.

Molecule	ΔE^{LSD}	ΔE^{GGA}	ΔE^{MGGA}	ΔE^{expt}
H ₂	113.3	104.6	114.5	109.5
LiH	61.1	53.5	58.4	57.8
CH ₄	462.6	419.8	421.1	419.3
NH ₃	337.3	301.7	298.8	297.4
OH	124.2	109.8	107.8	106.4
H ₂ O	266.6	234.2	230.1	232.2
HF	162.3	142.0	138.7	140.8
Li ₂	23.8	19.9	22.5	24.4
LiF	156.1	138.6	128.0	138.9
Be ₂	12.8	9.8	4.5	3.0
C ₂ H ₂	460.3	414.9	401.2	405.4
C ₂ H ₄	632.7	571.5	561.5	562.6
HCN	360.8	326.1	311.8	311.9
CO	298.9	268.8	256.0	259.3
N ₂	266.9	243.2	229.2	228.5
NO	198.4	171.9	158.5	152.9
O ₂	174.9	143.7	131.4	120.5
F ₂	78.2	53.4	43.2	38.5
P ₂	143.0	121.1	117.8	117.3
Cl ₂	82.9	65.1	59.4	58.0
Mean abs. error	31.69	7.85	3.06	...

TABLE II. Exchange and correlation contributions to surface energies (in erg/cm²) for jellium, using self-consistent LSD densities. Exact surface exchange energies were provided by Pitarke and Eguiluz [29].

r_s	σ_x^{exact}	σ_x^{LSD}	σ_x^{GGA}	σ_x^{MGGA}	σ_c^{LSD}	σ_c^{GGA}	σ_c^{MGGA}
2.00	2624	3037	2438	2578	317	827	824
2.07	2296	2674	2127	2252	287	754	750
2.30	1521	1809	1395	1484	210	567	564
2.66	854	1051	770	825	137	382	380
3.00	526	669	468	505	95	275	274
3.28	364	477	318	346	72	215	214
4.00	157	222	128	142	39	124	124
5.00	57	92	40	47	19	67	66
6.00	22	43	12	15	10	40	40

TABLE III. Lattice constants, (in Å) for some solids studied in Ref. [32], from scalar-relativistic all-electron full-potential linearized augmented plane wave calculations [33] without zero-point anharmonic expansion. GGA densities used for all but the LSD calculations.

Solid	a^{LSD}	a^{GGA}	a^{MGGA}	a^{expt}
Na	4.05	4.20	4.31	4.23
NaCl	5.47	5.70	5.60	5.64
Al	3.98	4.05	4.02	4.05
Si	5.40	5.47	5.46	5.43
Ge	5.63	5.78	5.73	5.66
GaAs	5.61	5.76	5.72	5.65
Cu	3.52	3.63	3.60	3.60
W	3.14	3.18	3.17	3.16
Mean abs. error	0.078	0.051	0.059	...

→ errab.

SIC (PERDew-ZUNGER)

self-interaction can be removed at the level of classical electrostatics.

$$E_H = \frac{1}{2} \iint \frac{\rho(\underline{r}) \rho(\underline{r}')}{|\underline{r} - \underline{r}'|} d\underline{r} d\underline{r}'$$

$$E_{SIC} = E_H - \frac{1}{2} \sum_{i=1}^{N_{occ}} \frac{|\varphi_i(\underline{r})|^2 |\varphi_i(\underline{r}')|^2}{|\underline{r} - \underline{r}'|}$$

$$\Rightarrow V_{SIC}^{(i)}(\underline{r}) = V_H(\underline{r}) - \int \frac{|\varphi_i(\underline{r}')|^2}{|\underline{r} - \underline{r}'|} d\underline{r}'$$

- POTENTIAL DEPENDS ON STATE (i).

$$\left(-\frac{\hbar^2}{2m} \nabla^2 + \underbrace{V_{SIC}^{(i)}}_{\text{circled}} + V_{ext} + \mu_{xc} \right) \varphi_i = E_i \varphi_i$$

- NOT AN EIGENVALUE PROBLEM ANY MORE.
- φ_i ORTHOG. NOT GUARANTEED, BUT CAN BE IMPOSED.
- SIMILAR TO HARTREE-FOCK, BUT MB-WFN NOT INVARIANT AGAINST ORBITAL TRANSF.
- RESULT NOT UNIQUE. DEPENDS ON CHOICE OF φ_i . (WANNIER / ROY) (LOCALIZATION SCHEMES)

VAN DER WAALS

DYNAMICAL CORRELATION EFFECT (NON-LOCAL)



$\Delta m_1(t)$



$\underline{E}_1(t)$

DIPOLAR
FIELD

$\Delta m_2(t)$

DIPOLE

DIPOLE-DIPOLE INTERACTION DUE TO
QUANTUM FLUCTUATIONS OF DENSITY.

FUNCTIONAL (DION et al. 2006)

$$E_{VDW} = \iint \rho(\underline{r}) \boxed{\phi(\underline{r}, \underline{r}')} \rho(\underline{r}') d\underline{r} d\underline{r}'$$

VDW KERNEL

$\phi(\underline{r}, \underline{r}')$ DEPENDS ON $\rho(\underline{r})$ AND $\rho(\underline{r}')$ \Rightarrow
FULLY NON-LOCAL.

- EXPENSIVE DOUBLE INTEGRAL
- EFFICIENT IMPLEMENTATION (Selez 2009)

$\phi(\underline{r}, \underline{r}')$: GOOD APPROXIMATIONS BASED ON
DYNAMICAL RESPONSE THEORY.

LDA + U

- STRONG ONSITE CORRELATIONS ARE NOT CAPTURED BY LDA/GGA. ?
- IMPORTANT FOR LOCALIZED d AND f BANDS, WHERE MANY ELECTRONS SHARE THE SAME SPATIAL REGION (SELF-INTERACTION PROBLEM).

SOLUTION (SEMI-EMPIRICAL): SEPARATE OCCUPIED AND EMPTY STATES BY AN ADDITIONAL ENERGY U AS IN HUBBARD'S MODEL.

$$E_{LDA+U} = E_{LDA} - \frac{1}{2} U N(N-1) + \frac{1}{2} U \sum_{i \neq j} f_i f_j$$

f_i = ORBITAL OCCUPATIONS.

SHIFT IN EIGENVALUES:

$$\epsilon_i = \frac{\partial E_{LDA+U}}{\partial f_i} = \epsilon_i^{LDA} + U \left(\frac{1}{2} - f_i \right)$$

$$\epsilon_i^{occ} = \epsilon_i^{LDA} - U/2$$

$$\epsilon_i^{sup} = \epsilon_i^{LDA} + U/2 \quad \left. \vphantom{\epsilon_i^{sup}} \right\} \Delta \epsilon = U$$

THEORY LEVELS

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