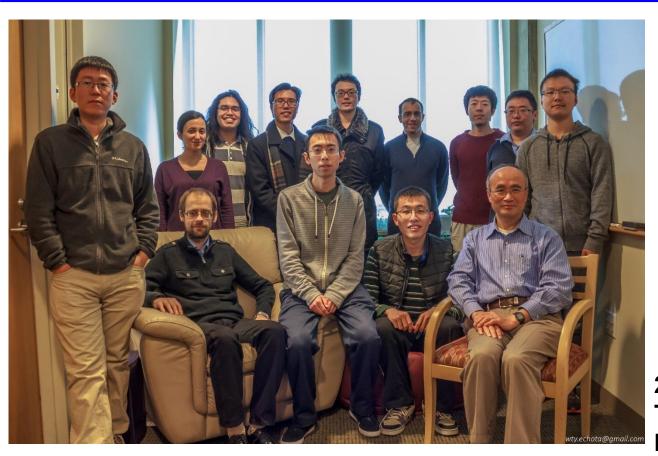
#### **Exchange-Correlation Functionals in DFT**

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## **Outline**

- Kohn-Sham Equations
- Adiabatic Connection for XC: from wave function theory to DFT
- Commonly Used Functionals
- Challenges in DFT from Fractional Perspectives
- LOSC (Localized orbitals scaling correction)

#### One electron Equations

#### Kohn-Sham (KS)

$$\left(-\frac{1}{2}\nabla^2 + v_s(\mathbf{r})\right)|\phi_i\rangle = \varepsilon_i |\phi_i\rangle,$$

$$v_s(\mathbf{r}) = \frac{\delta E_{xc}[\rho]}{\delta \rho(\mathbf{r})} + v_J(\mathbf{r}) + v_{ext}(\mathbf{r})$$

#### Generalized Kohn-Sham (GKS)

$$\left(-\frac{1}{2}\nabla^2 + v_s^{\text{NL}}(\mathbf{r},\mathbf{r}')\right)|\phi_i\rangle = \varepsilon_i^{\text{GKS}}|\phi_i\rangle.$$

$$v_s^{\text{NL}}(\mathbf{r}, \mathbf{r}') = \frac{\delta E_{xc}[\delta \rho_s(\mathbf{r}', \mathbf{r})]}{\delta \rho_s(\mathbf{r}', \mathbf{r})} + [v_J(\mathbf{r}) + v_{ext}(\mathbf{r})] \delta(\mathbf{r}' - \mathbf{r})$$

#### Feastures of Kohn-Sham theory

- 1. With N orbitals, the kinetic energy is treated rigorously. In comparison with the Thomas-Fermi theory in terms of density, it is a trade of computational difficulty for accuracy.
- 2. The KS or GKS equations are in the similar form as the Hartree-Fock equations and can be solved with similar efforts.
- 3. KS or GKS changes a N interacting electron problem into an N non-interacting electrons in an effective potential.
- 4. The E\_xc is not known, explicitly. It is about 10% of the energy for atoms.

$$F[\rho] = T[\rho] + V_{ee}[\rho]$$
$$= T_s[\rho] + J[\rho] + E_{xc}[\rho]$$

So far, the E\_xc is expressed in a form that is not appealing, not revealing, not inspiring...

$$E_{xc}[\rho] = T[\rho] - T_s[\rho] + V_{ee}[\rho] - J[\rho]$$

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The same electron density

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	Kohn-Sham Reference System	Physical System
the same $\rho(\mathbf{r})$	$\sum_i n_i \left  \phi_i(\mathbf{r})  ight ^2$	$N \int ds_1 d\mathbf{x}_2 d\mathbf{x}_N \left  \Psi(\mathbf{r}s_1, \mathbf{x}_2, \mathbf{x}_N) \right ^2$
Hamiltonian	$H_s = \sum_{j=1}^{N} h_s(j) = \sum_{j=1}^{N} -\frac{1}{2}\nabla_j^2 + v_s(\mathbf{r}_j)$	$H = \hat{T} + \hat{V}_{ee} + \sum_{i}^{N} v_{ext}(\mathbf{r}_{i})$
Energy	$E_s = \langle \Psi_s   H_s   \Psi_s \rangle$	$E = \langle \Psi   H   \Psi \rangle$
	$E_s = T_s[\rho] + \int d\mathbf{r} v_s(\mathbf{r}) \rho(\mathbf{r})$	$E = T_s[\rho] + J[\rho] + E_{xc}[\rho] + \int d\mathbf{r} v_{ext}(\mathbf{r}) \rho(\mathbf{r})$
connecting $H_{\lambda}$	$\sum_{j}^{N}-rac{1}{2} abla_{j}^{2}+\lambda\hat{V}_{ee}+\sum_{i}^{N}v_{\lambda}(\mathbf{r}_{i})$	), keeping fixed density $\rho_{\lambda}(\mathbf{r}) = \rho(\mathbf{r})$
	$H_0=H_s$	$H_1 = H$

$$H_{\lambda} = \sum_{j}^{N} -\frac{1}{2} \nabla_{j}^{2} + \lambda \hat{V}_{ee} + \sum_{i}^{N} v_{\lambda}(\mathbf{r}_{i}) \frac{\partial E_{\lambda}}{\partial \lambda} = \frac{\partial \langle \Psi_{\lambda} | H_{\lambda} | \Psi_{\lambda} \rangle}{\partial \lambda}$$

$$= \langle \Psi_{\lambda} | \frac{\partial H_{\lambda}}{\partial \lambda} | \Psi_{\lambda} \rangle$$

$$= \langle \Psi_{\lambda} | \hat{V}_{ee} + \sum_{i}^{N} \frac{\partial v_{\lambda}(\mathbf{r}_{i})}{\partial \lambda} | \Psi_{\lambda} \rangle$$

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$$= \langle \Psi_{\lambda} | \hat{V}_{ee} | \Psi_{\lambda} \rangle + \frac{\partial}{\partial \lambda} \int d\mathbf{r} v_{\lambda}(\mathbf{r}) \rho(\mathbf{r})$$

$$= \int_{0}^{1} \langle \Psi_{\lambda} | \hat{V}_{ee} | \Psi_{\lambda} \rangle d\lambda + \int d\mathbf{r} v_{ext}(\mathbf{r}) \rho(\mathbf{r}) - \int d\mathbf{r} v_{s}(\mathbf{r}) \rho(\mathbf{r})$$

Kohn-Sham Reference System Physical System  $E_s = T_s[\rho] + \int d\mathbf{r} v_s(\mathbf{r}) \rho(\mathbf{r}) \qquad E = T_s[\rho] + J[\rho] + E_{xc}[\rho] + \int d\mathbf{r} v_{ext}(\mathbf{r}) \rho(\mathbf{r})$ 

$$J[
ho] = \frac{1}{2} \int d\mathbf{r} d\mathbf{r}' \frac{\rho(\mathbf{r})\rho(\mathbf{r}')}{|\mathbf{r}-\mathbf{r}'|}$$

Finally, 
$$E_{xc}[
ho] = \int_0^1 ra{\Psi_\lambda} \hat{V}_{ee} \ket{\Psi_\lambda} d\lambda - J[
ho]$$

$$E_{xc}[\rho] = \int_0^1 \langle \Psi_{\lambda} | \hat{V}_{ee} | \Psi_{\lambda} \rangle d\lambda - J[\rho]$$

- Exc in terms of wavefunction!
- Compared with

$$E_{xc}[\rho] = T[\rho] - T_s[\rho] + V_{ee}[\rho] - J[\rho]$$

- What is the integrand at  $\lambda = 0$  ?
- Starting point to make approximations –
   DFA (Density functional approximation)

#### The Local Density Approximation (Kohn-Sham, 1964)

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

 $\varepsilon_{xc}(\rho(\mathbf{r}))$  is the XC energy per particle of a homogeneous electron gas of density  $\rho$ . It is a function of  $\rho$ .

Dirac exchange energy functional

$$E_x^{LDA}[\rho] = -C_D \int \rho(\mathbf{r})^{\frac{4}{3}} d\mathbf{r}$$

#### Beyond the Local Density Approximation

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

LDA	$E_{xc} = \int d\mathbf{r} f(\rho)$	VWN, PW,
GGA	$E_{xc} = \int d\mathbf{r} f(\rho, \nabla \rho)$	BLYP, PW96, PBE
Hybrid	$E_{xc} = c_1 E_x^{HF} + c_2 E_{xc}^{GGA}$	B3LYP, PBE0
range-separated		••••

$$E_{\rm x}^{\rm B88} = -\sum_{\sigma=\alpha,\beta} \int \rho_{\sigma}^{4/3} \left| \frac{3}{4} \left( \frac{6}{\pi} \right)^{1/3} + \frac{\beta x_{\sigma}^2}{1 + 6\beta x_{\sigma} \sinh^{-1} x_{\sigma}} \right| d{\bf r}$$

$$E_{\rm x}^{\rm PBE} = -\int \rho^{4/3} \left| \frac{3}{4} \left( \frac{3}{\pi} \right)^{1/3} + \frac{\mu s^2}{1 + \mu s^2 / \kappa} \right| d{\bf r}$$

$$E_{x}^{HF} = -\frac{1}{2} \sum_{ij\sigma} \int \int \frac{\phi^*_{i\sigma}(\mathbf{r}) \, \phi_{j\sigma}(\mathbf{r}) \, \phi^*_{j\sigma}(\mathbf{r}') \, \phi_{i\sigma}(\mathbf{r}')}{|\mathbf{r} - \mathbf{r}'|} \, d\mathbf{r} \, d\mathbf{r}'$$

$$E_{\rm xc}^{\rm B3LYP} = 0.2E_{\rm x}^{\rm HF} + 0.8E_{\rm x}^{\rm LDA} + 0.72\Delta E_{\rm x}^{\rm B88} + 0.81E_{\rm c}^{\rm LYP} + 0.19E_{\rm c}^{\rm VWN}$$

#### Atomization energies for a few selected molecules, mH

Mol.	Exp.	LSDA	PBE	UHF	MP2	B3LYP
$H_2$	174.5	180.3	166.7	133.9	165.7	
Li <sub>2</sub>	39.3	37.9	31.7	4.8	25.5	33.5
$Be_2$	4.8	20.6	15.6	11.2	-1.6	_
$N_2$	364.0	427.1	387.6	183.3	368.1	365.6
$F_2$	62.1	124.6	85.1	-15.9	111.6	57.7
LiH	92.4	96.9	85.2	52.6	86.1	92.9
OH	169.6	197.9	175.0	108.4	165.7	172.3
HF	225.7	259.1	226.3	154.6	227.9	222.1
$H_2O$	370.0	424.9	373.2	245.4	366.5	368.1
$NH_3$	473.9	537.5	480.8	318.7	462.1	478.4
$CH_4$	668.2	737.2	669.0	522.7	661.3	670.4
CO	413.2	476.3	428.4	277.3	423.9	408.3
NO	243.7	316.2	273.9	84.5	242.2	248.0
$Cl_2$	92.4	132.1	103.7		_	87.8

# Mean Absolute Errors (MAE) Thermochemistry(G3 set150), Barriers (HTBH42161 and NHTB38151), Geometries (T96), Hydrogen Bonding and Polarizabilities

	post-B3LYP				
	G3	barriers-	T96	H bond-	$\alpha_{\mathrm{iso}}$
functional	(kcal/mol)	(kcal/mol)	$(a_0)$	(kcal/mol)	(au)
LDA	72.24	14.36	0.0107	3.02	0.78
	GGA	A and Meta-G	GA		
BLYP	6.64	7.37	0.0205	1.46	0.79
HCTH	5.59	4.15	0.0119	2.22	0.48
HCTH407	5.72	4.69	0.0107	1.05	0.50
PBE	15.99	8.29	0.0148	1.24	0.63
BP86	15.71	8.49	0.0158	1.39	0.66
BPBE	7.55	6.81	0.0155	1.67	0.53
OLYP	5.22	5.36	0.0142	2.21	0.53
OPBE	8.86	5.21	0.0121	2.55	0.31
TPSS	7.85	8.03	0.0123	1.16	0.44
M06-L	5.87	3.82	0.0056	0.58	0.40

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				Hybrid Fi	unctionals		
TPSSh	6.03	6.45	0.0082	0.98	0.30		
B3LYP	4.28	4.50	0.0097	1.01	0.37		
PBE0	6.37	4.11	0.0089	0.76	0.21		

3.88

2.79

2.22

2.03

1.37

3.14

15.12

9.18

B97 - 1

B97-2

B97 - 3

M06-2X

M06-HF

**HFLYP** 

M06

HF

3.90

4.31

3.70

4.78

3.34

6.26

132.38

35.39

0.0093

0.0087

0.0087

0.0088

0.0110

0.0167

0.0277

0.0423

0.75

0.97

0.92

0.47

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3.15

1.13

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0.35

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1.01

1.36

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				Range-Separ	ated Functionals
CAMB3LYP	4.04	2.51	0.0119	0.69	0.23
LCBLYP	16.91	3.73	0.0169	0.90	0.31
rCAMB3LYP	5.50	2.76	0.0225	0.78	0.37
LC-PBE	16.69	3.07	0.0245	0.75	0.53
HSE	4.37	3.43	0.0082	0.77	0.21

## **Density Functional Theory**

- Structure of matter: atom, molecule, nano, condensed matter
- Chemical and biological functions
- Electronic
- Vibrational
- Magnetic
- Optical (TD-DFT)

# Density Functional Theory

- DFT is exact and should give agreement with experiment or high-level ab initio calculations in all situations.
- Approximate functionals perform well in many systems but can fail dramatically in other situations.
- This can be traced back to errors of DFA (density functional approximation)
- The understanding of these errors will hopefully lead to new and improved functionals.
- The same challenges for other approximate QM methods.

## **Fractional Charges**

#### A large class of problems

- Wrong dissociation limit for molecules and ions
- Over-binding of charge transfer complex
- too low reaction barriers
- Overestimation of polarizabilities and hyperpolarizabilities
- Overestimation of molecular conductance in molecular electronics
- Incorrect long-range behavior of the exchange-orrelation potential
- Charge-transfer excited states
- Band gaps too small
- Diels-Alder reactions, highly branched alkanes, dimerization of aluminum complexes

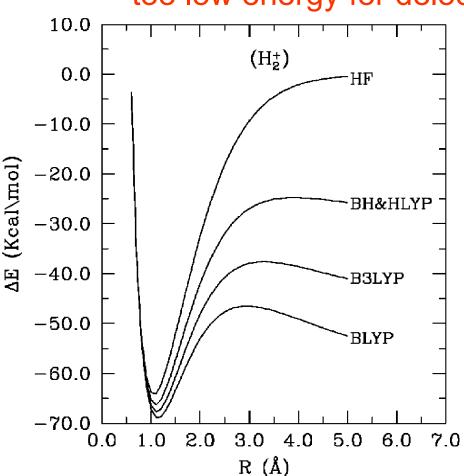


## **Delocalization Error**

# Error Increases for systems with fractional number of electrons: Yingkai Zhang and WY, JCP 1998

H<sub>2</sub><sup>+</sup> at the dissociation limit

too low energy for delocalized electrons



Savin, in Seminario, "Recent Developments and Applications of Modern DFT", 1996

#### DFT for fractional number of electrons

from grand ensembles,

Perdew, Parr, Levy, and Balduz, PRL. 1982

$$E_{N+\delta} = (1 - \delta)E_N + \delta E_{N+1}$$
$$\rho_{N+\delta} = (1 - \delta)\rho_N + \delta \rho_{N+1}$$

#### **Ground State Degeneracy in QM and in DFT**

WY, Yingkai Zhang and Paul Ayers, PRL, 2000 - pure states

# H<sub>2</sub><sup>+</sup> at the dissociation limit

$$\Psi_{\alpha}$$

$$E_{\alpha} = E(0) + E(1)$$

$$\Psi_{\beta}$$

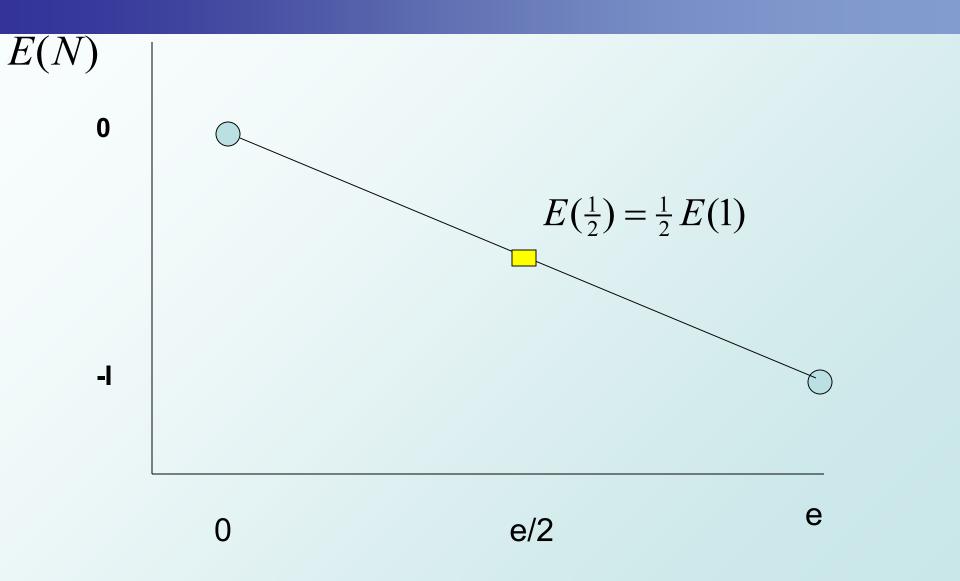
$$E_{\beta} = E(1) + E(0)$$

$$\Psi_{\gamma} = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \left( \Psi_{\alpha} + \Psi_{\beta} \right)$$

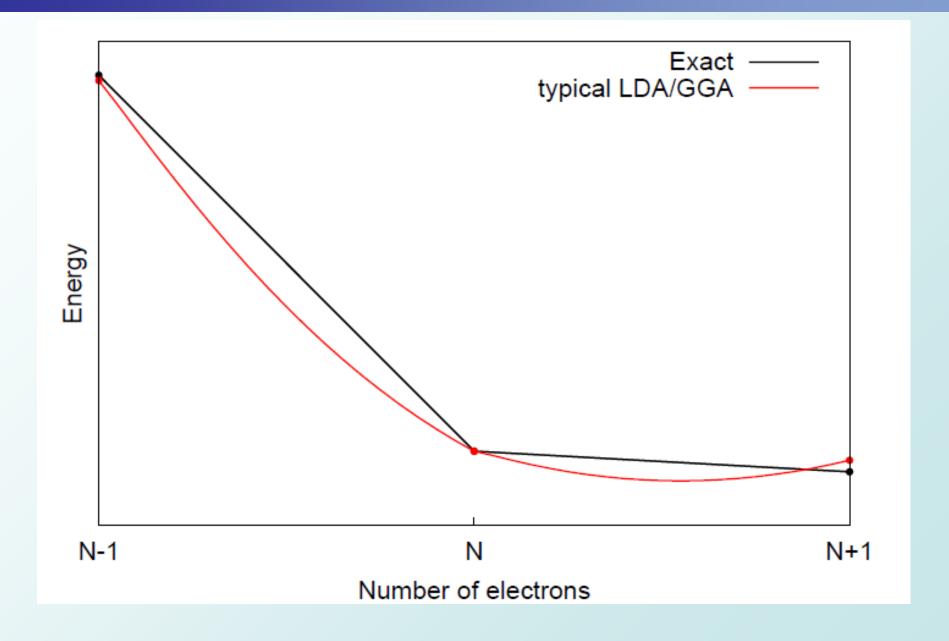
$$E_{\gamma} = E(\frac{1}{2}) + E(\frac{1}{2}) = 2E(\frac{1}{2})$$

$$E(N)$$
:  $E(\frac{1}{2}) = \frac{1}{2}E(0) + \frac{1}{2}E(1) = \frac{1}{2}E(1)$ 

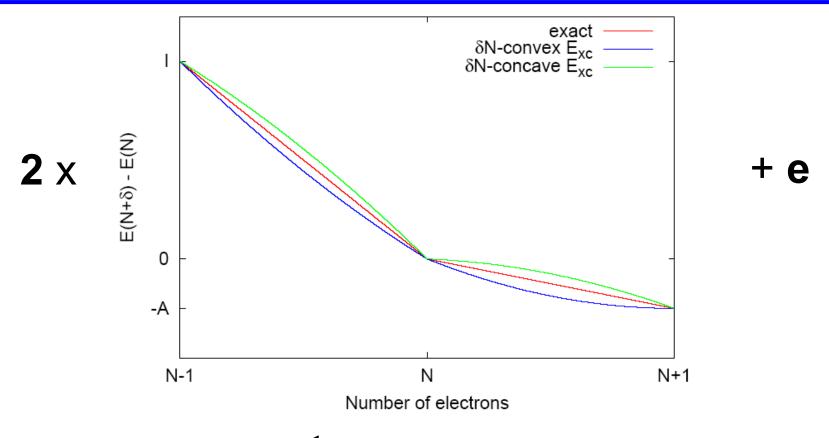
#### The linearity condition in fractional charges: The energy of e/2



# E(N)



## A dimer, with $\infty$ separation: each monomer has E(N)



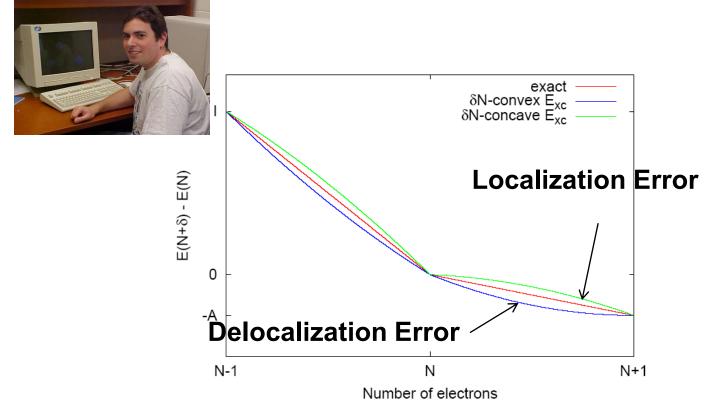
For 
$$\delta N$$
-convex,  $2E(N+\frac{1}{2}) < E(N)+E(N+1)$ , delocalized

For 
$$\delta N$$
-concave,  $2E(N+\frac{1}{2}) > E(N)+E(N+1)$ , localized

#### **Delocalization and Localization Error**

Paula Mori-Sanchez, Aron Cohen and WY, PRL 2008



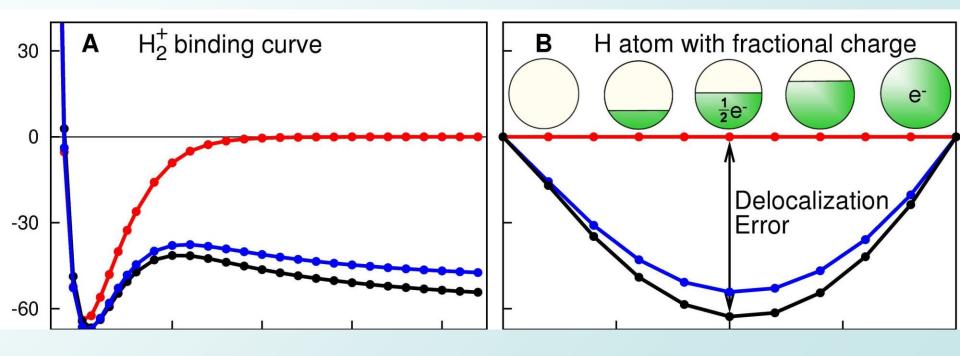


#### Consequence of Delocalization Error

- 1. predicts too low energy for delocalized distributions
- 2. gives too delocalized charge distributions

# Delocalization Error

Define the Delocalization Error as the violation of the linearity condition for fractional charges



Cohen, Mori-Sanchez and Yang, 2008 Science

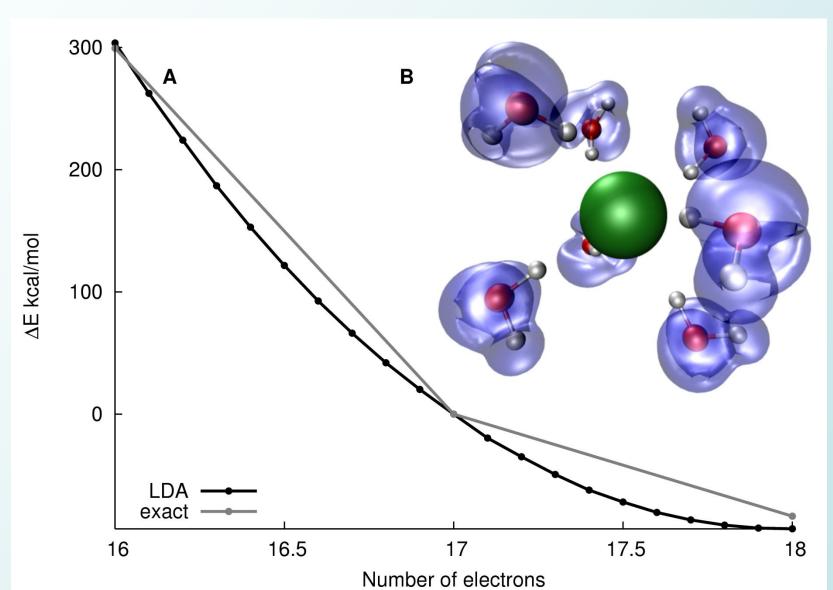
#### Delocalization Error in GGA, LDA, B3LYP

#### Too low energy for fractional charge systems

- Energy of dissociation of molecular ion: too low
- Charge transfer complex energy: too low
- Transition state energy: too low
- Charge transfer excitation energy: too low
- Band gap: too low
- Molecular conductance: too high
- (Hyper)polarizability for long molecules: too high
- Diels-Alder reaction products, highly branched alkanes, dimerization of aluminum complexes: too high

# Seeing the delocalization error

#### Where is the negative charge?



# **Band Gap**

#### Definition of fundamental gap

$$E_{\mathsf{gap}}^{\mathsf{integer}} = \{E(N-1) - E(N)\} - \{E(N) - E(N+1)\}$$

$$= I - A$$

$$\mathsf{derivative}$$

$$E_{\mathsf{gap}}^{\mathsf{deriv}} = \left\{ \frac{\partial E}{\partial N} \Big|_{N+\delta} - \frac{\partial E}{\partial N} \Big|_{N-\delta} \right\}$$

$$E_{\text{gap}}^{\text{integer}} = E_{\text{gap}}^{\text{deriv}}$$
, Only if  $E(N + \delta)$  is linear.

# Chemical Potentials Unified expressions:

Cohen, Mori-Sanchez and WY, PRB, 2008

$$rac{\partial E_v(N)}{\partial N} = \langle \phi_{\mathrm{f}} | H_{\mathrm{eff}} | \phi_{\mathrm{f}} 
angle$$

$$E_g^{deriv} = \langle \phi_{\text{lumo}} | H_{\text{eff}} | \phi_{\text{lumo}} \rangle - \langle \phi_{\text{homo}} | H_{\text{eff}} | \phi_{\text{homo}} \rangle$$

Functional	Calculation	$rac{\partial E_v(N)}{\partial N}$	$E_g^{deriv}$
explicit density functional			
$E_{xc} = E_{xc}[\rho(\mathbf{r})]$	KS	$arepsilon_f^{ ext{KS}}$	$ \varepsilon_{\text{lumo}}^{\text{KS}} - \varepsilon_{\text{homo}}^{\text{KS}} $
orbital functional			
$E_{xc} = E_{xc}[\rho_s(\mathbf{r}', \mathbf{r})]$	OEP	$arepsilon_f^{ ext{OEP}} + \Delta_{ ext{xc}}^f$	$\varepsilon_{\text{lumo}}^{\text{OEP}} - \varepsilon_{\text{homo}}^{\text{OEP}} + \Delta_{xc}$
orbital functional			
$E_{xc} = E_{xc}[\rho_s(\mathbf{r}',\mathbf{r})]$	GKS	$arepsilon_f^{ ext{GKS}}$	$ \varepsilon_{\text{lumo}}^{\text{GKS}} - \varepsilon_{\text{homo}}^{\text{GKS}} $

- -KS orbital gap is equal to the band gap, for any explicit density functional.
- -OEP orbital gap is NOT equal to the band gap.
- -GKS orbital gap is the band gap, for any orbital functional.

#### Gap as the discontinuity of energy derivatives- chemical potentials

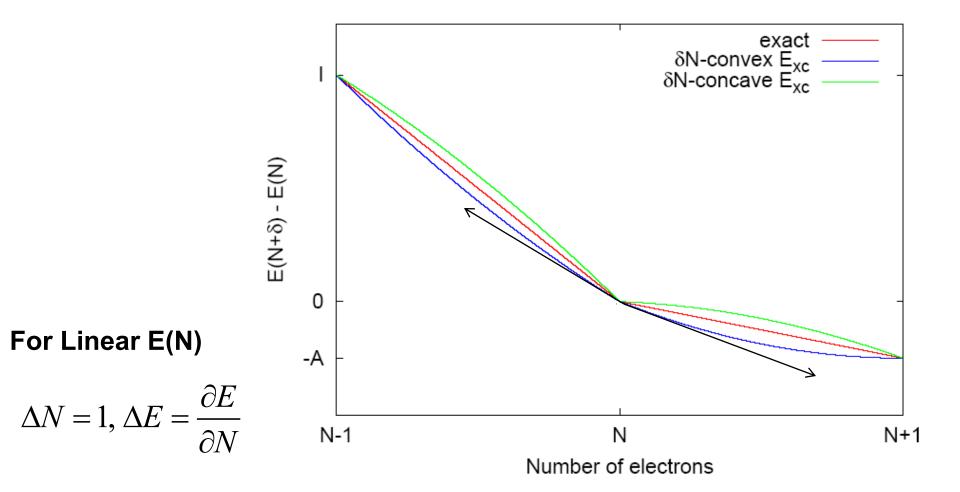
## How can fundamental gap be predicted in DFT

For continuous and differentiable functionals of density/density matrix

- LUMO energy is the chemical potential for electron addition
- HOMO energy is the chemical potential for electron removal
- Fundamental gaps predicted from DFT with KS, or GKS calculations, as the KS gap or the GKS gap
- For orbital functionals, the LUMO of the KS (OEP) eigenvalue is NOT the chemical potential of electron addition. The KS gap is not the fundamental gap predicted by the functional.

$$\frac{\partial E_{v}(N)}{\partial N} = \langle \phi_{f} | H_{\text{eff}} | \phi_{f} \rangle$$

WY, Mori-Sanchez and Cohen, PRB 2008, JCP 2012

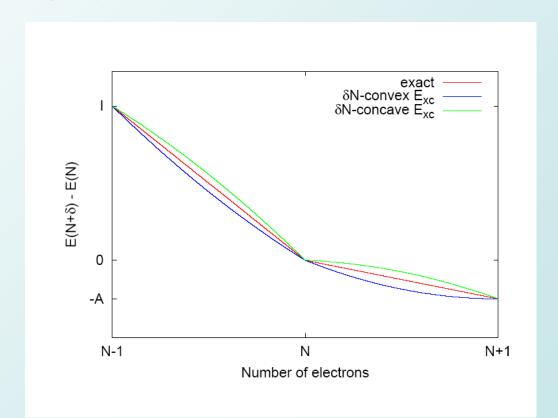


Convex curve (LDA, GGA): derivative underestimates I, overestimates A, I-A is too small

Concave curve (HF): derivative overestimates I, underestimate A, I-A is too large

## How well can fundamental gap be predicted in DFT

- Fundamental gaps predicted from DFT with KS, or GKS calculations, as the KS gap or the GKS gap
- Only works well if functionals have minimal delocalization/localization error.

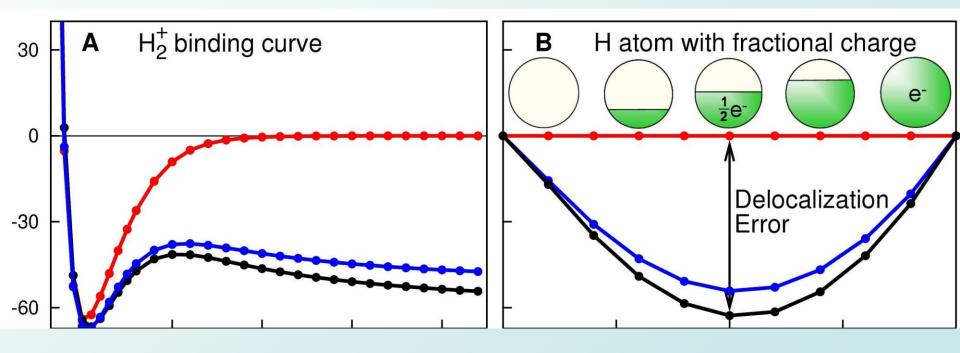


# CHEMICAL REVIEWS

# Challenges for Density Functional Theory

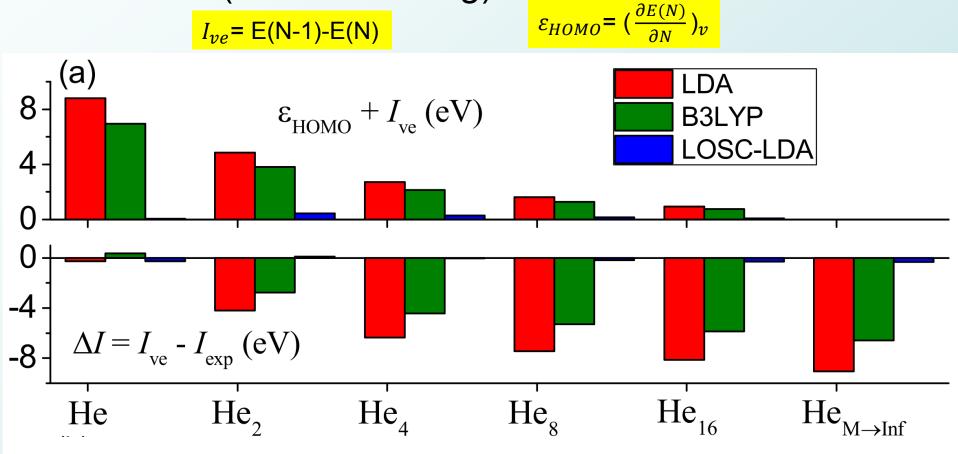
Aron J. Cohen,\* Paula Mori-Sánchez,\* and Weitao Yang\* 2012

## Delocalization Error—Size dependent manifestation



### Delocalization Error—Size dependent manifestation

Deviations between the calculated  $\varepsilon_{HOMO}$  and  $-I_{ve}$  and between  $I_{ve}$  and  $I_{exp}$  for a series of  $He_{M}$  clusters (non-interacting).



Mori-Sancehz, Cohen and Yang PRL 2008, National Science Review 2018

## Localized Orbital Scaling Correction (LOSC)

Chen Li, Xiao Zheng, Neil Qiang Su and WY (arXiv:1707.00856v1)

**National Science Review, 2018** 







Xiao Zheng



**Neil Qiang Su** 

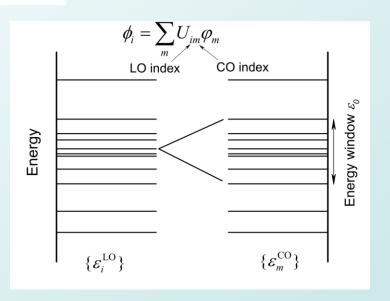
- Orbitalets: Novel localized orbitals to represent density matrix.
- Size-consistent, functional of the GKS density matrix for corrections to common DFA.
- Accurately characterization of the distributions of global and local fractional electrons.
- Systematic improvements: the dissociation of cationic species, the band gaps of molecules and polymers, the energy and density changes upon electron addition and removal, and photoemission spectra.

### **Orbitalets**: Novel Localized Orbitals

$$\rho_s = \sum_{ij} |\phi_i\rangle\langle\phi_i|\rho_s|\phi_j\rangle\langle\phi_j| = \sum_{ij} \lambda_{ij}|\phi_i\rangle\langle\phi_j|$$

$$\lambda_{ij} = \langle \phi_i | \rho_s | \phi_j \rangle$$

$$\left| \phi_{j\sigma} \right\rangle = \sum\limits_{\textit{m}} \, U^{\sigma}_{\textit{jm}} \left| \, \psi_{\textit{m}\sigma} \right\rangle$$



#### **E-Constrained Optimization**

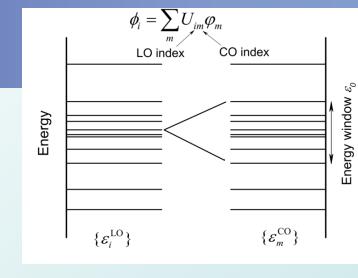
$$F = \sum_{i} \left[ \langle \phi_i | \mathbf{r}^2 | \phi_i \rangle - \langle \phi_i | \mathbf{r} | \phi_i \rangle^2 \right] + \sum_{im} w_{im} |U_{im}|^2$$

# Space and Energy localization

$$F = (1 - \gamma) \sum_{p} \Delta \mathbf{r}_{p}^{2} + \gamma C \sum_{p} \Delta h_{p}^{2}$$

### **Novel Localized Orbitals**

### **Orbitalets**

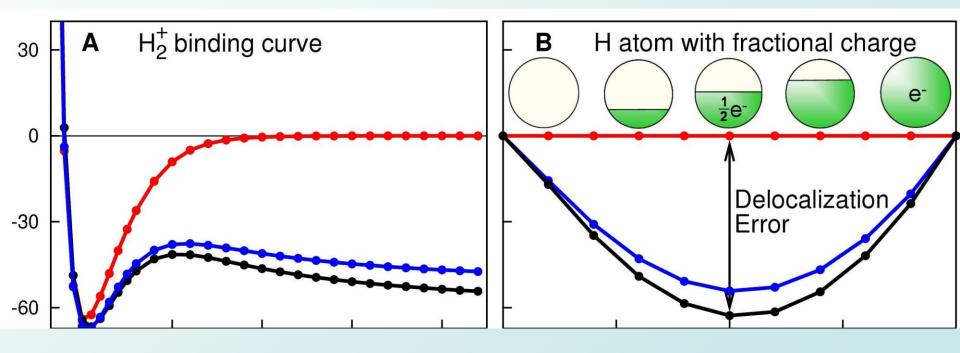


- -- Span both occupied and virtual space
- -- Localization **both** in the **physical** space and in the **energy** space.

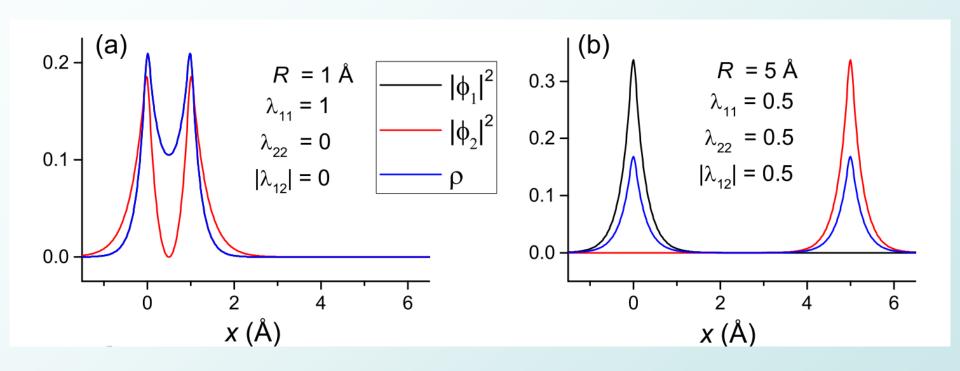
#### **Traditional**

- -- localized orbitals -- localization in the physical space
- -- canonical orbitals -- localization only in the energy space (energy eigenstates of an one-particle Hamiltonian)

## Delocalization Error—Size dependent manifestation



# Distribution of LO densities in $H_2^+$



#### At small R, R=1A

- Large energy gap between HOMO and LUMO
- Little mixing, LO ~ Canonical Orb, integer occupations

#### At large R, R=5A

- Small energy gap between HOMO and LUMO
- Much mixing, LO localized, fractional occupations

## Previous Global and Local Scaling Approach

#### PRL 2011 and PRL 2015

The GSC/LSC has the following asymptotic form,

$$\Delta E^{\text{GSC}} = \frac{1}{2} \kappa \left( n_f - n_f^2 \right), \tag{2}$$

$$\Delta E^{LSC} \approx \frac{1}{2} \iint d\mathbf{r} d\mathbf{r}' \, \tilde{n}_f(\mathbf{r}) \left[ 1 - \tilde{n}_f(\mathbf{r}') \right] \tilde{\kappa}(\mathbf{r}, \mathbf{r}'). \tag{3}$$

$$\frac{\partial^2 \Delta E^{\text{GSC}}}{\partial n_f^2} = -\kappa$$

$$\frac{1}{2}\kappa = \frac{1}{2} \int \int \frac{\rho_f(\mathbf{r})\rho_f(\mathbf{r}')}{|\mathbf{r} - \mathbf{r}'|} d\mathbf{r} d\mathbf{r}' - \frac{C_x}{3} \int [\rho_f(\mathbf{r})]^{\frac{4}{3}} d\mathbf{r},$$

## New LOSC, as correction to DFA

$$\Delta E^{\text{LOSC}} = \sum_{ij} \frac{1}{2} \kappa_{ij} \lambda_{ij} \left( \delta_{ij} - \lambda_{ij} \right) = \frac{1}{2} \text{tr}(\boldsymbol{\kappa} \boldsymbol{\omega})$$

$$\frac{1}{2}\kappa_{ij} = \frac{1}{2} \int \int \frac{\rho_i(\mathbf{r})\rho_j(\mathbf{r}')}{|\mathbf{r} - \mathbf{r}'|} d\mathbf{r} d\mathbf{r}' - \frac{\tau C_x}{3} \int [\rho_i(\mathbf{r})]^{\frac{2}{3}} [\rho_j(\mathbf{r})]^{\frac{2}{3}} d\mathbf{r}$$

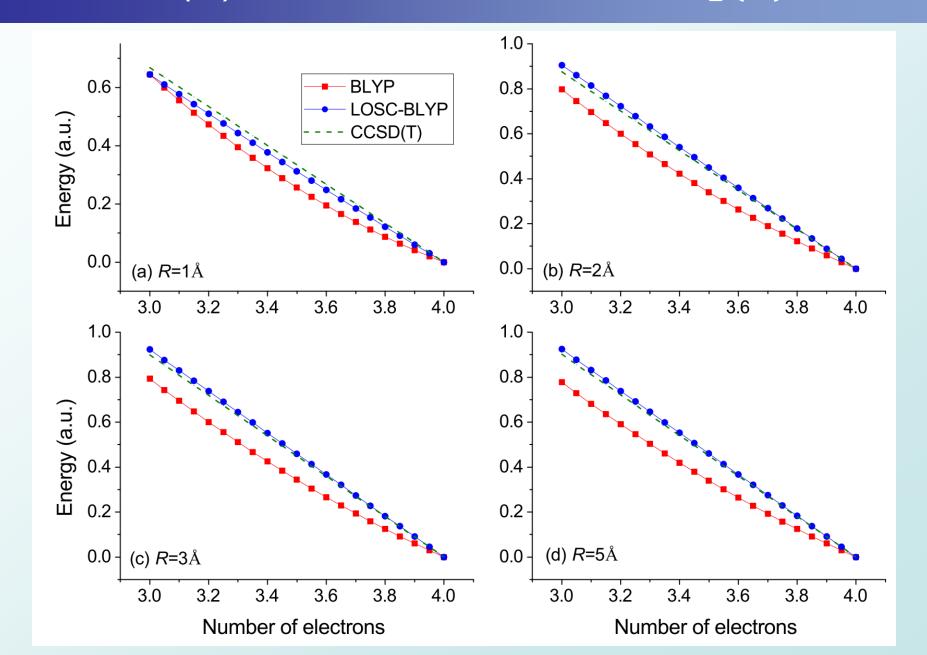
Non-empirical parameter to get correct limit for  $H_2^+$ 

$$\tau = 6(1 - 2^{-1/3}) \approx 1.2378$$

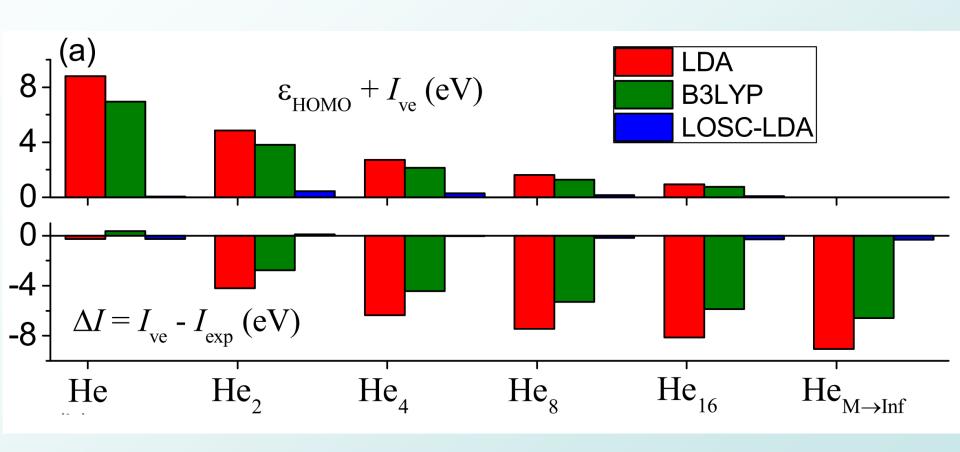
### Orbital energy corrections

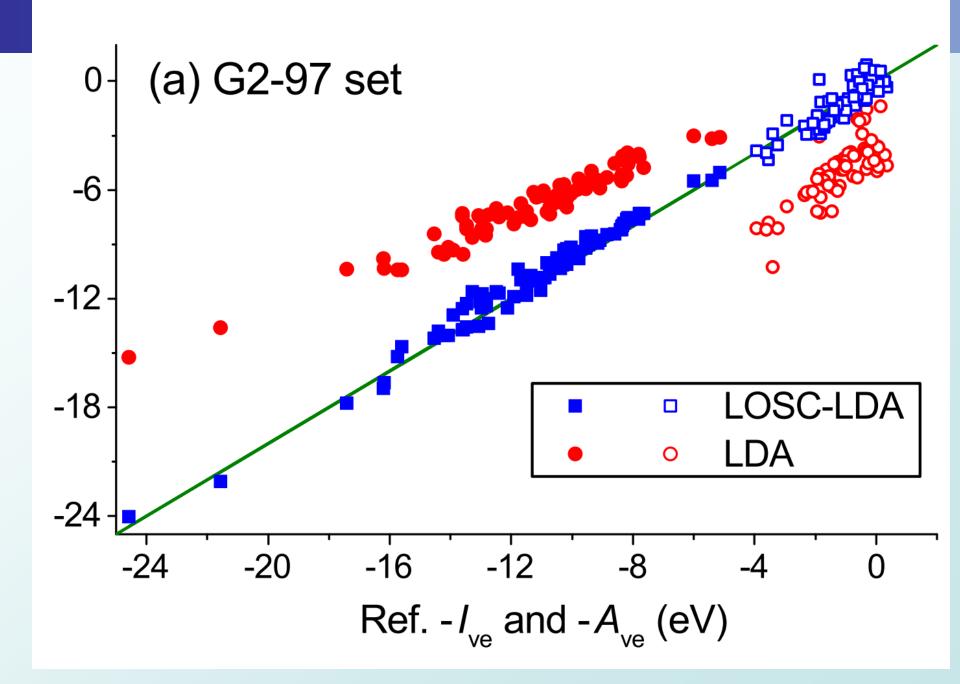
$$\Delta \epsilon_m = \sum_{i} \kappa_{ii} \left( \frac{1}{2} - \lambda_{ii} \right) |U_{im}|^2 - \sum_{i \neq j} \kappa_{ij} \lambda_{ij} U_{im} U_{jm}^*$$

# Linear E(N) and Size-Consistent: $He_2(R)$

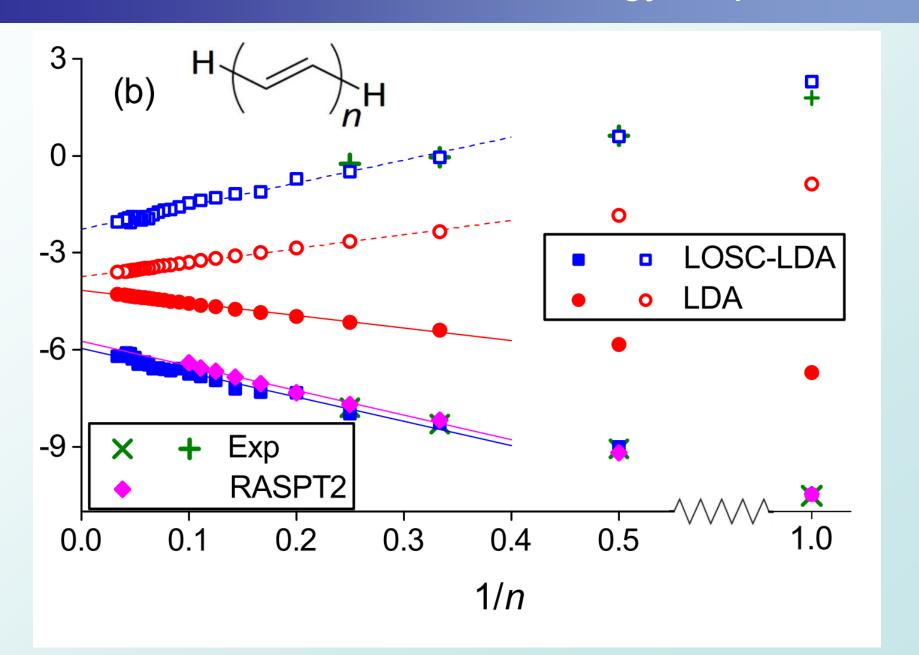


# LOSC: Linear E(N) and Size-Consistent

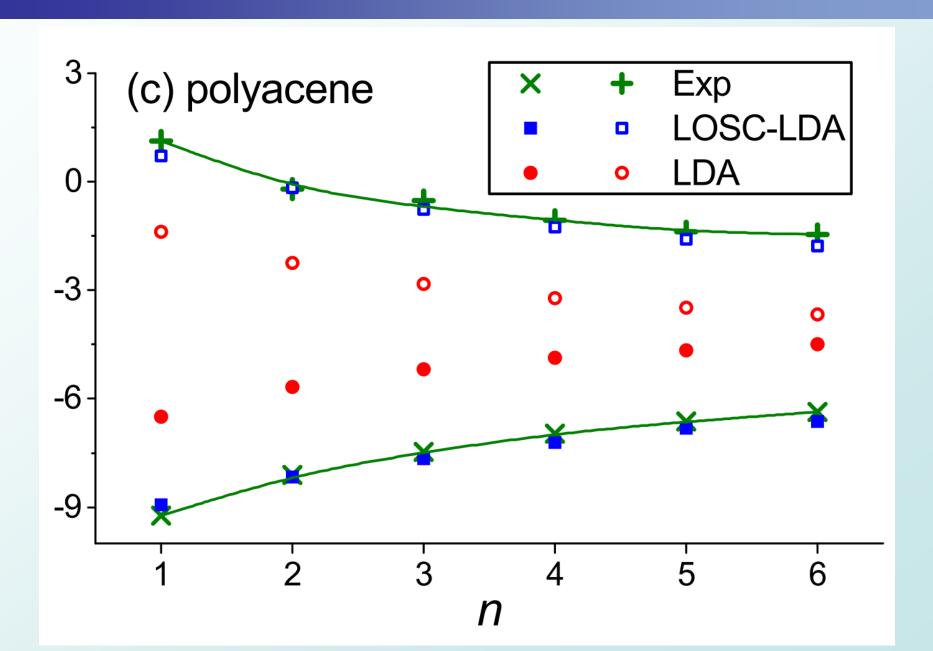




# LOSC: HOMO, LUMO and Energy Gaps



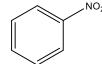
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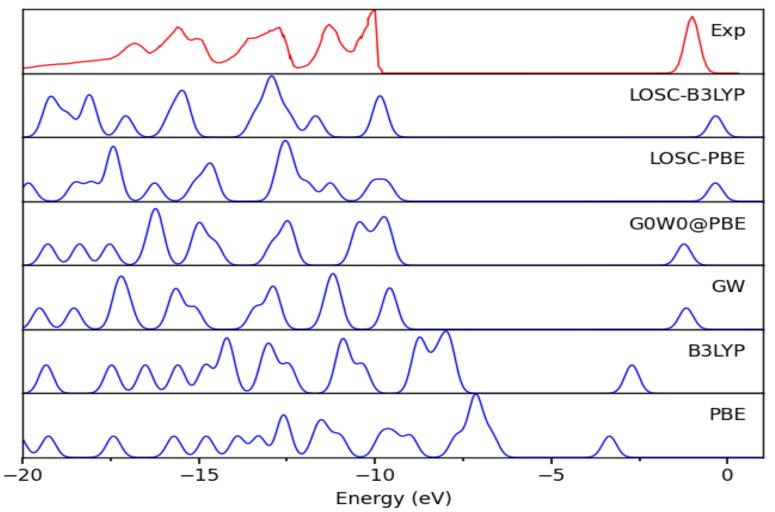


Mean absolute error (eV) of ionization potential and electron affinity results on 40 test molecules.

Method	IP	EA
scGW	0.47	0.34
$G_0W_0$ -PBE	0.51	0.37
LOSC-BLYP	0.47	0.32
LOSC-PBE	0.37	0.32
LOSC-B3LYP	0.26	0.27
LOSC-LDA	0.34	0.48
BLYP	2.98	1.99
PBE	2.81	2.17
B3LYP	2.00	1.58
LDA	2.58	2.44

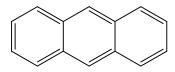
#### Photoemission spectrum of nitrobenzene

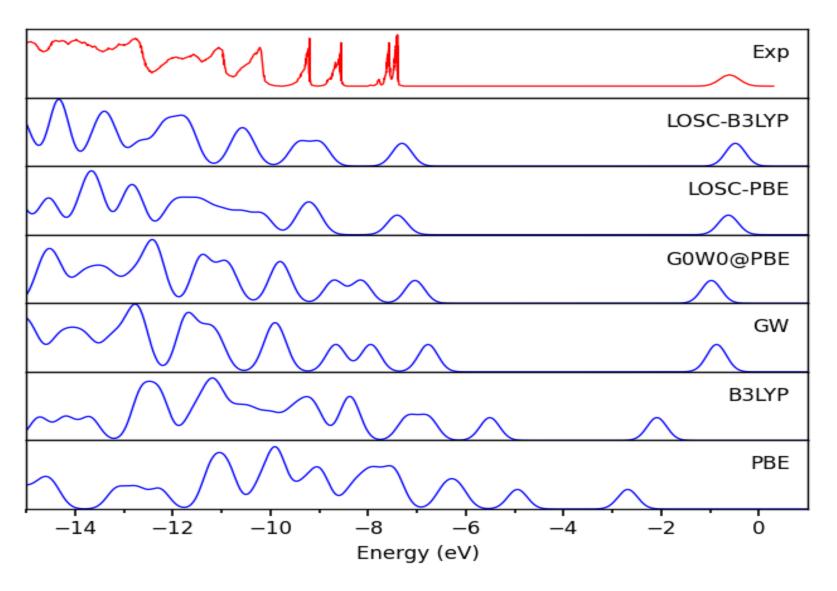




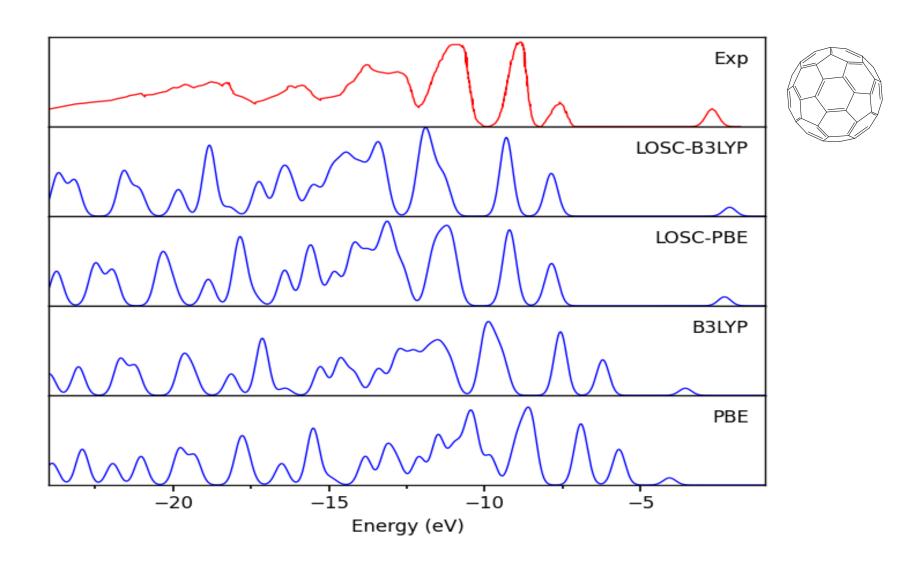
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#### Photoemission spectrum of anthracene

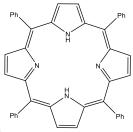


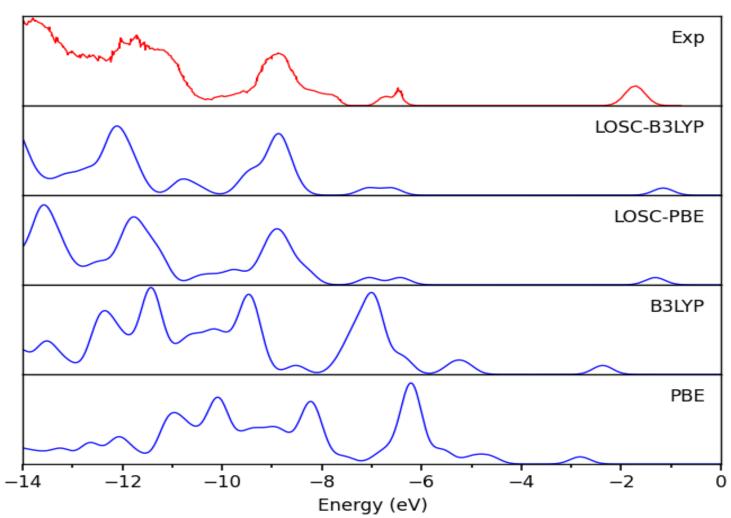


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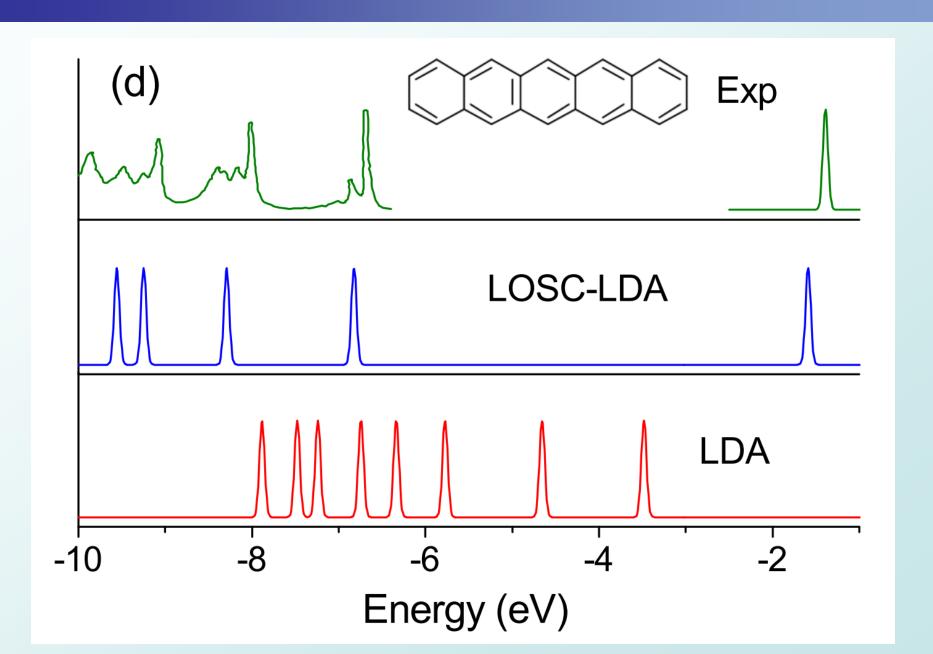


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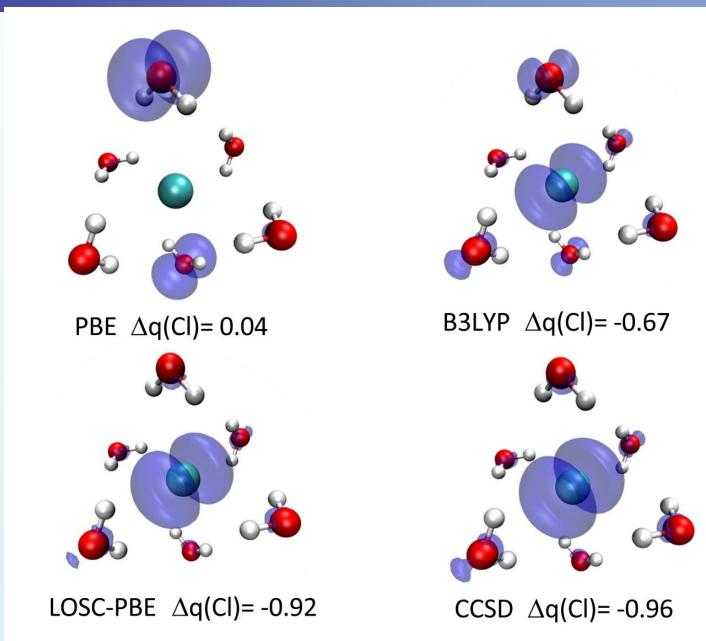


# LOSC: photoemission spectra



## LOSC: corrections to electron density

 $Cl^{-}(H_2O)_6$ 

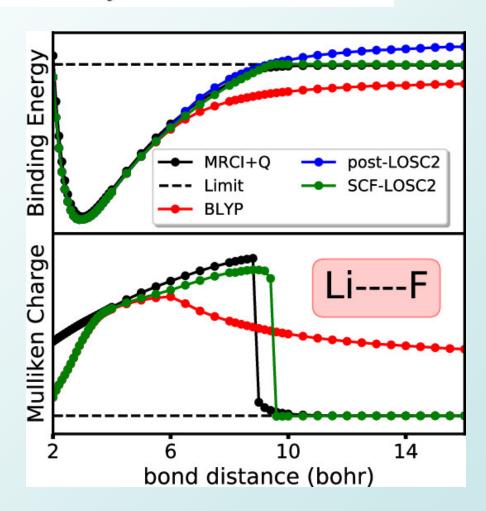


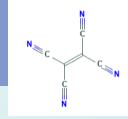


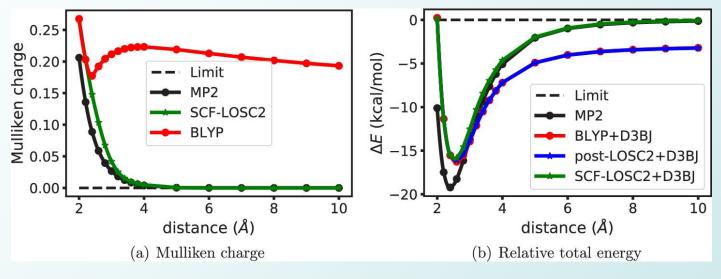
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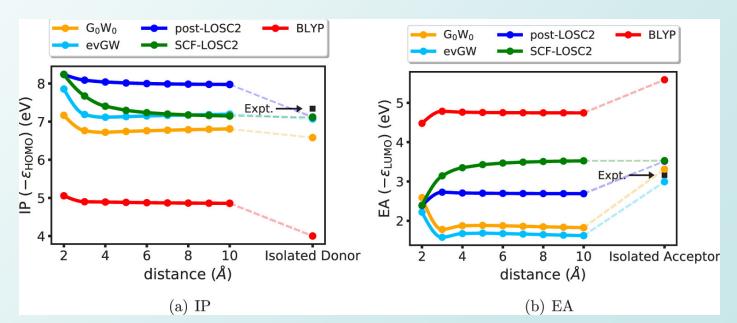
#### Self-Consistent Calculation of the Localized Orbital Scaling Correction for Correct Electron Densities and Energy-Level Alignments in Density Functional Theory

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# LOSC: Summary

- --Very different from conventional density functionals
- --Novel localized Orbitals with energy and space localization – *Orbitalets*
- --Functional of the Generalized Kohn-Sham density matrix
- --Size-consistent

## Prospective of DFT Approximations—bright future

### Strategy of nonlocal corrections

---Imposing the exact constraints of fractional charges and fractional spins

#### Semilocal functionals + Nonlocal corrections

- LOSC: Eliminating delocalization error
  - Band gaps
  - Energy alignment
  - Charge transfer
  - ....

 Describing strong correlation (static correlation) using fractional spins (PNAS, 2018)