**Spectroscopy with range-separated hybrid functionals** 

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### Mind the gap

#### The Kohn-Sham gap underestimates the real gap





# **Piecewise linearity in DFT: Exact results from ensemble arguments**

Fractional no. of electrons:  $N = N_0 + \alpha$ 

• Piecewise-linearity

$$\mathcal{E}(N) = (1 - \alpha)E_0 + \alpha E_1 \qquad \mathcal{E}_{ho}(N) = -I(N_0) = :E_0 - E_{-1}$$



Perdew, Parr, Levy, Balduz, PRL <u>49</u>, 1691 (1982).

# **The Kohn-Sham equation**

$$\left(-\frac{1}{2}\nabla^2 + V_{ion} + V_{Hartree} + V_{xc}\right)\psi_i(r) = E_i\psi_i(r)$$

kinetic ion-e

ion-e e-e many body



# *V<sub>xc</sub> may "jump" by a spatially uniform constant across the integer point. A derivative discontinuity!*

Confirmed by calculations: Godby, Schlüter, Sham, Phys. Rev. Lett. <u>56</u>, 2415 (1986); Chan, J. Chem. Phys. <u>110</u>, 4710 (1999); Allen and Tozer, Mol. Phys. <u>100</u>, 433 (2002).

## **Generalized** Kohn-Sham theory

Map to a *partially interacting* electron gas that is represented by a single Slater determinant.

- Seek Slater determinant that minimizes an energy functional S[{ $\phi_i$ }] while yielding the original density

- Type of mapping determines the functional form

$$\left(\hat{O}_{S}[\{\varphi_{j}\}]+V_{ion}(r)+v_{R}([n];r)\right)\varphi_{i}(r)=\varepsilon_{i}\varphi_{i}(r)$$

Seidl, Goerling, Vogl, Majevski, Levy, Phys. Rev. B 53, 3764 (1996).

Kümmel & Kronik, *Rev. Mod. Phys.* <u>80</u>, 3 (2008) Baer, Livshits, Salzner, *Ann. Rev. Phys. Chem.* <u>61</u>, 85 (2010).

- Derivative discontinuity problem possibly mitigated by non-local operator!!



Range-separated hybrid functionals Coulomb operator decomposition:



$$\left(-\frac{1}{2}\nabla^{2} + V_{ion}(r) + V_{H}([n];r) + \hat{V}_{F}^{lr,\gamma} + v_{x}^{sr,\gamma}([n];r) + v_{c}^{sl}([n];r)\right)\varphi_{i}(r) = \varepsilon_{i}\varphi_{i}(r)$$

See, e.g.: Leininger et al., *Chem. Phys. Lett.* <u>275</u>, 151 (1997) likura et al., J. *Chem. Phys.* <u>115</u>, 3540 (2001) Yanai et al., *Chem. Phys. Lett.* <u>393</u>, 51 (2004)

# But how to choose the range??



Optimal tuning of  $\gamma$ 



Ionization potential theorem:

$$-\varepsilon_{\text{HOMO}}^{\gamma} = E_{gs}(N-1;\gamma) - E_{gs}(N;\gamma)$$

Need both IP(D), EA(A)  $\Rightarrow$  choose  $\gamma$  to best obey the ionization potential theorem for <u>both</u> neutral donor and charged acceptor:

Minimize 
$$J(\gamma) = \sum_{i=0,-} (\varepsilon_{HOMO}^{\gamma,i} + E_{gs}^{i} (N_{i} - 1; \gamma) - E_{gs}^{i} (N_{i}; \gamma))^{2}$$

#### Tune, don't fit, the range-separation parameter!

Stein, Kronik, Baer, J. Am. Chem. Soc. (Comm.) <u>131</u>, 2818 (2009). Stein, Eisenberg, Kronik, Baer, Phys. Rev. Lett. <u>105</u>, 266802 (2010).

# Tuning the range-separation parameter







#### Ionization potential from the HOMO energy for all 148 molecules in the G2 set

#### lsaac Tamblyn



Jeff Neaton



Tamblyn, Refaely-Abramson, Neaton, Kronik, J. Phys. Chem. Lett. <u>5</u>, 2734 (2014)



Sivan Refaely-Abramson



**Curvature and missing DD: Doppelgänger!** 

Curvature 
$$-1 \le x \le 0$$
  
 $E^N(x) = \frac{1}{2}C^N x(x+1) + (1+x)E^N - xE^{N-1}.$ 

$$\varepsilon_H^N = \frac{dE^N(x)}{dx}\bigg|_{x=0} = E^N - E^{N-1} + \frac{1}{2}C^N$$

$$\varepsilon_L^{N-1} = \varepsilon_H(x \to -1^+) = \frac{dE^N(x)}{dx}\Big|_{x=-1}$$
$$= E^N - E^{N-1} - \frac{1}{2}C^N$$

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#### **Curvature and missing DD: Doppelgänger!**

$$I^{N} - I^{N+1} = \varepsilon_{L}^{N} - \varepsilon_{H}^{N} + \frac{1}{2} \left( C^{N} + C^{N+1} \right)$$
Fundamental Kohn-Sham DD substitute!

#### Missing DD and curvature: You can't have one without the other

Stein, Autschbach, Govind, Kronik, Baer, J. Phys. Chem. Lett. <u>3</u>, 3740 (2012).

#### **Curvature-based eigenvalue corrections!**

For PBE (in eV):





Jochen Autschbach

Niri Govind

	<i>C</i> <sup></sup> (0)	<i>C</i> <sup><i>N</i></sup> (-1)	$-arepsilon_H^N$	$-arepsilon_L^{N-1}$	I <sup>∾</sup> (H)	I <sub>N</sub> (L)	IN
F <sub>2</sub>	12.0	12.5	9.1	21.4	15.1	15.1	15.2
Anth.	4.3	4.2	5.0	9.2	7.1	7.1	7.1

# Quantitative correction to ~0.1 eV!

Traditional point of view:

DD & curvature two separate but somewhat-related bugs

This point of view: DD & curvature quantitatively related Missing DD is a bug ; Curvature is a feature

# **Generalized OT-RSH - formalism**

$$\frac{1}{r} = \frac{\alpha + \beta erf(\gamma r)}{r} + \frac{1 - [\alpha + \beta erf(\gamma r)]}{r}$$

Yanai et al., Chem. Phys. Lett. 393, 51 (2004)

Asymptotics:  $\alpha+\beta=1$  (Standard RSH limit:  $\alpha=0$ ,  $\beta=1$ ).  $\gamma$  stlil tuned from the ionization potential theorem

$$J^{2}(\gamma;\alpha) = \sum_{i=-1,0,1} \left( \varepsilon_{H_{(N+i)}}^{\gamma;\alpha} + IP^{\gamma;\alpha}(N+i) \right)^{2}$$

Refaely-Abramson, Sharifzadeh, Govind, Autschbach, Neaton, Baer, Kronik Phys. Rev. Lett. <u>109</u>, 226405 (2012)

For applications see also work from groups of, e.g., Brédas, Autschbach, Dunietz, Wong, ...

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#### Self energy versus Kohn-Sham potential in a uniform electron gas

Kohn-Sham eigenvalues are not one-particle excitation energies.

Sham & Kohn, Phys. Rev. 145, 561 (1966)



Jones & Gunnarson, Rev. Mod. Phys. 61, 68 (1989).

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#### Molecular crystals: Fundamental gap renormalization



#### Dielectric response: gap renormalization of molecular crystals



• No renormalization

Refaely-Abramson, Sharifzadeh, Jain, Baer, Neaton, Kronik, Phys. Rev. B (Rapid Comm.) <u>88</u>, 081204, 2013 Gap renormalization of molecular crystals from density functional theory Solid state screening: the OT-SRSH functional

- Optimally-tuned screened range-separated hybrids (OT-SRSH)
  - Electron polarization ↔ dielectric screening

$$E_{xc} = \alpha E_{xx}^{SR,\gamma} + (1-\alpha)E_{lx}^{SR,\gamma} + (\alpha + \beta)E_{xx}^{LR,\gamma} + (1-\alpha - \beta)E_{lx}^{LR,\gamma} + E_{lc}$$

$$\frac{1}{\varepsilon}$$
Screened RSH:

$$E_{HOMO} = -IP$$

**Tuning parameters** fixed to gas-phase values

from groups of Shimazaki, Galli Ullrich...

See also work



Kronik & Neaton, Annu. Rev. Phys. Chem., 67, 587 (2016). Kronik & Kümmel, Adv. Materials, 30, 1706560 (2018).

Overviews:

Gap renormalization of molecular crystals from density functional theory Gap renormalization



S. Refaely-Abramson, S. Sharifzadeh, M. Jain, R. Baer, J. B. Neaton and L. Kronik, PRB(R) 88, 081204, 2013

"Tough cases" for TDDFT with standard functionals

#### **Charge transfer excitations**

#### **Optical absorption in the solid state**

See, e.g.: Maitra, J. Phys. Cond. Matter. <u>29</u>, 423001 (2017). Maitra, J. Chem. Phys. <u>144</u>, 220901 (2016) The charge transfer excitation problem Linear-response time-dependent DFT, using either semi-local or standard hybrid functionals, seriously underestimates charge transfer excitation energies!



Charge transfer excitation:

BP86: 4.5 eV

CASPT2: 7.9 eV

Tozer et al., Mol. Phys. <u>97</u>, 859 (1999).

"Success consists of going from failure to failure without loss of enthusiasm."

- Winston Churchill

# Results – gas phase Ar-TCNE

Donor	TD- PBE	TD- B3LYP	TD- BNL γ=0.5	TD-BNL Best γ	Ехр	G <sub>0</sub> W <sub>0</sub> - BSE	GW- BSE (psc)
benzene	1.6	2.1	4.4	3.8	3.59	3.2	3.6
toluene	1.4	1.8	4.0	3.4	3.36	2.8	3.3
o-xylene	1.0	1.5	3.7	3.0	3.15	2.7	2.9
Naphthal ene	0.4	0.9	3.3	2.7	2.60	2.4	2.6
MAE	2.1	1.7	0. 8	0.1		0.4	0.1

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PRL '11 APL '11

Stein, Kronik, Baer, J. Am. Chem. Soc. (Comm.) <u>131</u>, 2818 (2009).

#### Optimal tuning is excellent for predicting inter- and intramolecular charge transfer excitations!



Ziaei & Bredow, ChemPhysChem 18, 579 (2017).

For the Theory See:

Stein, Kronik, Baer, J. Am. Chem. Soc. (Comm.) <u>131</u>, 2818 (2009). Stein, Kronik, Baer, J. Chem. Phys. <u>131</u>, 244119 (2009).

#### Allows solid-state optical absorption with TDDFT!



Arun Manna







Manna, Refaely-Abramson, Reilly, Tkatchenko, Neaton, Kronik, *J. Chem. Theo. Comp.*, 14, 2919 (2018)

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#### Combine OT-RSH with a polarizable continuum model (PCM)?

PCM = a molecule resides within a cavity in a dielectric medium and interacts with it coulombically.



De Queiroz and Kümmel, J. Chem. Phys. <u>141</u>, 084303 (2014). Kronik & Kümmel, Advanced Materials <u>30</u>, 1706560 (2018).

#### Solid-state interface charge transfer excitations?

	Theo – gas-phase (eV)		Expmt (eV)
Pn/C <sub>60</sub>	2.5		1.2-1.3
РЗНТ/РСВМ	2.1		1.4-1.7



David Egger



Jean-Luc Brédas



Slava

Coropceanu



Zilong Zheng

Zheng, Egger, Brédas, Kronik, Coropceanu, J. Phys. Chem. Lett. <u>8</u>, 3277 (2017).

#### **ε-tuning versus γ-tuning:** The importance of screening



#### **Proper Screening**

**Improper Screening** 

Zheng et al., J. Phys. Chem. Lett. <u>8</u>, 3277 (2017). Kronik & Kümmel, Advanced Materials <u>30</u>, 1706560 (2018).

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#### Solid-state interface charge transfer excitations

	Theo – gas-phase (eV)	Theo – screened (eV)	Expmt (eV)
Pn/C <sub>60</sub>	2.5	1.2	1.2-1.3
P3HT/PCB M	2.1	1.45	1.4-1.7

Zheng, Egger, Brédas, Kronik, Coropceanu, J. Phys. Chem. Lett. <u>8</u>, 3277 (2017).



Bhandari, Cheung, Geva, Kronik, Dunietz, JCTC <u>14</u>, 6287 (2018) Leeor Kronik, WTC 2020

# Extended to non-molecular solids with one empirical parameter



Refaely-Abramson, Jain, Sharifzadeh, Neaton, Kronik, *Phys. Rev. B* (Rapid Comm.) <u>92</u>, 081204 (2015).



#### Dahvyd Wing

Jonah Haber

## Band structures – incl. spin-orbit coupling



Wing, Haber, Noff, Barker, Egger, Ramasubramaniam, Louie, Neaton, Kronik, Phys. Rev. Materials <u>3</u>, 064603 (2019).



Wing, Haber, Noff, Barker, Egger, Ramasubramaniam, Louie, Neaton, Kronik, Phys. Rev. Materials <u>3</u>, 064603 (2019).

#### Simultaneous RSH and SRSH tuning for 2d and layered materials: MoS<sub>2</sub>



Ashwin Ramasubramanian



Ramasubramaniam, Wing, Kronik, <u>3</u>, 084007 (2019).

#### Optical Absorption: Beyond a dielectric constant ?



Ramasubramaniam, Wing, Kronik, <u>3</u>, 084007 (2019).

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Limitations of the approach

## - Strong heterogeneity

**Stretched heterodimers:** 

Karolewski, Kronik, and Kümmel, J. Chem. Phys. <u>138</u>, 204115 (2013).

Molecule/metal interface: Egger, Liu, Neaton, Kronik, Nano Lett. <u>15</u>, 2448 (2015); Liu, Egger, Refaely-Abramson, Kronik, Neaton, J. Chem. Phys. <u>146</u>, 092326 (2017).

#### - Strong correlation

Small copper oxide clusters: Shi, Weissman, Bruneval, Kronik, Öğüt, J. Chem. Phys. <u>149</u>, 064306 (2018).

Spin cross-over complexes: Prokopiou & Kronik, Eur. J. Chem. <u>24</u>, 5173 (2018).

# (TD)DFT can **mot** quantitatively predict:

- molecular gaps
- charge-transfer excitation energies
- photoemission spectra
- gap renormalization of molecular solids
- band structure and excitonic lineshapes in solids