# Development and application of "low-cost" dispersion corrected density functional methods

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# Large (periodic) systems with small energy gap are of interest

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# Physico-chemical properties depend on crystal packing?



- color indicates band gap
   2 eV 2.5 eV
- available methods are either inaccurate or unfeasible

# How to compute the electronic structure of biological mol.?



- large structures, typically in solution, small gaps by GGAs
- need for an accuracy semiempirical methods cannot provide

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### Lessons learned in the past years

- good structures are the key to many important physical and chemical properties
- Kohn-Sham density functional theory is the method of choice for structures wavefunction methods may take over for energies

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 sampling, entropy, solvation issues are as important as good convergence in electronic energy

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## Multilevel methodologies: finding the right compromise

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	task/property	example method
accurate QM	single-point energy	DLPNO-CCSD(T) DMC, FCIQMC
cheap QM	all	metaGGA (SCAN-D3 <sup>[1]</sup> ) HSE-3c <sup>[2,3]</sup>
very cheap QM	optimization/Hessians conformations	semi-empirical HF-3c <sup>[4,5]</sup> , DFTB3-D3 <sup>[6]</sup>
force field	dynamics conformational sampling	transferable or molecule specific (QM derived) FF

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### Many good dispersion corrections exist



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#### focus on D3 scheme as it can be used at all computational levels

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# Exact expression for correlation energy cannot be solved for many systems

$$E_{\rm c} = -\frac{1}{2\pi} \int_0^1 \mathrm{d}\lambda \int \mathrm{d}\mathbf{r} \mathrm{d}\mathbf{r}' \frac{1}{|\mathbf{r} - \mathbf{r}'|} \times \int_0^\infty \mathrm{d}\omega \left[ \chi_\lambda(\mathbf{r}, \mathbf{r}', i\omega) - \chi_0(\mathbf{r}, \mathbf{r}', i\omega) \right]$$

- from adiabatic connection fluctuation dissipation theorem<sup>[9]</sup>
- by  $\lambda$  scaled Coulomb interaction
- dynamical charge density susceptibility

$$\chi_{0}(\mathbf{r},\mathbf{r}',i\omega) = -4\sum_{i}\sum_{a}\frac{\omega_{ai}}{\omega_{ai}^{2}+\omega^{2}}\varphi_{i}(\mathbf{r})\varphi_{a}(\mathbf{r})\varphi_{a}(\mathbf{r}')\varphi_{i}(\mathbf{r}'),$$

 $\rightarrow$  approximation needed

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### Coarse-graining to atomic contributions leads to significant simplifications

coarse-grain to atomic contributions

$$\alpha_{ij}(i\omega) = \int \mathrm{d}\mathbf{r} \mathrm{d}\mathbf{r}' \, \mathbf{r}_i \mathbf{r}_j' \chi(\mathbf{r}, \mathbf{r}', i\omega)$$

expansion of Coulomb operator in multipoles<sup>[10]</sup>

$$E_{ ext{disp}}^{AB} = - \underbrace{rac{3}{\pi}\int \mathrm{d}\omega\,lpha_A(i\omega)lpha_B(i\omega)}_{C_h^{AB}} imes rac{1}{R_{AB}^6}$$

C<sub>8</sub><sup>AB</sup> and C<sub>9</sub><sup>AB</sup> from recursion relations and averages<sup>[11]</sup>

$$E_{ ext{disp}}^{ ext{(D3)}} = -rac{1}{2} \sum_{n=6,8} \sum_{A,B}^{ ext{aloms}} rac{C_n^{AB}}{R_{AB}^n} \cdot f_n^d(R_{AB}) - rac{1}{6} \sum_{A,B,C}^{ ext{atoms}} rac{C_9^{ABC}}{R_{AB}^9} \cdot f_9^d(R_{ABC}, heta_{ABC})$$

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# Geometric coordination number for interpolations of reference *C*<sub>6</sub>





- atoms-in-molecules  $C_6$  by TD-DFT of  $\alpha(i\omega)$  on model hydrides
- reference *C*<sub>6</sub> are mapped to real system via geometrical coordination
- short-range damping avoids double counting<sup>[12]</sup>

<sup>[12]</sup>S. Grimme, S. Ehrlich, L. Goerigk, *J. Comput. Chem.*, 32, 1456 (2011)

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# Semi-classical scheme yields highly accurate dispersion coefficients

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# Requirements on the new density functional method

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- reasonably fast for optimizations and frequencies
   small atomic orbital expansion
- avoid most self-interaction error
   → use one-determinantal (Fock) exchange
- numerically robust including small gap solids
   → long-range screening of Fock exchange
- good, globally accurate PES
- accurate non-covalent interactions
- consistency for isolated molecules and the condensed phase

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# Three ingredients target different interaction regimes

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#### HSE-3c contributions<sup>[3]</sup>

 $\textit{E}_{\text{tot}}^{\text{HSE-3c}} = \textit{E}_{\text{xc}}^{(\text{modHSE})} + \textit{E}_{\text{DISP}}^{(\text{D3})} + \textit{E}_{\text{BSSE}}^{\text{gCP}}$ 

(A) DFA/basis set mod. HSE<sup>[14]</sup> / def2-mSVP<sup>[2]</sup>

#### (B) London DISP interaction D3 correction

(C) BSSE counterpoise correction gCP scheme



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# Compromise of known functionals for exchange correlation functional

$$E_{xc}^{(\mathsf{ModHSE})} = \mathbf{a}_{x} \, E_{x}^{(\mathsf{HF,SR})}(\omega) + (1 - a_{x}) \, E_{x}^{(\mathsf{HSE,SR})}(\omega) + E_{x}^{(\mathsf{HSE,LR})}(\omega) + E_{c}^{(\mathsf{modPBE})}$$

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modified HSE to reproduce modified PBE-XC

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$$F_X^{\mathsf{PBE}} = 1 + rac{\mu s}{1 + rac{\mu s^2}{\kappa}}, \qquad s = |
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ho^{4/3}|.$$

- $\mu$  from PBEsol,  $\kappa$  averaged from PBE/revPBE
- $\beta = 0.03$  in  $F_C^{\text{PBE}}$  fitted to atomization energies
- $a_x = 0.42$ : getting bond length right (standard range-separation  $\omega = 0.11$ )
- mSVP atomic orbitals fixed and available for whole PES

#### $\rightarrow$ only **seven** globally fitted parameters

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# Large computational savings and numerically robust for small-gap solids

#### Series of oligoacene crystals

- substantial speedup due to small basis set
- short-range Fock exchange reduces SIE
- numerically robust at small band gaps



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#### $\rightarrow$ exploit rotational-translational symmetry within CRYSTAL $^{[15,16]}$

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# Systematically improvable bond length and molecular structures

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#### significant effect of dispersion interaction

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<sup>[18]</sup> J. Rezáč, K. Riley, P. Hobza, *J. Chem. Theory Comput.*, **8**, 2427 (2011)

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# Description of simple organic crystals close to reference accuracy



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thermal corrections needed for equilibrium structure and lattice energy<sup>[19]</sup>

error compensation between missing dispersion and BSSE is not reliable

identified by Computational Chemistry Highlights:
 "Most striking is the roughly 'MP2-quality' (...) obtained for non-covalent complexes and equilibrium structures (...) for medium-sized organic molecules."

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### **Consistency for structures achieved**

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	ROT34 org. mol.	S66x8 non-covalent	X23 molecular crystal		
TPSS/large basis	1.9	14.6	27.9		
TPSS-D3/large basis	1.3	1.3	1.0		
HF-3c (very cheap QM)	1.5	-1.2	-5.7		
DFTB3-D3 (very cheap QM)	1.2	-2.9	-12.6		
HSE-3c (cheap QM)	0.2	1.3	0.7		
mean of relative deviation in %					

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### **Crystal structure prediction challenge**

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### Promising results in the 6<sup>th</sup> blind test

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## Squaric acid: simple crystal with interesting properties





#### Experimental interest

- dibutylester has medical applications in skin treatments<sup>[25]</sup>
- reagent for chemical synthesis

#### Theoretical challenge

- strong hydrogen bonds within and vdW stacking between layers
- phase transition from antiferro- to paraelectric<sup>[26]</sup>

<sup>[25]</sup>A. M. Holzer, W. R. Kaplan, J. Drugs. Dermatol., 5, 410 (2006)

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### Inelastic neutron scattering confirms



 computed phonon modes
 out of plane bending of Hydrogens ((x1000 cm<sup>-1</sup>) important for paraelectric phase transtion<sup>[27]</sup>

<sup>[27]</sup> in preparation

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## Quasi-harmonic treatment reveals strong anisotropic expansion



- substantial zero-point effect on unit cell
- predicted expansion in good agreement with new temperature dependent neutron scattering measurements<sup>[27]</sup>

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### Summary

#### Conclusions

- cost-efficient method for routine electronic structure calculations needed
- HSE-3c is a promising new composite scheme
- good results in 6<sup>th</sup> CSP blind test

Outlook and possible improvements

- methods will be available in CRYSTAL17
- use quasi-harmonic treatment to map out full phase diagrams  $\Delta G(T, P)$



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