

**PHY 742 Quantum Mechanics II**

**1-1:50 AM MWF via video link:**

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**Plan for Lecture 32**

**Density functional formalism for treating  
multi electron systems**

- 1. General theorem**
- 2. Practical calculation schemes**
- 3. Examples**

We will illustrate the details of density functional theory for atoms.

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### Summary of results for density functional theory –

For a system with a given one-electron potential  $v(r)$ , there is a unique density  $n(r)$  which describes the system in its ground state. Although the density  $n(r)$  is a collective property of the system, it can be described by a single particle function and it implies that the task of finding the electronic ground state of the multi electron system can be mapped to a process of solving a related single particle problem self-consistently.

### Total energy

$$E_{KS}(n(\mathbf{r})) = E_{kin}(n(\mathbf{r})) + E_v(n(\mathbf{r})) + E_{Hartree}(n(\mathbf{r})) + E_{xc}(n(\mathbf{r}))$$



**Kinetic energy**

**Single particle  
interaction**

**Electron-electron  
repulsion**

**Exchange-correlation  
energy**

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Summary of the theorem and of the various energy contributions.

Kohn-Sham scheme supposes that we can represent the density as a sum over one-electron orbitals

$$n(\mathbf{r}) = \sum_{i=1}^N |\phi_i(\mathbf{r})|^2$$

Here we are sweeping some details like spin under the rug....

$$E_{kin}(n(\mathbf{r})) = \sum_{i=1}^N \int d^3r \phi_i^*(\mathbf{r}) \left( -\frac{\hbar^2}{2m} \nabla^2 \right) \phi_i(\mathbf{r})$$

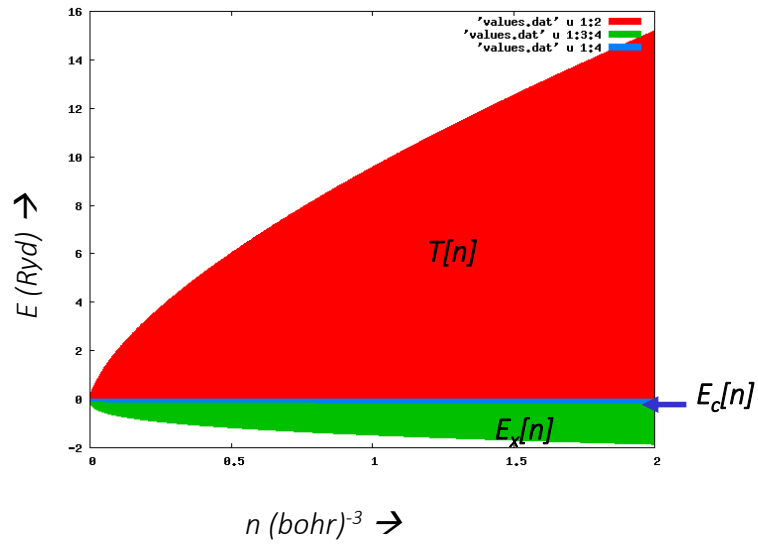
$$E_v(n(\mathbf{r})) = \int d^3r v(\mathbf{r})n(\mathbf{r})$$

$$E_{Hartree}(n(\mathbf{r})) = \frac{e^2}{2} \int d^3r d^3r' \frac{n(\mathbf{r})n(\mathbf{r}')}{|\mathbf{r} - \mathbf{r}'|}$$

$$E_{xc}(n(\mathbf{r})) = \int d^3r f_{xc}(n(\mathbf{r}))$$

Here are the formulas for the various contributions

### Digression: Jellium energies



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This gives an idea of the order of magnitude of the terms as a function of density for the jellium model

Optimizing the energy with respect to the density,  
maintaining orbital normalization:

$$\frac{\delta E_{KS}}{\delta \phi_i^*} = H_{KS} \phi_i = \epsilon_i \phi_i$$

$$H_{KS} = -\frac{\hbar^2}{2m} \nabla^2 + v(\mathbf{r}) + V_{Hartree}(\mathbf{r}) + V_{xc}(\mathbf{r})$$

$$V_{Hartree}(\mathbf{r}) = \frac{\delta E_{Hartree}[n]}{\delta n} = e^2 \int d^3 r' \frac{n(\mathbf{r}')}{|\mathbf{r} - \mathbf{r}'|}$$

$$V_{xc}(\mathbf{r}) = \frac{\delta E_{xc}[n]}{\delta n} \quad V_{xc} = V_x + V_c$$

Original Kohn-Sham exchange:  $V_x(\mathbf{r}) = -\frac{e^2}{\pi} (3\pi^2)^{1/3} n(\mathbf{r})^{1/3}$

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Various potential terms.

## Numerical methods for solving the Kohn-Sham equations

### Self-consistent solution

Iteration  $\alpha = 0$

$$\{\phi_i^\alpha(\mathbf{r})\}$$

$$n^\alpha(\mathbf{r}) = \sum_i |\phi_i^\alpha(\mathbf{r})|^2$$

$$H_{KS}^\alpha(\mathbf{r})\phi_i^{\alpha+1}(\mathbf{r}) = \epsilon_i\phi_i^{\alpha+1}(\mathbf{r})$$

$$n_{temp}^{\alpha+1}(\mathbf{r}) = \sum_i |\phi_i^{\alpha+1}(\mathbf{r})|^2$$

$$n^{\alpha+1}(\mathbf{r}) = xn_{temp}^{\alpha+1}(\mathbf{r}) + (1-x)n^\alpha(\mathbf{r})$$

$\alpha + 1 \Rightarrow \alpha$

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Iteration scheme

**Numerical methods for solving the Kohn-Sham equations –**  
**Consider the case of a single atom, choosing the coordinate**  
**system at the center of the nucleus. We will further assume**  
**that the atom is spherically symmetric, averaging over the**  
**multiplet configurations.**

2	6	<sup>3</sup> P <sub>0</sub>
<b>C</b>		
Carbon		
12.011*		
1s <sup>2</sup> 2s <sup>2</sup> 2p <sup>2</sup>		
11.2603		

$$n(\mathbf{r}) = n(r)$$

$$\phi_i(\mathbf{r}) = \phi_{n_i l_i}(r) Y_{l_i m_i}(\hat{\mathbf{r}})$$

$$n(r) = 4\pi \sum_i w_{n_i l_i} |\phi_{n_i l_i}(r)|^2$$

$$\text{where } 0 \leq w_{n_i l_i} \leq 2(2l_i + 1)$$

Example of Carbon atom



### Kohn-Sham equations for spherical atom

Equations for radial orbitals  $\phi_{n,l_i}(r)$ :

$$\left( -\frac{\hbar^2}{2m} \left( \frac{1}{r} \frac{d^2}{dr^2} r - \frac{l_i(l_i+1)}{r^2} \right) + v(r) + V_{Hartree}(r) + V_{xc}(r) \right) \phi_{n,l_i}(r) = \epsilon_{n,l_i} \phi_{n,l_i}(r)$$

$$v(r) = -\frac{Ze^2}{r}$$

$$V_{Hartree}(r) = \frac{\delta E_{Hartree}[n]}{\delta n} = e^2 \left( \frac{1}{r} \int_0^r r'^2 dr' n(r') + \int_r^\infty r' dr' n(r') \right)$$

$$V_{xc}(r) = \frac{\delta E_{xc}[n]}{\delta n} = -\frac{e^2}{\pi} (3\pi^2)^{1/3} n(r)^{1/3} + V_c(r)$$

Detailed equations

### Kohn-Sham equations for spherical atom -- continued

$$\text{Let } \phi_{n_i l_i}(r) = \frac{P_{n_i l_i}(r)}{r} :$$

$$\left( -\frac{\hbar^2}{2m} \left( \frac{d^2}{dr^2} - \frac{l_i(l_i+1)}{r^2} \right) + v(r) + V_{Hartree}(r) + V_{xc}(r) \right) P_{n_i l_i}(r) = \epsilon_{n_i l_i} P_{n_i l_i}(r)$$

Convenient units:

$$\text{Bohr radius } a_B = \frac{\hbar^2}{me^2}$$

$$\text{Rydberg energy } E_R = \frac{\hbar^2}{2ma_B^2} = \frac{e^2}{2a_B} = 13.60569253 \text{ eV}$$

$$r \leftarrow r / a_B \quad \epsilon_{n_i l_i} \leftarrow \epsilon_{n_i l_i} / E_R$$

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Simplifying the differential equation and choosing convenient units.

### Kohn-Sham equations for spherical atom -- continued

Equations in Rydberg units

$$\left( -\left( \frac{d^2}{dr^2} - \frac{l_i(l_i+1)}{r^2} \right) + v(r) + V_{Hartree}(r) + V_{xc}(r) \right) P_{n,l_i}(r) = \epsilon_{n,l_i} P_{n,l_i}(r)$$

$$v(r) = -\frac{2Z}{r}$$

$$V_{Hartree}(r) = \frac{\delta E_{Hartree}[n]}{\delta n} = 2 \left( \frac{1}{r} \int_0^r r'^2 dr' n(r') + \int_r^\infty r' dr' n(r') \right)$$

$$V_{xc}(r) = \frac{\delta E_{xc}[n]}{\delta n} = -\frac{2}{\pi} (3\pi^2)^{1/3} n(r)^{1/3} + V_c(r)$$

Note that another convention differs by a factor of 2:

$$\text{Hartree energy } E_H = \frac{\hbar^2}{ma_B^2} = \frac{e^2}{a_B} = 27.21138505 \text{ eV}$$

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Some detailed equations

### Kohn-Sham equations for spherical atom -- continued

Differential equations:

$$\left( -\left( \frac{d^2}{dr^2} - \frac{l_i(l_i+1)}{r^2} \right) + \underbrace{v(r) + V_{Hartree}(r) + V_{xc}(r)}_{V(r)} \right) P_{n_i l_i}(r) = \epsilon_{n_i l_i} P_{n_i l_i}(r)$$

Boundary behaviors:

$$P_{n_i l_i}(r) \xrightarrow{r=0} C r^{l_i+1}$$

$$P_{n_i l_i}(r) \xrightarrow{r=\infty} C' e^{-\sqrt{|\epsilon_{n_i l_i}|} r}$$

**Notes on numerical integration of differential equations**

Please read numerov.pdf and then continue with this power point.

Digression on numerical integration

Consider the differential equation

$$-\frac{d^2 P_\nu(r)}{dr^2} = E_\nu P_\nu(r) \quad \text{with } P_\nu(0) = P_\nu(1) = 0$$

$$\text{Exact solution: } P_\nu(r) = C \sin(\nu\pi r) \quad E_\nu = \nu^2 \pi^2$$

Numerical results from second-order approximation:

	N=4	N=8	Exact
$\nu=1$	9.54915028	9.7697954	9.869604404
$\nu=2$	34.54915031	37.9008002	39.47841762

Numerical results from Numerov approximation:

	N=4	Exact
$\nu=1$	9.863097625	9.869604404
$\nu=2$	39.04581620	39.47841762

Some details about numerical integration

Some details:

Consider the differential equation

$$-\frac{d^2 P_v(r)}{dr^2} = E_v P_v(r) \quad \text{with } P_v(0) = P_v(1) = 0$$

$$\text{Exact solution: } P_v(r) = C \sin(\nu\pi r) \quad E_v = \nu^2 \pi^2$$

$$-\frac{d^2 P_v(r)}{dr^2} = E_v P_v(r)$$

$$r \rightarrow r_n \equiv ns \quad \text{for } n = 0, 1, 2, \dots, N \quad s = 1/N$$

$$-\frac{d^2 P_v(r_n)}{dr^2} \approx \frac{2P_v(r_n) - P_v(r_{n+1}) - P_v(r_{n-1}))}{s^2}$$

$$\text{with } P_v(r_0) = P_v(r_N) = 0$$

Set up matrix problem for  $(N-1)$  unknown values;  
 $s^2 E_v$  are matrix eigenvalues

Details of the setup

Example for  $N=7$ :

$$M := \begin{bmatrix} 2 & -1 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ -1 & 2 & -1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & -1 & 2 & -1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & -1 & 2 & -1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & -1 & 2 & -1 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & -1 & 2 \end{bmatrix};$$

`evalf(Eigenvalues(M));`

$$\begin{bmatrix} 3.801937736 + 3. 10^{-10} I \\ 0.7530203960 + 7.32050808 10^{-11} I \\ 2.445041868 - 2.732050808 10^{-10} I \\ 3.246979605 + 1. 10^{-10} I \\ 0.1980622645 - 1.866025404 10^{-10} I \\ 1.554958132 - 1.339745960 10^{-11} I \end{bmatrix}$$

Results using Maple

Example for  $N=7$ : -- continue

$\nu$	$\lambda$	$\lambda/s^2$	$E_\nu$
1	0.1980622645	9.7050509605	9.869604401
2	0.7530203960	36.897999404	39.47841760
3	1.554958132	76.192948468	88.82643960
4	2.445041868	119.80705153	157.9136704
5	3.246979605	159.10200064	246.7401100
6	3.801937736	186.29494906	355.3057584

Summary. Notice that lowest eigenvalues are estimated the best.