

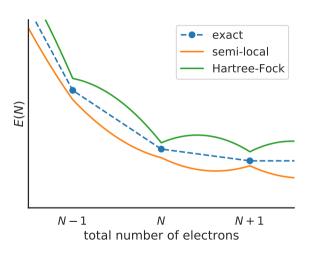
Takeaways

- what Koopmans functionals are
- the results Koopmans functionals give
- koopmans v1.0b has just been released!

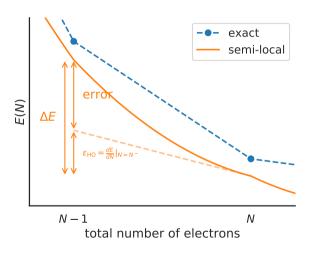
Failures of DFT

- band gap is almost universally too small
- problems with "strongly correlated" systems (e.g. TMOs)
- problems with vdW interactions
- eigenvalues are formally meaningless
- self-interaction error
- static correlation error

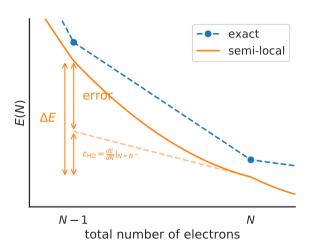
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Consequences for band gaps, densities, band structures, spectra...

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How can we address self-interaction in a computationally efficient way?

- --- Koopmans spectral functionals
 - theory
 - results
 - outstanding problems
 - future directions and lessons we can learn

By way of introduction: DFT+U

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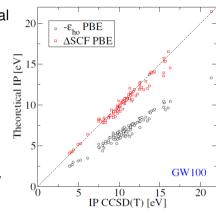
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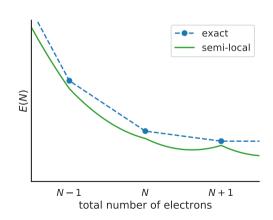
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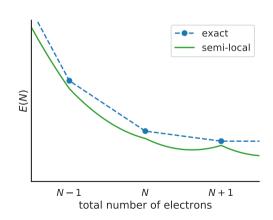
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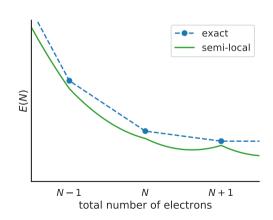




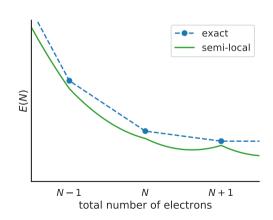
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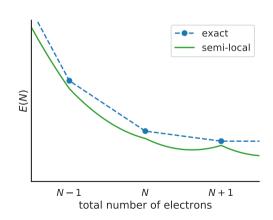
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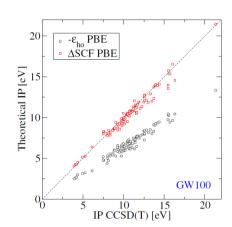
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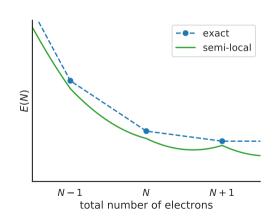


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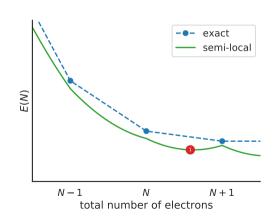


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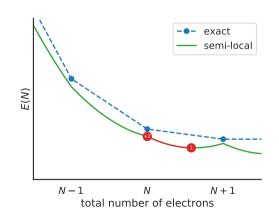
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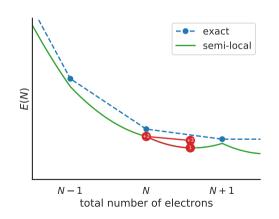
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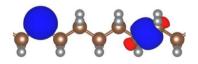
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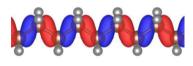
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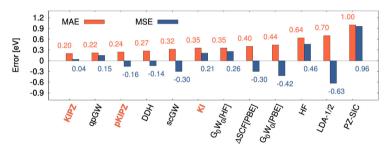
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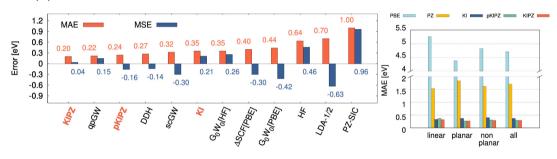
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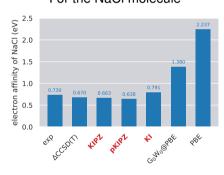
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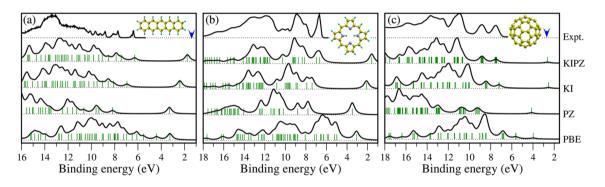


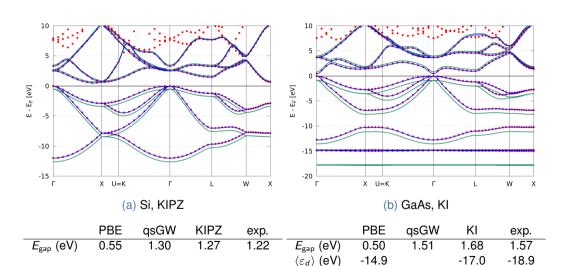
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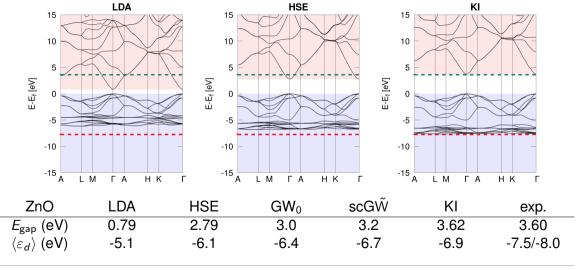


Figures from Linscott et al. (in prep)

Koopmans spectral functionals: spectra







N. Colonna et al. "Koopmans Spectral Functionals in Periodic-Boundary Conditions". 2021

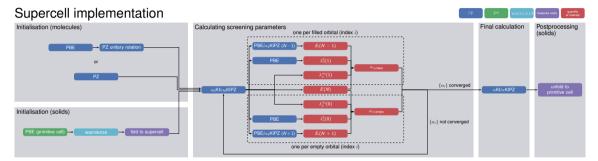
Koopmans spectral functionals: practical limitations

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- how to treat metals?
- limitations of the orbital-density-dependent framework

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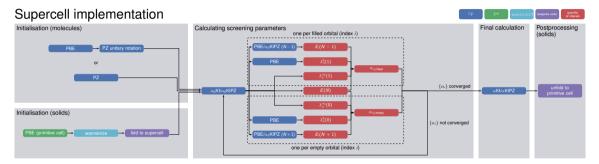
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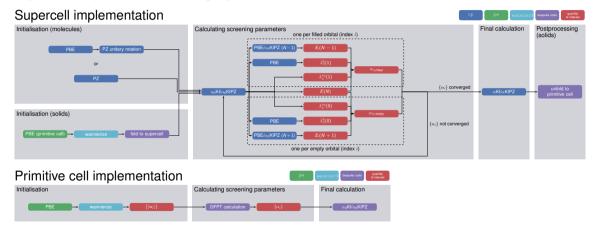
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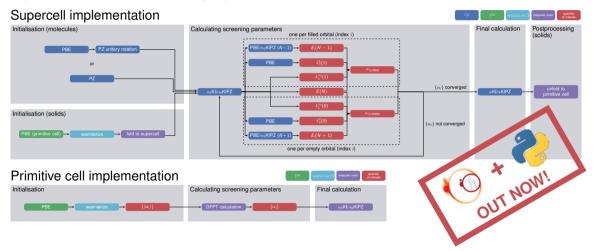
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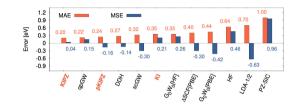
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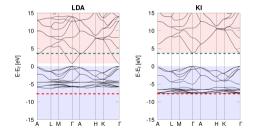
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Summary: Koopmans spectral functionals





- orbital-density-dependent corrective terms to semi-local DFT
- comparable computational cost to DFPT
- KS eigenvalues are meaningful
- accuracy comparable to GW

caveats:

- orbital density dependence has limitations
- complicated workflow (not for much longer!)
- only for insulators

Summary: thoughts on the way forward

For Koopmans...

- framing Koopmans with frozen-orbital/projector-like picture
- prediction of α_i
- scope for addressing static correlation error
- off-diagonal terms

For corrections to SIE more generally...

- we can gain ground by thinking about KS energies and not just total energies
- indeed, KI corrects KS energies while leaving total energies untouched!

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Look out for our papers & code release later this year (follow <u>ded_linscott</u> for updates/get in touch for alpha access!)

Shameless postdoc/fellowship plug?

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