

Exchange and Correlations Functionals

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Exchange-correlation functional

- Write down total kinetic energy functional as the sum of non-interacting particle density (n) and the one that represents rest of the kinetic energy functional

$$T[n] = T_s[n] + T_c[n]$$

where,

$$T_s[n] = -\frac{\hbar^2}{2m} \sum_i^N \int d^3r \phi_i^*(\mathbf{r}) \nabla^2 \phi_i(\mathbf{r})$$

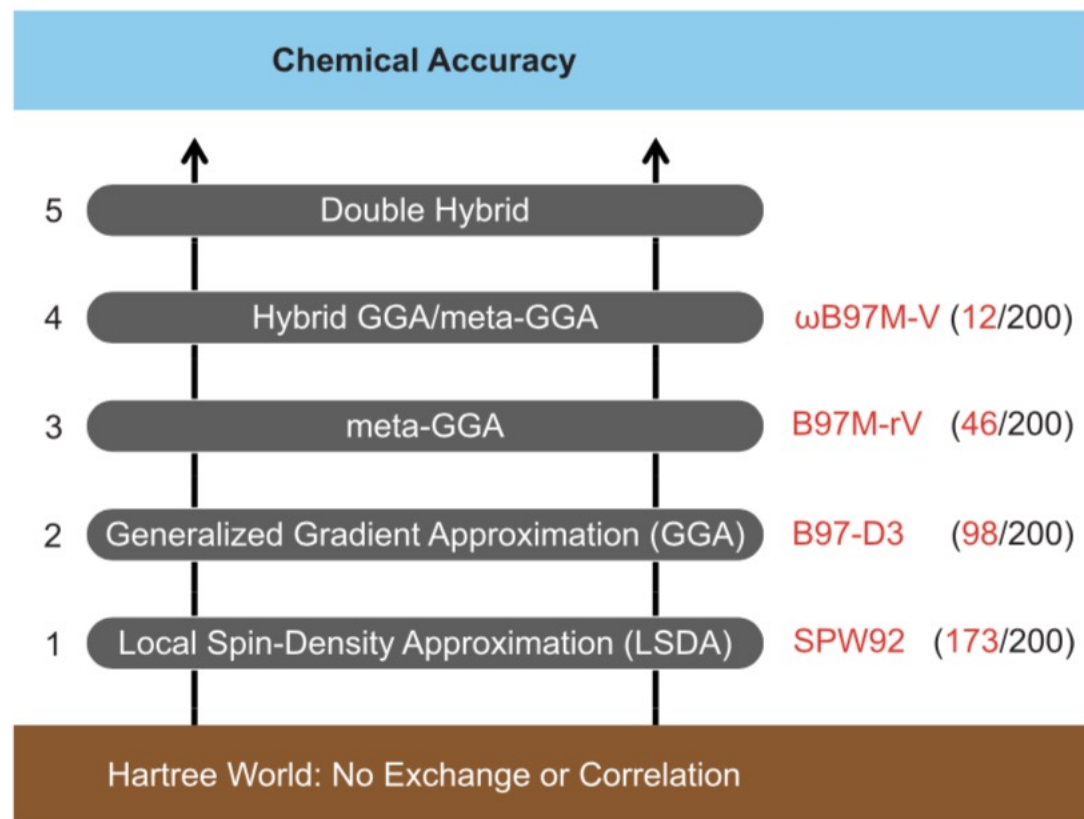
We rewrite the exact energy functional as:

$$E[n] = T[n] + U[n] + V[n] = T_s[\{\phi_i[n]\}] + U_H[n] + E_{xc}[n] + V[n]$$

Capelle, *Brazilian Journal of Physics*, 36, 1318-1343, 2006



Perdew's Jacob's ladder



Mardirossian and Head-Gordon, *Mol. Phys.*, 115, 2315-2372, 2017



Local density approximation (LDA)

Exchange Functional (based on the exact exchange energy of homogeneous electron system):

$$E_x^{LDA}[n] = -\frac{3q^2}{4} \left(\frac{3}{\pi}\right)^{1/3} \int d^3r n(\mathbf{r})^{4/3}$$

The correlation functionals are parameterized against quantum Monte Carlo results for uniform electron gas. The overall exchange-correlation functional is of the form:

$$E_{xc}[n] \approx E_{xc}^{LDA}[n] = \int d^3r e_{xc}^{hom}(n)|_{n \rightarrow n(\mathbf{r})} = \int d^3r e_{xc}^{hom}(n(\mathbf{r}))$$

Success of LDA is primarily due to the cancellation of errors (E_x is overestimated while the E_c is underestimated)

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Semilocal functionals

Gradient expansion approximations (GEA, $|\nabla n(\mathbf{r})|$, $|\nabla n(\mathbf{r})|^2$, $\nabla^2(n(\mathbf{r}))$)

$$T_s[n] \approx T_s^W[n] = T_s^{LDA}[n] + \frac{\hbar^2}{8m} \int d^3r \frac{|\nabla n(\mathbf{r})|^2}{n(\mathbf{r})}$$

$$E_x[n] \approx E_x^{GEA(2)}[n] = E_x^{LDA}[n] - \frac{10q^2}{432\pi(3\pi^2)^{1/3}} \int d^3r \frac{|\nabla n(\mathbf{r})|^2}{n(\mathbf{r})^{4/3}}$$

Generalized gradient approximation (GGA)

$$E_{xc}^{GGA}[n] = \int d^3r f(n(\mathbf{r}), \nabla n(\mathbf{r}))$$

Different choices for $f(n(\mathbf{r}), \nabla n(\mathbf{r}))$ lead to different GGA density functionals such as PBE (used extensively in physics community) and LYP (used extensively in chemistry community)

GGA: improved molecular structure and energetics; can not account for weak interactions such as van der Waals.

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Comparison of different LDA and GGA functions

method	-E/a.u.
Thomas-Fermi	625.7
Hartree-Fock	526.818
OEP (exchange only)	526.812
LDA (exchange only)	524.517
LDA (VWN)	525.946
LDA (PW92)	525.940
LDA-SIC(PZ)	528.393
ADA	527.322
WDA	528.957
GGA (B88LYP)	527.551
experiment	527.6

Ground state energy of the argon
atom in atomic units (Hartree)

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Meta-GGA functionals

Exchange-correlation functional depends not only on the density, gradient of the density but also on the Kohn-Sham kinetic energy density

$$\tau(\mathbf{r}) = \frac{\hbar^2}{2m} \sum_i |\nabla \phi_i(\mathbf{r})|^2$$

$$E_{xc}[n(\mathbf{r}), \nabla n(\mathbf{r}), \tau(\mathbf{r})]$$

The additional degree of freedom is used to satisfy:

- self-interaction corrected correlation functional
- recovery of fourth order gradient expansion for the exchange
- finite exchange potential at the nucleus

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Hybrid GGA, meta GGA

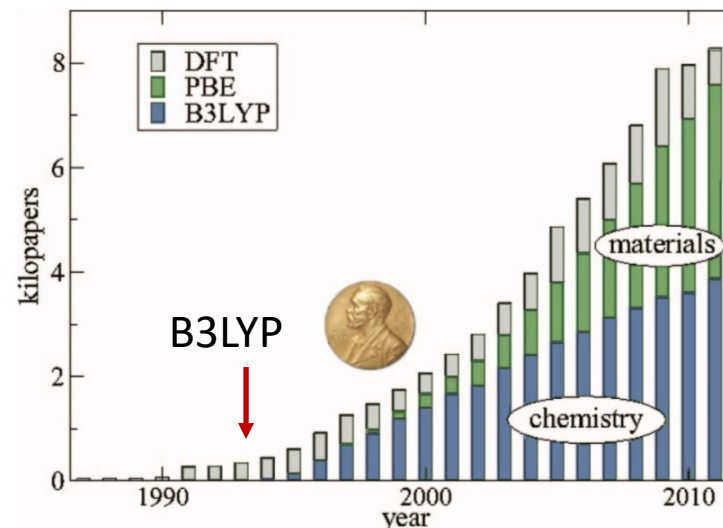
General form of global hybrid functionals is:

$$E_{xc}^{GH} = c_x E_x^{HF} + (1 - c_x) E_x^{DFT} + E_c^{DFT}$$

$$E_{xc}^{B3PW91} = c_x E_x^{HF} + (1 - c_x - a_x) E_x^S + a_x E_x^{B88} \\ + (1 - a_c) E_c^{PW92} + a_c E_c^{PW91}$$

where $c_x = 0.20$, $a_x = 0.72$, and $a_c = 0.81$

Other common hybrid functionals are B3LYP, PBE0, etc.



Burke, *J. Chem. Phys.*, 136, 150901, 2018

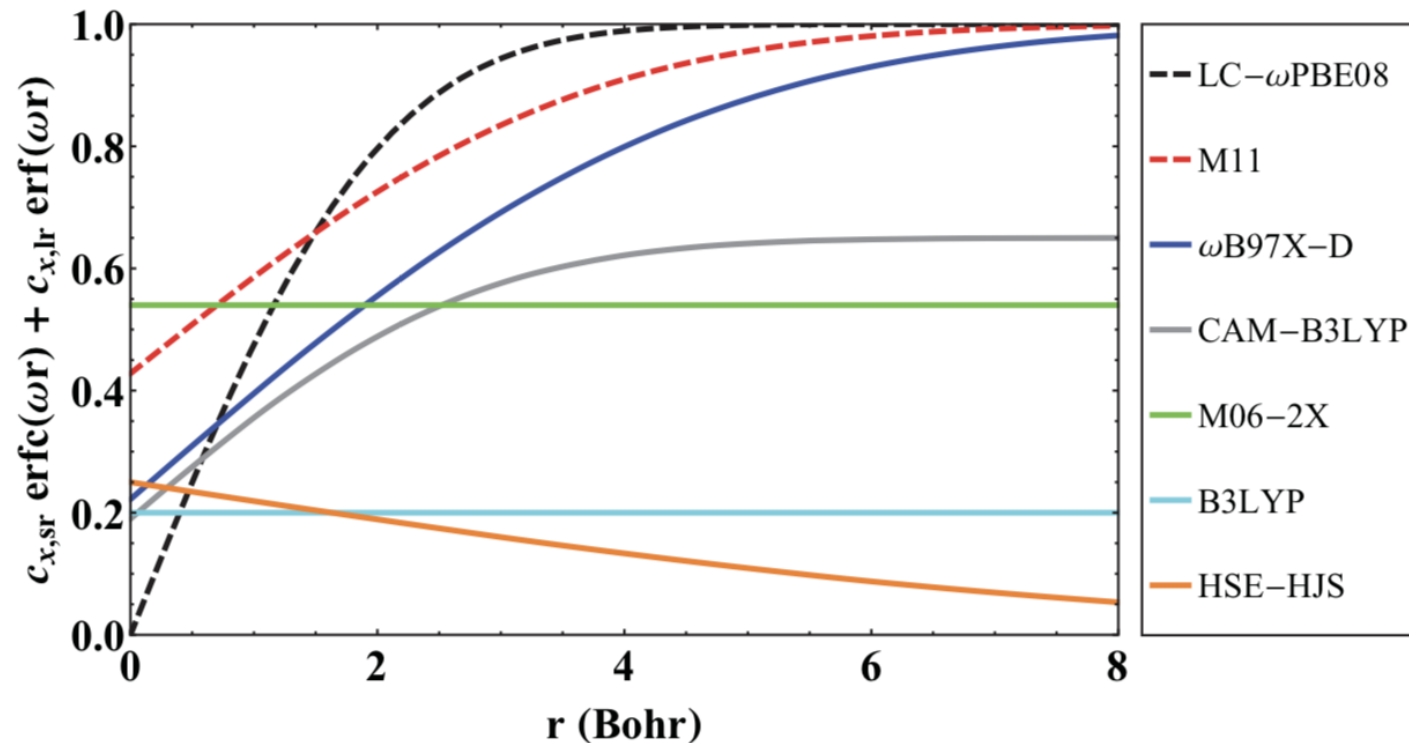
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Range separated functionals

Range separated functionals attempt to address self-interaction error and are given by the following form:

$$E_{xc}^{\text{RSH}} = c_{x,\text{sr}} E_{x,\text{sr}}^{\text{HF}} + c_{x,\text{lr}} E_{x,\text{lr}}^{\text{HF}} + (1 - c_{x,\text{sr}}) E_{x,\text{sr}}^{\text{DFT}} + (1 - c_{x,\text{lr}}) E_{x,\text{lr}}^{\text{DFT}} + E_c^{\text{DFT}}$$

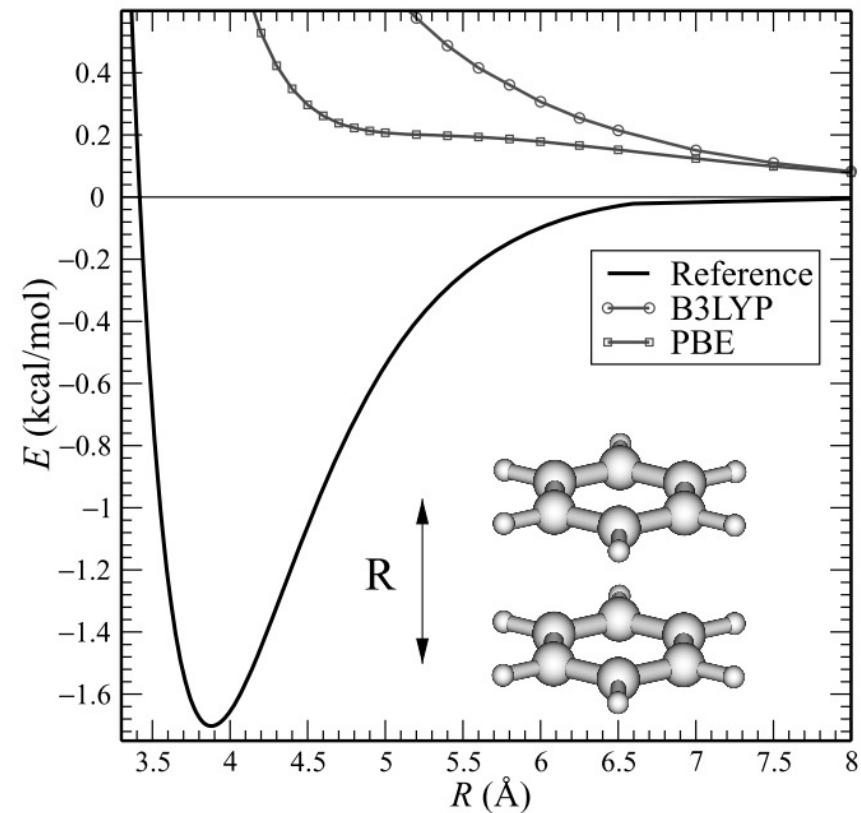
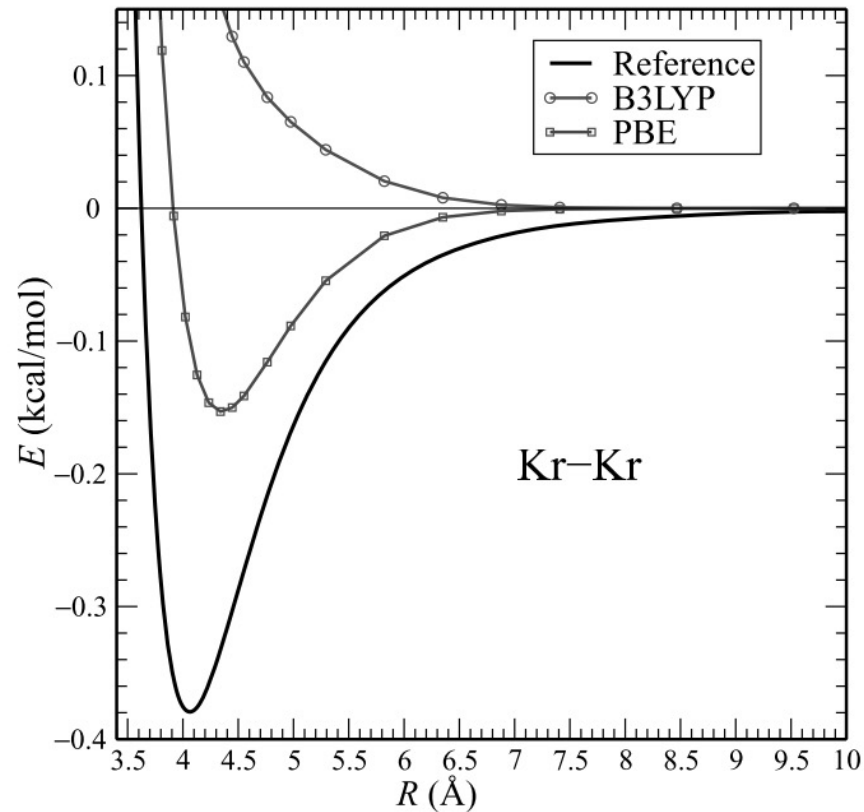
Common examples include: ω B97, ω B97X, LRC- ω PBE, etc.



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Another short coming of DFT functionals is the inability to capture vdW interactions



Grimme, *Comput. Mol. Sci.*, 1, 211-228, 2011

Dispersion-corrected/nonlocal density functionals

Grimme's dispersion correction model:

$$E_{\text{disp}}^{\text{DFT-D}} = - \sum_{A < B} \sum_{n=6,8,\dots} s_n \frac{C_n^{AB}}{R_{AB}^n} f_{\text{damp},n}(R_{AB})$$

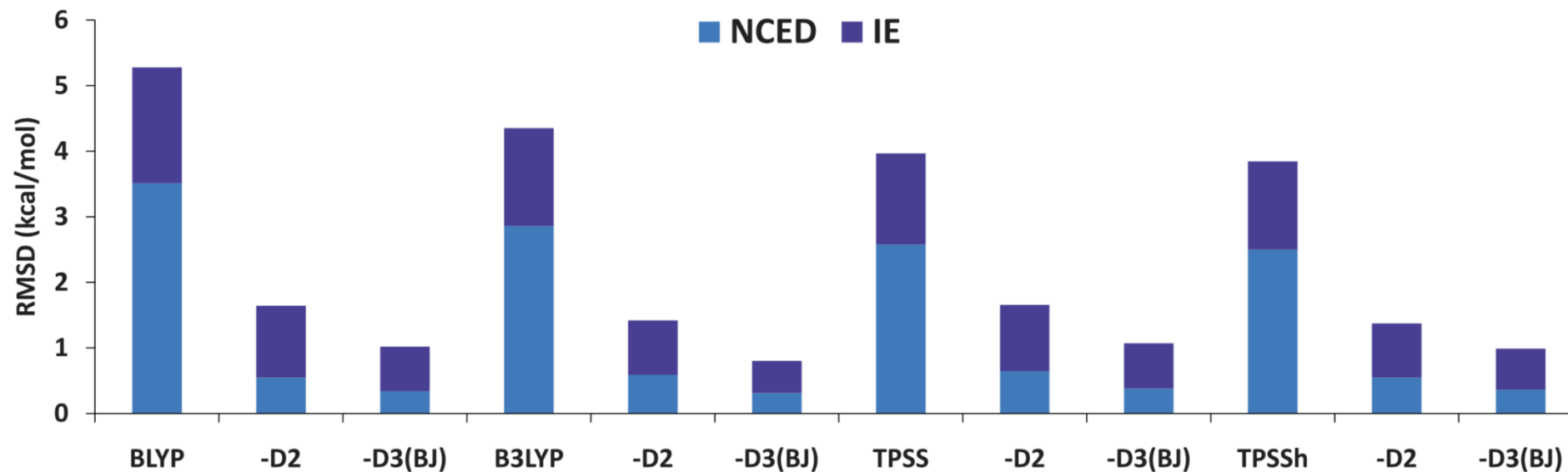
Nonlocal density functionals

$$E_{\text{disp}}^{\text{VV10}} = \int d\mathbf{r} \rho(\mathbf{r}) \left[\frac{1}{32} \left(\frac{3}{b^2} \right)^{\frac{3}{4}} + \frac{1}{2} \int d\mathbf{r}' \rho(\mathbf{r}') \Phi(\mathbf{r}, \mathbf{r}') \right]$$

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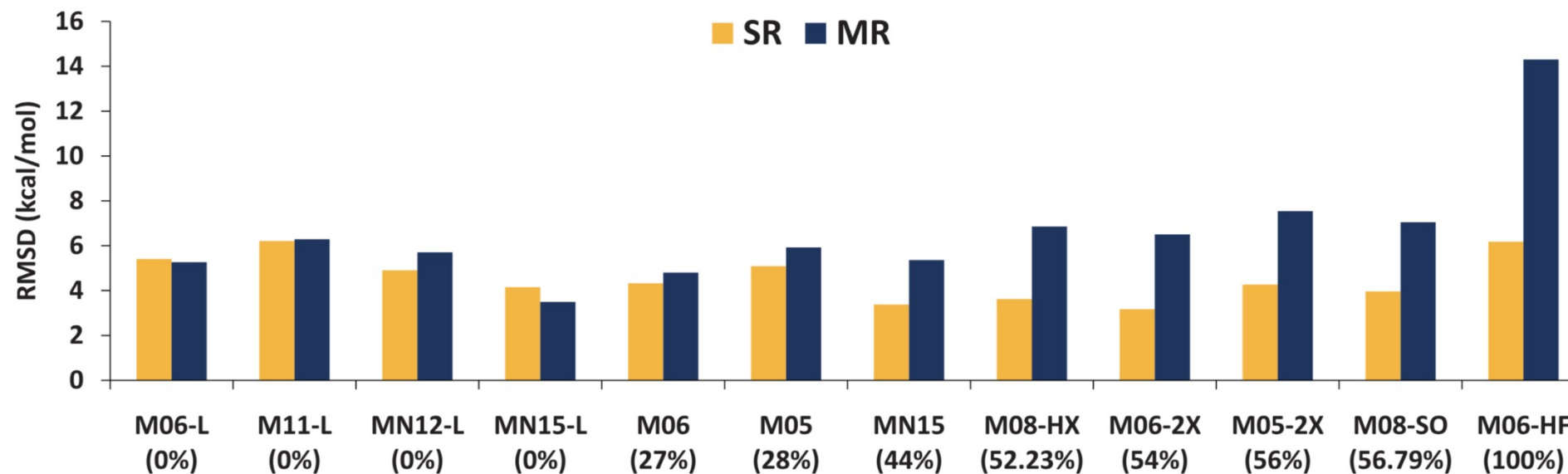
Accuracy of different dispersion correction models



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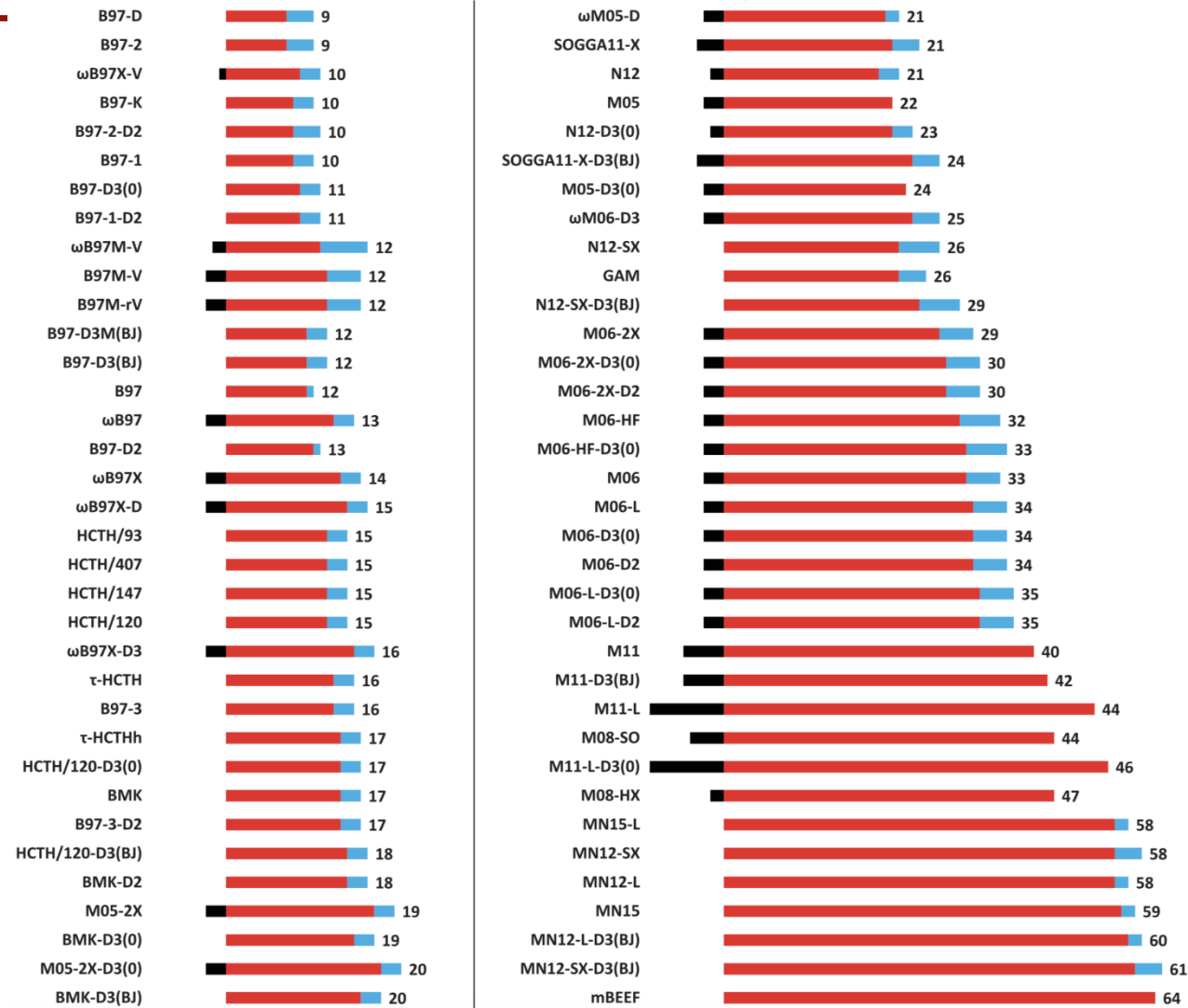
General accuracy for selected MN functionals for atomization energies bond dissociation



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Number of parameters in different density functionals



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Accuracy of functionals for bond lengths and binding energies

Functional	NCED	NCEC	NCD	IE	ID	TCE	TCD	BH	EBL	EBE
SPW92	2.14	37.77	7.60	2.22	6.76	42.23	65.35	19.55	0.195	2.81
PBE	1.96	4.08	3.26	1.15	6.53	9.22	15.58	9.17	0.327	2.16
TPSS	2.58	8.90	2.63	1.39	8.44	5.94	10.45	8.03	0.398	2.80
B3LYP	2.86	8.91	1.77	1.49	11.10	5.24	11.97	5.96	0.643	3.04
PBE-D3(BJ)	0.46	5.78	3.67	0.71	5.19	9.67	17.20	9.99	0.049	0.42
revPBE-D3(BJ)	0.49	6.60	2.54	0.77	5.21	6.60	9.91	8.30	0.053	0.44
BLYP-D3(BJ)	0.34	2.18	2.82	0.68	11.40	6.63	11.11	9.91	0.031	0.25
B97-D3(BJ)	0.47	4.82	2.52	0.78	9.15	4.66	7.92	8.32	0.045	0.42
TPSS-D3(BJ)	0.38	2.28	3.06	0.69	6.47	5.88	8.86	8.72	0.070	0.33
SCAN-D3(BJ)	0.54	9.18	3.41	0.55	4.46	5.25	6.39	7.83	0.037	0.60
M06-L	0.55	2.20	1.87	0.71	10.16	5.44	12.97	6.85	0.043	0.60
B97M-rV	0.22	0.67	2.04	0.28	6.45	3.57	4.78	4.36	0.025	0.17
PBE0-D3(BJ)	0.44	4.45	2.28	0.58	3.47	4.76	8.72	4.91	0.043	0.46
B3LYP-D3(BJ)	0.31	3.02	1.88	0.49	8.51	3.72	5.97	5.65	0.022	0.37
ω B97X-D	0.37	1.01	1.46	0.67	3.11	3.44	5.79	2.34	0.038	0.42
ω B97X-V	0.24	0.64	1.23	0.27	2.72	3.41	5.01	2.44	0.042	0.15
TPSSH-D3(BJ)	0.36	1.73	2.49	0.62	5.29	5.55	5.92	6.63	0.068	0.33
M06-2X	0.43	2.52	0.99	0.50	5.56	3.29	7.23	2.57	0.077	0.33
MN15	0.47	1.83	0.96	0.71	4.06	3.76	6.44	1.98	0.042	0.60
ω B97M-V	0.18	0.48	1.13	0.28	2.05	2.48	4.30	1.68	0.014	0.15
Minimum	0.18	0.48	0.91	0.27	2.05	2.48	4.30	1.68	0.014	0.15
Best	ω B97M-V	ω B97M-V	M08-SO	B97M-V	ω B97M-V	ω B97M-V	ω B97M-V	ω B97M-V	ω B97M-V	ω B97X-V

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Open-shell non-covalent or dimers characterized by significant electron delocalization

Functional	TA13	XB18	Bauza30	CT20	XB51
SPW92	11.49	4.47	9.63	1.32	5.34
PBE	6.22	0.80	3.59	0.42	1.88
TPSS	5.06	0.80	2.76	0.64	1.65
B3LYP	3.37	1.26	1.66	0.70	1.28
PBE-D3(BJ)	6.54	1.36	4.20	0.49	2.43
revPBE-D3(BJ)	5.06	0.45	2.55	0.39	1.63
BLYP-D3(BJ)	6.10	0.87	2.32	0.43	1.86
B97-D3(BJ)	5.31	0.38	2.31	0.43	1.50
TPSS-D3(BJ)	5.46	1.02	3.49	0.34	2.13
SCAN-D3(BJ)	4.89	1.57	4.57	0.41	2.25
M06-L	3.78	0.39	1.95	0.40	0.89
B97M-rV	4.15	0.63	2.12	0.32	0.91
PBE0-D3(BJ)	3.31	0.38	3.19	0.25	1.12
B3LYP-D3(BJ)	3.85	0.37	1.87	0.28	1.04
ω B97X-D	2.91	0.98	1.34	0.50	0.89
ω B97X-V	2.88	0.51	0.81	0.11	0.63
TPSSh-D3(BJ)	4.20	0.62	3.06	0.28	1.59
M06-2X	1.38	0.58	1.30	0.23	0.69
MN15	2.12	0.28	0.81	0.19	0.52
ω B97M-V	2.75	0.42	0.60	0.11	0.54
Minimum	1.38	0.09	0.60	0.10	0.44
Best	M06-2X	ω B97X	ω B97M-V	PW6B95-D3(0)	M05-D3(0)

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Barrier heights

Functional	BHPERI26	CRBH20	DBH24	CR20	HTBH38	NHTBH38	PX13	WCPT27
SPW92	13.24	3.45	16.63	14.26	18.59	15.81	42.96	24.79
PBE	4.38	7.97	9.99	3.13	10.08	10.30	13.56	9.98
TPSS	2.88	10.14	9.21	5.69	8.38	10.06	8.37	5.75
B3LYP	5.10	8.49	4.79	10.83	4.89	5.52	3.38	1.78
PBE-D3(BJ)	6.87	7.91	10.36	1.83	10.63	10.62	15.77	11.56
revPBE-D3(BJ)	6.54	10.95	8.74	4.09	8.63	9.14	7.31	8.19
BLYP-D3(BJ)	4.29	16.62	9.56	9.77	9.42	10.61	9.12	7.20
B97-D3(BJ)	4.24	14.16	7.63	9.53	8.28	7.58	6.46	6.72
TPSS-D3(BJ)	5.70	10.08	9.67	2.68	8.99	10.46	10.95	7.70
SCAN-D3(BJ)	5.74	6.21	8.00	1.97	7.98	8.61	12.64	8.75
M06-L	2.18	13.73	5.24	12.70	4.66	4.86	1.66	2.24
B97M-rV	1.44	7.55	4.97	2.03	4.62	5.33	1.50	2.19
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B3LYP-D3(BJ)	1.55	8.29	5.39	6.48	5.62	6.00	6.40	4.29
ω B97X-D	2.40	1.66	2.03	3.68	2.69	1.86	1.62	2.05
ω B97X-V	2.75	3.16	1.75	2.90	2.36	1.69	3.38	2.12
TPSSH-D3(BJ)	4.21	6.44	7.60	1.90	7.21	8.11	8.42	5.82
M06-2X	1.81	1.58	1.08	2.07	1.29	1.67	6.94	3.42
MN15	1.77	1.09	1.82	1.72	1.38	2.55	2.87	2.24
ω B97M-V	1.44	1.23	1.46	0.56	1.72	1.98	2.55	1.82
Minimum	1.21	0.80	1.08	0.56	1.25	1.48	1.04	1.39
Best	PW6B95-D3(0)	ω M05-D	M06-2X	ω B97M-V	M08-HX	M11-D3(BJ)	M06-L-D2	M08-SO

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-Ask a physicist/QM developer/expert what might work for your new system/material that no one has ever thought about modeling with QM before

-Look at empirical testing of what has been done on your system or something most similar (ie, has someone gotten the same types of values you want for a similar system and shown a functional that worked well enough)

-Look at what others have used (without perfect validation and possibly unknown error) and be conscious of lack of certainty in conclusions you are reaching.....



Questions?

