

Kohn–Sham Inversion with Mathematical Guarantees

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The Kohn–Sham Approach

Interacting electrons	
$-\frac{1}{2}\sum_{j}\nabla_{j}^{2} + \sum_{k < j} \mathbf{r}_{j} - \mathbf{r}_{k} ^{-1} + \sum_{j}v_{\text{ext}}(\mathbf{r}_{j})$	
Non-interacting electrons (KS system)	ρ_{gs}
$-\frac{1}{2}\sum_{j}\nabla_{j}^{2} + \sum_{j}[v_{\text{ext}}(\mathbf{r}_{j}) + v_{\text{H}}(\mathbf{r}_{j}) + v_{\text{xc}}(\mathbf{r}_{j})]$	

the exchange correlation potential, $v_{\text{xc}} \longleftarrow$ unknown

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The forward problem: given a v_{\text{xc}}, what is the \rho_{\text{gs}}?
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The Inverse Kohn–Sham Problem

The reverse problem: Given a $\rho_{\rm \scriptscriptstyle gs}$, what is the $v_{\rm xc}$?

Approach to understanding the *universal density functional* F

Road to new approximations of $\mathcal F$

[Moreau–Yosida Regularisation](#page-5-0)

Moreau–Yosida Regularisation

Densities: $\rho \in \mathcal{D}$ Potentials: $v \in \mathcal{V} = \mathcal{D}^*$

Definition

Let D be uniformly convex and $\mathcal{F}: \mathcal{D} \to \mathbb{R}$ convex and lower semicontinous functional. For some $\varepsilon > 0$, the *Moreau–Yosida regularisation* of F is

$$
\mathcal{F}^{\varepsilon}(\rho) = \inf_{\sigma \in \mathcal{D}} \left\{ \mathcal{F}(\sigma) + \frac{1}{2\varepsilon} ||\sigma - \rho||^2_{\mathcal{D}} \right\}.
$$

An infimal convolution

A Lossless Regularisation

The regularised energy

$$
E^{\varepsilon}(v) = \inf_{\rho \in \mathcal{D}} \left\{ \mathcal{F}^{\varepsilon}(\rho) + \langle v, \rho \rangle \right\}
$$

Exact ground-state energy

$$
E(v) = E^{\varepsilon}(v) + \frac{\varepsilon}{2} ||v||^2_{\mathcal{V}}.
$$

The regularisation retains the ground state energy

Consequence of infimal convolution and $E(\text{concave}) \leftrightarrow F(\text{convex})$.

[The Inversion Scheme](#page-8-0)

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Periodic Systems

$$
\mathcal{D} = H_{\text{per}}^{-1}(\Omega, \mathbb{C}) \qquad \mathcal{V} = \mathcal{D}^* = H_{\text{per}}^1(\Omega, \mathbb{C})
$$

Periodic Sobolev spaces [\[1\]](#page-18-1)

$$
||u||^2_{H^s_{\rm per}} = \sum_{\mathbf{G}} (1+|\mathbf{G}|^2)^s |\widehat{u}_{\mathbf{G}}|^2
$$

The *duality mapping* $J: \mathcal{D} \to \mathcal{V}$,

$$
J[\rho](\mathbf{r}) = (\Phi * \rho)(\mathbf{r}) = \int_{\mathbb{R}^3} \frac{\rho(\mathbf{x})}{4\pi |\mathbf{r} - \mathbf{x}|} e^{-|\mathbf{r} - \mathbf{x}|} d\mathbf{x}
$$

Fix $\rho_{\text{gs}} \in \mathcal{D}$ and

$$
\mathcal{F}(\rho) = T(\rho) + E_{\mathrm{H}}(\rho) + \int_{\Omega} v_{\mathrm{ext}} \rho
$$

The Exchange-Correlation Potential

ρ

Minimise

$$
\mathcal{E}(\rho \,;\, \rho_{\rm gs}) = \mathcal{F}(\rho) + \frac{1}{2\varepsilon} ||\rho - \rho_{\rm gs}||_{\mathcal{D}}^2 \quad \text{over} \quad \rho \in \mathcal{D} \tag{1}
$$

Proximal density

$$
\rho_{\rm gs}^{\varepsilon} = \operatorname*{argmin}_{\rho} \mathcal{E}(\rho, \rho_{\rm gs})
$$

is the unique minimser of $\mathcal{E}(\rho; \rho_{\text{gs}})$ [\[2\]](#page-18-2)

The exchange-correlation potential [\[3,](#page-18-3) [4\]](#page-18-4)

$$
v_{\rm xc}(\mathbf{r}) = \lim_{\varepsilon \to 0^+} \frac{1}{\varepsilon} J \left[\rho_{\rm gs}^\varepsilon - \rho_{\rm gs} \right] (\mathbf{r})
$$

=
$$
\lim_{\varepsilon \to 0^+} \frac{1}{\varepsilon} \int_{\mathbb{R}^3} \frac{\rho_{\rm gs}^\varepsilon(\mathbf{x}) - \rho_{\rm gs}(\mathbf{x})}{4\pi |\mathbf{r} - \mathbf{x}|} e^{-|\mathbf{r} - \mathbf{x}|} d\mathbf{x}
$$

The Inversion Algorithm

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Bulk Silicone

Implementation on github.com/mfherbst/supporting-my-inversion

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Error Bounds

The proximal mapping $\rho \mapsto \rho^\varepsilon$ is non-expansive,

$$
\|\rho^{\varepsilon}-\widetilde{\rho}^{\varepsilon}\|_{\mathcal{D}} \le \|\rho-\widetilde{\rho}\|_{\mathcal{D}}, \quad \forall \rho, \widetilde{\rho} \in \mathcal{D}
$$
 (2)

Consider inexact references:

$$
\widetilde{\rho}_{\rm gs} = \rho_{\rm gs} + \Delta \rho
$$

The *total error*

$$
||v_{\rm xc}-\widetilde{v}_{\rm xc}^{\varepsilon}||_{\mathcal{V}} \leq \underbrace{||v_{\rm xc}-v_{\rm xc}^{\varepsilon}||_{\mathcal{V}}}_{\text{terminating at finite }\varepsilon} + \underbrace{||v_{\rm xc}^{\varepsilon}-\widetilde{v}_{\rm xc}^{\varepsilon}||_{\mathcal{V}}}_{\text{using inexact }\rho_{\rm gs}}
$$

(3)

Non-Expansiveness

$$
\left\| \rho_{\rm gs}^{\varepsilon} - \widetilde{\rho}_{\rm gs}^{\varepsilon} \right\|_{\mathcal{D}} \leq \left\| \rho_{\rm gs} - \widetilde{\rho}_{\rm gs} \right\|_{\mathcal{D}} = \left\| \Delta \rho \right\|_{\mathcal{D}} \qquad Q_{\varepsilon}(\Delta \rho) = \frac{\left\| \rho_{\rm gs}^{\varepsilon} - \widetilde{\rho}_{\rm gs}^{\varepsilon} \right\|_{\mathcal{D}}}{\left\| \Delta \rho \right\|_{\mathcal{D}}}
$$

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\frac{10^{-1}}{\sqrt{2}} \qquad \frac{10^{-2}}{\sqrt{2}} \qquad \frac{10^{-2}}{\sqrt{2}} \qquad \frac{10^{-2}}{\sqrt{2}} \qquad \frac{10^{-3}}{\sqrt{2}} \qquad \frac{10^{-3}}{\sqrt{2}} \qquad \frac{10^{-4}}{\sqrt{2}} \qquad \frac{10^{-4}}{\sqrt{2}} \qquad \frac{10^{-5}}{\sqrt{2}} \qquad \frac{10^{-6}}{\sqrt{2}} \qquad \frac{10^{-6}}{\sqrt{2}} \qquad \frac{10^{-7}}{\sqrt{2}} \qquad \frac{10^{-7}}{\sqrt{2}} \qquad \frac{10^{-7}}{\sqrt{2}} \qquad \frac{10^{-7}}{\sqrt{2}} \qquad \frac{10^{-7}}{\sqrt{2}} \qquad \frac{10^{-6}}{\sqrt{2}} \qquad \frac{10^{-7}}{\sqrt{2}} \qquad \frac
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Error Bounds: Inexact Densities

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Conclusions

- **Mathematically rigorous inversion scheme**
- Rigorous error estimates
- **Practical use case of Moreau–Yosida regularisation**
- **First system studied: bulk silicone**
- Implemented using DFTK. j1 [\[5\]](#page-18-5)

Outlook

- **More complicated systems**
- Reference densities from other sources
- \blacksquare Further error analysis
- \blacksquare Investigate proximal point algorithms

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Motivation: The Differentiability of $\mathcal F$

The exact universal functional F is non-differentiable with respect to ρ [\[6\]](#page-18-6).

- Practical implementations often assume differentiability, e.g., $v_{\rm xc} = \delta E_{\rm xc}/\delta \rho$.
- Regularisation of $\mathcal F$ to ensure differentiability.

Convergence: Bulk Silicone

Analytic Error Bounds

Theoretically, the ratios satisfies $\forall \Delta \rho \in \mathcal{D}$

 $0 \leq Q_{\varepsilon}(\Delta \rho) \leq 1$

$$
0 \le 1 - Q_{\varepsilon}(\Delta \rho) \le R_{\varepsilon}(\Delta \rho) \le 1 + Q_{\varepsilon}(\Delta \rho) \le 2
$$

 $0 \leq S_{\varepsilon}(\Delta \rho) \leq Q_{\varepsilon}(\Delta \rho) \leq 1$

$$
\lim_{\varepsilon \to 0^+} Q_{\varepsilon}(\Delta \rho) = 1 \quad \text{and} \quad \lim_{\varepsilon \to 0^+} S_{\varepsilon}(\Delta \rho) \le 1
$$

Error Bounds: Inexact Densities

