BALANCED DESCRIPTION OF GROUND-STATE PROPERTIES, VALENCE EXCITATIONS, AND CHARGE-TRANSFER EXCITATIONS WITH LONG-RANGE CORRECTED DENSITY FUNCTIONALS

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Time-dependent density functional theory's favorable scaling properties make it an attractive technique for the study of large, condensedphase systems. However, in such systems conventional generalized gradient approximation functionals are plagued by spurious, lowenergy charge transfer (CT) excitations. Long-range corrected (LRC) functionals, which asymptotically turn on full Hartree-Fock exchange at long range, push these CT states to higher energies. Until recently it has seemed impossible to find a long-range corrected functional that performed acceptably well for both ground- and excited-state properties. We have constructed an implemented a LRC hybrid functional that not only performs reasonably well in a battery of tests on ground-state properties and valence excitations, but also achieves reasonable accuracy for a small database of CT excitations.