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**A Projector Augmented Wave Formulation of the Optimized Effective Potential Formalism**<sup>1</sup> XIAO XU, N.A.W. HOLZWARTH, Wake Forest University — The optimized effective potential (OEP) or exact exchange (EXX) formalism has recently received renewed attention<sup>2</sup> as a method which can improve the accuracy of density functional calculations by representing orbital-dependent functionals and avoiding self-interaction errors found in density functionals. Since the Projector Augmented Wave (PAW) formalism<sup>3</sup> ensures accurate evaluation of interaction integrals by controlling the multipole moments,<sup>4</sup> it is a natural choice for implementing OEP within an efficient pseudopotential-like scheme. We developed a frozen core approximation scheme for the atomic all-electron OEP formalism, partitioning the exchange potential into core and valence contributions. The corresponding valence exchange pseudopotential for PAW,  $\tilde{V}_x^{\text{vale}}(\mathbf{r})$ , can be derived in a similar way so that for  $r > R_c$ ,  $\tilde{V}_x^{\text{vale}}(\mathbf{r}) = V_x^{\text{vale}}(\mathbf{r})$ . We have investigated the behavior of PAW-OEP basis, projector, and pseudopotential functions for several elements throughout the periodic table.

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