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Application of partition density-functional theory to model systems¹ LARRY BOYER, George Mason University, MICHAEL MEHL, Naval Research Laboratory — Elliott et al.² have introduced a method called partition density-functional theory (PDFT) for expressing the Kohn-Sham charge density as a sum of overlapping fragment densities, which promises accuracy and efficiency along with a framework for developing and testing useful approximations for kinetic-energy functionals, $T[n]$. They illustrate their method using results obtained for non-interacting electrons in a one-dimensional model potential. Following their approach, we apply PDFT to similar models which examine its usefulness in developing approximations for T . We also discuss how PDFT compares with the self-consistent atomic deformation³ method.

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