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**Test of Variational Procedures for Electronic Structure Studies
by Comparison of Results for Energies of Atoms with Experiment and Re-
sults from Bruckner-Goldstone Many-Body Perturbation Theory –Neon
Atom**

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Albany — During the latter half of the last century, great advances were made,
through the Bruckner Goldstone Diagrammatic Many Body Perturbation Theory
(BGMBPT), in accurate quantitative understanding of atomic properties. These
investigations have provided a wealth of data which can now be used to test the
accuracy of variational procedures in use currently for investigations of electronic
structures and properties of multicenter systems like molecules and solid state sys-
tems. In the present talk, we shall consider neon atom where an earlier BGMBPT
investigation [1] has provided excellent agreement with experiment for the total en-
ergy including correlation contributions. We have focused for this comparison on
the Gaussian basis set based, first-principles Hartree-Fock procedure combined with
Many Body Perturbation Theory, and the B3LYP procedure using DFT based ex-
change and correlation potentials, for neon. Results of our investigations will be
presented and discussed.

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