Nearsightedness is, in the first place, a property of many (N > 1), degenerate or non-degenerate, non-interacting Fermions. After a review I shall show how, by means of density functional theory, (DFT), the concept can be extended to charged fermions, such as electrons, as long as the exchange-correlation functional is not long range. This procedure leads to almost-linear computational scaling in N.