

Part I

Density-Functional Tight-Binding (DFTB) as fast approximate DFT method



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Implementations



DFTB+

Standalone fast and efficient DFTB implementation with several useful extensions of the original DFTB method. It is developed at the Bremen Center for Computational Materials Science (Prof. Frauenheim, Balint Aradi). Based on previous DYLAX code. Free for non-commercial use.

DFTB+/Accelrys

DFTB+ as part of Accelrys' Materials Studio package, providing a user friendly graphical interface and the possibility to combine DFTB with other higher or lower level methods.

deMon

DFTB integrated in the ab initio DFT code deMon (Thomas Heine)

GAUSSIAN G09

DFTB in the Gaussian code (Keiji Morokuma)

AMBER

Amber is a package of molecular simulation programs distributed by UCSF, developed mainly for biomolecular simulations. The current version of Amber includes QM/MM. (Marcus Elstner et al.)

CHARMm

CHARMm (Chemistry at HARvard Macromolecular Mechanics) (Qiang Cui.)

ADF

DFTB integrated in the Amsterdam Density Functional (ADF) program suite. (Thomas Heine)

GAMESS-US

DFTB1/2/3 and FMO2-DFTB1/2/3 (Yoshio Nishimoto, Dmitri Fedorov, Stephan Irle)

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Tight-Binding

- Tight binding (TB) approaches work on the principle of treating **electronic wavefunction of a system as a superposition of atom-like wavefunction** (known to chemists as LCAO approach)
- Valence electrons are tightly bound to the cores (not allowed to delocalize beyond the confines of a minimal LCAO basis)
- Semi-empirical tight-binding (SETB): **Hamiltonian Matrix elements are approximated by analytical functions** (no need to compute integrals)
- **TB energy for N electrons, M atoms system:**

$$E_{\text{TB}} = \sum_i^N \epsilon_i + \frac{1}{2} \sum_{j \neq k}^M v^{j,k} (|R_j - R_k|)$$

- This separation of **one-electron energies** and **interatomic distance-dependent potential $v^{j,k}$** constitutes the TB method

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Tight-Binding

- ϵ_i are eigenvalues of a Schrodinger-like equation

$$\epsilon_i \Psi_i(\vec{r}) = \left[-\frac{1}{2} \Delta + V(\vec{r}) \right] \Psi_i(\vec{r})$$

- solved variationally using atom-like (minimum, single-zeta) AO basis set, leading to a secular equation:

$$|\underline{H} - \epsilon \underline{S}| = 0$$

where \underline{H} and \underline{S} are Hamiltonian and overlap matrices in the basis of the AO functions. In orthogonal TB, $\underline{S} = \underline{1}$ (overlap between atoms is neglected)

- \underline{H} and \underline{S} are constructed using nearest-neighbor relationships; typically *only nearest-neighbor interactions* are considered: **Similarity to extended Hückel method**

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Extended Huckel (EHT) Method

- Based on approximation by M. Wolfsberg and L. J. Helmholz (1952)
- $\underline{H} \underline{C}_i = \epsilon_i \underline{S} \underline{C}_i$
- \underline{H} – Hamiltonian matrix constructed using nearest neighbor relationships
- \underline{C}_i – column vector of the i-th molecular orbital coefficients
- ϵ_i – orbital energy
- \underline{S} – overlap matrix
- $H_{\mu\mu}$ - choose as a constant – valence shell ionization potentials
- $H_{\mu\nu} = K S_{\mu\nu} (H_{\mu\mu} + H_{\nu\nu})/2$
- K – Wolfsberg Helmholz constant, typically 1.75

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Categories of TB approaches

TB models can conditionally be divided:

- Depending on how we treat the overlap matrix S:
 - Orthogonal TB
 $\mathbf{H}\Psi = E\Psi$
 - Non-orthogonal TB
 $\mathbf{H}\Psi = E\mathbf{S}\Psi$
- Depending on how we derive the parameters:
 - Ab initio TB
(derive from DFT)
 - Empirical (fit to experiments, or ab initio results)
- Depending on how we treat the charge self-consistency problem:
 - Non-self-consistent
 - Self-consistent

Important: in all modifications we can use the Hellmann-Feynman theorem

$$\mathbf{f}_I = -\langle \psi | \frac{\partial H}{\partial \mathbf{R}_I} | \psi \rangle$$

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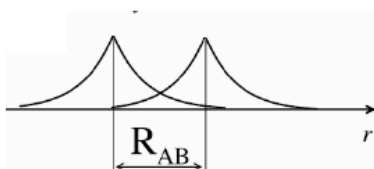
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Slater-Koster (SK) Approximation (I)

- The key moment is how we calculate one-electron integrals

$$h_{pq} = \langle p | h | q \rangle = \int d^3r \chi_p^*(\mathbf{r}) \left[-\frac{1}{2} \nabla^2 - \sum_{\mathbf{n}} \frac{Z_{\mathbf{n}}}{|\mathbf{R}_{\mathbf{n}} - \mathbf{r}|} \right] \chi_q(\mathbf{r})$$

- Instead of introducing basis functions, e.g., Slater-like for the radial part and s,p,d for the angular part, then doing the integrals, we introduce an analytical function which depends on R_{AB} only times another function which depends on the overlap of the angular functions localized at the atoms



Note that the matrix element depends on the positions of ALL atoms

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SK Approximation (II)

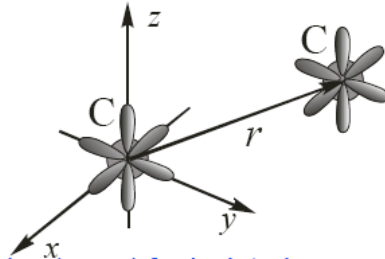


- Let's consider two atoms with s and p *atomic* orbitals (e.g. Carbon)

$$\text{Atom 1: } \begin{array}{cccc} s & p_x & p_y & p_z \\ |s_1\rangle, & |x_1\rangle, & |y_1\rangle, & |z_1\rangle \end{array}$$

$$\text{Atom 2: } \begin{array}{cccc} s & p_x & p_y & p_z \\ |s_2\rangle, & |x_2\rangle, & |y_2\rangle, & |z_2\rangle \end{array}$$

$$h_{pq} = \langle p | h | q \rangle = \int d^3r \chi_p^*(\mathbf{r}) \left[-\frac{1}{2} \nabla^2 - \sum_n \frac{Z_n}{|\mathbf{R}_n - \mathbf{r}|} \right] \chi_q(\mathbf{r})$$



- Diagonal elements:** Assume we know s and p energies (E_s, E_p) for isolated single atom; we further assume that these "on-site" energies are the same when the bonds are formed

$$h_{qq} = E_s = \langle q | H | q \rangle \quad q \text{ is the s orbital}$$

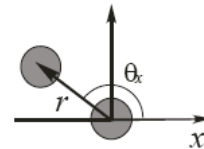
$$h_{qq} = E_p = \langle q | H | q \rangle \quad q \text{ is any of the p orbitals}$$

- Off-diagonal elements:**

s-s: Assume that for s-s atomic orbitals, $h_{psqs} = s(r)E_{s,s} = s(r)V_{ss}$

$s(r)$ is an analytical function which depends on r only

V_{ss} is a parameter chosen to fit the results for a reference system



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SK Approximation (III)

- Off-diagonal elements:**

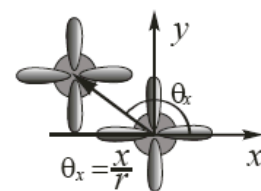
s-p: Assume that for s-p atomic orbitals,

$$h_{qsqp_x} = s(r)E_{s,x} = s(r)V_{sp\sigma}l$$

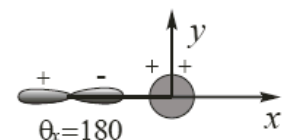
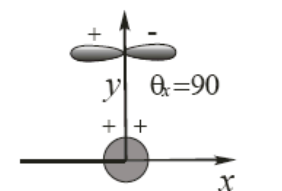
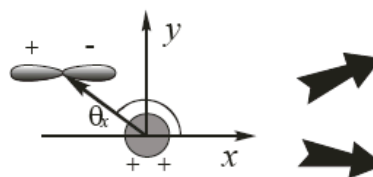
$s(r)$ is the same analytical function

$l = \cos(\theta_x) = x/r$ is the directional cosine of the vector between the atoms

$V_{sp\sigma}$ is another parameter chosen to fit the results for a reference system



l reflects the anisotropy of the orbitals; note that p functions have a positive and negative part



Two-center one electron integrals are sometimes called hopping integrals

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SK Approximation (IV)

- Off-diagonal elements:

p-p: For p_x - p_x atomic orbitals, the matrix element is

$$h_{p_x p_x} = s(r)E_{x,x} = s(r)[l^2 V_{pp\sigma} + (1 - l^2) V_{pp\pi}]$$

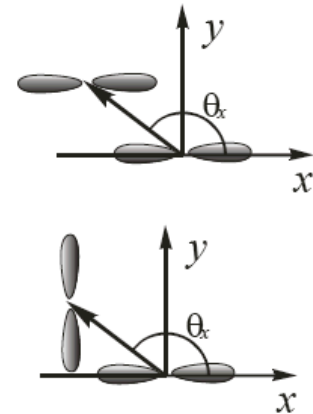
Analogously, p_x - p_y matrix element is

$$h_{p_x p_y} = s(r)E_{x,y} = s(r)[lm V_{pp\sigma} - lm V_{pp\pi}]$$

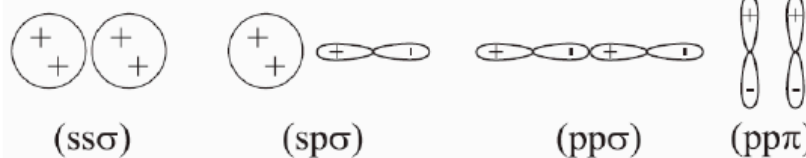
p_z - p_z matrix element is

$$h_{p_z p_z} = s(r)E_{z,z} = s(r)[n^2 V_{pp\sigma} + (1 - n^2) V_{pp\pi}]$$

$$l = x/r, m = y/r, n = z/r$$



- Four non-equivalent fundamental integrals between s and p atomic orbitals



- p-d:** We can derive similar formulas for d orbitals as well

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SK Tables

So, all together, the integral look as follow:

Independent two center hopping integrals between atoms on the z-axis (from M. Finnis, "Interatomic forces in Condensed Matter")

$$\begin{aligned}
 E_{s,s} &= V_{ss\sigma} \\
 E_{s,x} &= V_{sp\sigma} \\
 E_{x,x} &= l^2 V_{pp\sigma} + (1 - l^2) V_{pp\pi} \\
 E_{x,y} &= lm V_{pp\sigma} - lm V_{pp\pi} \\
 E_{x,z} &= ln V_{pp\sigma} - ln V_{pp\pi} \\
 E_{x,yz} &= 3^{1/2} lm V_{sd\sigma} \\
 E_{s,x^2-y^2} &= \frac{1}{2} 3^{1/2} (l^2 - m^2) V_{sd\sigma} \\
 E_{x,2z^2-r^2} &= [n^2 - \frac{1}{2}(l^2 + m^2)] V_{sd\sigma} \\
 E_{x,xy} &= 3^{1/2} l m V_{pd\sigma} + m(1 - 2l^2) V_{pd\pi} \\
 E_{x,yz} &= 3^{1/2} l m n V_{pd\sigma} - 2l m n V_{pd\pi} \\
 E_{x,zx} &= 3^{1/2} l^2 n V_{pd\sigma} + n(1 - 2l^2) V_{pd\pi} \\
 E_{x,x^2-y^2} &= \frac{1}{2} 3^{1/2} (l^2 - m^2) V_{pd\sigma} + l(1 - l^2 + m^2) V_{pd\pi} \\
 E_{y,x^2-y^2} &= \frac{1}{2} 3^{1/2} m(l^2 - m^2) V_{pd\sigma} - m(1 + l^2 - m^2) V_{pd\pi} \\
 E_{x,x^2-y^2} &= \frac{1}{2} 3^{1/2} n(l^2 - m^2) V_{pd\sigma} - n(l^2 - m^2) V_{pd\pi} \\
 E_{x,2z^2-r^2} &= l[n^2 - \frac{1}{2}(l^2 + m^2)] V_{pd\sigma} - 3^{1/2} l n^2 V_{pd\pi} \\
 E_{y,2z^2-r^2} &= m[n^2 - \frac{1}{2}(l^2 + m^2)] V_{pd\sigma} - 3^{1/2} m n^2 V_{pd\pi} \\
 E_{x,2z^2-r^2} &= n[n^2 - \frac{1}{2}(l^2 + m^2)] V_{pd\sigma} + 3^{1/2} n(l^2 + m^2) V_{pd\pi} \\
 E_{xy,xy} &= 3l^2 m^2 V_{dd\sigma} + (l^2 + m^2 - 4l^2 m^2) V_{dd\pi} + (n^2 + l^2 m^2) V_{dd\delta} \\
 E_{xy,yz} &= 3l m^2 n V_{dd\sigma} + ln(1 - 4m^2) V_{dd\pi} + ln(m^2 - 1) V_{dd\delta} \\
 E_{xy,zx} &= 3l^2 m n V_{dd\sigma} + m n(1 - 4l^2) V_{dd\pi} + m n(l^2 - 1) V_{dd\delta} \\
 E_{xy,x^2-y^2} &= \frac{3}{2} l m (l^2 - m^2) V_{dd\sigma} + 2l m (m^2 - l^2) V_{dd\pi} + \frac{1}{2} l m (l^2 - m^2) V_{dd\delta} \\
 E_{yx,x^2-y^2} &= \frac{3}{2} m n (l^2 - m^2) V_{dd\sigma} - m n [1 + 2(l^2 - m^2)] V_{dd\pi} \\
 &\quad + m n [1 + \frac{1}{2}(l^2 - m^2)] V_{dd\delta} \\
 E_{zx,x^2-y^2} &= \frac{3}{2} n l (l^2 - m^2) V_{dd\sigma} + n l [1 - 2(l^2 - m^2)] V_{dd\pi} \\
 &\quad - n l [1 - \frac{1}{2}(l^2 - m^2)] V_{dd\delta} \\
 E_{xy,2z^2-r^2} &= 3^{1/2} l m [n^2 - \frac{1}{2}(l^2 + m^2)] V_{dd\sigma} - 3^{1/2} 2l m n^2 V_{dd\pi} \\
 &\quad + \frac{3}{2} 3^{1/2} l m (1 + n^2) V_{dd\delta} \\
 E_{yx,2z^2-r^2} &= 3^{1/2} m n [n^2 - \frac{1}{2}(l^2 + m^2)] V_{dd\sigma} + 3^{1/2} m n (l^2 + m^2 - n^2) V_{dd\pi} \\
 &\quad - \frac{3}{2} 3^{1/2} m n (1 + n^2) V_{dd\delta}
 \end{aligned}$$

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DFTB

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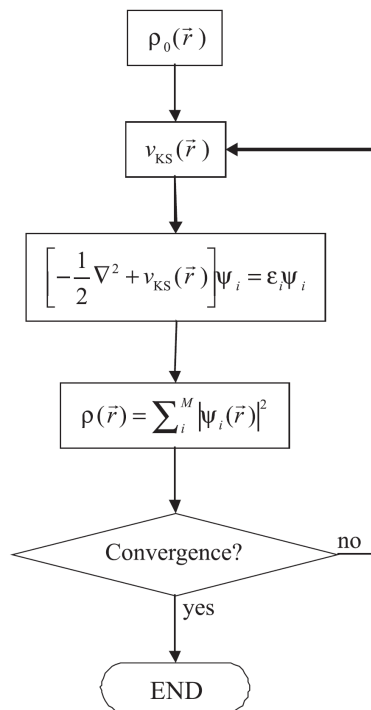
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Density Functional Theory (DFT)



1998

Walter Kohn/John A. Pople
at convergence:

$$\begin{aligned}
 E[\rho] &= \sum_{i=1}^M n_i \langle \psi_i | -\frac{1}{2} \nabla^2 + v_{\text{ext}}(\vec{r}) + \int \frac{\rho(\vec{r}')}{|\vec{r} - \vec{r}'|} d^3 r' | \psi_i \rangle \\
 &+ E_{\text{xc}}[\rho] - \frac{1}{2} \iint \frac{\rho(\vec{r}) \rho(\vec{r}')}{|\vec{r} - \vec{r}'|} d^3 r d^3 r' + \frac{1}{2} \sum_{\substack{\alpha, \beta=1 \\ \alpha \neq \beta}}^N \frac{Z_\alpha Z_\beta}{|\vec{R}_\alpha - \vec{R}_\beta|} \\
 &= \sum_{i=1}^M n_i \varepsilon_i + E_{\text{rep}}
 \end{aligned}$$

Various criteria for convergence possible:

- Electron density
- Potential
- Orbitals
- Energy
- Combinations of above quantities

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Foulkes + Haydock Ansatz

Phys. Rev. B, 39, 12520 (1989)

$$\rho(\vec{r}) = \rho_0(\vec{r}) + \delta\rho(\vec{r})$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 E[\rho_0 + \delta\rho] &= \sum_i^M n_i \left\langle \psi_i \left| -\frac{1}{2} \nabla^2 + v_{\text{ext}}(\vec{r}) + \int \frac{\rho'_0}{|\vec{r} - \vec{r}'|} d\vec{r}' + v_{\text{xc}}[\rho_0] \right| \psi_i \right\rangle \\
 &- \frac{1}{2} \iint \frac{\rho'_0(\rho_0 + \delta\rho)}{|\vec{r} - \vec{r}'|} d\vec{r} d\vec{r}' - \int v_{\text{xc}}[\rho_0](\rho_0 + \delta\rho) d\vec{r} \\
 &+ \frac{1}{2} \iint \frac{\delta\rho'(\rho_0 + \delta\rho)}{|\vec{r} - \vec{r}'|} d\vec{r} d\vec{r}' + E_{\text{xc}}[\rho_0 + \delta\rho] + E_{\text{nn}}
 \end{aligned}$$

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Self-consistent-charge density-functional tight-binding (SCC-DFTB)

M. Elstner *et al.*, *Phys. Rev. B* **58** 7260 (1998)

Approximate density functional theory (DFT) method!

Second order-expansion of DFT energy in terms of reference density ρ_0 and charge fluctuation ρ_1 ($\rho \approx \rho_0 + \rho_1$) yields:

$$\begin{aligned}
 E[\rho] = & \underbrace{\sum_i^{valence\ orbitals} n_i \langle \phi_i | \hat{H}[\rho_0] | \phi_i \rangle}_1 + \underbrace{\sum_i^{core\ orbitals} n_i \langle \phi_i | \hat{H}[\rho_0] | \phi_i \rangle}_2 + \underbrace{E_{xc}[\rho_0]}_3 - \underbrace{\frac{1}{2} \int_{\mathbf{R}^3} \rho_0 V_H[\rho_0]}_4 - \\
 & - \underbrace{\int_{\mathbf{R}^3} \rho_0 V_{xc}[\rho_0]}_5 + \underbrace{E_{nucl}}_6 + \underbrace{\frac{1}{2} \int_{\mathbf{R}^3} \rho_1 V_H[\rho_1]}_7 + \underbrace{\frac{1}{2} \iint_{\mathbf{R}^3} \frac{\delta^2 E_{xc}}{\delta \rho_1^2} \Big|_{\rho_0} \rho_1^2}_8 + o(3)
 \end{aligned}$$

Density-functional tight-binding (DFTB) method is derived from terms 1-6

Self-consistent-charge density-functional tight-binding (SCC-DFTB) method is derived from terms 1-8 19

DFTB and SCC-DFTB methods

$$\begin{aligned}
 E^{DFTB} &= \underbrace{\sum_i^{valence\ orbitals} n_i \varepsilon_i}_{term\ 1} + \underbrace{\frac{1}{2} \sum_{A \neq B}^{atoms} E_{rep}^{AB}}_{terms\ 2-6} \\
 E^{SCC-DFTB} &= \underbrace{\sum_i^{valence\ orbitals} n_i \varepsilon_i}_{term\ 1} + \underbrace{\frac{1}{2} \sum_{A,B}^{atoms} \gamma_{AB} \Delta q_A \Delta q_B}_{terms\ 7-8} + \underbrace{\frac{1}{2} \sum_{A \neq B}^{atoms} E_{rep}^{AB}}_{terms\ 2-6}
 \end{aligned}$$

❖ where

- n_i and ε_i – occupation and orbital energy of the i^{th} Kohn-Sham eigenstate
- E_{rep} – distance-dependent diatomic repulsive potentials
- Δq_A – induced charge on atom A
- γ_{AB} – distance-dependent charge-charge interaction functional; obtained from chemical hardness (IP – EA) 20

DFTB method

- ❖ Repulsive diatomic potentials replace usual nuclear repulsion energy
- ❖ Reference density ρ_0 is constructed from atomic densities

$$\rho_0 = \sum_A^{\text{atoms}} \rho_0^A$$
- ❖ Kohn-Sham eigenstates ϕ_i are expanded in Slater basis of valence pseudoatomic orbitals χ_i

$$\phi_i = \sum_{\mu}^{\text{AO}} c_{\mu i} \chi_{\mu}$$
- ❖ The DFTB energy is obtained by solving a generalized DFTB eigenvalue problem with \mathbf{H}^0 computed by atomic and diatomic DFT

$$\mathbf{H}^0 \mathbf{C} = \mathbf{S} \mathbf{C} \boldsymbol{\varepsilon} \quad \text{with} \quad S_{\mu\nu} = \langle \chi_{\mu} | \chi_{\nu} \rangle$$

$$H_{\mu\nu}^0 = \langle \chi_{\mu} | \hat{H}[\rho_0^M, \rho_0^N] | \chi_{\nu} \rangle$$

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Approximations in the DFTB Hamiltonian

Traditional DFTB concept: Hamiltonian matrix elements are approximated to **two-center terms**. The same types of approximations are done to E_{rep} .

$$H_{\mu\nu}^0 = \begin{cases} \varepsilon_{\mu}^{\text{neutral free atom}} & \text{if } \mu = \nu \\ \langle \varphi_{\mu}^{\alpha} | \hat{T} + V_0^{\alpha} + V_0^{\beta} | \varphi_{\nu}^{\beta} \rangle & \text{if } \alpha \neq \beta \\ 0 & \text{otherwise.} \end{cases} \quad \text{From Elstner et al., PRB 1998}$$

$$V_{\text{eff}}[\rho_0] \approx V_{\text{eff}}[\rho_A + \rho_B] \quad \text{(Density superposition)}$$

$$V_{\text{eff}}[\rho_0] \approx V_{\text{eff}}[\rho_A] + V_{\text{eff}}[\rho_B] \quad \text{(Potential superposition)}$$

Both approximations are justified by the screening argument: Far away, neutral atoms have no Coulomb contribution.



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SCC-DFTB matrix elements

LCAO ansatz of wave function

$$\Psi_i = \sum_v c_v^i \underbrace{\phi_v(\mathbf{r} - \mathbf{R}_\alpha)}_{\text{pseudoatomic orbital}}$$

variational principle

secular equations

$$\sum_v c_v^i (H_{\mu\nu} - \epsilon_i S_{\mu\nu}) = 0$$

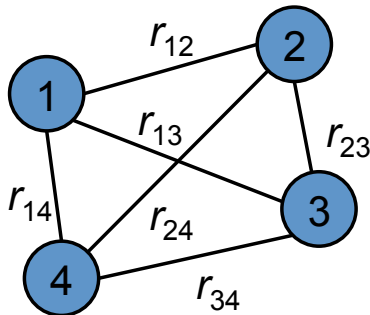
\uparrow Hamiltonian \nwarrow Overlap

pre-computed parameter

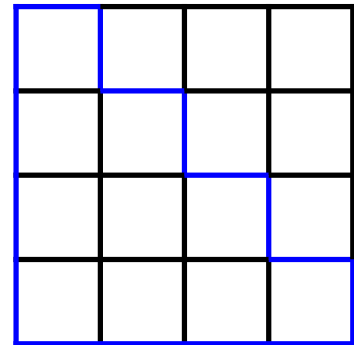
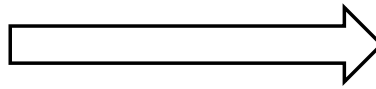
- Reference Hamiltonian H^0
- Overlap integral $S_{\mu\nu}$

- ✓ two-center approximation
- ✓ nearest neighbor off-diagonal elements only (choice of cutoff values)

Atom 1 – 4 are the same atom & have only s shell



How to construct?



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SCC-DFTB matrix elements

LCAO ansatz of wave function

$$\Psi_i = \sum_v c_v^i \underbrace{\phi_v(\mathbf{r} - \mathbf{R}_\alpha)}_{\text{pseudoatomic orbital}}$$

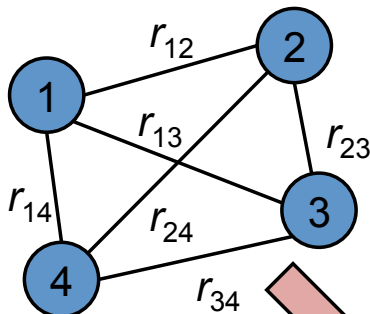
variational principle

secular equations

$$\sum_v c_v^i (H_{\mu\nu} - \epsilon_i S_{\mu\nu}) = 0$$

\uparrow Hamiltonian \nwarrow Overlap

Atom 1 – 4 are the same atom & have only s shell



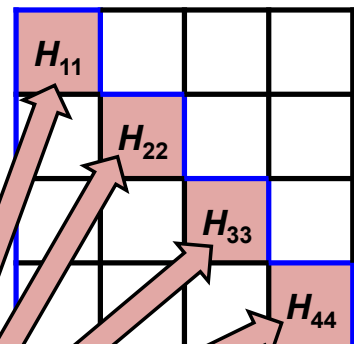
Diagonal term

Orbital energy of neutral free atom (DFT calculation)

$$H_{\mu\mu} = \epsilon_\mu + \frac{1}{2} \sum_{\xi} (\gamma_{\alpha\xi} + \gamma_{\beta\xi}) \Delta q_\xi$$

Charge-charge interaction function

Induced charge



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SCC-DFTB matrix elements

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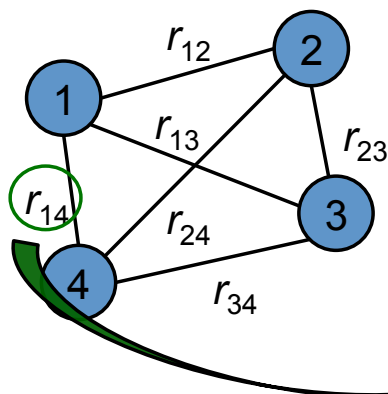
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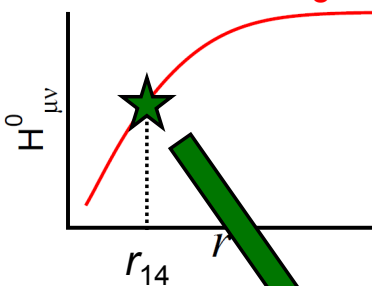
Hamiltonian Overlap

Atom 1 – 4 are the same atom & have only s shell



Lookup tabulated H^0 and S at distance r

Two-center integral



H_{11}			
	H_{22}		
		H_{33}	
H_{41}			H_{44}

$$H_{\mu\nu} = H_{\mu\nu}^0 + \frac{1}{2} S_{\mu\nu} \sum_{\epsilon} (\gamma_{\alpha\epsilon} + \gamma_{\beta\epsilon}) \Delta q_{\epsilon}$$

Charge-charge interaction function Induced charge

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LCAO ansatz of wave function

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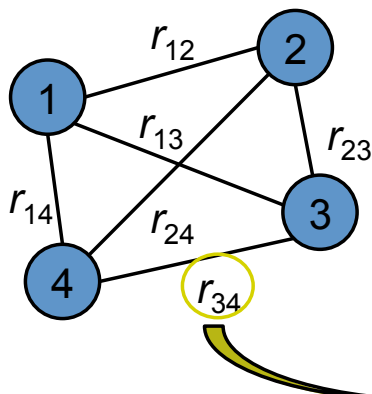
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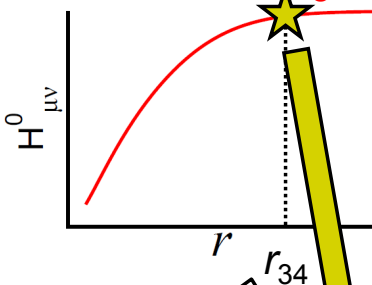
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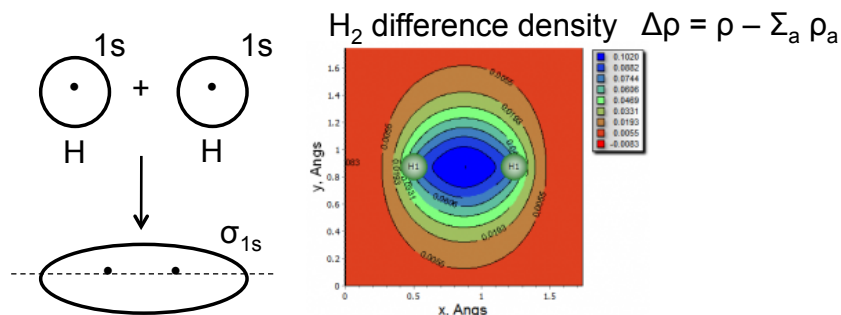
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	H_{22}		
		H_{33}	
H_{41}		H_{43}	H_{44}

$$H_{\mu\nu} = H_{\mu\nu}^0 + \frac{1}{2} S_{\mu\nu} \sum_{\epsilon} (\gamma_{\alpha\epsilon} + \gamma_{\beta\epsilon}) \Delta q_{\epsilon}$$

Charge-charge interaction function Induced charge

➤ Repeat until building **off-diagonal term**

DFTB parameters



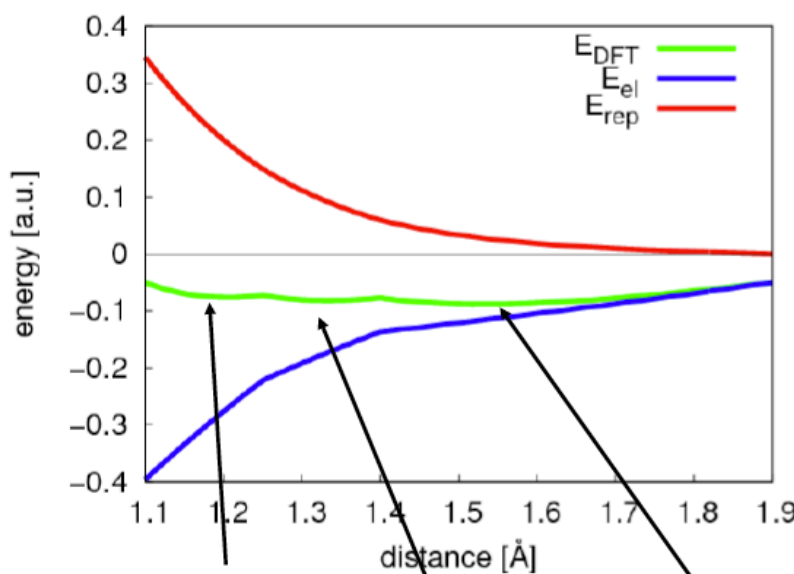
What are the 'free' parameters?

- confinement for wave-function: r_0^X
- confinement for density: r_D^X
- repulsive potential $U_{\alpha\beta}$:
 - 6th order polynomial (spline)
 - 20-40 DFT data points

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DFTB repulsive potential E_{rep}

$$E[\rho] = \sum_i^{occ} \epsilon_i^H + \sum_{\alpha\beta} U_{\alpha\beta} \rightarrow U_{\alpha\beta} = E^{DFT}[\rho](R_{\alpha\beta}) - \sum_i^{occ} \epsilon_i^H(R_{\alpha\beta})$$



Development of (semi-)automatic fitting:

- Knaup, J. *et al.*, *JPCA*, **111**, 5637, (2007)
- Gaus, M. *et al.*, *JPCA*, **113**, 11866, (2009)
- Bodrog Z. *et al.*, *JCTC*, **7**, 2654, (2011)

HC-CH H_2C-CH_2 H_3C-CH_3
Which molecular systems to include?

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SCC-DFTB method (I)

- ❖ Additional induced-charges term allows for a proper description of charge-transfer phenomena
- ❖ Induced charge Δq_A on atom A is determined from Mulliken population analysis

$$\Delta q_A = \sum_i^{MO} n_i \sum_{\mu \in A} \sum_v^{AO} c_{\mu i} c_{v i} S_{\mu v} - q_A^0$$

- ❖ Kohn-Sham eigenenergies are obtained from a generalized, self-consistent SCC-DFTB eigenvalue problem

$$\mathbf{HC} = \mathbf{SC}\varepsilon \quad \text{with} \quad S_{\mu\nu} = \langle \chi_\mu | \chi_\nu \rangle \quad \text{and}$$

$$H_{\mu\nu} = \langle \chi_\mu | \hat{H}[\rho_0^M, \rho_0^N] | \chi_\nu \rangle + \frac{1}{2} S_{\mu\nu} \sum_K^{\text{atoms}} (\gamma_{MK} + \gamma_{NK}) \Delta q_K$$

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SCC-DFTB method (II)

Only second-order terms (terms 7-8 on slide 16):

$$E^2[\rho, \rho_0] = \frac{1}{2} \iint' \left(\frac{1}{|\vec{r} - \vec{r}'|} + \left. \frac{\delta^2 E_{xc}}{\delta \rho \delta \rho'} \right|_{n_0} \right) \Delta \rho \Delta \rho'$$

Represent by atomic contributions:

$$\Delta \rho = \sum_{\alpha} \Delta \rho_{\alpha}$$

Monopole approximation

$$\Delta \rho_{\alpha} \approx \Delta q_{\alpha} F_{00}^{\alpha} Y_{00}$$

$$E^2[\rho, \rho_0] \approx \frac{1}{2} \sum_{\alpha\beta} \Delta q_{\alpha} \Delta q_{\beta} \iint' \left(\frac{1}{|\vec{r} - \vec{r}'|} + \left. \frac{\delta^2 E_{xc}}{\delta \rho \delta \rho'} \right|_{n_0} \right) F_{00}^{\alpha} F_{00}^{\beta} Y_{00}^2$$

Basic assumptions:

- Only transfer of net charge between atoms
- Size and shape of atom (in molecule) unchanged

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SCC-DFTB method (III)

$$E^2[\rho, \rho_0] \approx \frac{1}{2} \sum_{\alpha\beta} \Delta q_\alpha \Delta q_\beta \iint' \left(\frac{1}{|\vec{r} - \vec{r}'|} + \frac{\delta^2 E_{xc}}{\delta\rho \delta\rho'} \Big|_{n_0} \right) F_{00}^\alpha F_{00}^\beta Y_{00}^2$$

Consider two limiting cases:

A) Large distance: $|\vec{r} - \vec{r}'| \approx R_{\alpha\beta} \rightarrow \infty$

$$E^2[\rho, \rho_0] \rightarrow \frac{1}{2} \sum_{\alpha\beta} \frac{\Delta q_\alpha \Delta q_\beta}{R_{\alpha\beta}}$$

B) 'On-site' e-e repulsion: $R_{\alpha\beta} \rightarrow 0$, i.e. $\alpha = \beta$

$$E^2[\rho, \rho_0] \rightarrow \frac{1}{2} \sum_{\alpha} \frac{\partial^2 E_{\alpha}^{at}}{\partial q_{\alpha}^2} \Delta q_{\alpha}^2 = \frac{1}{2} \sum_{\alpha} U_{\alpha} \Delta q_{\alpha}^2$$

New (Hubbard) parameter U_{α} : computed from DFT (PBE)

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SCC-DFTB method (IV)

Derive analytical function which interpolates between these two cases

$$E^2[\rho, \rho_0] \approx \frac{1}{2} \sum_{\alpha\beta} \Delta q_\alpha \Delta q_\beta \iint' \left(\frac{1}{|\vec{r} - \vec{r}'|} + \frac{\delta^2 E_{xc}}{\delta\rho \delta\rho'} \Big|_{n_0} \right) F_{00}^\alpha F_{00}^\beta Y_{00}^2$$

$$E^2[\rho, \rho_0] \approx \frac{1}{2} \sum_{\alpha\beta} \Delta q_\alpha \Delta q_\beta \gamma_{\alpha\beta}$$

Klopmann-Ohno:
$$\gamma_{\alpha\beta} = \frac{1}{\sqrt{R^2 + \frac{1}{4}(U_{\alpha}^{-1} + U_{\beta}^{-1})^2}}$$

Several possible formulations for $\gamma_{\alpha\beta}$: Mataga-Nishimoto < Klopmann-Ohno < DFTB

Elstner et al. (1998): Phys. Rev. B **58**, 7260 (1998)

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Gradient for the DFTB methods

The DFTB force formula

$$F_a = - \sum_i^{\text{MO}} n_i \sum_{\mu\nu}^{\text{AO}} c_{\mu i} c_{\nu i} \left[\frac{\partial H_{\mu\nu}^0}{\partial a} - \epsilon_i \frac{\partial S_{\mu\nu}}{\partial a} \right] - \frac{\partial E_{\text{rep}}}{\partial a}$$

The SCC-DFTB force formula

$$F_a = - \sum_i^{\text{MO}} n_i \sum_{\mu\nu}^{\text{AO}} c_{\mu i} c_{\nu i} \left[\frac{\partial H_{\mu\nu}^0}{\partial a} - \left(\epsilon_i - \frac{1}{2} \sum_K^{\text{atoms}} (\gamma_{MK} + \gamma_{NK}) \Delta q_K \right) \frac{\partial S_{\mu\nu}}{\partial a} \right] - \Delta q_A \sum_K^{\text{atoms}} \frac{\partial \gamma_{AK}}{\partial a} \Delta q_K - \frac{\partial E_{\text{rep}}}{\partial a}$$

computational effort: energy calculation 90%
gradient calculation 10%

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Spin-polarized DFTB (SDFTB)

❖ for systems with different \uparrow and \downarrow spin densities, we have

- total density $\rho = \rho^\uparrow + \rho^\downarrow$
- magnetization density $\rho^S = \rho^\uparrow - \rho^\downarrow$

❖ 2nd-order expansion of DFT energy at $(\rho_0, 0)$ yields

$$E[\rho, \rho^S] = \underbrace{\sum_i^{\text{valence orbitals}} n_i \langle \phi_i | \hat{H}[\rho_0] | \phi_i \rangle}_1 + \underbrace{\sum_i^{\text{core orbitals}} n_i \langle \phi_i | \hat{H}[\rho_0] | \phi_i \rangle}_2 + \underbrace{E_{\text{xc}}[\rho_0]}_3 - \underbrace{\frac{1}{2} \int_{\mathbf{R}^3} \rho_0 V_H[\rho_0]}_4 - \underbrace{\int_{\mathbf{R}^3} \rho_0 V_{\text{xc}}[\rho_0]}_5 + \underbrace{E_{\text{nucl}}}_6 + \underbrace{\frac{1}{2} \int_{\mathbf{R}^3} \rho_1 V_H[\rho_1]}_7 + \underbrace{\frac{1}{2} \iint_{\mathbf{R}^3} \frac{\delta^2 E_{\text{xc}}}{\delta \rho_1^2} \Big|_{(\rho_0, 0)}}_8 \rho_1^2 + \underbrace{\frac{1}{2} \iint_{\mathbf{R}^3} \frac{\delta^2 E_{\text{xc}}}{(\delta \rho^S)^2} \Big|_{(\rho_0, 0)}}_9 (\rho^S)^2 + o(3)$$

The Spin-Polarized SCC-DFTB (SDFTB) method is derived from terms 1-9

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Spin-polarized DFTB (SDFTB)

$$E^{\text{SDFTB}} = \underbrace{\sum_i^{\text{valence orbitals}} n_i^\uparrow \epsilon_i^\uparrow + \sum_i^{\text{valence orbitals}} n_i^\downarrow \epsilon_i^\downarrow}_{\text{term 1}} + \underbrace{\frac{1}{2} \sum_{A \neq B}^{\text{atoms}} \gamma_{AB} \Delta q_A \Delta q_B}_{\text{terms 7-8}} + \underbrace{\frac{1}{2} \sum_{A \neq B}^{\text{atoms}} E_{\text{rep}}^{AB}}_{\text{terms 2-6}} + \underbrace{\frac{1}{2} \sum_A \sum_{l \in A} \sum_{l' \in A} p_{Al} p_{Al'} W_{All'}}_{\text{term 9}}$$

where p_{Al} — spin population of shell l on atom A

$$W_{All'} \text{ — spin-population interaction functional} \quad W_{All'} = \frac{1}{2} \left(\frac{\partial \epsilon_{Al}^\uparrow}{\partial n_{l'}^\uparrow} - \frac{\partial \epsilon_{Al}^\downarrow}{\partial n_{l'}^\downarrow} \right)_{\rho=0} = W_{Al'l}$$

- ❖ Spin populations p_{Al} and induced charges Δq_A are obtained from Mulliken population analysis

$$\Delta q_A = \sum_i^{\text{MO}} \sum_{\mu \in A} \sum_{\nu}^{\text{AO}} (n_i^\uparrow c_{\mu}^\uparrow c_{\nu}^\uparrow + n_i^\downarrow c_{\mu}^\downarrow c_{\nu}^\downarrow) S_{\mu\nu} - q_A^0$$

$$p_{Al} = \sum_i^{\text{MO}} \sum_{\mu \in A, l} \sum_{\nu}^{\text{AO}} (n_i^\uparrow c_{\mu}^\uparrow c_{\nu}^\uparrow - n_i^\downarrow c_{\mu}^\downarrow c_{\nu}^\downarrow) S_{\mu\nu}$$

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Spin-polarized DFTB (SDFTB)

- ❖ Kohn-Sham energies are obtained by solving generalized, self-consistent SDFTB eigenvalue problems

$$\mathbf{H}^\uparrow \mathbf{C}^\uparrow = \mathbf{S} \mathbf{C}^\uparrow \boldsymbol{\epsilon}^\uparrow$$

$$\mathbf{H}^\downarrow \mathbf{C}^\downarrow = \mathbf{S} \mathbf{C}^\downarrow \boldsymbol{\epsilon}^\downarrow$$

where

$$S_{\mu\nu} = \langle \chi_\mu | \chi_\nu \rangle$$

$$H_{\mu\nu}^\uparrow = \langle \chi_\mu | \hat{H}[\rho_0^M, \rho_0^N] | \chi_\nu \rangle + \frac{1}{2} S_{\mu\nu} \sum_K^{\text{atoms}} (\gamma_{MK} + \gamma_{NK}) \Delta q_K + \delta_{MN} \frac{1}{2} S_{\mu\nu} \sum_{l' \in M} (W_{All'} + W_{All'}) p_{Ml'}$$

$$H_{\mu\nu}^\downarrow = \langle \chi_\mu | \hat{H}[\rho_0^M, \rho_0^N] | \chi_\nu \rangle + \frac{1}{2} S_{\mu\nu} \sum_K^{\text{atoms}} (\gamma_{MK} + \gamma_{NK}) \Delta q_K - \delta_{MN} \frac{1}{2} S_{\mu\nu} \sum_{l' \in M} (W_{All'} + W_{All'}) p_{Ml'}$$

M, N, K: indexing specific atoms

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SCC-DFTB w/fractional orbital occupation numbers

Fractional occupation numbers f_i of Kohn-Sham eigenstates replace integer n_i

$$\text{TB-eigenvalue equation } \sum_{\nu} c_{\nu i} \left(H_{\mu\nu} - \varepsilon_i S_{\mu\nu} \right) = 0$$

$$E_{\text{tot}} = 2 \sum_i f_i \varepsilon_i + E_{\text{rep}} + \frac{1}{2} \sum_{\alpha\beta} \gamma_{\alpha\beta} \Delta q_{\alpha} \Delta q_{\beta}$$

Finite temperature approach (Mermin free energy E_{Mermin})

M. Weinert, J. W. Davenport, *Phys. Rev. B* **45**, 13709 (1992)

$$f_i = \frac{1}{\exp[(\varepsilon_i - \mu)/k_B T_e] + 1}$$

T_e : electronic temperature
 S_e : electronic entropy

$$0 \leq f_i \leq 1$$

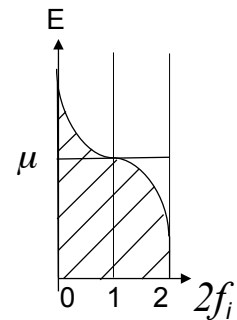
$$E_{\text{Mermin}} = E_{\text{tot}} - T_e S_e$$

$$S_e = -2k_B \sum_i f_i \ln f_i + (1 - f_i) \ln(1 - f_i)$$

Atomic force

$$\vec{F}_{\alpha}^r = -2 \sum_i f_i \sum_{\mu\nu} c_{\mu i} c_{\nu i} \left[\frac{\partial H_{\mu\nu}^0}{\partial R_{\alpha}} - \left(\varepsilon_i - \frac{H_{\mu\nu}^1}{S_{\mu\nu}} \right) \frac{\partial S_{\mu\nu}}{\partial R_{\alpha}} \right] - \Delta q_{\alpha} \sum_{\xi} \frac{\partial \gamma_{\alpha\xi}}{\partial R_{\alpha}} \Delta q_{\xi} - \frac{\partial E_{\text{rep}}}{\partial R_{\alpha}}$$

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Fermi-Dirac distribution function: Energy derivative for Mermin Free Energy

M. Weinert, J. W. Davenport, *Phys. Rev. B* **45**, 13709 (1992)

$$\begin{aligned} F_{\alpha}^{\text{elect}} &\equiv \dot{F}_{\text{HF}} + \dot{F}_{\text{pulay}} + \dot{F}_{\text{charge}} \\ &= \sum_i \frac{\partial}{\partial x} (\varepsilon_i f_i) = \sum_i f_i \frac{\partial \varepsilon_i}{\partial x} + \sum_i \varepsilon_i \frac{\partial f_i}{\partial x} \end{aligned}$$

$$F_{\alpha}^{\text{elect-TS}} \equiv \dot{F}_{\text{HF}} + \dot{F}_{\text{pulay}} + \dot{F}_{\text{charge}} + \dot{F}_{\text{TS}}$$

$$= \sum_i \frac{\partial}{\partial x} (\varepsilon_i f_i) + \frac{\partial(-T_e S)}{\partial x}$$

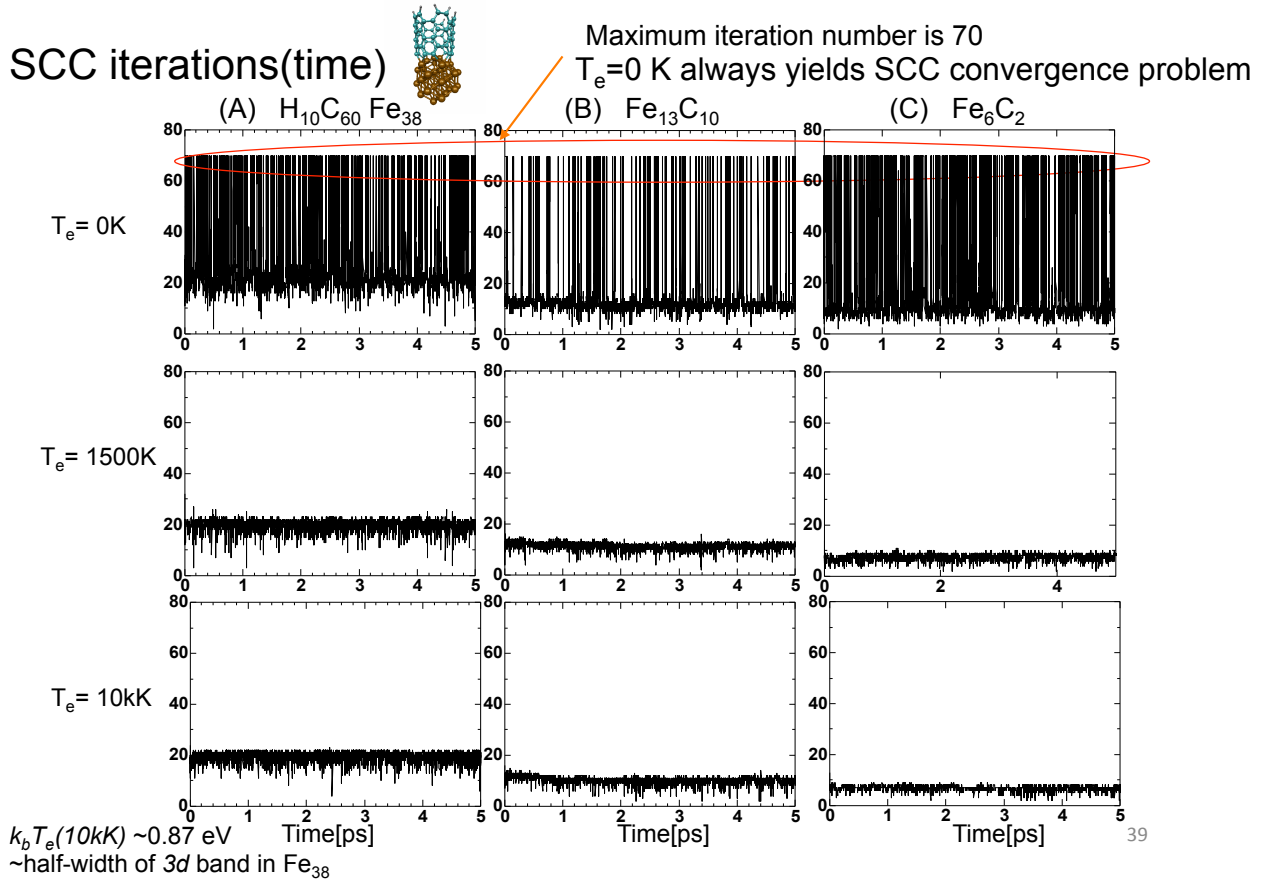
$$= \sum_i f_i \frac{\partial \varepsilon_i}{\partial x} + \sum_i \varepsilon_i \frac{\partial f_i}{\partial x} - \sum_i \varepsilon_i \frac{\partial f_i}{\partial x}$$

Correction term arising from Fermi distribution function cancels out

$$= \sum_i f_i \frac{\partial \varepsilon_i}{\partial x}$$

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SCC iterations(time)



Electronic Parameters

New Confining Potentials

➤ Typically, electron density contracts under covalent bond formation.

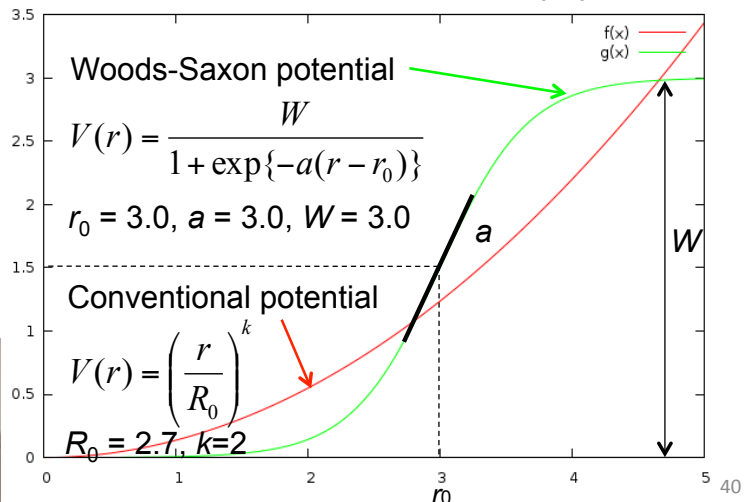
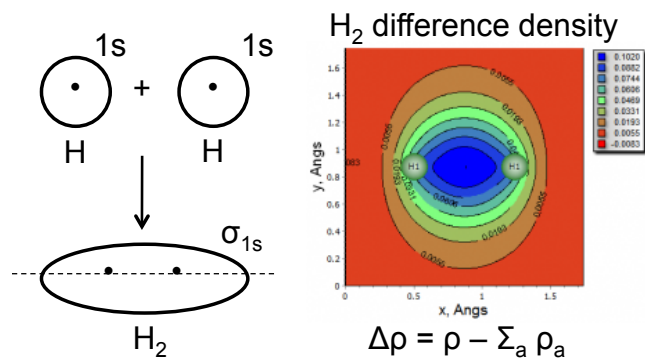
➤ In standard *ab initio* methods, this problem can be remedied by including more basis functions.

➤ DFTB uses minimal valence basis set: the confining potential is adopted to mimic contraction

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DFTB Parameterization



1). DFT band structure calculations

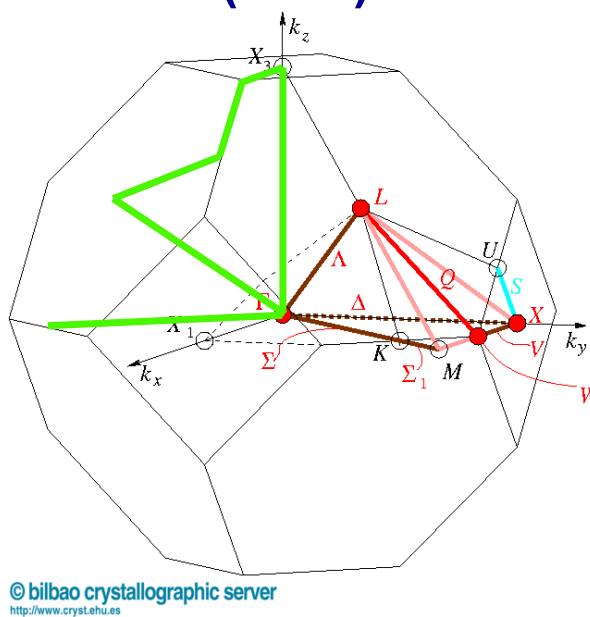
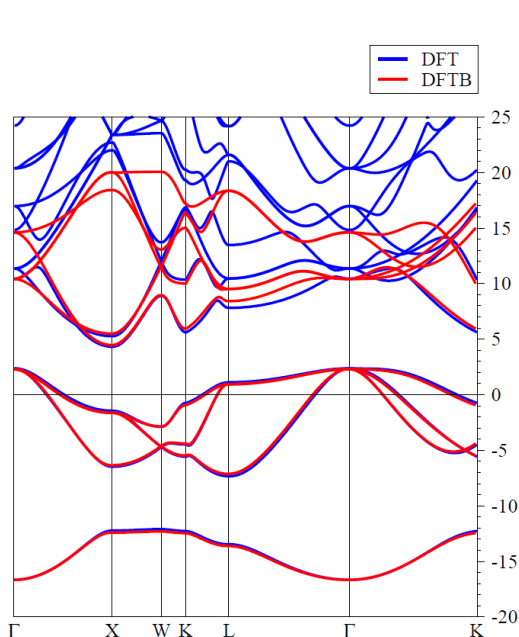
- VASP 4.6
- One atom per unit cell
- PAW (projector augmented wave) method
- 32 x 32 x 32 Monkhorst-Pack k -point sampling
- cutoff = 400 eV
- Fermi level is shifted to 0 eV

2). DFTB band structure fitting

- Optimization of parameter sets for Woods-Saxon confining potential (orbital and density) and unoccupied orbital energies
- Fixed orbital energies for electron occupied orbitals
- Valence orbitals : [1s] for 1st row
[2s, 2p] for 2nd row
[ns, np, md] for 3rd – 6th row
($n \geq 3$, $m = n-1$ for group 1-12, $m = n$ for group 13-18)
- Fitting points : valence bands + conduction bands (depending on the system, at least including up to $\sim +5$ eV with respect to Fermi level)

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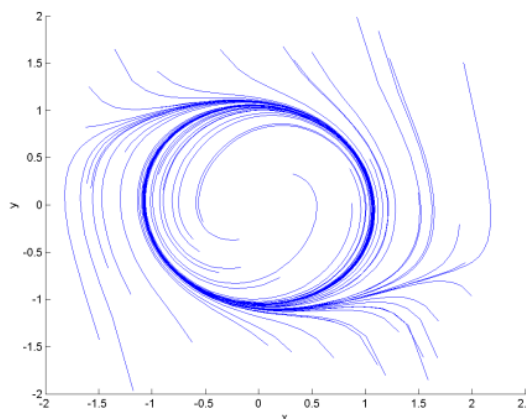
Band structure for Se (FCC)



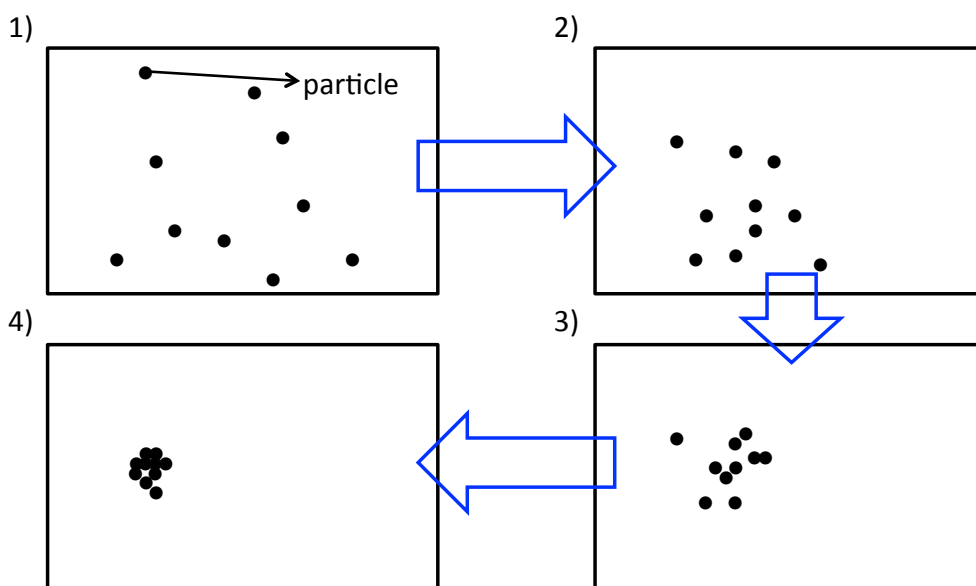
Brillouin zone

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Particle swarm optimization (PSO)

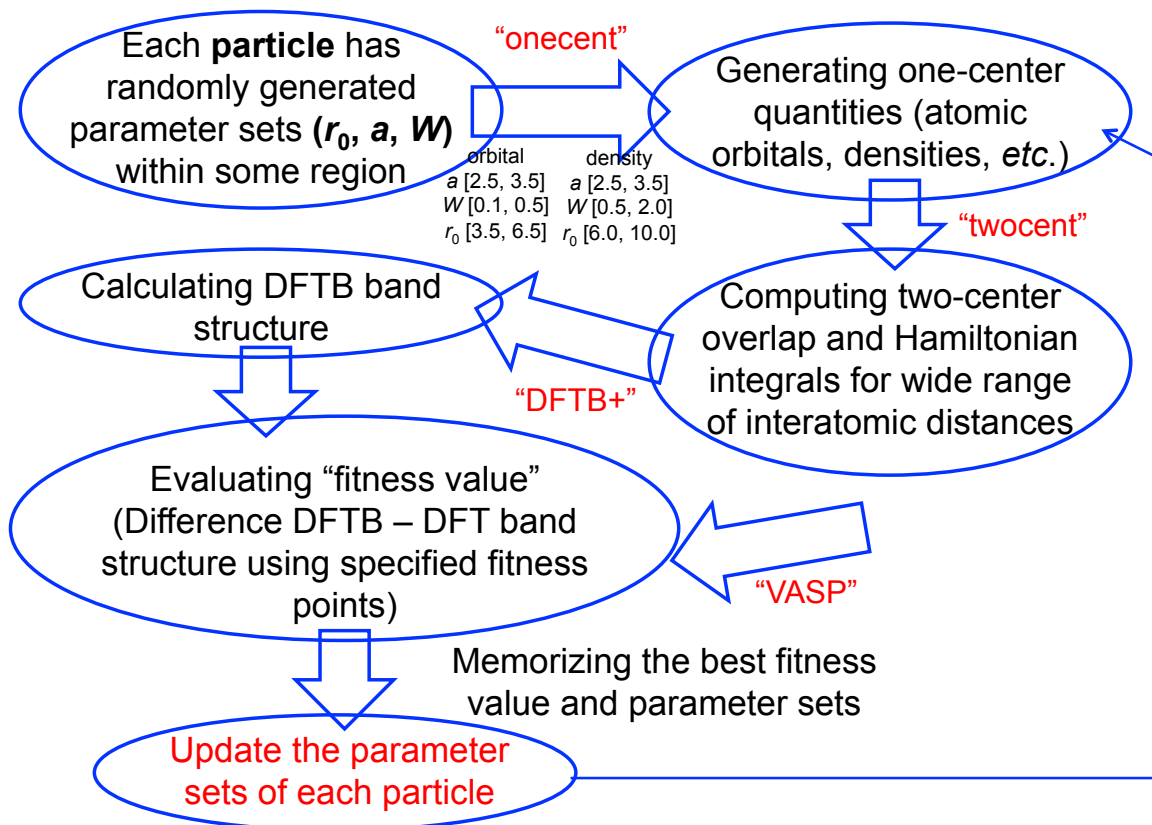


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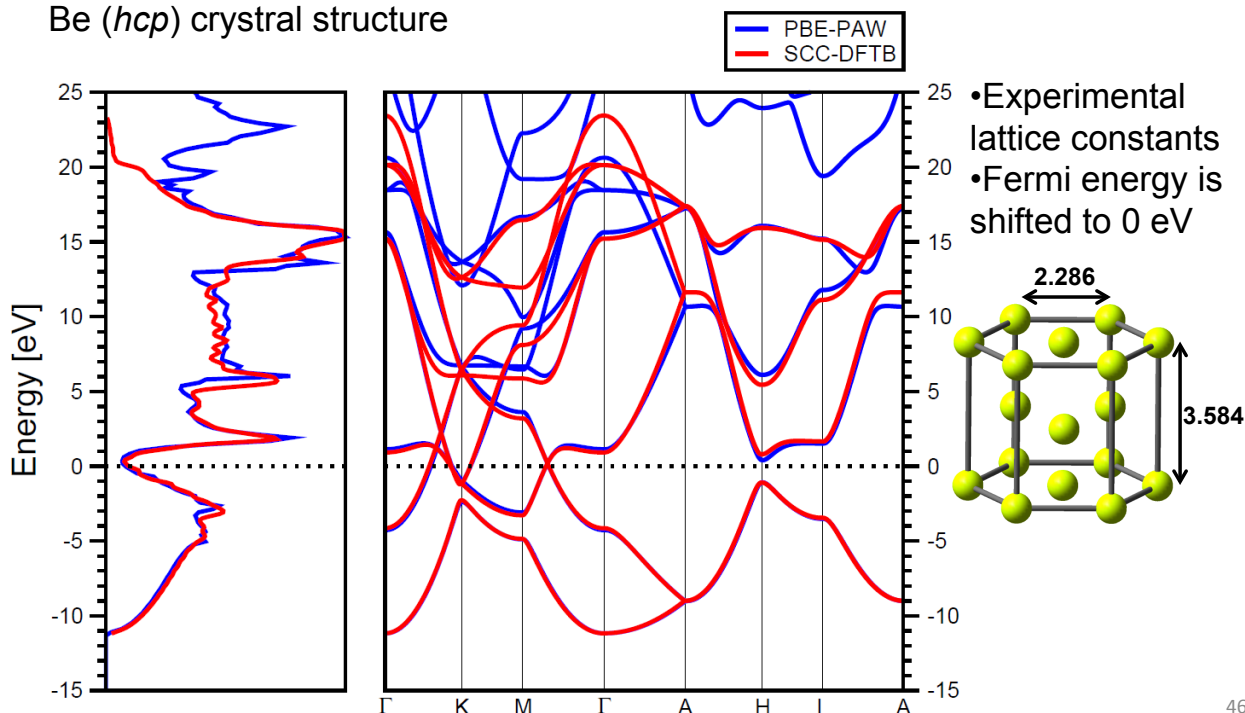
- 1) Particles (=candidate of a solution) are randomly placed initially in a target space.
- 2) – 3) Position and velocity of particles are updated based on the exchange of information between particles and particles try to find the best solution.
- 4) Particles converges to the place which gives the best solution after a number of iterations.

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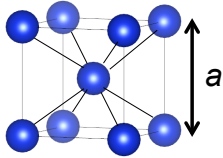


Example: Be, HCP crystal structure

Total density of states (left) and band structure (right) of Be (*hcp*) crystal structure



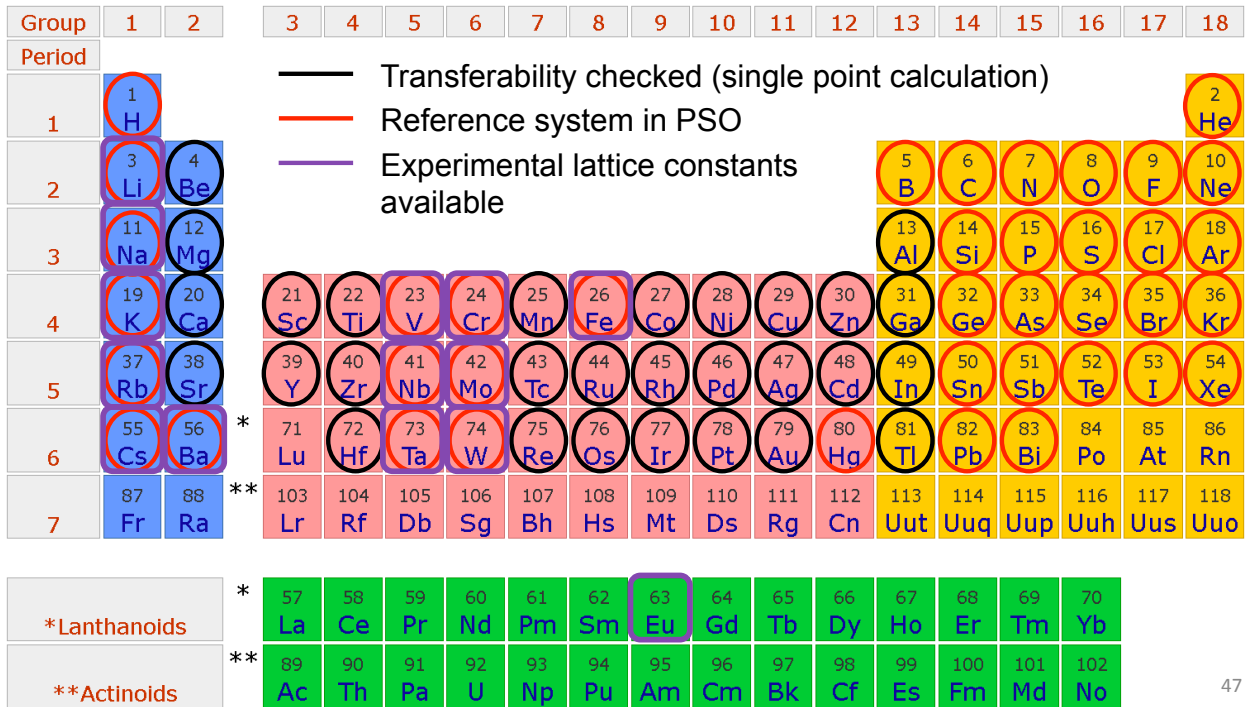
Band structure fitting for BCC crystal structures



•space group No. 229

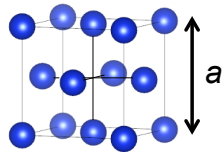
➤No POTCAR file for $Z \geq 84$ in VASP

•1 lattice constant (a)



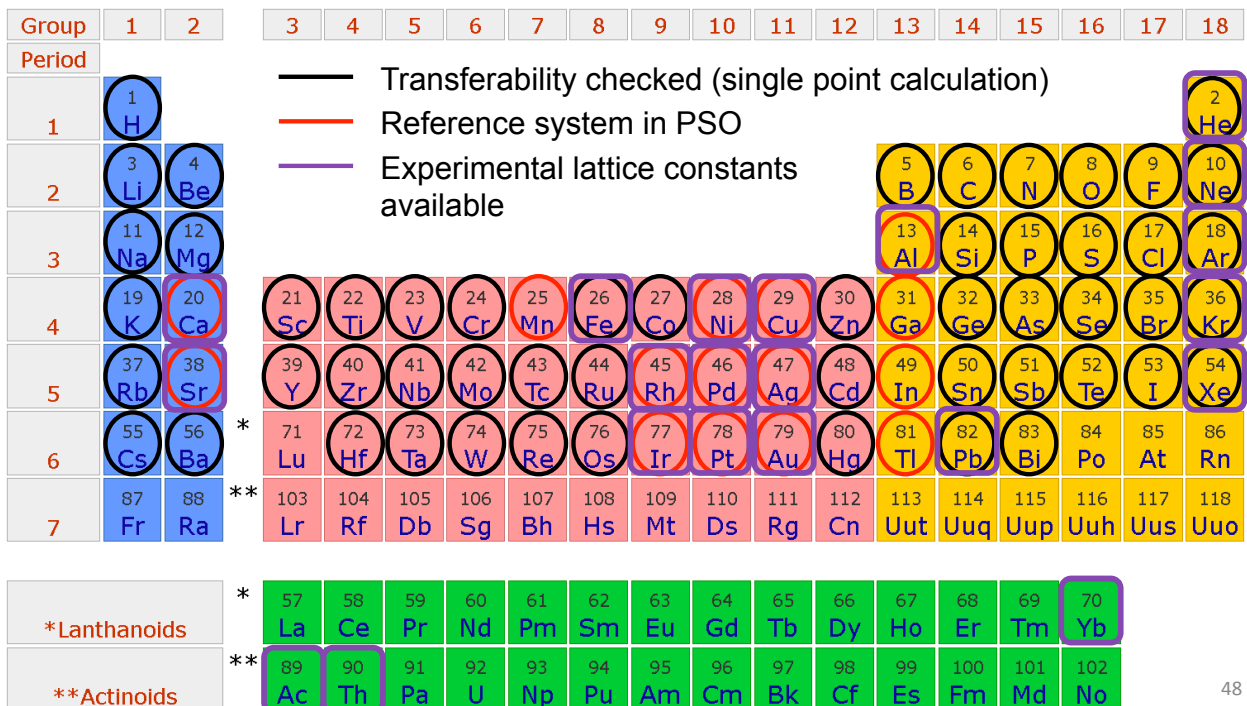
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Band structure fitting for FCC crystal structures



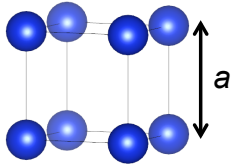
•space group No. 225

•1 lattice constant (a)

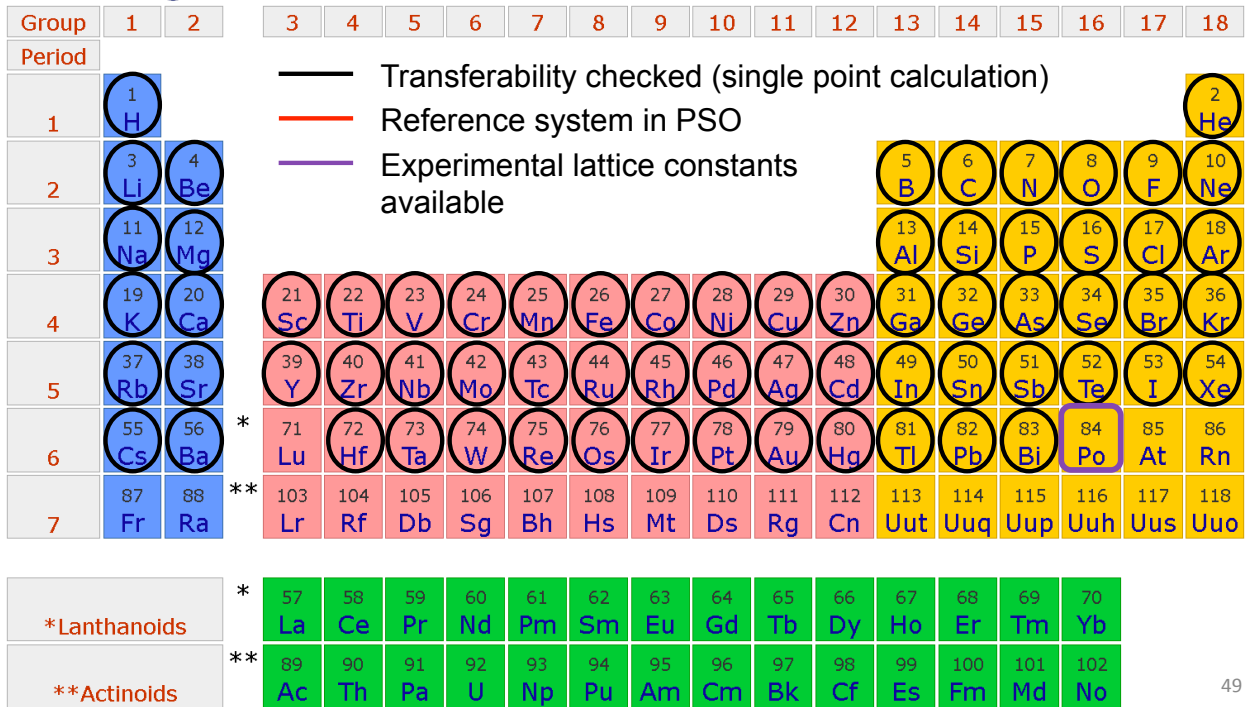


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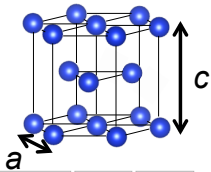
Band structure fitting for SCL crystal structures



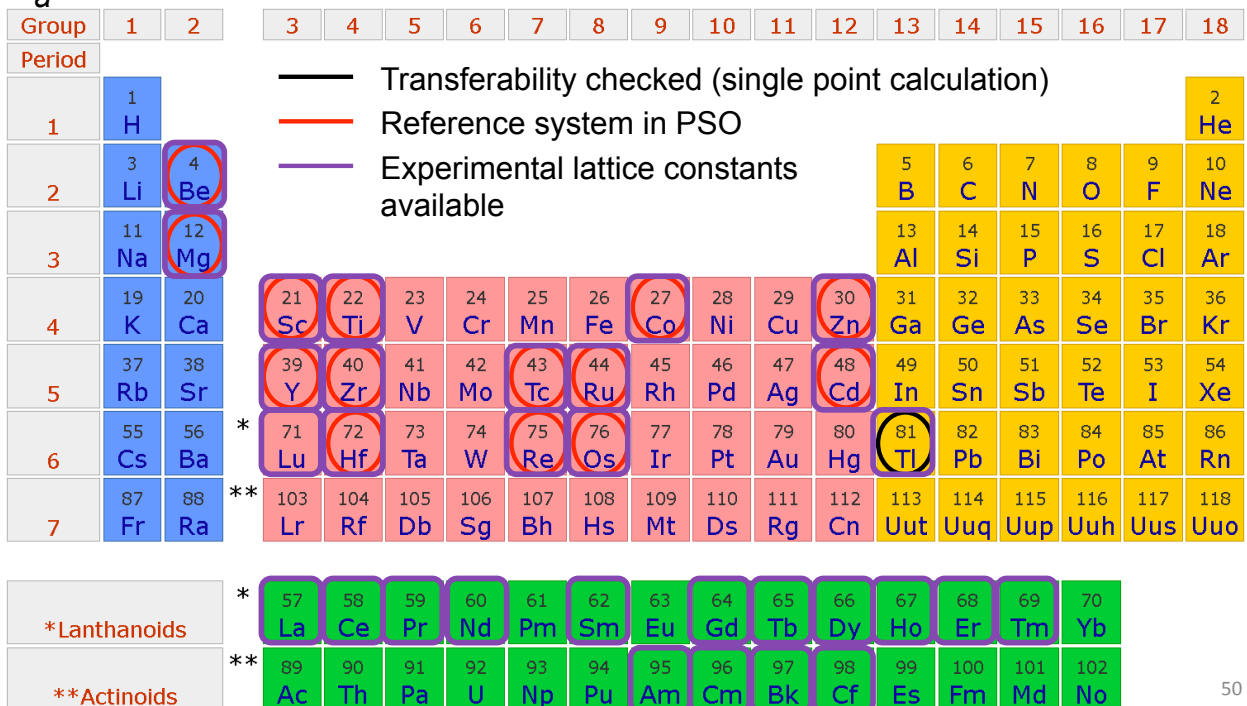
- space group No. 221
- 1 lattice constant (a)



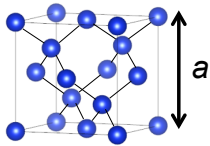
Band structure fitting for HCP crystal structures



- space group No. 194
- 2 lattice constants (a, c)



Band structure fitting for Diamond crystal structures



•space group No. 227

•1 lattice constant (a)

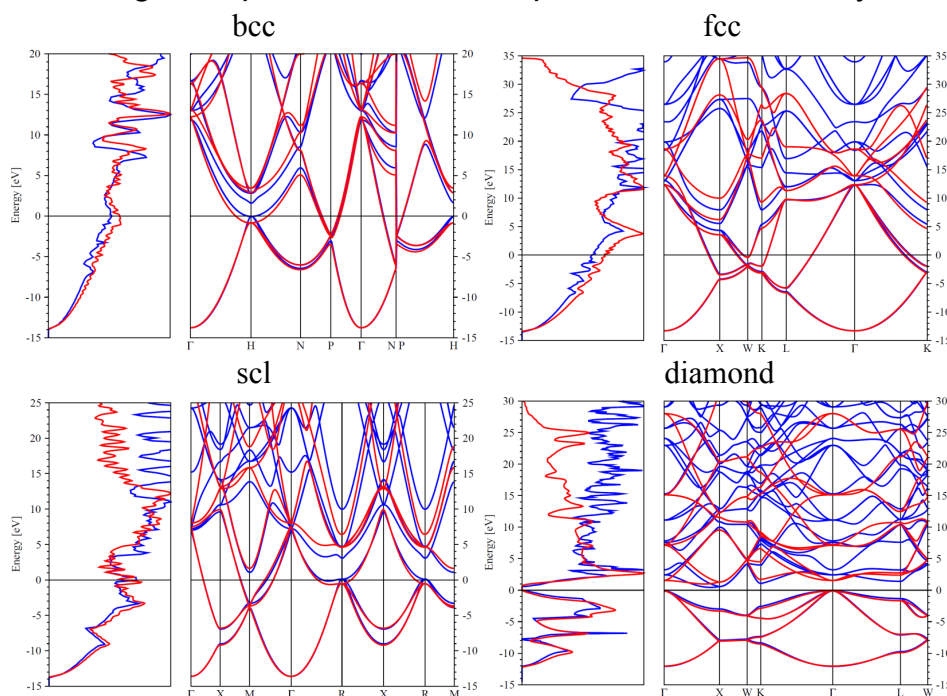
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6	55 Cs	56 Ba	* 71 Lu	72 Hf	73 Ta	74 W	75 Re	76 Os	77 Ir	78 Pt	79 Au	80 Hg	81 Tl	82 Pb	83 Bi	84 Po	85 At	86 Rn	
7	87 Fr	88 Ra	** 103 Lr	104 Rf	105 Db	106 Sg	107 Bh	108 Hs	109 Mt	110 Ds	111 Rg	112 Cn	113 Uut	114 Uuq	115 Uup	116 Uuh	117 Uus	118 Uuo	
			* 57 La	58 Ce	59 Pr	60 Nd	61 Pm	62 Sm	63 Eu	64 Gd	65 Tb	66 Dy	67 Ho	68 Er	69 Tm	70 Yb			
			** 89 Ac	90 Th	91 Pa	92 U	93 Np	94 Pu	95 Am	96 Cm	97 Bk	98 Cf	99 Es	100 Fm	101 Md	102 No			

— Transferability checked (single point calculation)
— Reference system in PSO
— Experimental lattice constants available

Transferability of optimum parameter sets for different structures

DFTB Parameterization

e.g. : Si, parameters were optimized with bcc only



— DFT
— DFTB

$$3s^2 3p^2 3d^0$$

Lattice constants:

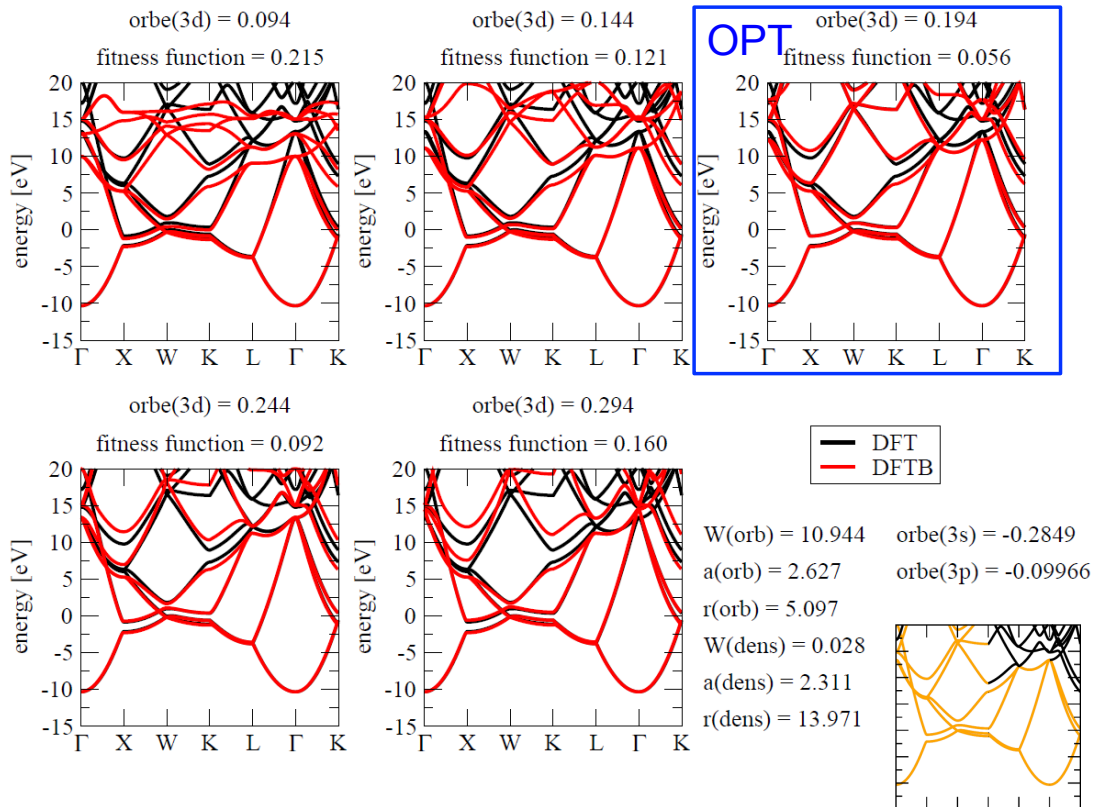
Expt	Value
· bcc	3.081
fcc	3.868
scc	2.532
diamond	5.431

Parameter sets:

W (orb)	3.33938
a (orb)	4.52314
r (orb)	4.22512
W (dens)	1.68162
a (dens)	2.55174
r (dens)	9.96376
ϵ_s	-0.39735
ϵ_p	-0.14998
ϵ_d	0.21210

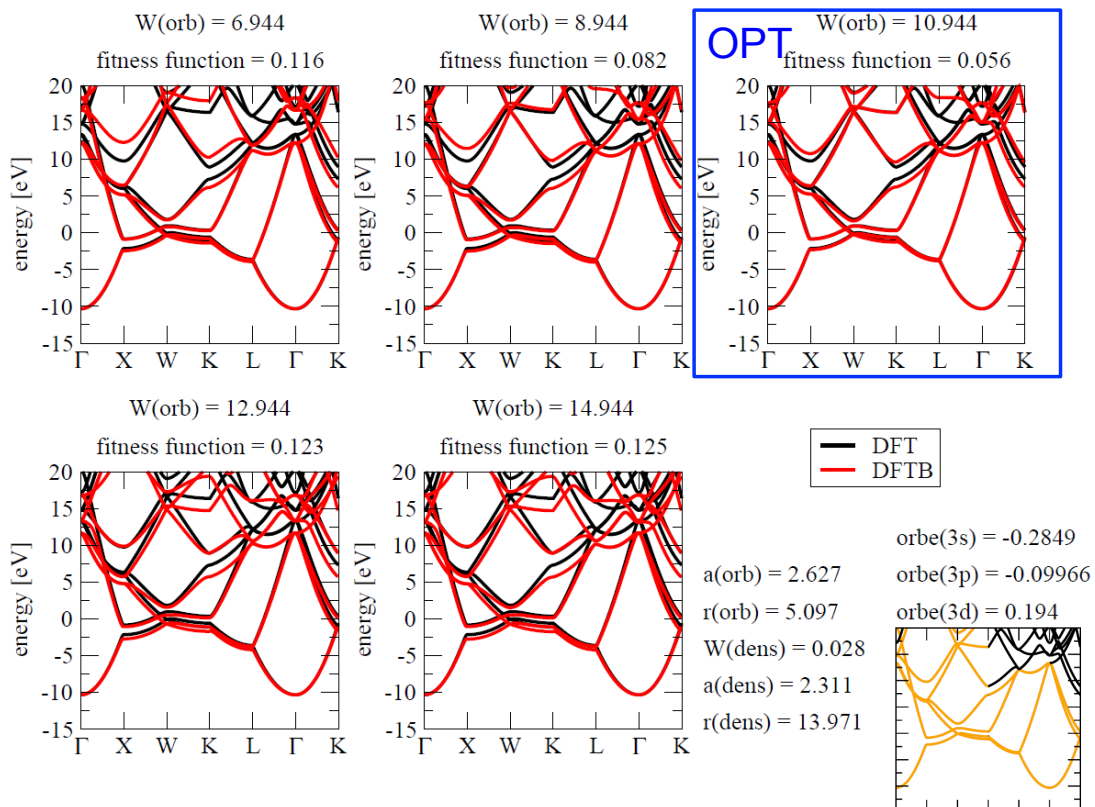
➤ Artificial crystal structures can be reproduced well

Influence of virtual orbital energy (3d) to Al (*fcc*) band structure



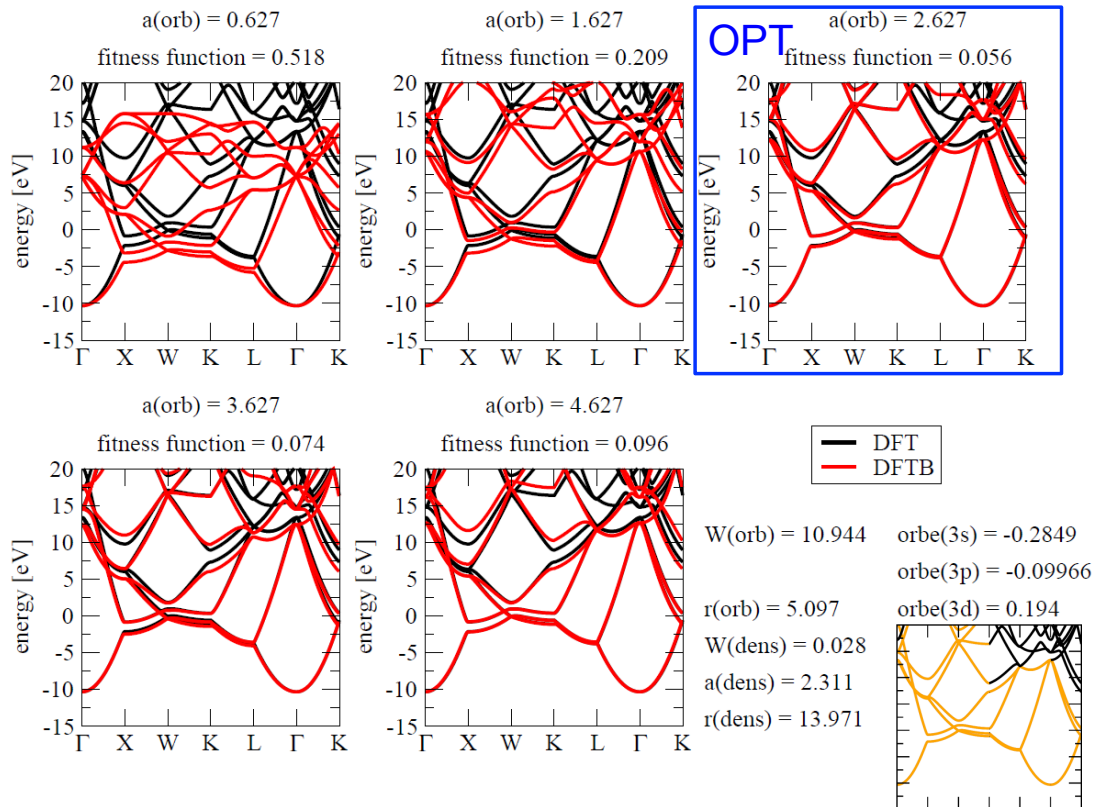
➤ The bands of upper part are shifted up constantly as $\text{orbe}(3d)$ becomes larger

Influence of $W(\text{orb})$ to Al (*fcc*) band structure



➤ The bands of upper part go lower as $W(\text{orb})$ becomes larger

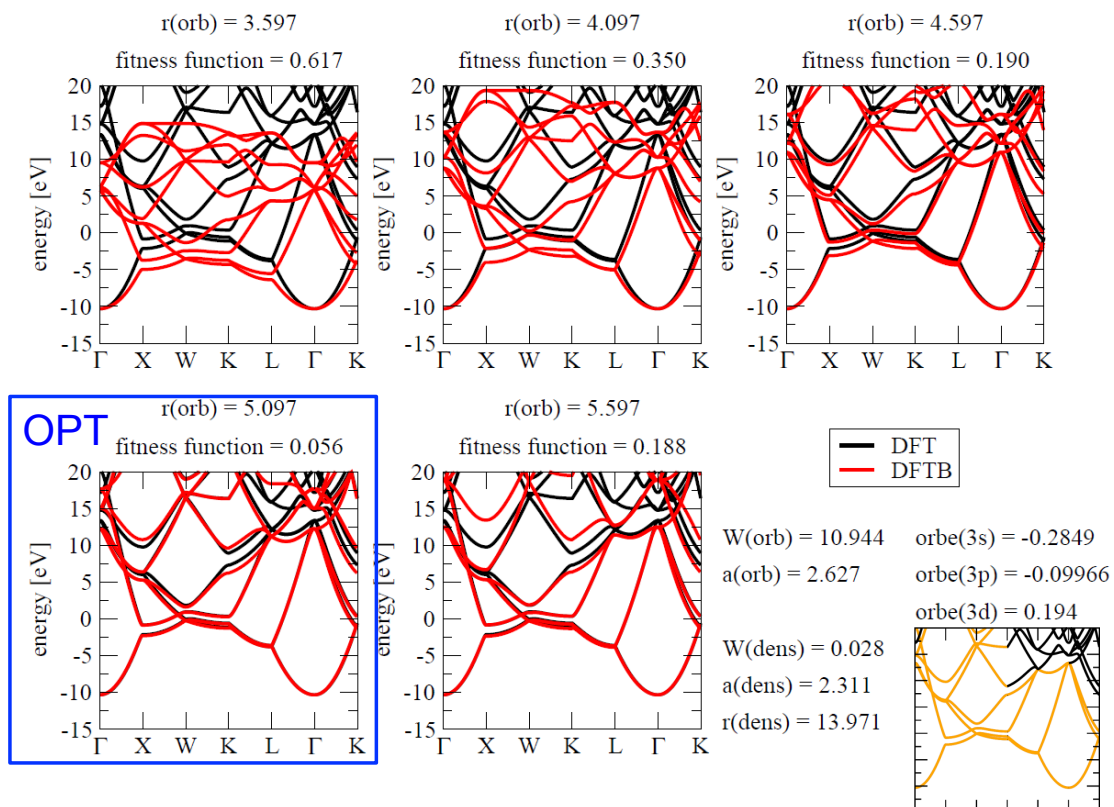
Influence of $a(\text{orb})$ to Al (fcc) band structure



➤ Too small $a(\text{orb})$ gives the worse band structure

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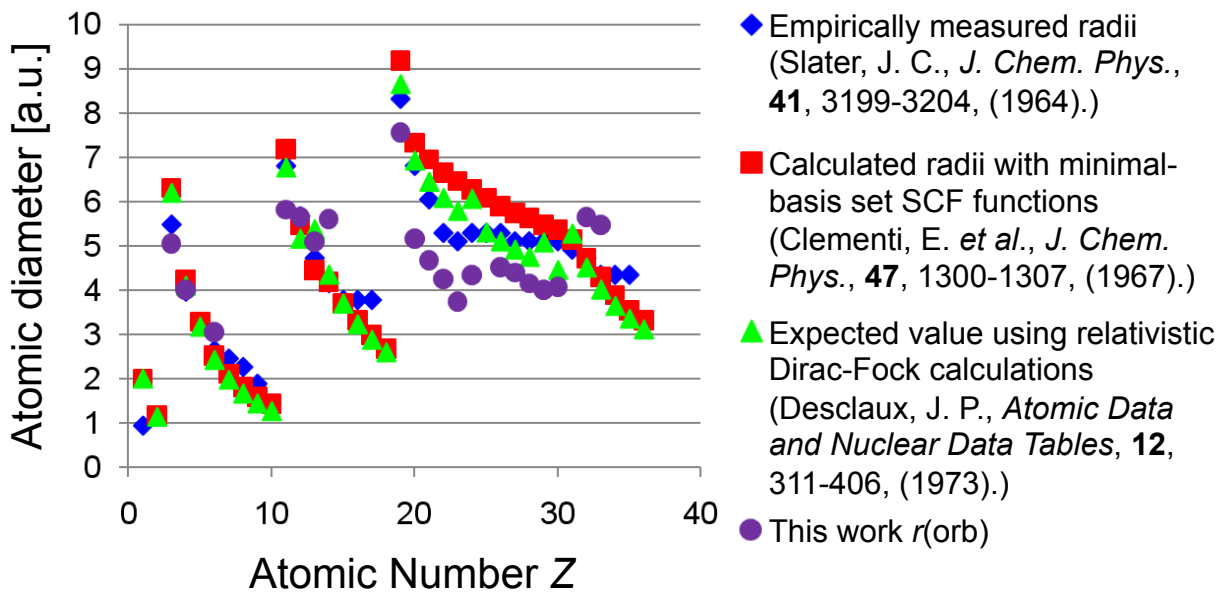
Influence of $r(\text{orb})$ to Al (fcc) band structure



➤ $r(\text{orb})$ strongly influences DFTB band structure

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Correlation of $r(\text{orb})$ vs. atomic diameter

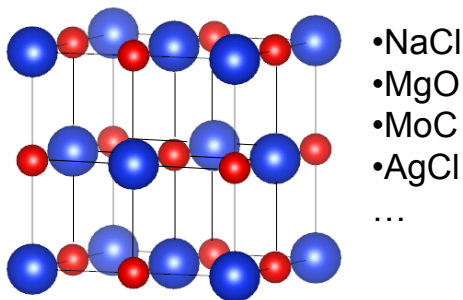


➤ In particular for main group elements, there seems to be a correlation between $r(\text{orb})$ and atomic diameter.

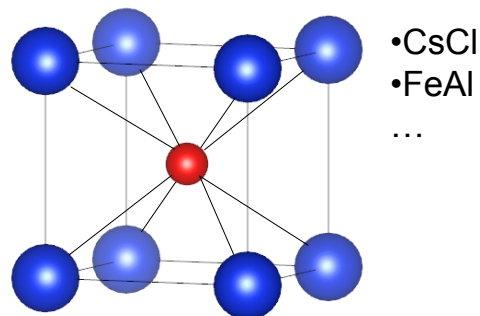
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Straightforward application to binary crystal structures

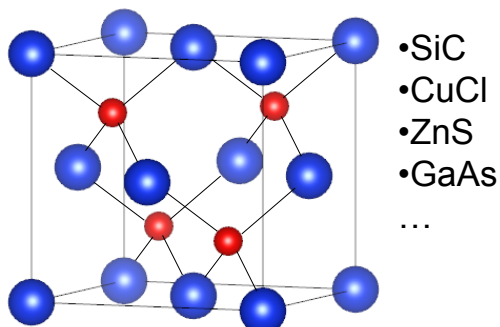
Rocksalt (space group No. 225)



B2 (space group No. 221)



Zincblende (space group No. 216)



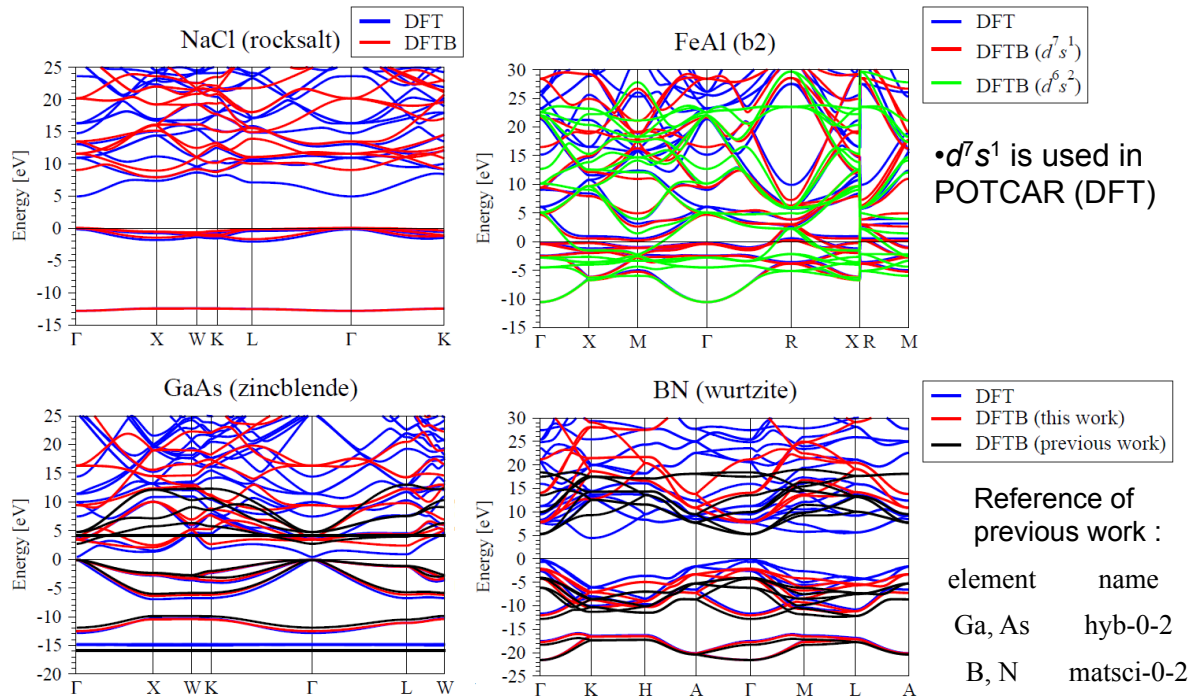
Others

- Wurtzite (BeO, AlO, ZnO, GaN, ...)
- Hexagonal (BN, WC)
- Rhombohedral (ABCABC stacking sequence, BN)

➤ more than 100 pairs tested

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Selected examples for binary crystal structures



➤ Further improvement can be performed for specific purpose but this preliminary sets will work as good starting points

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