

# A brief introduction to the *GW* method for electronic structure calculations

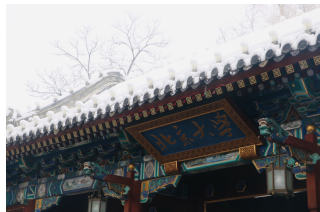
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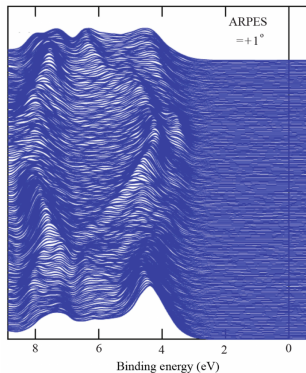
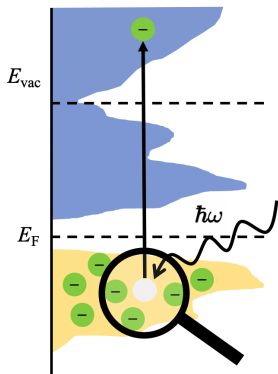
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# Photoemission spectroscopy



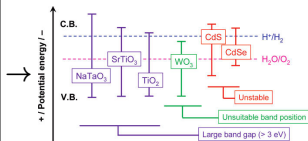
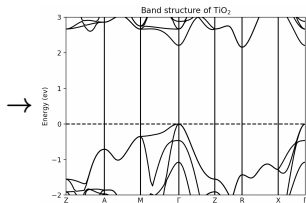
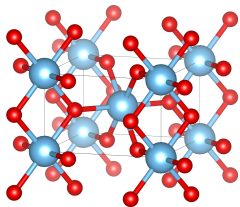
Quasiparticle: electron/hole with its surrounding as a whole, moving in a independent manner

# First-principles simulations with DFT

Kohn-Sham ansatz using certain density functional approximation (DFA)

$$[t_{\mathbf{r}} + v_{\text{ext}}(\mathbf{r}) + v_{\text{H}}(\mathbf{r}) + v_{\text{xc}}^{\text{DFA}}(\mathbf{r})] \psi_i(\mathbf{r}) = \epsilon_i^{\text{KS}} \psi_i(\mathbf{r})$$

$$v_{\text{ext}}(\mathbf{r}) = - \sum_I \frac{Z_I}{|\mathbf{r} - \mathbf{R}_I|} \quad v_{\text{xc}}^{\text{DFA}}(\mathbf{r}) \stackrel{\text{def}}{=} \frac{\delta E_{\text{xc}}^{\text{DFA}}[n]}{\delta n(\mathbf{r})}$$



# Band-gap problem in LDA/GGA

The fundamental band gap from experiment

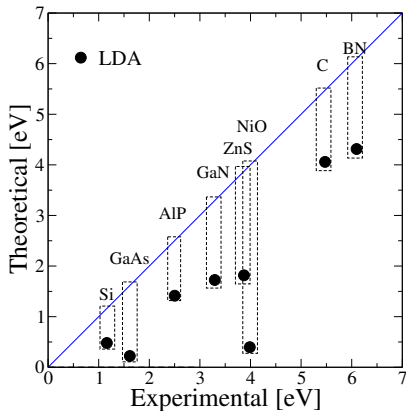
$$E_g^{\text{fund}} = \text{IP}(N) - \text{EA}(N)$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{IP}(N) &= E_0(N-1) - E_0(N) \\ &= -\lim_{\eta \rightarrow 0^+} \mu(N-\eta) \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{EA}(N) &= E_0(N+1) - E_0(N) \\ &= \lim_{\eta \rightarrow 0^+} \mu(N+\eta) \end{aligned}$$

For semiconductors

$$E_g^{\text{KS}} = \epsilon_{\text{CBM}}^{\text{KS}} - \epsilon_{\text{VBM}}^{\text{KS}} \ll E_g^{\text{fund}}$$



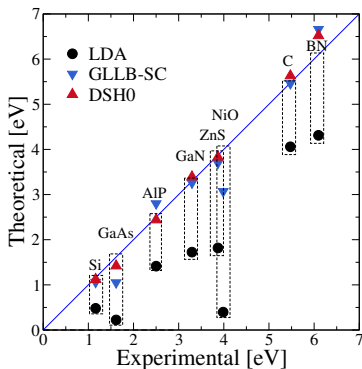
# Improving the band structure prediction in DFT

Underestimates stems from

- So-called derivative discontinuity  
 $\Delta_{xc} = 0$  for  $E_{xc}$  with explicit  $n$ , i.e. semi-local DFA
- Missing  $\Delta_{xc}$  in the band structure, even  $E_{xc}$  is "exact"

Current solutions

- adding non-zero  $\Delta_{xc}$  explicitly as a correction, e.g. GLLB-SC
- Incorporating  $\Delta_{xc}$  inside the band: generalized Kohn-Sham theory, e.g. hybrid functionals



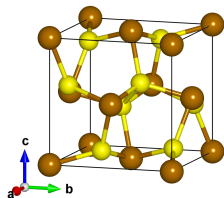
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# Go beyond DFT

- Hybrid functionals generally have tunable parameters obtained from fitting specific database, not that *ab initio* ...
- Even with system-dependent parameters, hybrid functional based on a model could fail in a "simple" system, e. g. FeS<sub>2</sub>.
- Well, accurate enough, but not as far beyond as CCSD or even full CI ...



Non-magnetic, Fe in low-spin state.

	Expt.	PBE	PBE0	HSE06	DSH0
$E_g$	0.95	0.70	2.96	2.22	2.43

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# Green's function in many-body perturbation theory

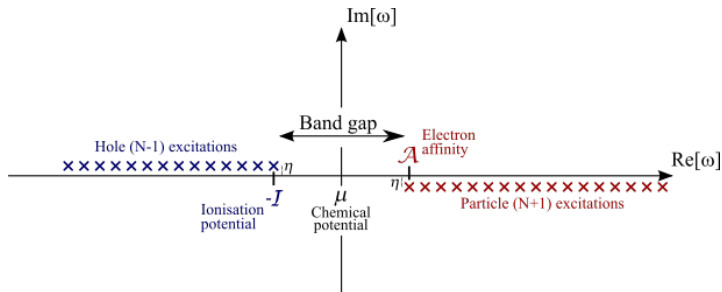
The time-ordered Green's function

$$iG_{\alpha\beta}(\mathbf{x}_1 t_1, \mathbf{x}_2 t_2) = \langle \Psi(N) | T \left\{ \hat{\psi}_{\alpha}(\mathbf{x}_1 t_1) \hat{\psi}_{\beta}^{\dagger}(\mathbf{x}_2 t_2) \right\} | \Psi(N) \rangle$$

Its Lehmann representation

$$G_{\alpha\beta}(\mathbf{x}_1, \mathbf{x}_2, \omega) = \sum_j \frac{p_{\alpha j}(\mathbf{x}_1) p_{\beta j}^*(\mathbf{x}_2)}{\omega - \omega_{N+1,j} + \omega_N + i\eta} + \sum_i \frac{h_{\alpha i}(\mathbf{x}_1) h_{\beta i}^*(\mathbf{x}_2)}{\omega - \omega_N + \omega_{N-1,i} - i\eta}$$

$\omega_{N\pm 1,i}$ : the total energy of  $i$ -th excited state of  $N \pm 1$ -electron system



# Hedin's equations

With notation  $1 \equiv (\mathbf{x}_1 t_1)$

$$\begin{cases} P(1, 2) &= -i \int d(34) G(1, 3) \Gamma(3, 4, 2) G(4, 1^+) \\ W(1, 2) &= v(1, 2) + \int d(34) v(1, 3) P(3, 4) W(4, 2) \\ \Sigma(1, 2) &= i \int d(34) G(1, 3) W(4, 1) \Gamma(3, 2, 4) \\ \Gamma(1, 2, 3) &= \delta(1, 2) \delta(1, 3) + \int d(4567) \frac{\delta \Sigma(1, 2)}{\delta G(4, 5)} G(4, 6) \Gamma(6, 7, 3) G(7, 5) \\ G(1, 2) &= G_0(1, 2) + \int d(3, 4) G_0(1, 3) \Sigma(3, 4) G(4, 2) \end{cases}$$

where  $P := \delta n / \delta v_{\text{tot}}$  is the polarization function,  $W$  the screened Coulomb interaction and  $\Gamma$  the vertex function.

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# Quasiparticle equation

Alternatively, one can get the excitation energies by solving

$$[t_{\mathbf{x}} + v_{\text{ext}}(\mathbf{x}) + v_{\text{H}}(\mathbf{x})] \Phi_n(\mathbf{x}, \omega) + \int d\mathbf{x}' \Sigma(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{x}', \omega) \Phi_n(\mathbf{x}') = \epsilon_n(\omega) \Phi_n(\mathbf{x}, \omega)$$

If we focus on the solutions satisfying  $\omega = \epsilon_n(\omega)$  and  $\text{Im } \epsilon_n(\omega) \approx 0$ , i.e. quasiparticle,

$$[t_{\mathbf{x}} + v_{\text{ext}}(\mathbf{x}) + v_{\text{H}}(\mathbf{x})] \Phi_n(\mathbf{x}) + \int d\mathbf{x}' \Sigma(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{x}', \epsilon_n^{\text{QP}}) \Phi_n(\mathbf{x}') = \epsilon_n^{\text{QP}} \Phi_n(\mathbf{x})$$

where  $\epsilon_n^{\text{QP}}$  are the quasiparticle energies.

# GW approximation

Drop the complicated second term in the vertex function,

$$\left\{ \begin{array}{l} P = -iG\Gamma G \\ W = v + vPW \\ \Sigma = iGWT \\ \Gamma = \hat{1} + \frac{\delta\Sigma}{\delta G} GPG \\ G = G_0 + G_0\Sigma G \end{array} \right. \Rightarrow \left\{ \begin{array}{l} P = -iGG \\ W = v + vPW \\ \Sigma = iGW \\ G = G_0 + G_0\Sigma G \end{array} \right.$$

Variants: non-self-consistent  $G_0W_0$ ,  $GW_0$ , self-consistent GW...

# Hedin's equation in diagrams

$$v(1,2) = \text{diagram} \quad W(1,2) = \text{diagram}$$

Diagram for  $v(1,2)$ : A wavy line between two vertices labeled 1 and 2. Each vertex has two outgoing arrows pointing away from it.

Diagram for  $W(1,2)$ : A wavy line between two vertices labeled 1 and 2. Each vertex has two outgoing arrows pointing away from it.

$$P(1,2) = \text{diagram} \quad \Sigma(1,2) = \text{diagram}$$

Diagram for  $P(1,2)$ : A diamond-shaped diagram with vertices 1, 2, 3, and 4. Vertex 1 is on the left, 2 on the right, 3 at the top, and 4 at the bottom. A wavy line connects 1 and 2. Solid lines connect 1-3, 3-4, and 4-2. A shaded triangular region is formed by vertices 3, 4, and 2, labeled  $\Gamma$ .

Diagram for  $\Sigma(1,2)$ : A diamond-shaped diagram with vertices 1, 2, 3, and 4. Vertex 1 is on the left, 2 on the right, 3 at the top, and 4 at the bottom. A wavy line connects 1 and 2. Solid lines connect 1-3, 3-4, and 4-2. A shaded triangular region is formed by vertices 3, 4, and 2, labeled  $\Gamma$ .

$$\text{diagram} = \text{diagram} + \text{diagram}$$

Diagram 1: A wavy line between two vertices labeled 1 and 2. Each vertex has two outgoing arrows pointing away from it.

Diagram 2: A wavy line between two vertices labeled 1 and 2. Each vertex has two outgoing arrows pointing away from it.

Diagram 3: A diamond-shaped diagram with vertices 1, 2, 3, and 4. Vertex 1 is on the left, 2 on the right, 3 at the top, and 4 at the bottom. A wavy line connects 1 and 2. Solid lines connect 1-3, 3-4, and 4-2. A shaded triangular region is formed by vertices 3, 4, and 2, labeled  $\Gamma$ .

$$\Gamma(1,2,3) = \text{diagram} + \text{diagram} + \dots$$

Diagram 1: A wavy line between two vertices labeled 1 and 2. Each vertex has two outgoing arrows pointing away from it.

Diagram 2: A diagram with three vertices labeled 1, 2, and 3. Vertex 1 is at the top, 2 at the bottom, and 3 on the right. A wavy line connects 1 and 2. Solid lines connect 1-3 and 2-3. Each vertex has two outgoing arrows pointing away from it.

# GW approximation in diagrams

$$P(1,2) = \text{diagram} \quad \Sigma(1,2) = \text{diagram}$$

The diagram for  $P(1,2)$  is a wavy line between two vertices labeled 1 and 2, with a circular loop of solid lines with arrows connecting them. The diagram for  $\Sigma(1,2)$  is a wavy line between two vertices labeled 1 and 2, with a semi-circular loop of solid lines with arrows connecting them.

$$\text{diagram} = \text{diagram} + \text{diagram} + \text{diagram} + \dots$$

The diagram on the left is a wavy line between two vertices labeled 1 and 2, with four external solid lines with arrows. The first term on the right is the same diagram. The second term is a diagram with a wavy line between vertices 1 and 2, a circular loop of solid lines with arrows, and four external solid lines with arrows. The third term is a diagram with a wavy line between vertices 1 and 2, two circular loops of solid lines with arrows, and four external solid lines with arrows. Ellipses follow the third term.

## $G_0W_0$ : the most popular variant

$$\Sigma(\mathbf{r}, \mathbf{r}', \omega) = \frac{i}{2\pi} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} d\omega' e^{i\omega'\delta} G_0(\mathbf{r}, \mathbf{r}', \omega + \omega') W_0(\mathbf{r}', \mathbf{r}, \omega')$$

$$G_0(\mathbf{r}, \mathbf{r}', \omega) = \sum_{n\mathbf{k}} \frac{\psi_{n\mathbf{k}}(\mathbf{r}) \psi_{n\mathbf{k}}^*(\mathbf{r}')}{\omega - \epsilon_{n\mathbf{k}}^{\text{KS}} - i\eta \text{sgn}(\mu - \epsilon_{n\mathbf{k}}^{\text{KS}})}$$

$$W_0(\mathbf{r}, \mathbf{r}', \omega) = \int d\mathbf{r}'' \epsilon_0^{-1}(\mathbf{r}, \mathbf{r}'', \omega) v(\mathbf{r}'', \mathbf{r}')$$

$$\epsilon_0(\omega) = \mathbf{1} - \mathbf{v} \mathbf{P}_0(\omega) = \mathbf{1} - \mathbf{v} \chi_0(\omega)$$

$$\chi_0(\omega) = -\frac{i}{2\pi} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} d\omega' e^{i\omega'\delta} \mathbf{G}_0(\omega + \omega') \mathbf{G}_0(\omega')$$

# Conventional GW implementation

$$M_{nm}^{\mu}(\mathbf{k}, \mathbf{q}) = \sqrt{N_k} \int_V d\mathbf{r} [P_{\mu}^{\mathbf{q}}(\mathbf{r}) \psi_{m\mathbf{k}-\mathbf{q}}(\mathbf{r})]^* \psi_{n\mathbf{k}}(\mathbf{r})$$

$$P_{\mu\nu}(\mathbf{q}, \omega) = \frac{1}{\Omega} \sum_{\mathbf{k}} \sum_{nm} F_{nm}(\mathbf{k}, \mathbf{q}, \omega) M_{nm}^{\mu}(\mathbf{k}, \mathbf{q}) [M_{nm}^{\nu}(\mathbf{k}, \mathbf{q})]^*$$

$$F_{nm}(\mathbf{k}, \mathbf{q}, \omega) = 2f_{n\mathbf{k}} (1 - f_{m\mathbf{k}-\mathbf{q}}) \left\{ \frac{1}{\omega - \epsilon_{m\mathbf{k}-\mathbf{q}} + \epsilon_{n\mathbf{k}} + i\eta} - \frac{1}{\omega + \epsilon_{m\mathbf{k}-\mathbf{q}} - \epsilon_{n\mathbf{k}} - i\eta} \right\}$$

$$\Sigma_{n\mathbf{k}}^x = -\frac{1}{N_k} \sum_{\mathbf{q}} \sum_{\mu} v_{\mu}(\mathbf{q}) \sum_m f_{m\mathbf{k}-\mathbf{q}} |M_{mn}^{\mu}(\mathbf{k}, \mathbf{q})|^2 \text{ (exact exchange, EXX)}$$

$$\Sigma_{n\mathbf{k}}^c(\omega) = \frac{i}{2\pi N_k} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} d\omega' \sum_m \sum_{\mathbf{q}} \frac{X_{nm}(\mathbf{k}, \mathbf{q}, \omega')}{\omega + \omega' - \epsilon_{m\mathbf{k}-\mathbf{q}} + i\eta \text{sgn}(\epsilon_{m\mathbf{k}-\mathbf{q}} - \mu)}$$

$$X_{nm}(\mathbf{k}, \mathbf{q}, \omega) = \sum_{\mu\nu} [v_{\mu}(\mathbf{q}) M_{nm}^{\mu}(\mathbf{k}, \mathbf{q})]^* [\epsilon_{\mu\nu}(\mathbf{q}, \omega) - 1] v_{\nu}(\mathbf{q}) M_{nm}^{\nu}(\mathbf{k}, \mathbf{q})$$

- Auxiliary basis  $P_{\mu}^{\mathbf{q}}(\mathbf{r})$ : plane-wave, NAO, GTO, mixed basis, ...
- $\sum nm$ : high-lying states, basis-set completeness ...
- Frequency integration  $\int d\omega$ : plasmon-pole model, full frequency, ...
- $v_{\mu}(\mathbf{q})$ : bare or (1/2/3D-)truncated Coulomb kernel ...

# Overview of $GW$ data flow: example in LAPW

$$u_{al}(E_l^a), e^{i\mathbf{G}\cdot\mathbf{r}}$$

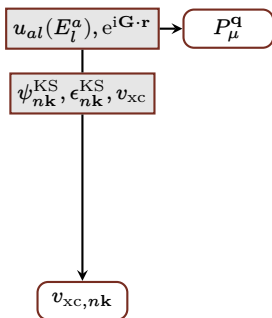
$$\psi_{n\mathbf{k}}^{\text{KS}}, \epsilon_{n\mathbf{k}}^{\text{KS}}, v_{\text{xc}}$$

Use DFT program (WIEN2K in this case) to obtain

- basis functions
- groundstate KS energies and wave-functions
- XC potential

$$v_{\text{xc},n\mathbf{k}}$$

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Mixed basis (MPB) as auxiliary basis for expanding  $\psi^*\psi$  by diagonalize overlap matrix of

- MT: radial functions in each  $L$  channel

$$u_{nl}(r, E_{nl}^a)u_{n'l'}(r, E_{n'l'}^a)$$

$$\text{satisfying } |l - l'| \leq L \leq |l + l'|$$

- interstitial: IPW up to  $2K_{\text{max}}$

Eigenpairs with eigenvalues below a threshold are discarded.

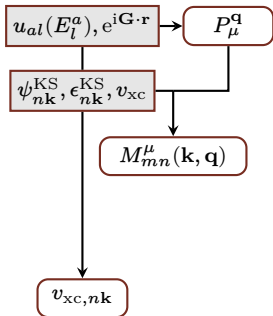
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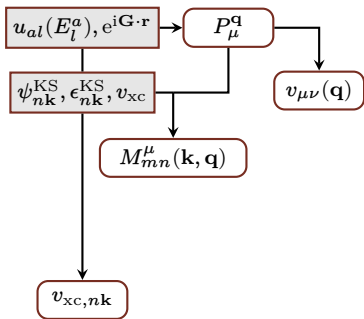
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Projection of  $\psi^*\psi$  out of MPB

$$M_{nm}^\mu(\mathbf{k}, \mathbf{q}) = \int_V d\mathbf{r} [P_\mu^{\mathbf{q}}(\mathbf{r})\psi_{m\mathbf{k}-\mathbf{q}}(\mathbf{r})]^* \psi_{n\mathbf{k}}(\mathbf{r})$$

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Coulomb matrix element

- MT-MT: compute a Ewald-like lattice sum

$$\Sigma_{\lambda\mu}^{a,a'}(\mathbf{q}) = \sum_{\mathbf{R}} \frac{e^{i\mathbf{q}\cdot\mathbf{R}_{aa'}}}{\bar{R}_{aa'}^\lambda} Y_{\lambda\mu}(\hat{\mathbf{R}}_{aa'})$$

- MT-IPW or IPW-IPW: use PW representation  $v_{\mathbf{G}\mathbf{G}'}$

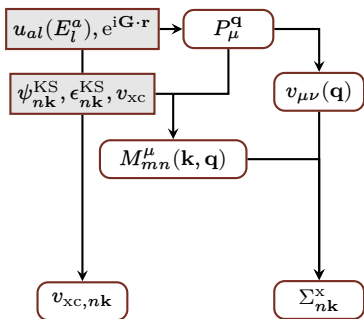
$$v_{\mathbf{G}\mathbf{G}'}(\mathbf{q}) = \delta_{\mathbf{G}\mathbf{G}'} \frac{4\pi}{|\mathbf{q} + \mathbf{G}|^2}$$

- Rotate auxiliary basis  $P_\mu^a$  to be  $v$ -diagonal

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Exchange self-energy

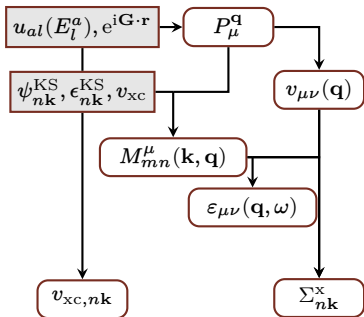
$$\Sigma_{nk}^x = -\frac{1}{N_k} \sum_{\mathbf{q}} \sum_{\mu} \sum_{n' \in \text{occ.}} |M_{nn'}^\mu(\mathbf{k}, \mathbf{q})|^2 v_\mu(\mathbf{q})$$

Gygi-Baldereschi scheme is used to address Coulomb divergence for  $\mathbf{q} \rightarrow 0$

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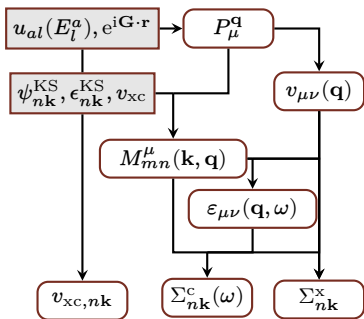
Symmetrized dielectric matrix. For gapped systems,

$$\epsilon_{\mu\nu}(\mathbf{q}, \omega) = \delta_{\mu\nu} - \frac{1}{N_k} \sum_{\mathbf{q}} \sum_{\substack{n \in \text{occ.} \\ m \in \text{vir.}}} \sqrt{v_{\mu}(\mathbf{q})v_{\nu}(\mathbf{q})} \\ F_{nmk}(\mathbf{q}, \omega) [M_{nm}^{\mu}(\mathbf{k}, \mathbf{q})]^* M_{nm}^{\nu}(\mathbf{k}, \mathbf{q})$$

where

$$F_{nmk}(\omega) = \frac{1}{\omega - \epsilon_{m\mathbf{k}-\mathbf{q}} + \epsilon_{n\mathbf{k}} + i\eta} \\ - \frac{1}{\omega + \epsilon_{m\mathbf{k}-\mathbf{q}} - \epsilon_{n\mathbf{k}} - i\eta}$$

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Correlation self-energy on imaginary frequency  $\omega = iu$

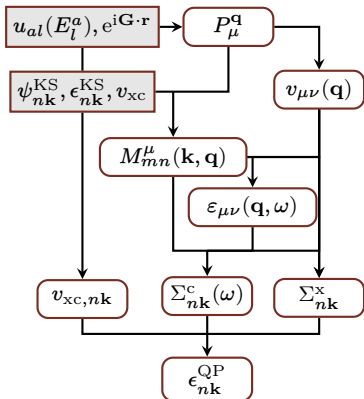
$$\Sigma_{nk}^c(iu) = -\frac{1}{N_k} \sum_{\mathbf{q}} \sum_{\mu\nu, m} \int \frac{du'}{2\pi} [\epsilon_{\mu\nu}^{-1}(\mathbf{q}, iu') - 1] \times \frac{v_\mu(\mathbf{q}) [M_{nm}^\mu(\mathbf{k}, \mathbf{q})]^* v_\nu(\mathbf{q}) M_{nm}^\nu(\mathbf{k}, \mathbf{q})}{iu + iu' - \epsilon_{m\mathbf{k}+\mathbf{q}}}$$

and then analytically continued to real axis by using e.g. Padé approximant.

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Solve the quasi-particle equation to obtain quasi-particle energy  $\epsilon^{\text{QP}}$

$$\omega = \epsilon_{nk}^{\text{KS}} + \text{Re} \langle nk | \Sigma(\omega) - v^{\text{xc}} | nk \rangle$$

Perturbation treatment

$$\begin{aligned} \epsilon_{nk}^{\text{QP}} &\approx \epsilon_{nk}^{\text{KS}} + \Sigma_{nk}(\epsilon_{nk}^{\text{KS}}) + (\epsilon_{nk}^{\text{QP}} - \epsilon_{nk}^{\text{KS}}) \Sigma'_{nk}(\epsilon_{nk}^{\text{KS}}) \\ &\quad - v_{nk}^{\text{xc}} \\ &= \epsilon_{nk}^{\text{KS}} + \underbrace{\left[ 1 - \Sigma'_{nk}(\epsilon_{nk}^{\text{KS}}) \right]^{-1}}_{Z_{nk}} \left[ \Sigma_{nk}(\epsilon_{nk}^{\text{KS}}) - v_{nk}^{\text{xc}} \right] \end{aligned}$$

Self-energy correction

$$\Delta \epsilon_{nk}^{\text{QP}} \stackrel{\text{def}}{=} \epsilon_{nk}^{\text{QP}} - \epsilon_{nk}^{\text{KS}}$$

# Periodic GW in FHI-aims

Main difference from the LAPW implementation

- (Localized) resolution of identity based on Coulomb metric

$$V_{\mu\nu}(\mathbf{q}) = \int d\mathbf{r} d\mathbf{r}' \frac{P_{\mu}^{\mathbf{q}}(\mathbf{r})P_{\nu}^{\mathbf{q}*}(\mathbf{r}')}{|\mathbf{r} - \mathbf{r}'|}$$
$$C_{ij}^{\mu} = \sum_{\nu} (ij|\nu) (V^{-1})_{\nu\mu}$$

where each of the auxiliary bases  $P_{\mu}^{\mathbf{q}}$  is a Bloch sum of atom-centered function (product of NAOs).

- Truncated Coulomb kernel for building self-energy for better converging  $k$  points

$$v(r) = \frac{\operatorname{erfc}(\gamma r)}{r} + \frac{1}{2} \frac{\operatorname{erf}(\gamma r)}{r} \operatorname{erfc} \left[ \frac{\ln(r) - \ln(R_{\text{cut}})}{\ln(R_{\text{w}})} \right]$$

$R_{\text{cut}}$  is determined by the inscribed sphere of the Born-von Karman cell.  
Bare-Coulomb limit is approximated with denser  $k$  grids.

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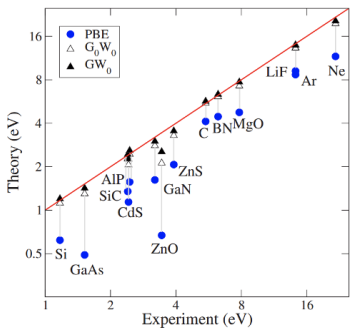
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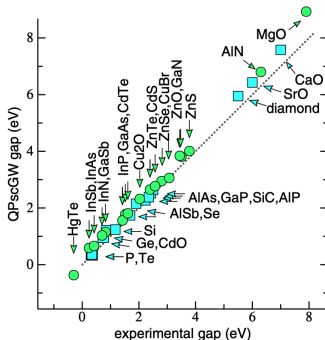


# GW in "real" systems

$G_0W_0$  and  $GW_0@PBE$ ,  
PAW/plane-wave



Quasi-particle self-consistent GW,  
all-electron/LMTO

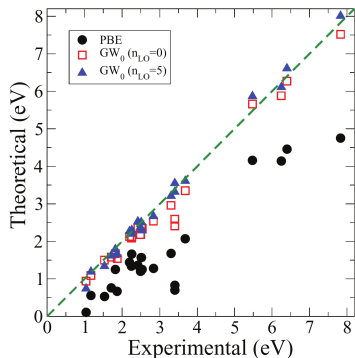


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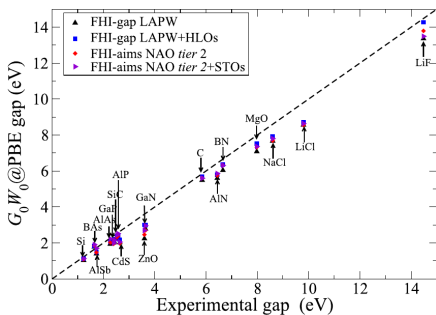
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# GW in "real" systems

$GW_0@PBE$ , all-electron/LAPW



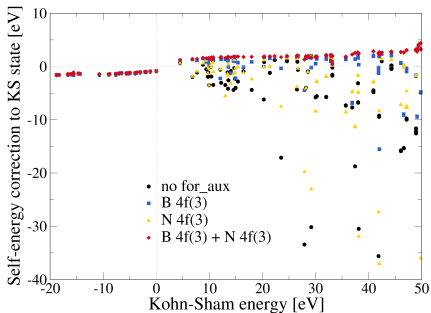
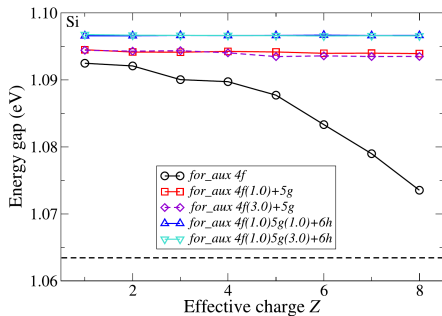
$G_0W_0@PBE$ , all-electron/NAO



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# Effect of auxiliary basis in FHI-aims



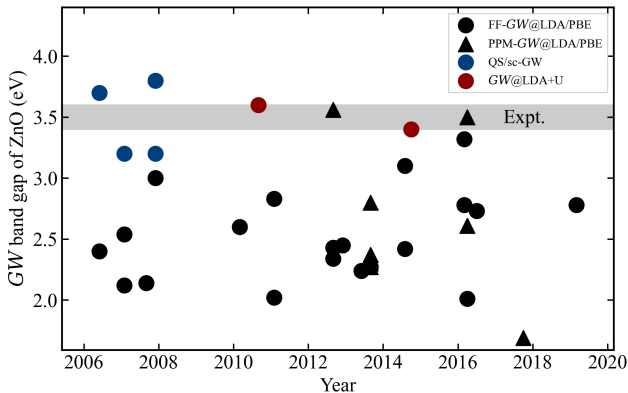
Source of error in  $\Sigma_{nk}^c$ :

$$X_{nm}(\mathbf{k}, \mathbf{q}, \omega) = \sum_{\mu\nu} [v_{\mu}(\mathbf{q})M_{nm}^{\mu}(\mathbf{k}, \mathbf{q})]^* [\varepsilon_{\mu\nu}(\mathbf{q}, \omega) - 1] v_{\nu}(\mathbf{q})M_{nm}^{\nu}(\mathbf{k}, \mathbf{q})$$

for high-lying unoccupied  $m$  state.

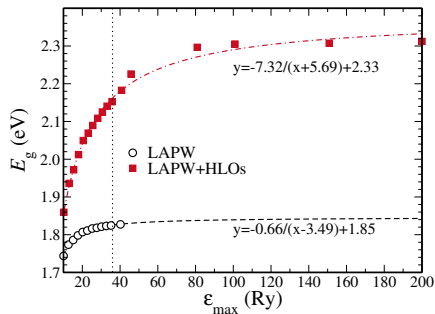
# Zinc oxide puzzle

Band gap of ZnO has been heatedly debated since early 2000s.



See e.g. M. van Schilfhaarde, T. Kotani, and S. V. Faleev, *Phys. Rev. B* 74, 245125 (2006)

# Basis set issue in ZnO QP gap

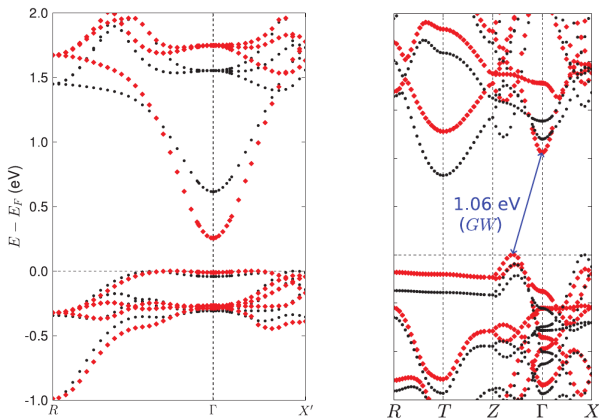


An improved basis set by introducing LOs at high energy

- describes the unoccupied states more accurately
- offers a more complete space for sum of states

	PBE	LAPW		LAPW+HLOs		NC-PAW	Expt.
		$G_0W_0$	$GW_0$	$G_0W_0$	$GW_0$		
zb-ZnO	0.70	2.05	2.41	2.78	3.32		
wz-ZnO	0.83	2.24	2.59	3.01	3.55	3.4	3.4

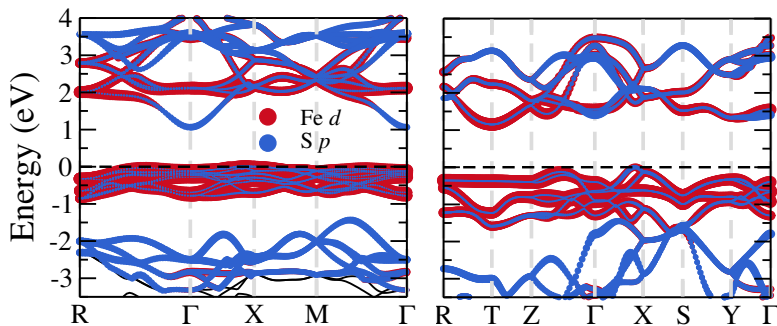
# Tackling $\text{FeS}_2$ with GW in LAPW



PBE vs  $G_0W_0@PBE$

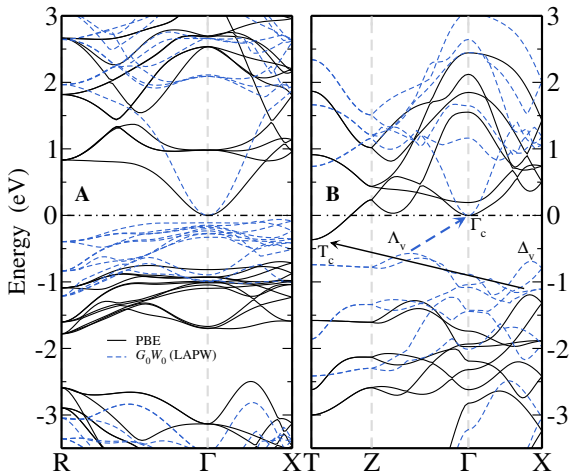
# Complement the basis with extra LOs

Pyrite and marcasite phases of  $\text{FeS}_2$



- Fe-3d as top valence bands
- $\Gamma_c$  as an exclusive S-S anti-bonding state
- multiple low-energy conduction states in marcasite

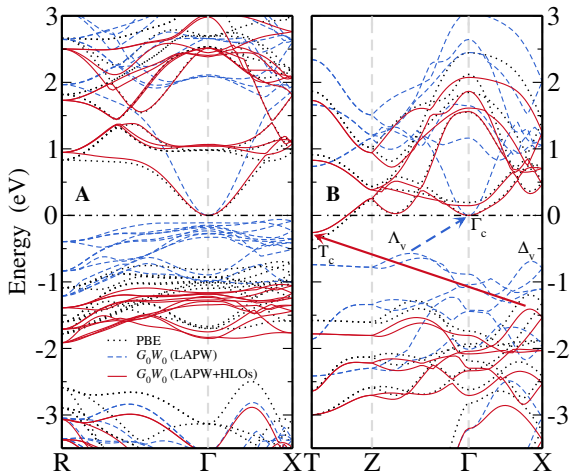
# QP band structure



A: pyrite phase, B: marcasite phase



# QP band structure



A: pyrite phase, B: marcasite phase

# Summary

We talked about

- necessary ingredients to implement a  $G_0W_0$  method on top of mean-field result
- examples that GW method works "simply" or with careful treatment

# Recent advancements & outlook

- Apparatus designed for better converging QP band structure in low-dimensional systems <sup>1</sup>
- Elimination of unoccupied states in computing  $P$  and  $\Sigma^c$  <sup>2</sup>
- Techniques and library to enable low-scaling calculation <sup>3</sup>
- Improvement on analytic continuation or exact contour deformation to treat frequency dependence <sup>4</sup>
- Beyond-GW@DFA approaches: vertex correction, GW+DMFT <sup>5</sup>

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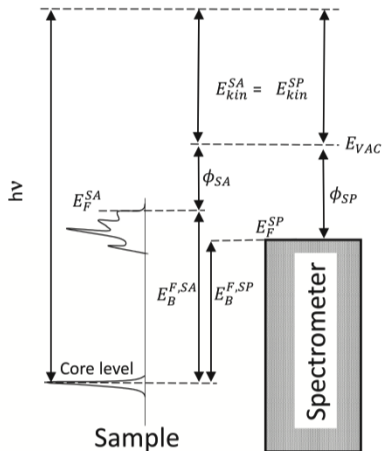
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# Photoelectron (PE) spectroscopy



Binding energy

$$E_B^{ref} = -(E - E^{ref})$$

Using different references

$$\begin{aligned} h\nu &= E_B^{F,SA} + \phi_{SA} + E_{kin}^{SA} \\ &= E_B^{F,SP} + \phi_{SP} + E_{kin}^{SP} \\ \Rightarrow E_B^{F,SP} &= h\nu - E_{kin}^{SP} - \phi_{SP} \end{aligned}$$

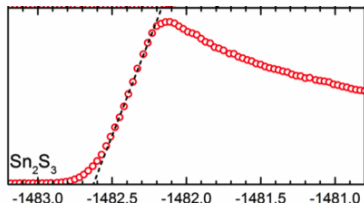
$\phi_{SP}$  is a constant fixed by calibration.

Popular choices include

- UPS: Fermi level of noble metal
- XPS: (semi-)core level: Au  $4f_{7/2}$ , Ag  $3d_{5/2}$



# Photoelectron (PE) spectroscopy



Second-electron cut-off corresponds to zero-KE PE, i.e. at vacuum level

$$h\nu - E_{B,SEC}^{F,SP} = E_{vac}$$

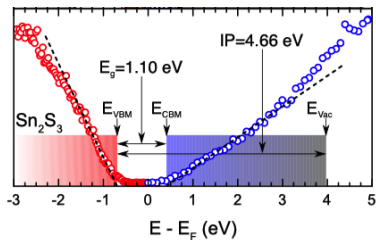
Absolute energy of top valence band

$$\begin{aligned} \phi_{SA} - E_{B,V}^{F,SP} &= E_{vac} \\ \Rightarrow \phi_{SA} &= h\nu - E_{B,SEC}^{F,SP} + E_{B,V}^{F,SP} \end{aligned}$$

In case of  $\text{Sn}_2\text{S}_3$

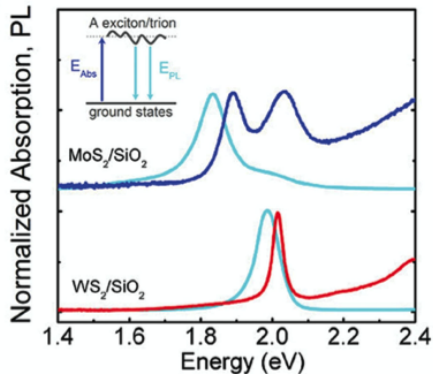
$$\phi \approx 1486.6 - 1482.6 + 0.7 = 4.7 \text{ eV}$$

(Ag reference  $4.4 \pm 0.3 \text{ eV}$ )



$$\text{Al K}\alpha: h\nu = 1486.6 \text{ eV}$$

# Optical absorption and photoluminescence

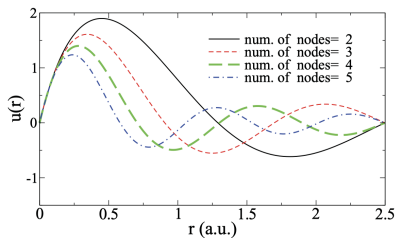


Excitonic feature of ml- $\{Mo, W\}S_2$

- doublet in absorption, due to SOC in valence states at  $K$
- Stokes shift  $\sim 10^1$  meV, depending on doping/substrate

# Local orbitals (LOs) in LAPW framework

$$\varphi_{alm,p}^{\text{LO}}(\mathbf{r}) = \begin{cases} \left[ A_{alm,p} u_{al}(r^a; E_{al}) + B_{alm,p} \dot{u}_{al}(r^a; E_{al}) + C_{alm,p} u_{al}(r^a; E_{al}^p) \right] Y_{lm}(\hat{\mathbf{r}}^a) & \mathbf{r} \in V^a \\ 0 & \mathbf{r} \in I \end{cases}$$



High-energy LOs: LOs having large  $E_{al}^p$  with increasing node numbers

# Augmented plane-wave basis

Originally proposed by Slater: divide the cell into spheres around atomic nuclei  $a$  (called muffin-tin, MT) and interstitial region

$$\varphi_{\mathbf{k}\mathbf{G}}^{\text{APW}}(\mathbf{r}) = \begin{cases} \sum_{lm} A_{alm}(\mathbf{k} + \mathbf{G}) u_{al}(r^a; E) Y_{lm}(\hat{\mathbf{r}}^a) & \mathbf{r} \in V^a \\ \frac{1}{\sqrt{V}} e^{i(\mathbf{k} + \mathbf{G}) \cdot \mathbf{r}} & \mathbf{r} \in I \end{cases}$$

To avoid solving a transcendental equation, the radial function is linearized at some reference energy

$$\varphi_{\mathbf{k}\mathbf{G}}^{\text{LAPW}}(\mathbf{r}) = \begin{cases} \sum_{lm} \left[ \begin{array}{l} A_{alm}(\mathbf{k} + \mathbf{G}) u_{al}(r^a; E_{al}) \\ + B_{alm}(\mathbf{k} + \mathbf{G}) \dot{u}_{al}(r^a; E_{al}) \end{array} \right] Y_{lm}(\hat{\mathbf{r}}^a) & \mathbf{r} \in V^a \\ \frac{1}{\sqrt{V}} e^{i(\mathbf{k} + \mathbf{G}) \cdot \mathbf{r}} & \mathbf{r} \in I \end{cases}$$

For semi-core states like 3d, local orbital inside MT at similar energy is typically included.

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