

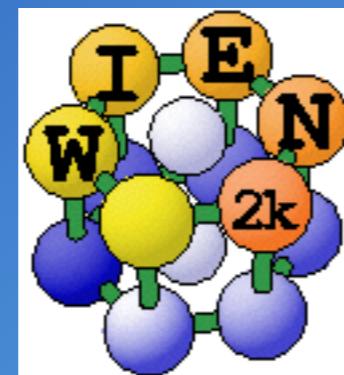
# Wannier functions

## Macroscopic polarization (Berry phase) and related properties

### Effective band structure of alloys

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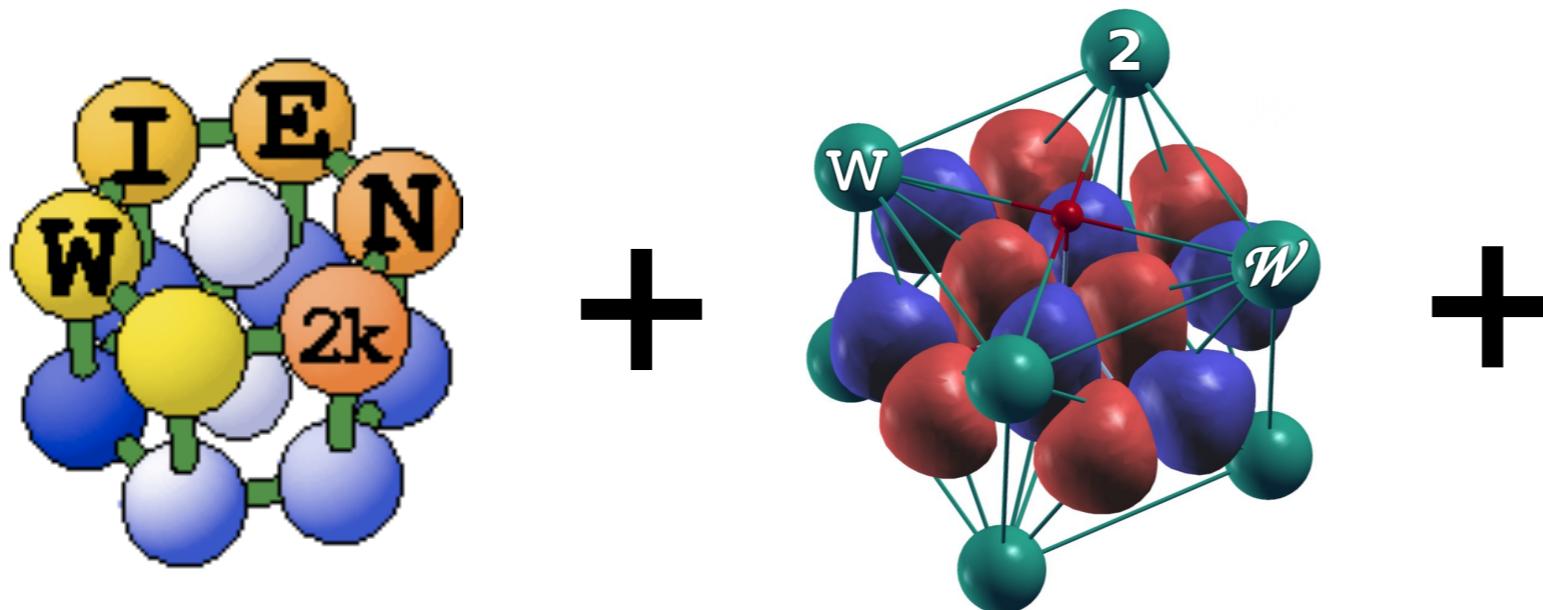
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# Wannier functions



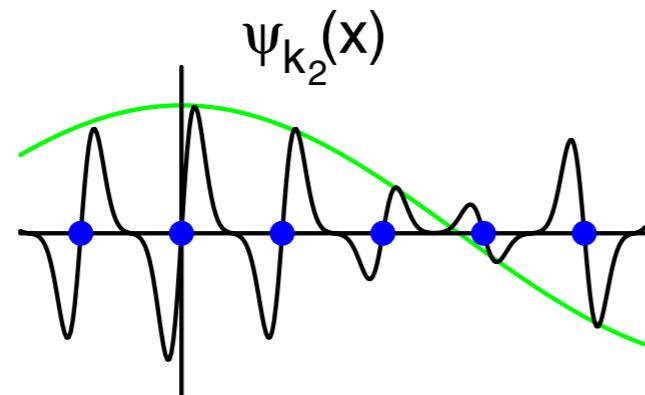
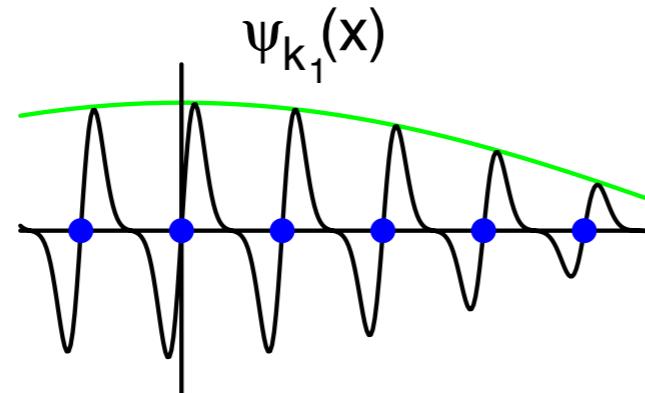
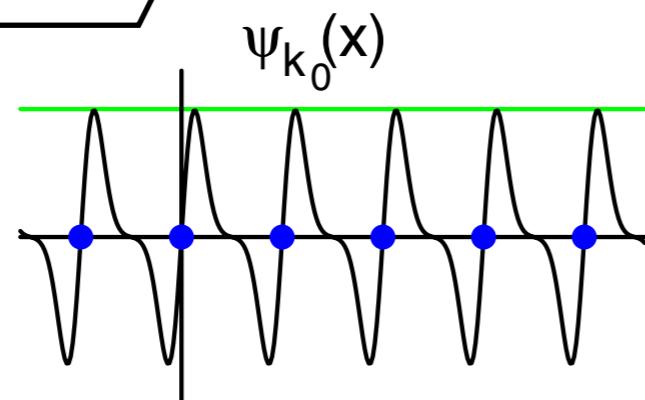
# Bloch vs Wannier functions

Indexed by  
the wave  
vector

$\Gamma$ -point

## Bloch functions

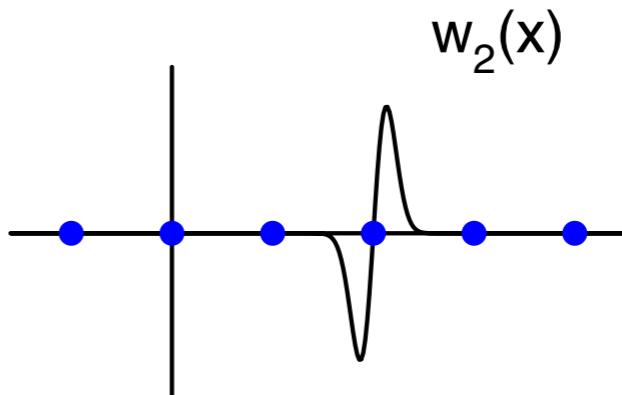
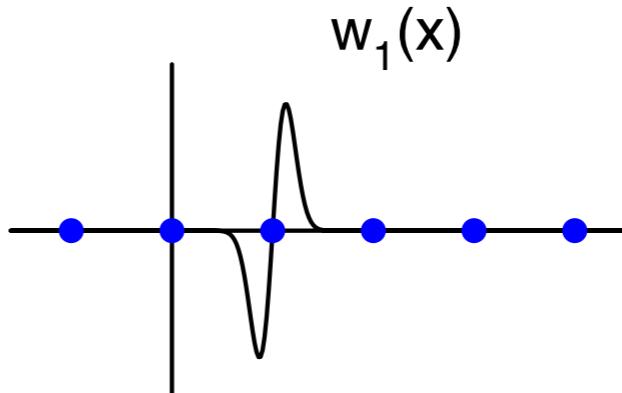
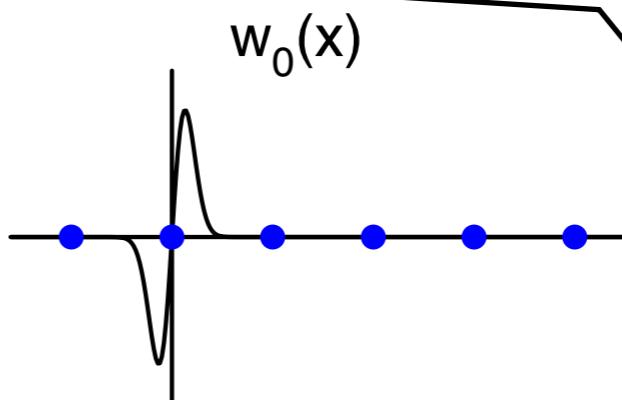
$$\psi_{n\mathbf{k}}(\mathbf{r}) = u_{n\mathbf{k}}(\mathbf{r})e^{i\mathbf{k}\cdot\mathbf{r}}$$



Both sets: complete and orthonormal

## Wannier functions (localized orbitals)

$$|\mathbf{R}_n\rangle = \frac{V}{(2\pi)^3} \int_{BZ} d\mathbf{k} e^{-i\mathbf{k}\cdot\mathbf{R}} |\psi_{n\mathbf{k}}\rangle.$$



Indexed by the  
lattice vector  
in real space

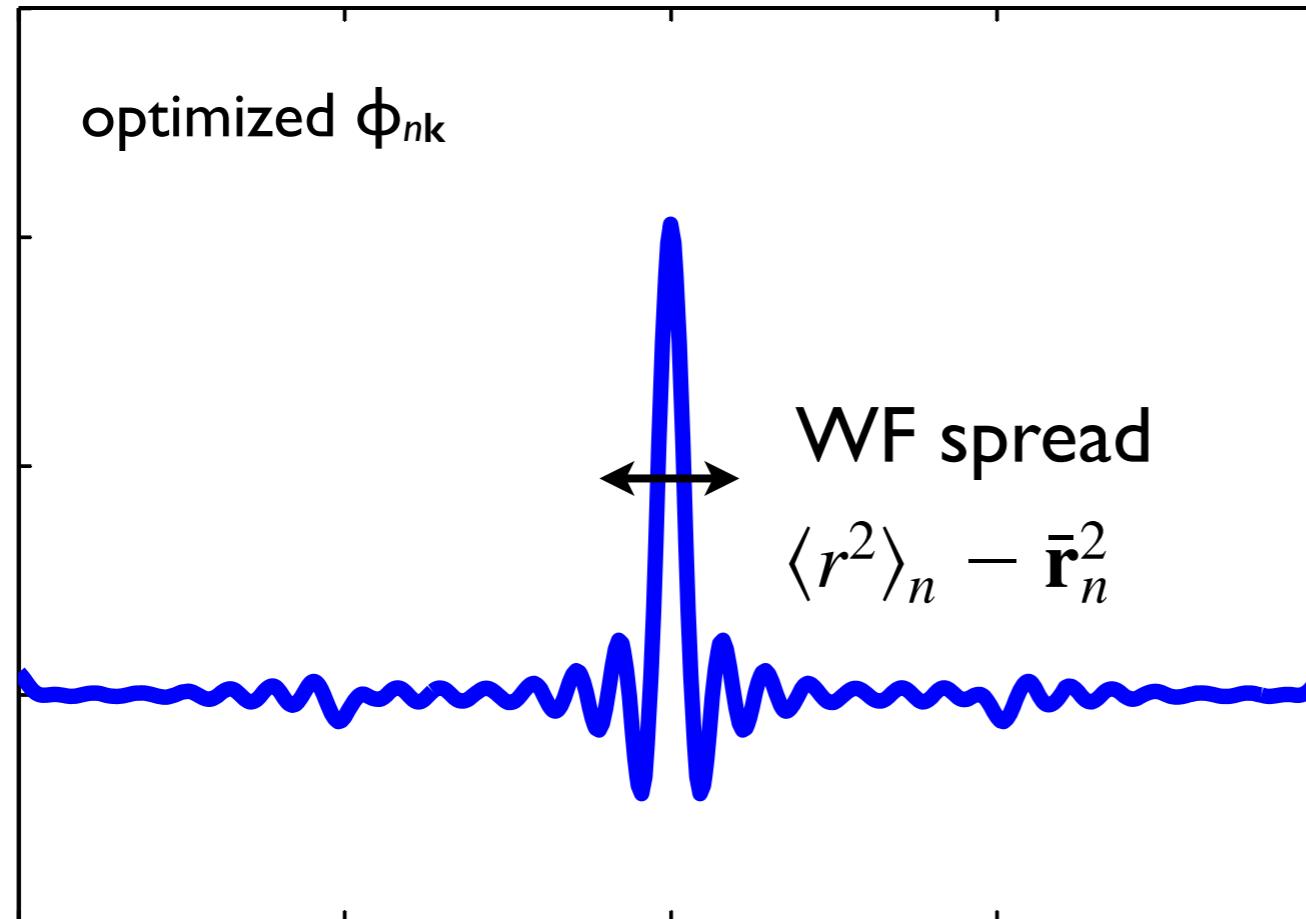
Wannier:  
PRB 52, 191 (1997)  
Marzari et al.:  
PRB 56, 12847 (1997)  
Rev. Mod. Phys. (2012)

# Max. localized Wannier functions (MLWF)

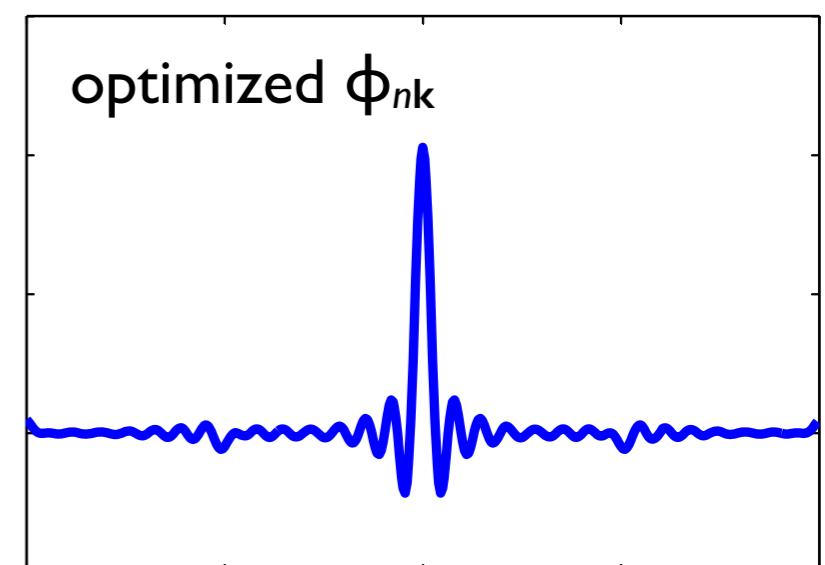
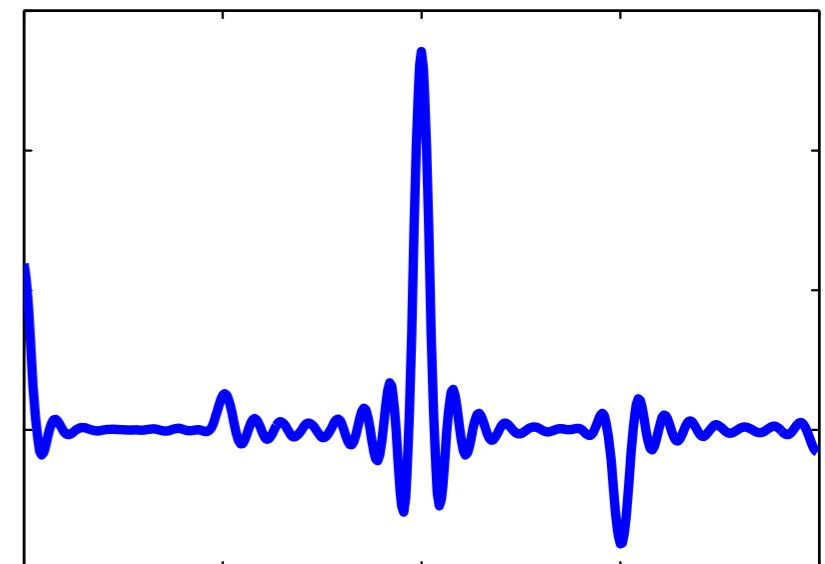
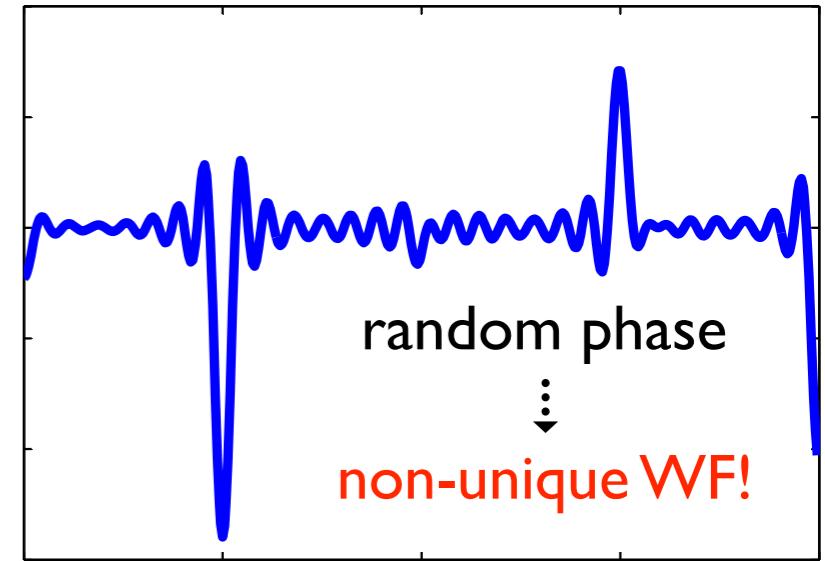
Bloch functions (more precisely):

$$\psi_{n\mathbf{k}}(\mathbf{r}) = u_{n\mathbf{k}}(\mathbf{r}) e^{i\mathbf{k}\cdot\mathbf{r}} e^{i\phi_{n\mathbf{k}}}$$

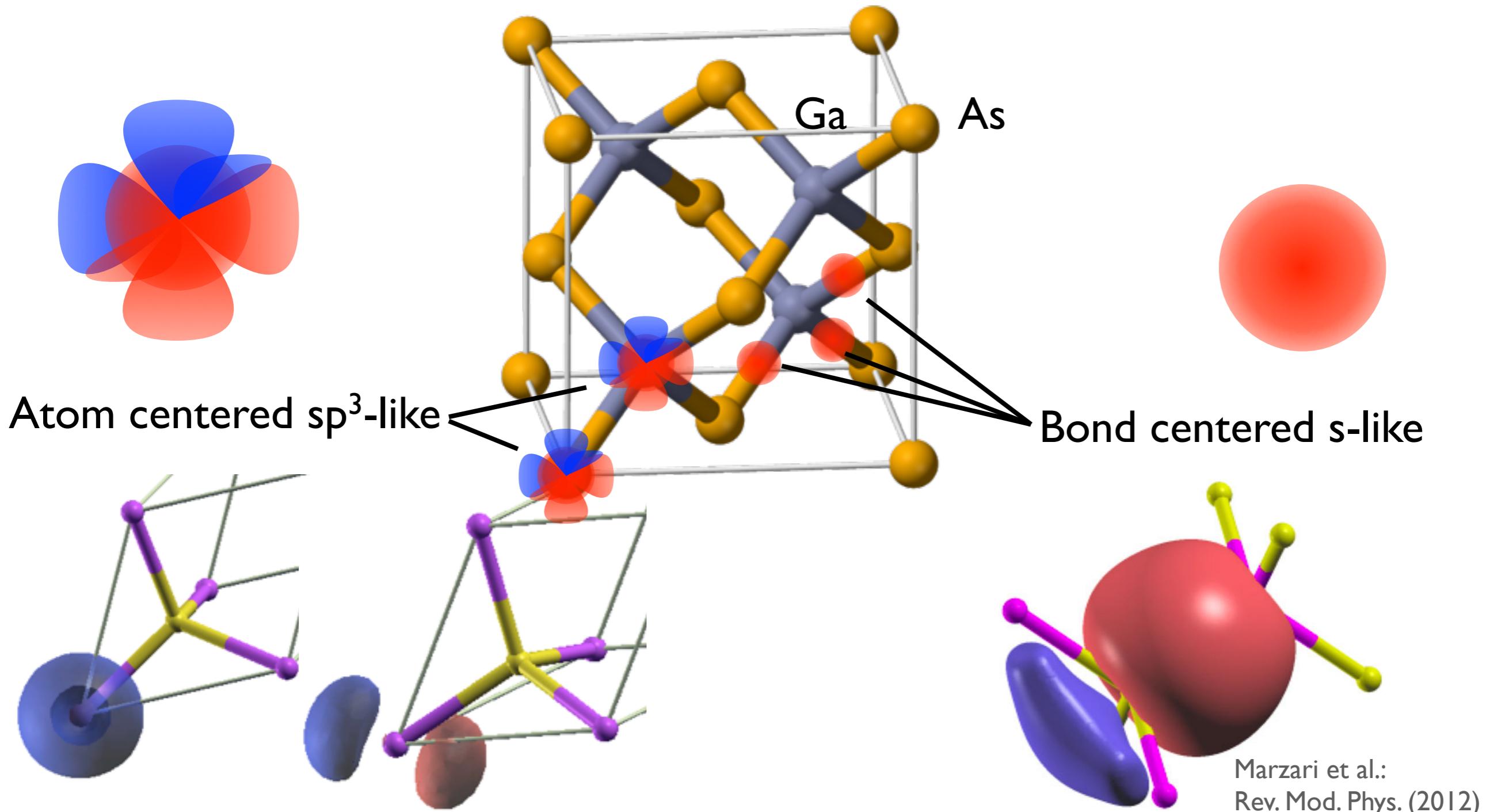
gauge freedom → ambiguity



$$\Omega = \sum_n [\langle \mathbf{0}_n | \mathbf{r}^2 | \mathbf{0}_n \rangle - \langle \mathbf{0}_n | \mathbf{r} | \mathbf{0}_n \rangle^2] = \sum_n [\langle r^2 \rangle_n - \bar{r}_n^2]$$



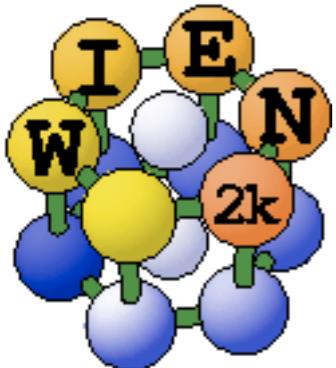
# Two flavours of Wannier functions



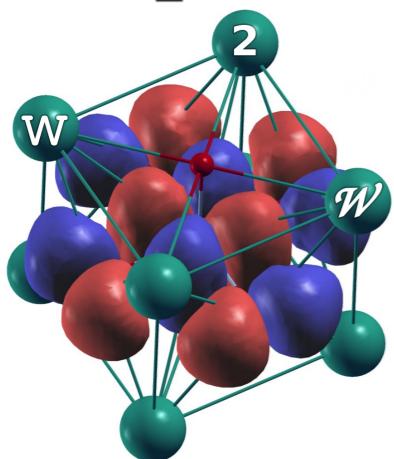
- includes *bonding* and *antibonding* states
- building effective hamiltonian

- includes *valence* states
- charge transfer and polarization

# Workflow



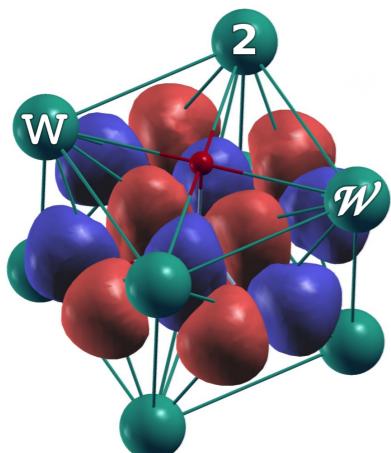
- Regular SCF calculation
- Band structure plot



- Initialize wien2wannier (`init_w2w`):
  - select bands, init. projections, # of WF (`case.inwf` file)
  - projected band structure “bands\_plot\_project” (`case.win` file)
  - additional options related to entanglement (`case.win` file)
- Compute overlap matrix element  $S_{mn}$  and projections  $M_{mn}$  (`x w2w`)



- Perform Wannierization (`x wannier90`):
  - position of Wannier centers and spreads (`case.wout` file)
  - Wannier hamiltonian (`case_hr.dat` file)



- Initialize plotting, select plotting range, r-mesh (`write_inwplot`)
- Evaluate WF on the r-mesh selected (`x wplot`)
- Convert the output of wplot into xcrysden format for plotting (`wplot2xsf`)
- Plot WF



# Wannier functions as a tight-binding basis (atom centered FW)

(Atom-centered WF)

\$ less GaAs-WANN\_hr.dat

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Home  
unit cell

0	0	0
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1	1	-4.335108
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$\langle s_1 |$

$|s_1 \rangle$

Matrix element (eV)

$\langle s_1 | H | s_1 \rangle = E_{s1}$

0.000000 Im part = 0

0

0

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...

Neighbour  
unit cell

5
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6
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7
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8
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1
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2	1	-0.000001
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3	1	0.000000
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4	1	-0.000001
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5	1	-1.472358
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6	1	-1.157088
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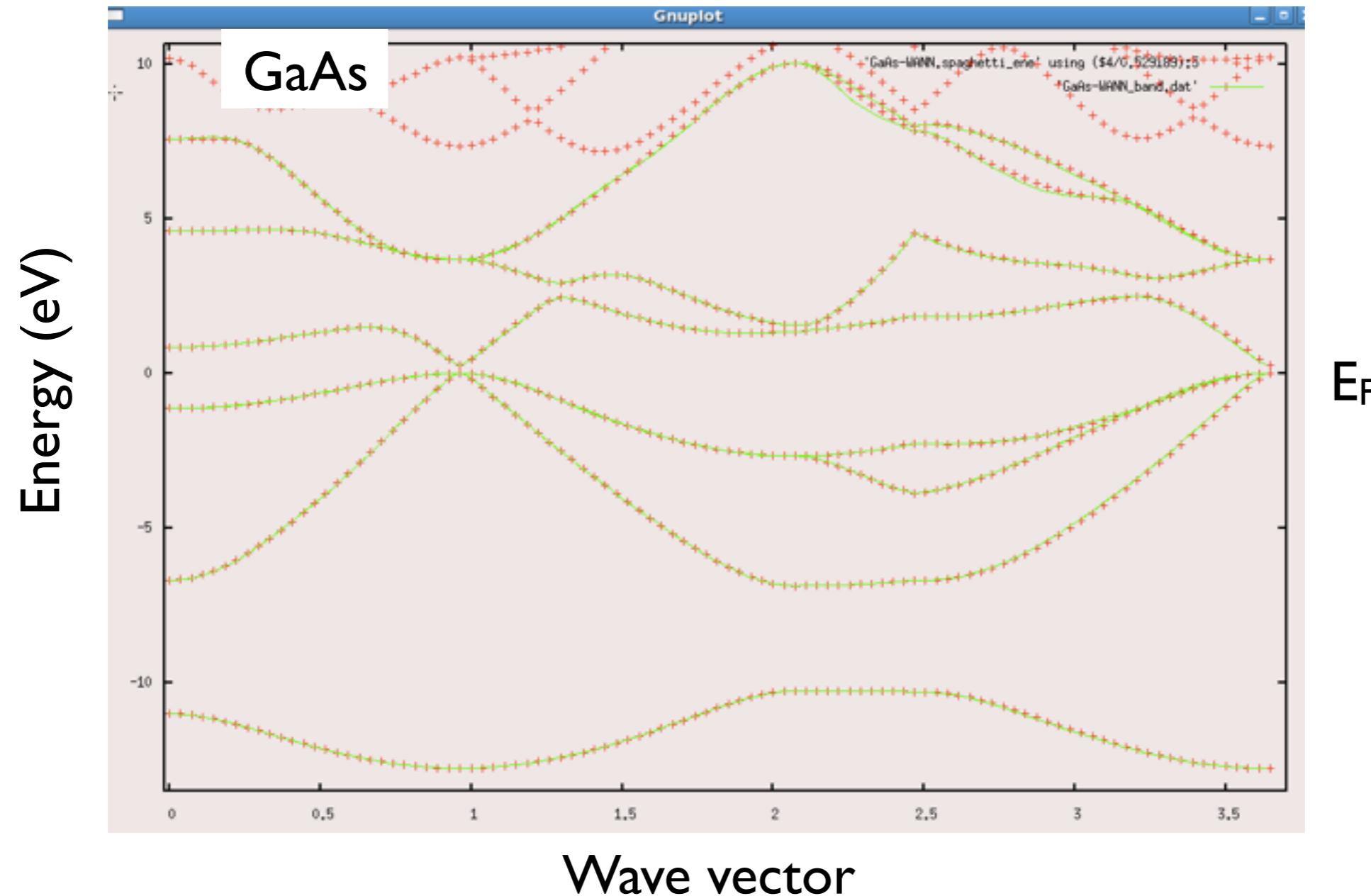
Matrix element (eV)

$\langle s_2 | H | s_1 \rangle = V_{ss\sigma}$

$\langle p_2 | H | s_1 \rangle = V_{sp}$

WF are well localized  
⇒ nearest-neighbour suffice

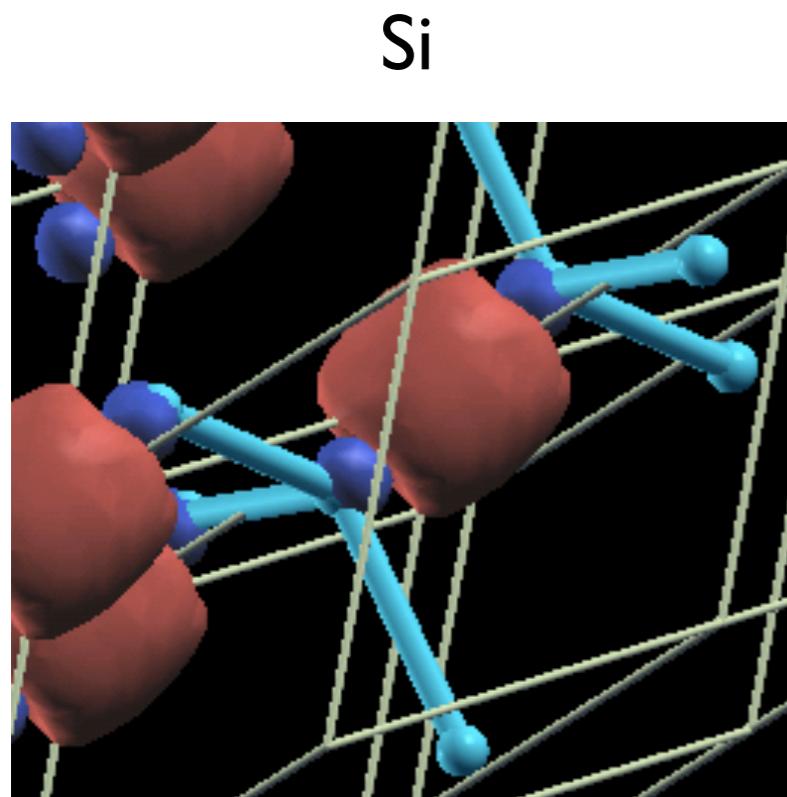
# Band structure



- + original Wien2k band structure
- Band structure computed from Wannier hamiltonian

# Relation to polarization (bond centered WF)

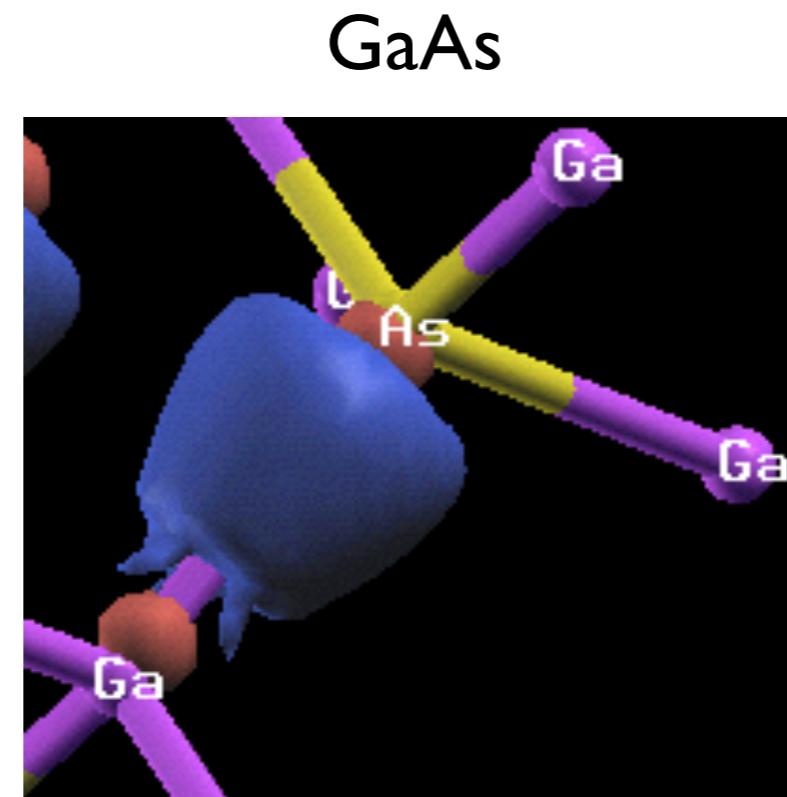
# Bond-centered WF



**symmetric  
(non-polar)**

$$\mathbf{P} = \frac{e}{V} \left( \sum_{\tau} Z_{\tau} \mathbf{r}_{\tau} - \sum_n \mathbf{r}_n \right)$$





# non-symmetric (polar)

$$+ Z_{\text{As}}$$

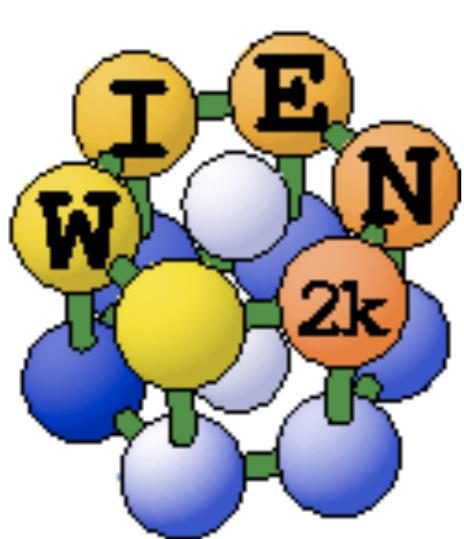
+ Z<sub>Ga</sub>

# King-Smith & Vanderbilt, Phys. Rev. B 47, 1651 (1993)

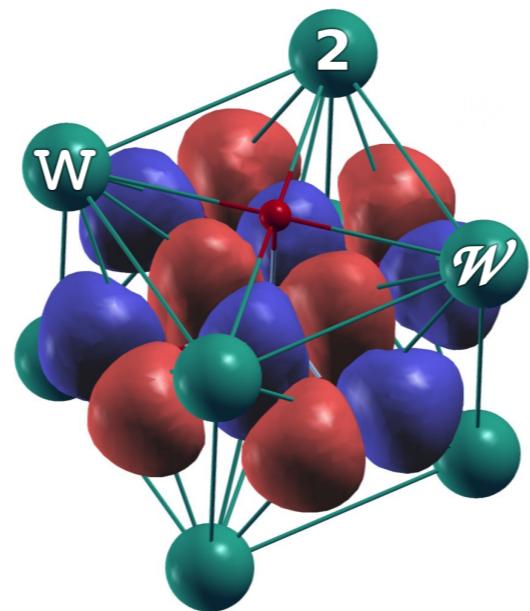
# Useful resources

- Jan Kuneš et al.“Wien2wannier: From linearized augmented plane waves to maximally localized Wannier functions”, Comp. Phys. Commun. 181, 1888 (2010).
- Wien2Wannier home and **user guide**:  
[http://www.ifp.tuwien.ac.at/forschung/arbeitsgruppen/  
cms/software-download/wien2wannier/](http://www.ifp.tuwien.ac.at/forschung/arbeitsgruppen/cms/software-download/wien2wannier/)
- Wannier90 home and **user guide**:  
<http://www.wannier.org/>
- Nicola Marzari et al.“Maximally localized Wannier functions: Theory and applications”, Rev. Mod. Phys. 84, 1419 (2012)

# Macroscopic polarization



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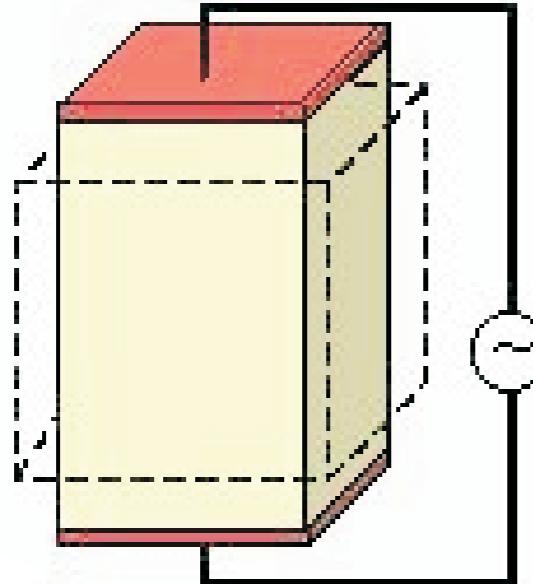


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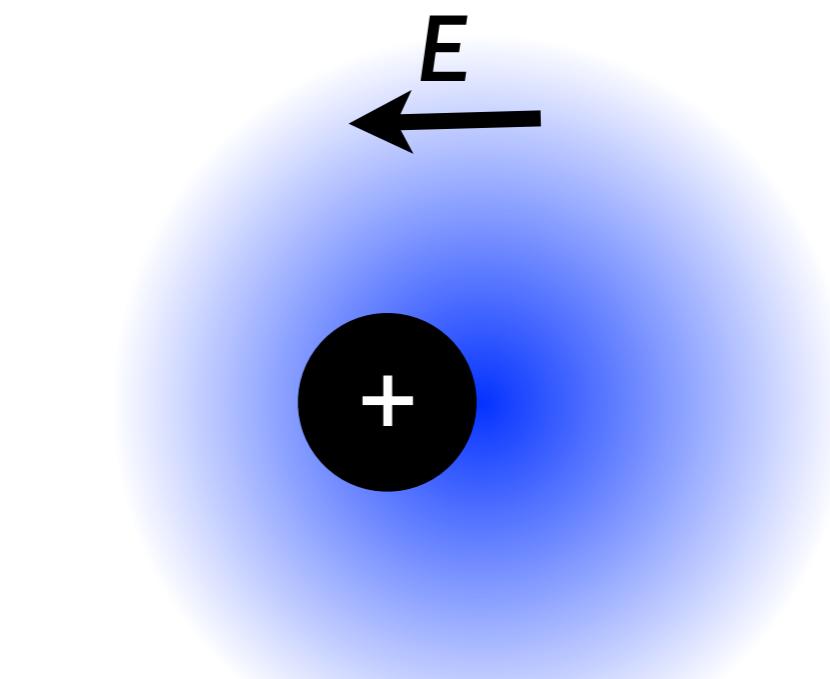
BerryPI

# Material properties related to polarization

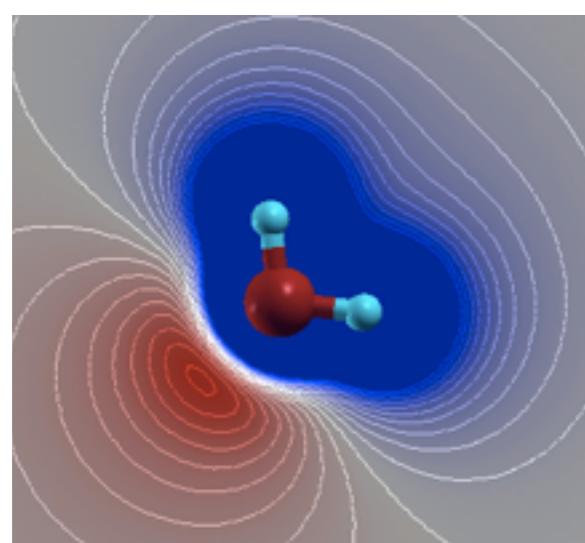
## Piezo- and Ferroelectricity



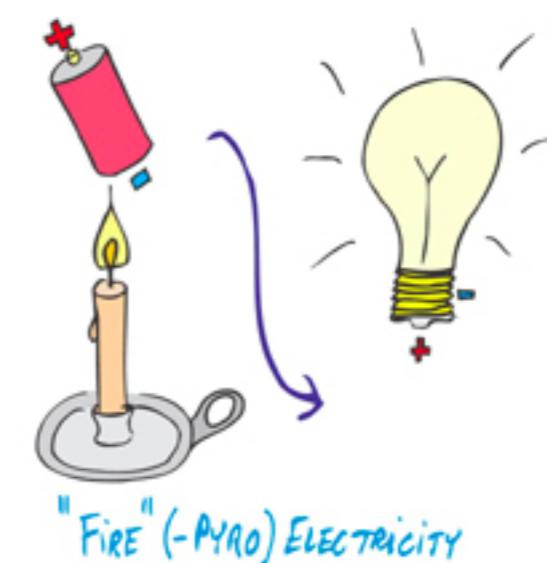
## Dielectric screening



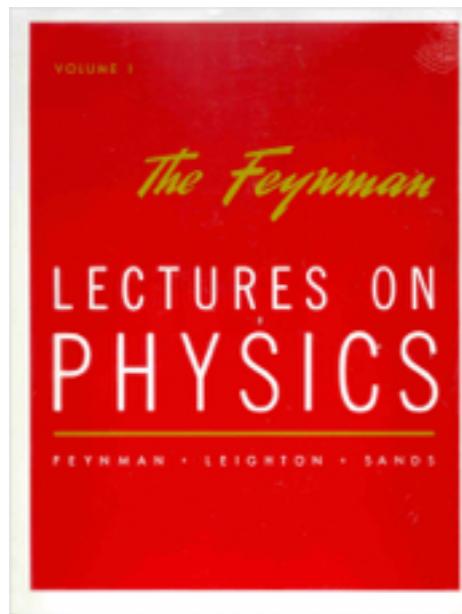
## Effective charge



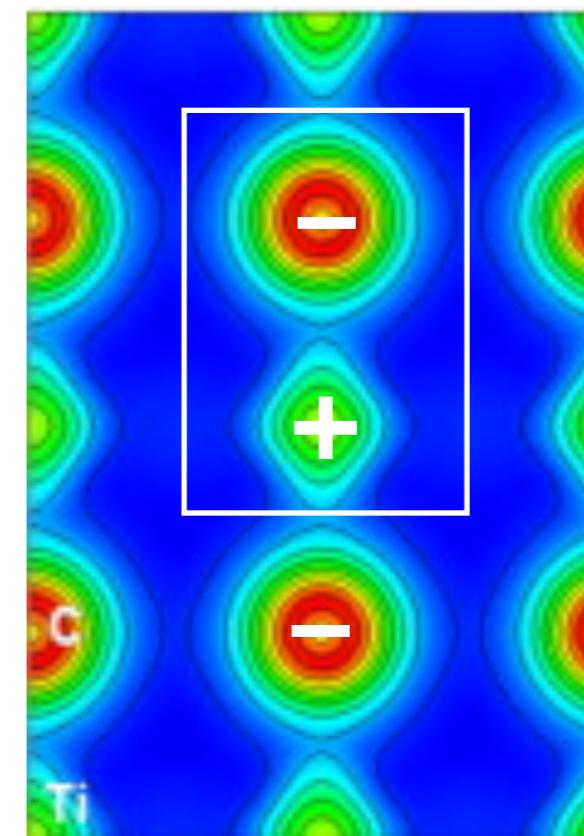
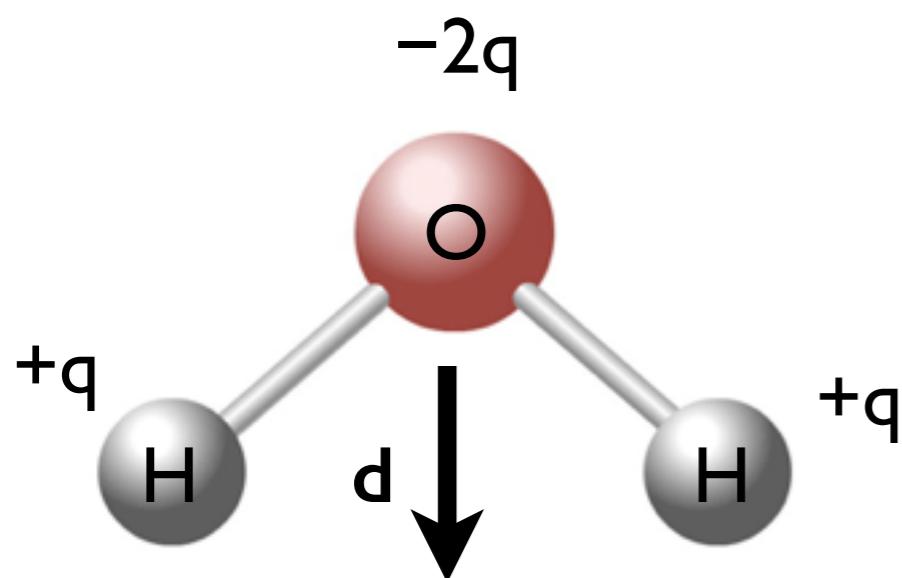
## Pyroelectricity



# What is polarization?



We will now assume that in each atom there are charges  $q$  separated by a distance  $\delta$ , so that  $q\delta$  is the dipole moment per atom. (We use  $\delta$  because we are already using  $d$  for the plate separation.) If there are  $N$  atoms per unit volume, there will be a *dipole moment per unit volume* equal to  $Nq\delta$ . This dipole moment per unit volume will be represented by a vector,  $P$ . Needless to say, it is in the direction of the individual dipole moments, i.e., in the direction of the charge



A diagram showing a vertical line with three arrows pointing downwards. The top arrow is labeled 'P' and the bottom arrow is labeled 'P = 0'. Between them is another arrow pointing upwards, also labeled 'P'.

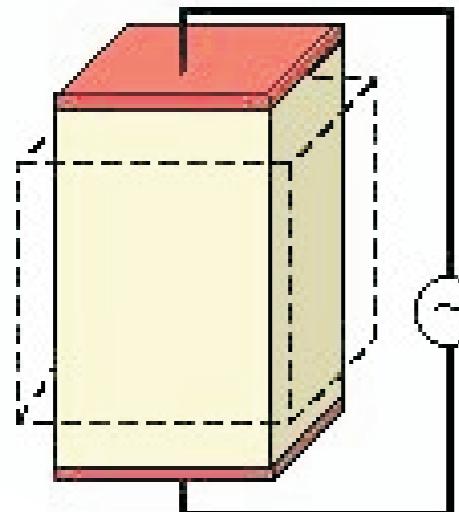
Polarization for periodic solids is undefined

# Modern theory of polarization

Pioneered by King-Smith, David Vanderbilt and Raffaele Resta

All measurable physical quantities are related to the **change** in polarization!

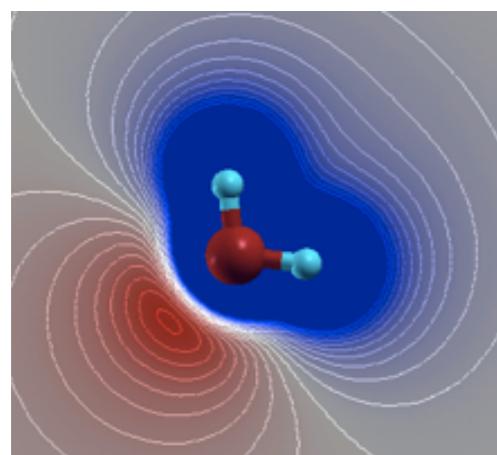
$$\Delta P = P^{(0)} - P^{(1)}$$



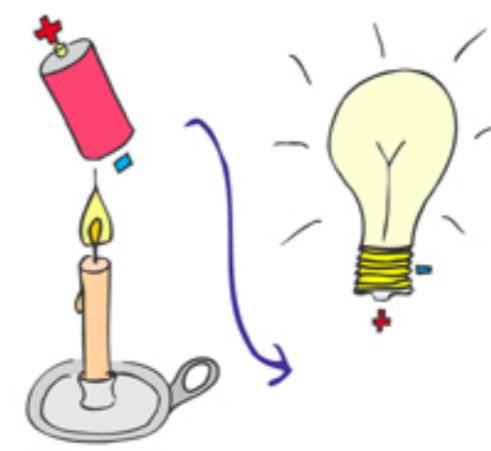
$$\frac{\Delta P}{\Delta \text{strain}}$$



$$\frac{\Delta P}{\Delta E}$$

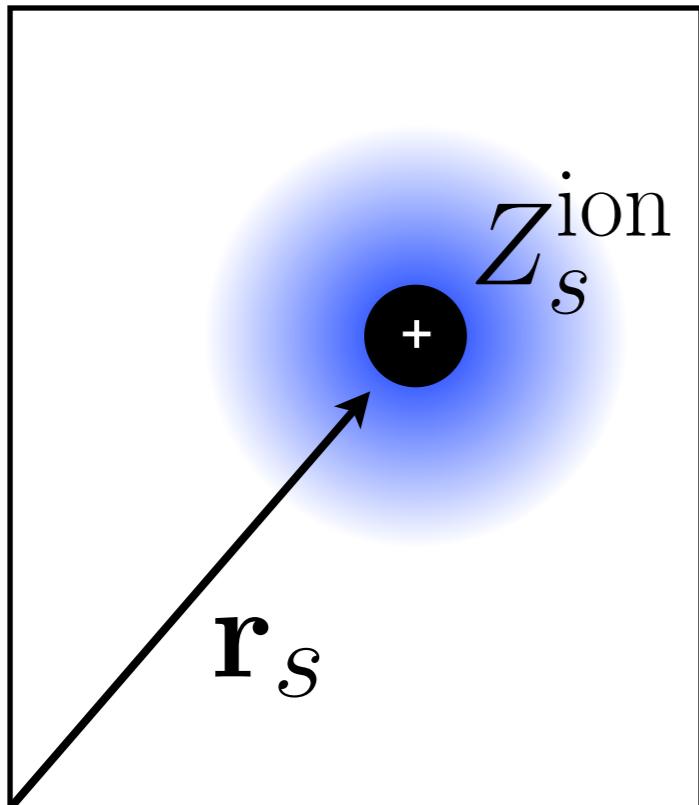


$$\frac{\Delta P}{\text{displacement}}$$



$$\frac{\Delta P}{\Delta T}$$

# Components of polarization



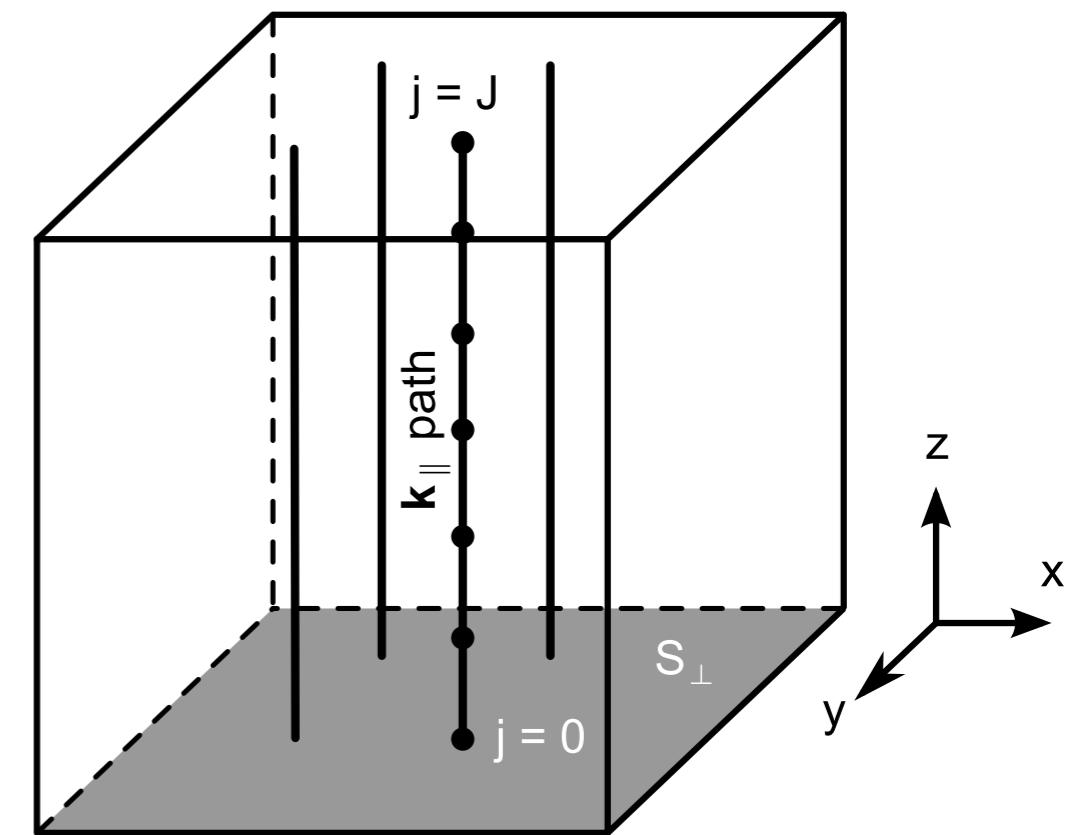
$$\mathbf{P} = \mathbf{P}_{\text{ion}} + \mathbf{P}_{\text{el}}$$

ionic
electronic

$$\mathbf{P}_{\text{ion}} = \frac{e}{\Omega} \sum_{\text{atoms}} Z_s^{\text{ion}} \mathbf{r}_s$$

In Wien2k  $Z_s^{\text{ion}}$  is the core charge

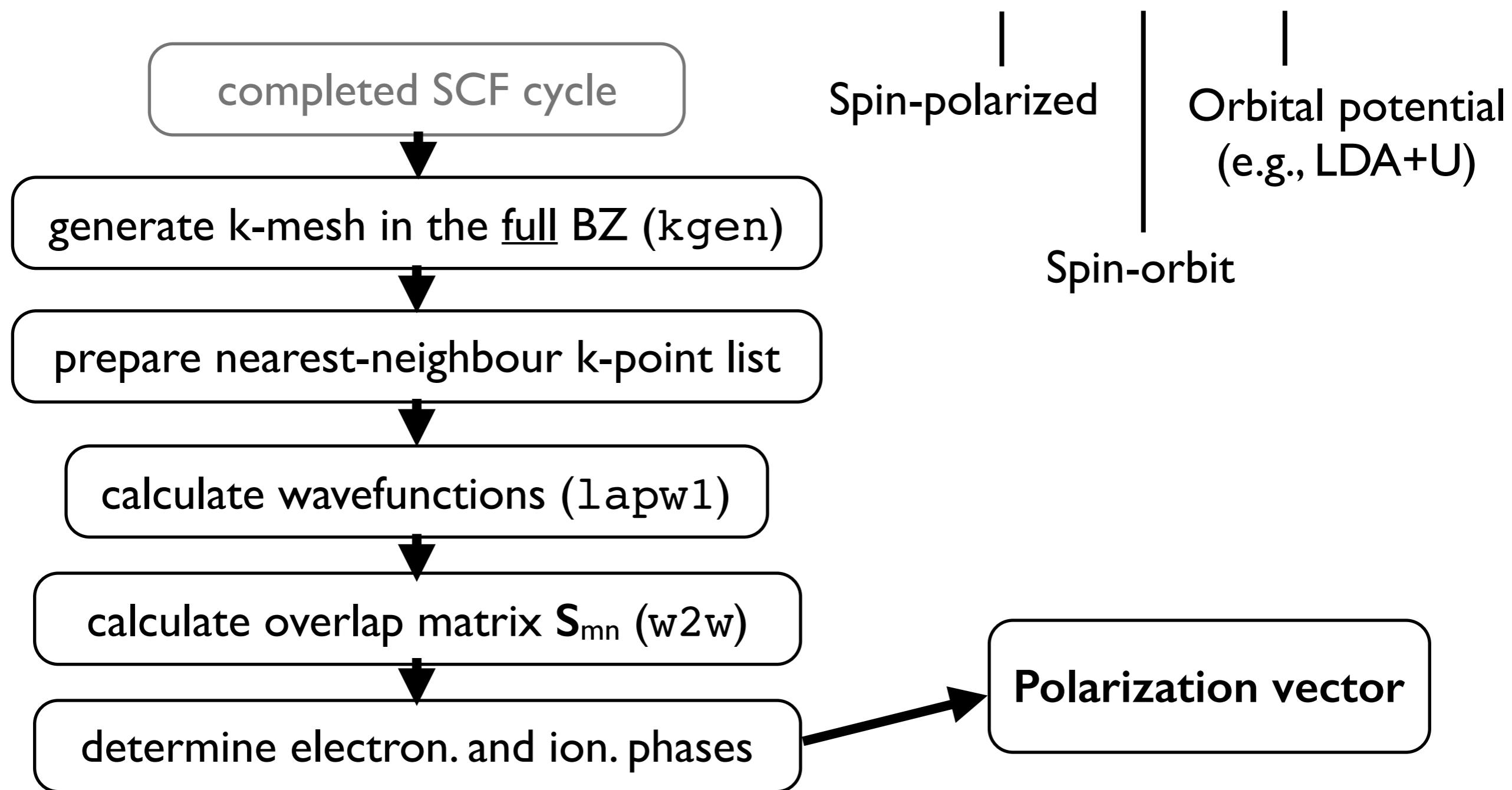
$$\begin{aligned}
 -\mathbf{P}_{\text{el}} &= \Omega^{-1} \int d\mathbf{r} \mathbf{r} \rho(\mathbf{r}) = \Omega^{-1} \sum_n^{\text{occ. bands}} \langle \psi_n | \mathbf{r} | \psi_n \rangle \\
 &\equiv \frac{2ei}{(2\pi)^3} \sum_n^{\text{occ. bands}} \int_{\text{BZ}} d\mathbf{k} \langle u_{n\mathbf{k}} | \nabla_{\mathbf{k}} | u_{n\mathbf{k}} \rangle
 \end{aligned}$$



# BerryPI workflow

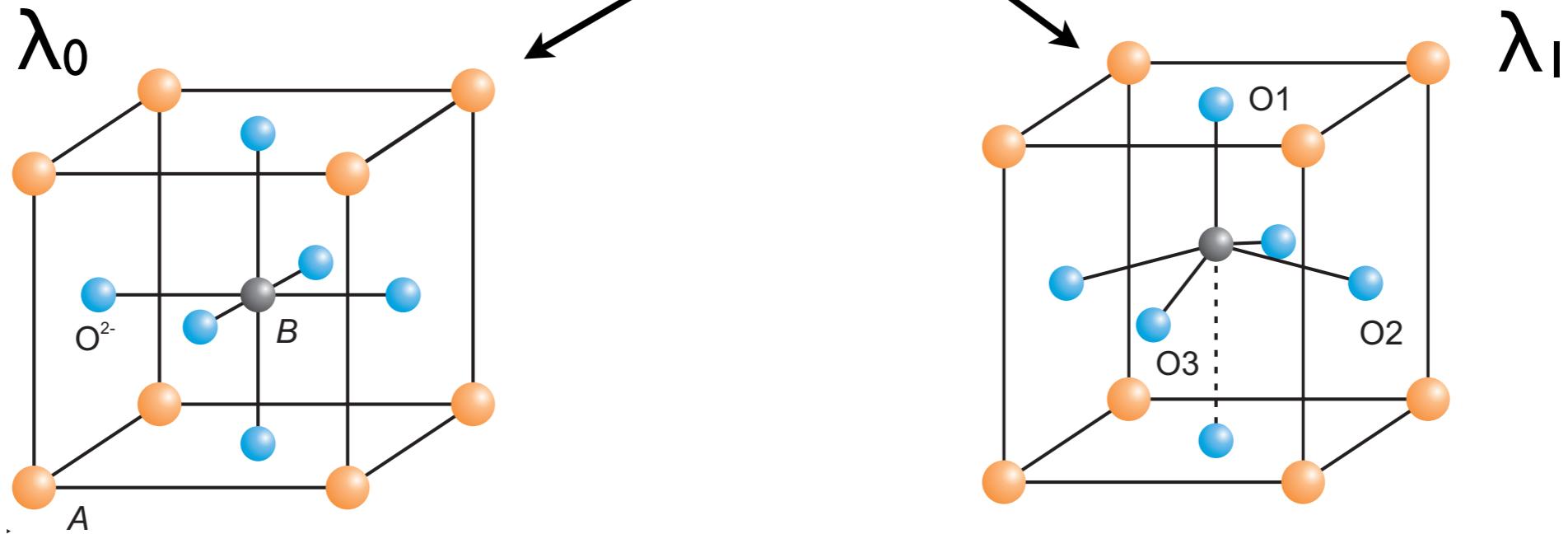
Need `wien2k`, `wien2wannier`, `python 2.7.x` and `numpy`

[command line]\$ `berrypi -k 6:6:6 [-s] [-j] [-o]`



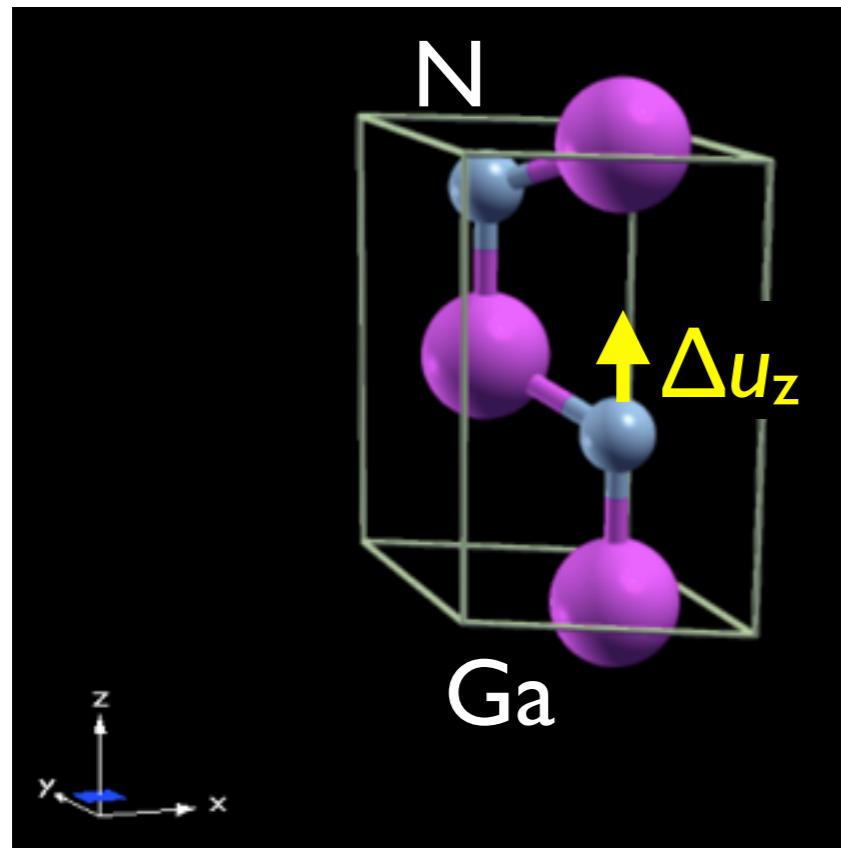
# Choice of a reference structure

$$\Delta P = P^{(0)} - P^{(1)}$$



- structure file must preserve the symmetry
- begin with the lowest symmetry ( $\lambda_1$ ) case
- copy case  $\lambda_1$  to case  $\lambda_0$
- edit structure file for case  $\lambda_0$
- do not initialize calculation (init\_lapw)
- update density (x dstart)
- run SCF cycle (run[ sp ]\_lapw [-so -orb])
- run BerryPI

# Demonstration: Effective charge of GaN



$$Z_{s,ij}^* = \frac{\Omega}{e} \frac{\Delta P_i}{\Delta r_{s,j}}$$

General definition

$$\varphi = \varphi_{\text{el}} + \varphi_{\text{ion}}$$

$$\Delta\varphi = \varphi(\text{perturbed}) - \varphi(\text{unperturbed})$$

$$Z_{s,ii}^* = \frac{\Delta\varphi_i}{2\pi\Delta u_{s,i}}$$

“Shortcut” ( $i=j$ , no volume change)

# Reality check

## GaN: effective charge, dielectric constants - Springer

[link.springer.com/content/pdf/10.1007%2F978-3-642-14148-5\\_230.pdf](link.springer.com/content/pdf/10.1007%2F978-3-642-14148-5_230.pdf)

by D Strauch - 2011 - [Related articles](#)

gallium nitride (GaN) property: effective charge, dielectric constants (lattice properties). Born effective charge (wurtzite structure). Physical. Property. Numerical.

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## GaN: effective charge, dielectric constants

**substance:** gallium nitride (GaN)

**property:** effective charge, dielectric constants (lattice properties)

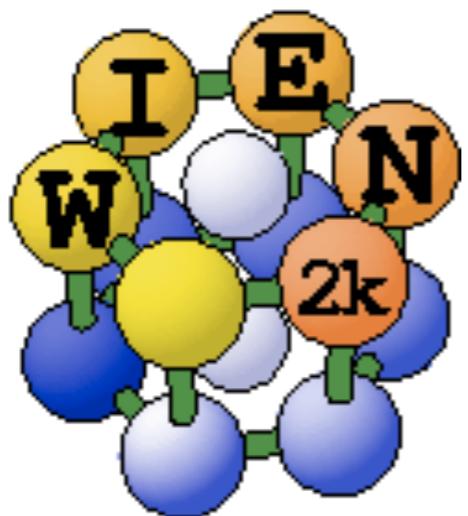
### Born effective charge (wurtzite structure)

Physical Property	Numerical Values	Remarks	Ref.
$Z^*$	2.73(3)	from LO-TO splitting, Raman scattering from bulk GaN	<a href="#">01G</a>
	2.51	ab initio DFT(LDA) calculation	<a href="#">01Z</a>
	2.67	ab initio DFT(GGA) calculation	
$Z_{xx}^*$	2.60	ab initio DFT(LDA) calculation	<a href="#">02W</a>
$Z_{zz}^*$	2.74		
$Z_{B,xx}^*$	1.14	$Z_{B,ij}^* = Z_{ii}^* / \sqrt{\epsilon_{x_i,ii}}$	
$Z_{B,zz}^*$	1.18		
$Z_{xx}^*$	2.51	ab-initio DFT(LDA) calculation	<a href="#">06S</a>
$Z_{zz}^*$	2.75		

# Useful resources

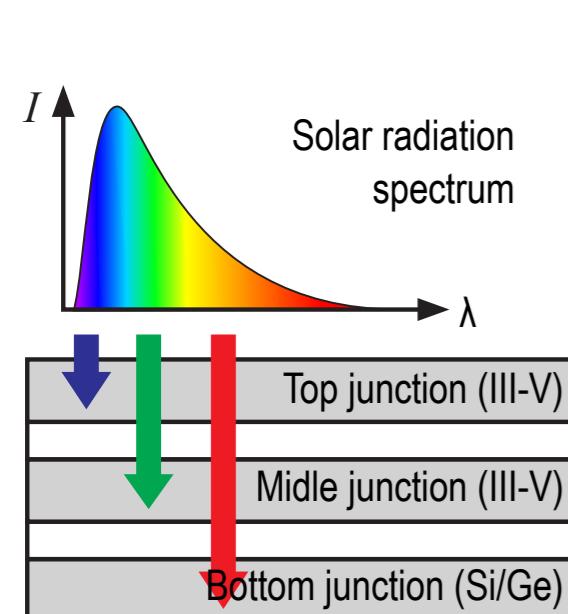
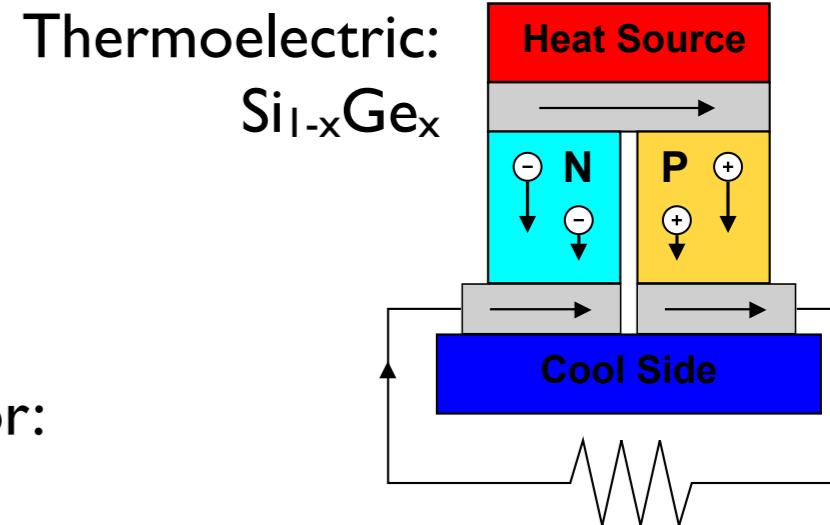
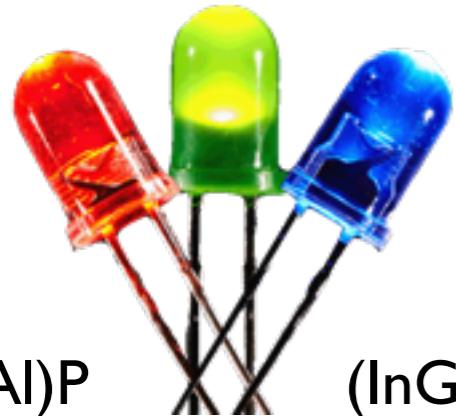
- Sheikh J. Ahmed *et al.* “BerryPI: A software for studying polarization of crystalline solids with WIEN2k density functional all-electron package”, *Comp. Phys. Commun.* **184**, 647 (2013).
- BerryPI home and **tutorials**:  
<https://github.com/spichardo/BerryPI/wiki>
- Raffaele Resta “Macroscopic polarization in crystalline dielectrics: the geometric phase approach” *Rev. Mod. Phys.* **66**, 899 (1994)
- Raffaele Resta and David Vanderbilt “Theory of Polarization: A Modern Approach” in *Physics of Ferroelectrics: a Modern Perspective* (Springer, 2007)

# Effective band structure of alloys

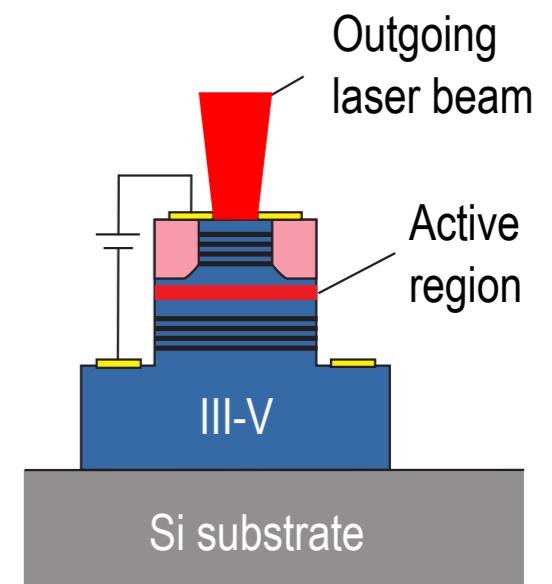
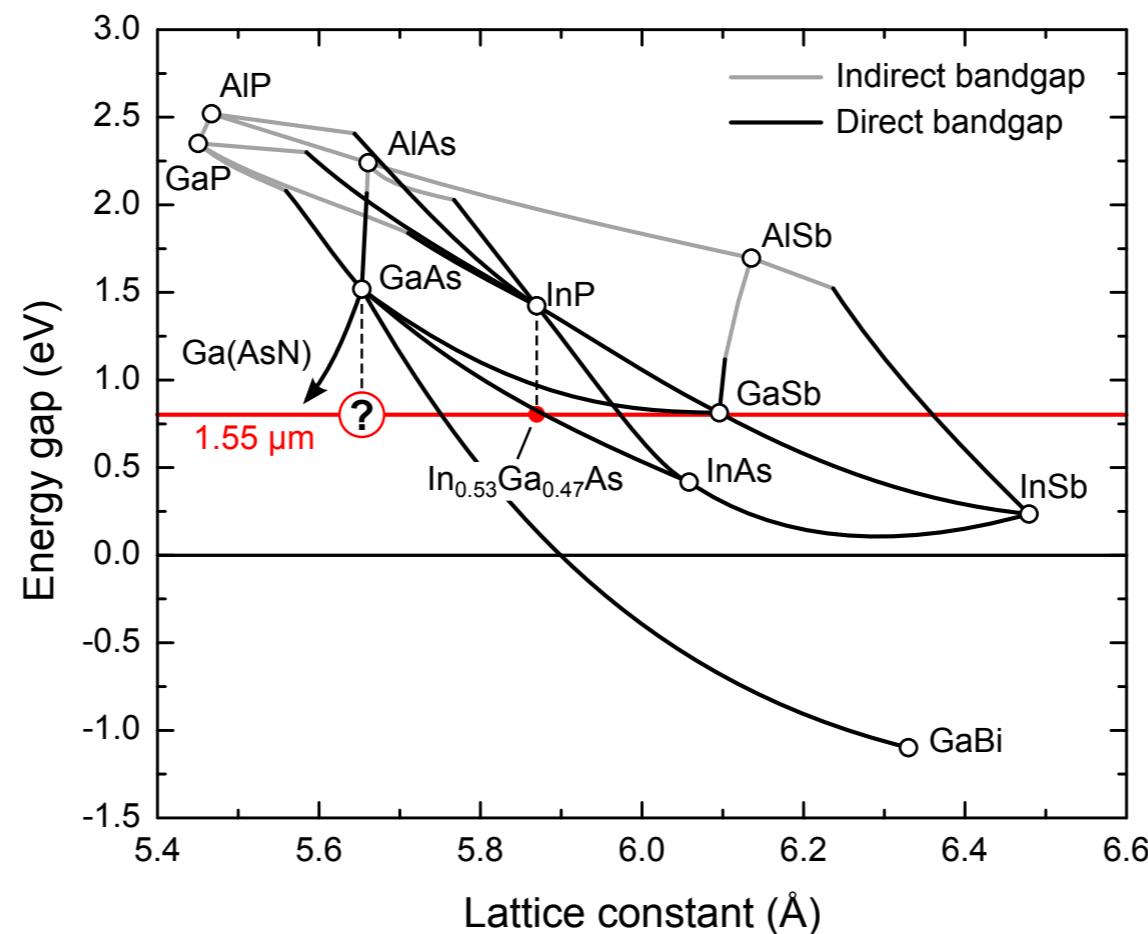


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# Semiconductor alloys

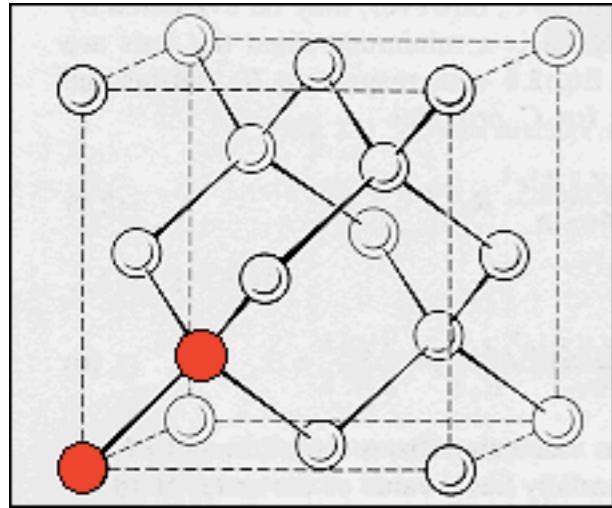


$E_g = 1 \text{ eV}$  junction:  
 $(\text{InGa})(\text{NAs})$



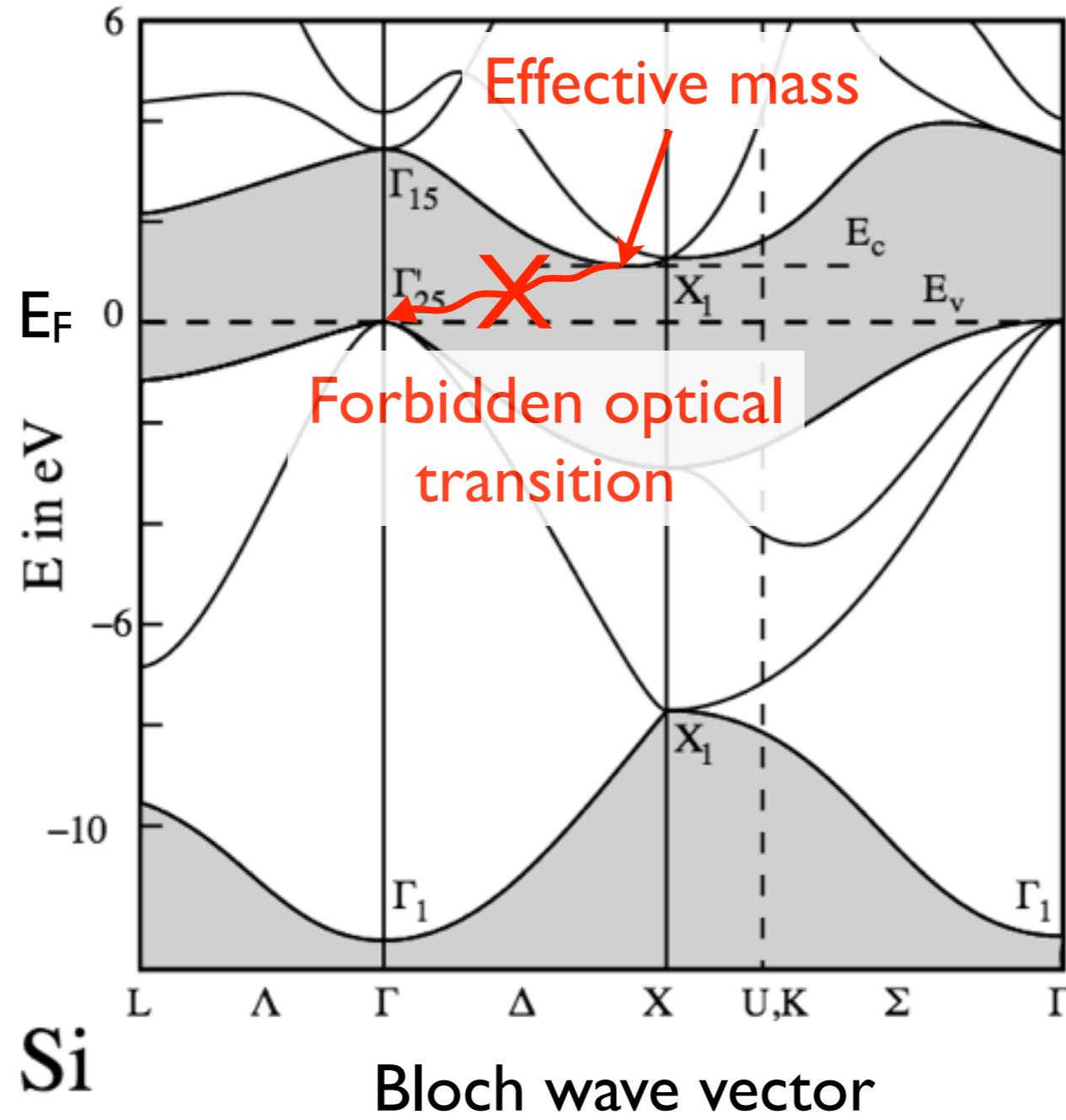
$1.55 \mu\text{m}$  lasers:  
 $(\text{InGa})\text{As}$   
 $(\text{InGa})(\text{NAsSb})$   
 $\text{Ga}(\text{AsBi})$

# Band structure



Energy gap

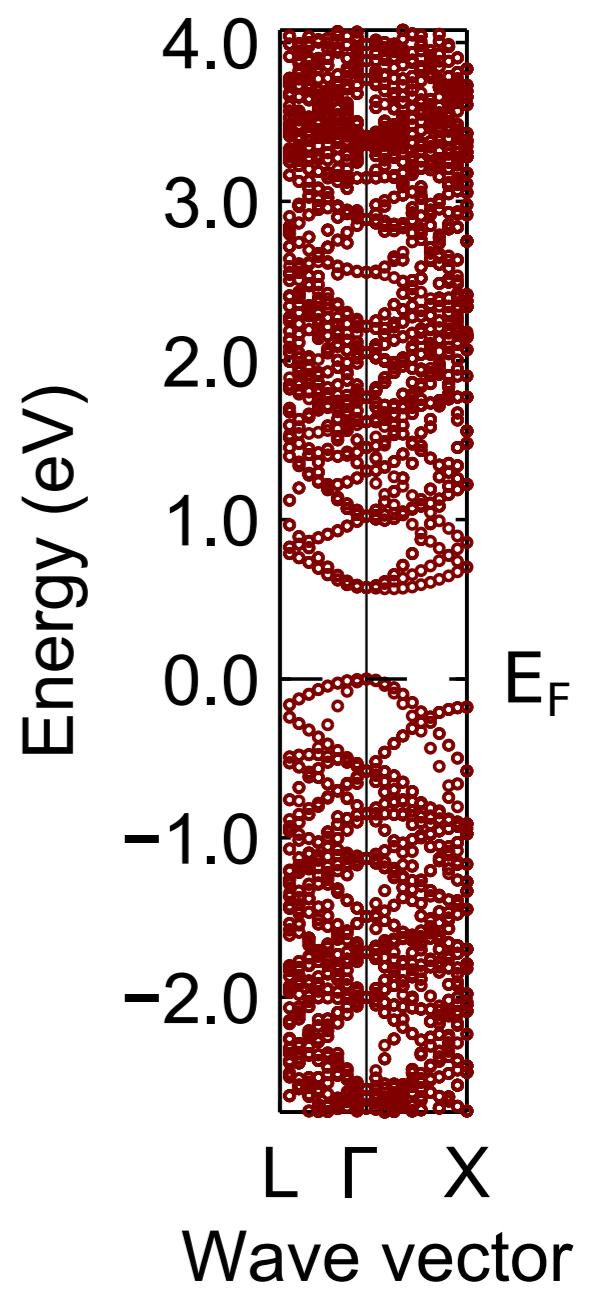
Silicon  
2-atom basis



Si

Bloch wave vector

Silicon  
250-atom supercell



# Unfolding the first-principle band structure

## Plane wave expansion

$$\Psi_{n,\mathbf{K}}(\mathbf{r}) = \sum_{\mathbf{G}} C_{n,\mathbf{K}}(\mathbf{G}) e^{i(\mathbf{K}+\mathbf{G}) \cdot \mathbf{r}}$$

## Bloch spectral weight

$$w_n(\mathbf{k}) = \sum_{\mathbf{g}} |C_{n,\mathbf{K}}(\mathbf{k} + \mathbf{g})|^2$$

Popescu & Zunger:  
Phys. Rev. Lett. **104**, 236403 (2010)

Rubel *et al.*  
Phys. Rev. B **90**, 115202 (2014)

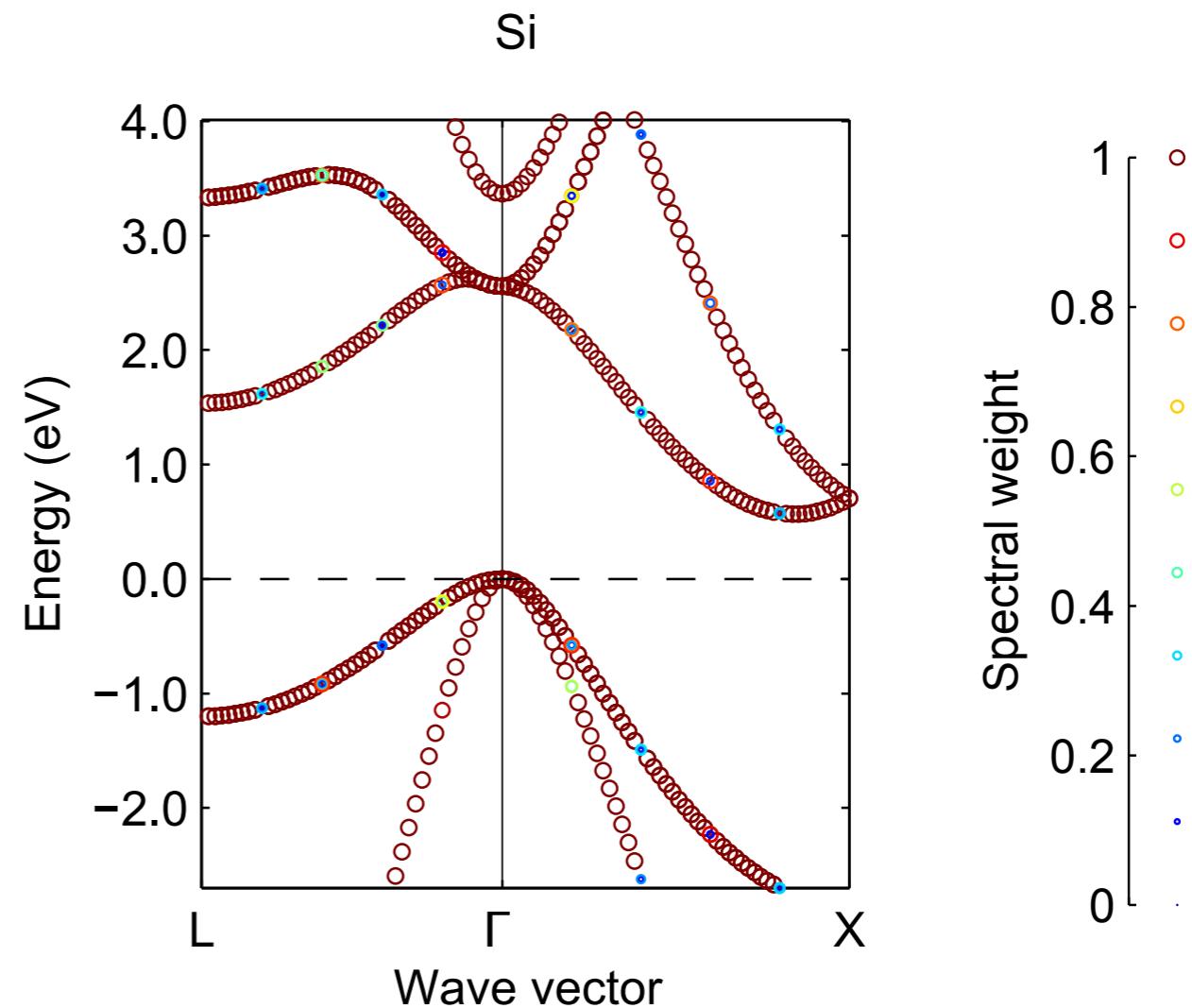
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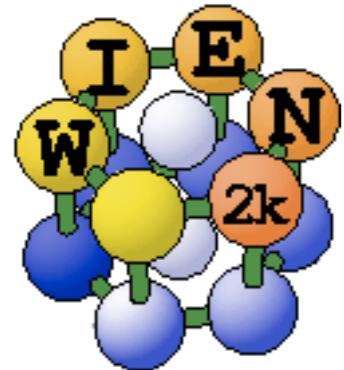
Unfolding of first-principle electronic band structure obtained with WIEN2k DFT-(L)APW code

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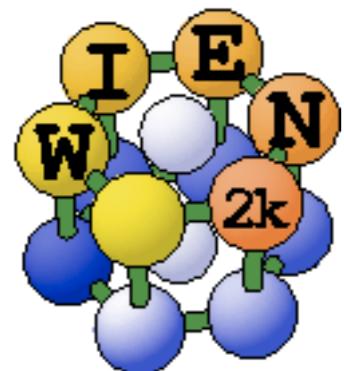


# Workflow



- Construct primitive unit cell
- Make supercell (**supercell**)
- Run SCF calculation

**X**CrySDen



- Create k-path (**case.klist\_band** file)

- Compute wave functions (**case.vector[so]** file) for the selected k-path:
  - **x lapw1 [-p]**
  - **x lapwso [-p]** (in the case of spin-orbit coupling)

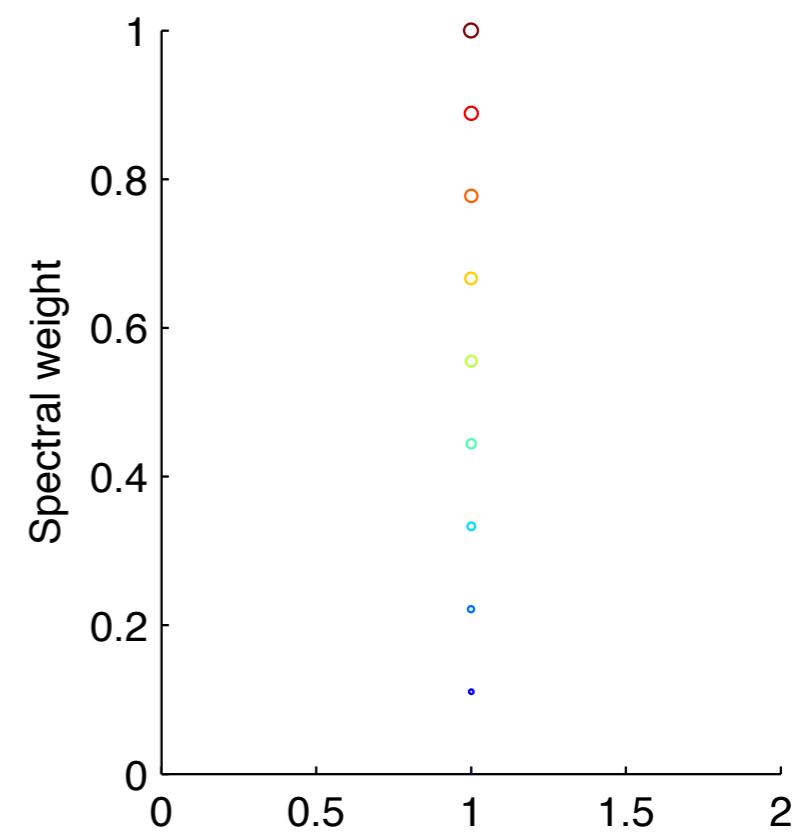
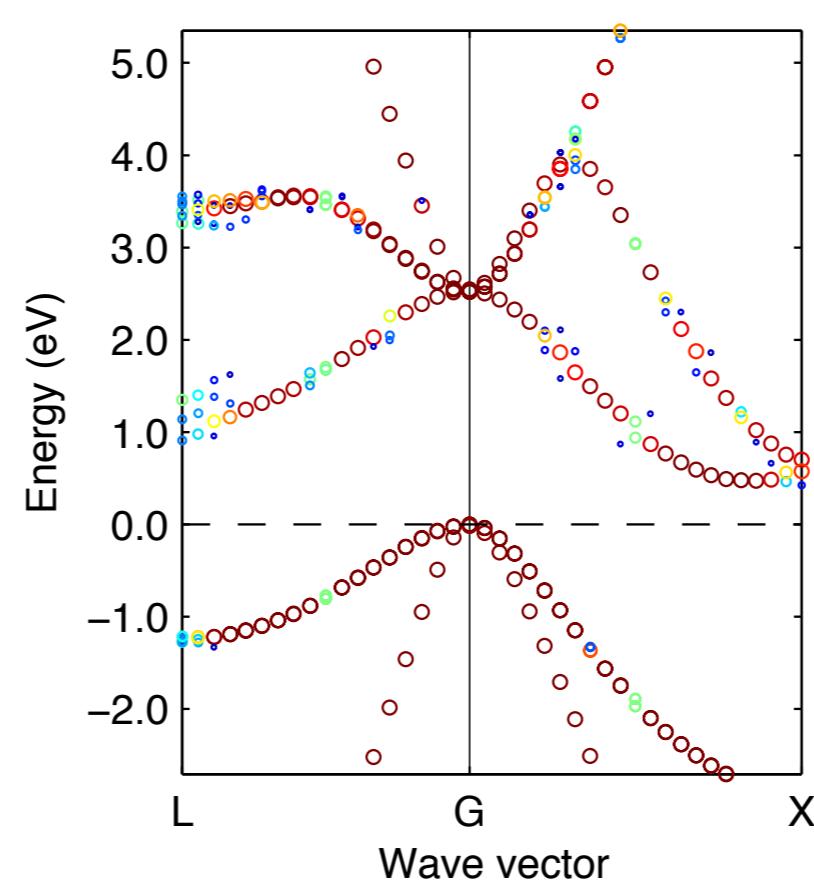
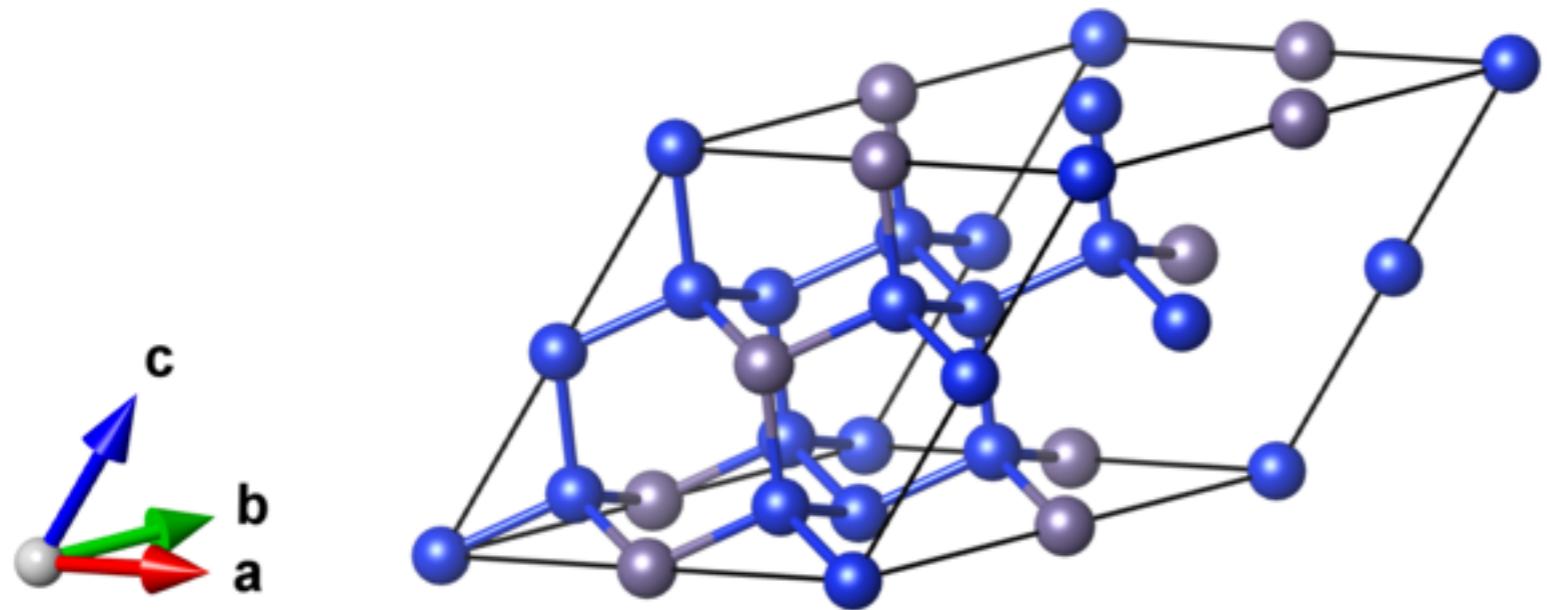
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- Unfold band structure (**fold2Bloch**)

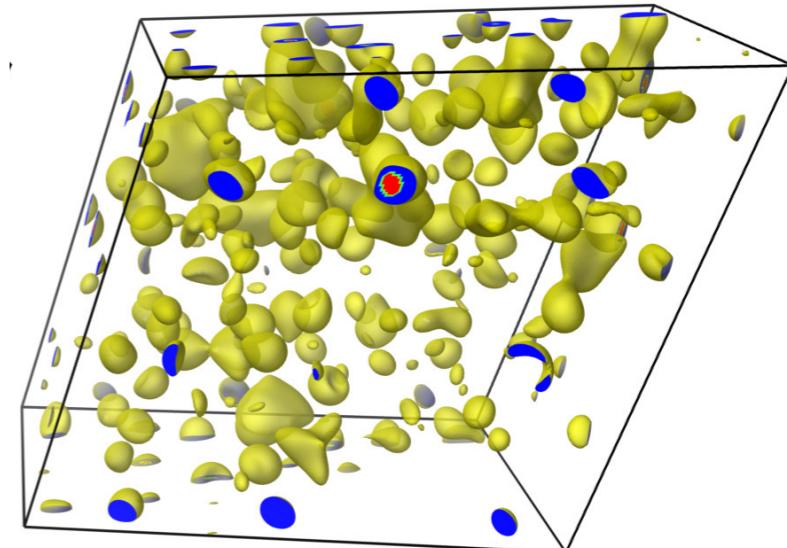
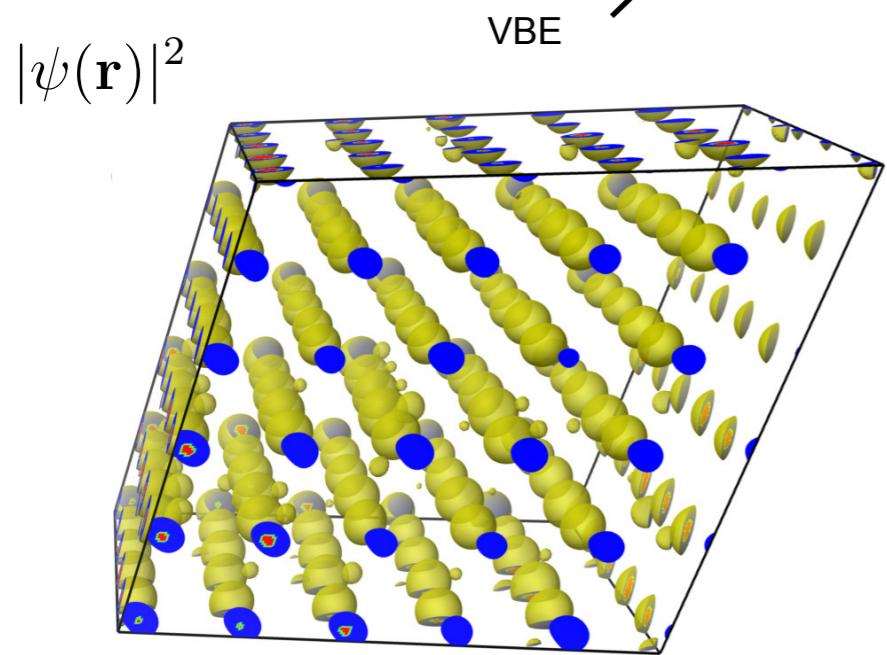
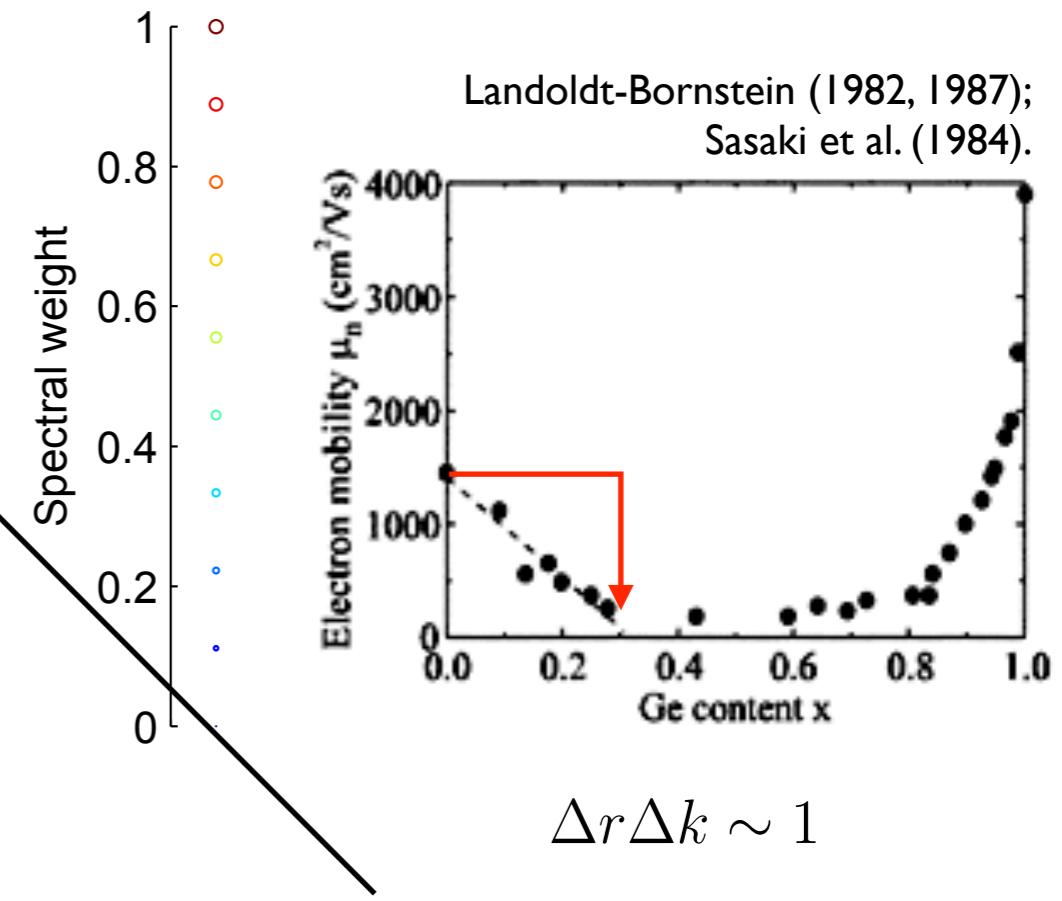
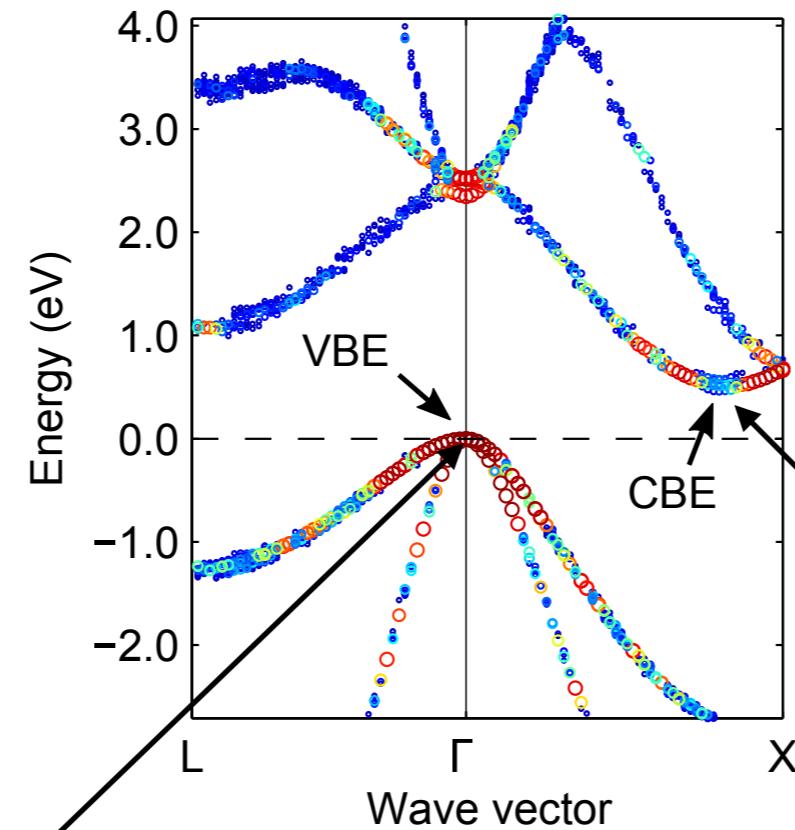
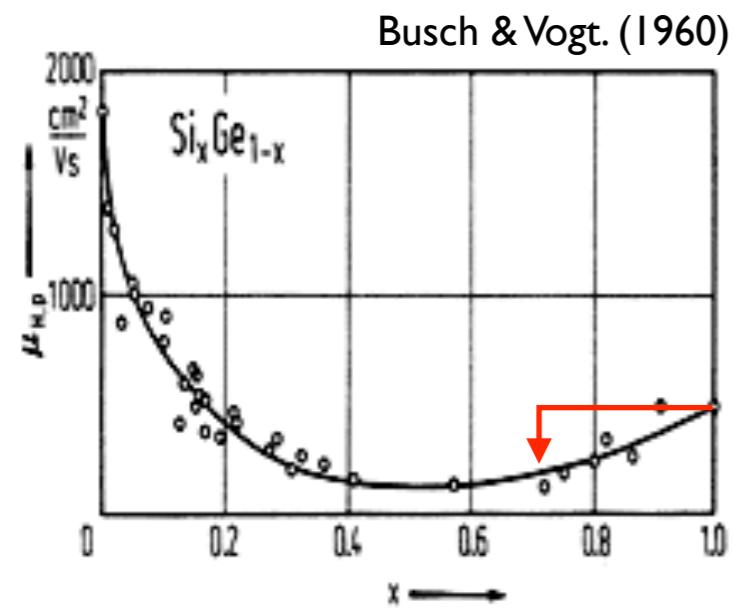


- Plot effective band structure (**ubs\_dots\*.m**)

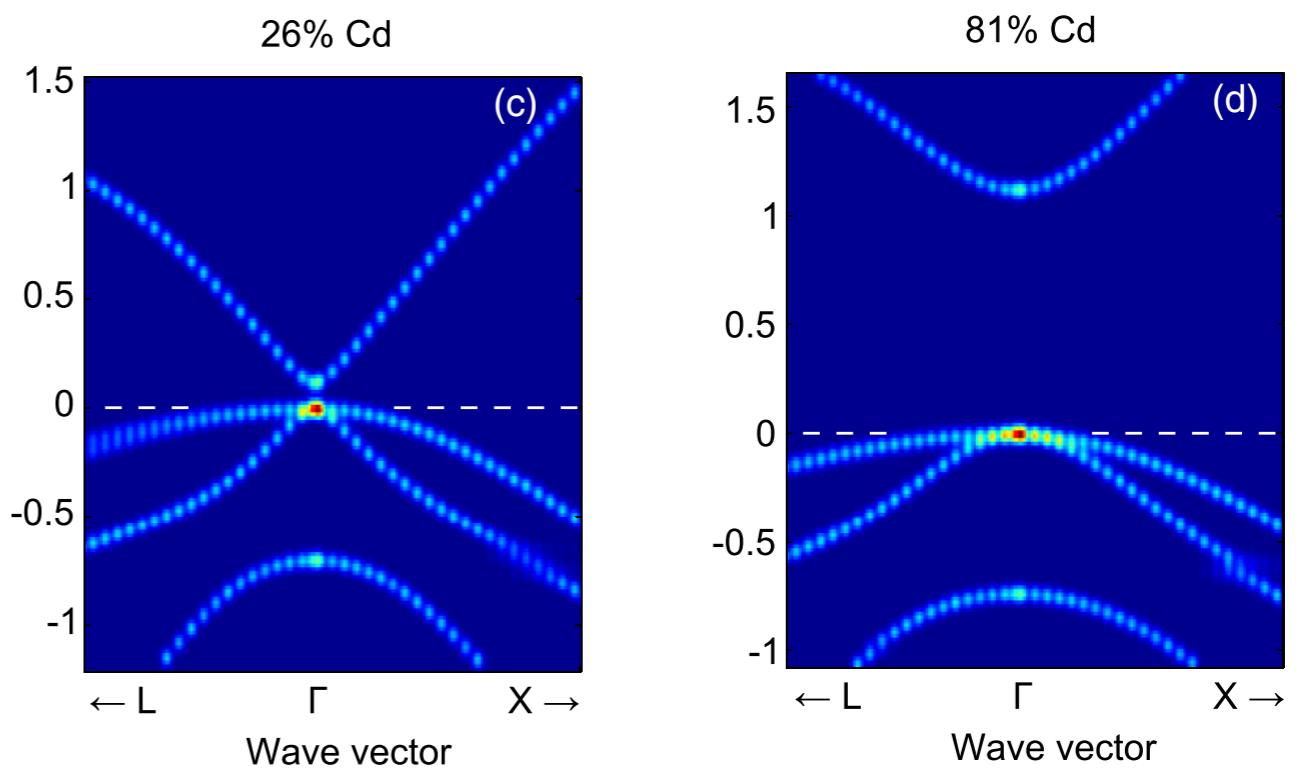
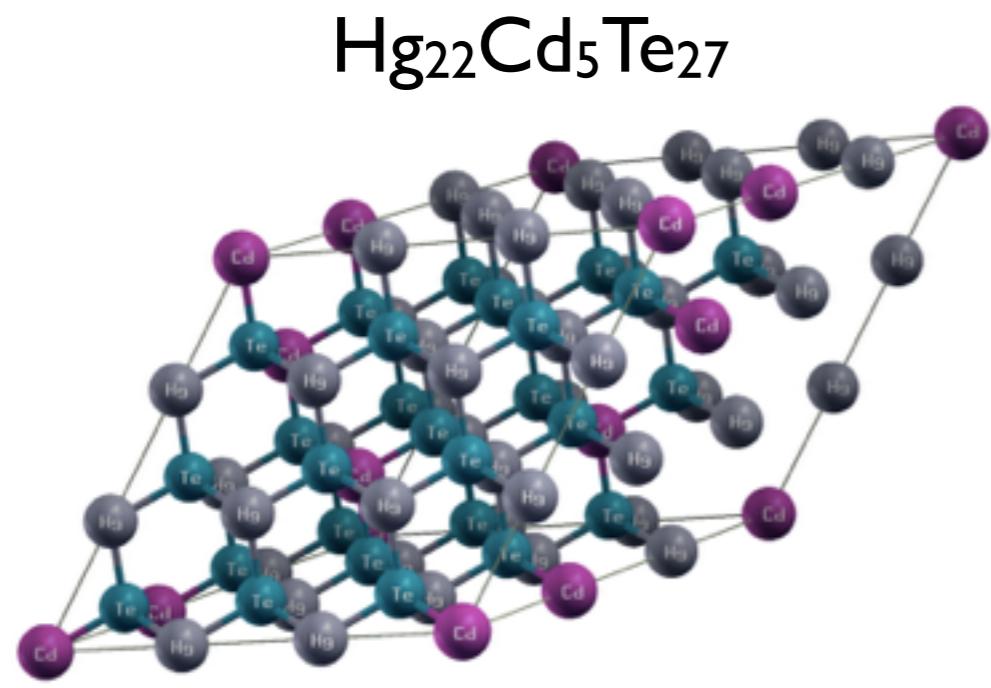
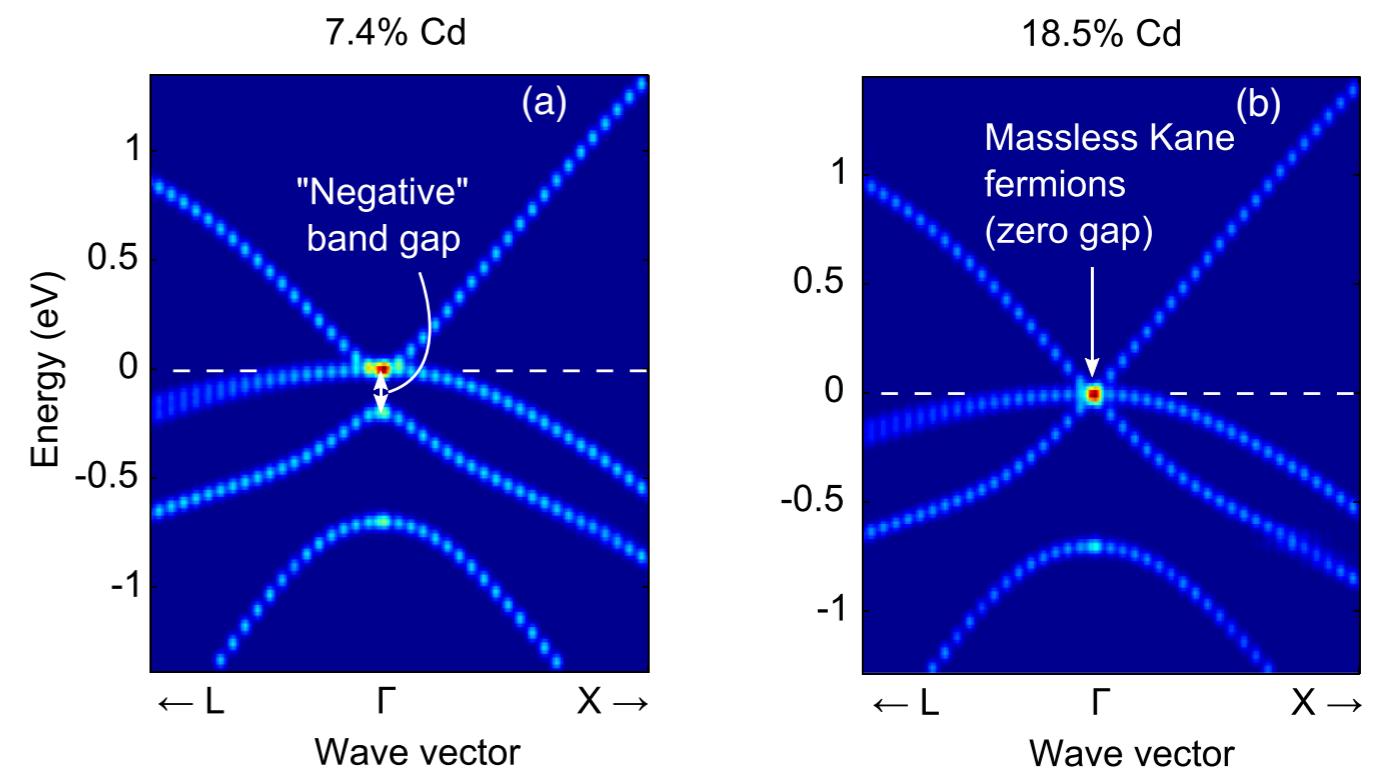
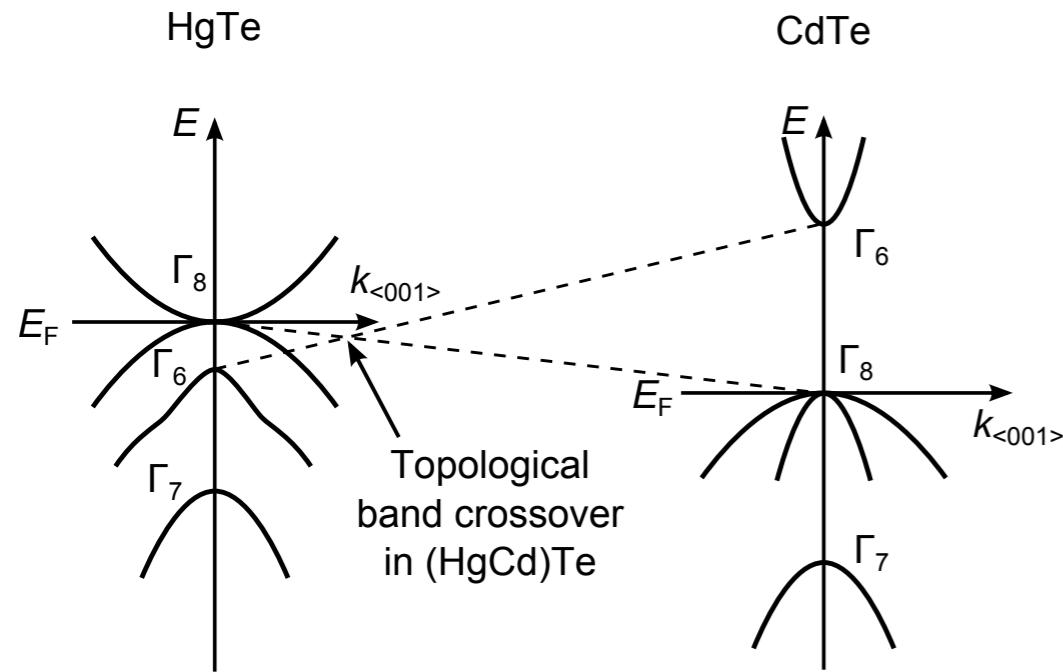
# Demonstration: Band structure of $\text{Si}_{1-x}\text{Ge}_x$ alloy ( $x \sim 0.2$ )



# Thermoelectric material: $\text{Si}_{0.7}\text{Ge}_{0.3}$

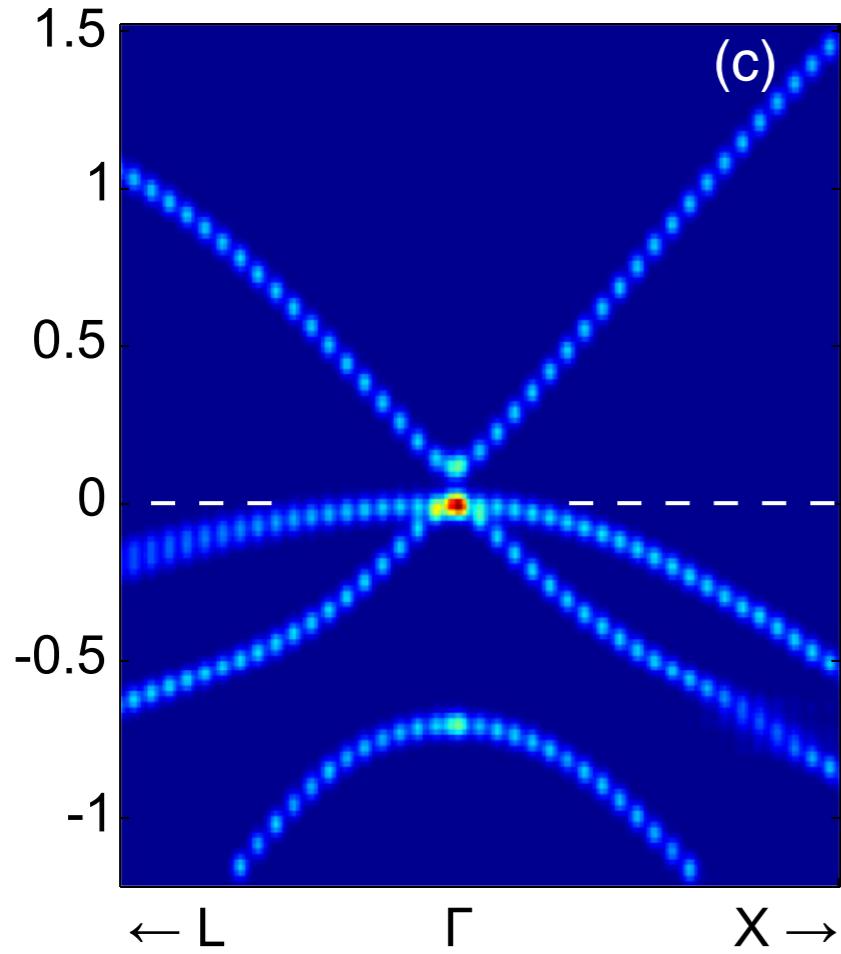


# (Hg,Cd)Te band structure evolution

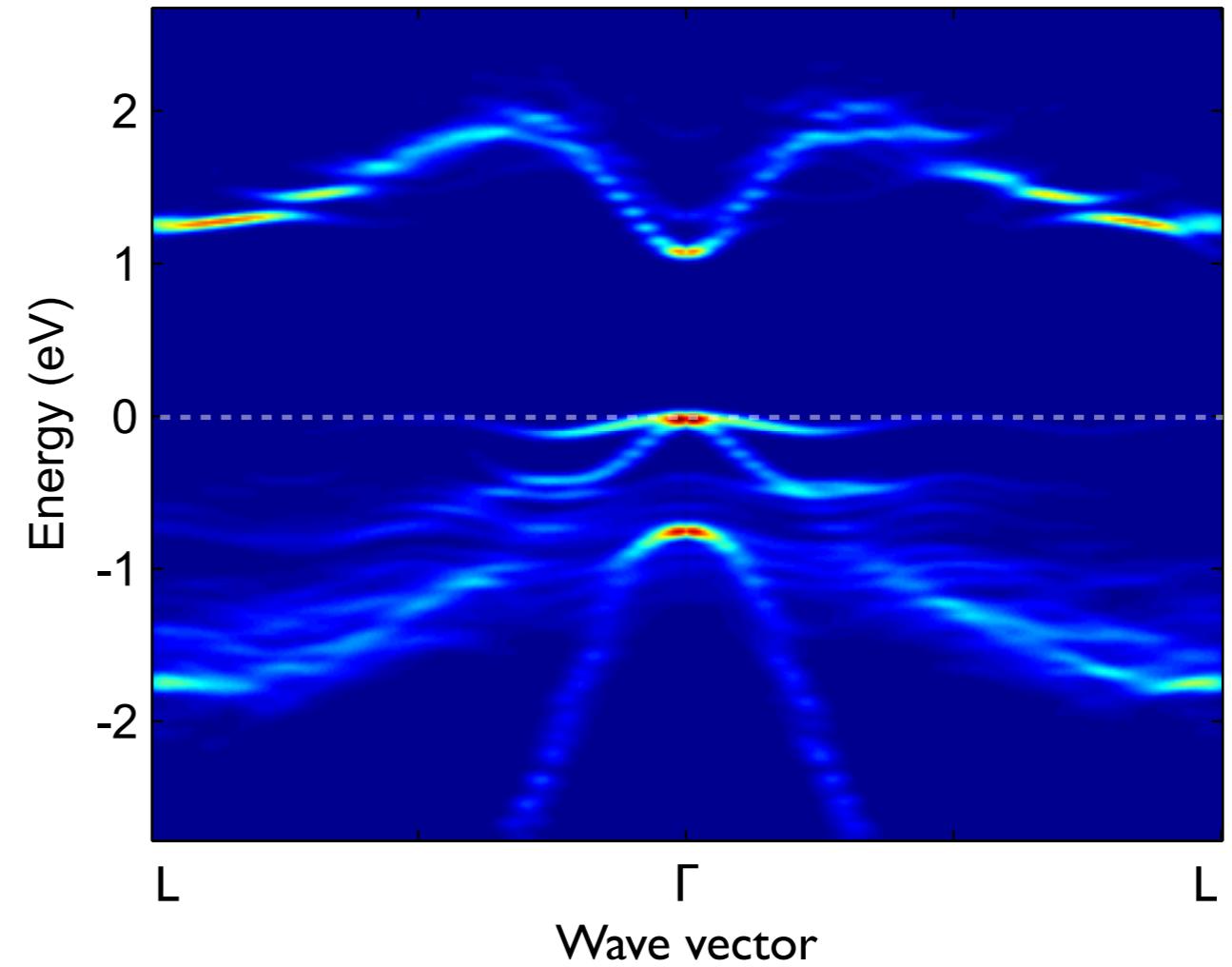


# Impact of alloying disorder on charge transport

$\text{CdTe} \rightarrow (\text{HgCd})\text{Te}$



$\text{GaAs} \rightarrow \text{Ga(AsBi)}$



$$\mu_e = 1,100 \rightarrow 1,000,000 \text{ cm}^2\text{V}^{-1}\text{s}^{-1}$$

$$\mu_h = 200 \rightarrow 10 \text{ cm}^2\text{V}^{-1}\text{s}^{-1}$$

$$\mu_e = 4,000 \rightarrow 2,500 \text{ cm}^2\text{V}^{-1}\text{s}^{-1}$$

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