

*Single-particle basis sets for realistic theories of correlated materials:*

Current construction:

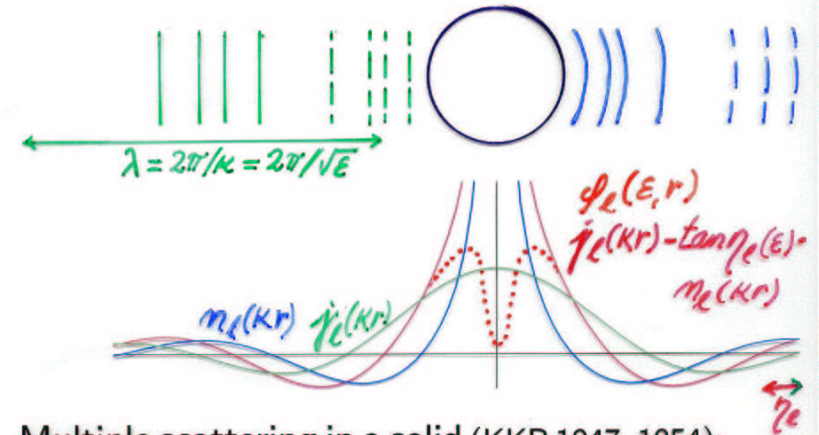
The single-particle Hilbert space is derived from a (Kohn-Sham) potential and a subspace of *localized* orbitals is separated for the *correlated* electrons

### Third-Generation MTOs

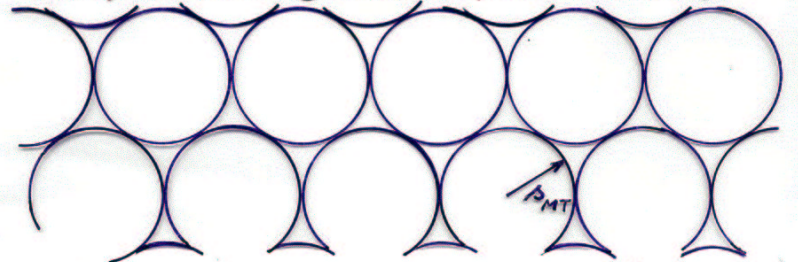
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Elastic scattering from a single atom:



Multiple scattering in a solid (KKR 1947, 1954):



$$\sum_{Rlm} [S_{R'l'm', Rlm}(\epsilon) - \delta_{R'l'm', Rlm} \kappa \cot \eta_{Rl}(\epsilon)] v_{Rlm} = 0$$

$$\sum_{lm} [S_{l'm', lm}(\mathbf{k}, \epsilon) - \delta_{l'm', lm} \kappa \cot \eta_l(\epsilon)] v_{lm} = 0$$

$$MTO \propto \begin{cases} n - ij, & r \geq \delta_{MT} \\ (j - \phi_K) \cot \eta - ij, & r \leq \delta_{MT} \end{cases}$$

*Multiple-scattering theory for spherical potential scatterers:*

As irregular solution of the radial wave-equation, choose the *Hankel fct*:

$$\begin{aligned} h_l(\varepsilon, r) &\equiv -i\kappa^{l+1} h_l^{(1)}(\kappa r) = \kappa^{l+1} [n_l(\kappa r) - i j_l(\kappa r)] \\ &\equiv n_l(\varepsilon, r) - i\kappa j_l(\varepsilon, r), \quad \kappa \equiv \varepsilon^{\frac{1}{2}}, \end{aligned}$$

which decays exponentially as a function of  $r$  for  $0 < \arg \varepsilon < 2\pi$ ,

is analytical for  $0 \leq \arg \varepsilon < 2\pi$ , and is real for negative  $\varepsilon$ .

$j_l(\varepsilon, r)$  (regular) and  $n_l(\varepsilon, r)$  (irregular) are real for real  $\varepsilon$ .

The bare MTO for a scatterer with *phase shifts*  $\eta_l(\varepsilon)$  and regular solutions  $\varphi_l(\varepsilon, r)$  of the radial Schrödinger equations, is:

$$\begin{aligned} \phi_{lm}(\varepsilon, \mathbf{r}) &\equiv Y_{lm}(\hat{\mathbf{r}}) \begin{cases} h_l(\varepsilon, r) & = n_l(\varepsilon, r) - i\kappa j_l(\varepsilon, r) & r \geq s \\ \varphi_l(\varepsilon, r) + \kappa \cot \eta_l(\varepsilon) j_l(\varepsilon, r) - i\kappa j_l(\varepsilon, r) & & r \leq s \end{cases} \\ &= Y_{lm}(\hat{\mathbf{r}}) [\varphi_l(\varepsilon, r) - \varphi_l^0(\varepsilon, r)] + Y_{lm}(\hat{\mathbf{r}}) h_l(\varepsilon, r) \end{aligned}$$

$\varphi_l(\varepsilon, r)$  and  $\kappa \cot \eta_l(\varepsilon)$  are real for real  $\varepsilon$ .  $\varphi_l^0(\varepsilon, r) \equiv n_l(\varepsilon, r) - \kappa \cot \eta_l(\varepsilon) j_l(\varepsilon, r)$

$\varphi_l(\varepsilon, r) - \varphi_l^0(\varepsilon, r)$  vanishes smoothly for  $r \rightarrow s$ .

For a solid with sites  $R$ , condition for solution of Schrödinger's eqn at  $\varepsilon$  :

$$\mathcal{P}_{R'l'm'}(\tau) \sum_{Rlm}^{\neq R'} c_{Rlm} h_{Rlm}(\varepsilon, \mathbf{r} - \mathbf{R}) = c_{R'l'm'} [-\kappa \cot \eta_{R'l'}(\varepsilon) + i\kappa] j_{l'}(\varepsilon, r)$$

for all  $R'l'm' \equiv R'L'$ . This expresses tail-cancellation. Project onto  $\mathbf{R}' \neq \mathbf{R}$  :

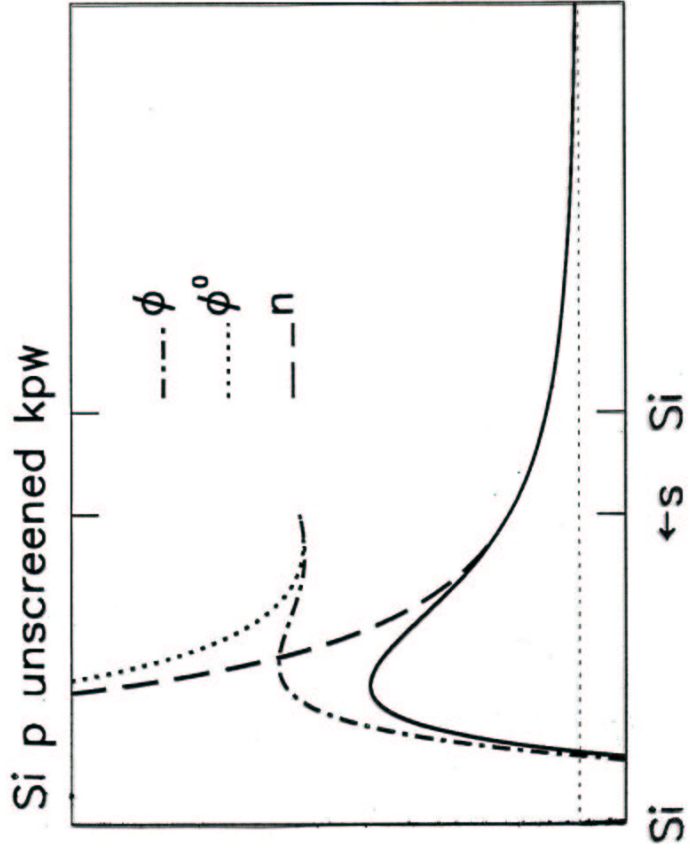
$$\begin{aligned} \mathcal{P}_{R'L'}(r) h_l(\varepsilon, |\mathbf{r} - \mathbf{R}|) Y_L(\widehat{\mathbf{r} - \mathbf{R}}) &\equiv \mathcal{P}_{R'L'}(r) h_L(\varepsilon, r - \mathbf{R}) = \\ j_{l'}(\varepsilon, r) \sum_{l''} 4\pi C_{LLl'l''} i^{-l+l'-l''} \kappa^{l-l'-l''} h_{l'' m' - m}(\varepsilon, \mathbf{R} - \mathbf{R}') &\equiv \\ j_{l'}(\varepsilon, r) S_{R'L', RL}(\varepsilon) = j_{l'}(\varepsilon, r) [S_{n; R'L', RL}(\varepsilon) - i\kappa S_{j; R'L', RL}(\varepsilon)] \end{aligned}$$

$S(\varepsilon)$  is the *bare structure matrix*. On-site elements  $\equiv -i\kappa \delta_{LL}$ .

For  $\varepsilon$  real,  $S_n(\varepsilon)$  and  $S_j(\varepsilon)$  are real and symmetric. The tail-cancellation condition gives rise to the linear, homogeneous KKR equations:

$$0 = \sum_{RL} [S_{R'L', RL}(\varepsilon_i) + \kappa \cot \eta_{Rl}(\varepsilon_i) \delta_{R'R} \delta_{L'L}] c_{RL, i} \equiv \sum_{RL} K_{R'L', RL}(\varepsilon_i) c_{RL, i}$$

for all  $R'L'$ . Good  $l$ -convergence because  $\eta_l(\varepsilon) = 0$  for  $l \gtrsim 3$ .



The set of screened spherical waves are solutions of the wave-equation:

$$h_{\bar{R}\bar{L}}^{\alpha}(\epsilon, \mathbf{r} - \mathbf{R}) = \sum_{\bar{R}\bar{L}} h_{\bar{R}\bar{L}}^{\alpha}(\epsilon, \mathbf{r} - \mathbf{R}) M_{\bar{R}\bar{L}, \bar{R}\bar{L}}^{\alpha}(\epsilon),$$

with specified phase shifts,  $\alpha_{RL}(\epsilon)$  –the medium– in all other channels:

$$j_{\bar{R}\bar{L}}^{\alpha}(\epsilon, \tau) \equiv j_l(\epsilon, \tau) - \frac{\tan \alpha_{RL}(\epsilon)}{\kappa} n_l(\epsilon, \tau)$$

$$\begin{aligned} \mathcal{P}_{R'L'}(\tau) h_{\bar{R}\bar{L}}^{\alpha}(\epsilon, \mathbf{r} - \mathbf{R}) &= n_l(\epsilon, \tau) \delta_{R'R} \delta_{L'L} + j_{R'L'}^{\alpha}(\epsilon, \tau) S_{R'L', RL}^{\alpha}(\epsilon) \\ &= n_l(\epsilon, \tau) \left[ \delta_{R'R} \delta_{L'L} - \frac{\tan \alpha_{R'L'}(\epsilon)}{\kappa} S_{R'L', RL}^{\alpha}(\epsilon) \right] + j_l(\epsilon, \tau) S_{R'L', RL}^{\alpha}(\epsilon) \end{aligned}$$

$$\mathcal{P}_{R'L'}(\tau) h_{\bar{R}\bar{L}}^{\alpha}(\epsilon, \mathbf{r} - \mathbf{R}) = \sum_{\bar{R}\bar{L}} [n_l(\epsilon, \tau) \delta_{R'\bar{R}} \delta_{L'\bar{L}} + j_l(\epsilon, \tau) S_{R'L', \bar{R}\bar{L}}(\epsilon)] M_{\bar{R}\bar{L}, RL}^{\alpha}$$

$$M^{\alpha}(\epsilon) = 1 - \frac{\tan \alpha(\epsilon)}{\kappa} S^{\alpha}(\epsilon), \quad S^{\alpha}(\epsilon)^{-1} = S(\epsilon)^{-1} + \frac{\tan \alpha(\epsilon)}{\kappa}$$

$$S^\alpha(\epsilon) = \kappa \cot \alpha(\epsilon) - \kappa \cot \alpha(\epsilon) [S(\epsilon) + \kappa \cot \alpha(\epsilon)]^{-1} \kappa \cot \alpha(\epsilon)$$

Re  $h^\alpha(\epsilon, \mathbf{r})$  is a solution for the *inhomogeneous* boundary condition:

:  $n(\kappa, \mathbf{r})$  in the *eigen-channel* and  $\alpha j^\alpha(\kappa, \mathbf{r})$  in all *other* channels.

Im  $h^\alpha(\epsilon, \mathbf{r})$  is a solution for the *homogeneous* boundary condition:

:  $\alpha j^\alpha(\kappa, \mathbf{r})$  in *all* channels.

Im  $h^\alpha(\epsilon, \mathbf{r}) = 0$  and Im  $S^\alpha(\epsilon) = 0$  for all energies where the medium has no eigenvalues. Those are the energies, for which  $h^\alpha(\epsilon, \mathbf{r})$  is *localized* and weakly energy dependent and for which we can generate the *screened structure matrix*,  $S^\alpha(\epsilon)$ , in real space.

The *screened* KKR equations become:

$$0 = \sum_{RL} \left[ S_{R'L',RL}^\alpha(\epsilon_i) + \kappa \cot \eta_{Rl}^\alpha(\epsilon_i) \delta_{R'R} \delta_{L'L} \right] c_{RL,i}^\alpha \equiv \sum_{RL} K_{R'L',RL}^\alpha(\epsilon_i) c_{RL,i}^\alpha$$

where the phase shifts with respect to the medium are given by:

$$: \quad \tan \eta_l^\alpha(\epsilon) = \tan \eta_l(\epsilon) - \tan \alpha_{RL}(\epsilon).$$

Screened MTOs = kinked partial waves (KPWs) = NMTOs with  $N=0$ :

$$\begin{aligned} \phi_{RL}^\alpha(\epsilon, \mathbf{r} - \mathbf{R}) &= \\ [\varphi_{RL}^\alpha(\epsilon, |\mathbf{r} - \mathbf{R}|) - \varphi_{RL}^{\alpha}(\epsilon, |\mathbf{r} - \mathbf{R}|)] Y_L(\widehat{\mathbf{r} - \mathbf{R}}) + h_{RL}^\alpha(\epsilon, \mathbf{r} - \mathbf{R}) \end{aligned}$$

Partition the  $RL$ -channels into *active* ( $A$ ) and *passive* ( $P$ ) channels:

$RL$	$\alpha(\epsilon)$	subst the irregular $j_{RL}^\alpha(\epsilon, \mathbf{r})$ by	
$A$ :	$0 \equiv j_{RL}^\alpha(\epsilon, a_R)$	0	kink
$P$ :	$\alpha_{RL}(\epsilon) \equiv \eta_{Rl}(\epsilon)$	$c_1 \cdot \varphi_{Rl}(\epsilon, \mathbf{r})$	smooth

$A$ -channels are chosen to give localization by means of *confining* –or *hard*– spheres of radii,  $a_R$ . Upon a renormalization,  $K^\alpha \rightarrow$  kink matrix.

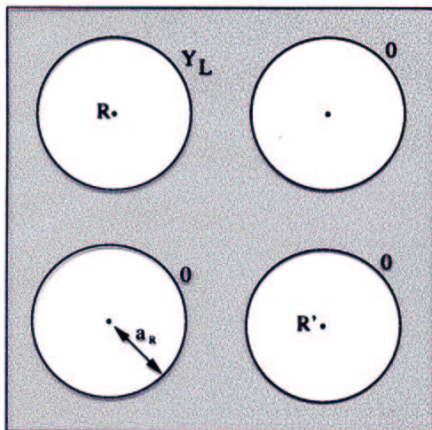
$P$ -channels only contribute to MTO tails and are deleted from the screened KKR equations, which say that the superposition of active kinked partial waves should be smooth, because  $\kappa \cot \eta_P^\alpha = \infty$ .

### Screened spherical waves: SSW's

Position a spherical wave (i.e a multipole)

$$Y_L(\theta, \phi) n_L(\kappa r)$$

at site  $R$ . Screen at all other sites  $R'$



$a_R$  = hard core radii (non-overlapping)

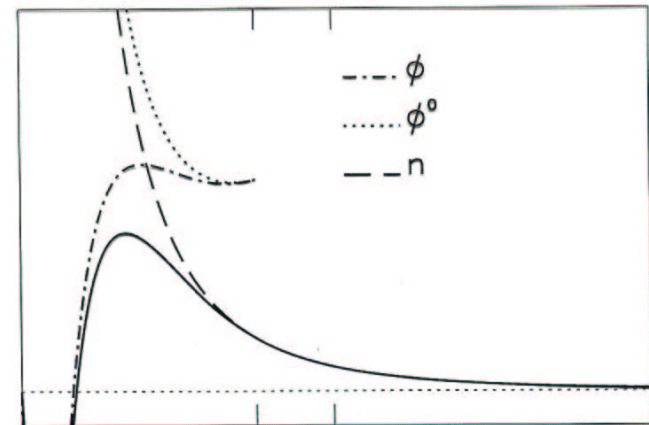
Mathematical definition:

$$\nabla^2 |\psi\rangle = -\kappa^2 |\psi\rangle$$

boundary conditions:

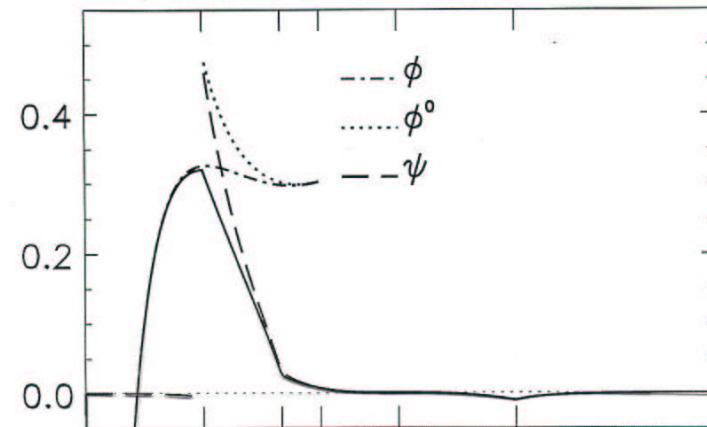
$$|\psi_{RL}(a_{R'})\rangle = \delta_{R,R'} \delta_{L,L'} Y_L$$

Si p unscreened kpw



Si ←s Si

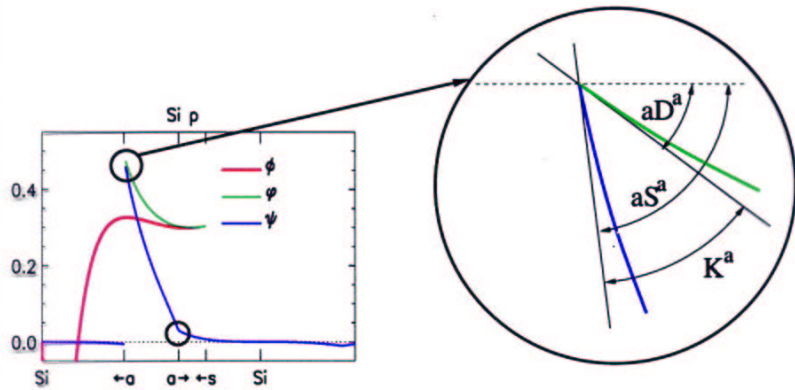
Si p kinked partial wave



Si ←a a -s Si ←a

# Kink Matrix

$$K_{Rlm,R'l'm'}^a(\epsilon)$$

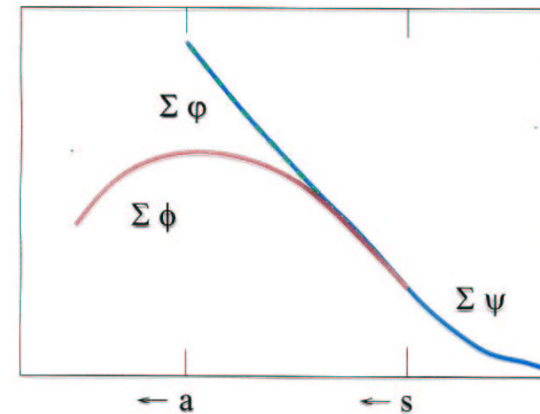


Make superposition of kinked partial waves.

Demand kink cancellation ⇒

Screened KKR equations

$$\sum_{RL} K_{R'L',RL}(\epsilon) c_{RL} = 0$$



Since  $K^a(\epsilon)$  gives the kinks of the set of kinked partial waves  $\phi^a(\epsilon, \mathbf{r})$ ,

$$(\mathcal{H} - \epsilon) \phi_{R'L'}^a(\epsilon, \mathbf{r}) = - \sum_{RL \in A} \delta(\tau_R - a_R) Y_L(\hat{\mathbf{r}}_R) K_{RL, R'L'}^a(\epsilon)$$

Defining a Green matrix:  $G^a(\epsilon) \equiv K^a(\epsilon)^{-1}$ , we get:

$$(\mathcal{H} - \epsilon) \sum_{R'L' \in A} \phi_{R'L'}^a(\epsilon, \mathbf{r}) G_{R'L', RL}^a(\epsilon) = -\delta(\tau_R - a_R) Y_L(\hat{\mathbf{r}}_R)$$

which is a contraction onto the hard spheres of the definition,

$$(\mathcal{H}_{\mathbf{r}} - \epsilon) G(\epsilon, \mathbf{r}, \mathbf{r}') = -\delta(\mathbf{r} - \mathbf{r}')$$

of the Green function. The contracted Green function,

$$\gamma_{RL}^a(\epsilon, \mathbf{r}) \equiv \sum_{R'L' \in A} \phi_{R'L'}^a(\epsilon, \mathbf{r}) G_{R'L', RL}^a(\epsilon)$$

has kink 1 in the own ( $RL$ ) channel, is smooth everywhere else, and has poles at the eigenvalues.

#### Down and up-folding:

In order that the MTOs transform linearly among each other upon the downfolding, we keep the radii  $a_R$  constant, and almost touching (ionic). In the following,  $b$  refers to a "complete" representation with active channels  $B$  including all atoms and  $l \lesssim 3$ .  $a$  refers to a down-folded representation with active channels  $A$ , a subset of  $B$ :  $B = A + I$ . From their definition, the two contracted Green functions,  $\gamma_{RL}^a(\epsilon, \mathbf{r})$  and  $\gamma_{RL}^b(\epsilon, \mathbf{r})$ , are *identical* for  $RL \in A$ , but the functions with  $RL \in I$  exist only in the  $b$ -set and not in the  $a$ -set.

$$\phi^a(\epsilon, \mathbf{r}) G^a(\epsilon) = \gamma_A(\epsilon, \mathbf{r}) = \phi_A^b(\epsilon, \mathbf{r}) G_{AA}^b(\epsilon) + \phi_I^b(\epsilon, \mathbf{r}) G_{IA}^b(\epsilon)$$

Partitioning yields for respectively  $b$  and  $a$ :

$$\left\{ \begin{array}{l} K_{AA}^b(\epsilon) \\ K_{IA}^b(\epsilon) \end{array} \right\} \left\{ \begin{array}{l} K_{AI}^b(\epsilon) \\ K_{II}^b(\epsilon) \end{array} \right\} = \left\{ \begin{array}{l} G_{AA}^b(\epsilon) \\ G_{IA}^b(\epsilon) \end{array} \right\} \left\{ \begin{array}{l} G_{AI}^b(\epsilon) \\ G_{II}^b(\epsilon) \end{array} \right\} = \left\{ \begin{array}{l} 1 \ 0 \\ 0 \ 1 \end{array} \right\},$$

$$G_{AA}^b(\epsilon) = [K_{AA}^b(\epsilon) - K_{AI}^b(\epsilon)K_{II}^b(\epsilon)^{-1}K_{IA}^b(\epsilon)]^{-1} \quad (1)$$

$$G_{IA}^b(\epsilon) = -K_{II}^b(\epsilon)^{-1}K_{IA}^b(\epsilon)G_{AA}^b(\epsilon)$$

$$\left\{ \begin{array}{l} K_{AA}^a(\epsilon) \quad K_{AI}^a(\epsilon) \\ K_{IA}^a(\epsilon) \quad \infty \end{array} \right\} \left\{ \begin{array}{l} G_{AA}^a(\epsilon) \quad G_{AI}^a(\epsilon) \\ G_{IA}^a(\epsilon) \quad G_{II}^a(\epsilon) \end{array} \right\} = \left\{ \begin{array}{l} 1 \quad 0 \\ 0 \quad 1 \end{array} \right\},$$

$$G_{IA}^a(\epsilon) = G_{AI}^a(\epsilon) = G_{II}^a(\epsilon) = 0, \quad G_{AA}^a(\epsilon) = K_{AA}^a(\epsilon)^{-1} = G^a(\epsilon)$$

$$\phi_A^a(\epsilon, \mathbf{r}) K_{AA}^a(\epsilon)^{-1} = [\phi_A^b(\epsilon, \mathbf{r}) - \phi_I^b(\epsilon, \mathbf{r}) K_{II}^b(\epsilon)^{-1} K_{IA}^b(\epsilon)] G_{AA}^b(\epsilon) \quad (2)$$

which yields the *up-folding* of  $\phi_A^a(\epsilon, \mathbf{r})$  and the *downfolding* to  $K_{AA}^a(\epsilon)$ : Since  $b$  is a strongly screened (tight-binding) representation, we start by generating  $S^b(\epsilon)$  through inversion of  $[S(\epsilon) + \kappa \cot \beta(\epsilon)]_{BB}$  for a real-space cluster. For a crystal, we may Bloch sum to  $S^b(\epsilon, \mathbf{k})$  and add  $\kappa \cot \eta^\beta(\epsilon)$  in the diagonal to get  $K^b(\epsilon, \mathbf{k})$ . *Downfolding* to  $K_{AA}^a(\epsilon)$  is given by (2) and (1). After finding the eigenvalues and eigenvectors

in the  $a$ -representation using e.g. the NMTO method, we *unfold* the wavefunction, charge density, or Green function using (2).

The screening transformation for the *Green matrix*,  $G^\alpha(\epsilon)$ , is simply:

$$G^\alpha(\epsilon) = \left[ 1 - \frac{\tan \alpha(\epsilon)}{\tan \eta(\epsilon)} \right] G(\epsilon) \left[ 1 - \frac{\tan \alpha(\epsilon)}{\tan \eta(\epsilon)} \right] + \frac{\tan \alpha(\epsilon)}{\kappa} \left[ 1 - \frac{\tan \alpha(\epsilon)}{\tan \eta(\epsilon)} \right]$$

which involves *no* matrix operations. Similarly, re-screening from  $\beta$  to  $\alpha$ :

$$G^\alpha(\epsilon) = \frac{\tan \eta^\alpha(\epsilon)}{\tan \eta^\beta(\epsilon)} G^\beta(\epsilon) - \frac{\tan \eta^\alpha(\epsilon)}{\tan \eta^\beta(\epsilon)} \frac{\tan \beta(\epsilon) - \tan \alpha(\epsilon)}{\kappa} \frac{\tan \eta^\alpha(\epsilon)}{\tan \eta^\beta(\epsilon)}$$

which is the so-called *scaling relation*. Note that this formalism has been carried out assuming finite matrices. For infinite systems, they should therefore only be used in the  $\mathbf{k}$ -representation, unless due consideration is given.



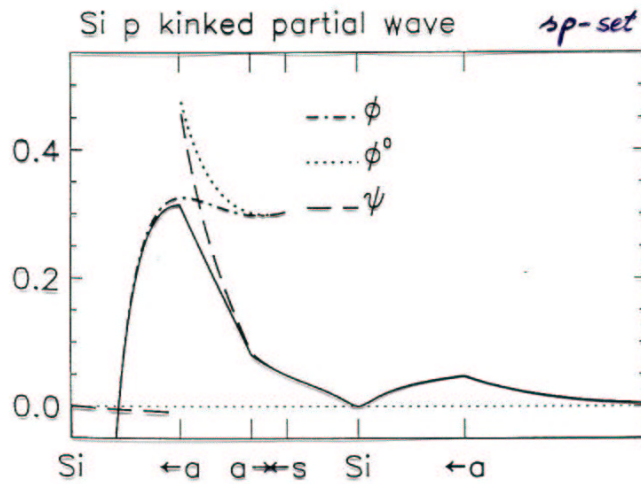
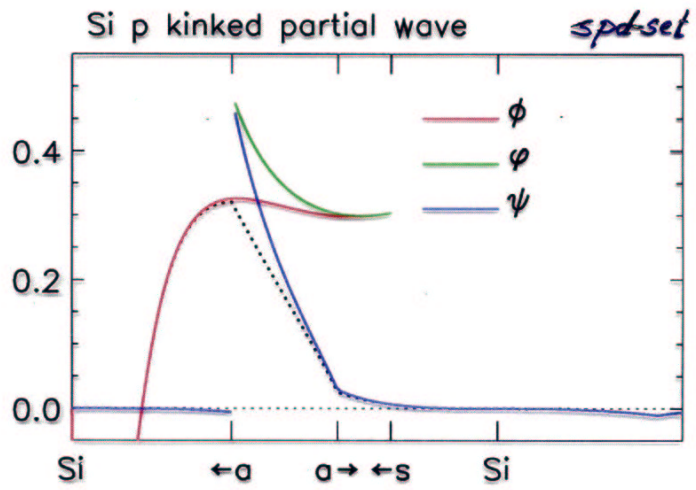
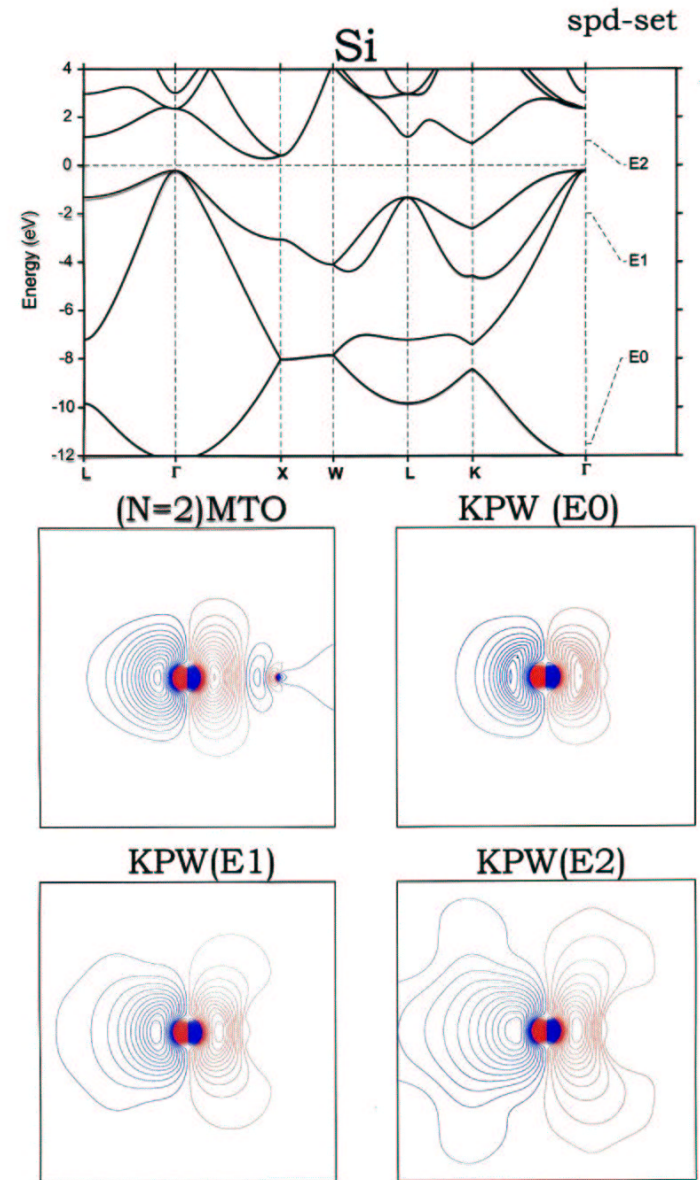
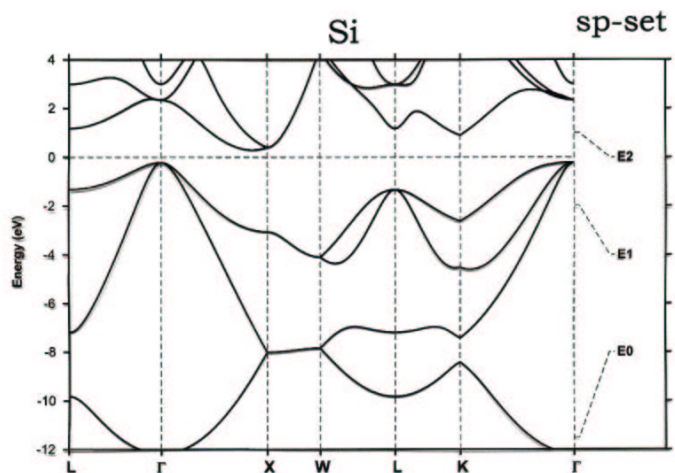


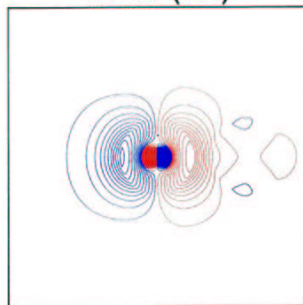
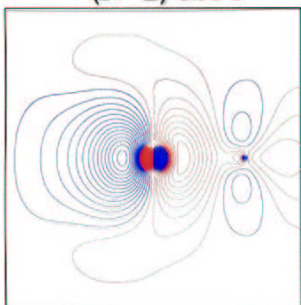
Fig. 4. Si  $p_{111}$  member of a screened minimal  $sp$ -set





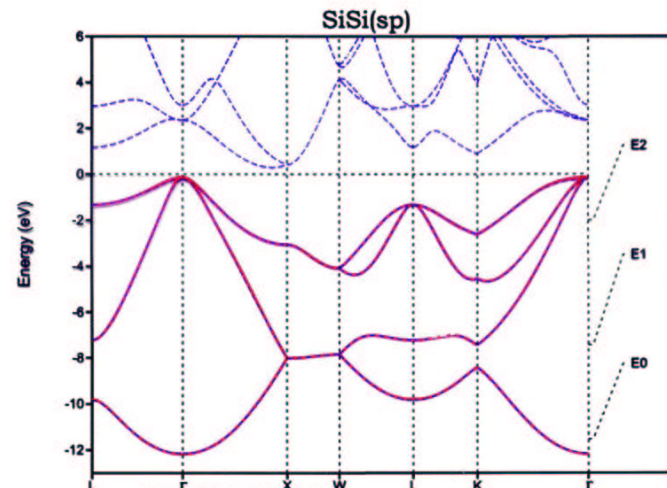
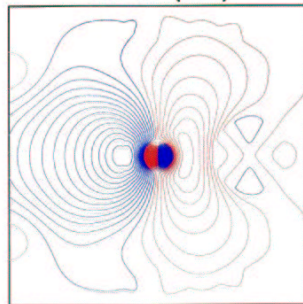
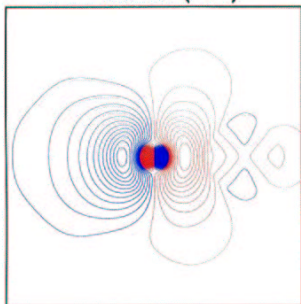
(N=2) MTO

KPW (E0)



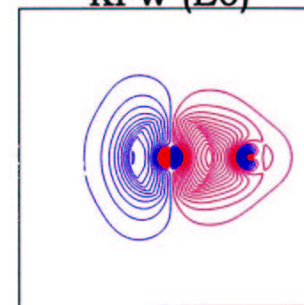
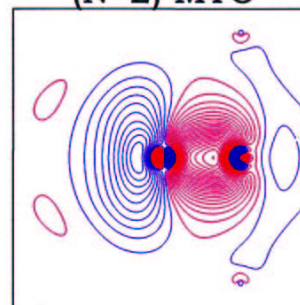
KPW (E1)

KPW (E2)



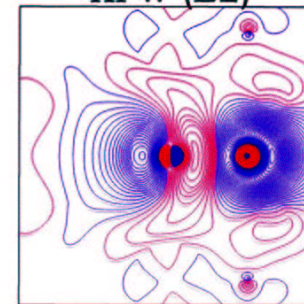
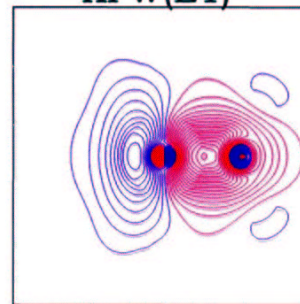
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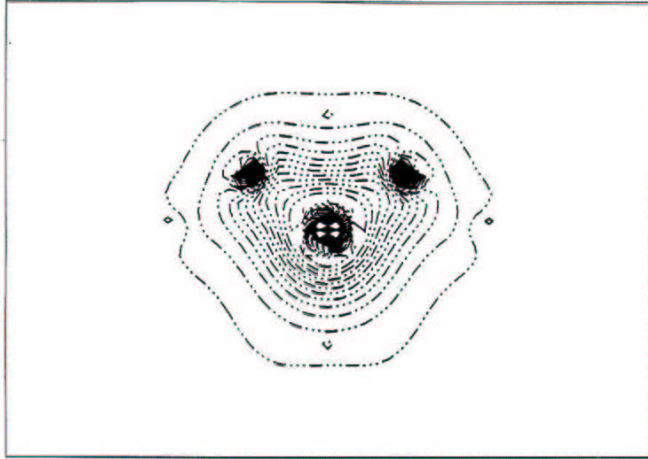


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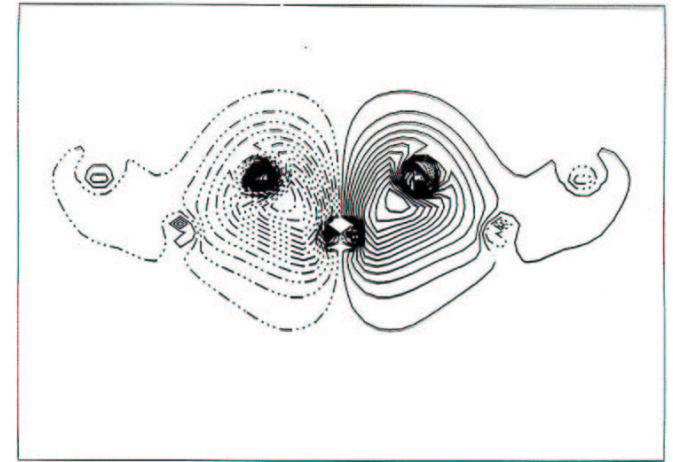
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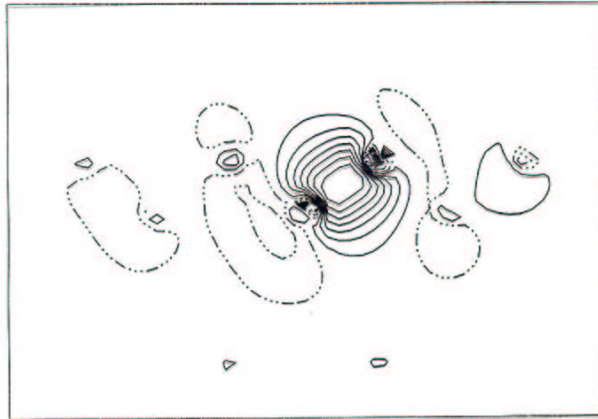
*Orthogonalized  $S_i$   $S_j$  orbital*



*Orthogonalized  $S_i \times S_j$  orbital*



Orthonormalize the  $(Si1_s, Si1_x, Si1_y, Si1_z)$ -NMTO set and form  $Si1\ sp^3$  directed orbitals:



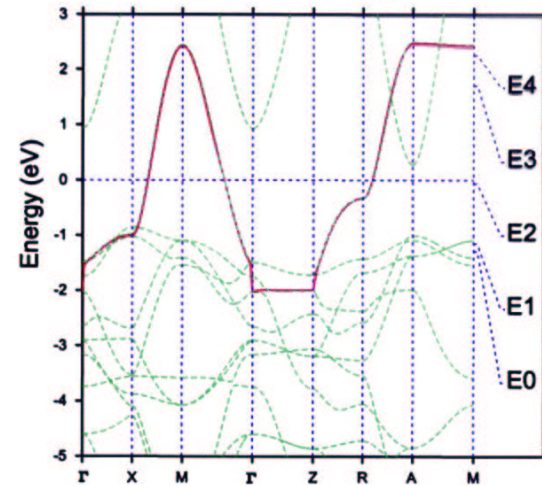
This converges to the bond orbital, if the energy mesh is made finer!

⇒ Direct generation of Wannier-like orbitals.

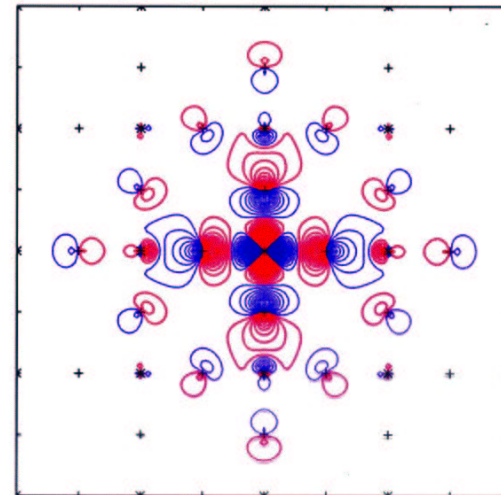
For the occupied states in band insulators, put the orbitals where the electrons are thought to be.

⇒ Order-N method.

### CaCuO<sub>2</sub>(flat)



### (N=4) MTO



## NMT0s

Given an energy mesh,  $\epsilon_0, \epsilon_1, \dots, \epsilon_N$ ,

can we generate a basis set,  $\chi^{(N)}(\mathbf{r})$ , with the property

that it spans the solutions of Schrödinger's equation,  $\Psi_i(\mathbf{r})$ ,

to within errors  $\propto (\epsilon_i - \epsilon_0)(\epsilon_i - \epsilon_1) \dots (\epsilon_i - \epsilon_N)$ ?

$$\chi_{R'L'}^{(N)}(\mathbf{r}) = \sum_{n=0}^N \sum_{RL} \phi_{RL}(\epsilon_n, \mathbf{r}) L_{nRL,R'L'}^{(N)}$$

Andersen and Saha-Dasgupta, Phys Rev B62 R16219 (2000)

$$(\mathcal{H} - \epsilon) \phi_{R'L'}^a(\epsilon, \mathbf{r}) = - \sum_{RL} \delta(\tau_R - a_{RL}) Y_L(\hat{\mathbf{r}}_R) K_{RL,R'L'}^a(\epsilon)$$

$$(\mathcal{H} - \epsilon) \sum_{R'L'} \phi_{R'L'}^a(\epsilon, \mathbf{r}) G_{R'L',RL}^a(\epsilon) = -\delta(\tau_R - a_{RL}) Y_L(\hat{\mathbf{r}}_R)$$

$$(\mathcal{H}_R - \epsilon) G(\epsilon; \mathbf{r}, \mathbf{r}') = -\delta(\mathbf{r} - \mathbf{r}')$$

$$\phi(\epsilon, \mathbf{r}) G(\epsilon) - \sum_{n=0}^N \phi(\epsilon_n, \mathbf{r}) G(\epsilon_n) A_n^{(N)}(\epsilon) \equiv \chi^{(N)}(\epsilon, \mathbf{r}) G(\epsilon)$$

analytical fct of  $\epsilon$

$$\phi(\epsilon, \mathbf{r}) G(\epsilon) - \sum_{n=0}^N \phi(\epsilon_n, \mathbf{r}) G(\epsilon_n) A_n^{(N)}(\epsilon) \equiv \chi^{(N)}(\epsilon, \mathbf{r}) G(\epsilon)$$

$$\text{Want: } \chi^{(N)}(\epsilon_0, \mathbf{r}) = \chi^{(N)}(\epsilon_1, \mathbf{r}) = \dots = \chi^{(N)}(\epsilon_N, \mathbf{r})$$

$A_n^{(N)}(\epsilon) = \text{polynomial of degree } N-1$

$$\frac{\Delta^N \phi(\mathbf{r}) G}{\Delta[0\dots N]} - 0 = \frac{\Delta^N \chi^{(N)}(\mathbf{r}) G}{\Delta[0\dots N]} = \chi^{(N)}(\mathbf{r}) \frac{\Delta^N G}{\Delta[0\dots N]},$$

$$\chi^{(N)}(\mathbf{r}) = \frac{\Delta^N \phi(\mathbf{r}) G}{\Delta[0\dots N]} \left( \frac{\Delta^N G}{\Delta[0\dots N]} \right)^{-1} \rightarrow \frac{d^N \phi(\epsilon, \mathbf{r}) G(\epsilon)}{d\epsilon^N} \Big|_{\epsilon_\nu} \left( \frac{d^N G(\epsilon)}{d\epsilon^N} \Big|_{\epsilon_\nu} \right)^{-1}$$

$$\chi^{(N)}(\mathbf{r}) = \sum_{n=0}^N \frac{\phi_n(\mathbf{r}) G_n}{\prod_{m=0, \neq n}^N (\epsilon_n - \epsilon_m)} \left( \frac{\Delta^N G}{\Delta[0\dots N]} \right)^{-1} \equiv \sum_{n=0}^N \phi_n(\mathbf{r}) L_n^{(N)},$$

$$\begin{aligned} \chi^{(N)}(\mathbf{r}) = & \phi(\epsilon_N, \mathbf{r}) + \frac{\Delta \phi(\mathbf{r})}{\Delta[N-1, N]} (E^{(N)} - \epsilon_N) + \dots \\ & \dots + \frac{\Delta^N \phi(\mathbf{r})}{\Delta[0\dots N]} (E^{(1)} - \epsilon_1) \dots (E^{(N)} - \epsilon_N), \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \phi^{(N)}(\epsilon, \mathbf{r}) = & \phi(\epsilon_N, \mathbf{r}) + \frac{\Delta \phi(\mathbf{r})}{\Delta[N-1, N]} (\epsilon - \epsilon_N) + \dots \\ & \dots + \frac{\Delta^N \phi(\mathbf{r})}{\Delta[0\dots N]} (\epsilon - \epsilon_1) \dots (\epsilon - \epsilon_N), \end{aligned}$$

The MTO set is a polynomial approximation to the energy dependence of the set of kinked partial waves, in 'quantized' form.

$$(\mathcal{H} - \epsilon_N) \chi^{(N)}(\mathbf{r}) = \chi^{(N-1)}(\mathbf{r}) (E^{(N)} - \epsilon_N)$$

$$E^{(M)} = \left( \frac{\Delta^M \epsilon_G}{\Delta[0..M]} \right) \left( \frac{\Delta^M G}{\Delta[0..M]} \right)^{-1}$$

Hamiltonian and overlap matrices from:

$$\frac{\Delta^N G}{\Delta[0..N]} \langle \chi^{(N)} | \epsilon - \mathcal{H} | \chi^{(N)} \rangle \frac{\Delta^N G}{\Delta[0..N]} =$$

$$\frac{\Delta^{2N} G}{\Delta[[0..N-1]N]} + (\epsilon - \epsilon_N) \frac{\Delta^{2N+1} G}{\Delta[[0..N]]}$$

We may transform to (nearly) orthonormal sets:

$$\langle \hat{\chi}^{(M-1)} | \hat{\chi}^{(M)} \rangle \equiv \langle \hat{\chi}^{(L)} | \hat{\chi}^{(L)} \rangle \equiv \mathbf{1}$$

for all  $\mathbf{1} \leq M \leq N$  and one  $L$ .

In such a representation, the energy matrices are Hermitian:

$$\hat{E}^{(M)} - \epsilon_M = \langle \hat{\chi}^{(M)} | \mathcal{H} - \epsilon_M | \hat{\chi}^{(M)} \rangle,$$

We have derived useful, minimal sets of short-ranged orbitals from scattering theory.

Into a calculation enters:

- (1) The phase shifts of the potential wells.
- (2) A choice of which orbitals to include in the set, *i.e.* the active channels.
- (3) For these, a choice of screening radii,  $a_{RL}$ , to control the orbital ranges.
- (4) An energy mesh on which the set will provide exact solutions.

These MTOs have significant advantages over those used in the past.