

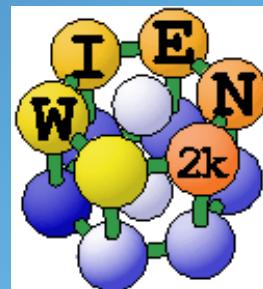
# Wannier functions

Macroscopic polarization  
(Berry phase) and related properties

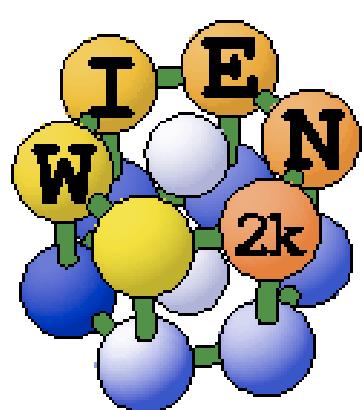
Effective band structure of alloys

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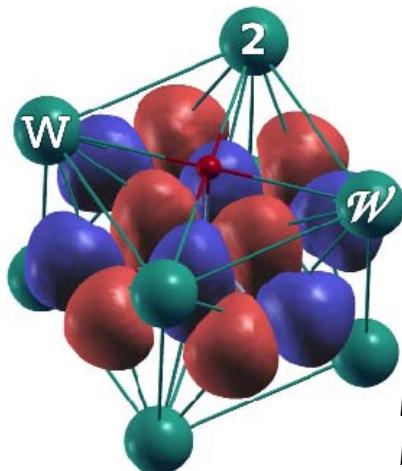
(from Oleg Rubel, McMaster Univ, Canada)



# Wannier functions



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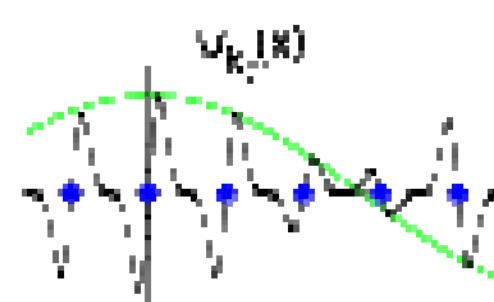
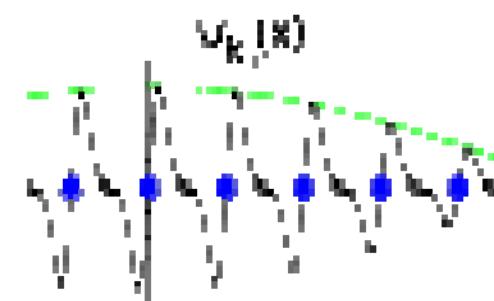
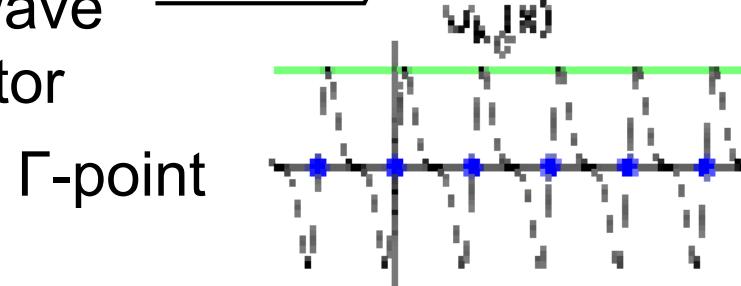
*Wannier90: A Tool for Obtaining Maximally-Localised  
Wannier Functions*

A. A. Mostofi, J. R. Yates, Y.-S. Lee, I. Souza, D.  
Vanderbilt and N. Marzari  
*Comput. Phys. Commun.* **178**, 685 (2008)  
[<http://wannier.org>]

# Bloch vs Wannier functions

Indexed by  
the wave  
vector

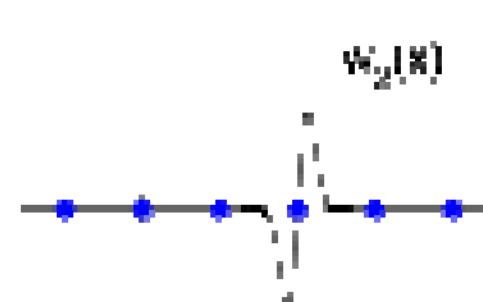
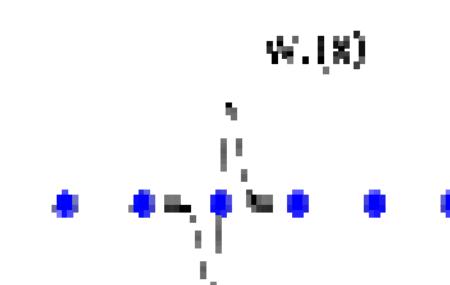
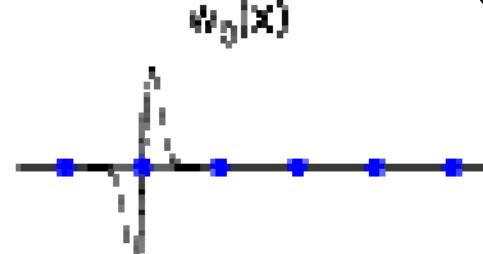
# Bloch functions



Both sets: complete and orthonormal

# Wannier functions (localized orbitals)

$$|\text{R}n\rangle = \frac{V}{(2\pi)^3} \int_{\text{BZ}} dk e^{-ik \cdot R} |\phi_{nk}\rangle.$$



Indexed by  
the lattice  
vector in real  
space

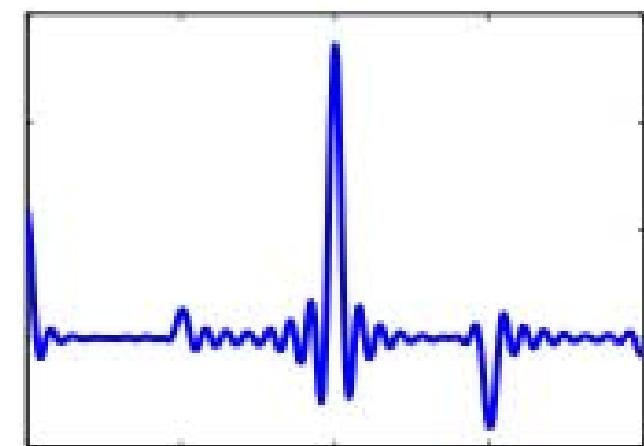
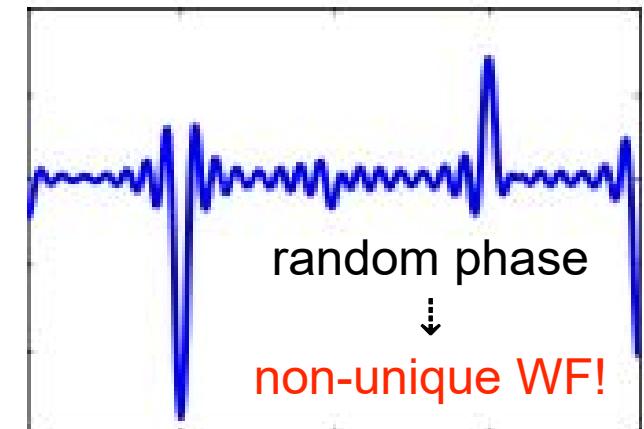
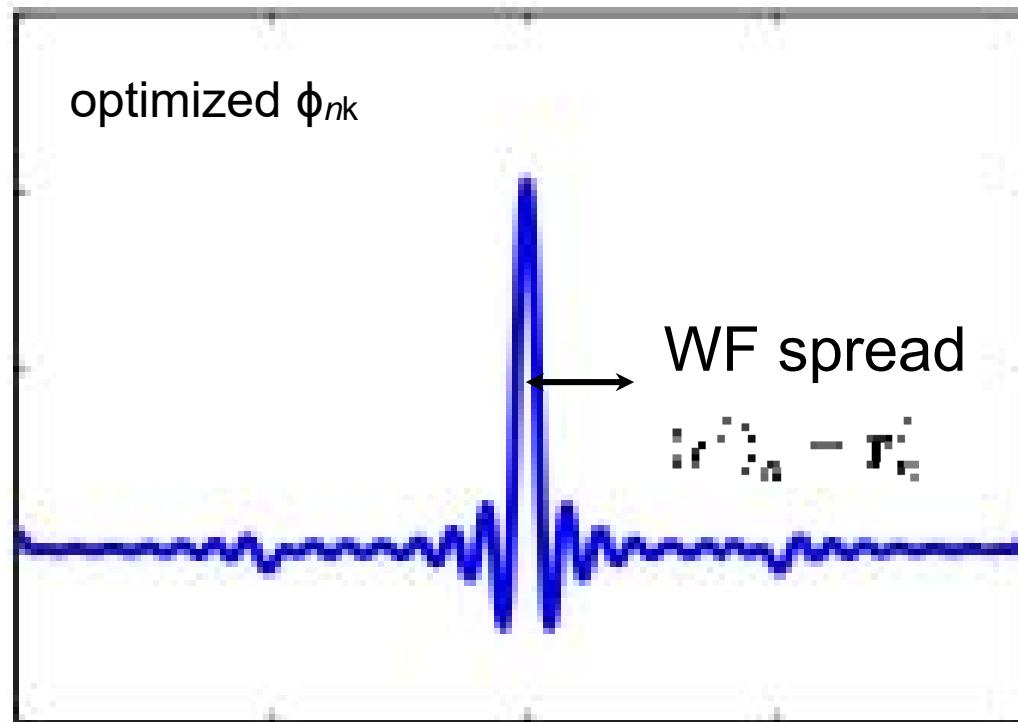
- Wannier:  
PRB 52, 191 (1997)
- Marzari et al.:  
PRB 56, 12847  
(1997)  
Rev. Mod. Phys.  
(2012)

# 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



$$|W nR\rangle = \frac{V}{(2\pi)} \int_{BZ} d\mathbf{k} \sum_m e^{i\mathbf{k}R} U_{mn}(\mathbf{k}) |\psi m\mathbf{k}\rangle$$

$$\Omega = \sum_n [(\langle 0_n | r' | 0_n \rangle - \langle 0_n | r | 0_n \rangle)^2 + \sum_n (\langle r' \rangle_n - \mathbf{r}_n)] \quad \text{choose } U(\mathbf{k}) \text{ to minimize spread } \Omega$$

# maximally localized wannier functions

- choose  $U(\mathbf{k})$  to minimize spread  $\rightsquigarrow$  MLWF
- total spread  $\Omega = \Omega_I + \tilde{\Omega}$  can be split into gauge-invariant part and rest

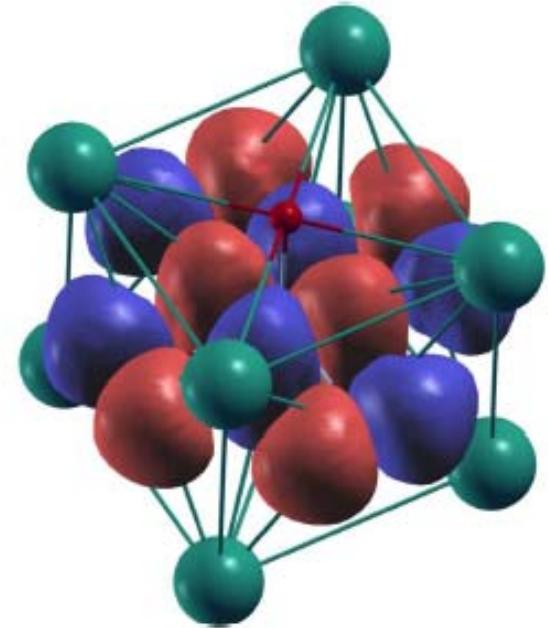
$\rightsquigarrow$  minimize  $\tilde{\Omega}$

- wannier90 computes  $U(\mathbf{k})$  in this way

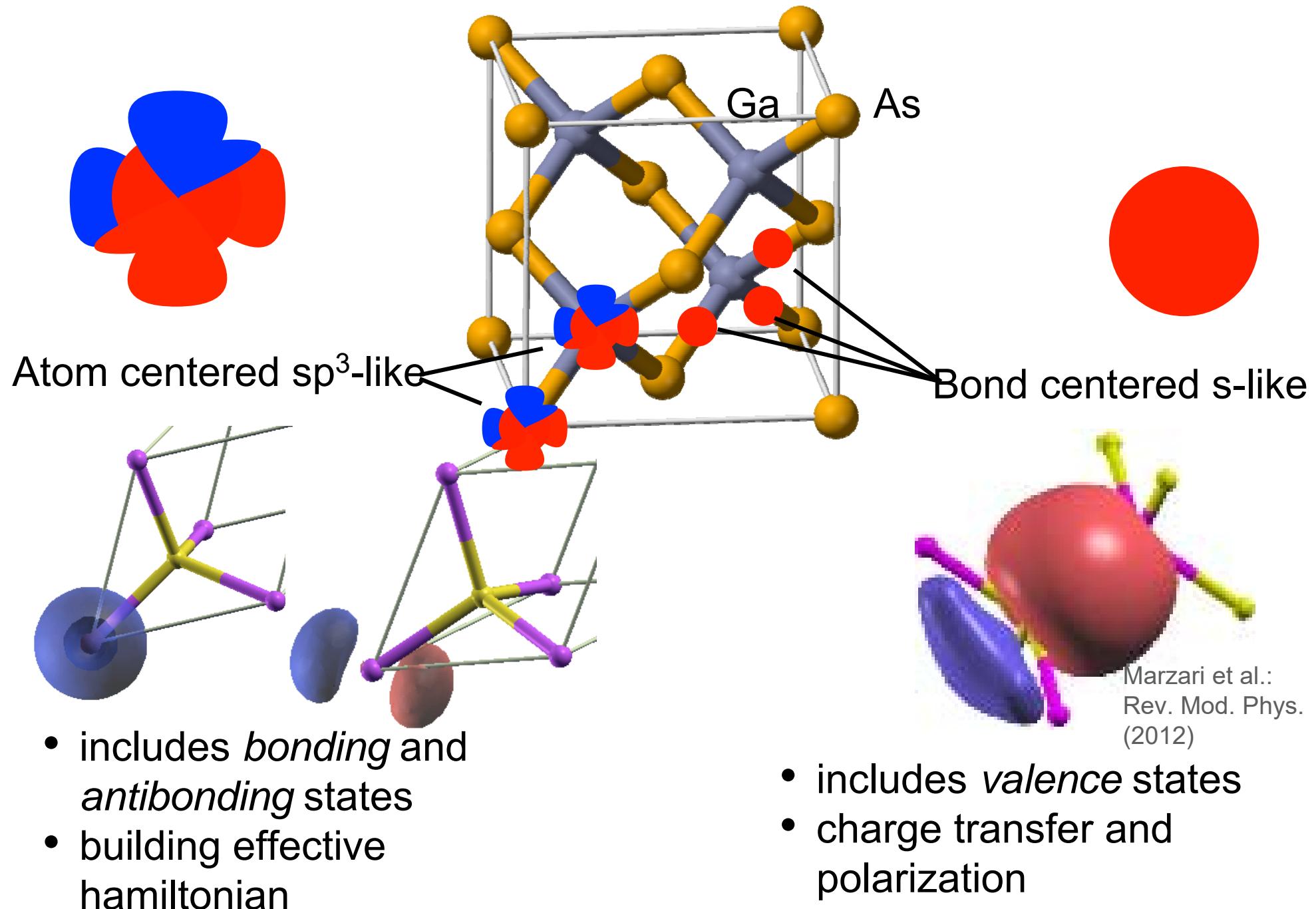
[Marzari *et al.*, Rev. Mod. Phys. 84, 1419 (2012)]  
<http://wannier.org>

- wien2wannier provides interface to Wien2k

[Kuneš, Wissgott *et al.*, Comp. Phys. Commun. 181, 1888]



# Two flavours of Wannier functions



# MLWF: applications

- analysis of chemical bonding  
*bonding* and *antibonding* states
- electric polarization and orbital magnetization  
*BerryPi (O.Rubel et al.)*
- Wannier interpolation (eg. Woptic, transport, ...)  
$$H(k)|_K \xrightarrow{F} H(R)|_{K^{-1}} \xrightarrow{F^{-1}} H(k)|_G$$
- building effective hamiltonian  
tight binding parameters  
input for dynamical mean field theory

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

## ~~\$ less GaAs-WANN hr.dat~~

0	0	0	1	1
0	0	0	2	1
0	0	0	3	1
0	0	0	4	1
0	0	0	5	1
0	0	0	6	1
0	0	0	7	1
0	0	0	8	1
0	0	1	1	1

# Neighbour unit cell

WF are well localized  
⇒ nearest-neighbour suffice

Matrix element (eV)  
 $\langle s_1 | H | s_1 \rangle = E_{s1}$

-4.335108 0.000000 (Im part = 0)

0.000001

-0.000001

0.000000

0 000001

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-1 472358

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-1.157088

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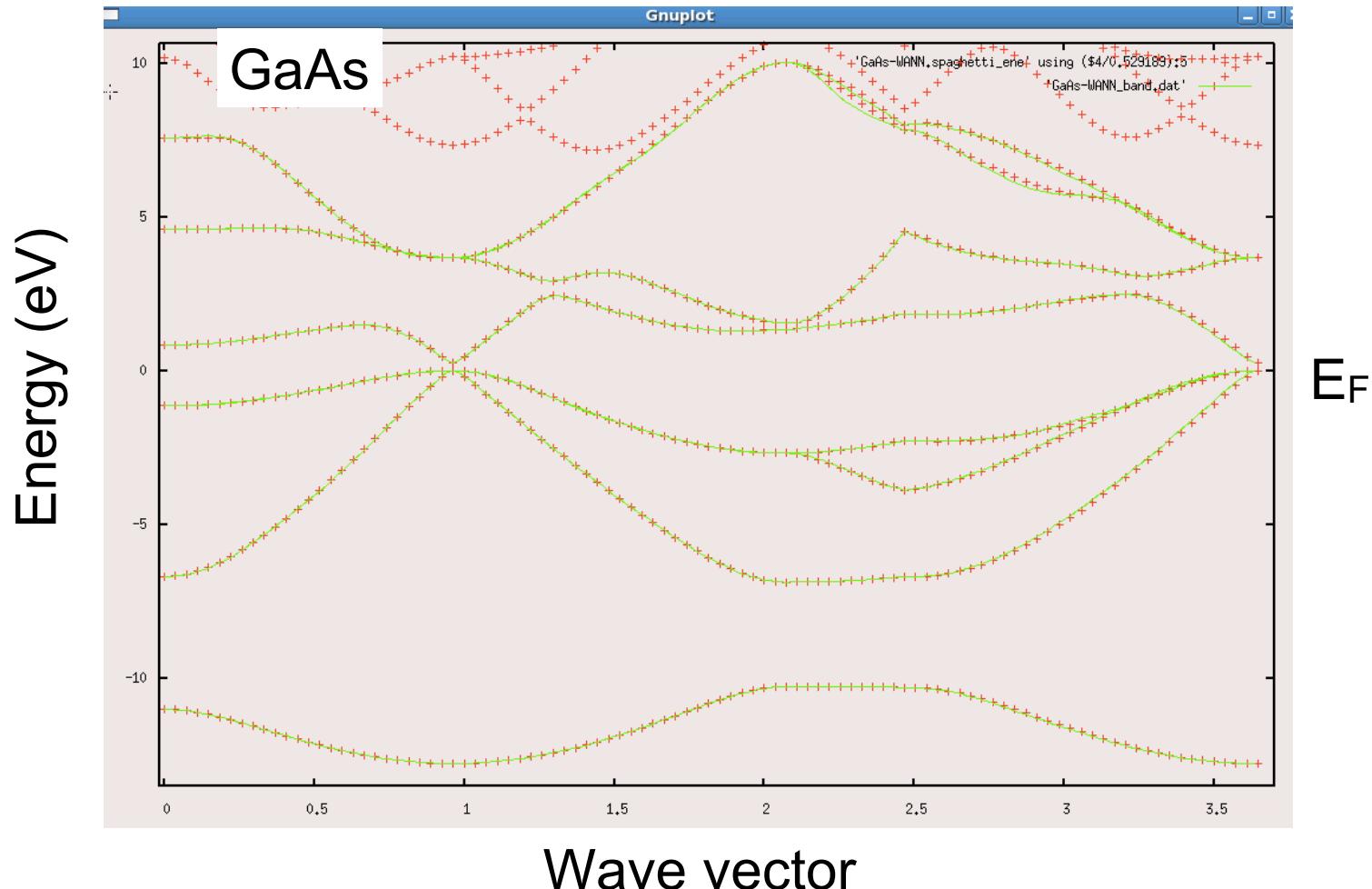
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-0.001219

Matrix element (eV)  
 $\langle s_2 | H | s_1 \rangle = V_{ss\sigma}$

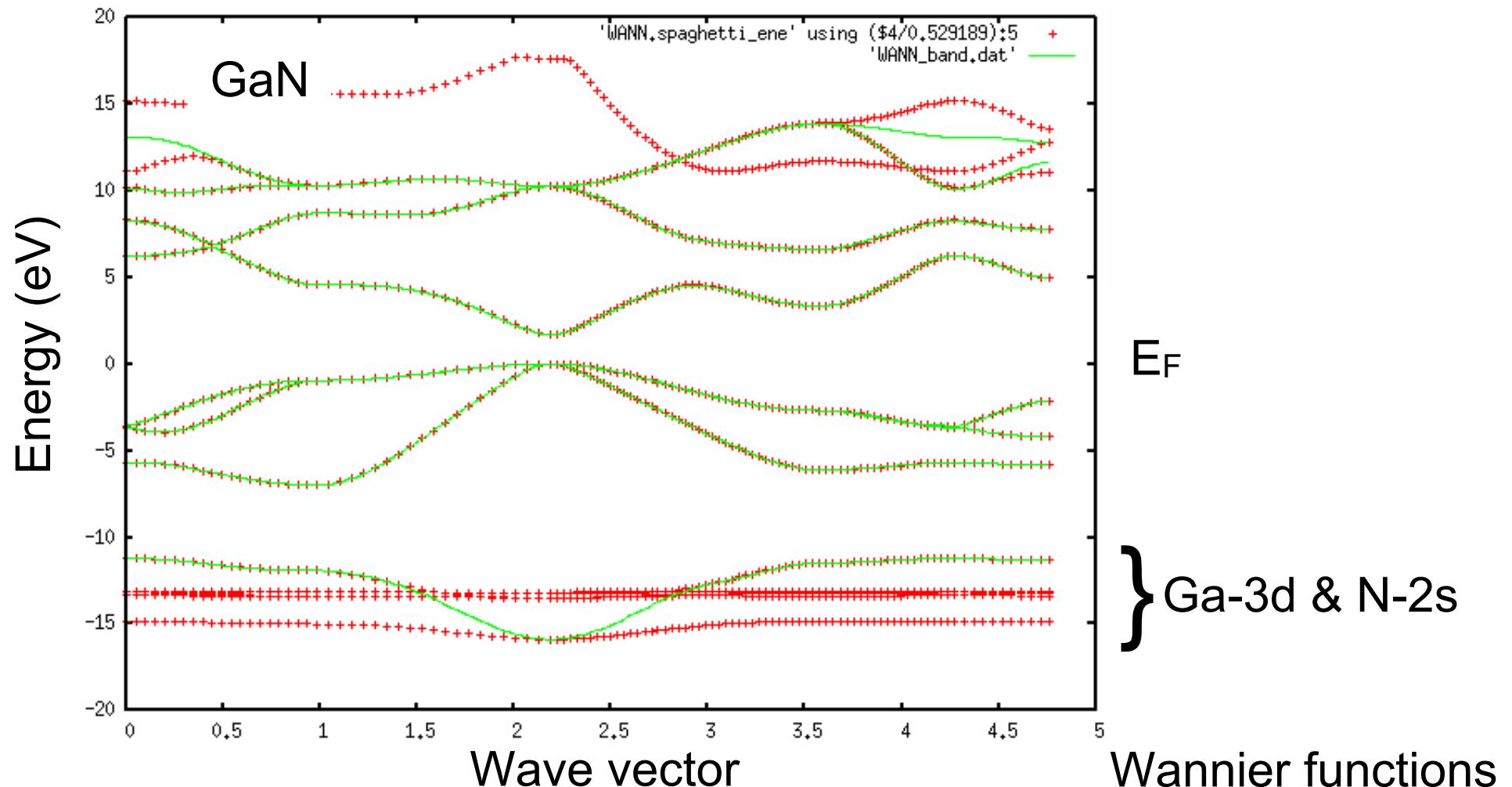
$$\langle p_2 | H | s_1 \rangle = V_{sp}$$

# Band structure



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

# Disentanglement



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

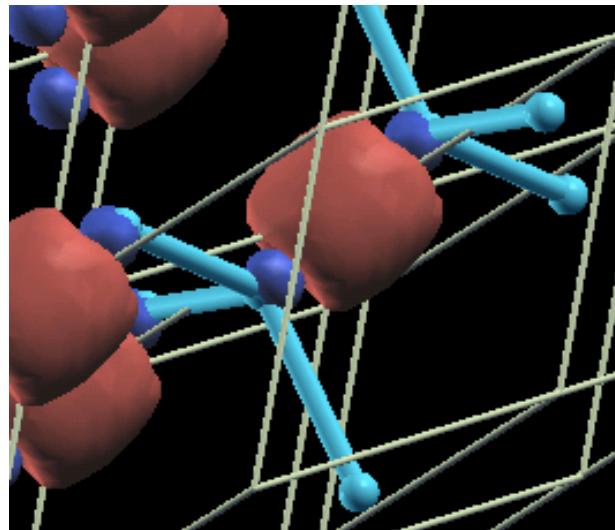
Wannier functions  
without Ga-3d

Souza et al.:  
PRB 65, 035109  
(2001)

# Relation to polarization (bond centered WF)

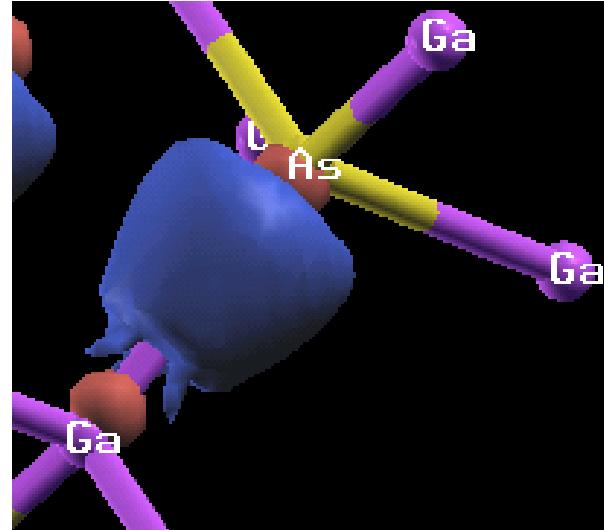
Bond-centered WF

Si



symmetric  
(non-polar)

GaAs



non-symmetric  
(polar)

$$\mathbf{P} = \frac{e}{V} \left( \sum_{\text{ions}} Z_i \cdot \mathbf{r}_i - \sum_{\text{electrons}} \mathbf{r}_e \right)$$

Ionic part

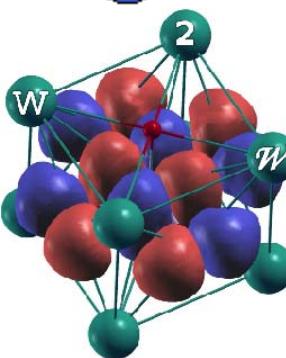
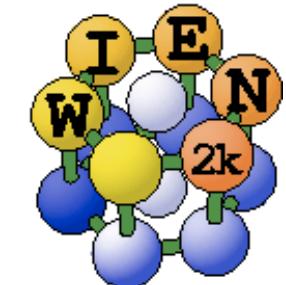
Electronic part

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

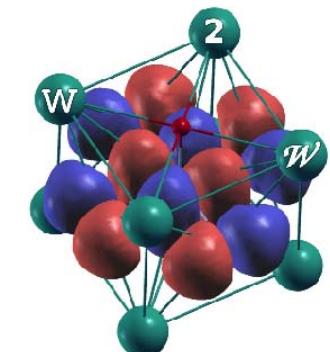
Wannier  
center  $q_e$

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

# Workflow



WANNIER90



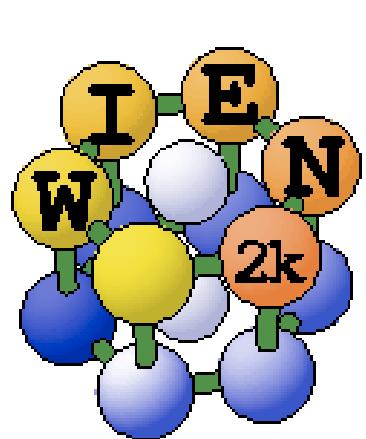
XCrySDen

- 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

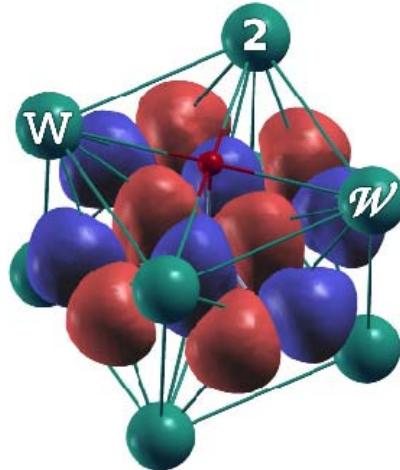
# Useful resources

- 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/>
- 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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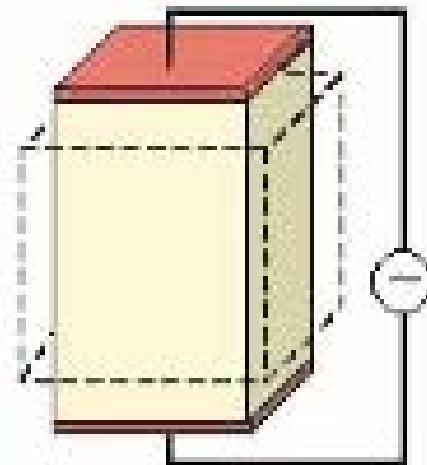


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BerryPI

# Material properties related to polarization

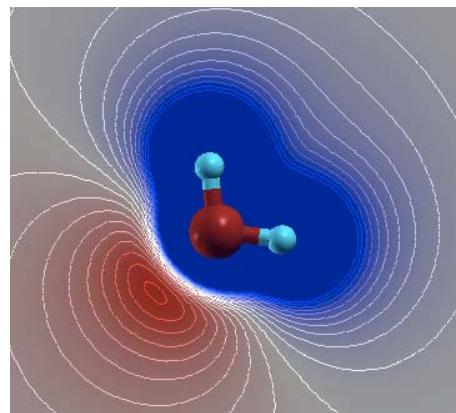
## Piezo- and Ferroelectricity



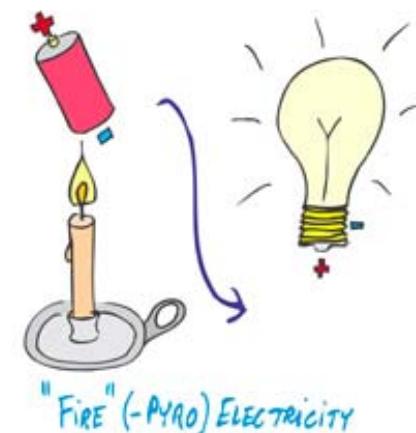
## Dielectric screening



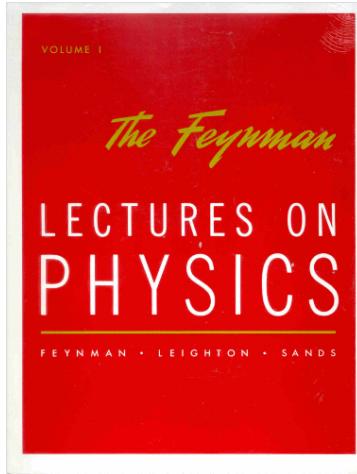
## Effective charge



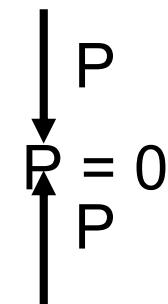
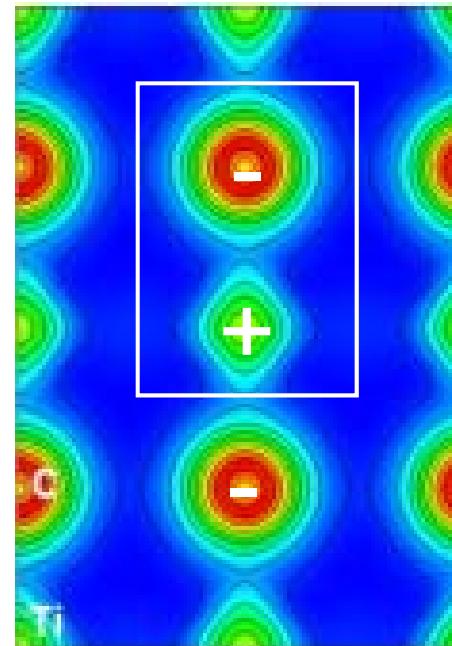
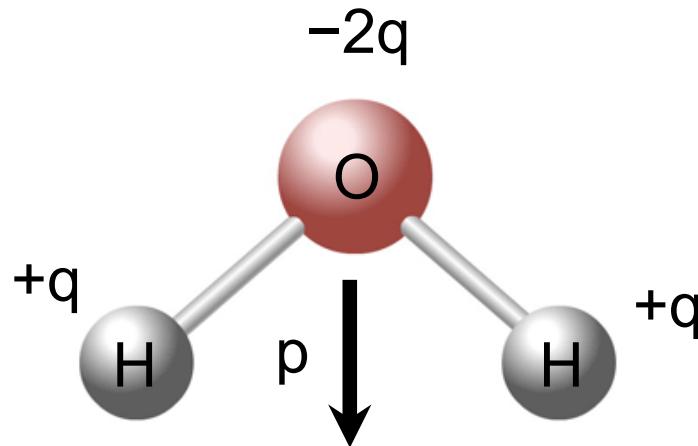
## Pyroelectricity



# 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



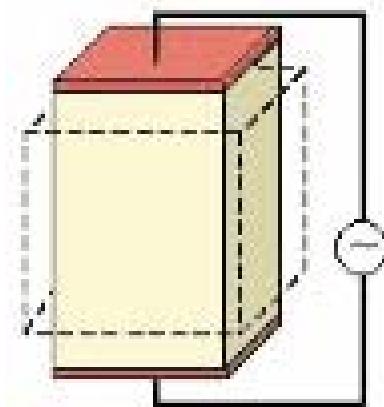
Polarization for periodic solids is undefined

# Modern theory of polarization

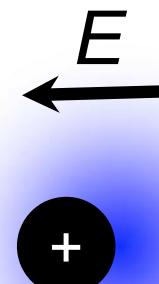
Pioneered by *King-Smith, David Vanderbilt and Raffaele Resta*

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

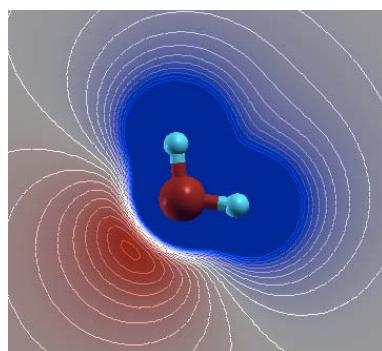
$$\Delta \mathbf{P} = \mathbf{P}^{(0)} - \mathbf{P}^{(1)}$$



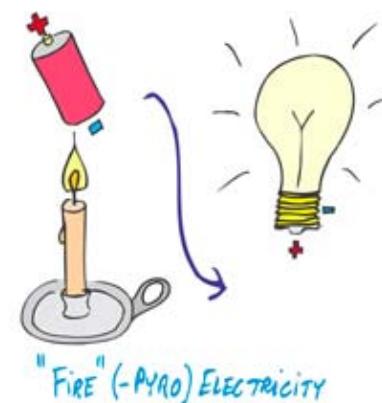
$$\frac{\Delta \mathbf{P}}{\Delta \text{strain}}$$



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

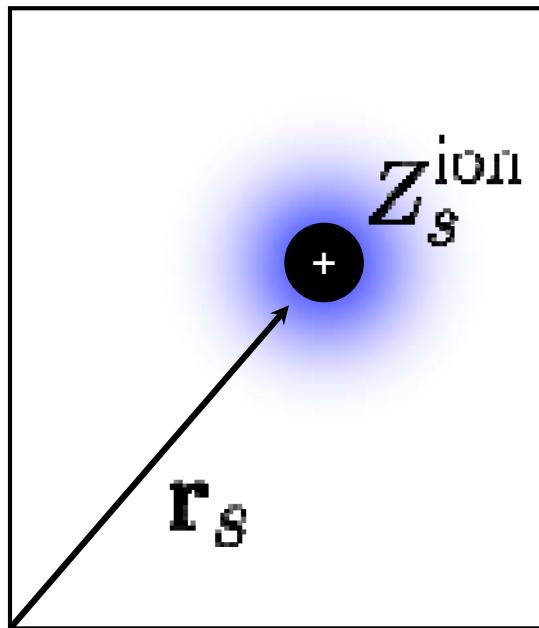


$$\frac{\Delta \mathbf{P}}{\text{displacement}}$$



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

# Components of polarization



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

ionic

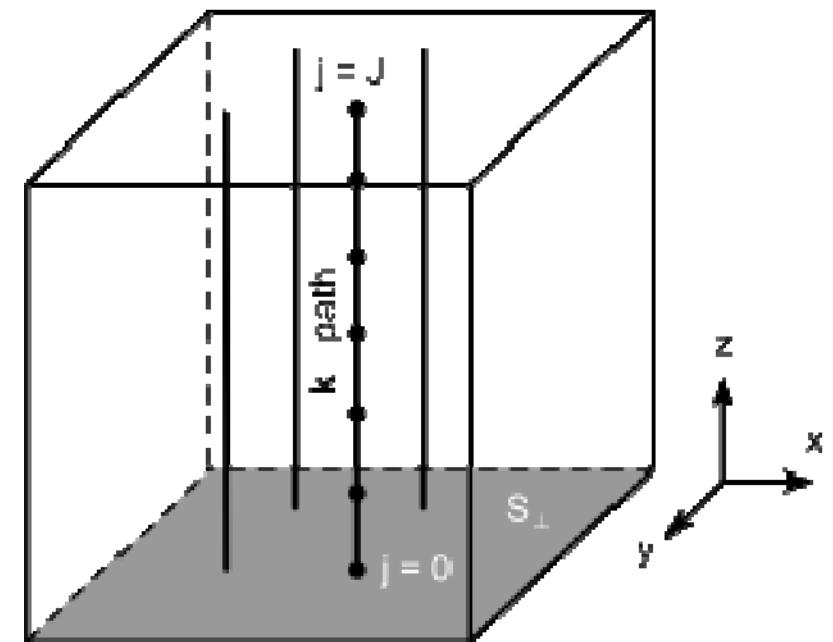
electronic

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

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

0

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



# Berry phase

$$d\varphi_n = -i \langle u_{n\mathbf{k}} | \nabla_{\mathbf{k}} | u_{n\mathbf{k}} \rangle \cdot d\mathbf{k} = -i \ln \langle u_{n\mathbf{k}} | u_{n(\mathbf{k}-ik)} \rangle$$

$$\mathbf{S}_{mn}(\mathbf{k}_j, \mathbf{k}_{j+1}) = \langle u_{m\mathbf{k}_j} | u_{n\mathbf{k}_{j+1}} \rangle \quad \text{WIEN2WANNIER}$$

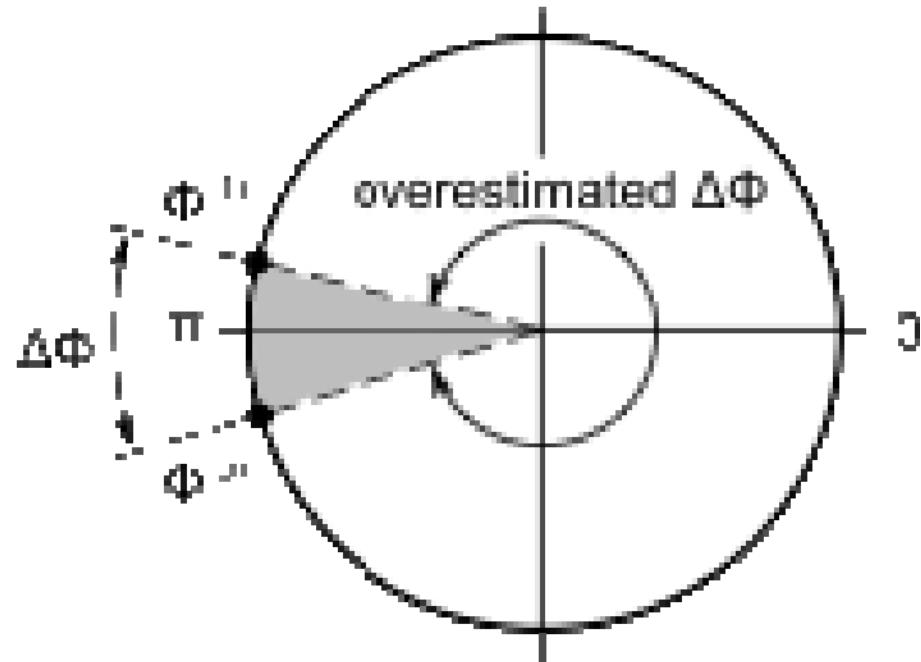
$$\varphi(\mathbf{k}_{\parallel}) = 2 \operatorname{Im} \left[ \ln \prod_{j=0}^{J-1} \det \mathbf{S}_{M \times M}(\mathbf{k}_j, \mathbf{k}_{j+1}) \right]$$

$$\varphi_{\text{el},\alpha} = S_{\perp}^{-1} \int_{S_{\perp}} dS_{\perp} \varphi(\mathbf{k}_{\parallel})$$

$$P_{\alpha} = \frac{e(\varphi_{\text{el},\alpha} + \varphi_{\text{ion},\alpha})}{2\pi\Omega} R_{\alpha}$$

[King-Smith](#) and [David Vanderbilt](#), Phys. Rev. B 47, 1651 (1993)

# Uncertainties



$$P_\alpha = \frac{e(\varphi_{\text{el},\alpha} + \varphi_{\text{ion},\alpha})}{2\pi\Omega} R_\alpha$$

$$\Delta \mathbf{P} = \mathbf{P}^{(0)} - \mathbf{P}^{(1)} \pm \frac{e}{\Omega} \mathbf{R}$$

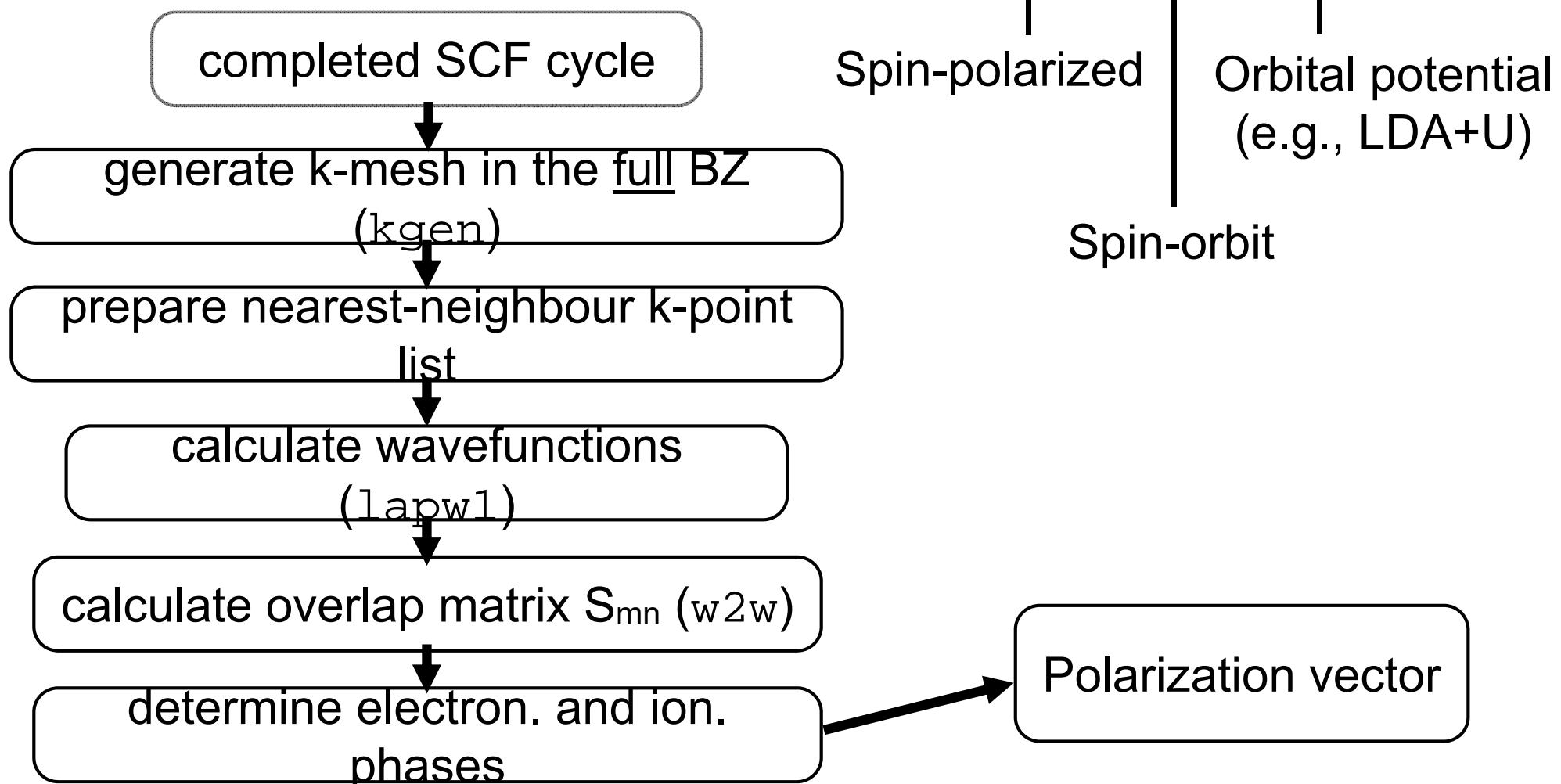
- it is challenging to determine large polarization difference  
~1 C/m<sup>2</sup>

Solution:  $\lambda_0 \Rightarrow \lambda_{1/2} \Rightarrow \lambda_1$

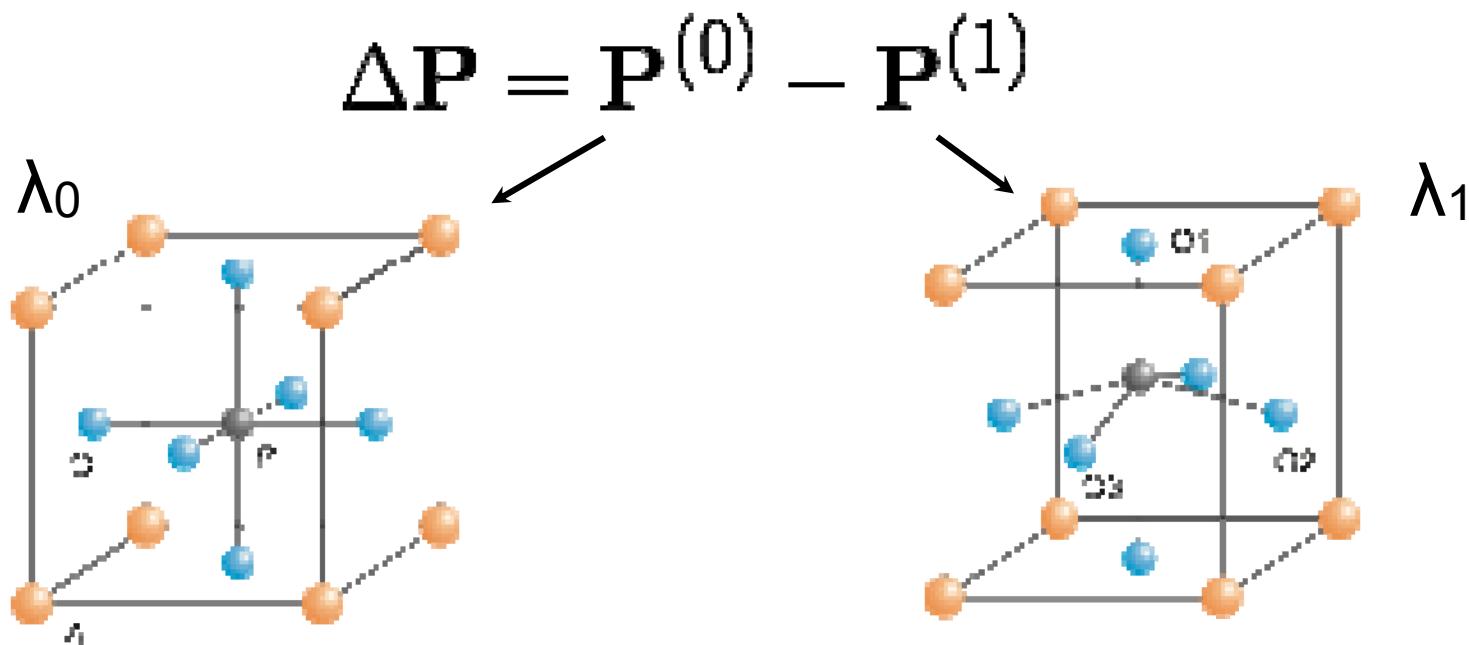
# BerryPI workflow

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

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

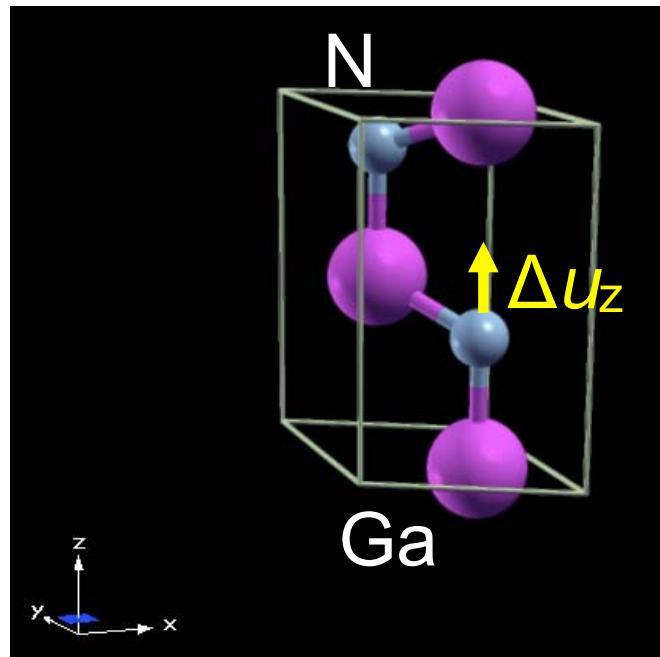


# Choice of a reference structure



- 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



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

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

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

$$Z_{s,ii}^* = \frac{\Delta\varphi_i}{2\pi\Delta u_{s,i}} \quad \text{"Shortcut" (i=j, no volume change)}$$

GaN  $z^*$  calculation

$$\Phi_{el}(0) = -0.1538 \quad \Phi_{ion}(0) = -1.50\overset{80}{79}$$

$$\Phi_{el}(1) = -0.2509 \quad \Phi_{ion}(1) = -1.4451$$

$$\Phi_{tot}(0) = -1.6618$$

$$\Phi_{tot}(1) = -1.6960$$

$$\begin{aligned}\Delta\Phi(0 \rightarrow 1) &= -1.6960 + 1.6618 \\ &= -0.0342\end{aligned}$$

$$\Delta U = 0.001 - 0 = 0.001$$

$$z^* = \frac{\Delta\Phi}{2V \cdot \Delta U \cdot \text{# of atoms moved}} =$$

$$\approx -2.72$$

# Reality check

## GaN: effective charge, dielectric constants - Springer

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

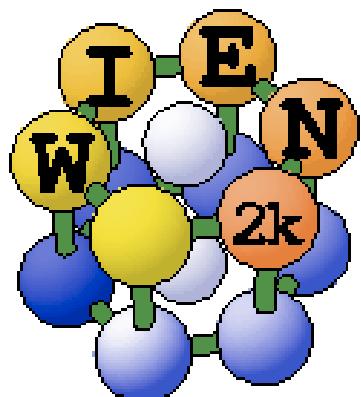
### Born effective charge (wurtzite structure)

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 <sub>xx</sub> *	2.60	ab initio DFT(LDA) calculation	<a href="#">02W</a>
Z <sub>zz</sub> *	2.74		
Z <sub>B,xx</sub> *	1.14	$Z_{B,ij}^* = Z_{ii}^* / \sqrt{\epsilon_{x_0,ii}}$	
Z <sub>B,zz</sub> *	1.18		
Z <sub>xx</sub> *	2.51	ab-initio DFT(LDA) calculation	<a href="#">06S</a>
Z <sub>zz</sub> *	2.75		

# Useful resources

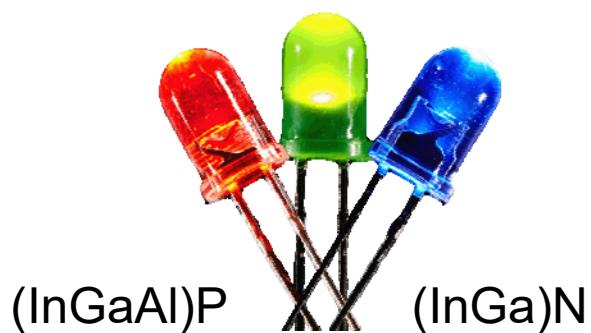
- Sheikh J. Ahmed *et al.* “BerryPI: A software for studying polarization of crystalline solids with WIEN2k density functional all-electron package”, Comp. Phys. Commun. 184, 647 (2013).
- BerryPI home and **tutorials**:  
<https://github.com/spichardo/BerryPI/wiki>
- Raffaele Resta “Macroscopic polarization 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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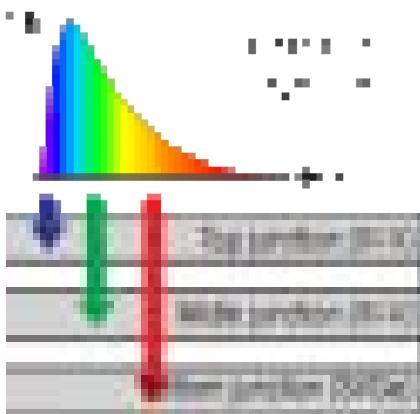
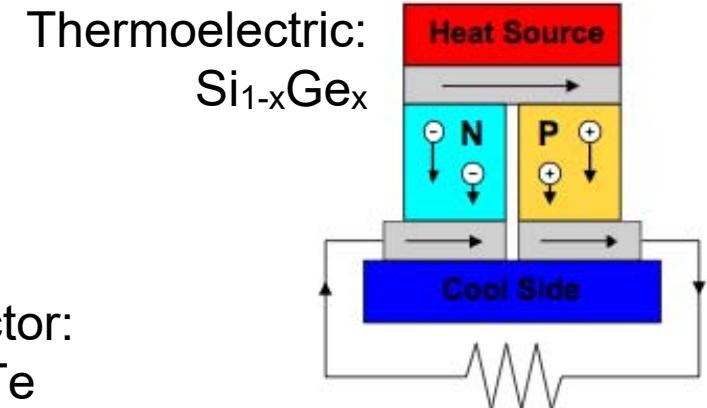
# Semiconductor alloys



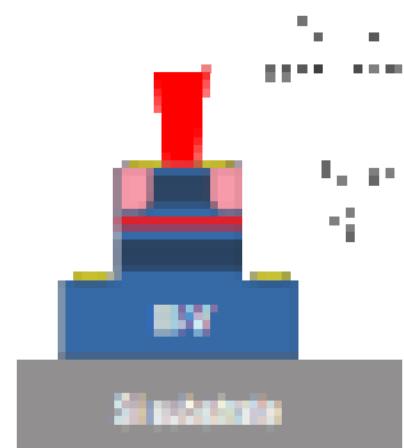
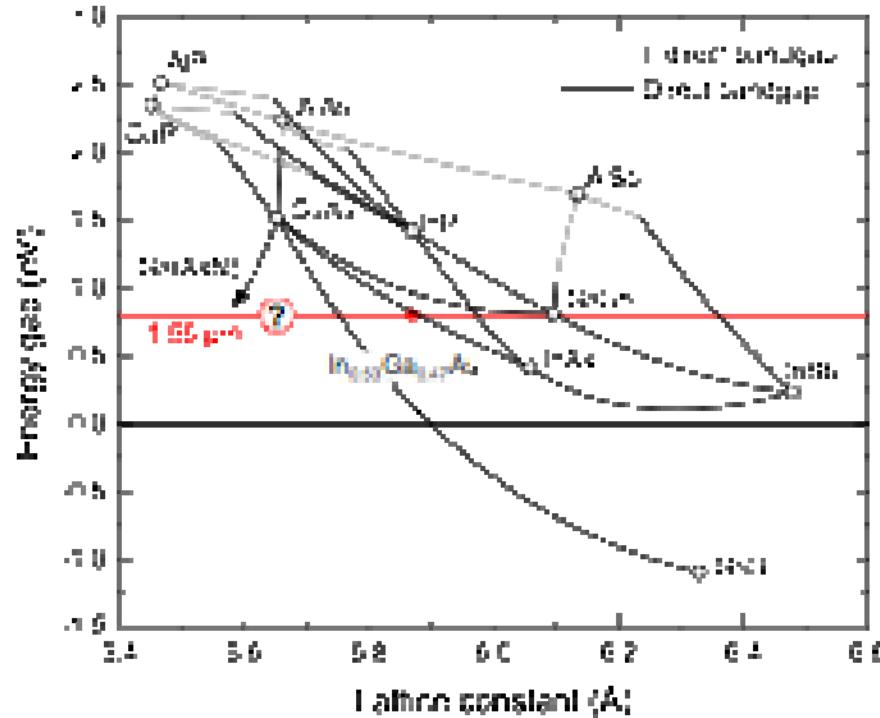
(InGaAl)P  (InGa)N



IR detector:  
 $(\text{HgCd})\text{Te}$

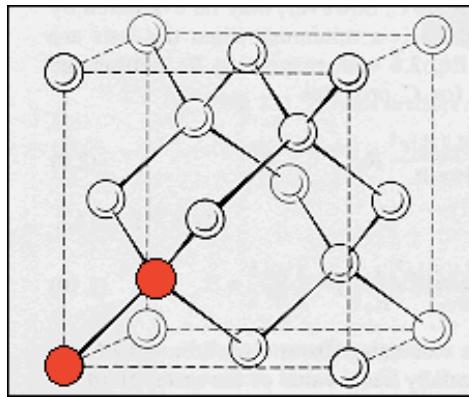


Eg = 1 eV junction:  
(InGa)(NAs)



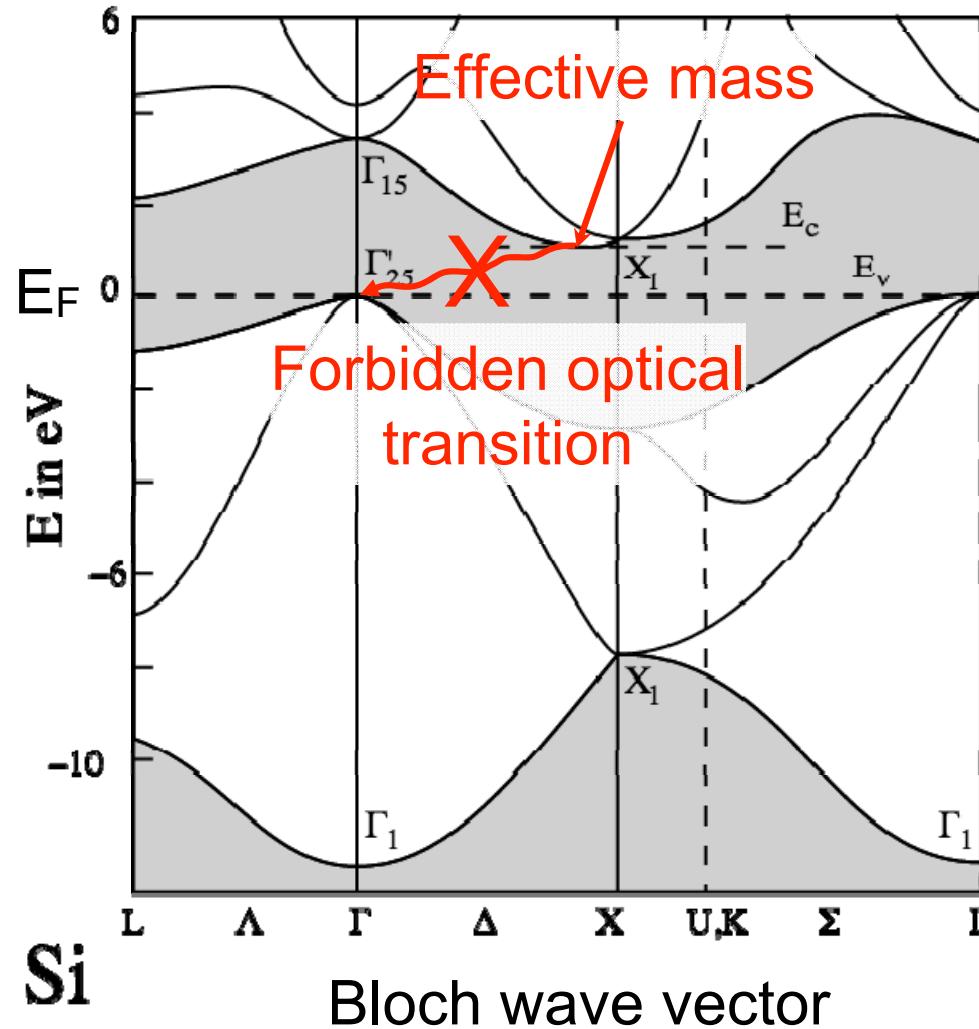
1.55  $\mu\text{m}$  lasers:  
 $(\text{InGa})\text{As}$   
 $(\text{InGa})(\text{NAsSb})$   
 $\text{Ga}(\text{AsBi})$

# Band structure

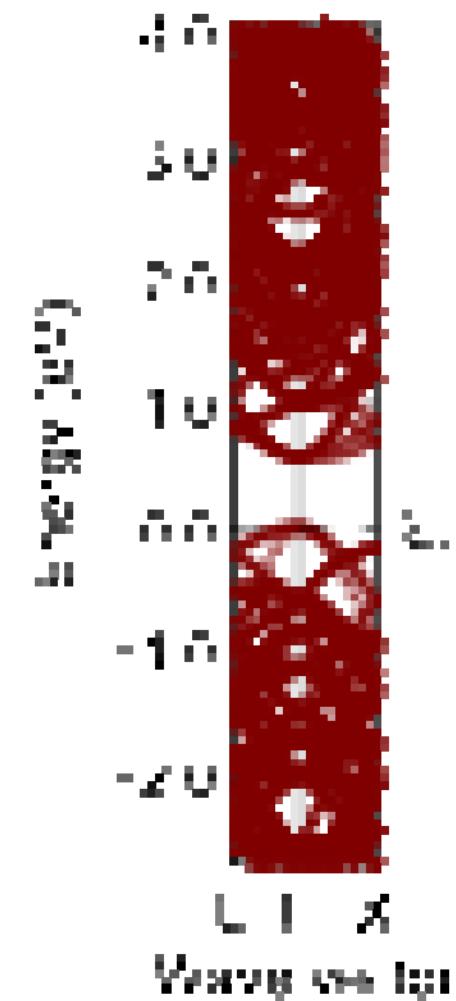


Silicon  
2-atom basis

Energy gap ↑

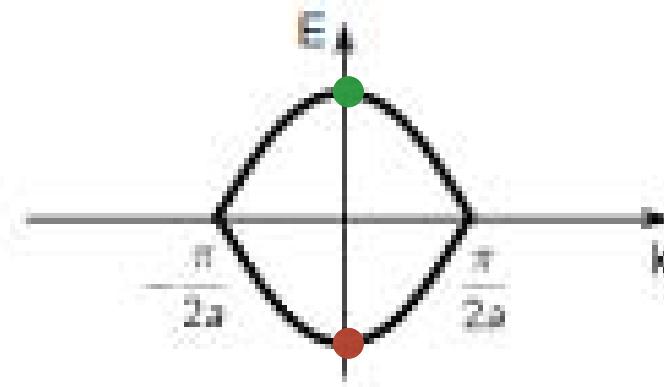
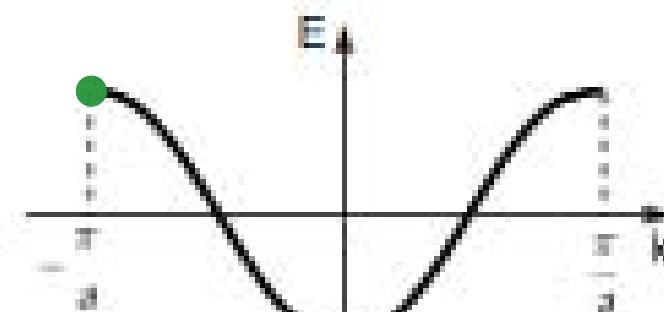
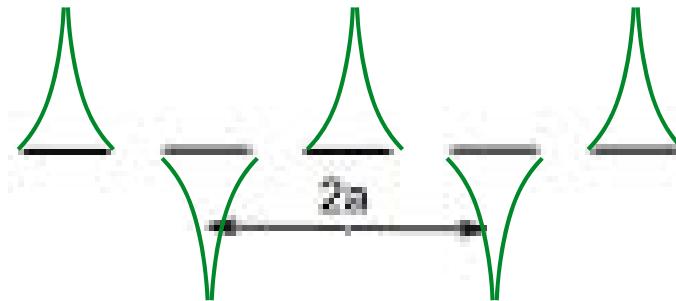
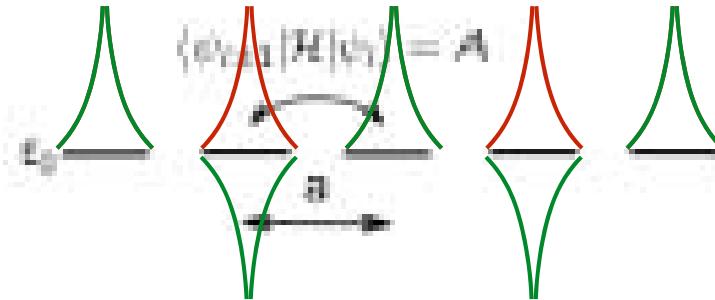


Silicon  
250-atom supercell



# Zone folding

The character of  $\Phi$  changes between  $\Gamma - X$   
from bonding to anti-bonding



Doubling the unit cell  $\rightarrow$  halves the BZ  
 $\rightarrow$  backfolding of  $X$  to  $\Gamma$

the wavefunction can still tell you if an eigenvalue was  $\Gamma$  or  $X$

# Unfolding the first-principle band structure

Plane wave  
expansion

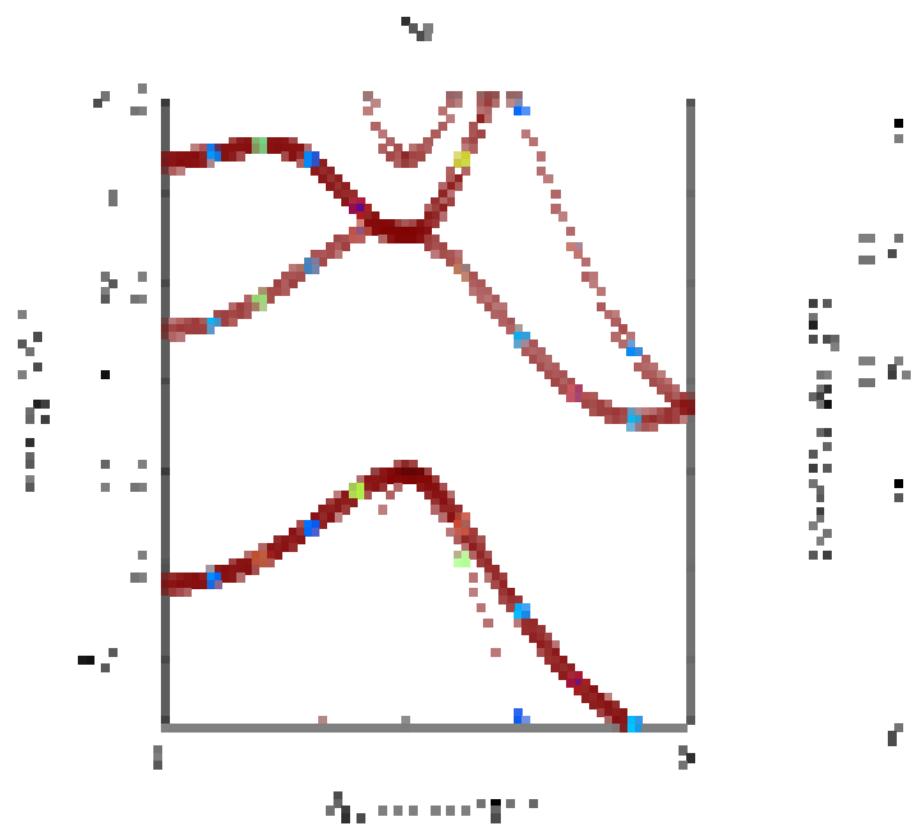
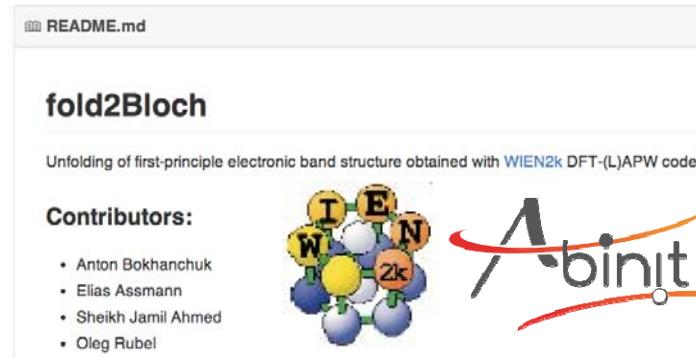
$$\Psi_{i,\mathbf{k}}(\mathbf{r}) = \sum_{\mathbf{G}} C_{i,\mathbf{k}}(\mathbf{G}) e^{i(\mathbf{k} + \mathbf{G}) \cdot \mathbf{r}}$$

Bloch  
spectral  
weight

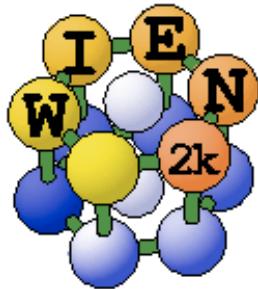
$$w_i(\mathbf{k}) = \sum_{\mathbf{k}'} |C_{i,\mathbf{k}}(\mathbf{k} - \mathbf{G}')|^2$$

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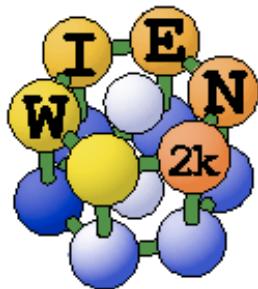


# Workflow



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

**X**CrySDen



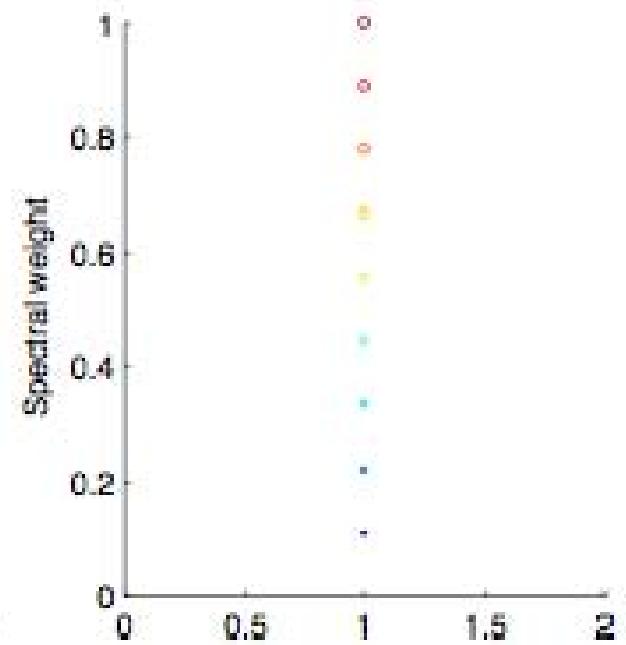
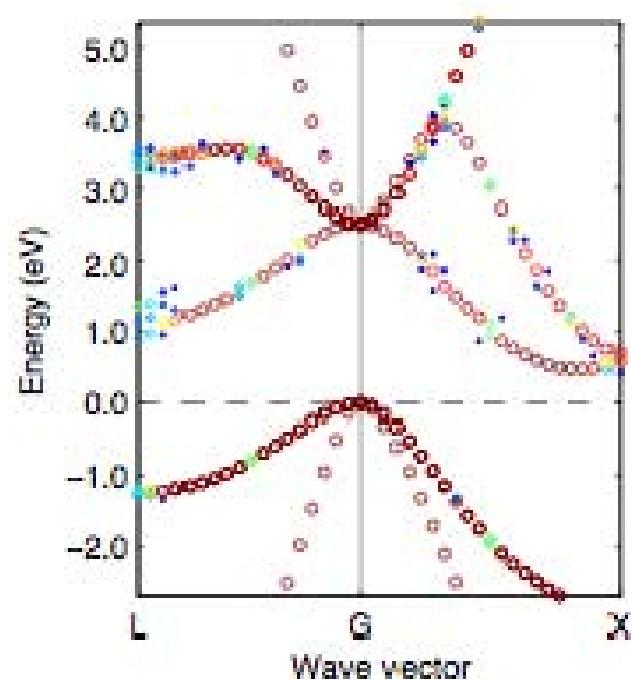
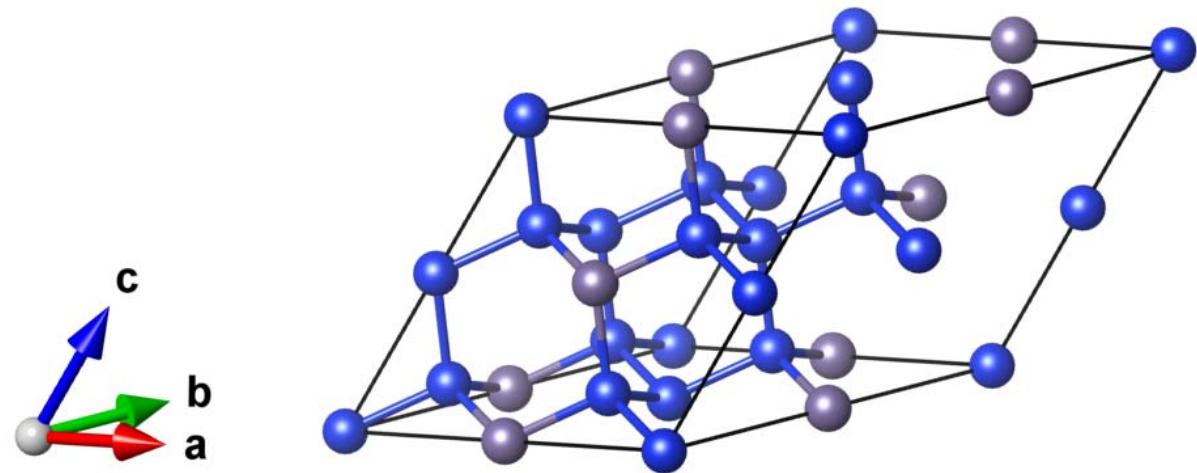
- Create k-path (`case.klist_band` file)
- Compute wave functions (`case.vector[so]` file) for the selected k-path:
  - `x lapwl [-p]`
  - `x lapwso [-p]` (in the case of spin-orbit coupling)

fold2Bloch

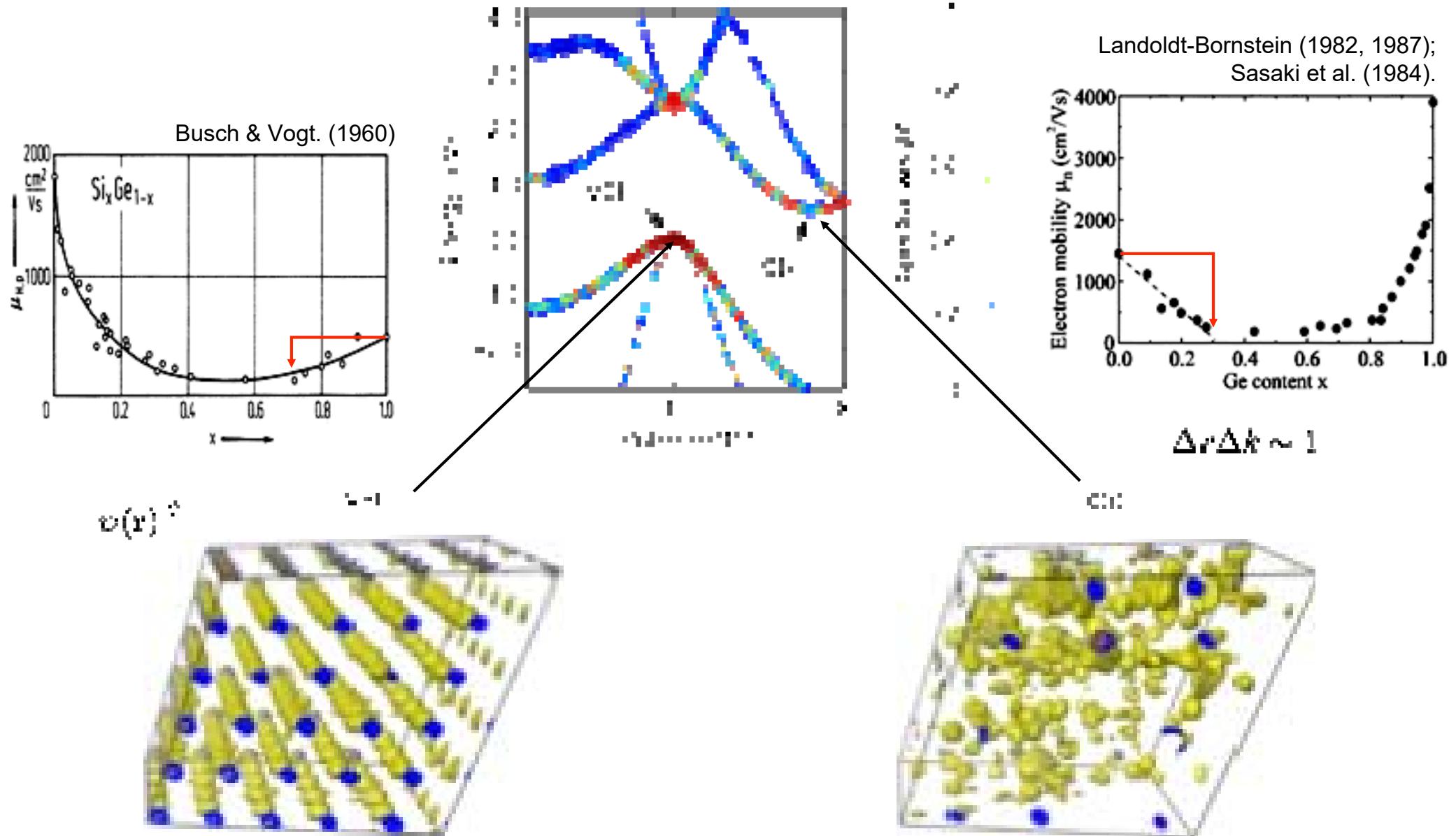


- Unfold band structure (`fold2Bloch`)
- Plot effective band structure (`ubs_dots*.m`)

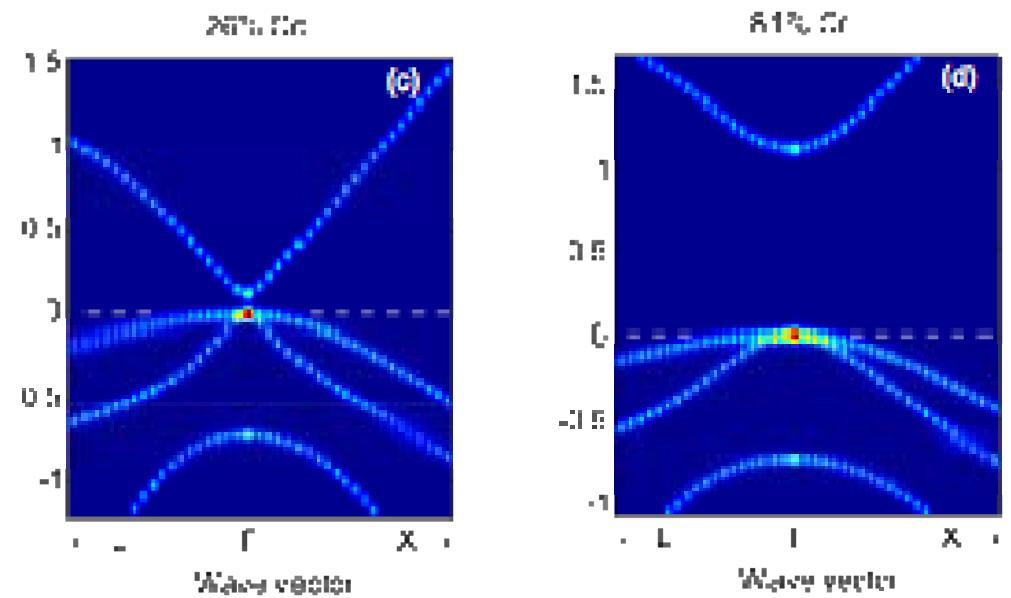
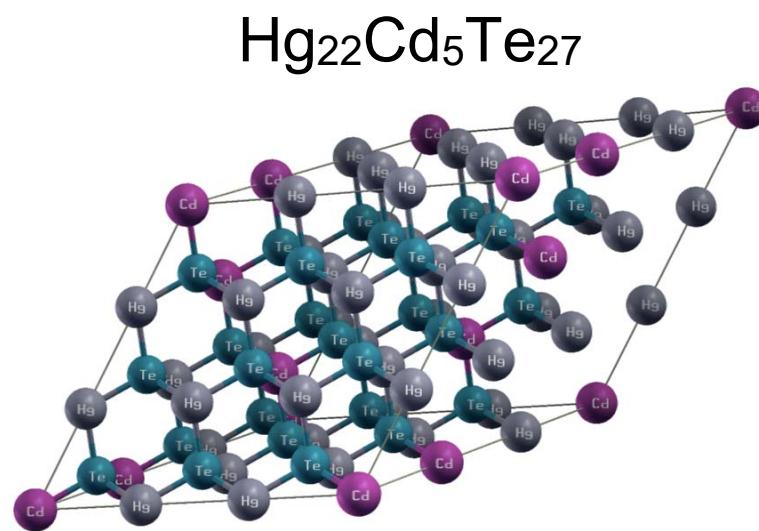
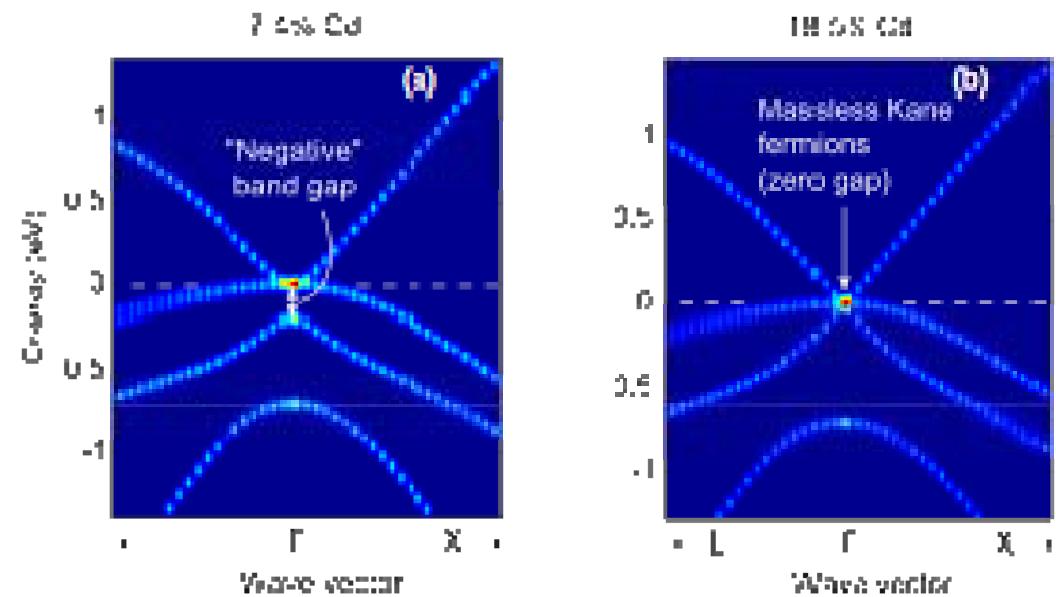
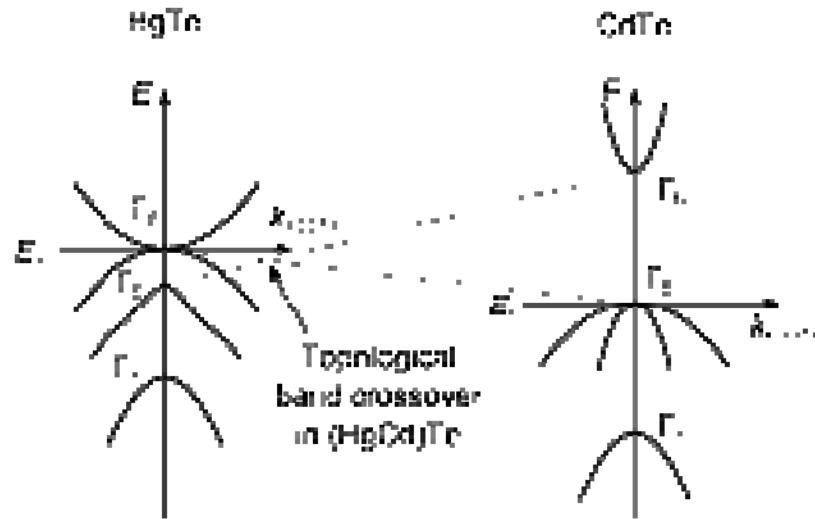
# Demonstration: Band structure of $\text{Si}_{1-x}\text{Ge}_x$ alloy ( $x \sim 0.2$ )



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

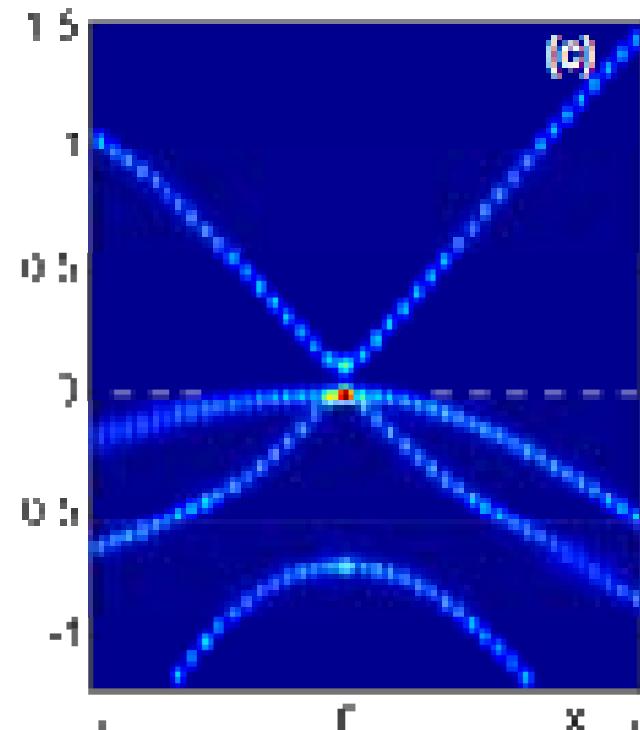


# (Hg,Cd)Te band structure evolution

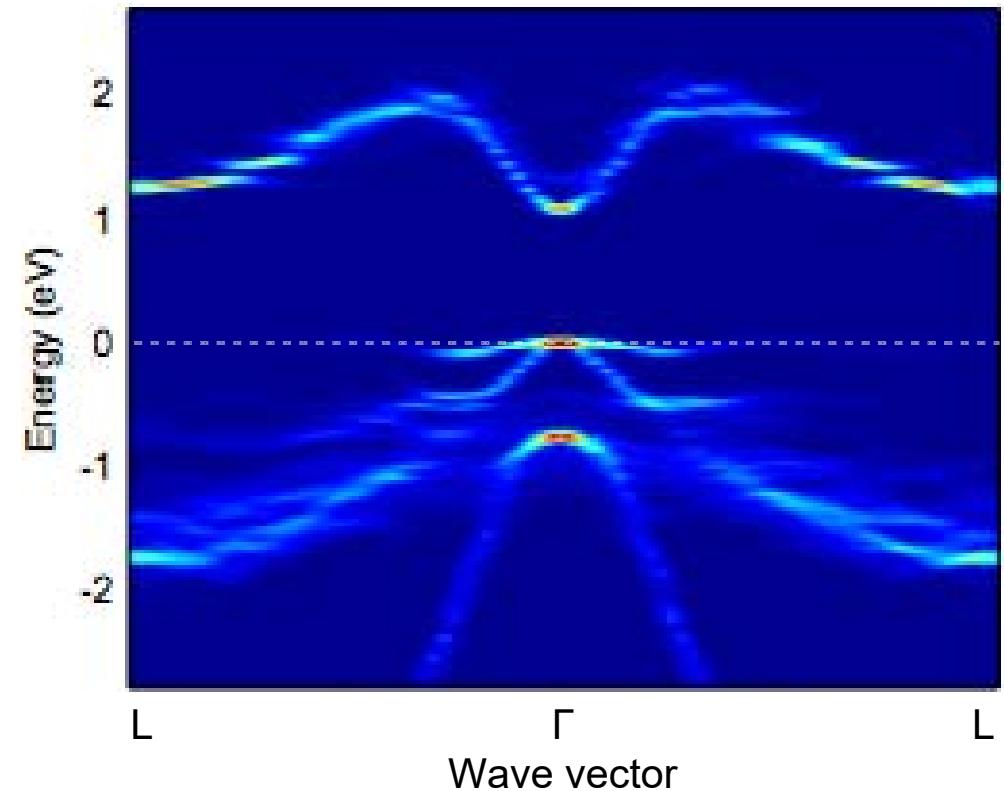


# Impact of alloying disorder on charge transport

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



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



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

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

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

# Useful resources

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- O. Rubel, A. Bokhanchuk, S. J. Ahmed, and E. Assmann “Unfolding the band structure of disordered solids: from bound states to high-mobility Kane fermions” Phys. Rev. B 90, 115202 (2014)
- fold2Bloch home and **tutorials**:  
<https://github.com/rubel75/fold2Bloch>

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