

# First-principles calculation

## 第一原理計算

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# Plain wave approx.: Transfer matrix method

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$$\Psi_i(x) = A_i \exp(ik_i x) + B_i \exp(-ik_i x) \quad k_i = \sqrt{\frac{2m_i}{\hbar^2}(E - V_i)}$$

## Boundary conditions

$$\Psi_i(x_{i+1}) = \Psi_{i+1}(x_{i+1}) \quad m_i^{-1} \Psi'_i(x_{i+1}) = m_{i+1}^{-1} \Psi'_{i+1}(x_{i+1})$$

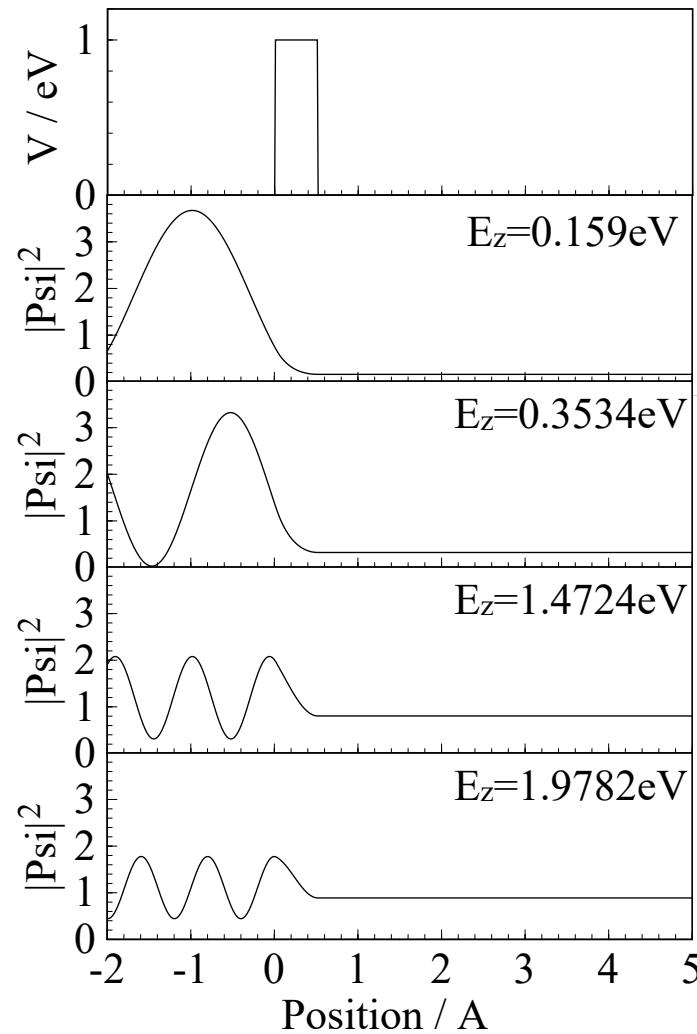
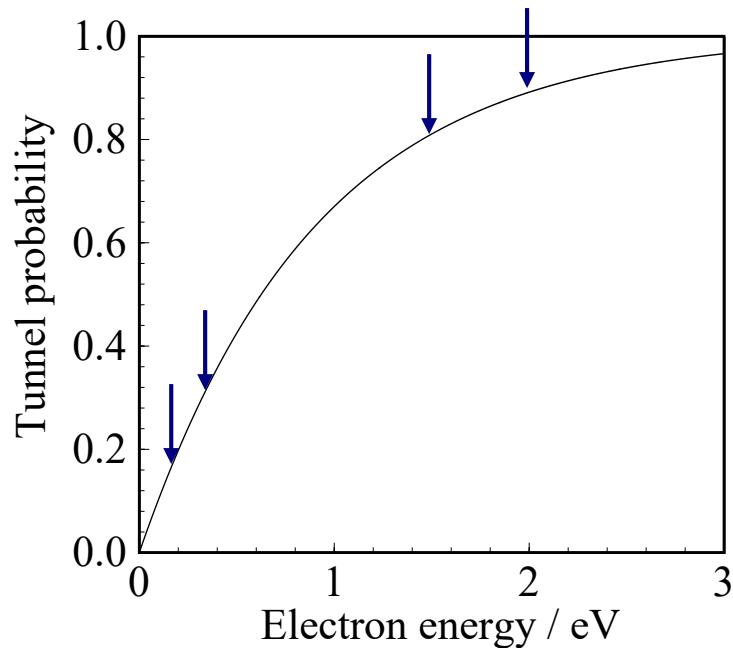
$$\begin{pmatrix} A_{i+1} \\ B_{i+1} \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} \alpha^+_i P_i & \alpha^-_i / Q_i \\ \alpha^-_i Q_i & \alpha^+_i / P_i \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} A_i \\ B_i \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\alpha^\pm_i = \frac{1}{2} [1 \pm (m_{i+1} / m_i)(k_i / k_{i+1})]$$

$$P_i = \exp[i(k_i - k_{i+1})x_{i+1}]$$

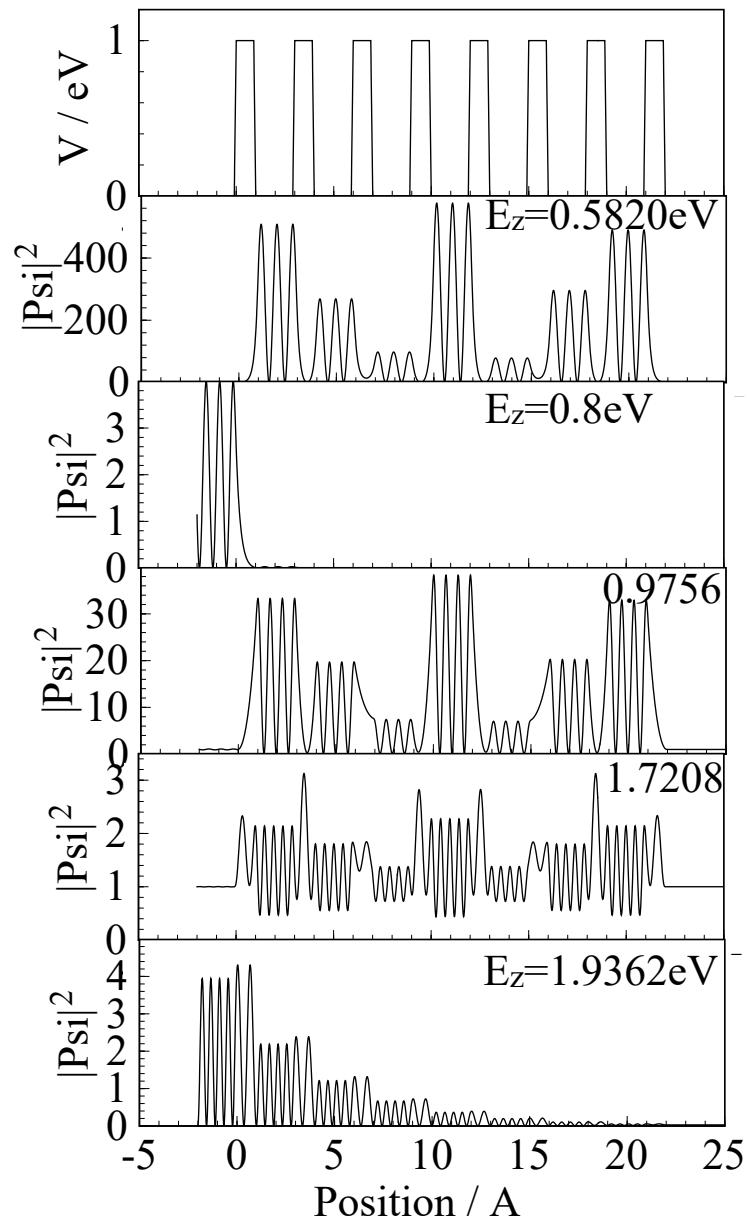
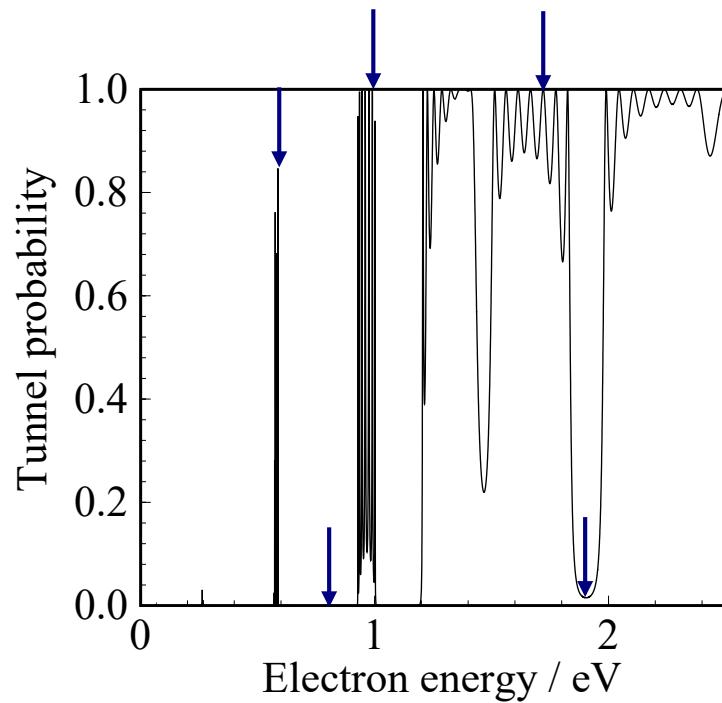
$$Q_i = \exp[i(k_i + k_{i+1})x_{i+1}]$$

# Tunneling in a single barrier



Wave function is scattered by the barrier (atom) and the transmittance must be  $< 1$   
=> For crystal with many atom, the total transmittance should be zero?

# Transmission through multiple quantum well (MQW): band



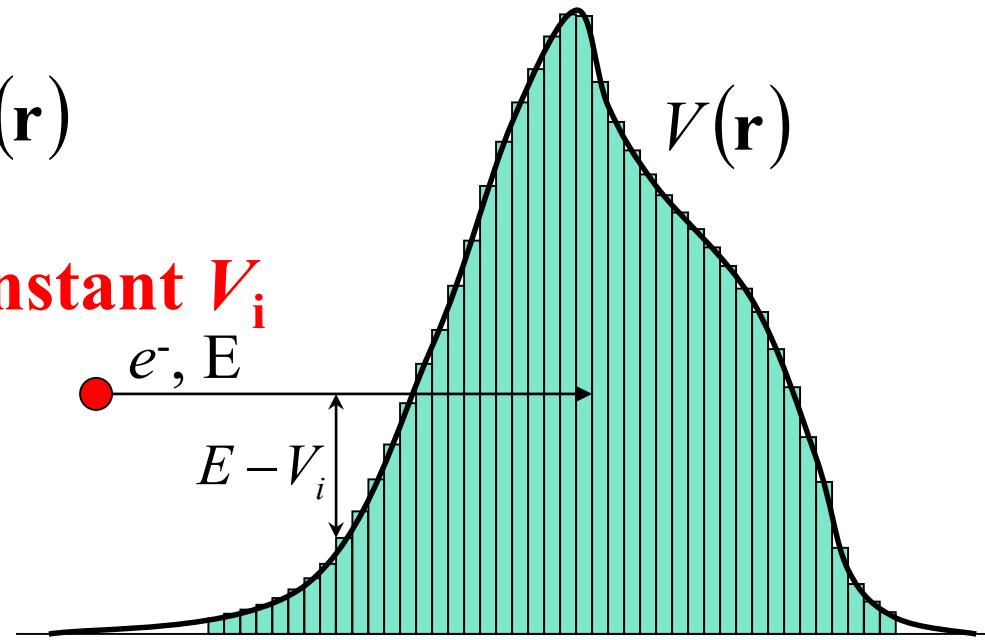
# Plain wave approx.: $e^-$ is a wave

## Schrödinger equation

$$\left[ -\frac{\hbar^2}{2m} \nabla^2 + V(\mathbf{r}) \right] \Psi(\mathbf{r}) = E \Psi(\mathbf{r})$$

By approximating  $V(r)$  is constant  $V_i$  in narrow region:

$$\nabla^2 \Psi(\mathbf{r}) = \frac{2m}{\hbar^2} [E - V_i] \Psi(\mathbf{r})$$



$$\Psi(\mathbf{r}) = A \exp(i \mathbf{k}_i \cdot \mathbf{r}) + B \exp(-i \mathbf{k}_i \cdot \mathbf{r})$$

$$k_i = \sqrt{\frac{2m}{\hbar^2} (E - V_i)}$$

Exact  $\Psi(\mathbf{r})$  is expressed as a connection of plain waves with different  $\mathbf{k}$  in different regions

# Plain wave basis

## Fourier transform

Function with the period  $a$  is expressed by summation of plain waves with wave vectors  $k_l = \frac{2\pi}{a} l$

$$1D: \quad f(x) = \sum_{l=-\infty}^{\infty} A_l \exp\left(i \frac{2\pi}{a} lx\right)$$

$$3D: \quad f(\mathbf{r}) = \sum_{h,k,l=-\infty}^{\infty} A_{h,k,l} \exp(i \mathbf{G}_{hkl} \cdot \mathbf{r})$$

Any function is exactly expressed if we can use infinite number of plain waves

- Due to limitation of time and memory, plain waves are limited

$$E_{cut} = \frac{\hbar^2}{2m_e} k_{cut}^2 = \frac{\hbar^2}{2m_e} |\mathbf{G}_{hkl,cut}|^2$$

Cut-off energy  $E_{cut}$  (or  $k_{cut}, |\mathbf{G}_{hkl,ut}|$ ) limits the accuracy of the basis set  
(For WIEN2k,  $Rk_{max} = \text{Min}(R_{MT}) * k_{cut}$ )

# Plain wave method

Plain waves are employed as basis functions of LC

$$\varphi_{\mathbf{k}}(\mathbf{r}) = \exp(i\mathbf{k} \cdot \mathbf{r}) \sum C_{hkl} u_{hkl}(\mathbf{r}) \quad u_{hkl}(\mathbf{r}) = \exp[i\mathbf{G}_{hkl} \cdot \mathbf{r}]$$

Plain waves with  $\mathbf{G}_{hkl}$  forms a complete system for periodic functions:

If one can sum for all the  $hkl$  contribution, one can obtain the exact solution

=> In actual we need to approximate by  $|\mathbf{G}_{hkl}| < \mathbf{G}_{\max}$  ( $\hbar\omega < E_{\text{cut}}$ )

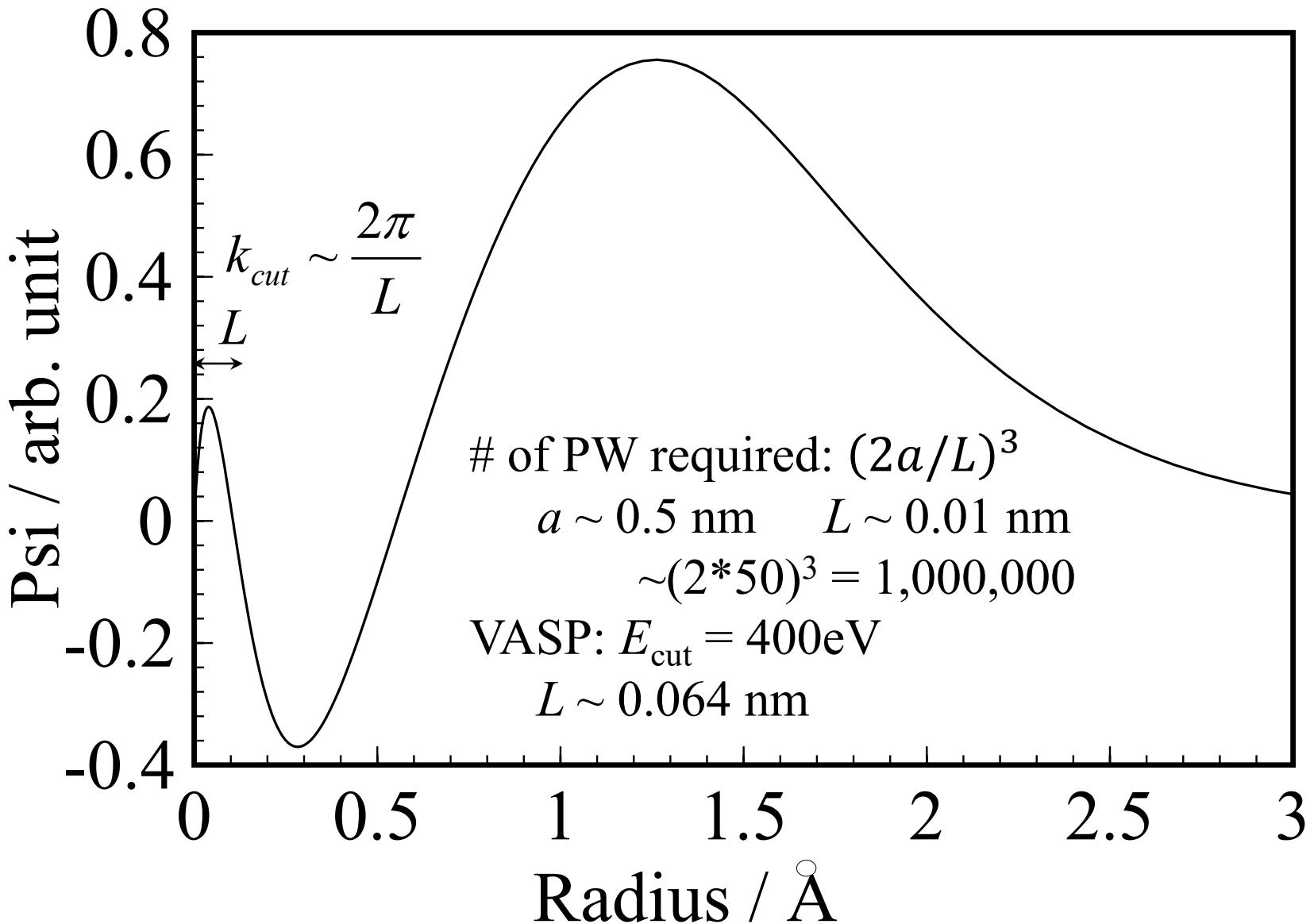
$$\begin{vmatrix} H_{11} - ES_{11} & H_{12} - ES_{12} & \cdots & H_{1n} - ES_{1n} \\ H_{21} - ES_{21} & H_{22} - ES_{ss} & & H_{2n} - ES_{2n} \\ \vdots & & \ddots & \vdots \\ H_{n1} - ES_{n1} & H_{n2} - ES_{n2} & \cdots & H_{nn} - ES_{nn} \end{vmatrix} = 0$$

$$\langle u_{h'k'l'} | H | u_{hkl} \rangle = \int e^{-i(\mathbf{k} + \mathbf{G}_{h'k'l'}) \cdot \mathbf{r}} \left[ -\frac{\hbar^2}{2m} \nabla^2 + V(\mathbf{r}) \right] e^{i(\mathbf{k} + \mathbf{G}_{kl}) \cdot \mathbf{r}} d\mathbf{r}$$
$$= \delta_{hkl, h'k'l'} \frac{\hbar^2}{2m} k^2 + \underline{V^*(\mathbf{G}_{hkl} - \mathbf{G}_{h'k'l'})}$$

Most of calculation time would be paid  
for Fourier transformation of potential

=> GPU can accelerate calculation speed efficiently

# 3s radial function for Na atom (DV-X $\alpha$ )



# How to reduce # of plain waves

- Orthogonalized Plane Wave Method: OPW  
    Use combinations of plain waves that are orthogonal to core wave functions
- Pseudo Potential Method: PP  
    Effective core potential (pseudo potential) that include the effects of nuclei charge and core electrons  
        **CASTEP, VASP, PWscf**
- Augmented plain wave  
    (L/APW: Linearized/Augumented Plane Wave Method)  
    Atomic wave functions are used in a limited sphere around nuclei (Muffin-Tin(MT) spheres), and plain waves are used outside  
        **WIEN2k**
- Linear Combination of Atomic Orbitals: LCAO  
    Atomic wave functions are used instead of plain waves  
        **CRYSTAL, Gaussian, Atomistic Toolkit (VNL), DV-X $\alpha$**

**First-principles calculations and DFT**

**第一原理計算と密度汎関数理論**

# General references for band calculations

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# **Definition of first-principles calculations**

**Broad definition :**

Provide answers with required accuracy based on fundamental physics equation without empirical parameters

**for Quantum calculations:**

**Provide high-accuracy total energy based on quantum physics equations only from atomic species and coordinates**

# What are known from total energy?

FP calculation: Provide high accuracy total energy  $E$

=> In principle, all properties can be calculated

- **Stable structure:** Find lattice parameters & atom coordinates with minimum  $E$
- **Electronic structure (band structure):**  $e_i(\mathbf{k}) = E(n_{\mathbf{k},i}) - E(n_{\mathbf{k},i-1})$
- **Elastic tensors**

$$U = U_0 + \frac{1}{2} \sum_{i,j,k,l} C_{ijkl} e_{ij} e_{kl}$$

Calculate  $U(e_{ij})$  from  $e_{ij}$

$$\sigma_{ij} = \sum_{k,l} C_{ijkl} e_{kl}$$

Calculate stress  $\sigma_{ij}$  from  $e_{ij}$

- **Dielectric tensors**

$$U = U_0 + \frac{1}{2} \sum_{i,j} \epsilon_{ij} E_i E_j$$

Calculate  $U(E_i)$  from  $E_i$

$$D_i = \epsilon_0 + P_i = \sum_j \epsilon_{ij} E_j$$

Polarization  $P_i$  are calculated from **Berry phase**

Choice of energy function  $U$ :

0 K, constant  $V$ : Internal energy  $E$  (total energy given by DFT)

0 K, constant  $P$ : Enthalpy  $H = U + PV$

>0 K, constant  $V$ : Helmholtz energy

$$F = U + F_{\text{electron}} + \mathbf{F}_{\text{phonon}}$$

from electron DOS from phonon DOS

# What are known by first-principles?

1. **Visualize wave functions, charge density etc**
  - Carrier transport path, defects, electron localization etc
2. **High accuracy total energy**
  - Stable structure
  - Atomic structures that are difficult determined by experiments (amorphous, solid-solutions, hydrogen etc)
  - **Formation energy etc**
  - Defect formation energy, Equilibrium Fermi level
3. **Quantitative calculations of electronic structure**
  - Band structure
  - Optical spectrum
  - Carrier transport
  - Chemical bond
  - Magnetism
4. **Electron – lattice coupling properties**
  - Elastic tensor, dielectric tensor (Berry phase), piezoelectric tensor etc
  - Phonon dispersion, IR / Raman spectra

# Fundamental and variation of quantum theory

## Difference between classical and quantum theory:

Planck constant  $h = 6.626 \times 10^{-34}$  Js can be neglected or not

**Conjugate physical quantities  $q, p_q$  must satisfy  $[q, p_q] = qp_q - p_q q = i\hbar/2\pi$**   
=> Naturally lead to the Heisenberg's uncertainty relationship

## Formulation: Any of the following can be used, but some are better to solve some problem

### 1. Heisenberg's matrix mechanics: Matrix equation

Eigen values (Eigen energies) and eigen states(algebraic vectors) are obtained

### 2. Wave mechanics (Schrödinger eq): Differential equation

Incorporate quantum commutation relation to classical Hamiltonian

Eigen values and eigen states (vectors in function space) are obtained

### 3. Second quantization (Quantum field theory): Noncommutative algebraic equation

Quantize fields so as to satisfy the quantum commutation relation

Eigen values and eigen states (state vectors  $\prod_q \hat{a}_q^\dagger |0\rangle$ ):

Apply generation operator  $\hat{a}_q^\dagger$  to vacuum  $|0\rangle$ )

### 4. Density functional theory: Hohenberg-Kohn theorem

Mathematics theorem: Physical properties are functionals of  $\rho(r)$

One-electron eq similar to Schrödinger eq is used (Kohn-Sham equation)

**No program that can calculate everythin**

**Similar accuracy should be expected if ‘first-principles’ codes are used**

=> We can combine / connect several programs that have required functions

**Example:**

1. Stable structure, electron structure: VASP (fast)
2. Core levels, XAS: Wien2k (can calculate core levels)
3. COOP/COHP : LOBSTER
4. Phonon dispersion : Phonopy
5. Raman scattering intensity : raman-sc
6. Carrier transport : BoltzTraP

# (One-electron) Hartree-Fock equation

**Pauli exclusion principle:** Anti-symmetry of wave function against an exchange of two electrons

$$\left\{ -\frac{1}{2} \nabla_l^2 - \sum_m \frac{Z_m}{r_{lm}} + \sum_m \int \frac{\varphi_m^*(\mathbf{r}_m)\varphi_m(\mathbf{r}_m)}{r_{lm}} d\mathbf{r}_m + V_{xl}(\mathbf{r}_l) \right\} \varphi_l(\mathbf{r}_l) = \varepsilon_l \varphi_l(\mathbf{r}_l)$$

$$V_{xl}(\mathbf{r}_l) = - \frac{\sum_m \int \frac{\varphi_l^*(\mathbf{r}_l)\varphi_m^*(\mathbf{r}_m)\varphi_m(\mathbf{r}_m)\varphi_l(\mathbf{r}_l)}{r_{lm}} d\mathbf{r}_m}{\varphi_l^*(\mathbf{r}_l)\varphi_l(\mathbf{r}_l)}$$

**One-electron Schrödinger equation  
considering the Pauli exclusion principle:  
(one-electron) Hartree-Fock equation**

**The calculation of the four-center integrals of the  
exchange potential  $V_{xl}$  is very heavy  
in particular for crystals**

# Slater's X $\alpha$ method: towards LDA

Exchange potential of Hartree-Fock equation

$$V_{xl}(\mathbf{r}_l) = -\frac{\sum_m \int \frac{\phi_l^*(\mathbf{r}_l)\phi_m^*(\mathbf{r}_m)\phi_m(\mathbf{r}_m)\phi_l(\mathbf{r}_l)}{r_{lm}} d\mathbf{r}_m}{\phi_l^*(\mathbf{r}_l)\phi_l(\mathbf{r}_l)}$$

Approximate by plain waves

$$V_{xl}(\mathbf{r}_l) = -3\alpha \left\{ \frac{3}{4\pi} \rho_{\uparrow}(\mathbf{r}_l) \right\}^{1/3}$$

**Slater's X $\alpha$  potential + Discrete Variational Integral  
= DV-X $\alpha$  method**

To be recognized as a variation of LDA (local density functional approximation)  
Kohn-Sham exchange potential:  $\alpha = 2/3$

# Density Function Theory: DFT

## Hohenberg-Kohn theorem

1. For interacting electron gas in external potential  $V_{\text{ext}}(\mathbf{r})$ ,  
 $V_{\text{ext}}(\mathbf{r})$  is determined uniquely if all electron density  $\rho(\mathbf{r})$  is given.
  2. Total energy is given as a functional of  $\rho(\mathbf{r})$   $E[\rho(\mathbf{r})]$ ,  
and the  $\rho(\mathbf{r})$  that gives the minimum  $E[\rho(\mathbf{r})]$  determines the  
ground state
- Easy incorporate electron correlation effects  
    => good for many particle problems
  - Fundamentally, both ‘exchange interaction’ and ‘electron  
correlation interaction’ are exactly incorporated as functionals  
of total electron density
  - But, we need approximation through the functionals
  - Usually one-electron equation is employed to solve actual  
problems

# One-electron eq: Kohn-Sham equation

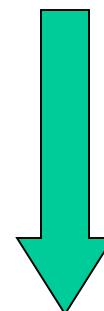
Total energy

$$E = T_0[\rho] + \int V_{ext}(\mathbf{r})\rho(\mathbf{r})d\mathbf{r} + \frac{1}{2} \int \frac{\rho(\mathbf{r})\rho(\mathbf{r}')}{|\mathbf{r}'-\mathbf{r}|} d\mathbf{r} d\mathbf{r}' + E_{XC}[\rho]$$

Kinetic energy      Electron – nuclei  
without interaction      interaction

Electron – electron  
interaction

Exchange interaction  
Correlation interaction



**Variational principle**

$$\rho(\mathbf{r}) = \sum_i \phi_i^*(\mathbf{r})\phi_i(\mathbf{r})$$

$$\left( -\frac{\hbar^2}{2m} \nabla^2 + V_{ext}(\rho(\mathbf{r})) + V_{e-e}(\rho(\mathbf{r})) + V_{XC}(\rho(\mathbf{r})) \right) \phi(\mathbf{r}) = \varepsilon \phi(\mathbf{r})$$

Identical to Schrödinger equation for a single electron system

$V_{xc}$ : Unknown. Assumption of DFT

What are the physical meaning of  $\phi(\mathbf{r})$  and  $\varepsilon$ ?

# Schrödinger equation and DFT

## Hartree-Fock (HF) eq (One-electron Schrödinger eq)

$$\left\{ -\frac{1}{2} \nabla_l^2 + V_{ext}(\mathbf{r}_l) + V_{e-e}(\mathbf{r}_l) + V_{XL}(\mathbf{r}_l) \right\} \phi_l(\mathbf{r}_l) = \varepsilon_l \phi_l(\mathbf{r}_l)$$

## Kohn-Sham eq (DFT: Density Functional Theory)

$$\left\{ -\frac{1}{2} \nabla^2 + V_{ext}(\rho(\mathbf{r})) + V_{e-e}(\rho(\mathbf{r})) + V_{XC}(\rho(\mathbf{r})) \right\} \phi(\mathbf{r}) = \varepsilon \phi(\mathbf{r})$$

- **Similar equations**
  - **Schrödinger eq:**
    1. Quantize classical Hamiltonian 化
    2. The variables are **coordinates of all electrons  $r_l$**
    3. (HF) Energy eigen values correspond to ionization potential
  - **DFT:**
    1. Hohenberg-Kohn theorem (Ground state is determined by  $\rho(r)$ )
    2. Depending only on the **coordinate of the space  $r$**
    3. Energy eigen values correspond to chemical potential

# Solutions of one-electron eq for H atom

## Hartree-Fock (HF) eq

$$\left\{ -\frac{1}{2} \nabla^2 - \frac{Z}{r} + \int \frac{\rho(\mathbf{r}_m)}{|\mathbf{r}_m - \mathbf{r}|} d\mathbf{r}_m - \int \frac{\rho(\mathbf{r}_m)}{|\mathbf{r}_m - \mathbf{r}|} d\mathbf{r}_m \right\} \varphi(\mathbf{r}) = \varepsilon \varphi(\mathbf{r})$$

Self-interaction (SI) is cancelled for HF

## Slater's X $\alpha$ (DFT)

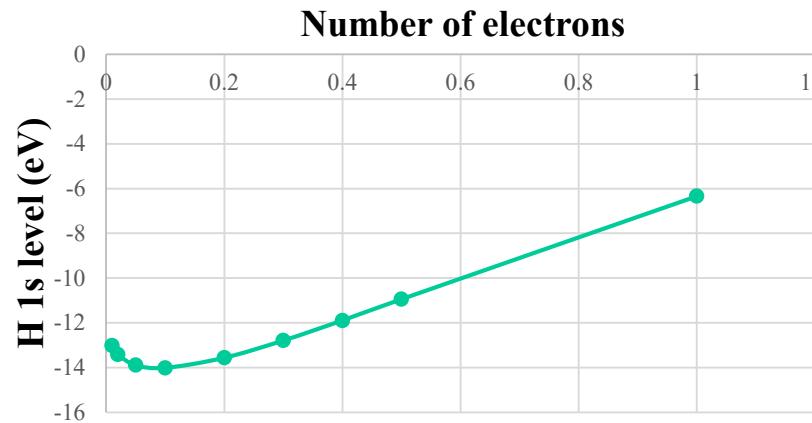
$$\left\{ -\frac{1}{2} \nabla^2 - \frac{Z}{r} + \int \frac{\rho(\mathbf{r}_m)}{|\mathbf{r}_m - \mathbf{r}|} d\mathbf{r}_m - 3\alpha \left\{ \frac{3}{4\pi} \rho(\mathbf{r}) \right\}^{1/3} \right\} \varphi(\mathbf{r}) = \varepsilon \varphi(\mathbf{r})$$

SI is not cancelled perfectly for DFT

Calculated by VASP with PAW LDA

NELECT varied

Exact: E(1s) = -13.6 eV



Ne	1s	E(tot)
0.01	-13.0213	10.61942
0.02	-13.4201	10.48618
0.05	-13.892	10.0727
0.1	-14.0148	9.3697
0.2	-13.5659	7.98014
0.3	-12.7931	6.655476
0.4	-11.8945	5.416286
0.5	-10.9442	4.270649
1	-6.33495	-0.02861
HF		
Analytical	-13.6	-13.6

# Physical meaning of ‘eigenvalue’ $\varepsilon_i$

- **Hartree-Fock: Koopmans theorem**

Energy difference by extracting an  $e^-$  from a orbital

$$\varepsilon_i = E(n_i) - E(n_i - 1)$$

Corresponding to ionization potential

Fundamentally corresponding to the binding energy measured by photoemission spectroscopy,  
but actually the calculated levels are overestimated (too deep)

- **DFT: Janak theorem**

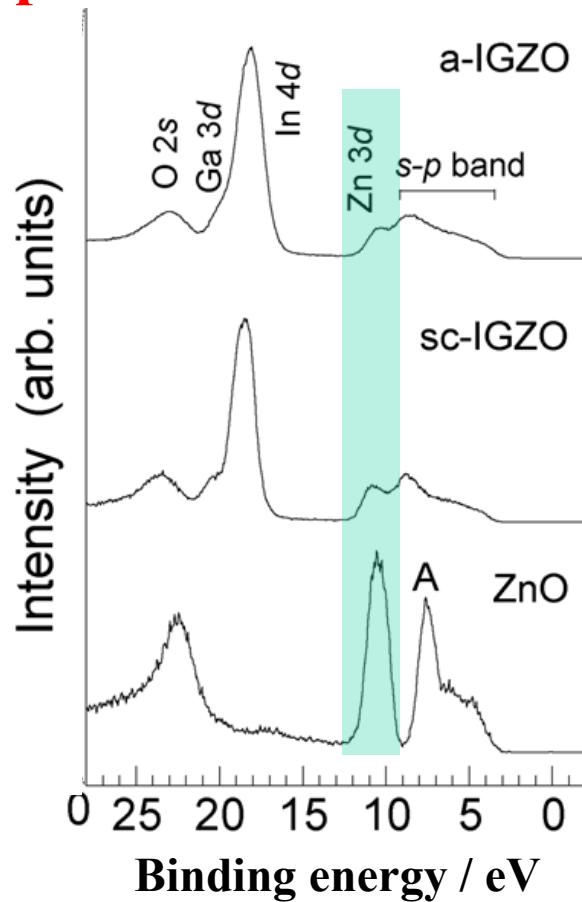
$$\varepsilon_i = \frac{\partial E}{\partial n_i}$$

Corresponding to chemical potential

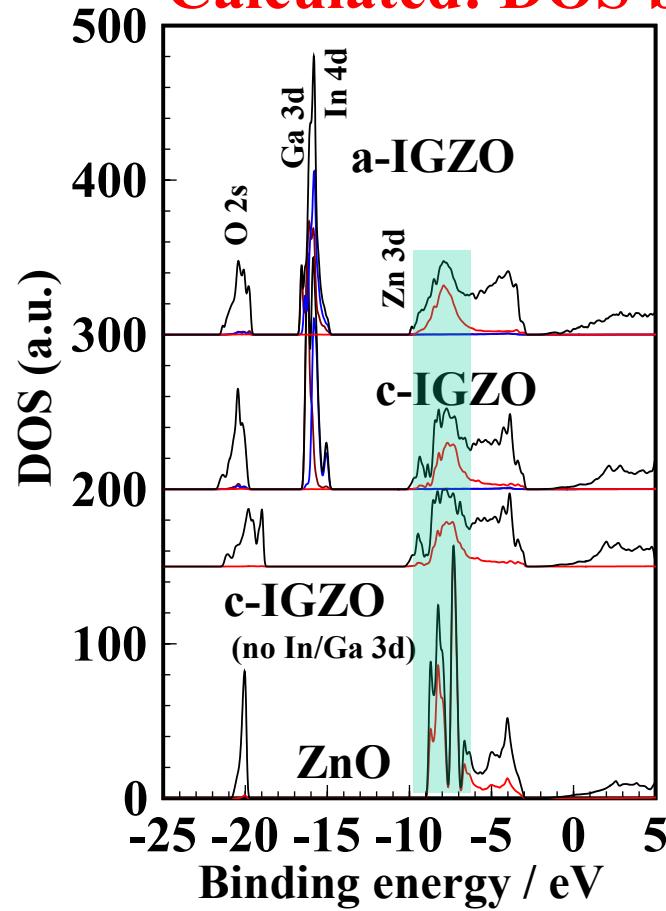
Underestimated compared to PES binding energy

# XPS and DOS of Zn-based oxides

## Experimental: XPS

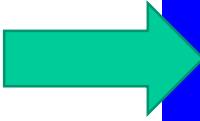


## Calculated: DOS by PBE



**Zn 3d measured from  $E_F$**

XPS : -11 eV  
DFT(PBE96) : -8 eV



**Underestimation problem of DFT**

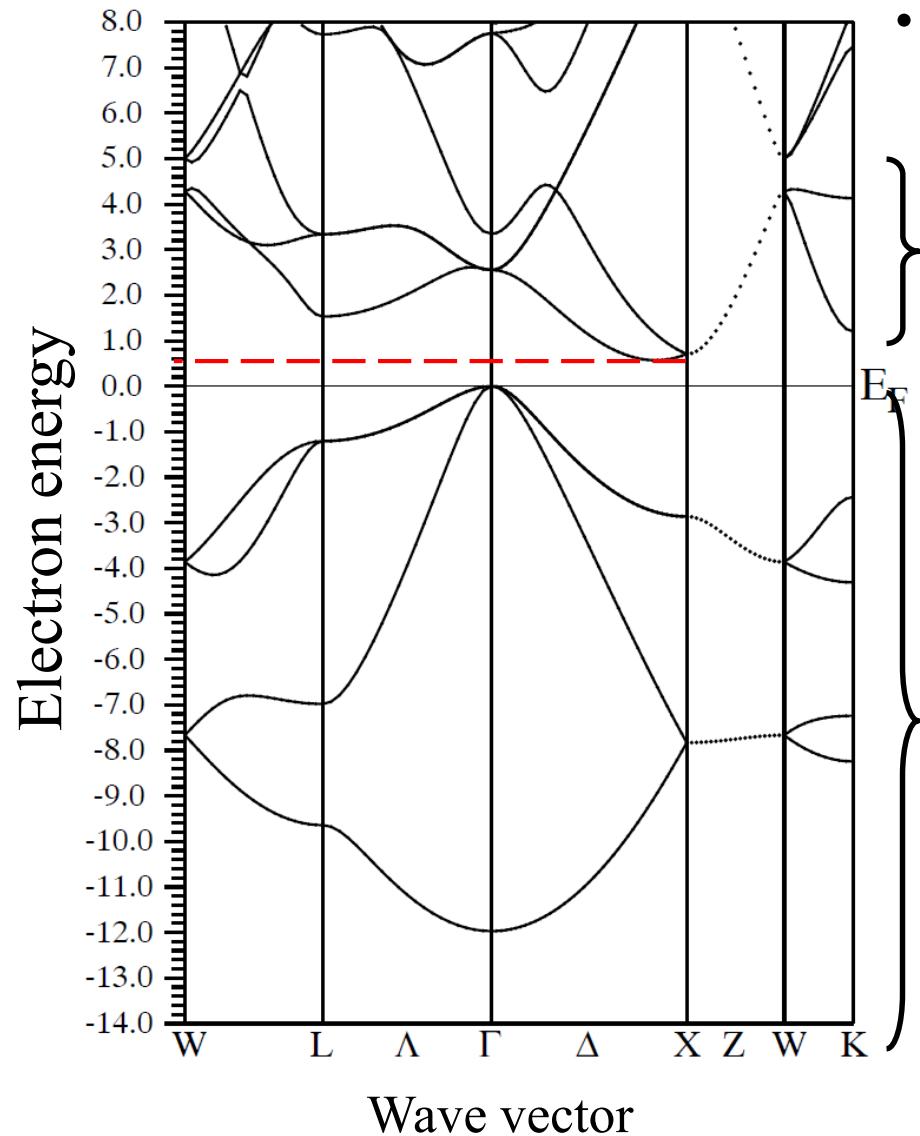
- \* Bandgap
- \* Deep levels
- \* Vacuum level

# **How to understand band structure**

## **バンド構造の読み方**

# How to read band structure

Si (WIEN2k, PBE96)



- Vertical axis indicate the energy of  $e^-$   
That is, electron is more stable for deeper energy
- If not explained explicitly  
**The energy origin is the Fermi energy**
- $e^-$  can take energy levels on the curves

Unoccupied states (Conduction band)  
Virtual states,  
but empirically confirmed to reflect the actual CB

Occupied states  
Valence band  
Real states

# How to read band structure

1. Horizontal axis indicates  
Bloch's **wave vector  $k$**   
 $k$  can roughly be regarded as  
**the propagation direction of  $e^-$  momentum**

What is wave number  $k$  ...

$$\text{Newton mech: } E = \frac{m}{2} v^2 + V = \frac{P^2}{2m} + V$$

$$\downarrow P \rightarrow \hbar k$$

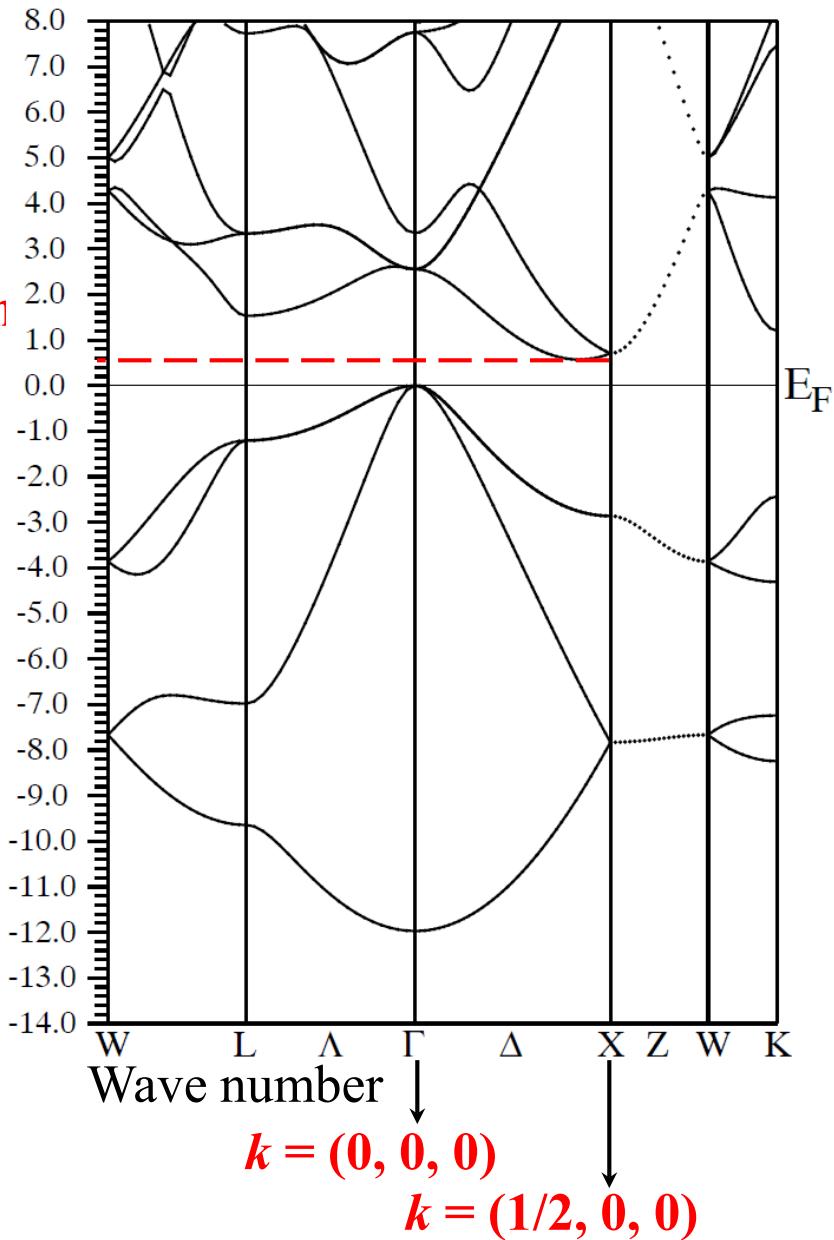
$$\text{Quant mech: } E = \frac{\hbar^2}{2} k^2 + V$$

バンド理論 (Blochの定理)

$$\phi_{kl} = \sum_j \exp(i\mathbf{k} \cdot \mathbf{r}_j) \cdot u_j(\mathbf{r} - \mathbf{r}_j)$$

$\mathbf{k}$ : Bloch's wave number  
 $\hbar\mathbf{k}$ : Crystal momentum

**Note:** The direction of velocity  
is  $-k$  for negative  $m$



# How to read band structure

Only high-symmetry  $k$  points are drawn

W, L,  $\Gamma$ , X, K etc indicate

the **high-symmetry  $k$  points and lines**

Check e.g. by databases

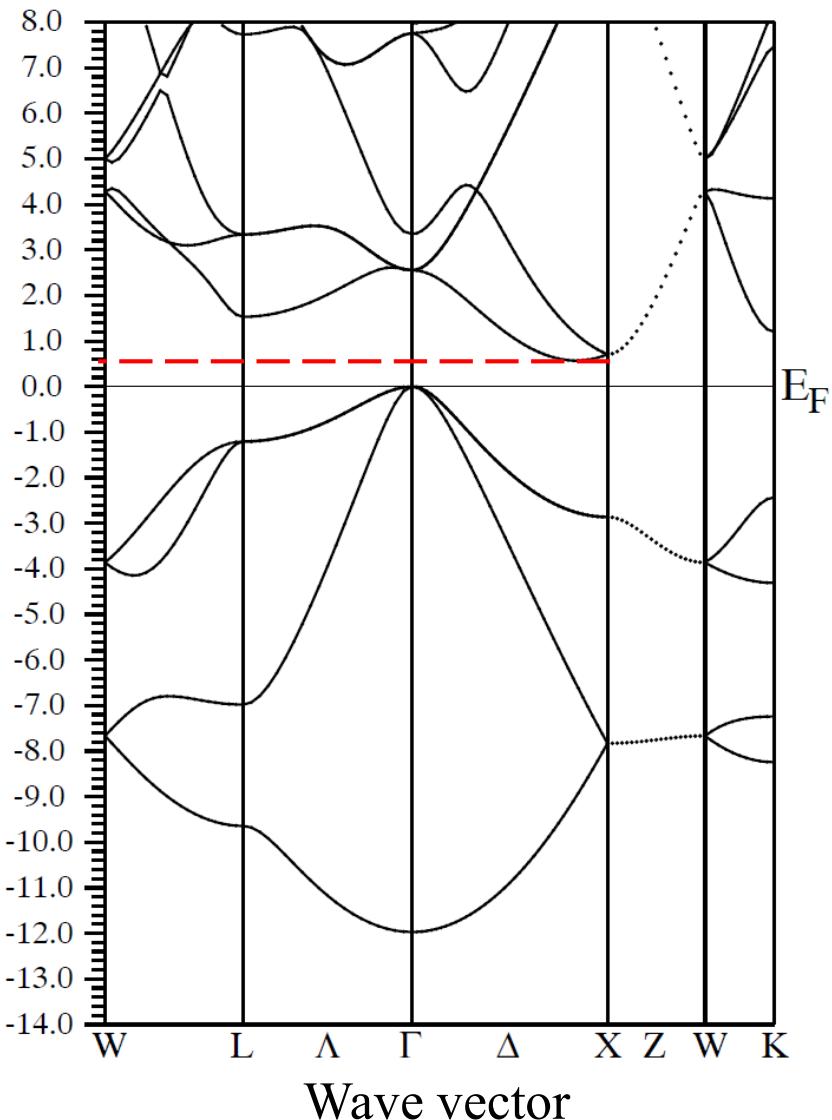
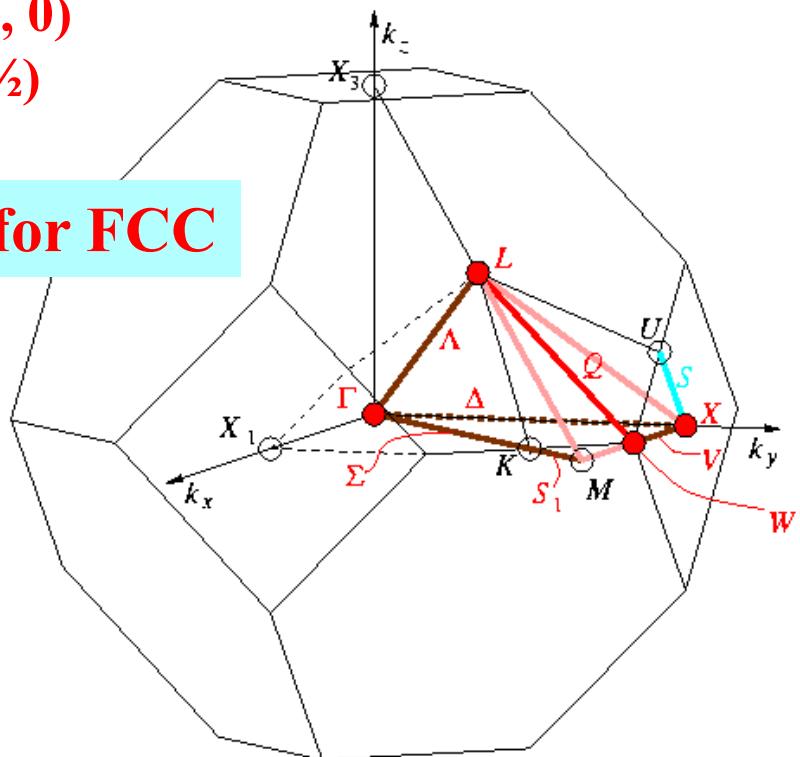
for simple lattice

$\Gamma$ :  $k = (0, 0, 0)$  (unit may be in e.g.  $1/a$ )

X:  $(1/2, 0, 0)$

Z:  $(0, 0, 1/2)$

**1<sup>st</sup> BZ for FCC**



# How to know the definitions of the symbols – Crystallographic database –

<http://www.cryst.ehu.es/cryst/>

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**Space-group symmetry**

- GENPOS Generators and General Positions of Space Groups
- WYCKPOS Wyckoff Positions of Space Groups
- HKLCOND Reflection conditions of Space Groups
- MAXSUB Maximal Subgroups of Space Groups
- SERIES Series of Maximal Isomorphic Subgroups of Space Groups
- WYCKSETS Equivalent Sets of Wyckoff Positions
- NORMALIZER Normalizers of Space Groups
- KVEC** The k-vector types and Brillouin zones of Space Groups
- SYMMETRY Geometric interpretation of matrix column representations of

Bilbao Crystallographic Server in forthcoming schools and workshop

News:

- New Article Acta Cryst. A 2019: Gal "Automated calculation of symmetry-adapted tensors in m and non-magnetic space groups: a tool of the Bilbao Crystallographic Server." Acta (2019) A75, 447.
- New Article Nature 2021: Vergniory et al.

**Brillouin-zone databases of space groups**

The Brillouin-zone database offers k-vector tables and figures which form the background of a classification of the irreducible representations of all 230 space groups.

The space groups are specified by their sequential number as given in the International Tables for Crystallography, Vol. A. You can give this number, if you know it, or you can choose it from the table with the space group numbers and symbols if you click on choose it.

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(Table for arithmetic crystal class m -3 mP)

Pm-3m-O<sub>h</sub><sup>1</sup> (221) to Pn-3m- O<sub>h</sub><sup>4</sup>(224)

Reciprocal-space group (Pm-3m)<sup>\*</sup>, No.221

k-vector description		ITA description	
CDML <sup>1</sup>		Wyckoff Position	Coordinates
Label	Coefficients		
GM	0,0,0	1 a m-m	0,0,0
R	1/2,1/2,1/2	1 b m-3 m	1/2,1/2,1/2
M	1/2,1/2,0	3 c 4/mmm.m	1/2,1/2,0
X	0,1/2,0	3	
DT	0,u,0	6	
T	1/2,1/2,u	6	
LD	u,u,u	8	
Z	u,1/2,0	1; Bilbao Crystallographic Server → k-vector types and Brillouin zones	
SM	u,u,0	1;	
S	u,1/2,u	1;	
A	u,v,0	2;	
B	u,1/2,v	2;	
C	u,u,v[GMMR] ex	2;	
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**Brillouin zone**

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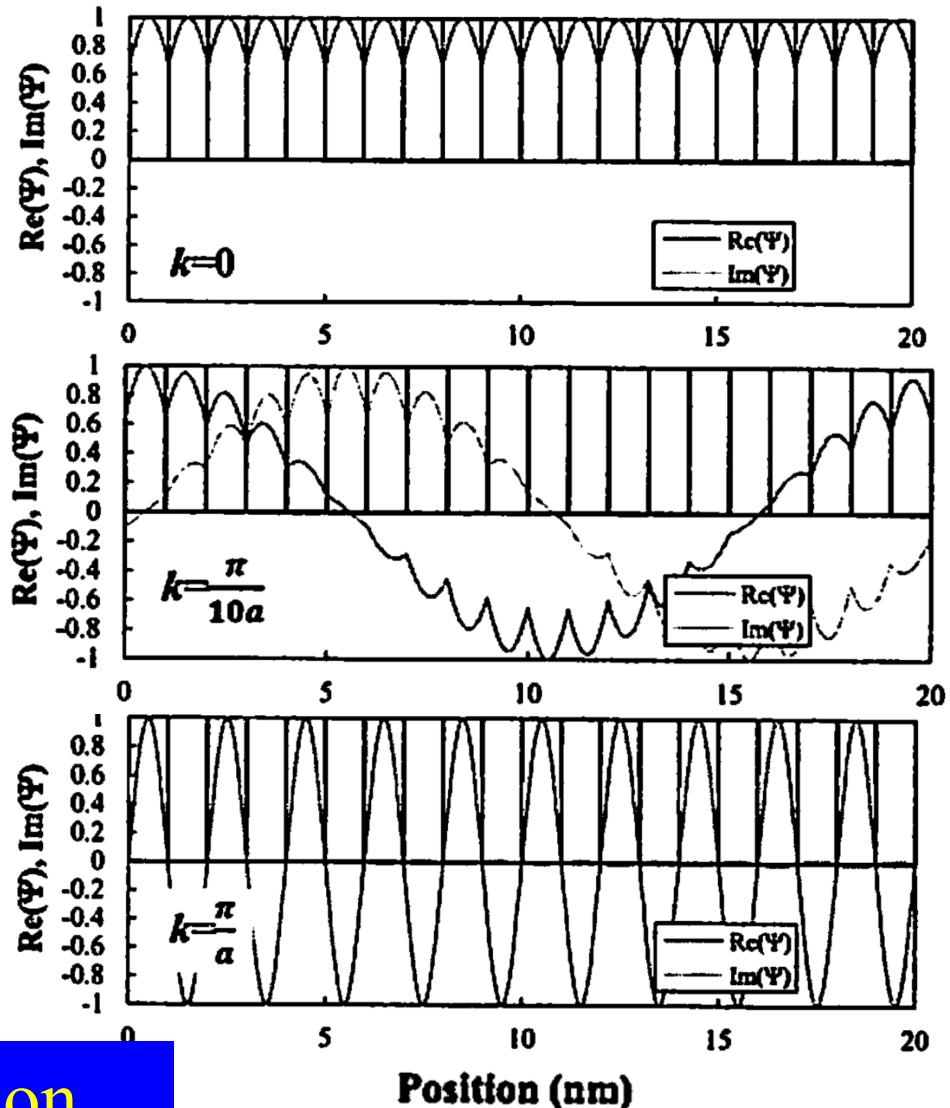
The table with the k vectors.

# Meaning of Bloch's $k$ vector (by Prof. Sugiyama)

$\Gamma$  ( $k=0$ ): Bonding

Arbitrary  $k \neq 0$ :  
Considering many unit cells

BZ boundary: }  
Anti-bonding



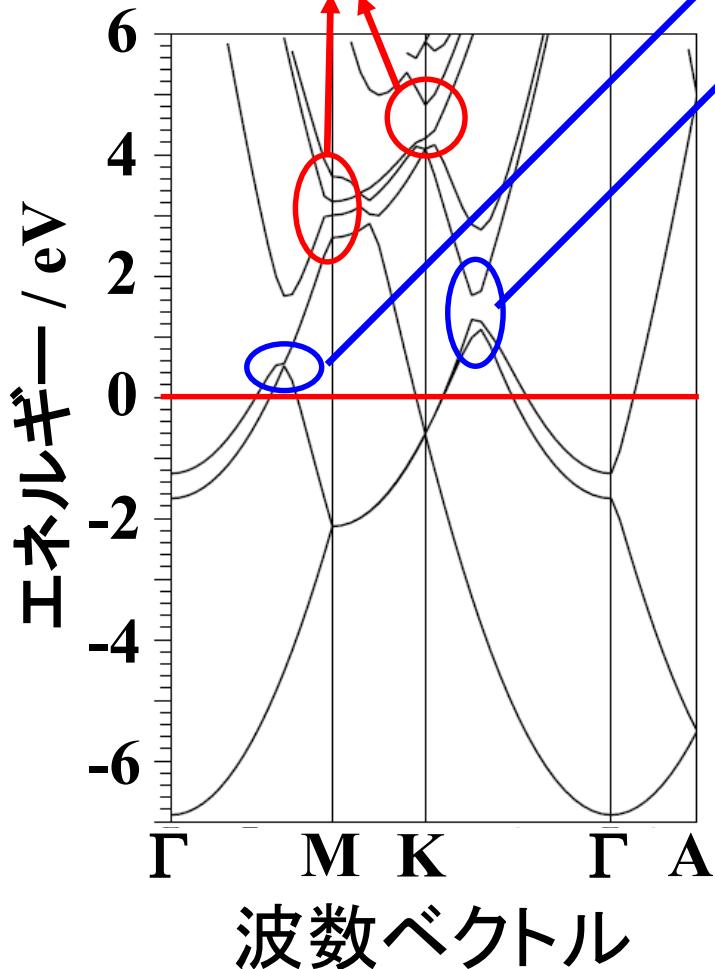
Shape of crystal wave function  
is very different depending on  $k$

# Band structure: metal

Mg

$E_g$  by free electron model:

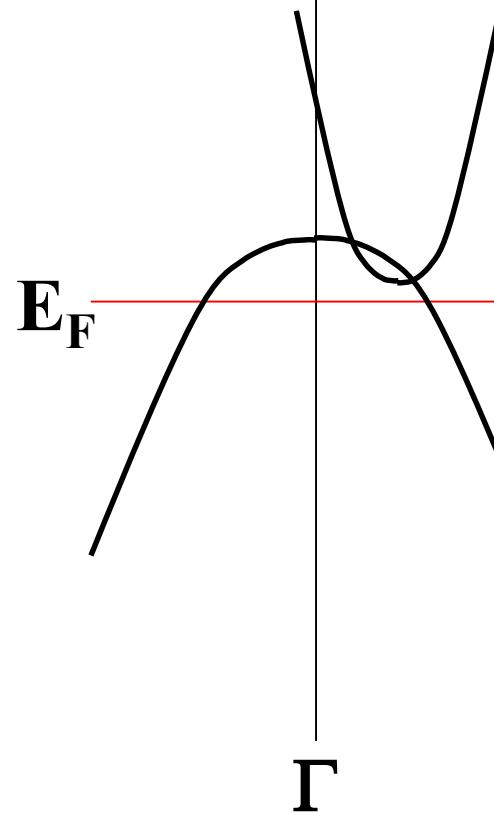
Bragg diffraction



Two bands are crossing

=> Different symmetry

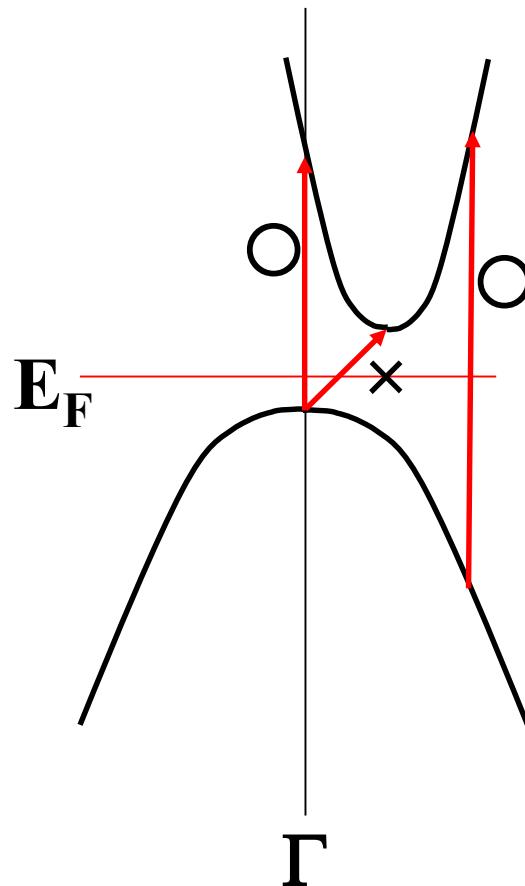
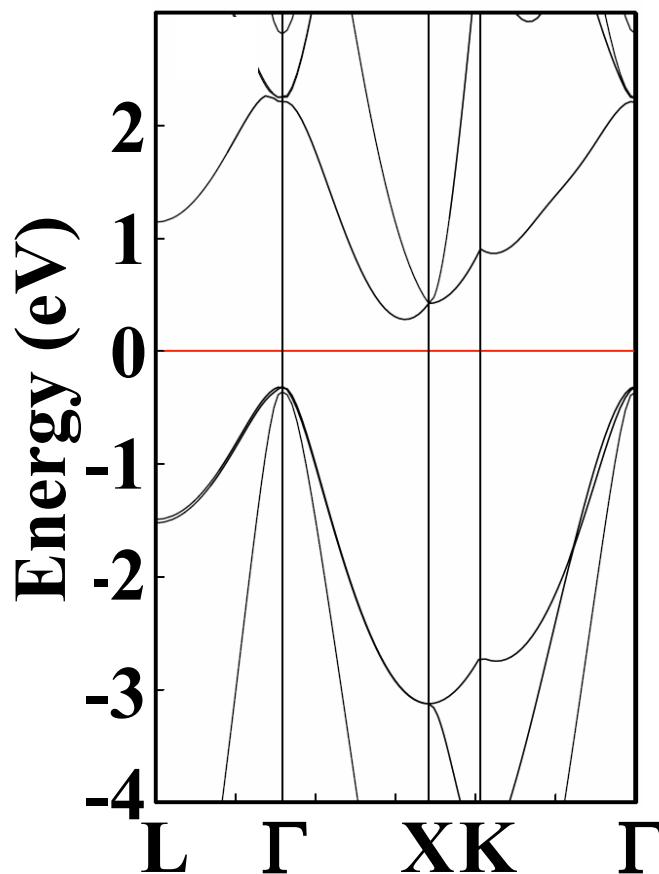
If two wave functions with the same symmetry,  
the energy levels are split at the crossing point



# Band structure: Semiconductor

Si Indirect-transition type:

Optical absorption coefficient is very small near the fundamental bandgap



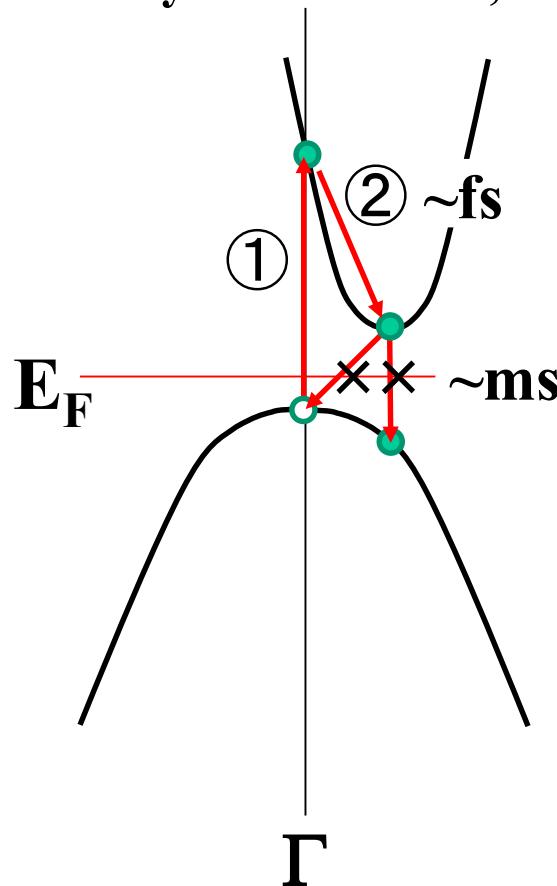
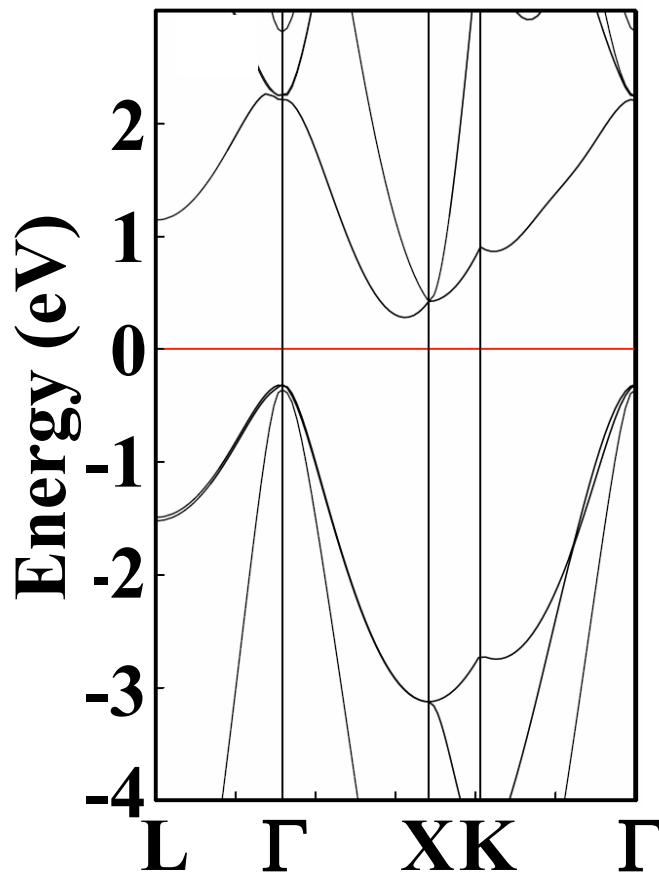
# Band structure: Semiconductor

## Si Indirect-transition type:

Weak optical absorption, not good for solar cell

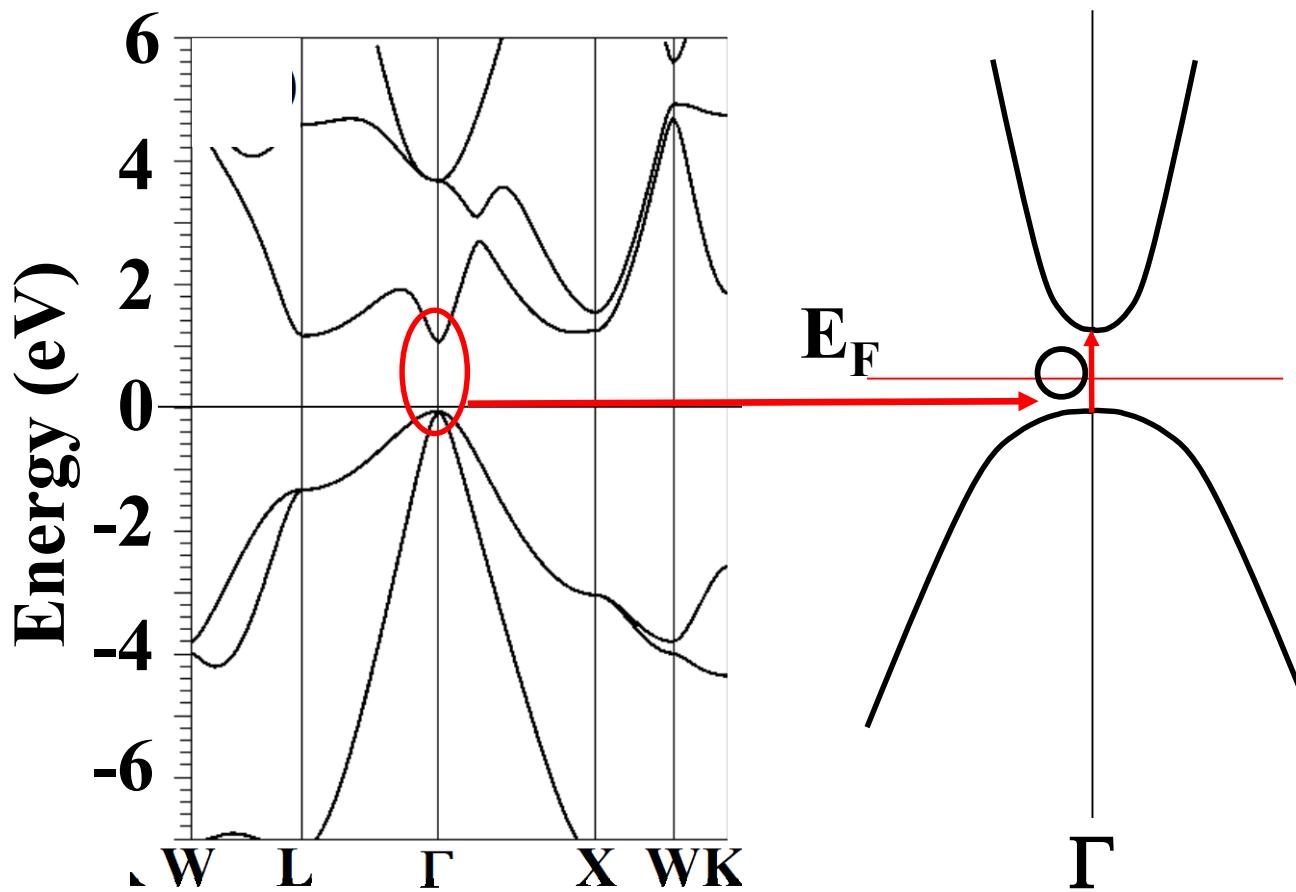
Slow recombination, good for **solar cell**

Non-radiation recombination may be dominant, bad for **LED**



# Band structure: Semiconductor

GaAs Direct-transition type: Strong optical absorption  
good for **solar cell**

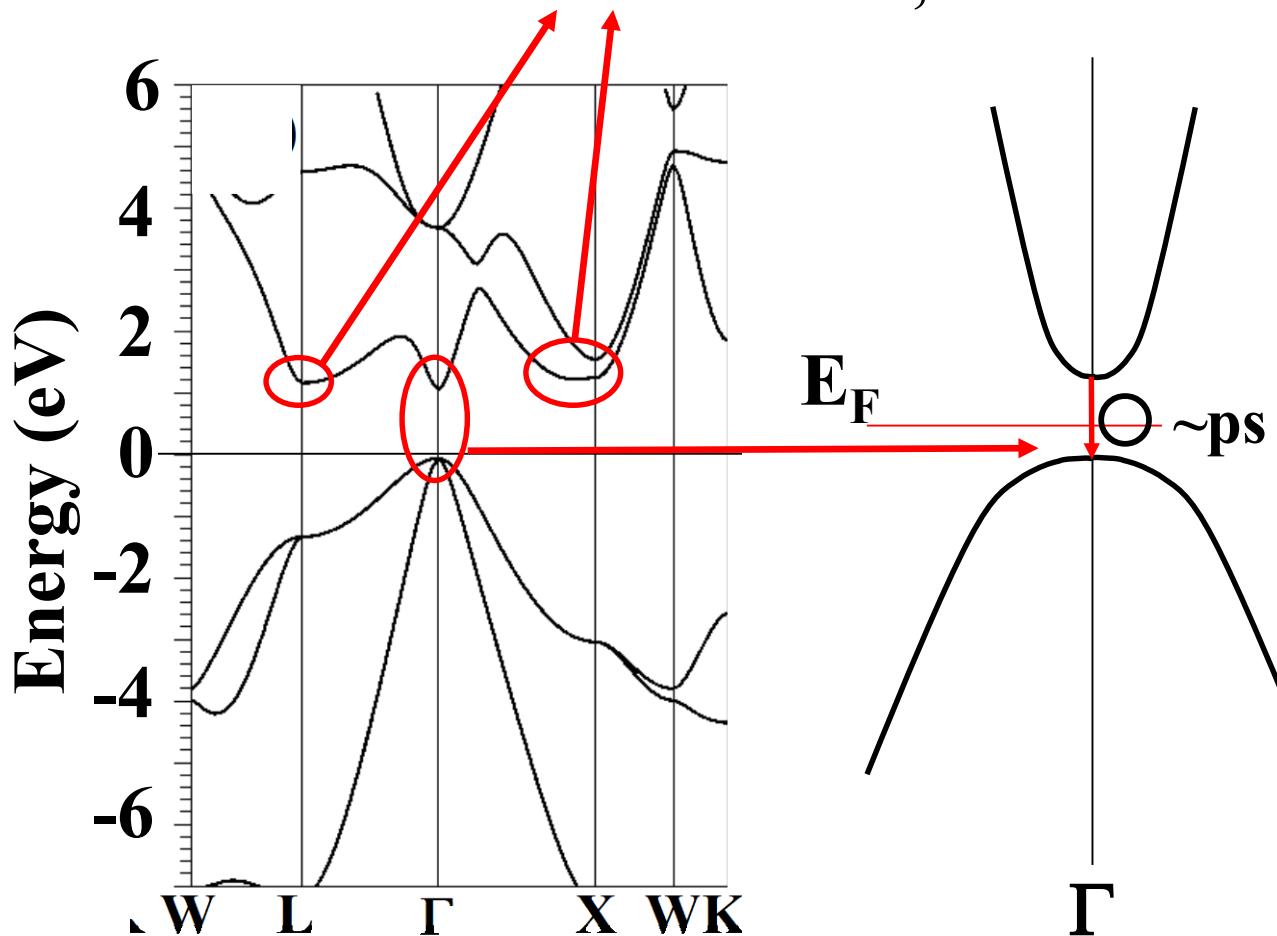


# Band structure: Semiconductor

GaAs Direct-transition type: Fast recombination

Radiative recombination may be dominant, good for LED

Indirect-transition at CBM, better for solar cell



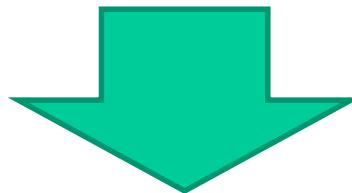
# First-principles calculation: Effective mass

第一原理計算：有効質量

# Effective medium / Effective mass approximation

Semiconductor have many atoms that may scatter  $e^-$ ,  
but

Thanks to the Bloch's theorem (the band theory),  
 $e^-$  at the Bloch state  $E(k)$  is not scattered by  
the periodic atoms



- The host is regarded as a uniform continuous media with the dielectric permittivity  $\epsilon$
- Electrons in crystal are treated as free electrons, but it has effective mass  $m_e^*$  and the charge  $-|e|$

If one know  $\epsilon$ ,  $m_e^*$ , and  $m_h^*$ ,  
a variety of properties would be calculated

# Known from effective mass (free $e^-$ approx.)

Mobility, conductivity  $\mu = \frac{e\tau}{m_e^*}$   $\sigma = eN_{free}\mu$

Density of state function  $M_C$  is the degeneracy of LUMO

$$N(E) = M_C \frac{\sqrt{2}}{\pi^2} \frac{\sqrt{E - E_C}}{\hbar^3} m_{de}^{3/2}$$

Burstein-Moss shift  
( $E_F$  of degenerated semiconductor)  $\Delta E_g^{BM} = \frac{h^2}{m_{de}} \left( \frac{3N_e}{16\sqrt{2}\pi} \right)^{2/3}$

Effective density of state  $N_C, N_V$

for isotropic CBM/VBM that does not have extra degeneracy other than spin, density-of-states effective mass  $m_{de}$  is equal to carrier effective mass  $m_e^*$ .

$$N_C = 2 \left( \frac{2\pi m_{de} k_B T}{h^2} \right)^{3/2} M_C$$

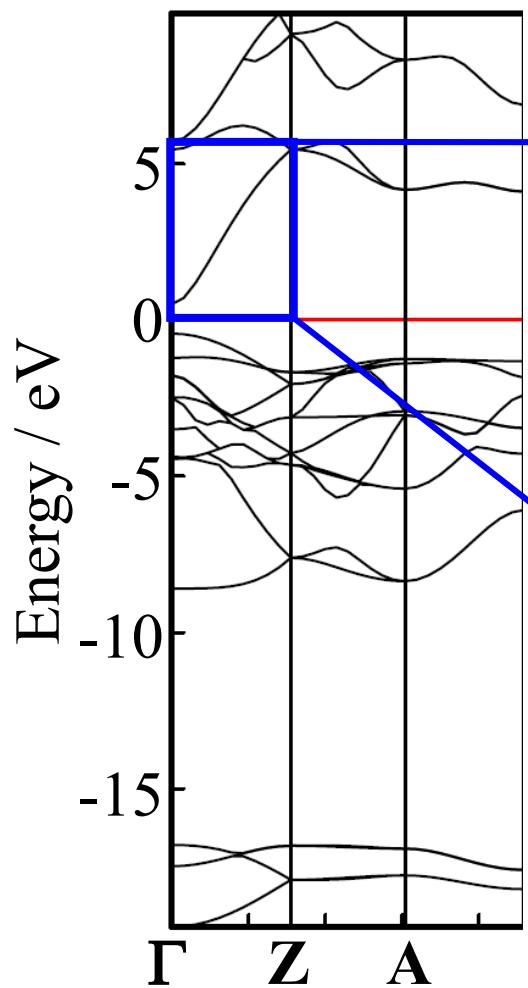
Thermal velocity  $\frac{1}{2} m_e^* v_{th}^2 = \frac{3}{2} k_B T$   $v_{th} = \sqrt{3k_B T / m_e^*}$

Fermi velocity  $\frac{1}{2} m_e^* v_F^2 = E_F - E_C$   $v_F = \sqrt{2(E_F - E_C) / m_e^*}$

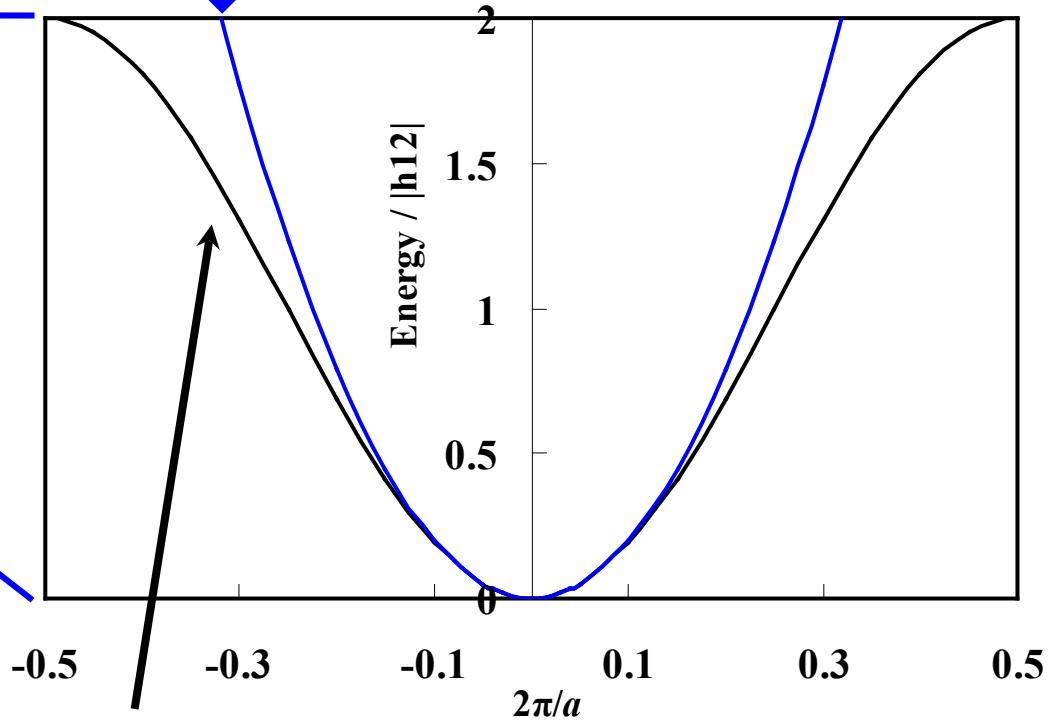
# Effective mass

$$\frac{1}{m^*} = \frac{1}{\hbar^2} \frac{\partial^2 E_n(\mathbf{k})}{\partial k^2}$$

## Band structure of $\text{SnO}_2$



Free  $e^-$   $E(k) = E_0 + \frac{|\mathbf{P}|^2}{2m} = E_0 + \frac{\hbar^2}{2m} |\mathbf{k}|^2$

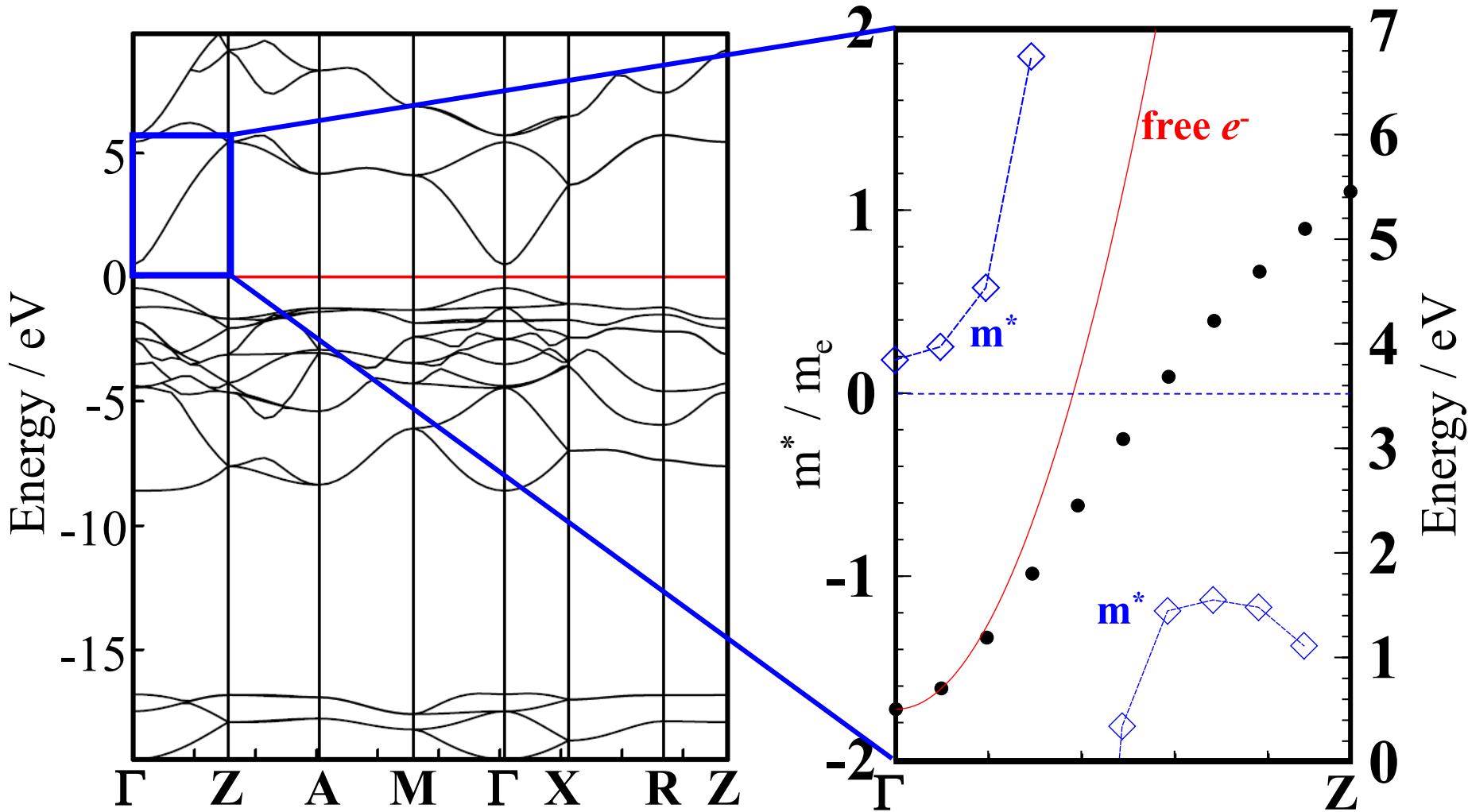


LCAO band

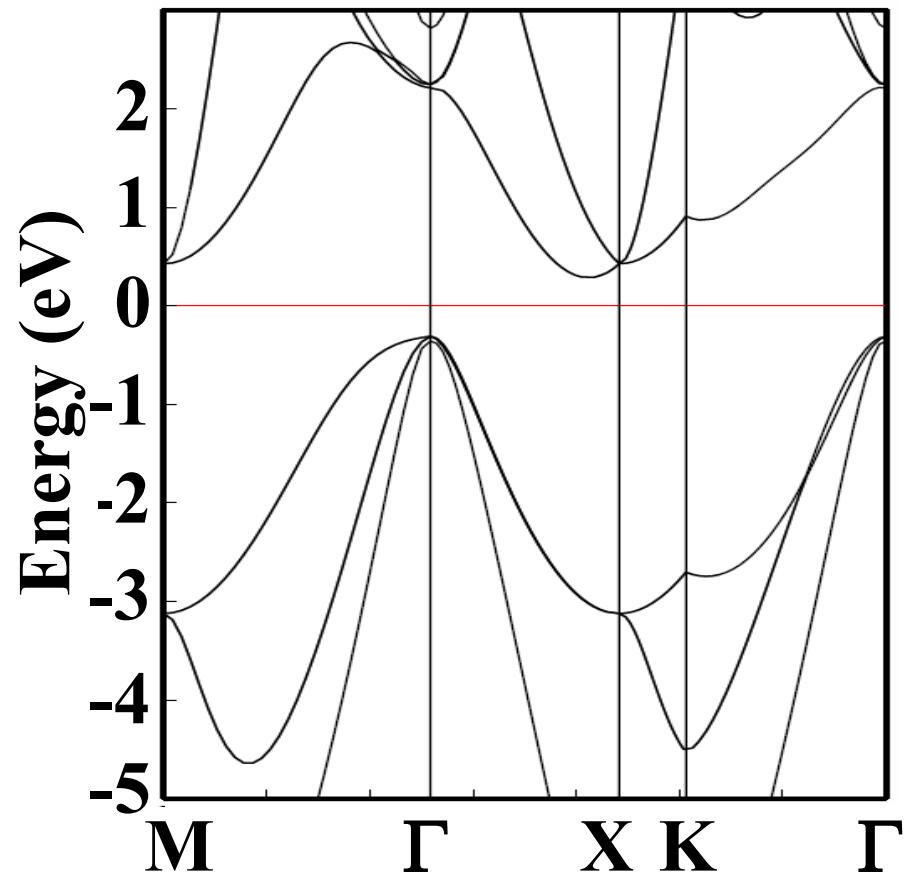
$$E(k) \sim \varepsilon_1 - 2|h_{12}| \cos(ka) \sim \varepsilon_1 - 2|h_{12}| + |h_{12}|a^2 k^2$$

# Effective mass: $\text{SnO}_2$

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# Effective mass in Si



## Experimental

$e^-$		
Longitudinal $m_{le}^* = 0.98$	Transversal $m_{te}^* = 0.19$	DOS $m_{de}^* = 0.33$
$h^+$		
Heavy hole $m_{hh}^* = 0.49$	Light hole $m_{lh}^* = 0.16$	
Split-off (SO) band (spin-orbit) $m_{soh}^* = 0.29$		DOS $m_{dh}^* = 0.55$

## Calculated

$e^-$ :

$$m_{le}^* = 0.96m_e, m_{te}^* = 0.09m_e$$

$h^+$ :

$$lh \quad 0.19m_e \text{ (isotropic)}$$

$$hh \quad 0.83m_e \text{ (<110>) } 0.26m_e \text{ (<100>) }$$

Split off hole band

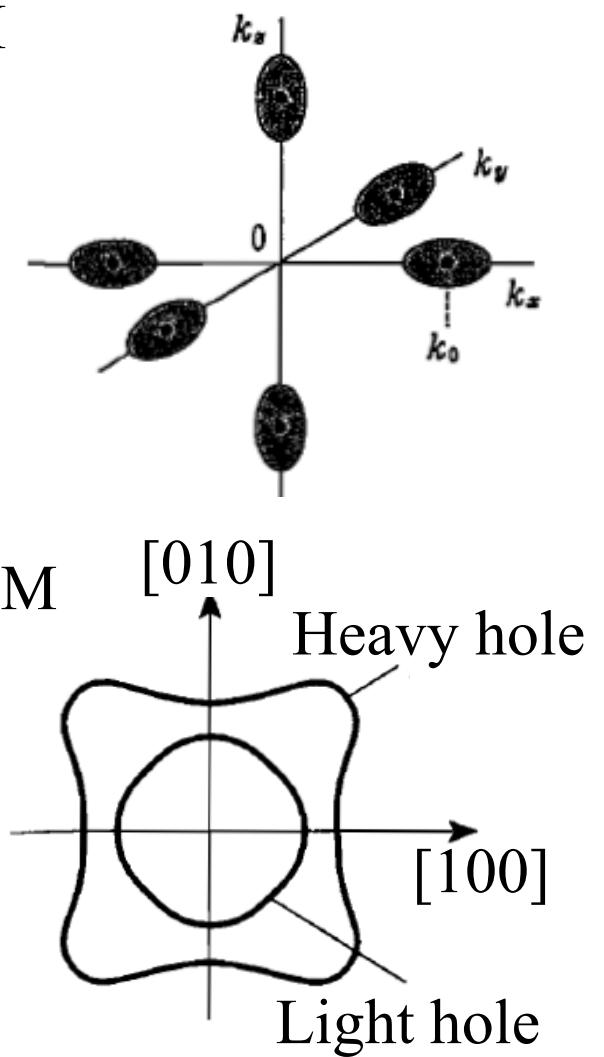
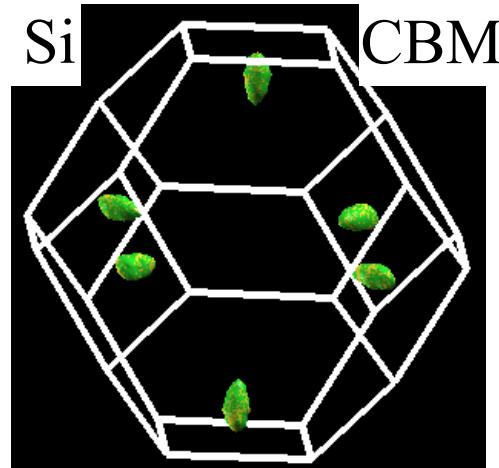
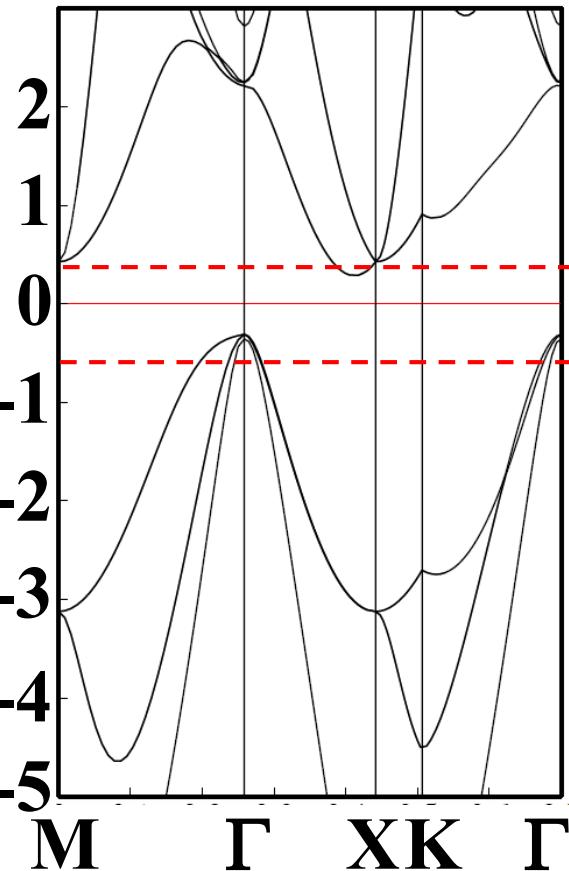
$$0.14m_e \text{ (<110>) } 0.22m_e \text{ (<100>) }$$

## $k \cdot p$ perturbation method

$$m_e^* = \left(1 + 2P^2 / m_e E_g\right)^{-1} m_e$$

# Fermi surface of Si

Energy (eV)



Widened Fermi surface

=>  $k$  for the same  $E = \hbar k^2 / 2m_e$  is larger

=> Larger effective mass

# **First-principles calculation: Bandgap problem and functional**

**第一原理計算:  
バンドギャップ問題と汎関数**

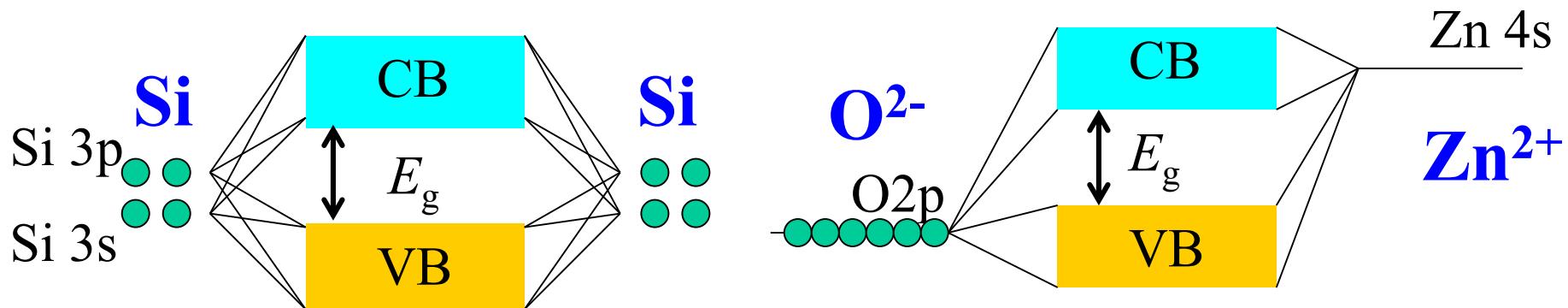
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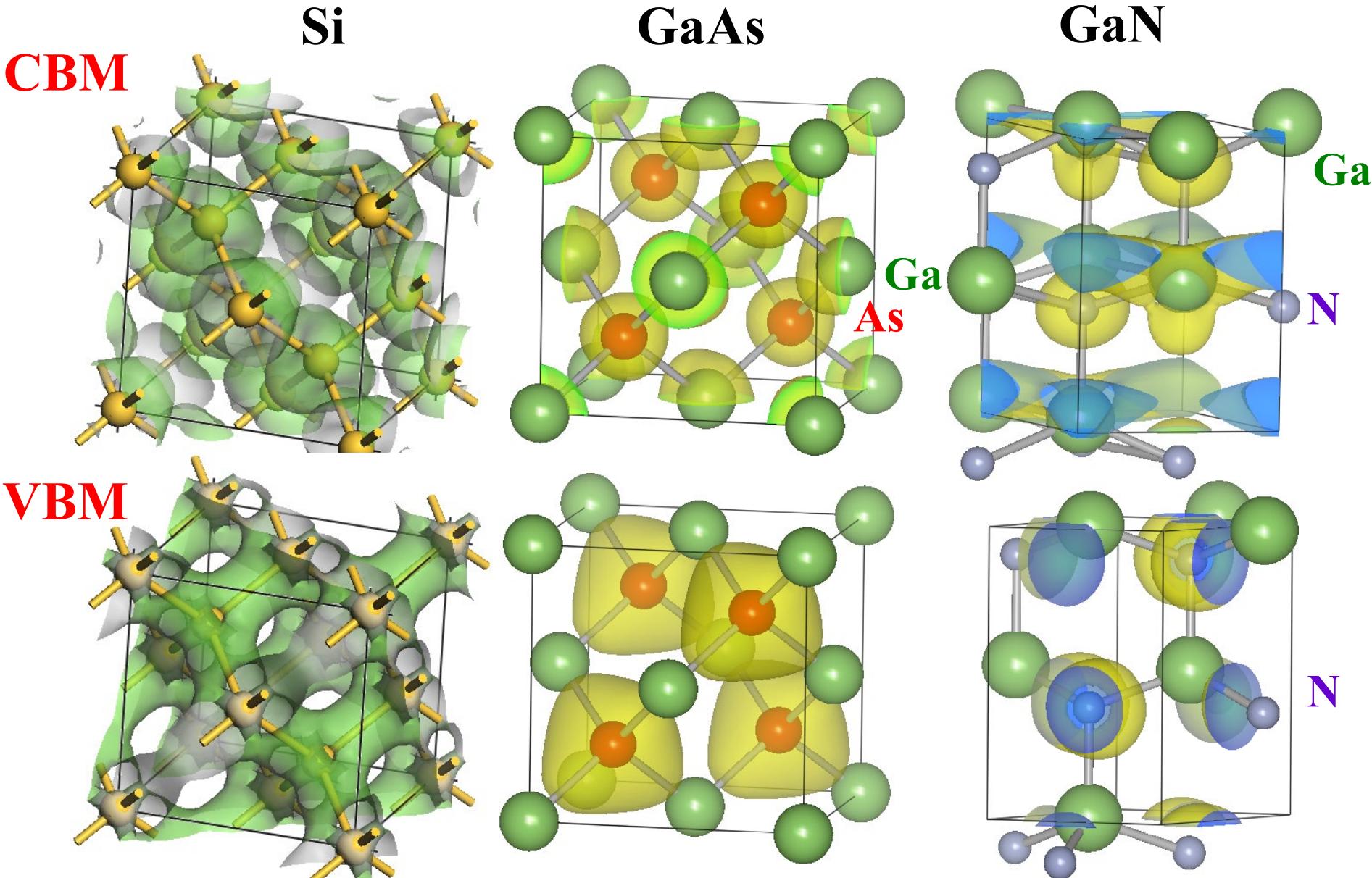
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# Wave function (Electron density)

VASP,PBE96



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# Functionals: Exchange functionals and correlation functionls

Density functional theory (DFT): Kohn-Sham equation

$$\left\{ -\frac{1}{2} \nabla^2 + V_{ext}(\rho(\mathbf{r})) + V_{e-e}(\rho(\mathbf{r})) + \underline{V_{XC}(\rho(\mathbf{r}))} \right\} \phi(\mathbf{r}) = \varepsilon \phi(\mathbf{r})$$

$V_{XC}$  is unknown

=> Many  $V_{XC}$  have been proposed  
based on a variety of approximations

# Functionals:

## Exchange functionals and correlation functionls

### L(S)DA: Local (Spin) Density Approximation

$$V_{Xc} = -3\alpha \left( (3/8\pi) \rho(\mathbf{r}) \right)^{1/3}$$

Local: determined only by the electron density at the point  $r$

Non-local: Incorporate information other than the point  $r$   
=> Use derivative of electron density

### GGA: Generalized Gradient Approximation

$$x_\sigma = \left| \nabla \rho_\sigma \right| / \rho_\sigma^{4/3} \quad E_{XC} = E_{XC}^{LSDA} - b \sum_\sigma \int \rho_\sigma^{4/3} \frac{x_\sigma^2}{1 + 6bx_\sigma \sinh^{-1} x_\sigma} dv + E_X^{NL}$$

### Exact exchange:

Hartree-Fock exchange potential

# Functionals

## LDA/LSDA:

**CA** (Ceperley-Alder)/PZ (Perdew-Zunger) [Perdew and Zunger, Phys. Rev. B **23** (1981) 5048]

**PW92** (Perdew-Wang 92) [J.P. Perdew and Y. Wang, Phys. Rev. B **45** (1992) 13244]

## GGA:

**Becke88, PW91, PBE (PBE96)**

**revPBE** (Revised PBE) [Y. Zhang and W. Yang, Phys. Rev. Lett. **80** (1998) 890]

**RPBE** (Revised PBE) [B. Hammer, L. B. Hansen, and J. K. Nørskov, Phys. Rev. B **59** (1999) 7413]

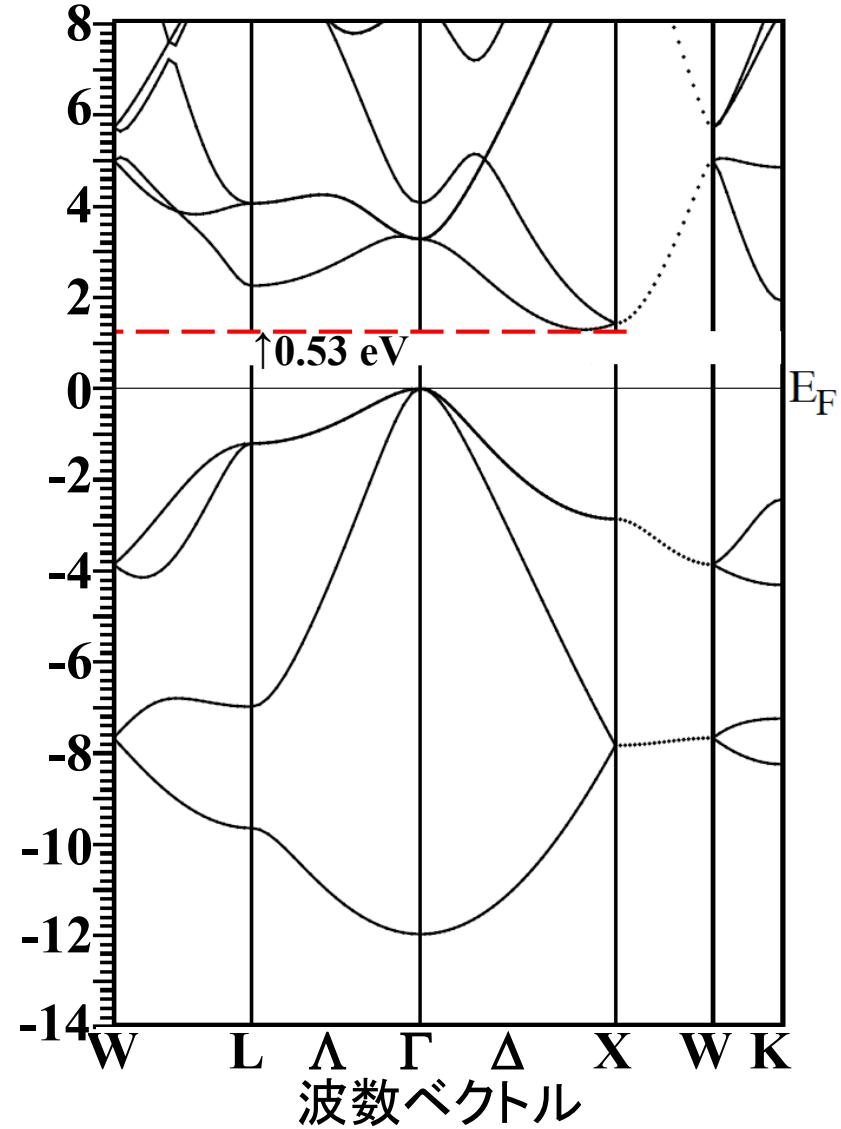
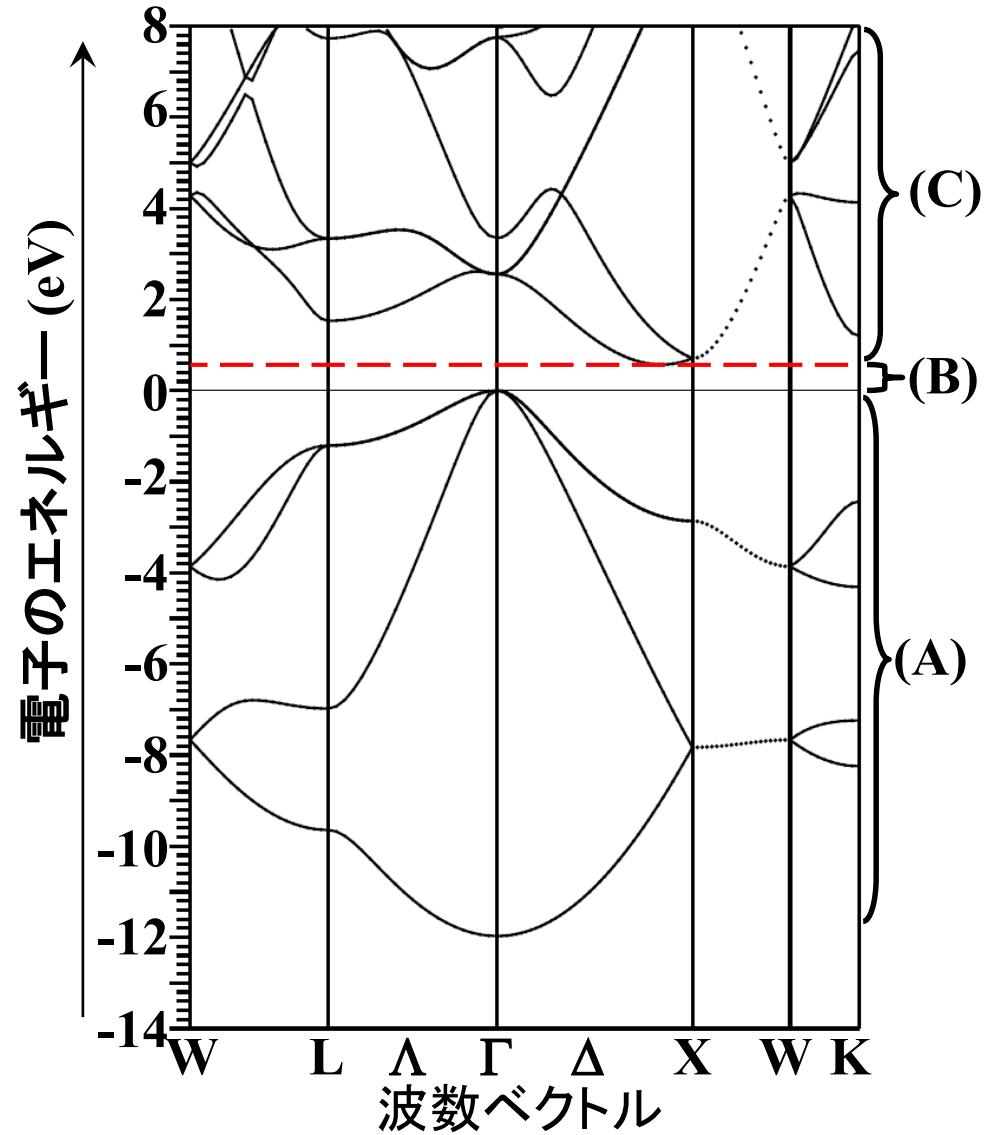
**PBEsol** (PBE for solids) [J.P. Perdew, A. Ruzsinszky, G.I. Csonka, O.A. Vydrov, G.E. Scuseria, L.A. Constantin, X. Zhou and K. Burke, Phys. Rev. Lett. **100** (2008) 136406]

**WC** (Wu-Cohen modification of PBE) [Z. Wu and R.E. Cohen, Phys. Rev. B **73** (2006) 235116]

# Bandgap problem

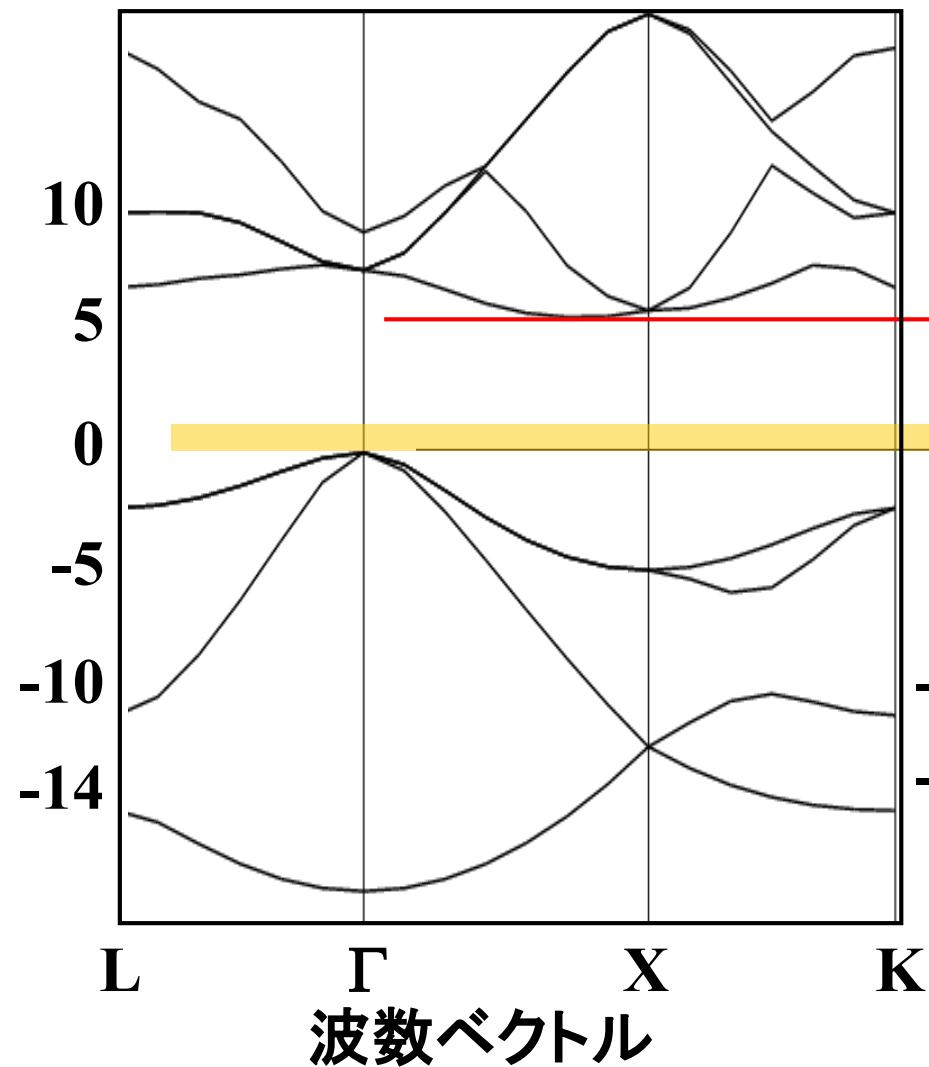
Si (WIEN2k, PBE)

Exp:  $E_g = 1.12 \text{ eV} (300\text{K})$

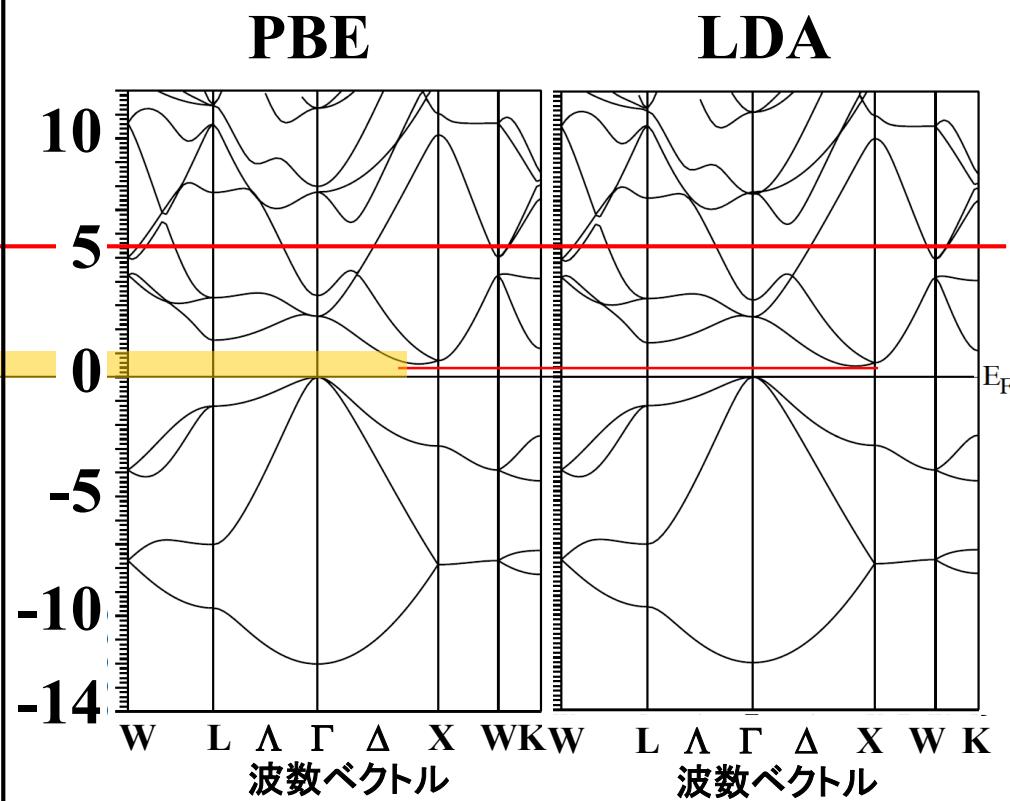


# Bandgap problem: HF vs DFT

HF (CRYSTAL06, 3(6)-21G)



DFT (WIEN2k)



# Better methods for bandgap – beyond DFT –

## (i) Configuration Interaction: CI

Employed for molecular orbital calculations (Gaussian etc).

Very heavy for infinite solids (band calculation)

## For band calculations

### (i) Self-Interaction Correction: SIC

### (ii) Incorporate shielding effect to the EE potential

Screened Exchange: sX approximation

### (iii) HF and DFT give wrong Eg values in opposite directions

=> Their potentials are mixed at an appropriate ratio: Hybrid DFT

- (a) The mixing parameters are determined empirically so as to reproduce observed bandgaps for many molecules / crystals.  
B3PW91, B3LYP etc.

- (b) The mixing parameters are determined theoretical.  
PBE0 and its shielding derivative (HSE)

### (iv) GW approximation (quasi-particle approximation)

# Hybrid functionals: PBE0, HSE

## PBE0 hybrid functional

$$E_{xc}^{SR,HF\,PBE0} = aE_x^{HF,SR} + (1-a)E_x^{PBE} + E_c^{PBE}$$

Mixing parameter  $a = 1/4$

## HSE hybrid functional

$$E_{xc}^{\omega PBEh} = aE_x^{HF,SR}(\omega) + (1-a)E_x^{PBE,SR}(\omega) + aE_x^{PBE,LR}(\omega) + E_c^{PBE}$$

Mixing parameter  $a = 1/4$

Shielding param  $\omega \rightarrow 0$ : **PBE0**       $\omega \rightarrow \infty$ : **PBE96 (GGA)**

(sometimes adjusted so as to reproduce observed bandgap)

HSE03 :  $\omega = 0.15$

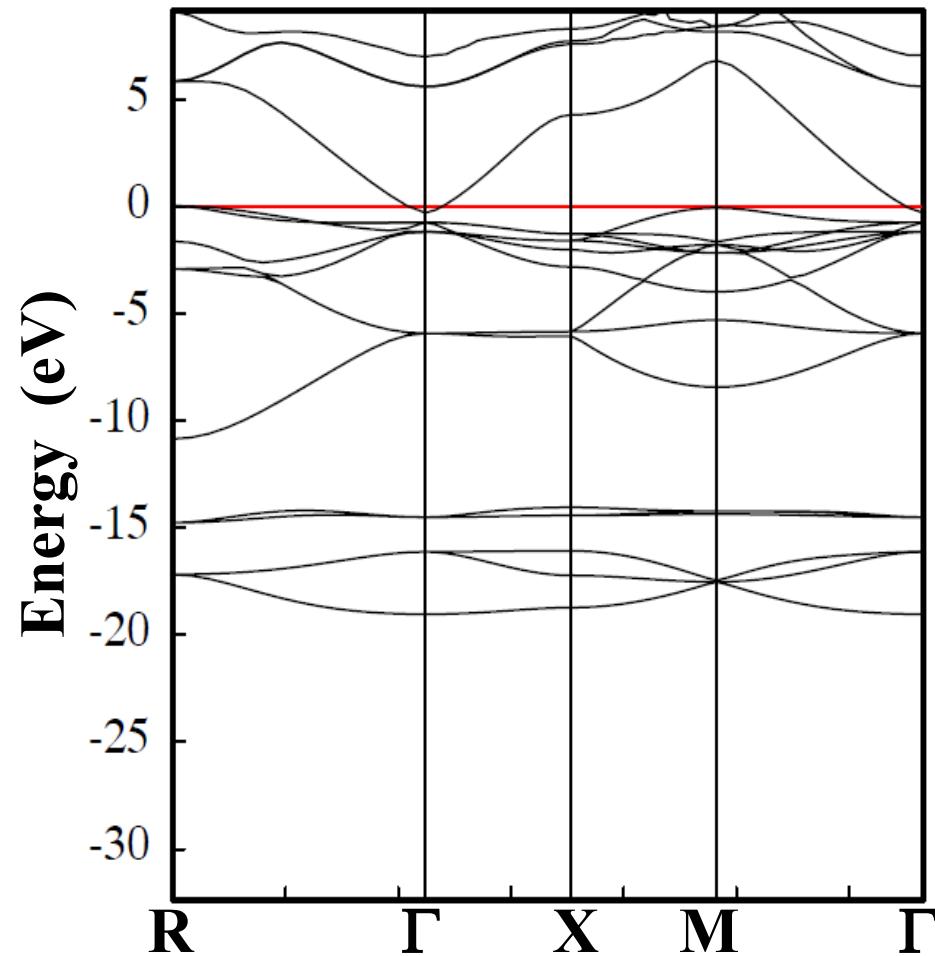
HSE06 (HSE03のERRATA):  $\omega = 0.15/2^{1/2} = 0.106$  (HF part)

$\omega = 0.15 \times 2^{1/3} = 0.189$  (PBE part)

*John P. Perdew, Matthias Ernzerhof and Kieron Burke  
J. Chem. Phys. **105** (1996) 9982  
Jochen Heyd, Gustavo E. Scuseria, Matthias Ernzerhof  
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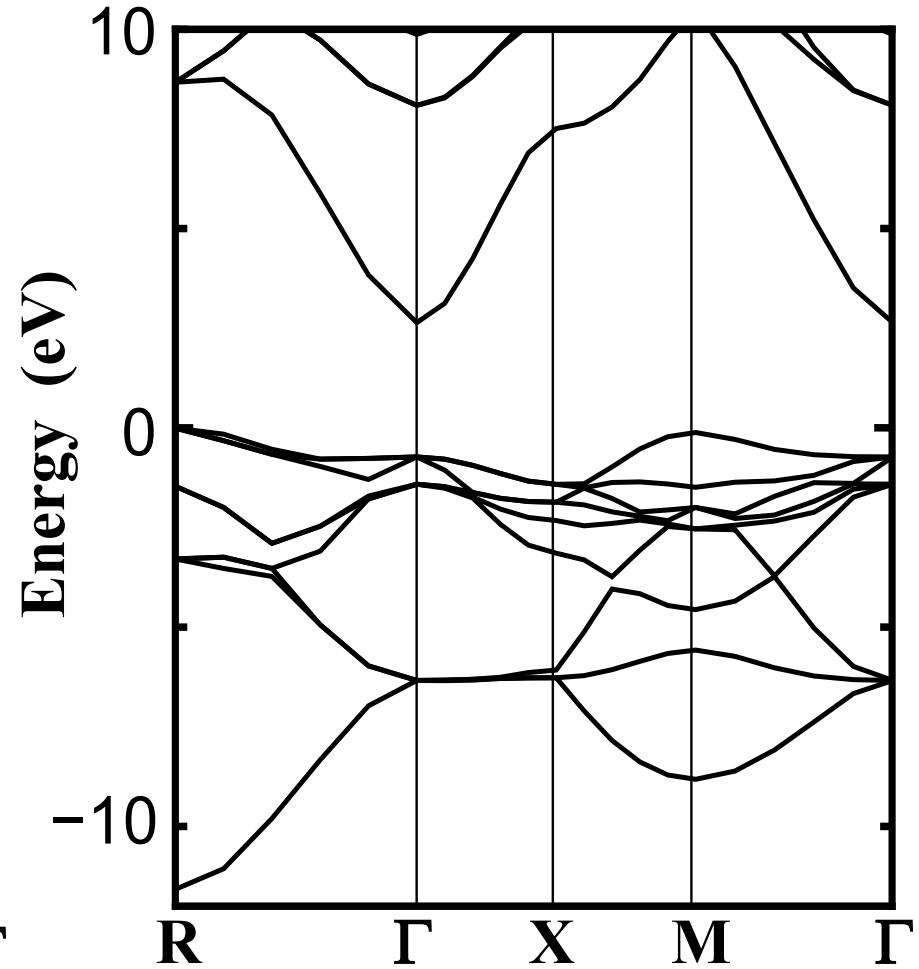
# Band structures of cubic SrGeO<sub>3</sub>

GGA (PBE96)



Negative bandgap !!

PBE0



Exp.  $E_g \sim 2.7$  eV

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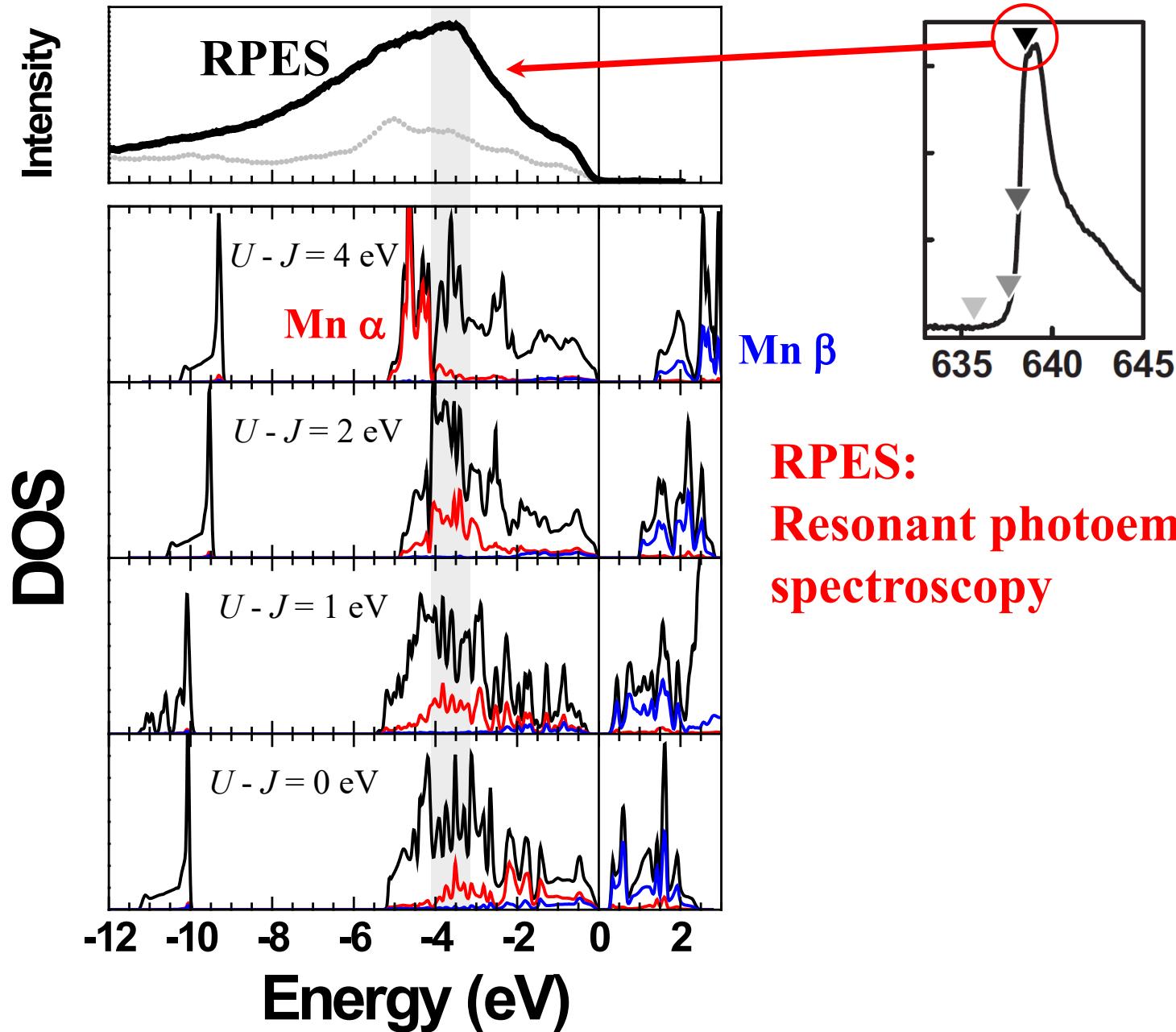
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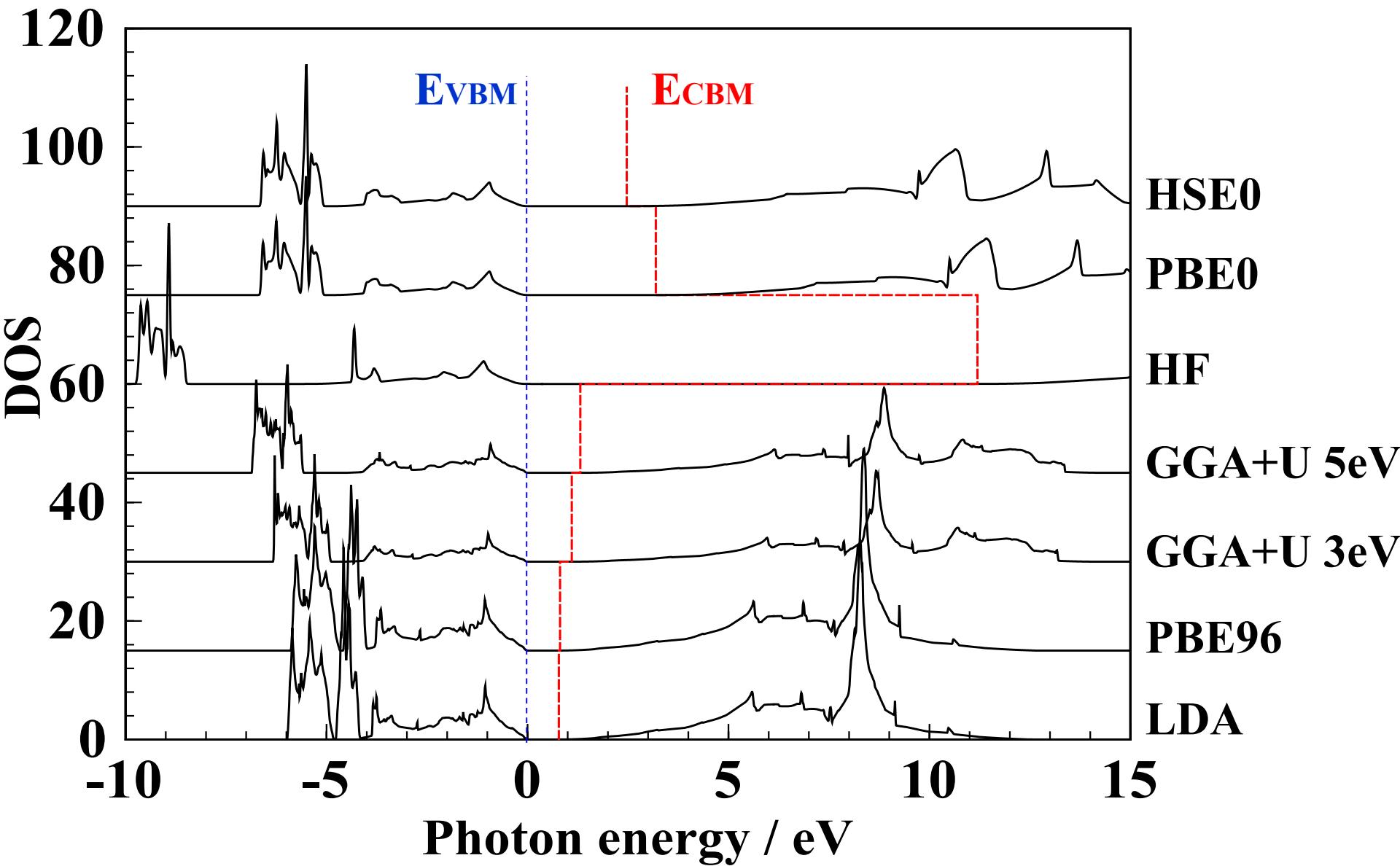
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# $+U$ approx.: LaOMnP, AFM, $U - J = 0\text{--}4$ eV



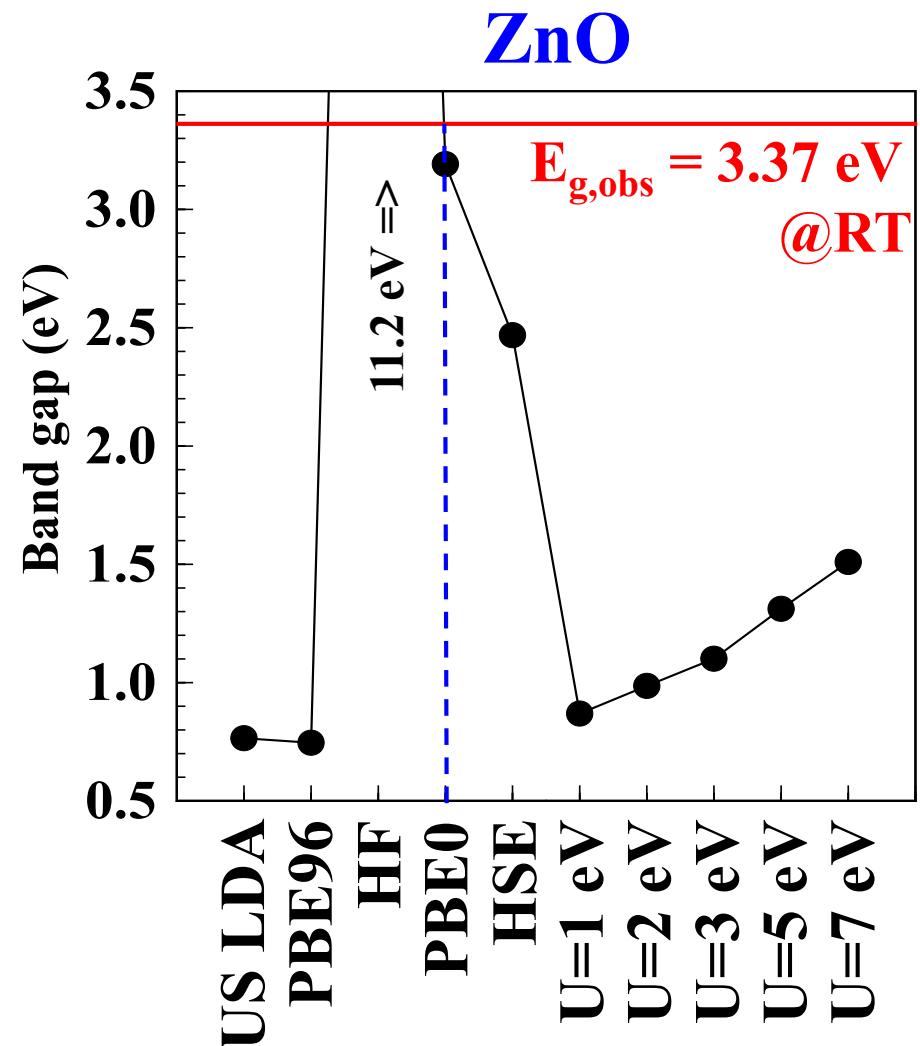
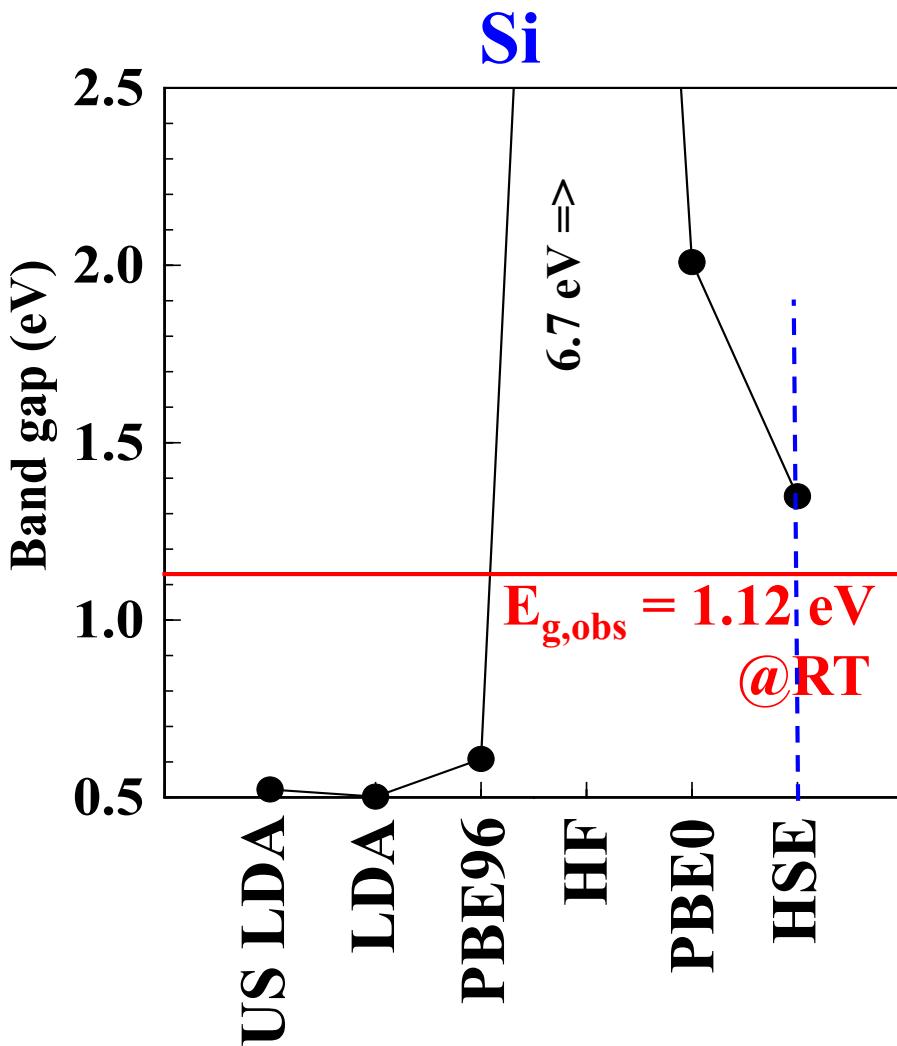
# Effects of functional and $U$ : ZnO

VASP

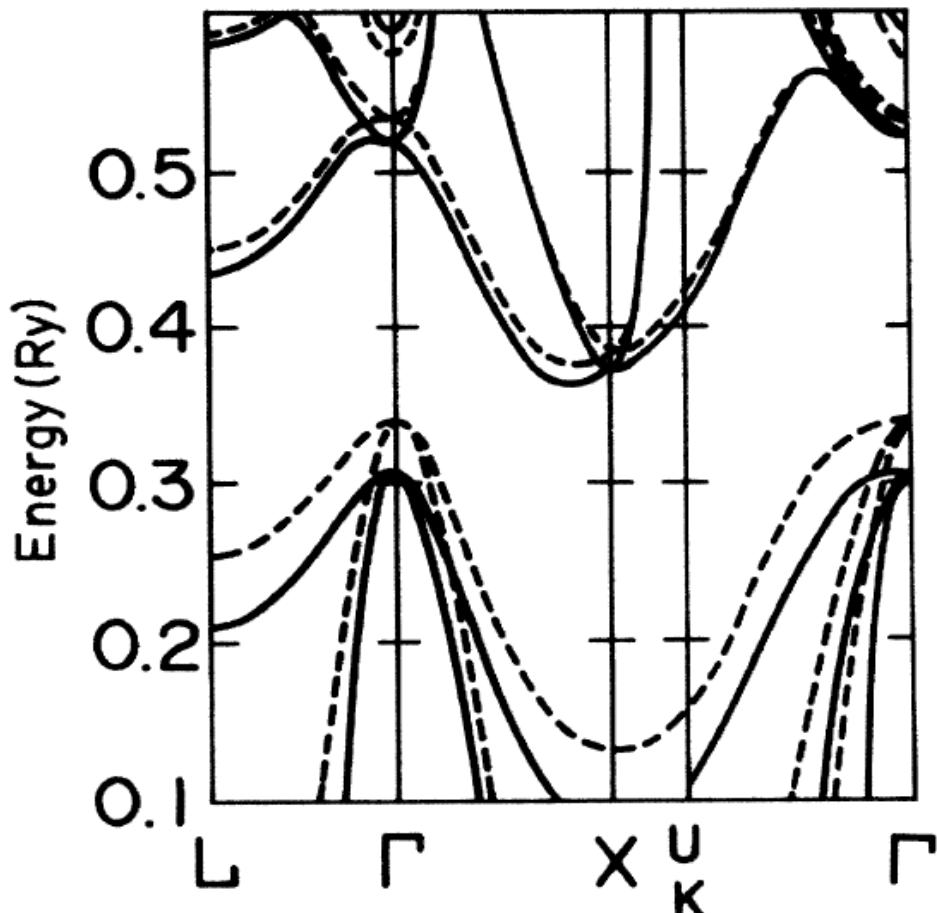


# $E_{\text{g}}$ : Comparison of functional

VASP



Self-interaction correction to the local-density approximation  
in the calculation of the energy band gaps ...  
N. Hamada and S. Ohnishi, Phys. Rev. B 34, 9042 (1986)



The error due to LDA  
is larger for VB than for  
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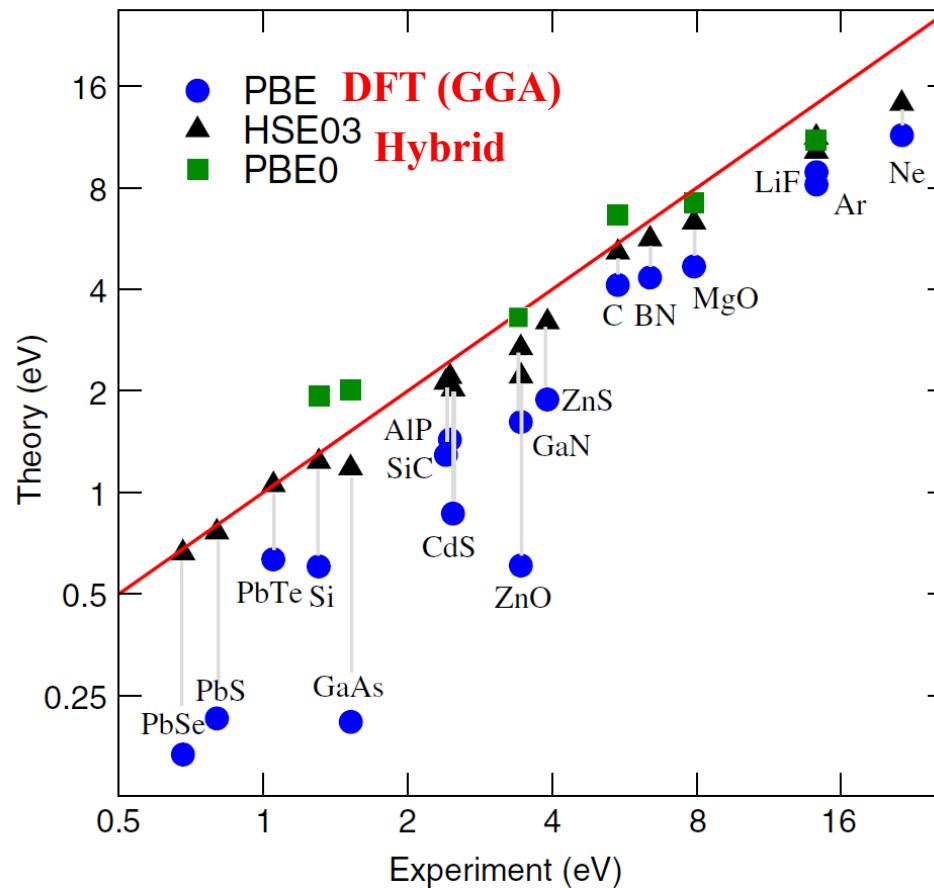
FIG. 1. Energy band structures of Si along high symmetry lines. Solid curves represent the SIC-LDA calculation, and dashed curves the LDA. Fundamental energy band gap is given by the difference between the conduction band minimum near  $X$  point and the valence band top at  $\Gamma$  point. Note that the energy gap in SIC-LDA is about two times of that in LDA.

# Calculated $E_g$ for semiconductors

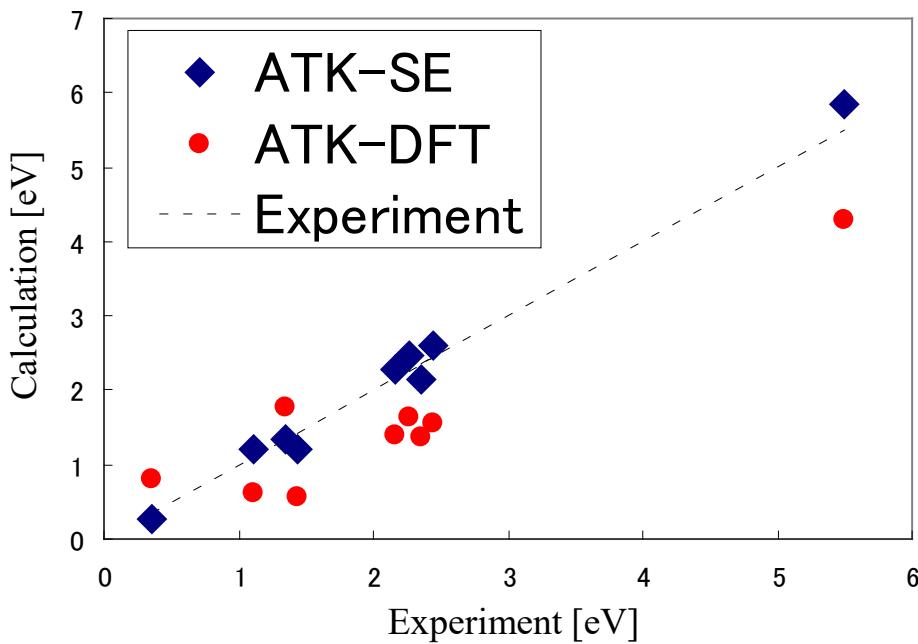
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M. Marsman et al, J. Phys.:Condens. Matter, 20, 064201 (2008)



# High-accuracy bandgaps by semi-empirical method (ATK-SE)



	ATK-SE [eV]	ATK-DFT [eV]	Experiment [eV]
InAs	0.28	0.80	0.36
Si	1.22	0.63	1.11
InP	1.35	1.78	1.35
GaAs	1.2	0.56	1.43
AlAs	2.27	1.39	2.16
GaP	2.47	1.63	2.26
AlP	2.61	1.56	2.45
SiC	2.15	1.36	2.36
Diamond	5.84	4.29	5.5

Comparison of calculated and experimental bandgaps.  
ATK-SE can provide reasonable bandgap values for a variety of materials

# First-principles calculation: Optical spectrum

第一原理計算: 光学スペクトル

# Optical spectrum

(Optical dielectric function  $\epsilon^*$ , Absorption coefficient  $\alpha$ )

$$\mathcal{H} = \mathcal{H}_0 - \mathbf{e} \mathbf{r} \cdot \mathbf{E}$$

$$\epsilon_1(\omega) = 1 + 4\pi \sum_j \frac{e^2 |T_{0j}|^2}{\hbar} \frac{2\omega_j}{\omega_j^2 - \omega^2}$$

Kramers-Kronig conversion

$$T_{ij} = \langle \Psi_i | \mathbf{r} | \Psi_j \rangle = \int \Psi_i^* \mathbf{r} \Psi_j d\mathbf{r}$$

$$\epsilon_2(\omega) = \frac{4\pi Ne^2}{m} \sum_j f_j \pi \delta(\omega^2 - \omega_j^2)$$

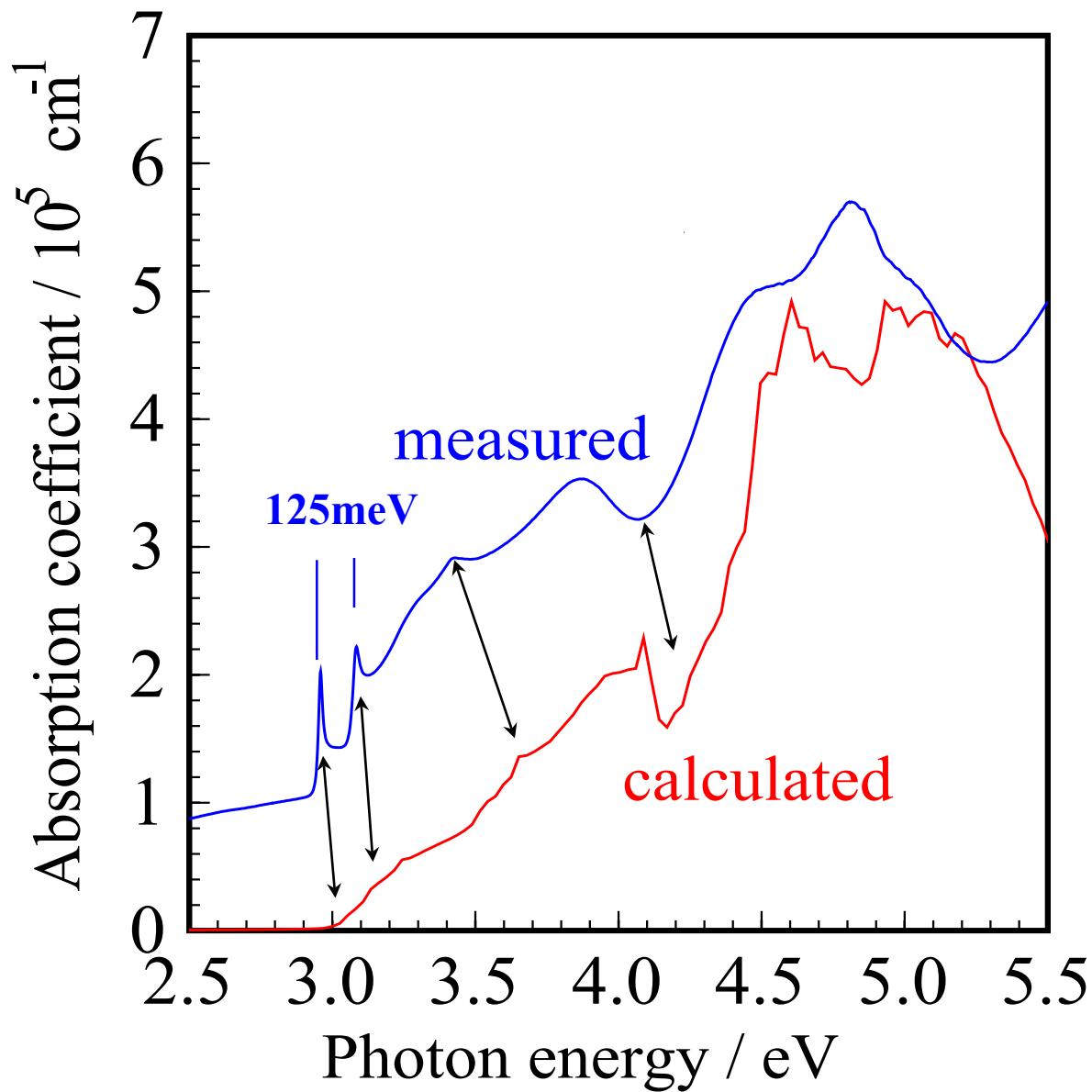
$$= \frac{4\pi Ne^2}{m} \sum_j f_j \frac{\pi}{2\omega} [\delta(\omega - \omega_j) + \delta(\omega + \omega_j)]$$

$$n(\omega) + i\kappa(\omega) = \sqrt{\epsilon_1(\omega) + i\epsilon_2(\omega)}$$

$$\alpha(\omega) = \frac{4\pi}{\lambda} \kappa(\omega)$$

# Optical spectra: LaCuOSe

WIEN2k+OPTICS

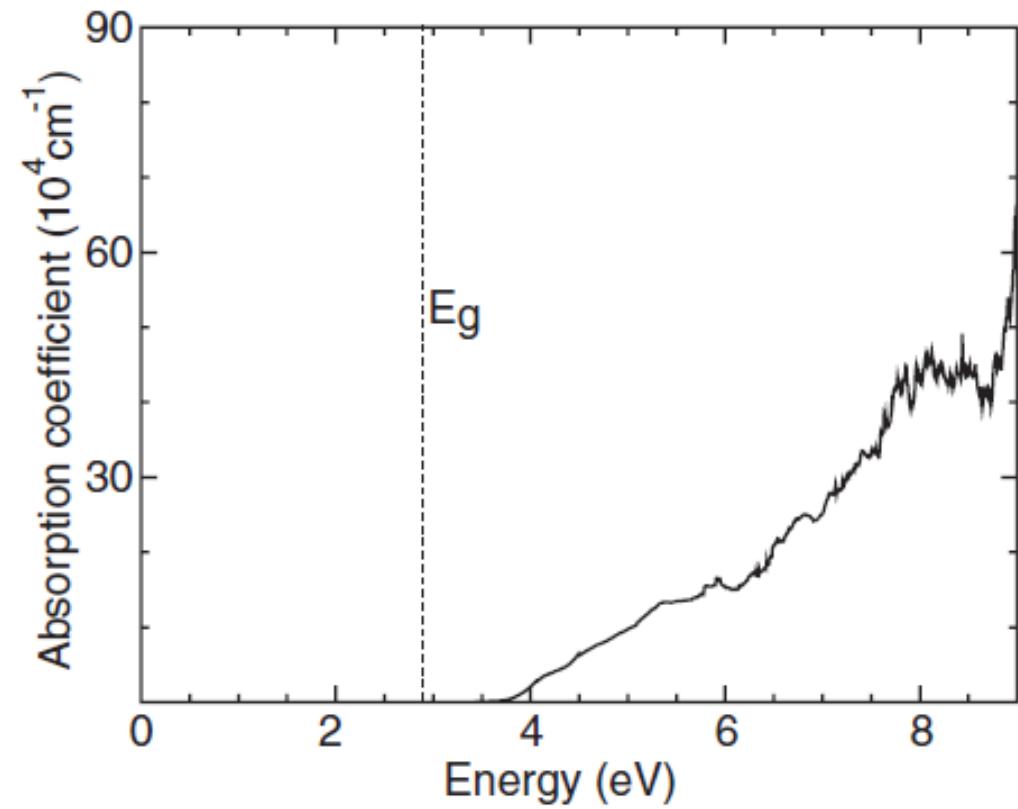
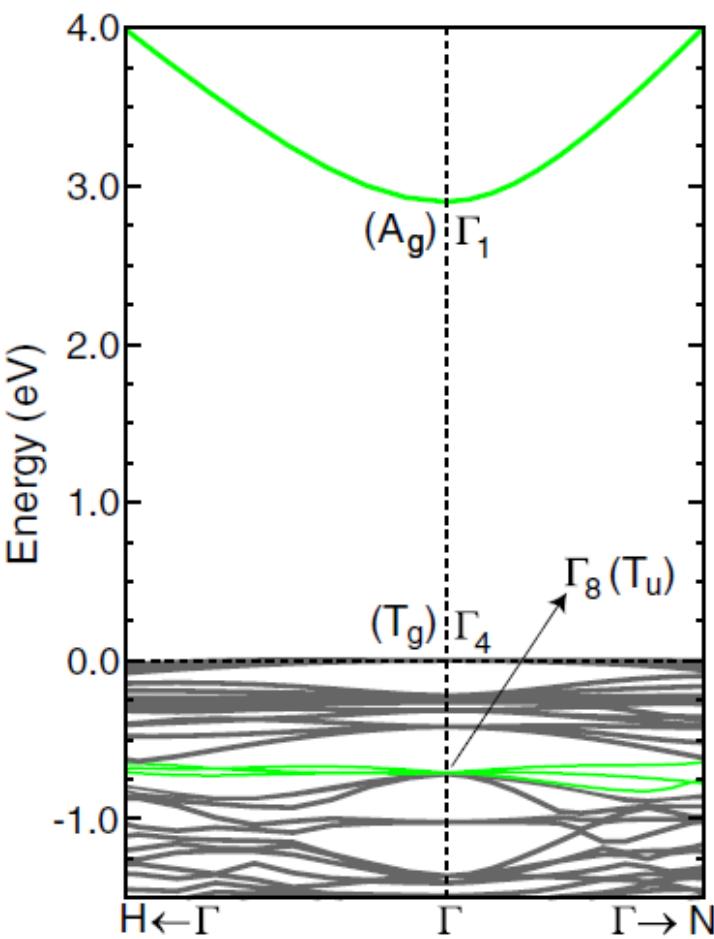


# Bandgap of $\text{In}_2\text{O}_3$

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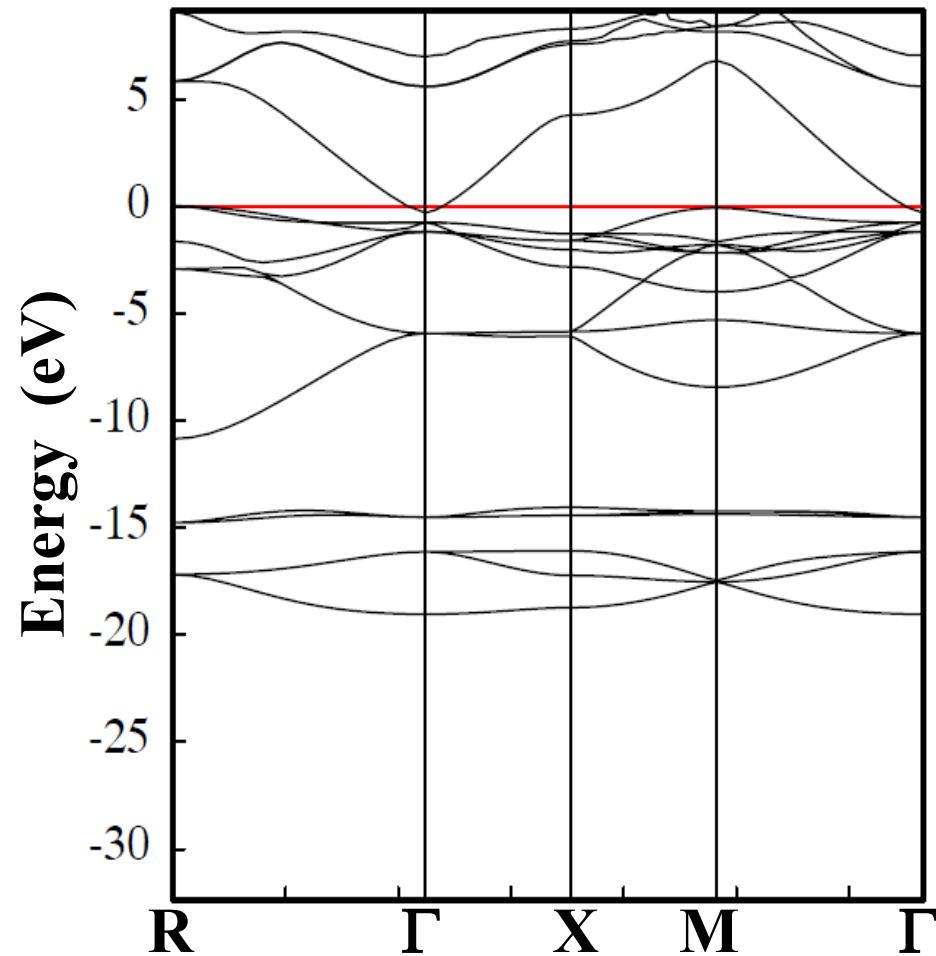


$$E_{\text{ind}} = 2.89 \text{ eV}$$

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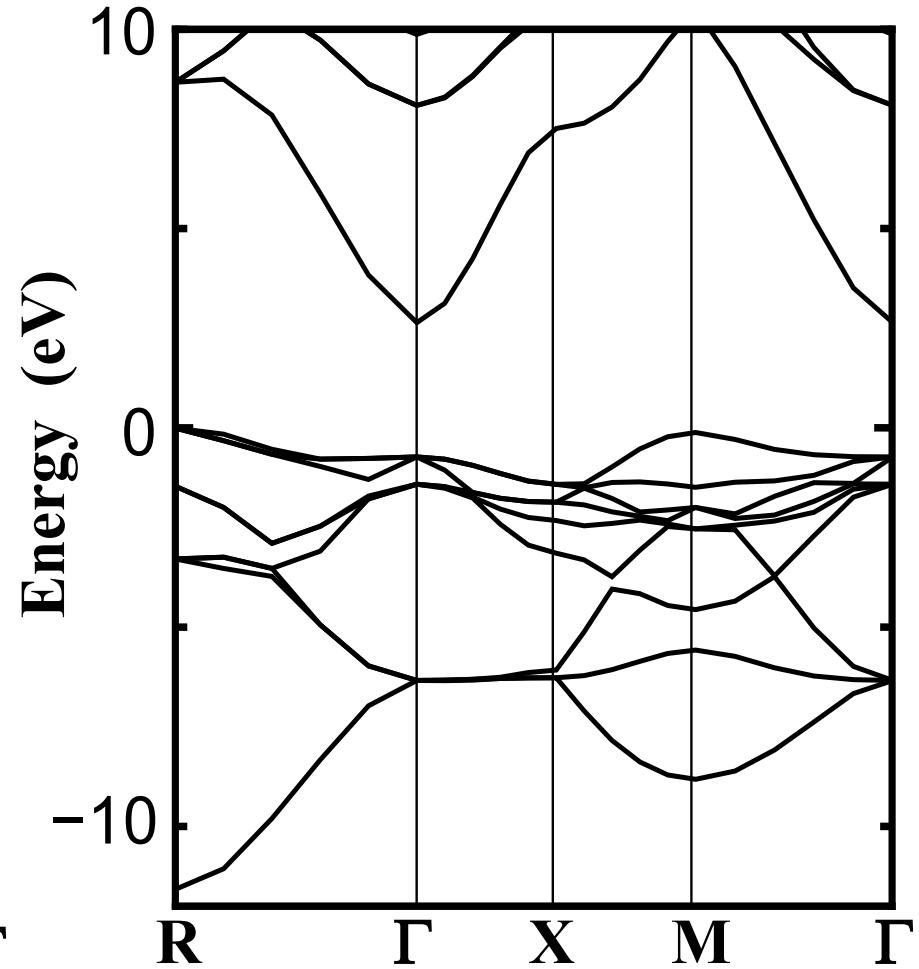
# Band structures of cubic SrGeO<sub>3</sub>

GGA (PBE96)



Negative bandgap !!

PBE0



Exp.  $E_g \sim 2.7$  eV

# Optical spectra og Ge-based oxides

