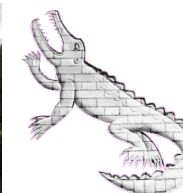
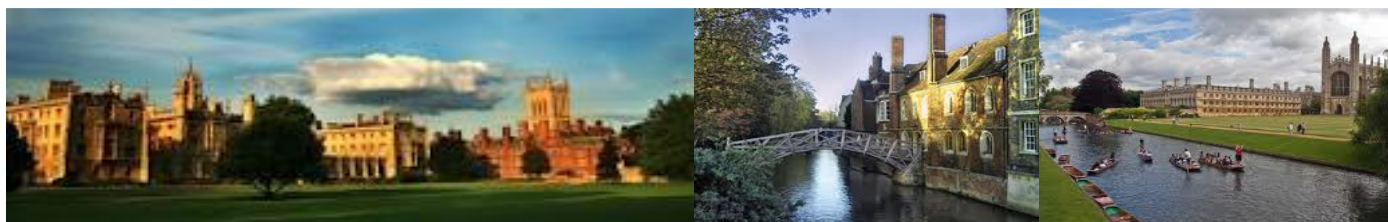
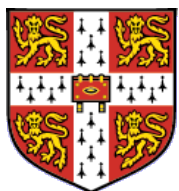




Basis sets for SIESTA

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Solving: Basis set

Expand in terms of a finite set of basis functions $\{\phi_\mu(\mathbf{r})\}$: $\psi_n(\mathbf{r}) \approx \sum_\mu \phi_\mu(\mathbf{r}) c_{\mu,n}$
unknown

$$\hat{h}\psi_n(\mathbf{r}) = \varepsilon_n \psi_n(\mathbf{r}) \Rightarrow \sum_\mu [\hat{h} \phi_\mu(\mathbf{r})] c_{\mu,n} = \varepsilon_n \sum_\mu \phi_\mu(\mathbf{r}) c_{\mu,n} \Rightarrow$$

$$\sum_\mu h_{\nu\mu} c_{\mu,n} = \varepsilon_n \sum_\mu S_{\nu\mu} c_{\mu,n}$$

$$h_{\nu\mu} \equiv \int d^3\mathbf{r} \phi_\nu^*(\mathbf{r}) \hat{h} \phi_\mu(\mathbf{r})$$

where

$$S_{\nu\mu} \equiv \int d^3\mathbf{r} \phi_\nu^*(\mathbf{r}) \phi_\mu(\mathbf{r})$$

Solving: Basis set

Expand in terms of a finite set of basis functions

$$\{\phi_\mu(\mathbf{r})\}:$$

$$\psi_n(\mathbf{r}) \approx \sum_{\mu} \phi_{\mu}(\mathbf{r}) c_{\mu,n}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \rho(\mathbf{r}) &= \sum_n^{\text{occ}} |\psi_n(\mathbf{r})|^2 = \sum_n^{\text{occ}} \psi_n^*(\mathbf{r}) \psi_n(\mathbf{r}) = \sum_{\mu,\nu} \sum_n^{\text{occ}} \phi_{\mu}^*(\mathbf{r}) c_{\mu,n}^* \phi_{\nu}(\mathbf{r}) c_{\nu,n} = \\ &= \sum_{\mu,\nu} \phi_{\mu}^*(\mathbf{r}) \phi_{\nu}(\mathbf{r}) \underbrace{\sum_n^{\text{occ}} c_{\mu,n}^* c_{\nu,n}}_{\text{density matrix}} = \sum_{\mu,\nu} \phi_{\mu}^*(\mathbf{r}) \phi_{\nu}(\mathbf{r}) \rho_{\mu\nu} \end{aligned}$$

density matrix

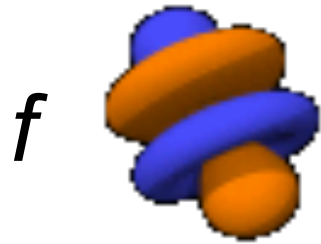
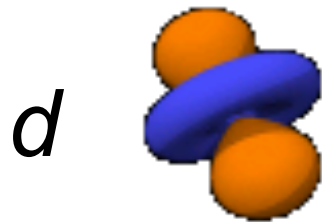
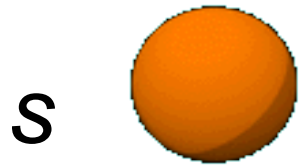
Key matrices

$$h_{\nu\mu} \equiv \int d^3\mathbf{r} \phi_{\nu}^*(\mathbf{r}) \hat{h} \phi_{\mu}(\mathbf{r})$$

$$S_{\nu\mu} \equiv \int d^3\mathbf{r} \phi_{\nu}^*(\mathbf{r}) \phi_{\mu}(\mathbf{r})$$

$$\rho_{\mu\nu} \equiv \sum_n^{\text{occ}} c_{\mu,n}^* c_{\nu,n}$$

Basis sets



Plane waves

$$\phi_{\mathbf{G}}(\mathbf{r}) = N e^{\mathbf{G} \cdot \mathbf{r}}$$

Atomic orbitals

(There are more...)

Plane wave methods

$$\psi_{i,\vec{k}}(\vec{r}) = \sum_{\vec{g}} c_{i,\vec{g}} \left[\frac{1}{\sqrt{\Omega}} e^{i(\vec{k} + \vec{g}) \cdot \vec{r}} \right]$$

ADVANTAGES

- Very extended among physicists
- Conceptually simple (Fourier transforms)
- Asymptotically complete
- Allow systematic convergence
- Spatially unbiased (no dependence on the atomic positions)
- “Easy” to implement (FFT)

DISADVANTAGES

- Not suited to represent any function in particular
- Hundreths of wave functions per atom to achieve a good accuracy
- Intrinsic inadequacy for Order-N methods (extended over the whole system)
- Vacuum costs the same as matter
- Hard to converge for tight orbitals (3d ...)

Atomic orbitals (or atomic-like)

$$\phi_{Ilmn}(\vec{r}) = R_{Il}(|\vec{r}_I|) Y_{lm}(\hat{r}_I)$$

ADVANTAGES

- Very efficient (number of basis functions needed is usually very small).
- Large reduction of CPU time and memory
- Straightforward physical interpretation (population analysis, projected density of states,...)
- Vacuum (almost) for free
- They can achieve very high accuracies...

DISADVANTAGES

- ...Lack of systematic for convergence (not unique way of enlarge the basis set)
- Human and computational effort searching for a good basis set before facing a realistic project.
- Depend on the atomic position (Pulay terms appearing in the forces).

Atomic Orbitals: different representations

- *Gaussian based + QC machinery*

*G. Scuseria (GAUSSIAN),
M. Head-Gordon (Q-CHEM)
R. Orlando, R. Dovesi (CRYSTAL)
J. Hutter (CP2K)*

- *Slater type orbitals*

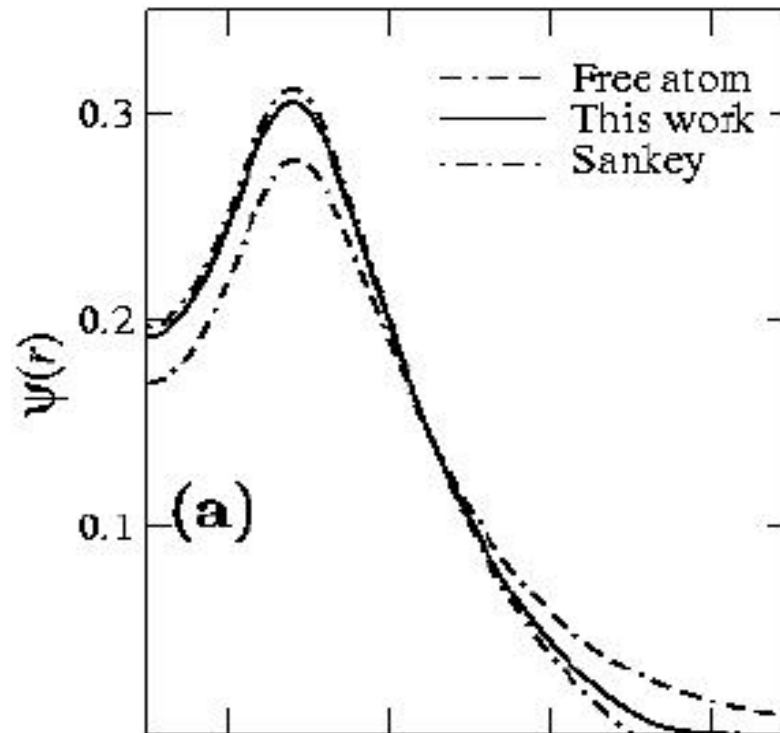
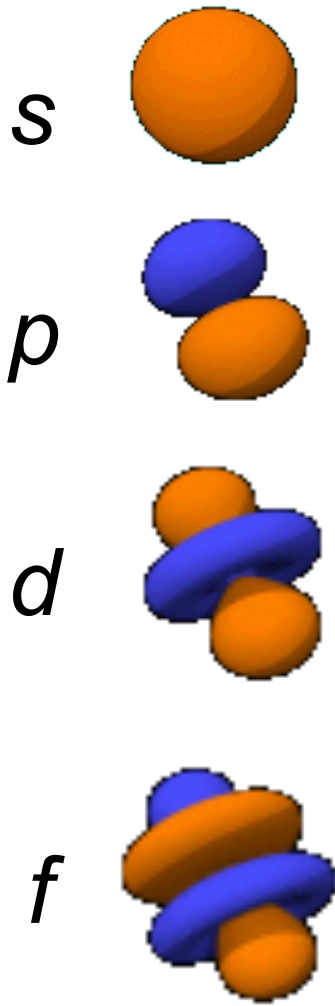
Amsterdam Density Functional

- *Numerical atomic orbitals (NAO)*

SIESTA

*S. Kenny & A. Horsfield (PLATO)
T. Ozaki (OpenMX)
O. Sankey (FIREBALL)*

Finite-support atomic orbitals as basis



Strictly localised
(zero beyond cut-off radius)

SIESTA basis sets

The only requirements:

1. $\phi_{Iln}(\vec{r}) = R_{In}(|\vec{r}_I|) Y_{lm}(\hat{r}_I)$
2. *Finite support*

They can be:

- *As many as you want (both l-channels and z's)*
- *Of any (radial) shape*
- *Of any cutoff radius*
- *Centred anywhere (not necessarily on atoms)*

SIESTA basis sets

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There are NO SIESTA basis sets !!

References

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Linear-Scaling ab-initio Calculations for Large and Complex Systems

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Numerical atomic orbitals for linear-scaling calculations

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PHYSICAL REVIEW B **66**, 205101 (2002)

Systematic generation of finite-range atomic basis sets for linear-scaling calculations

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Pedestrian guide to basis sets in Quantum Chemistry

- *Minimal basis, or single-z: occupied states (fully or partly) in the free atom*
- *Radial flexibility: multiple zeta (and diffuse orbitals)*
- *Angular flexibility: “polarisation” orbitals*

e.g.

C: Minimal (for the valence): 2s, 2p (2p_x, 2p_y, 2p_z)

Doble-z: two orbitals with different radial shapes for each of the above

Polarisation: add a 3d shell to polarise the 2p shell.

Fe: Minimal: 3d, 4s. Polarisation: 4p to polarise 4s. (4f for 3d)

How to get basis sets for Siesta

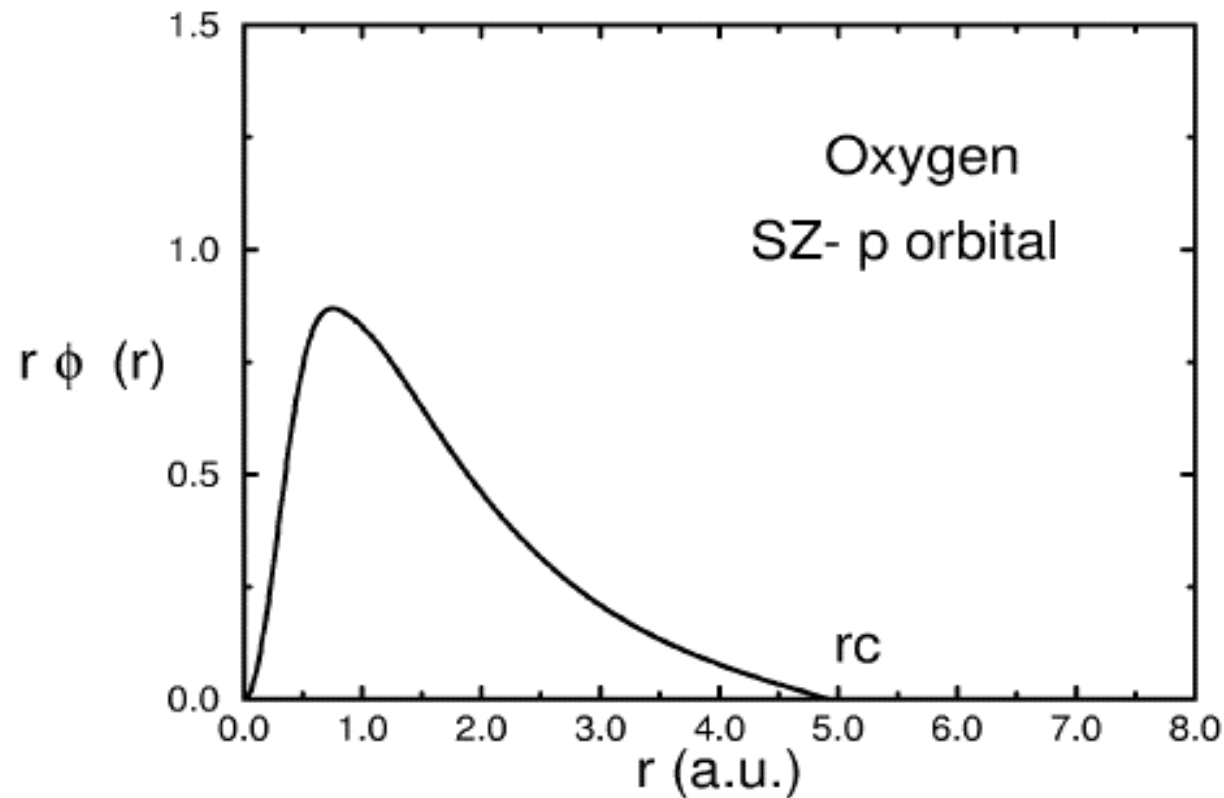
Choice of how many, cutoff radii, and where, made by user.

*Radial shapes can also be introduced by user
(Basis type: “user”; a file with a table of values for r (discretised))*

*Siesta also offers the possibility of **generating basis sets**:*

- *Based on numerical solution of KS DFT on the pseudo-atom + modifications*
- *Quite tunable*
- *Depends on parameters that need to be defined by user*

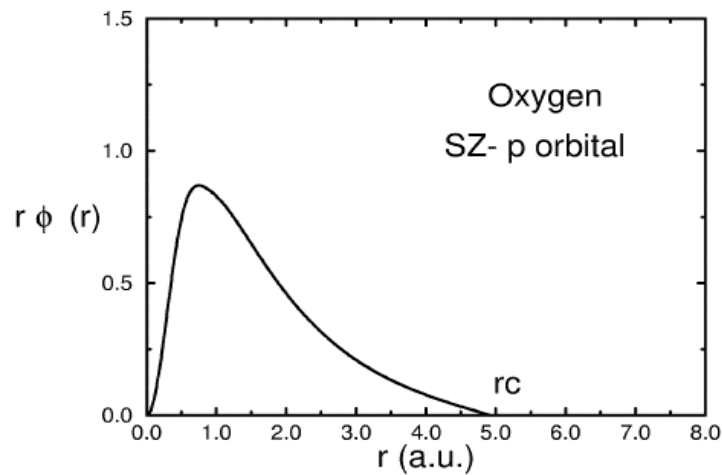
Starting: Minimal basis



*Solution of KS-DFT on pseudo-atom,
under an added confinement potential*

FIREBALLS O. F. Sankey & D. J. Niklewski, *Phys. Rev. B* 40, 3979 (1989)

Hard confining potentials



Fireballs

O. F. Sankey & D. J. Niklewski,
Phys. Rev. B 40, 3979 (1989)

BUT:

A different cut-off radius for
each orbital

A single parameter

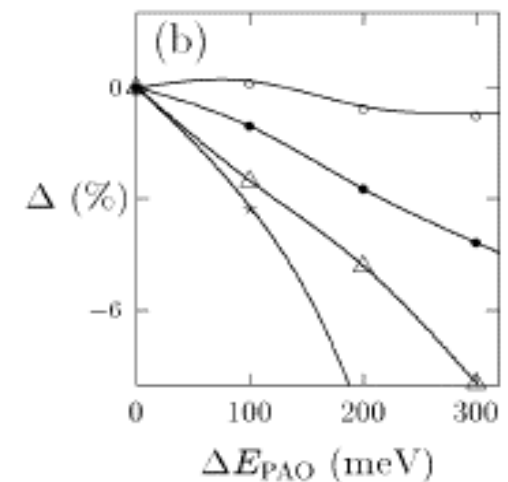
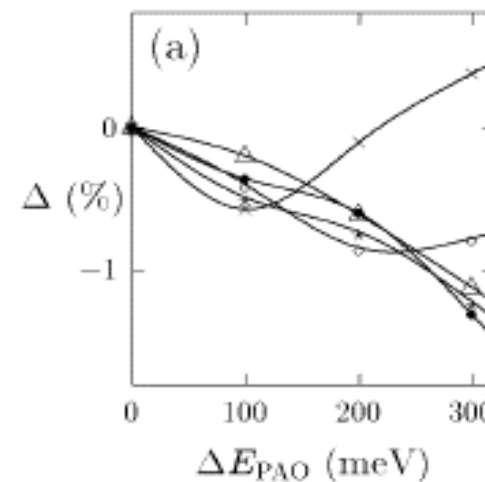
Energy shift

E. Artacho et al. *Phys. Stat. Solidi (b)* 215, 809 (1999)

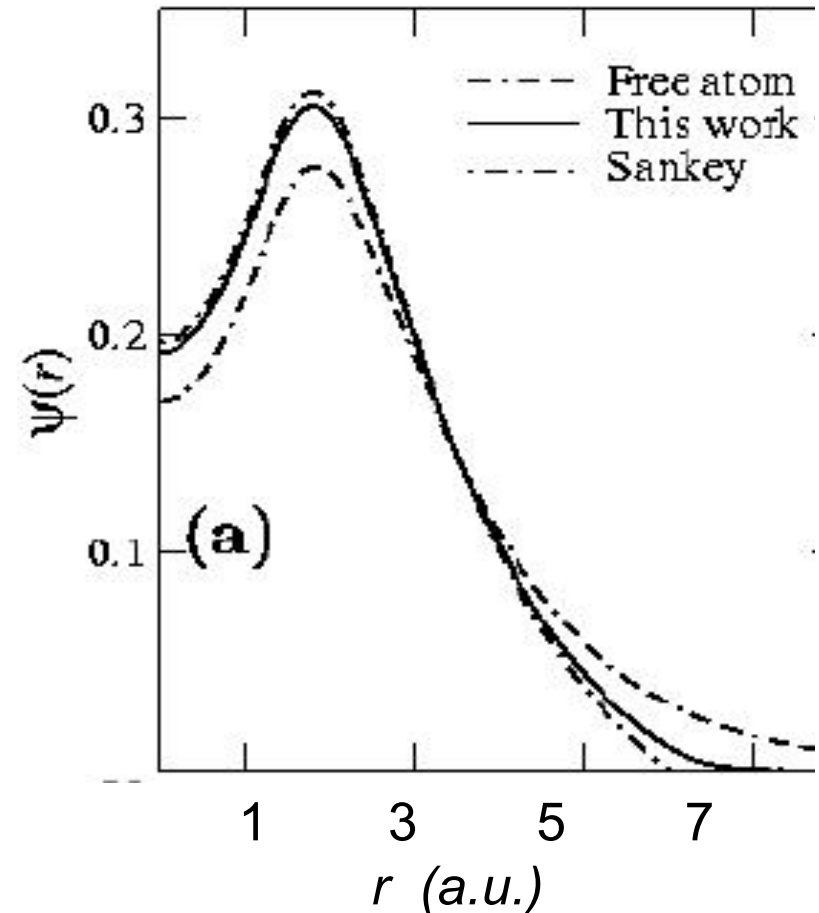
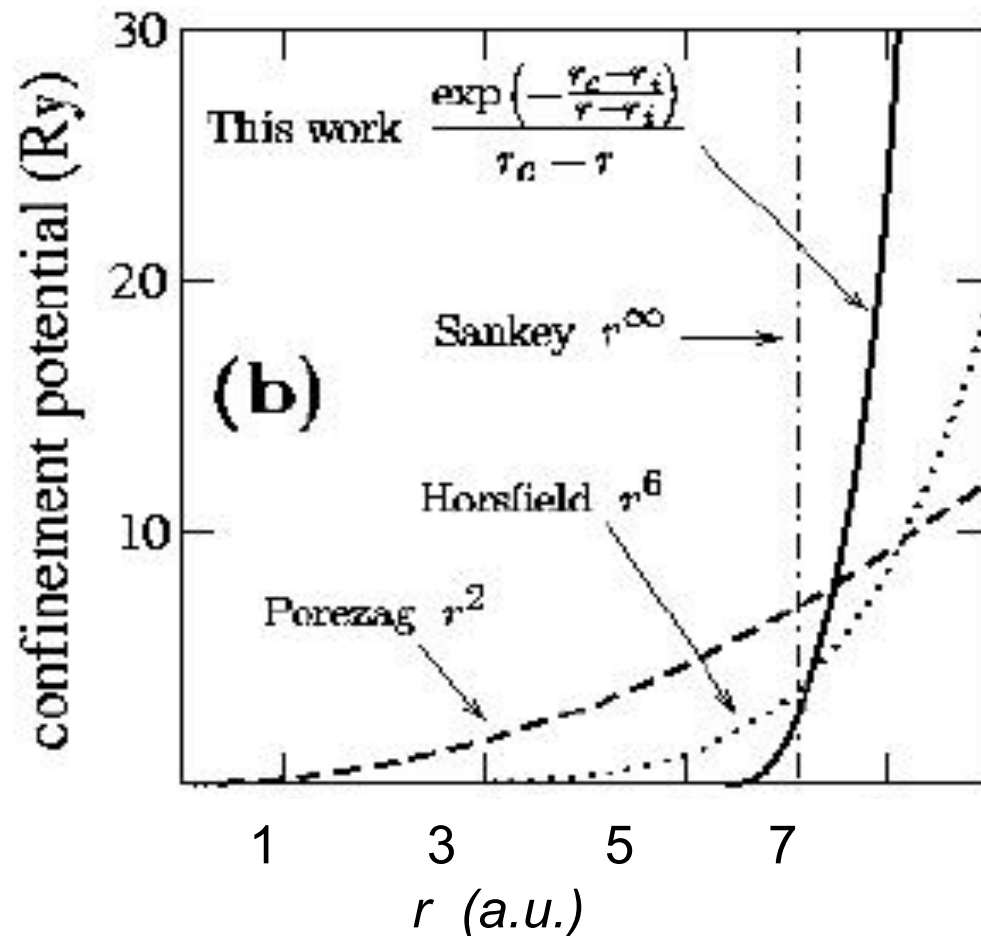
Convergence vs Energy shift of

Bond lengths

Bond energies



Soft confining potentials

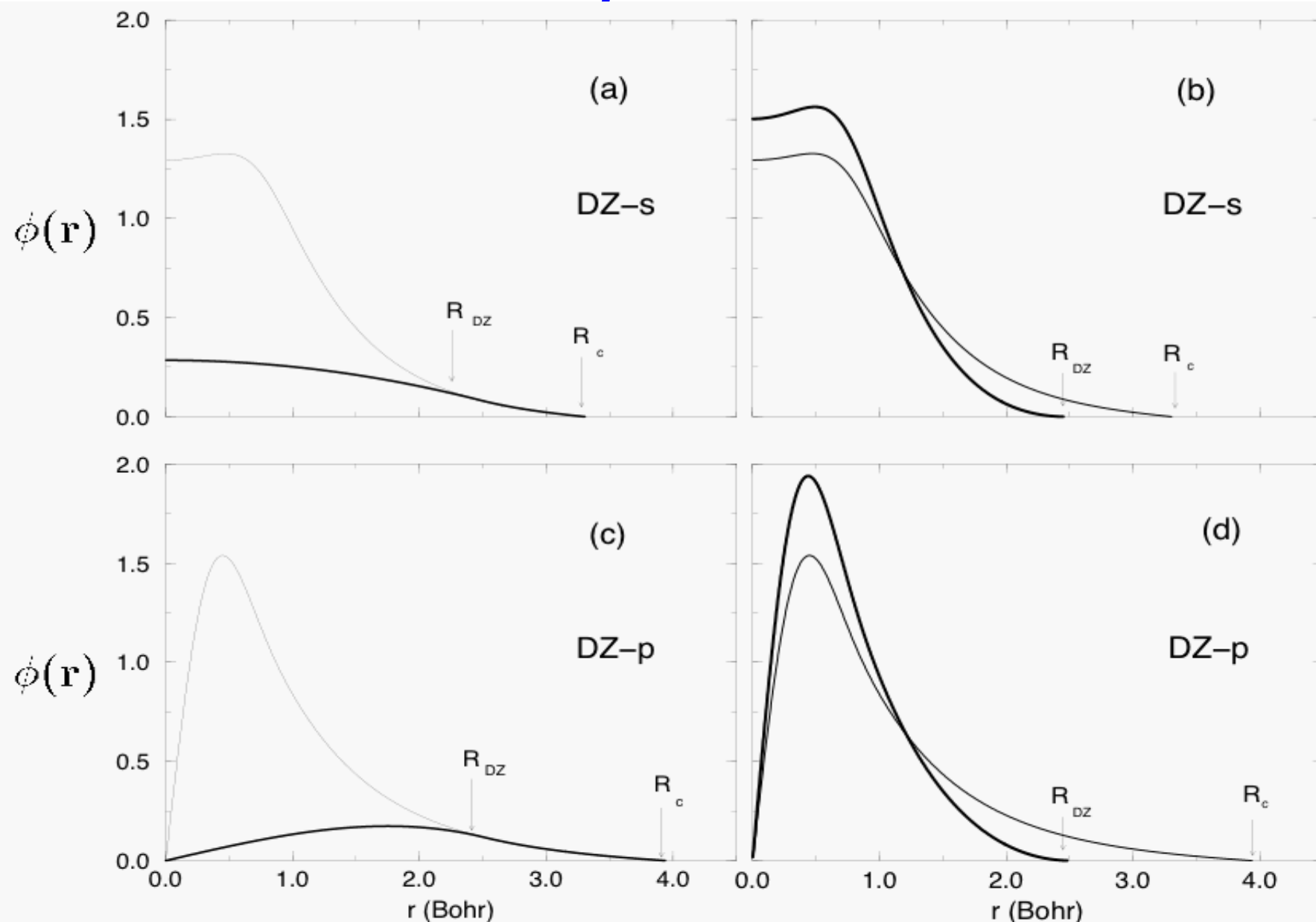


- *Better basis, variationally, & other results*
- *Removes the discontinuity in the derivative*

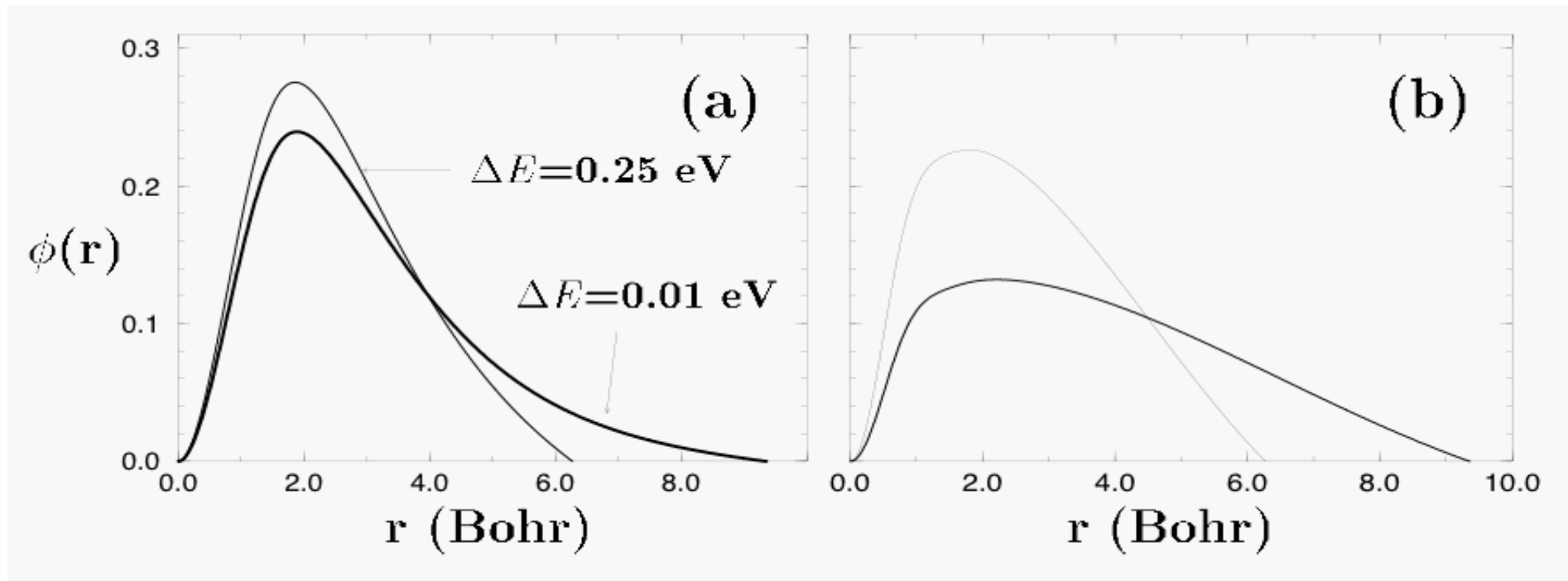
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Multiple-zeta



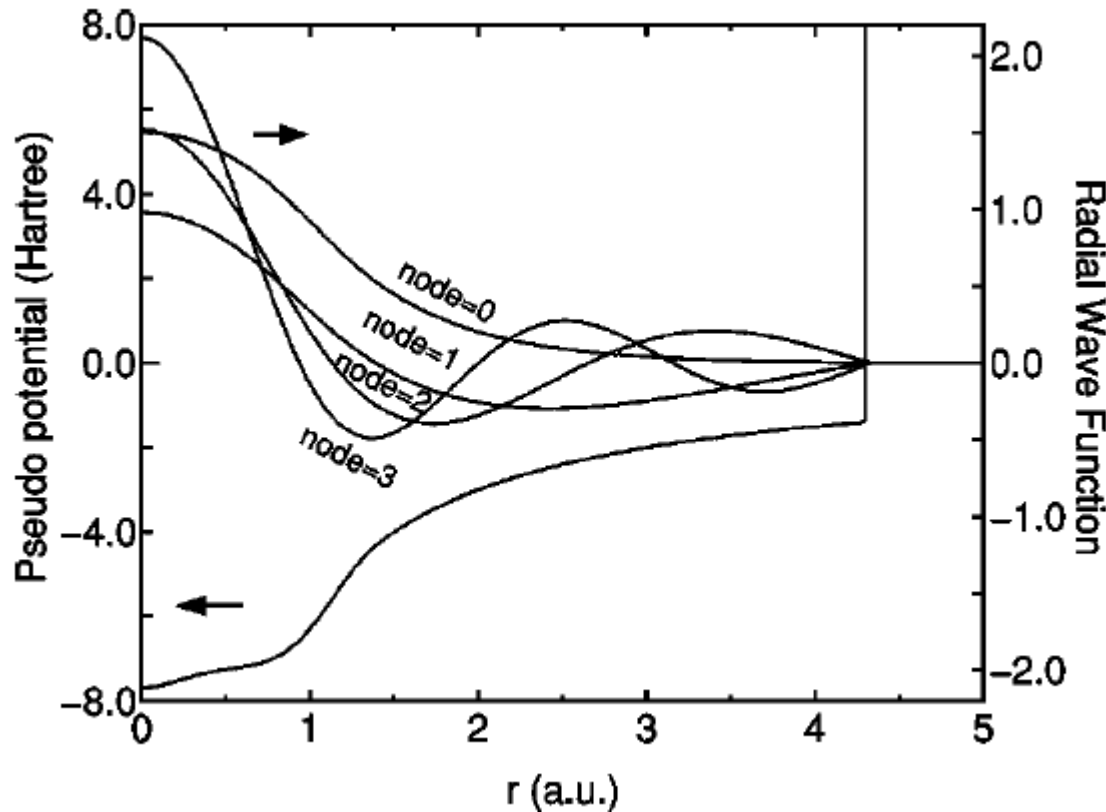
Polarization



E. Artacho *et al.* , *Phys. Stat. Solidi (b)* **215**, 809 (1999).

Schemes to generate multiple- ζ basis sets

Use pseudopotential eigenfunctions with increasing number of nodes



T. Ozaki *et al.*, Phys. Rev. B 69, 195113 (2004)

<http://www.openmx-square.org/>

Advantages

Orthogonal

Asymptotically complete

Disadvantages

Excited states of the pseudopotentials, usually unbound

Efficient depends on localization radius

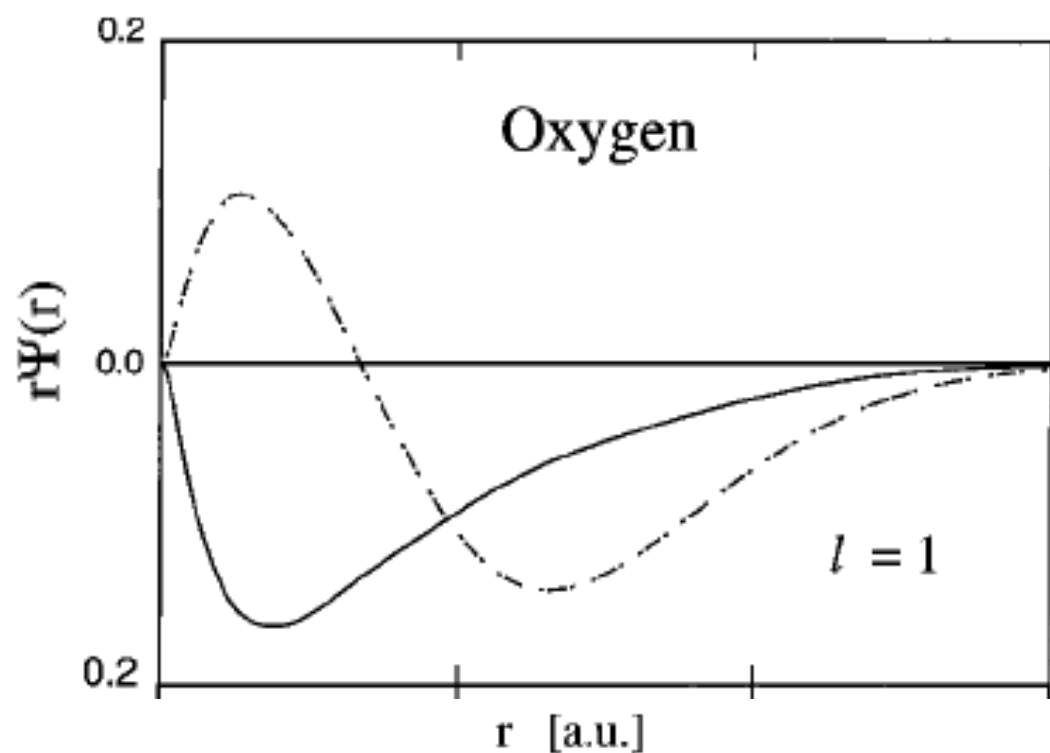
Availables in Siesta:

PAO.BasisType Nodes

Schemes to generate multiple- ζ basis sets

Chemical hardness:

use derivatives with respect to the charge of the atoms



Advantages

Orthogonal

It does not depend on any variational parameter

Disadvantages

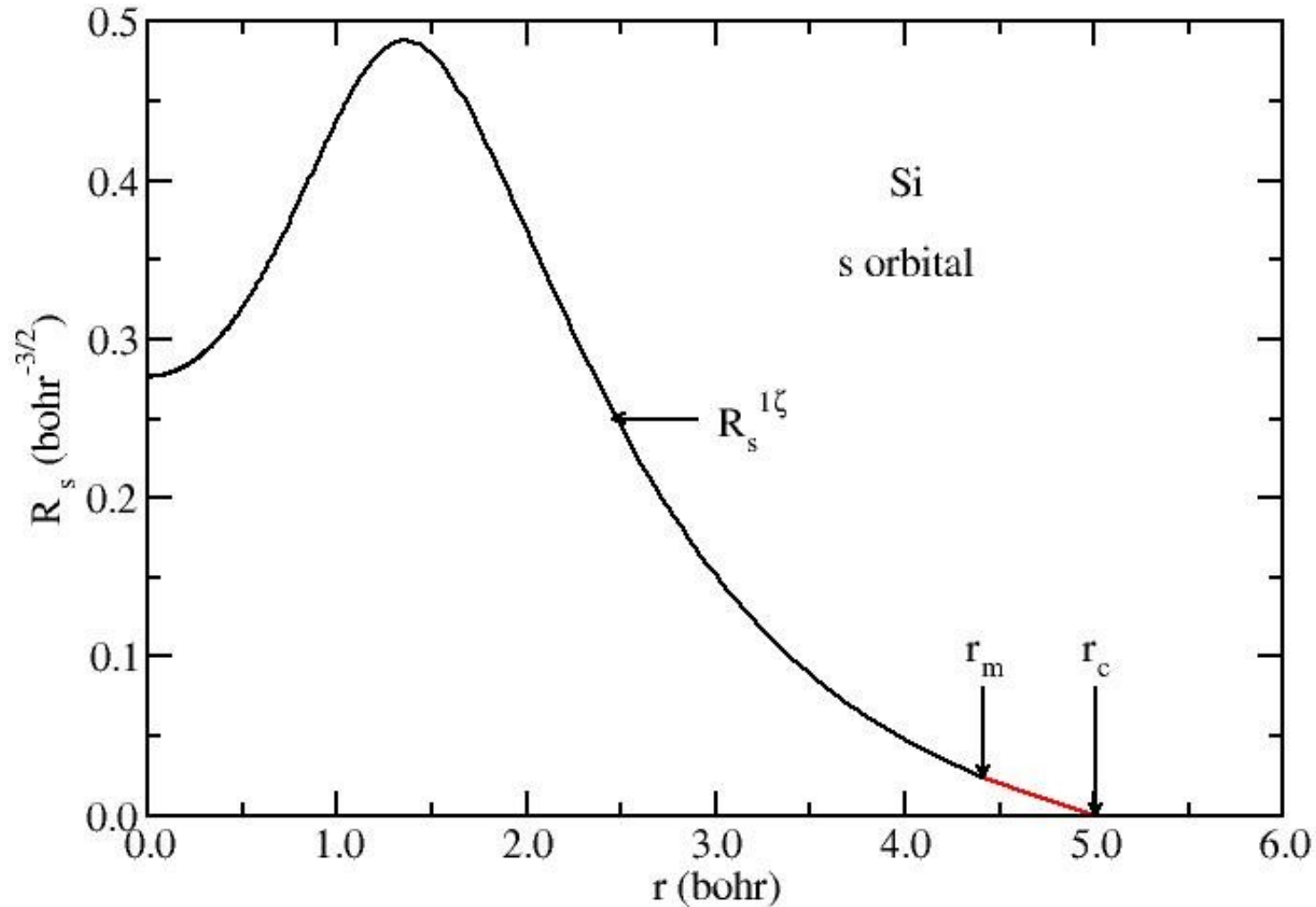
Range of second- ζ equals the range of the first- ζ function

G. Lippert *et al.*, J. Phys. Chem. 100, 6231 (1996)

<http://cp2k.berlios.de/>

Default mechanism to generate multiple- ζ in SIESTA:

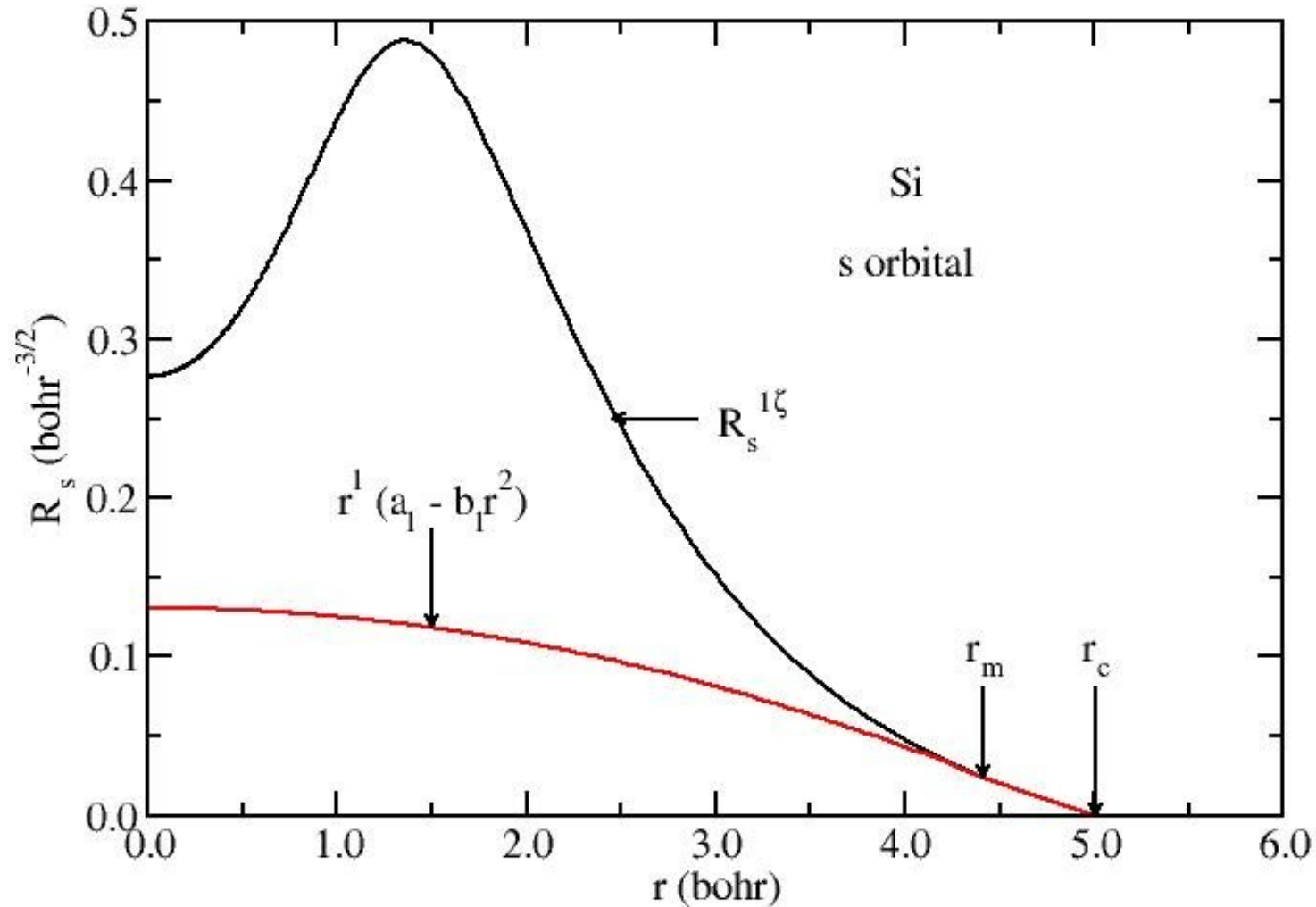
“Split-valence” method



The second- ζ function reproduces the tail of the of the first- ζ outside a radius r_m

Default mechanism to generate multiple- ζ in SIESTA:

“Split-valence” method



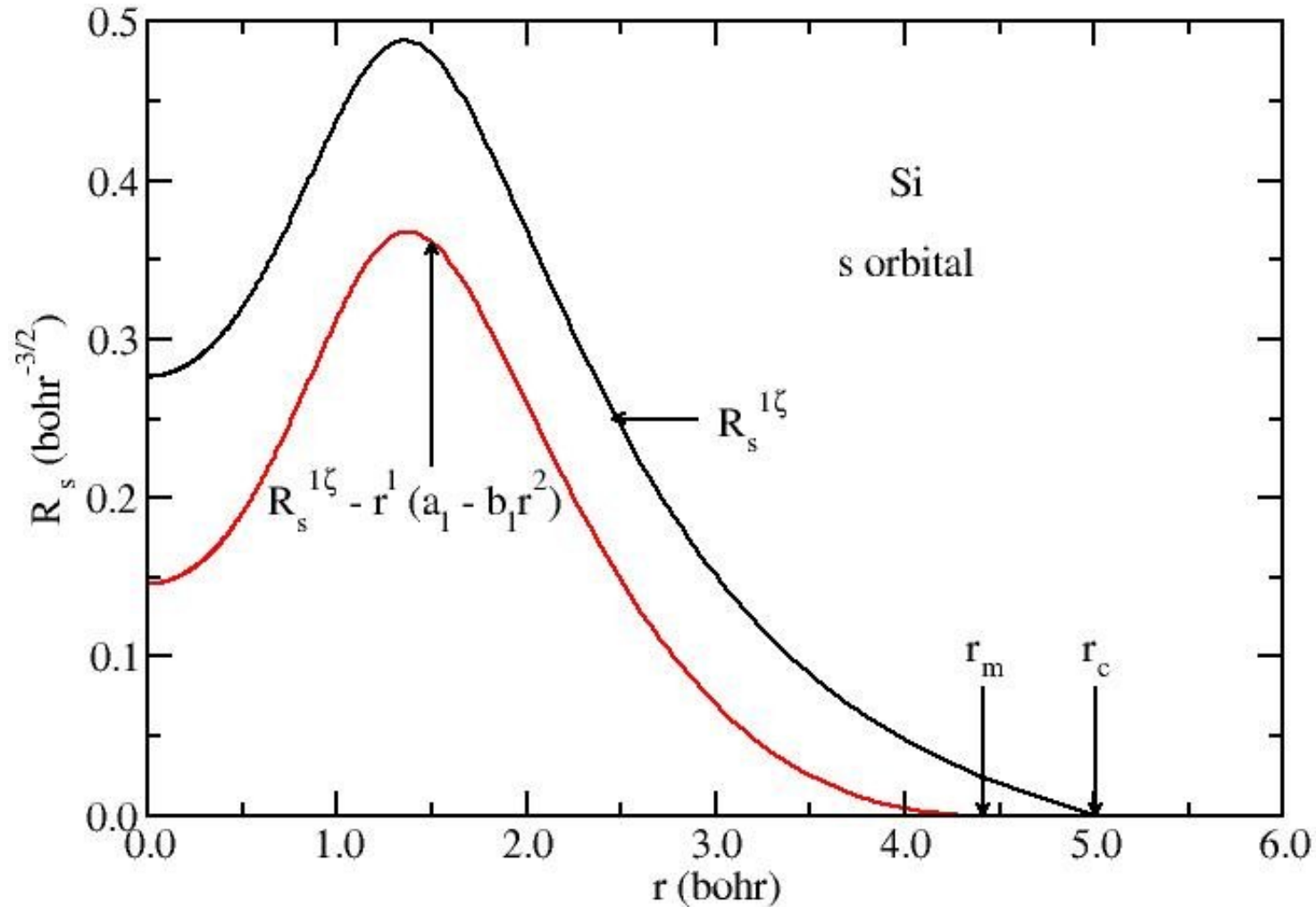
And continuous smoothly towards the origin as

$$r^l (a_l - b_l r^2)$$

(two parameters: the second- ζ and its first derivative continuous at r_m)

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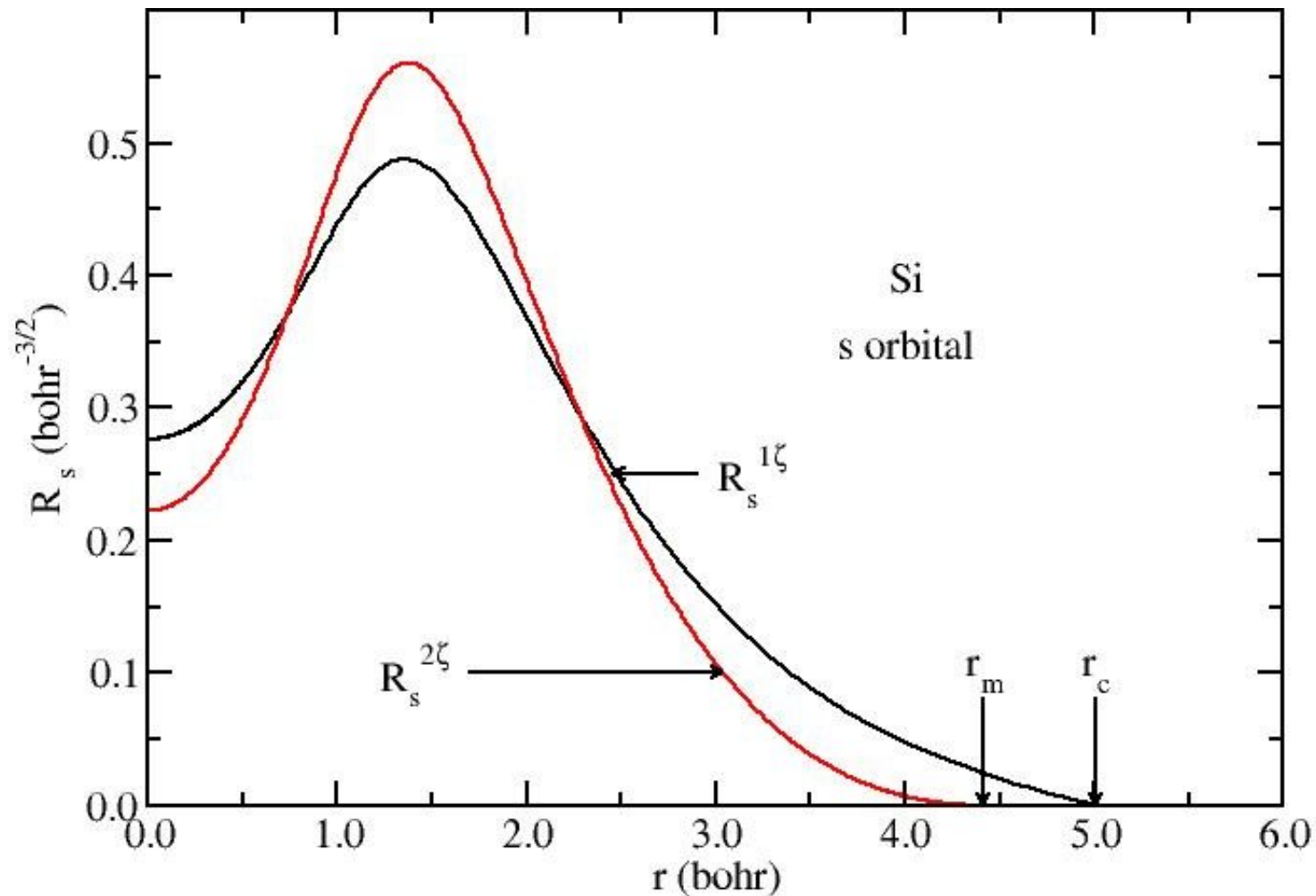
“Split-valence” method



The same Hilbert space can be expanded if we use the difference, with the advantage that now the second- ζ vanishes at r_m (more efficient)

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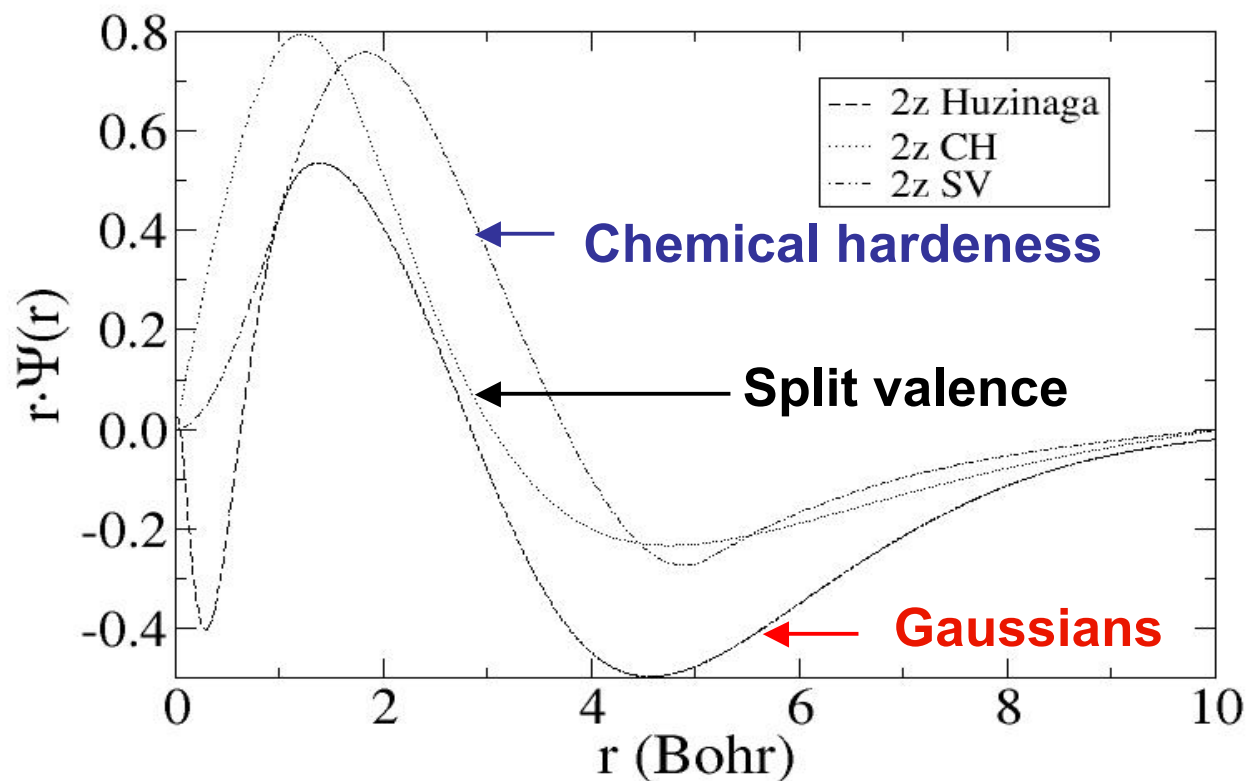
“Split-valence” method



Finally, the second- ζ is normalized

r_m controlled with PAO.SplitNorm (typical value 0.15)

Both split valence and chemical hardness methods provide similar shapes for the second- ζ function



Split valence double- ζ has been orthonormalized to first orbital

*SV: higher efficiency
(radius of second- ζ can be restricted to the inner matching radius)*

E. Anglada, J. Junquera, J. M. Soler, E. Artacho,
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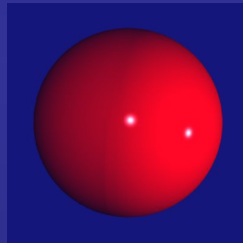
Example of adding angular flexibility to an atom

Polarizing the Si basis set

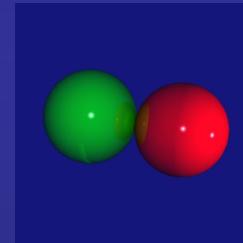
Si atomic configuration: $\underbrace{1s^2 2s^2 2p^6}_{\text{core}} \underbrace{3s^2 3p^2}_{\text{valence}}$

$l = 0$ (s)

$m = 0$

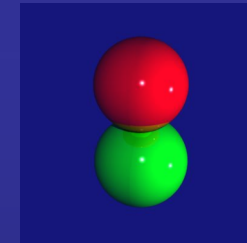


$m = -1$

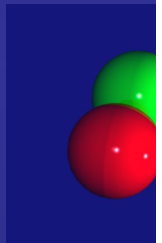


$l = 1$ (p)

$m = 0$



$m = +1$



Polarize: add $l = 2$ (d) shell

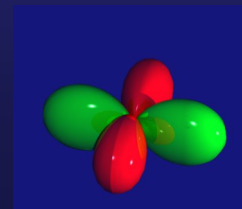
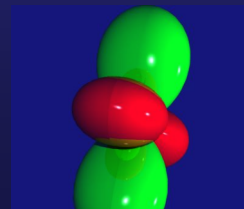
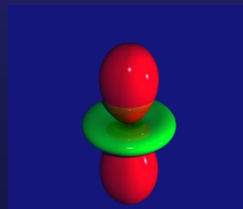
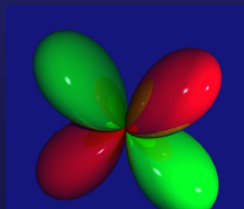
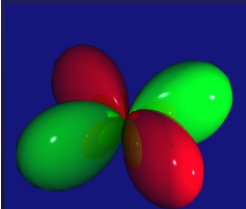
$m = -2$

$m = -1$

$m = 0$

$m = +1$

$m = +2$

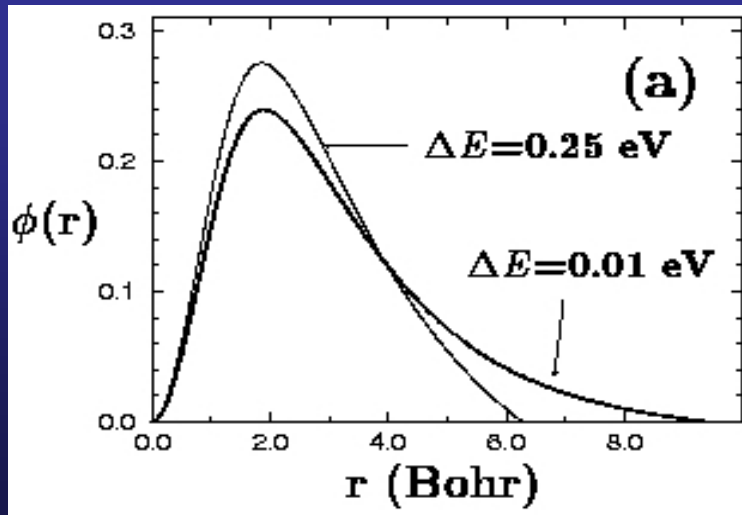
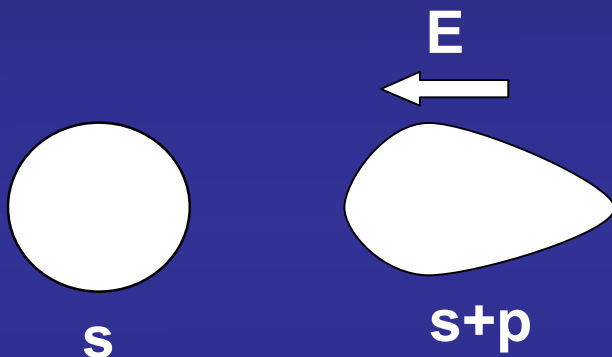


New orbitals directed in different directions with respect to the original basis

Two different ways of generate polarization orbitals

Perturbative polarization

Apply a **small electric field** to the orbital we want to polarize

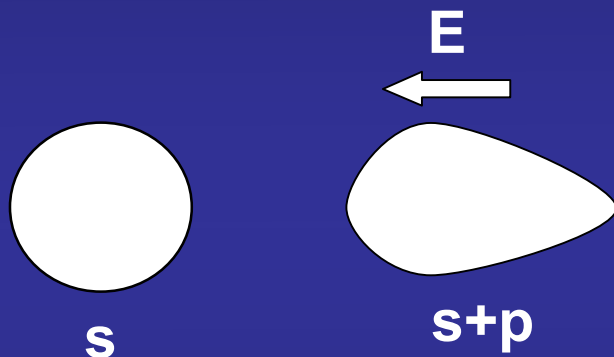


Si 3d
orbitals

Two different ways of generate polarization orbitals

Perturbative polarization

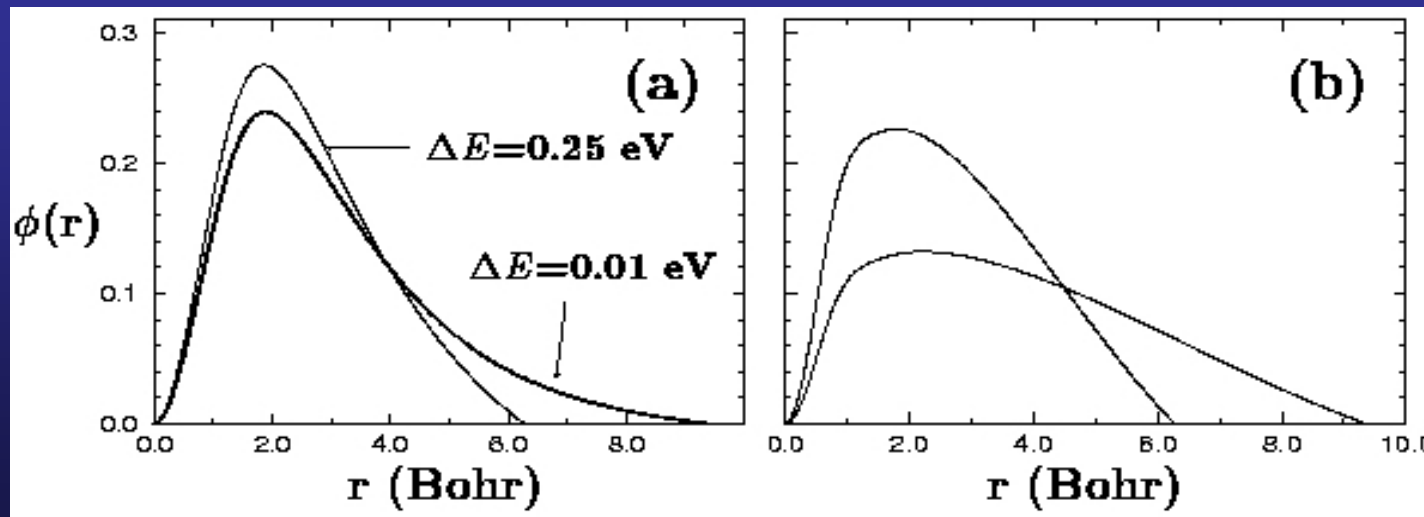
Apply a **small electric field** to the orbital we want to polarize



Atomic polarization

Solve **Schrödinger equation** for **higher angular momentum**

unbound in the free atom \Rightarrow
require short cut offs



Si 3d
orbitals

Improving the quality of the basis \Rightarrow more atomic orbitals per atom

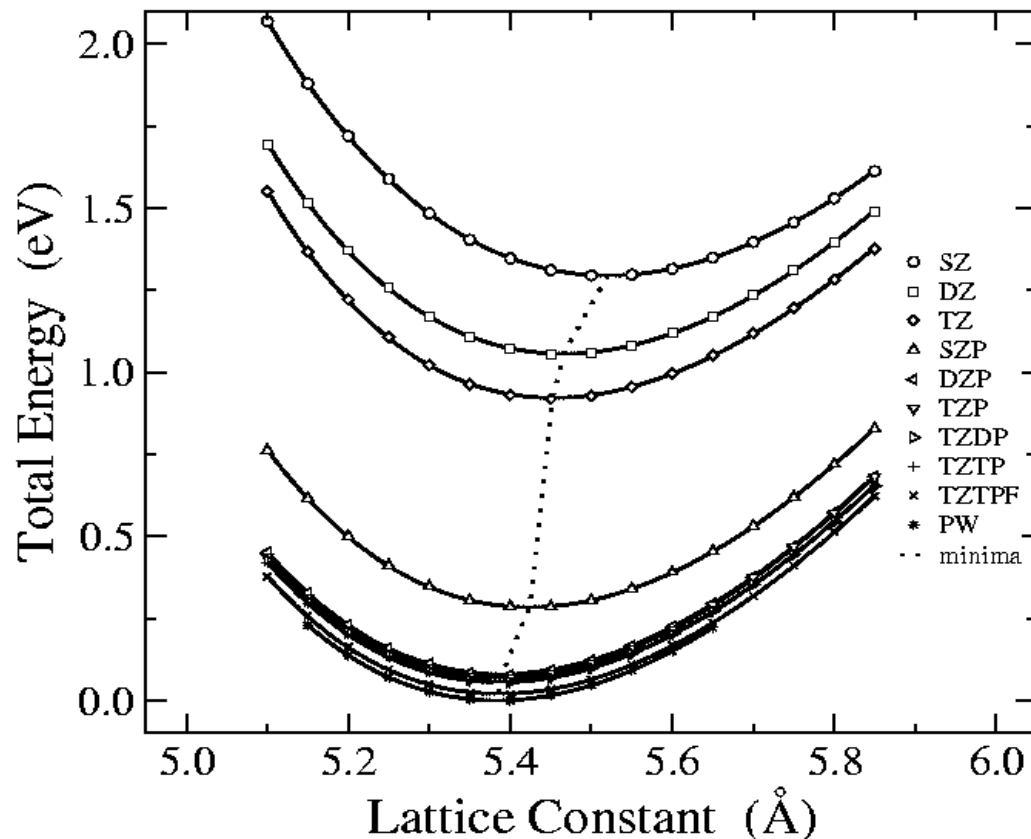
Atom	Valence configuration	SZ	DZ	P
		# orbitals symmetry	# orbitals symmetry	# orbitals symmetry
Si	$3s^2 3p^2$	1 s	2 s	1 d_{xy}
		1 p_x	2 p_x	1 d_{yz}
		1 p_y	2 p_y	1 d_{zx}
		1 p_z	2 p_z	1 $d_{x^2-y^2}$
				1 $d_{3z^2-r^2}$
	Total	4	8	(DZ+P) 13

Atom	Valence configuration			
		# orbitals symmetry	# orbitals symmetry	# orbitals symmetry
Fe	$4s^2 3d^6$	1 s	2 s	1 p_x
		1 d_{xy}	2 d_{xy}	1 p_y
		1 d_{yz}	2 d_{yz}	1 p_z
		1 d_{zx}	2 d_{zx}	
		1 $d_{x^2-y^2}$	2 $d_{x^2-y^2}$	
		1 $d_{3z^2-r^2}$	2 $d_{3z^2-r^2}$	
	Total	6	12	(DZ+P) 15

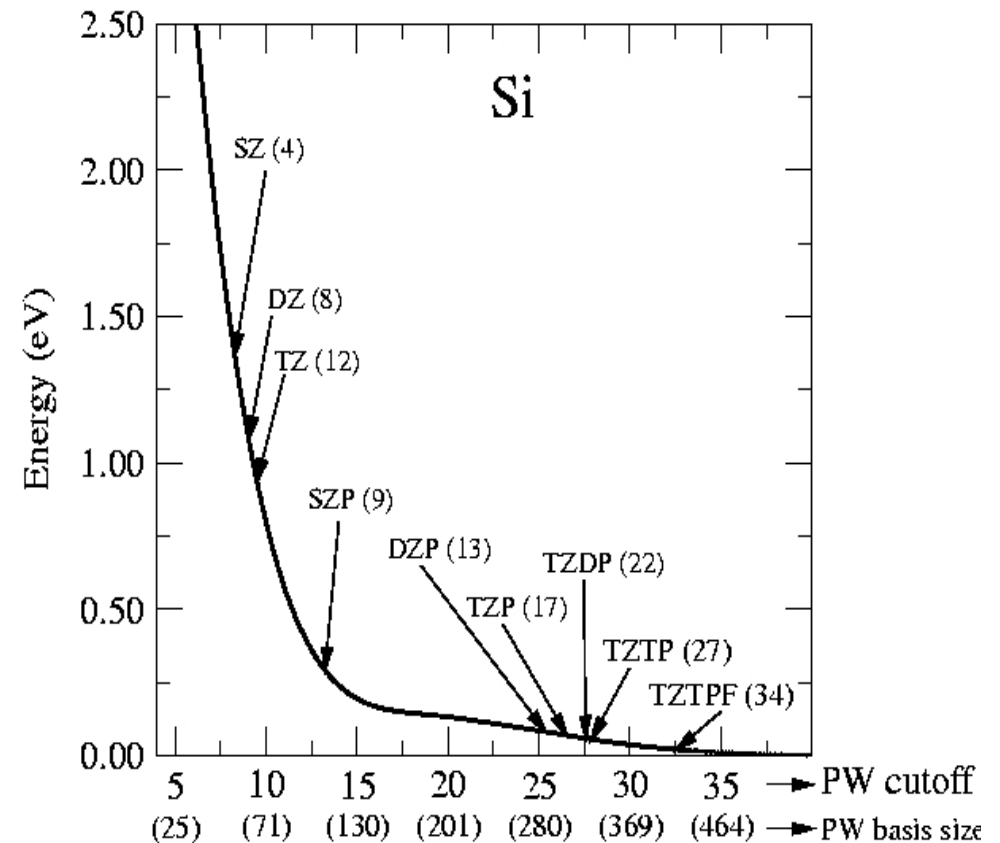
Convergence as a function of the size of the basis set

Bulk Si

Cohesion curves



PW and NAO convergence



Atomic orbitals show nice convergence with respect the size

Polarization orbitals very important for convergence (more than multiple- ζ)

Double- ζ plus polarization equivalent to a PW basis set of 26 Ry

Convergence as a function of the size of the basis set

Bulk Si

	SZ	DZ	TZ	SZP	DZP	TZP	TZDP	PW	APW	Ex
a (Å)	5.52	5.46	5.45	5.42	5.39	5.39	5.39	5.38	5.41	5.4
B (GPa)	89	96	98	98	97	97	96	96	96	98
E _c (eV)	4.72	4.84	4.91	5.23	5.33	5.34	5.34	5.37	5.28	4.6

A DZP basis set introduces the same deviations as the ones due to the DFT or the pseudopotential approaches

SZ = single- ζ

P=Polarized

PW: Converged Plane Waves (50 Ry)

DZ= double- ζ

DP=Doble-
polarized

APW: Augmented Plane Waves

TZ=triple- ζ

Optimization of the parameters that define the basis set: the Simplex code

Set of parameters
 $\{\delta Q, r_c, \dots\}$

$$E_{\text{Tot}} = E_{\text{Tot}} \{\delta Q, r_c, \dots\}$$

Isolated atom
Kohn-Sham Hamiltonian
+
Pseudopotential
Extra charge
Confinement potential

**SIMPLEX
MINIMIZATION
ALGORITHM**

Full DFT calculation
of the system for which
the basis is to be
optimized
(solid, molecule,...)

Basis set

How to introduce the basis set in SIESTA

Effort on defining a systematics with minimum parameters

If **nothing** is specified: **default**

Basis size:	PAO.BasisSize	DZP
Range of first-zeta:	PAO.EnergyShift	0.02 Ry
Second-zeta:	PAO.BasisType	Split
Range of second-zeta:	PAO.SplitNorm	0.15
Confinement:	Hard well	

Good basis set in terms of accuracy versus efficiency

More global control on the basis with a few input variables size and range

Size:

Basis size:

PAO.BasisSize

SZ

DZ

SZP

DZP

Range:

Range of first-zeta: PAO.EnergyShift 0.02 Ry

Range of second-zeta: PAO.SplitNorm 0.15

The larger both values, the more confined the basis functions


More specific control on the basis: the PAO.Basis block

```
%block PA0.Basis
H      1    +0.25
n=1    0    2
      5.000      3.000
      1.000      1.000
%endblock PA0.Basis
```

More specific control on the basis: the PAO.Basis block

Some variable might be computed automatically

```
%block PAO.Basis                                # Define Basis set
H          1    +0.25                            # Species label, number of l-shells, cha
n=1        0    2                               # n, l, Nzeta
0.000      0.000                                # rc (first-zeta), rm (second-zeta)
1.000      1.000                                # scaling factors
%endblock PAO.Basis
```



These variables calculated from
PAO.EnergyShift and PAO.SplitNorm values

More specific control on the basis: the PAO.Basis block

Adding polarization orbitals: atomic polarization

```
%block PA0.Basis
H      2      +0.25
n=1    0      2
      5.000      3.000
      1.000      1.000
n=2    1      1
      5.000
      1.000
%endblock PA0.Basis
```

More specific control on the basis: the PAO.Basis block

Soft-confinement potential

```
%block PAO.Basis                                # Define Basis set
H          1  +0.25                               # Species label, number of l-shells, charge
n=1        0  2  E 150.00 4.5                   # n, l, Nzeta, flag soft-conf, prefactor, inner
          5.000      3.000                       # rc (first-zeta), rm (second-zeta)
          1.000      1.000                       # scaling factors
%endblock PAO.Basis
```

$$V(r) = V_0 \frac{e^{-\frac{r_c - r_i}{r - r_i}}}{r_c - r}$$

V_0 in Ry

r in bohrs

Recap

Numerical Atomic Orbitals

A very efficient basis set

Specially suitable for Order-N methods

Smooth transition from quick exploratory calculations to highly converged

Lack of systematic convergence

Current effort for searching the lost systematics. Efficient methods for:

Generate multiple- ζ : Split Valence

Generate polarization orbitals: Perturbative polarization

Control the range of the orbitals in a balanced way: Energy Shift

Confine the orbitals: Soft-confinement potential

A DZP basis set, the same deviations as DFT functional or Pseudo