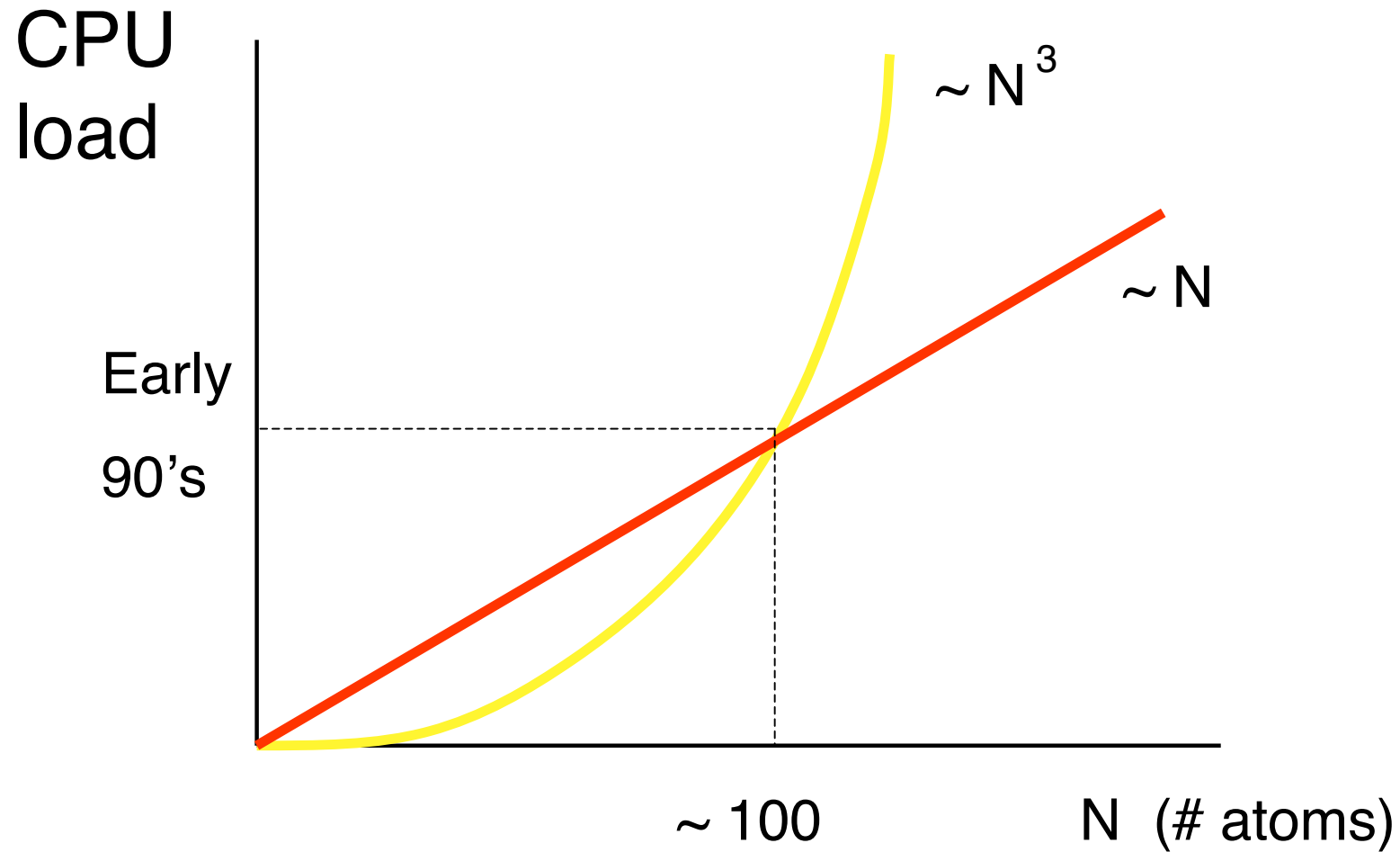


Numerical Atomic Orbitals: An efficient basis for Order-N ab-initio simulations

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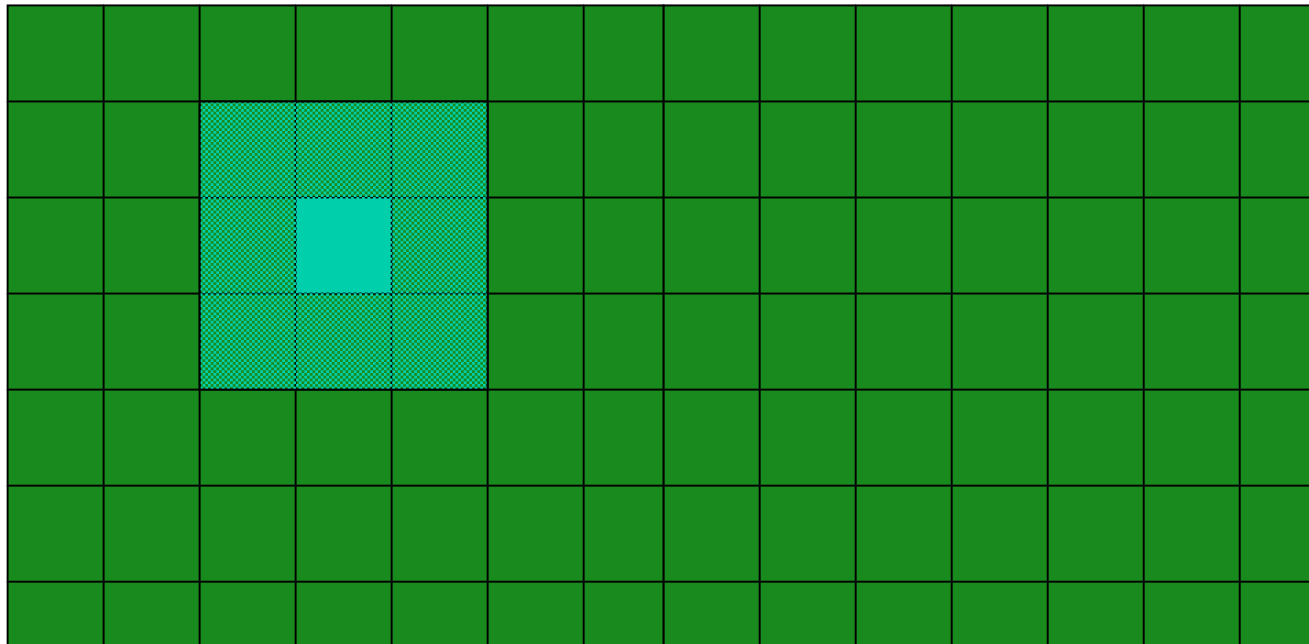
LINEAR SCALING



G. Galli and M. Parrinello, Phys. Rev Lett. 69, 3547 (1992)

KEY: LOCALITY

Large system



x2

“Divide and Conquer”

W. Yang, Phys. Rev. Lett. 66, 1438 (1992)

- In order to get efficiency, two aspects of the basis are important:
 - **NUMBER** of basis functions per atom
 - **RANGE** of localization of these functions
- Some proposals for self-consistent DFT $O(N)$:
 - ‘blips’
 - Bessels
 - Finite differences
 - Gaussians
 - Atomic orbitals
 - Very efficient
 - Less straight forward variational convergence
 - Freedom : **RADIAL SHAPE**

Atomic Orbitals

- Very efficient
- Lack of systematic for convergence
- Main features:

- Size

- Range $\phi_{l m}(\vec{r}) = R_{l m}(r) Y_{l m}(\hat{r}) \quad \vec{r} = r \hat{r}$

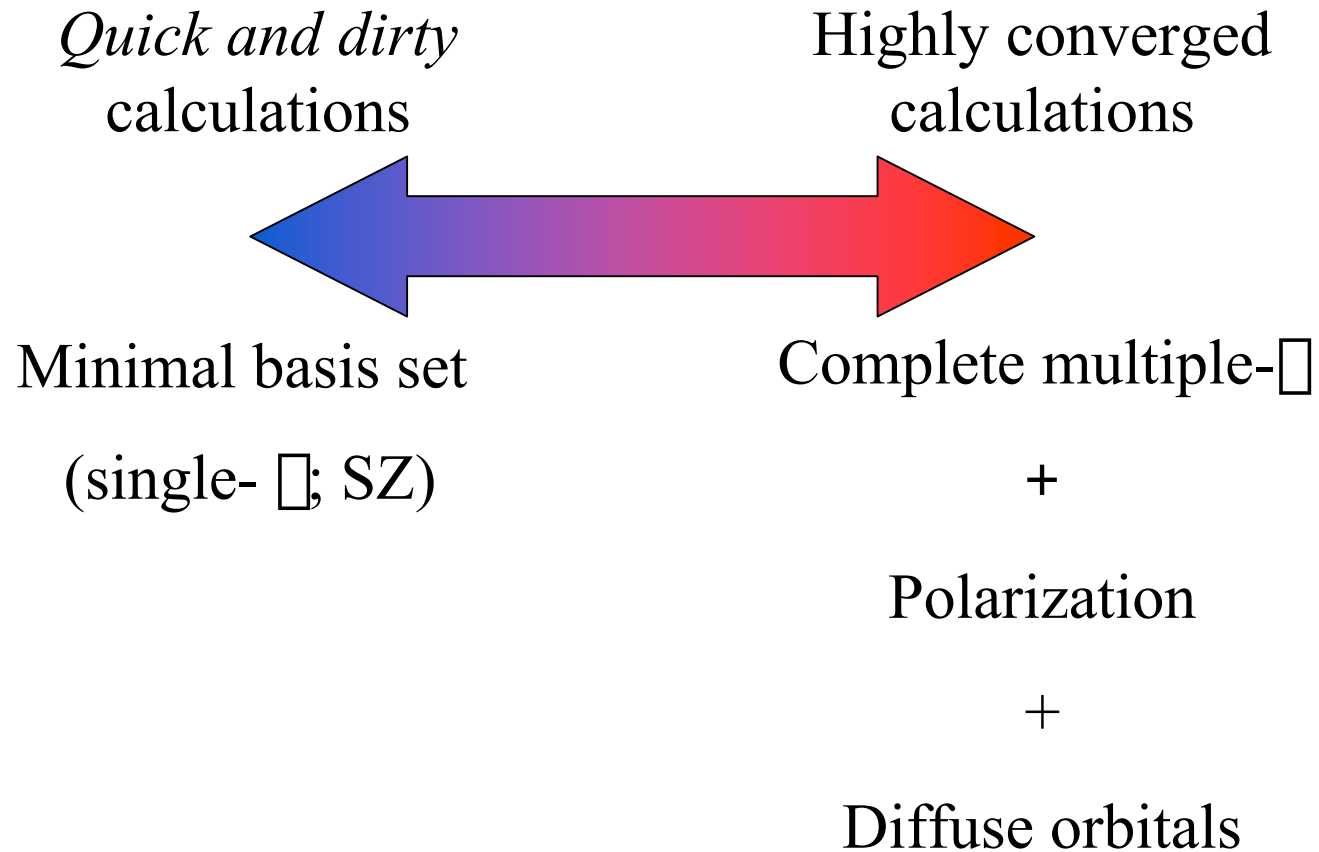
- Shape

- Numerical Atomic Orbitals (NAOs):

Numerical solution of the Kohn-Sham Hamiltonian
for the isolated pseudoatom
with the same approximations (xc, pseudos) as for the
condensed system

Size

**Depending on the required accuracy and
available computational power**



Converging the basis size

Single- ζ (minimal or SZ)

One **single radial function** per angular momentum shell occupied in the free –atom

Improving the quality



Radial flexibilization:

Add **more than one** radial function within the same angular momentum than SZ

Multiple- ζ

Angular flexibilization:

Add shells of different atomic symmetry (**different l**)

Polarization

Examples

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

How to double the basis set

Different schemes to generate Double- ζ :

- Quantum Chemistry: Split Valence $\chi_{\zeta}^{CGF}(\vec{r}) = \sum_i c_{i,\zeta} \chi_i(\zeta_i, \vec{r})$

Slowest decaying (most extended) gaussian (ζ).

- Nodes: Use excited states of atomic calculations.

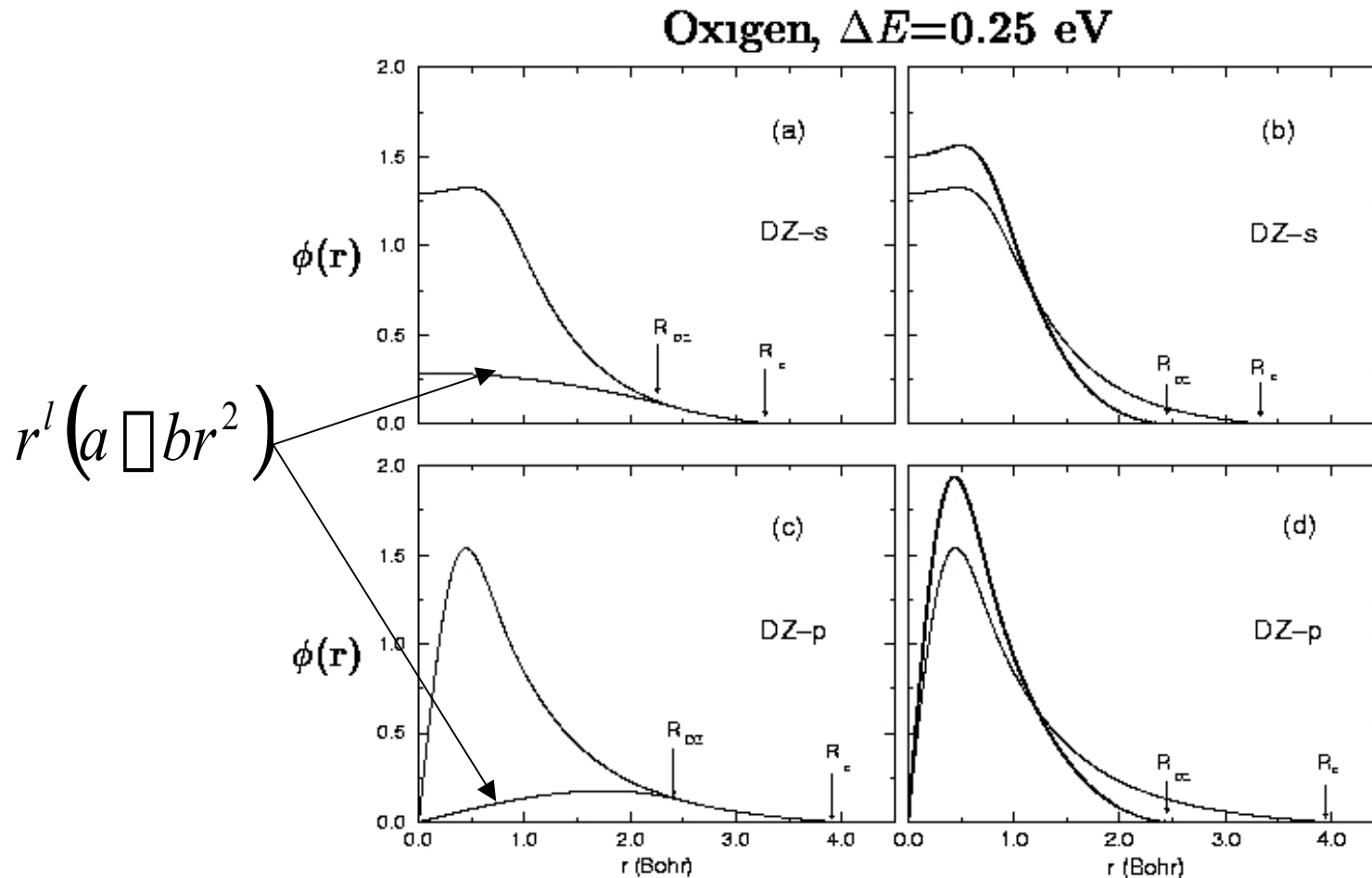
Orthogonal, asymptotically complete but inefficient

Only works for tight confinement

- Chemical hardness: Derivative of the first- ζ respect the atomic charge.

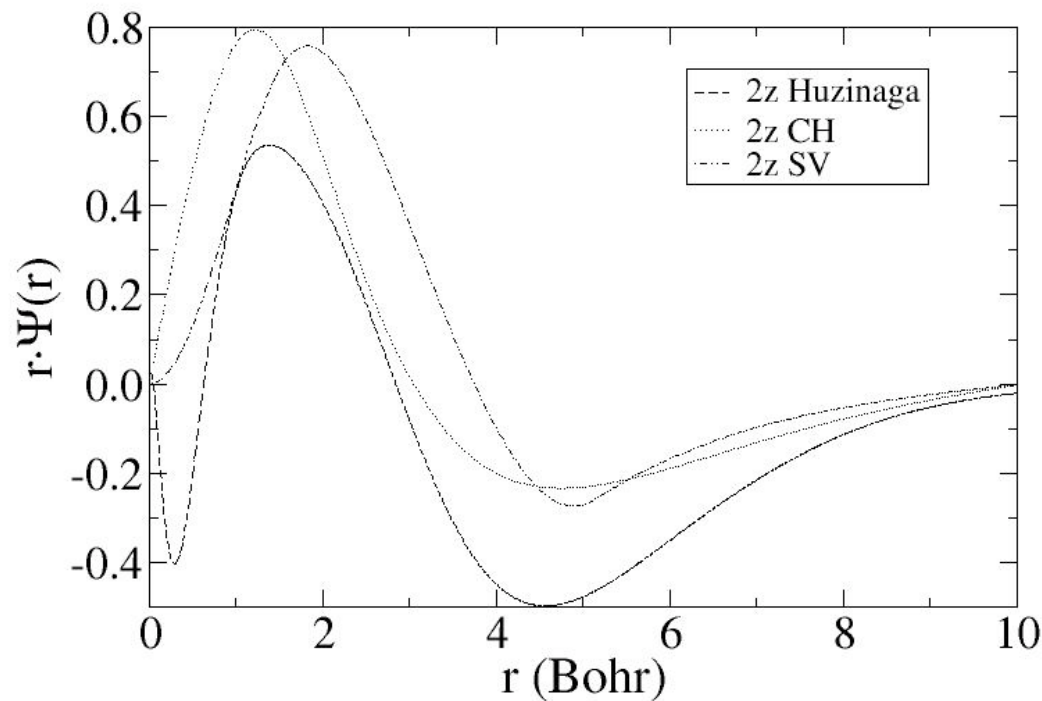
- SIESTA: extension of the Split Valence to NAO.

Split valence in NAO formalism



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

Split valence - Chemical hardness



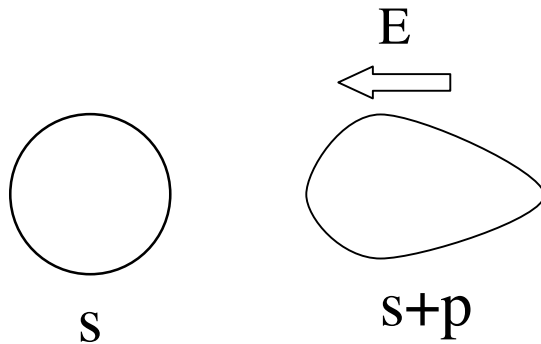
- Similar shapes
- **SV: higher efficiency**
(radius of second- $\square$ can be restricted to the inner matching radius)

E. Anglada *et al*, submitted to Phys. Rev. B

Polarization orbitals

Perturbative polarization

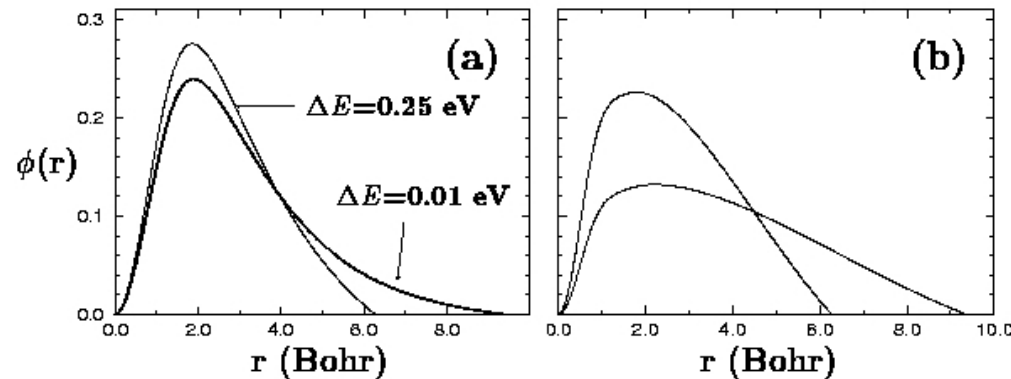
Apply a **small electric field** to the orbital we want to polarize



Atomic polarization

Solve Schrödinger equation for **higher angular momentum**

unbound in the free atom $\square$ require short cut offs



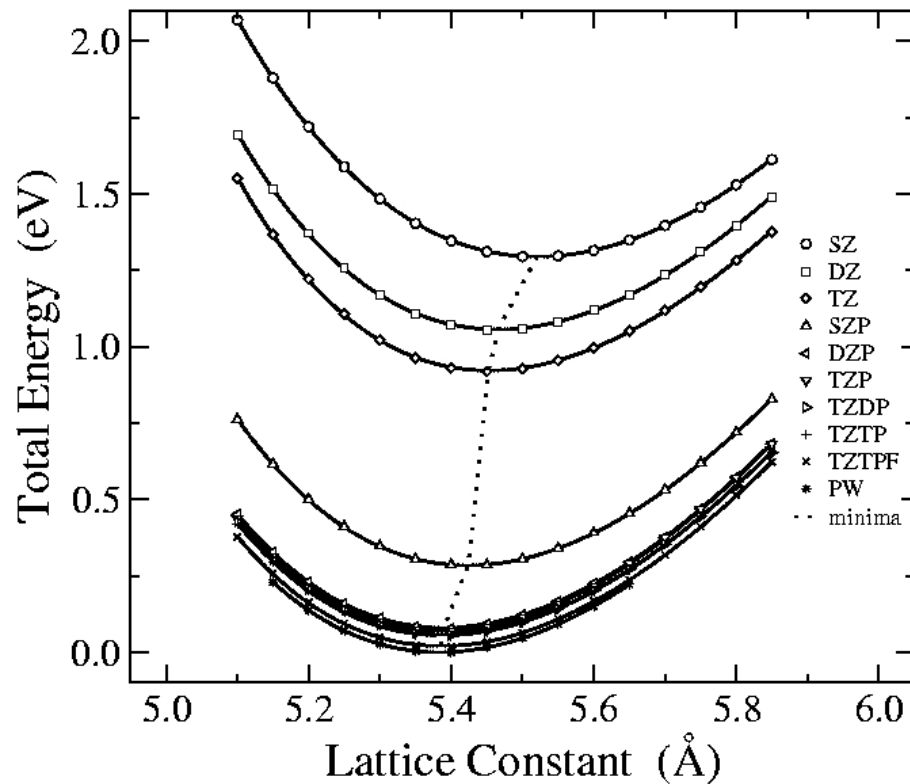
Si 3d
orbitals

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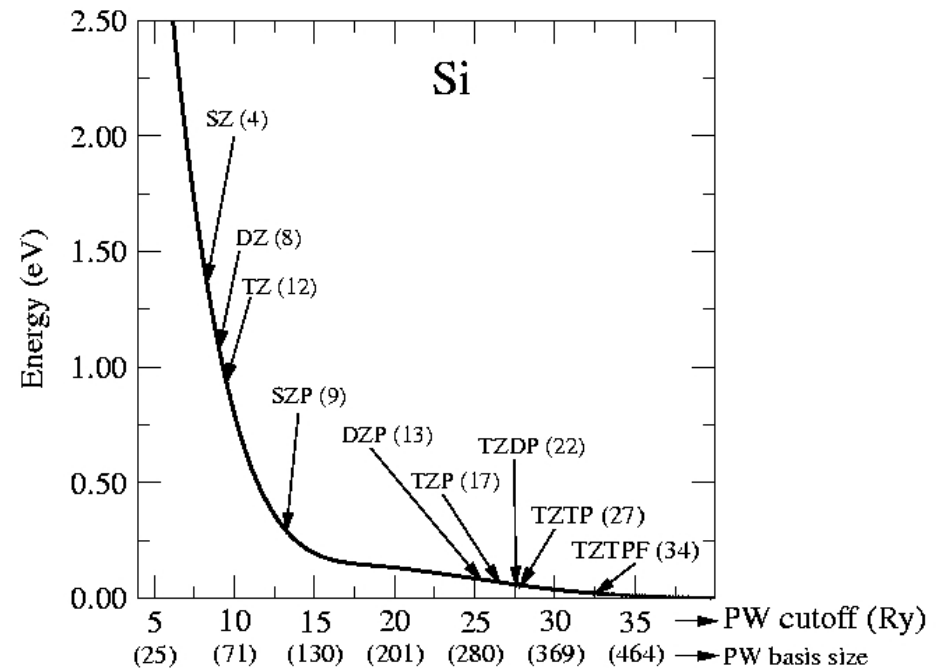
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Bulk Si

Cohesion curves



PW and NAO convergence



Range

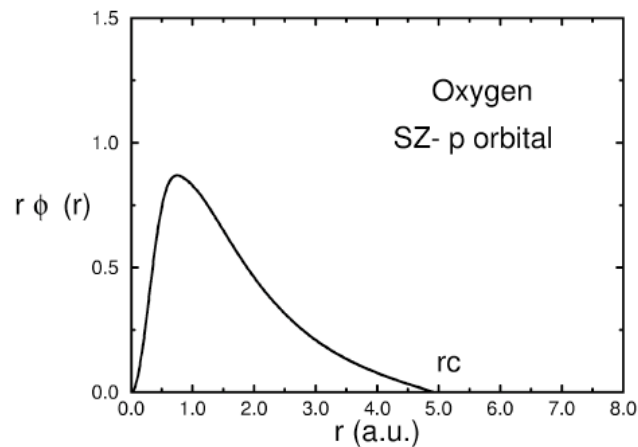
- How to get sparse matrix for $O(N)$
 - Neglecting interactions below a tolerance or beyond some scope of neighbours $\square$ numerical instabilities for high tolerances.
 - **Strictly localized atomic orbitals** (zero beyond a given cutoff radius, r_c)



- **Accuracy and computational efficiency** depend on the range of the atomic orbitals
 - Way to define all the cutoff radii in a **balanced way**

Energy shift

$$\left(-\frac{1}{2r} \frac{d^2}{dr^2} r + \frac{l(l+1)}{2r^2} + V_l(r) \right) \phi_l(r) = (\epsilon_l + \delta\epsilon_l) \phi_l(r)$$



Fireballs

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

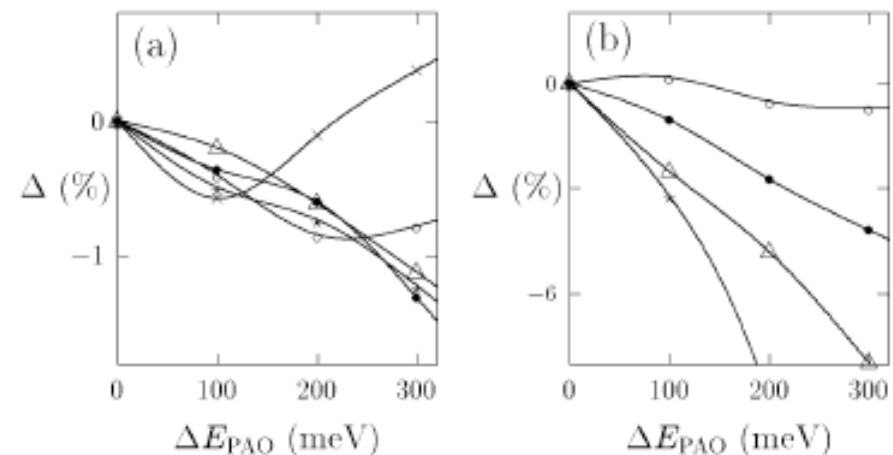
BUT:

A different cut-off radius for each orbital

A single parameter for all cutoff radii

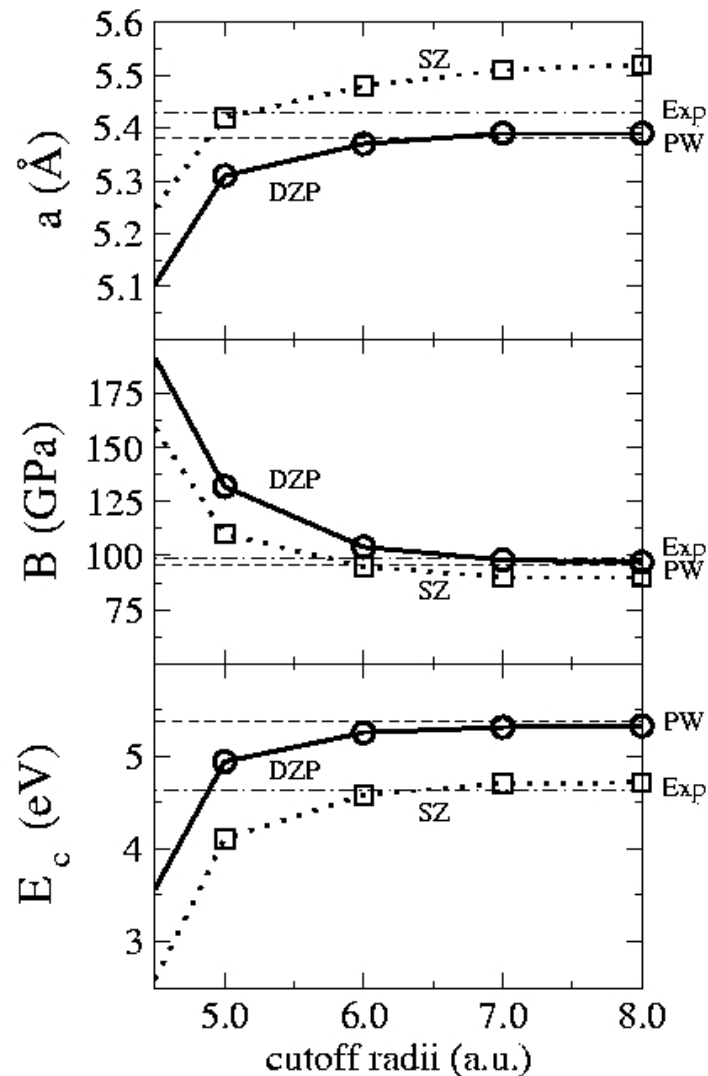
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*Convergence vs Energy shift of
Bond lengths Bond energies*



Convergence with the range

bulk Si
equal s, p orbitals
radii



J. Soler *et al*, J. Phys: Condens. Matter, **14**, 2745 (2002)

Range and shape

$\square Q$: extra charge per atomic specie

Confinement: imposed separately
per angular momentum shell

Confinement

- **Hard confinement** (Sankey et al, PRB 40, 3979 (1989))

- Orbitals: discontinuous derivative at r_c

- **Polinomial:** $V(r) = V_0 r^n$

- $n = 2$ (Porezag et al, PRB 51, 12947 (95))

- $n = 6$ (Horsfield, PRB 56, 6594 (97))

- No radius where the orbital is strictly zero

- Non vanishing at the core region

- **Direct modification of the wf:**

- Bump for large $\square$ and small r_c

- **New proposal:**

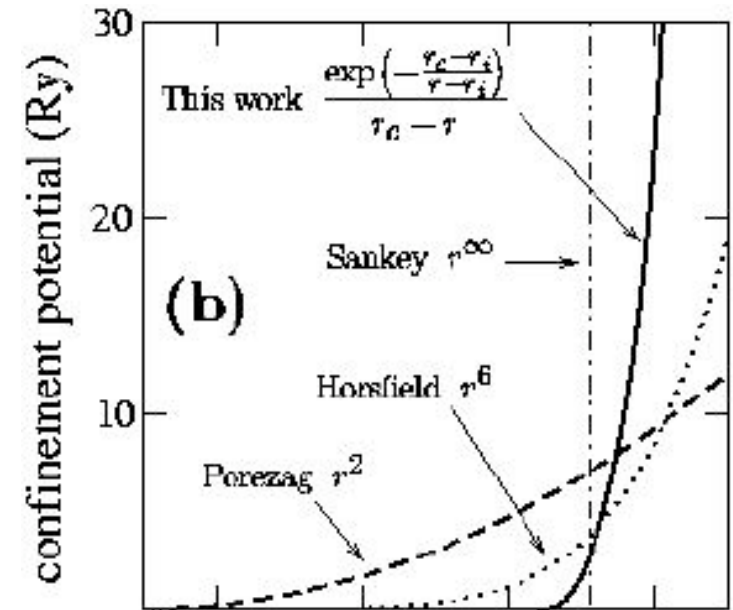
- Flat at the core region

- Continuous

- Diverges at r_c

(J. Junquera et al,

Phys. Rev. B, **64**, 23511 (01))



$$\square_{conf}(r) = \left(1 - e^{-\square(r - r_c)^2} \right) \square_{atom}(r)$$

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

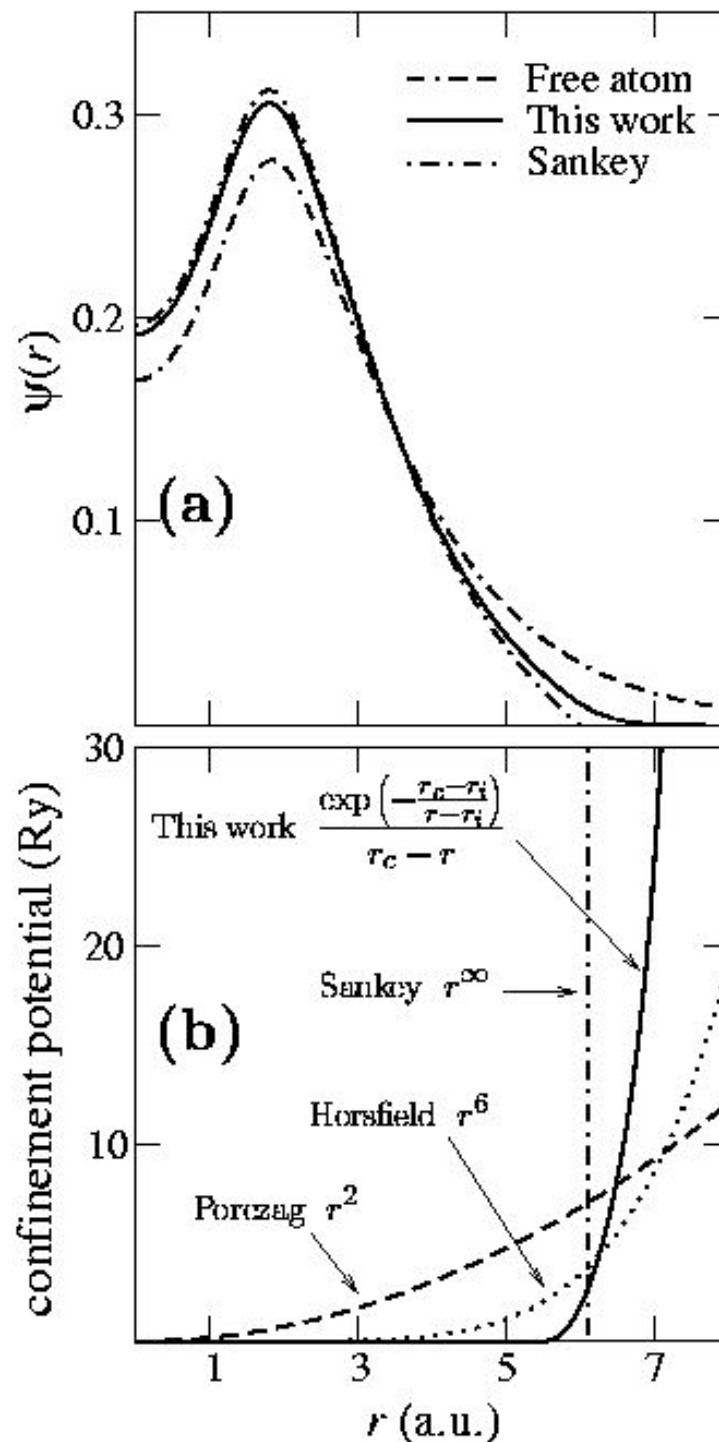
Soft confinement

(J. Junquera *et al*, Phys. Rev. B **64**, 235111 (01))

Shape of the optimal 3s orbital
of Mg in MgO for different
schemes

Corresponding optimal
confinement potential

- Better variational basis sets
- Removes the discontinuity of the derivative



Comparison of confinement schemes

Mg and **O** basis sets variationally optimized for all the schemes

MgO	SZ			DZP		
Basis scheme	a (Å)	B (GPa)	E _c (eV)	a (Å)	B (GPa)	E _c (eV)
Unconfined	4.25	119	6.49			
Sankey	4.17	222	10.89	4.12	165	11.82
Direct modification	4.16	228	11.12	4.12	163	11.84
Porezag	4.18	196	11.17	4.09	183	11.83
Horsfield	4.15	221	11.26	4.11	168	11.86
This work	4.15	226	11.32	4.10	167	11.87
PW (100 Ry)				4.10	168	11.90
Exp				4.21	152	10.3

Procedure

Difference in energies involved in your problem?

- SZ: (Energy shift)

Semiquantitative results and general trends

- DZP: automatically generated (Split Valence and Perturbative polarization)

High quality for most of the systems.

Good valence: well converged results □ computational cost

‘Standard’

- Variational optimization

Rule of thumb in Quantum Chemistry:

A basis should always be doubled before being polarized

Convergence of the basis set

Bulk Si

	SZ	DZ	TZ	SZP	DZP	TZP	TZDP	PW	APW	Exp
a (Å)	5.52	5.46	5.45	5.42	5.39	5.39	5.39	5.38	5.41	5.43
B (GPa)	89	96	98	98	97	97	96	96	96	98.8
E _c (eV)	4.72	4.84	4.91	5.23	5.33	5.34	5.34	5.37	5.28	4.63

SZ = single- $\square$

P=Polarized

PW: Converged Plane Waves (50 Ry)

DZ= double- $\square$

DP=Doble-polarized

APW: Augmented Plane Waves
(all electron)

TZ=triple- $\square$

Equivalent PW cutoff (E_{cut}) to optimal DZP

System	DZP # funct. per atom	PW # funct. per atom	E_{cut} (Ry)
H ₂	5	11296	34
O ₂	13	45442	86
Si	13	227	22
diamond	13	284	59
α -quartz	13	923	76

For molecules: cubic unit cell 10 Å of side

System		Exp	LAPW	PW (Literature)	PW (same ps)	DZP
Au	a	4.08	4.05	4.07	4.05	4.07
	B	173	198	190	191	188
	E _c	3.81	-	-	4.19	4.03
C	a	3.57	3.54	3.54	3.53	3.54
	B	442	470	436	466	453
	E _c	7.37	10.13	8.96	8.90	8.81
Na	a	4.23	4.05	3.98	3.95	3.98
	B	6.9	9.2	8.7	8.8	9.2
	E _c	1.11	1.44	1.28	1.22	1.22
Cu	a	3.60	3.52	3.56	-	3.57
	B	138	192	172	-	165
	E _c	3.50	4.29	4.24	-	4.37

a (Å) B(GPa) E_c(eV)

Transferability: α -quartz

	Exp ^a	PW ^b	PW ^c	PW ^d	PW ^e	DZP
a(Å)	4.92	4.84	4.89	4.81	4.88	4.85
c(Å)	5.41	5.41	5.38	5.32	5.40	5.38
d ¹ _{Si-O} (Å)	1.605	1.611	1.60	1.605	-	1.611
d ¹ _{Si-O} (Å)	1.614	1.617	1.60	1.605	-	1.611
$\angle$ _{Si-O-Si} (deg)	143.7	140.2	-	139.0	-	140.0

Si basis set optimized in c-Si

O basis set optimized in water molecule

a Levien *et al*, Am. Mineral, **65**, 920 (1980)

b Hamann, Phys. Rev. Lett., **76**, 660 (1996)

c Sautet (using VASP, with ultrasoft pseudopotential)

d Rignanese *et al*, Phys. Rev. B, **61**, 13250 (2000)

e Liu *et al*, Phys. Rev. B, **49**, 12528 (1994) (ultrasoft pseudopotential)

System	Basis	Properties		
MgO		a (Å)	B(GPa)	E _c (eV)
	Transfer	4.13	157	11.81
	Opt	4.10	167	11.87
	PW	4.10	168	11.90
	Exp	4.21	152	10.30
Graphite		a (Å)	c (Å)	ΔE(meV)
	Transfer	2.456	6.50	38
	PW	2.457	6.72	24
	Exp	2.456	6.674	23
H ₂ O		d _{O-H} (Å)	∠ _{H-O-H} (deg)	E _b (eV)
	Transfer	0.975	105.0	12.73
	Opt	0.972	104.5	12.94
	PW	0.967	105.1	13.10
	LAPW	0.968	103.9	11.05
	Exp	0.958	104.5	10.08

Conclusions

- Basis sets of Numerical Atomic Orbitals (NAO) have been optimized
- Performance of NAO basis sets of modest size, as DZP, is very satisfactory, being the errors comparable to the ones due to the DFT or pseudopotential
- The bases obtained show enough transferability

Our method



Linear-scaling DFT based on NAOs (Numerical Atomic Orbitals)

P. Ordejon, E. Artacho & J. M. Soler , Phys. Rev. B 53, R10441 (1996)

- *Born-Oppenheimer* (relaxations, mol.dynamics)
- *DFT* (LDA, GGA)
- *Pseudopotentials* (norm conserving, factorised)
- *Numerical atomic orbitals as basis* (finite range)
- *Numerical evaluation of matrix elements* (3D grid)

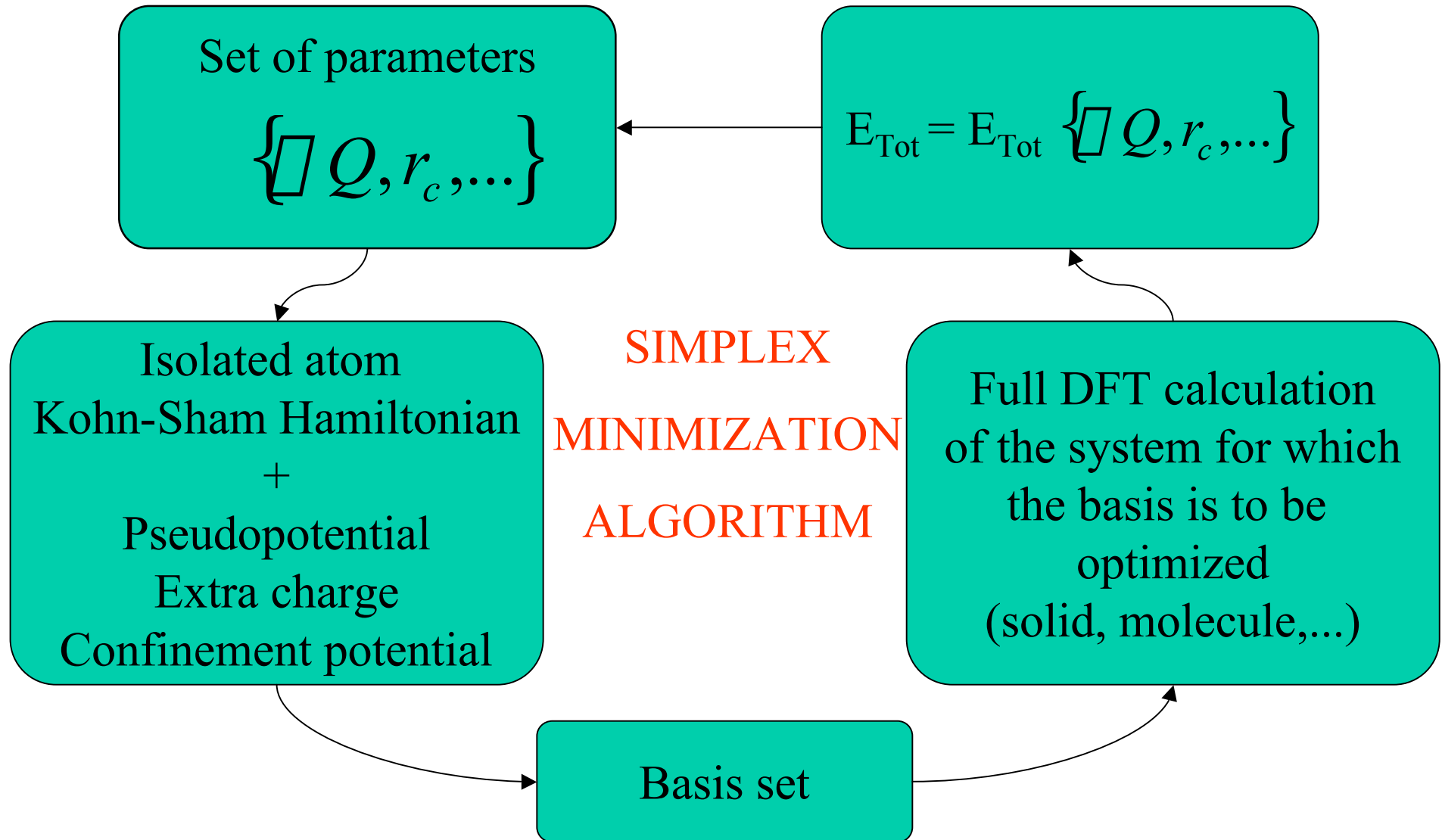
*Implemented in the **SIESTA** program*

D. Sanchez-Portal, P. Ordejon, E. Artacho & J. M. Soler
Int. J. Quantum Chem. 65, 453 (1997)

How to enlarge the basis set

- **Simple- $\square$** : One single radial function per angular momentum shell occupied in the free –atom
- **Radial flexibilization: Multiple- $\square$**
 - Add **more than one** radial function
 - Pseudopot. eigenfunctions with increasing number of nodes
 - Atomic eigenstates for different ionization states
 - Derivatives of the radial part respect the occupation
 - **Split valence**
- **Angular flexibilization: Polarization**
 - Add shells of **higher l**
 - **Atomic**
 - **Perturbative**

Optimization Procedure



Optimization Procedure (I)

- **Range and shape** of the orbitals: defined by a **set of parameters**:
 - Per atomic species: **global $\square Q$**
 - Confinement imposed separately per angular momentum shell. The parameters depend on the scheme used to confine:
 - Hard confinement: **r_c**
 - Polynomial confinement: **V_0**
 - Direct modification of the wave function: **$r_c, \square$**
 - This work: **r_c, r_i, V_0**
 - For each $\square$ beyond the first, the matching radius **r_m**

Optimization procedure(II)

Parameters for an optimization of Si, DZP quality

Scheme	Potential	s	p	d	Extra charge	number param.
Sankey	$\frac{1}{r_c} \left(\frac{r}{r_c} \right)^{-1}$	r_c^{-1} r_m^{-2}	r_c^{-1} r_m^{-2}	r_c^{-1}	Q	6
Porezag	$V_0 r^2$	V_0^{-1} r_m^{-2}	V_0^{-1} r_m^{-2}	V_0^{-1}	Q	6
Horsfield	$V_0 r^6$	V_0^{-1} r_m^{-2}	V_0^{-1} r_m^{-2}	V_0^{-1}	Q	6
Kenny	$1 - e^{-\alpha(r-r_c)^2}$	r_c^{-1} -1 r_m^{-2}	r_c^{-1} -1 r_m^{-2}	r_c^{-1} -1	Q	9
This work	$V_0 \frac{e^{-\frac{r_c - r_i}{r - r_i}}}{r_c - r}$	r_c^{-1} r_i^{-1} V_0^{-1} r_m^{-2}	r_c^{-1} r_i^{-1} V_0^{-1} r_m^{-2}	r_c^{-1} r_i^{-1} V_0^{-1}	Q	12

Cutting the atomic orbitals

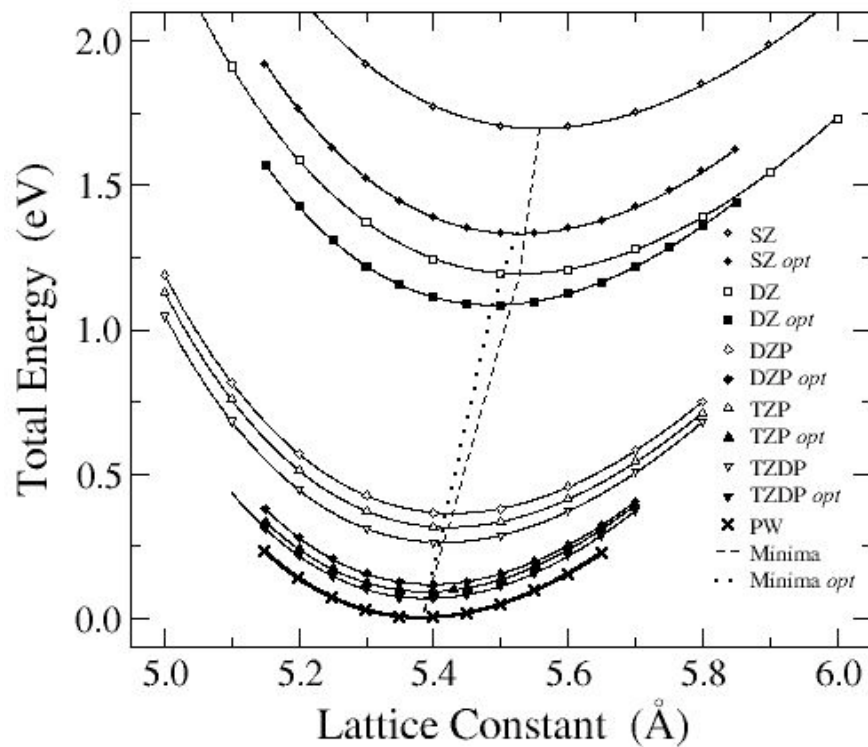
$$H = E_{\text{Total}} + \underbrace{pV}_{\text{Penalty for long range orbitals}} \left\{ \begin{array}{l} V = \sum_l r_c^3(l) \\ p \equiv \textit{pressure} \end{array} \right.$$

- Optimize the *enthalpy* in the condensed system
- Just one parameter to define all the cutoff radii: the **pressure**

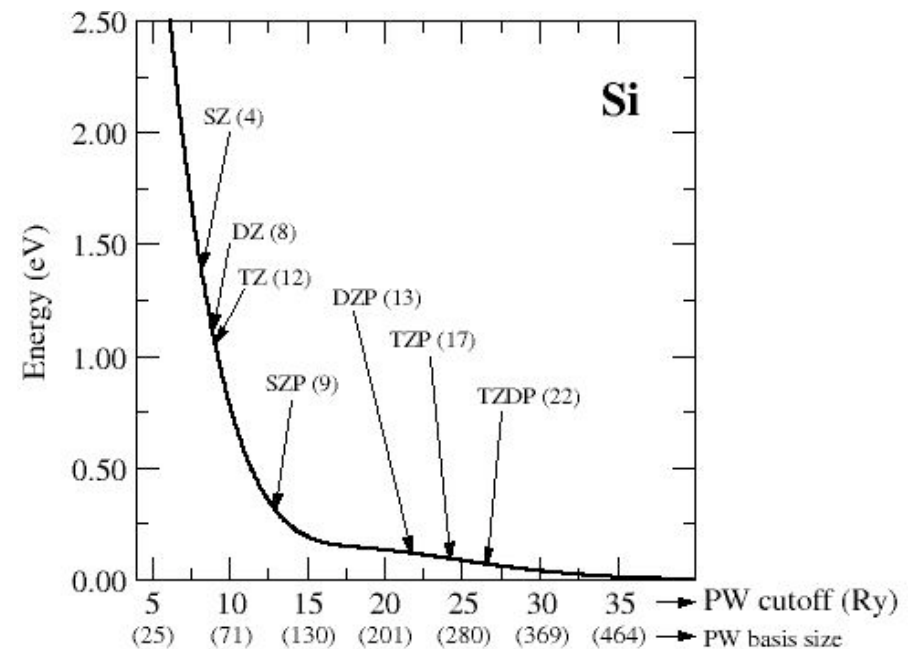
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Tightening the basis confinement in α -quartz

r_c^{Si} (a.u.)			r_c^{O} (a.u.)			a	c	$d_{\text{Si-O}}^1$	$d_{\text{Si-O}}^1$	$\angle_{\text{Si-O-Si}}$
s	p	d	s	p	d	(Å)	(Å)	(Å)	(Å)	(deg)
8.0	8.0	8.0	8.0	8.0	8.0	4.85	5.38	1.611	1.612	140.0
6.0	6.0	6.0	8.0	8.0	8.0	4.85	5.35	1.607	1.608	140.0
6.0	6.0	6.0	5.0	5.0	5.0	4.74	5.29	1.610	1.610	134.0
6.0	6.0	6.0	4.5	4.5	4.5	4.69	5.26	1.610	1.610	132.0
6.0	6.0	6.0	5.0	6.5	4.0	4.84	5.36	1.607	1.608	139.7
5.6	6.3	4.2	4.0	5.3	2.8	4.81	5.34	1.607	1.610	138.2

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