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PAW ATOMIC DATA GENERATION

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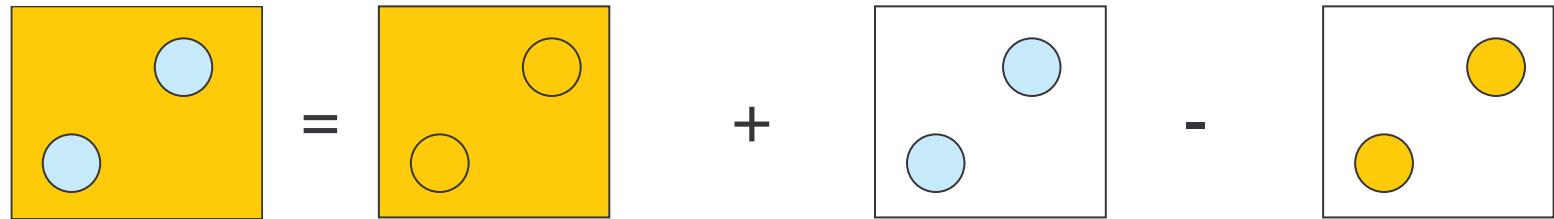
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Summary

- ✓ Building atomic data for PAW
- ✓ Atomic data validation
- ✓ PAW atomic data generators for ABINIT
- ✓ Fcc oxygen example
- ✓ Conclusion

Building atomic data for PAW - summary

Wavefunction: $|\Psi_n\rangle = |\tilde{\Psi}_n\rangle + \sum_i (|\phi_i\rangle - |\tilde{\phi}_i\rangle) \langle \tilde{p}_i | \tilde{\Psi}_n \rangle = \tau |\tilde{\Psi}_n\rangle$



Hamiltonian: $\tilde{H} \tilde{\Psi}_n = \epsilon_n S \tilde{\Psi}_n$ $S = 1 + \sum_{R,ij} \left(\langle \tilde{p}_i^R \rangle \langle \phi_i^R | \phi_j^R \rangle - \langle \tilde{\phi}_i^R | \tilde{\phi}_j^R \rangle \right) \langle \tilde{p}_j^R |$

$$D_{ij} = \sum_L \int \tilde{v}_{eff}(\mathbf{r}) Q_{ij}^L(\mathbf{r}) d\mathbf{r}$$

$$+ \langle \phi_i | -\frac{\Delta}{2} + v_H [n^1 + n_{Zc}] + v_{xc} [n^1 + n_c] \phi_j \rangle$$

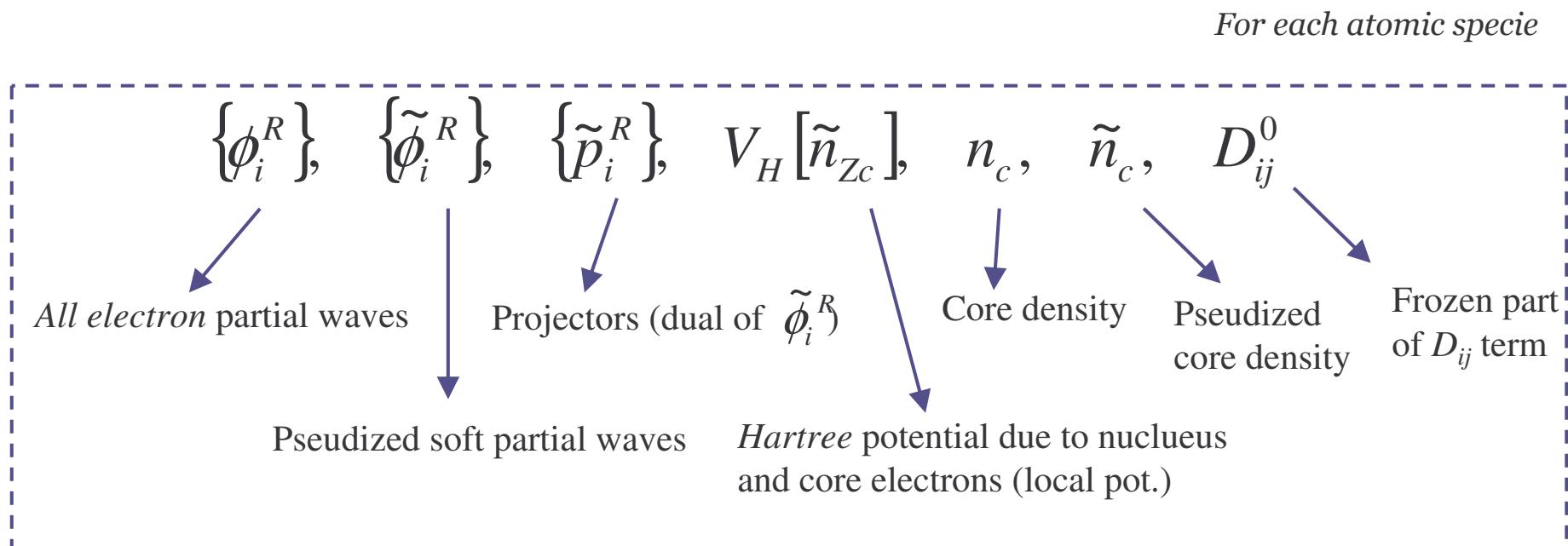
$$- \langle \tilde{\phi}_i | -\frac{\Delta}{2} + v_H [\tilde{n}^1 + \hat{n} + \tilde{n}_{Zc}] + v_{xc} [\tilde{n}^1 + \hat{n} + \tilde{n}_c] \tilde{\phi}_j \rangle - \sum_L \int \tilde{v}_{eff}^1(\mathbf{r}) \hat{Q}_{ij}^L(\mathbf{r}) d\mathbf{r}$$

$$D_{ij} = D_{ij}^0 + \sum_{kl} \rho_{kl} E_{ijkl} + D_{ij}^{xc} + \sum_L \int \tilde{v}_{eff}(\mathbf{r}) \hat{Q}_{ij}^L(\mathbf{r}) d\mathbf{r}$$

Inside circles: atomic data needed

Building atomic data for PAW - summary

In order to perform a PAW calculation, following atomic data are needed:



Definitions of radial grids are also needed

Constraints:

- Precision of the calculation
- Speed of convergence (number of plane waves)

➤ Have to generate an adapted basis

Building atomic data for PAW I

A 5 steps procedure...

Step 1

All electrons atomic calculation

- ✓ Solve atomic Schrödinger equation

Get $n_c(r), V_{ae}(r)$

- ✓ Choose an energy set $\{\epsilon_i\}$ an radii $\{r_i\}$ and invert the Schrödinger equation

Get $\{\phi_i(r)\}$

Step 2

Pseudo functions

- ✓ Apply a soft pseudization scheme

$\tilde{\phi}_i$ and ϕ_i join at r_i

\tilde{n}_c and n_c join at r_{core}

V_{loc} and V_{ae} join at r_{loc}

Building atomic data for PAW II

Step 3 Projectors

- ✓ Calculate (optimized) $\{\tilde{p}_i(r)\}$

Step 4 Local potential

- ✓ Compute $v_H(\tilde{n}_{Zc})$

Step 5 Additional data

- ✓ Compute D_{ij}^0 , $\rho_{ij}^{initial}$

The PAW calculation must give the same physical results as a reference *all electrons* calculation

At the atomique level

- ✓ The logarithmic derivatives of wavefunctions must be equal to the ones of a reference calculation (good diffusion properties)

$$[-\Delta + V_l(r)]\phi_l(\varepsilon, r) = \varepsilon\phi_l(\varepsilon, r) \Rightarrow \left[\phi_l^2(\varepsilon, r) \frac{d}{d\varepsilon} \frac{d}{dr} \ln \phi_l(\varepsilon, r) \right]_R = - \int_0^R \phi_l^2(\varepsilon, r) dr$$

- ✓ The energies of excited configurations must be equal to the *all electron* ones

At the solid state level

- ✓ Physical properties have to be tested: *lattice parameters, bulk modulus,...*

 Transferability

The plane wave basis must be as small as possible

- ✓ Radius of augmentation regions (spheres).
Spheres are in principle not allowed to overlap
In practice a little overlap is allowed
- ✓ Number of partial waves per atom
- ✓ Pseudization scheme
- ✓ Size of radial grids
- ✓ $\tilde{p}_i(g)$ behaviour for large g
Real Space Optimization
- ✓ Softness of V_{loc} and \tilde{n}_c

☒ *Good atomic data are always a compromise between accuracy and efficiency*

Atomic data generators I

For the ABINIT code, we have chosen to interface two existing codes:

AtomPAW

PAW atomic data generator for "PWPAW"

Written by [Natalie Holzwarth](#) and coworkers
Dept. of Physics, Wake Forest University

Launch AtomPAW and a converter separately...

Only one input file

AtomPAW produces 3 files:
Atomic data, densities, potentials

3 files used by **AtomPAW2Abinit**

Downloadable on [abinit.org](#)

USPP

Ultrasoft pseudopotential generator

Written by [David Vanderbilt](#)
*Department of Physics and Astronomy
Rutgers, The State University of New Jersey*

Add a "plugin" into USPP (**USPP2Abinit**)...

Extract "add-on" into USPP's directory and compile...

USPP's behaviour is not changed

Only have to use USPP to produce a file for Abinit

- Fully documented by D. Vanderbilt...
- Set of input files downloadable on D. Vanderbilt's site...

Downloadable on [abinit.org](#)

Atomic data generators II

AtomPAW

AtomPAW

- ✖ Impose $\varepsilon_i = \varepsilon_n^{at}$
- ✖ Regular radial grid
- ✖ LDA or GGA
- ✖ No control on pseudiz. Scheme
- ✖ XML format in last version

USPP

USPP

- ✖ No constraint on ε_i
- ✖ Logarithmic radial grid
- ✖ LDA or GGA, multiple func.
- ✖ Efficient pseudiz. scheme
- ✖ Control on pseudiz. scheme

AtomPAW2Abinit

- ✖ Possibility to transfer some data onto a log. radial grid
- ✖ Possibility to optimize nonlocal projectors with *King-Smith et al. scheme*
- ✖ Compute V_{loc} (Kresse's formulation)

USpp2Abinit

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fcc oxygen example with USPP I

Step 1 All electrons atomic calculation

$$[T + V_{AE}(r)]\phi_i = \epsilon_i \phi_i$$

O : $1s^2 2s^2 2p^4$

$$E(1s) = -37.51685 \text{ Ry}$$

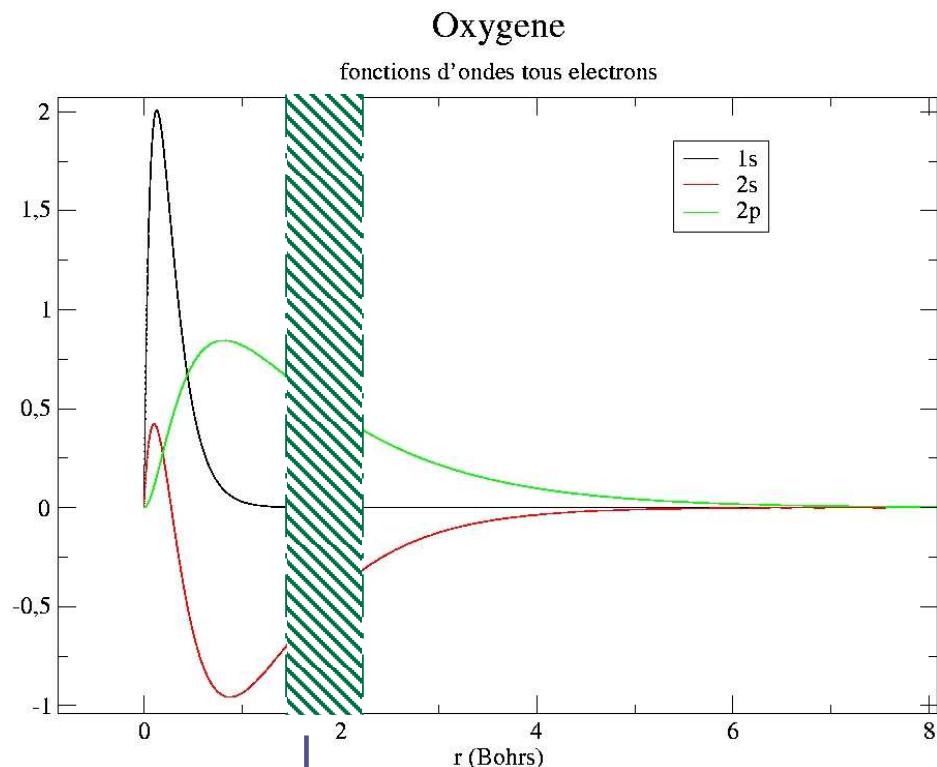
$$E(2s) = -1.74236 \text{ Ry}$$

$$E(2p) = -0.6766 \text{ Ry}$$

Valency choice: $2s^2 2p^4$

Cutoff radius choice:

- Depends of the general context of the study
- Max. radius for non overlapping
fcc spheres : 2.07 u.a.



fcc oxygen example with USPP II

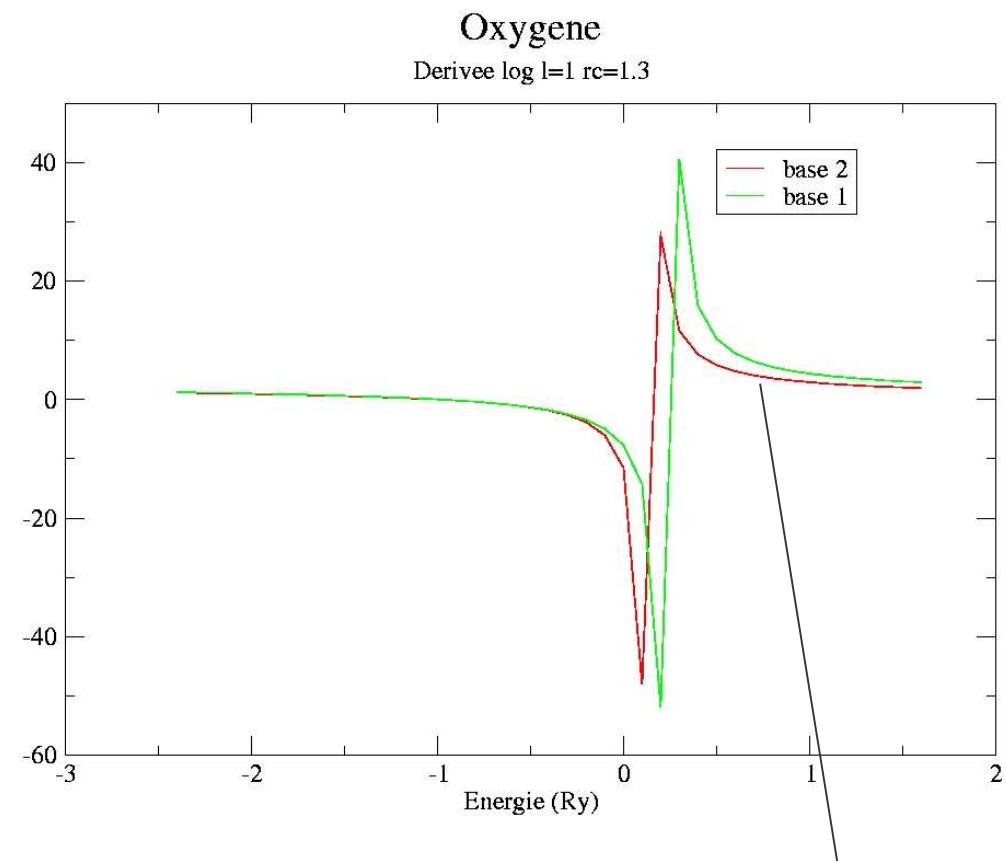
Step 1, cont'd

Choice of ref. energies set:

- 2 energies per angular momentum

s state : **s** eigenstate
p state

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p eigenstate



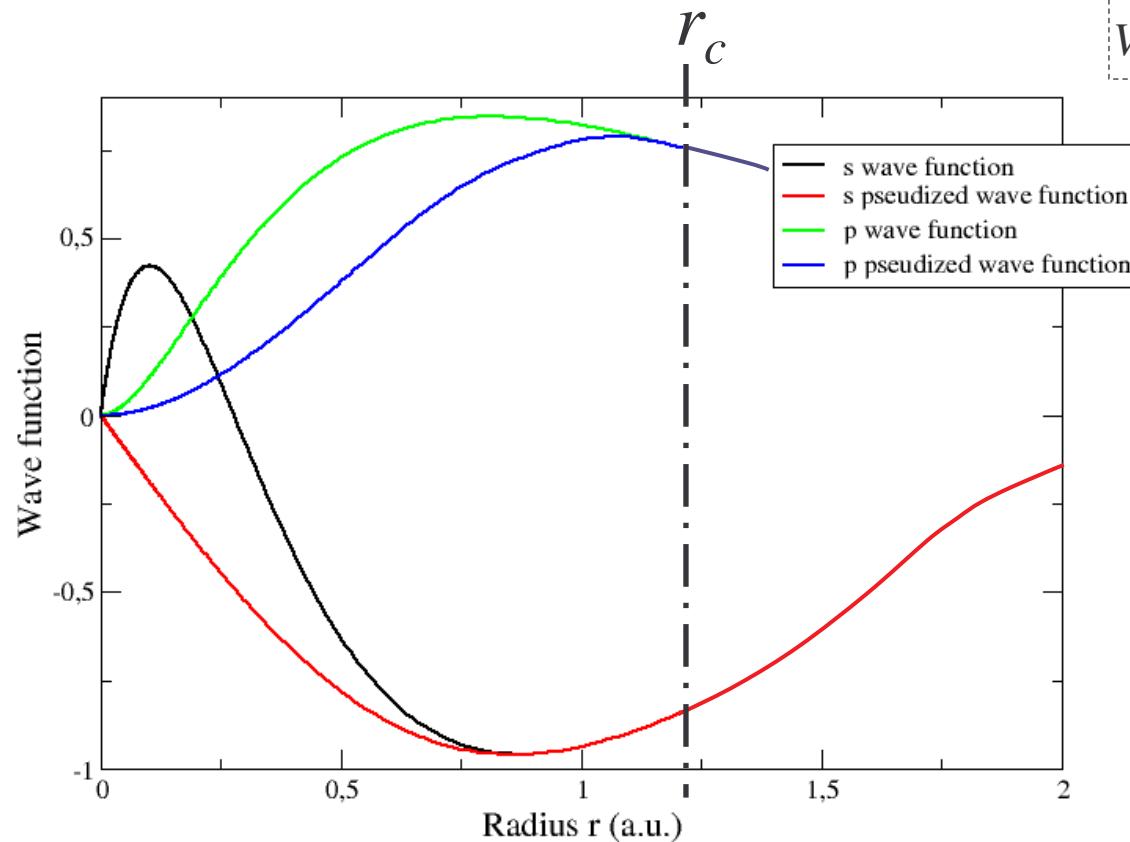
Inverse the Schrödinger equation and get $\{\phi_i(r)\}$

AE log derivatives and
"base 2" log derivatives
are superimposed

fcc oxygen example with USPP III

Step 2 Pseudofunctions

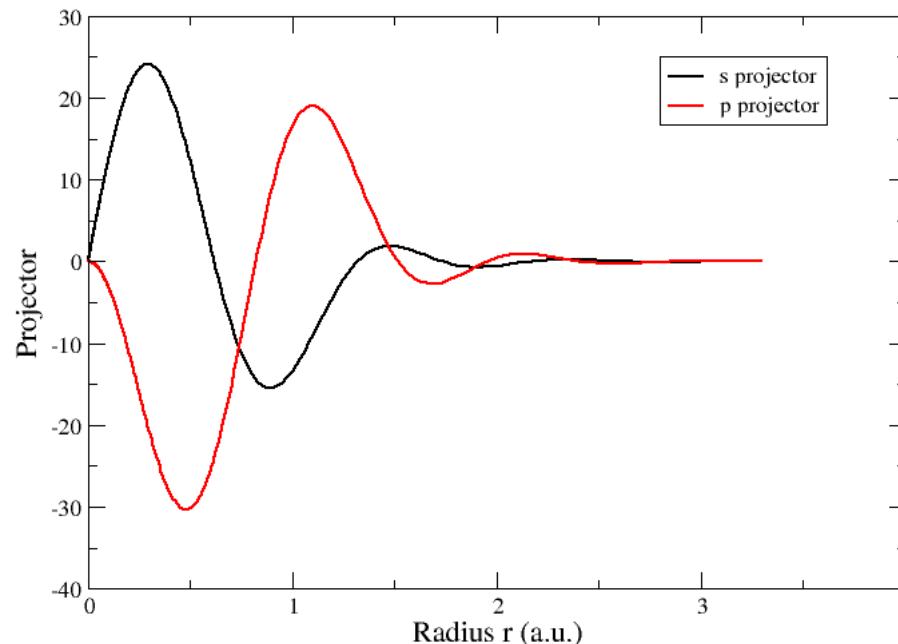
Apply a soft pseudization scheme:



fcc oxygen example with USPP IV

Step 3 Projectors

- ✓ We build $|\chi_i\rangle = (\varepsilon_i - T - V_{loc}) \tilde{\phi}_i$ that vanish beyond $\text{Sup}[r_i, r_{loc}]$
- ✓ With the matrix $B_{ij} = \langle \tilde{\phi}_i | \chi_j \rangle$, we can calculate the projectors as
$$|\tilde{p}_i\rangle = \sum_j (B^{-1})_{ij} |\chi_j\rangle \quad \text{and} \quad \langle \tilde{p}_i | \tilde{\phi}_j \rangle = \delta_{ij}$$
- ✓ The projectors are localized by construction



fcc oxygen example with USPP V

Step 4 Compute $v_H[\tilde{n}_{Zc}]$

- ✓ Apply the following formula that relies Kresse¹ and Blöchl² formulations:

$$v_H[\tilde{n}_{Zc}] = v_H(\tilde{n}_{Zc}^K) \quad \text{with} \quad \tilde{n}_{Zc}^K = \frac{g_0(r)}{4\pi} \left[\int_R (n_c - \tilde{n}_c) d\mathbf{r} - Z_{ion} \right] + \tilde{n}_c$$

Other possible formulation: apply a descreening procedure to V_{loc}

Step 5 Compute additional data

- ✓ Starting guess value for ρ_{ij} : $\rho_{ij}^{initial} = \rho_{ij}^0$
- ✓ Computation of D_{ij}^0 :

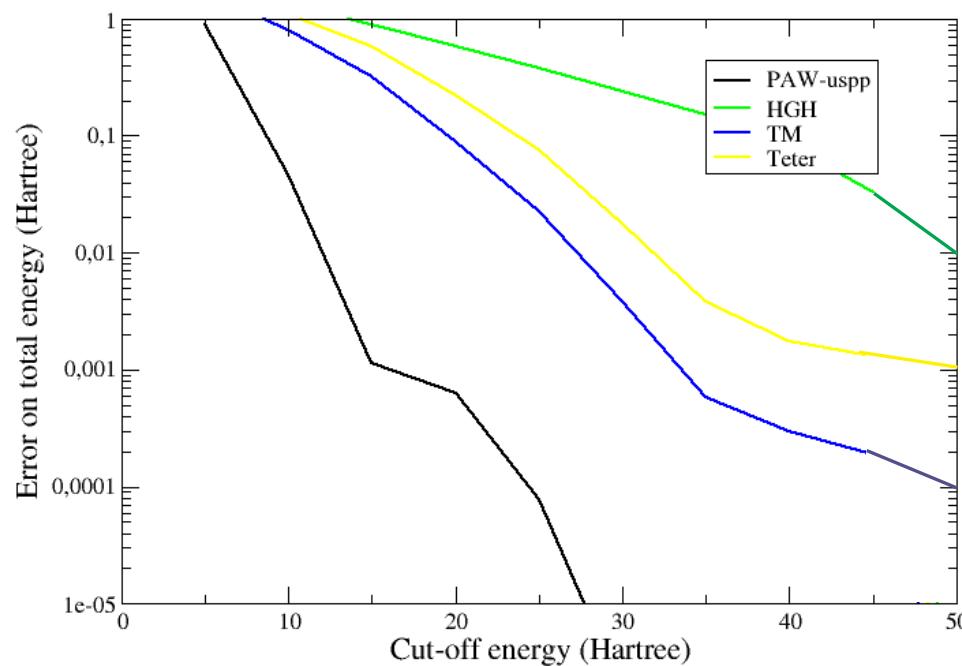
$$D_{ij}^0 = \langle \phi_i | -\frac{\Delta}{2} + v_H[n_{Zc}] | \phi_j \rangle - \langle \tilde{\phi}_i | -\frac{\Delta}{2} + v_H[\tilde{n}_{Zc}] | \tilde{\phi}_j \rangle - \sum_{lm} \int_R v_H[\tilde{n}_{Zc}] \hat{Q}_{ij}^{lm} d\mathbf{r}$$

[1] P. Blöchl, Phys. Rev. B **50**, 17953 (1994) [2] G. Kresse and D. Joubert, Phys. Rev. B **59**, 1758 (1999)

fcc oxygen example - results

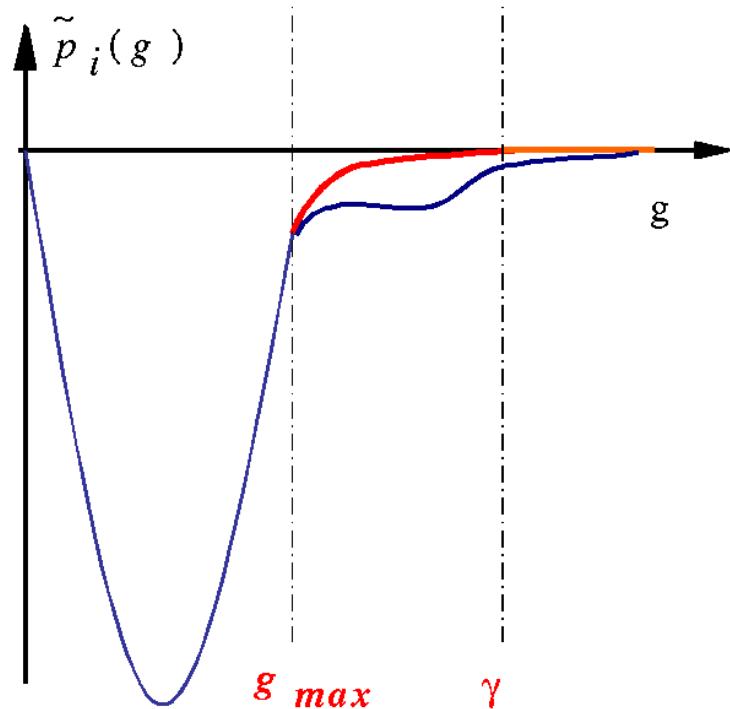
Accuracy	NC HGH	NC Teter	PAW AtomPAW	PAW USPP
Cut-off $\Delta E = 1 \text{ mHa}$	60	50	26	15
$a_o (\text{\AA})$	3.11	3.04	3.07	3.06
$B_o (\text{GPa})$	182	210	194	208
$E_{coh} (\text{eV})$	2.60		2.89	

Efficiency



Real Space Optimization I

- Useful for USPP's atomic data
- Available for AtomPAW's atomic data



Real-space implementation of nonlocal pseudopotentials for 1st-principle total-energy calculations,
R.D. King-Smith, M.C. Payne, J.S. Lin,
Phys. Rev. B 44, 13063 (1991)

- ▶ Impose error W_l
- ▶ Adjust g_{max} according to E_{cut}
- ▶ Choose $2g_{max} \leq \gamma \leq 3g_{max}$

- ▶ Deduce R_o

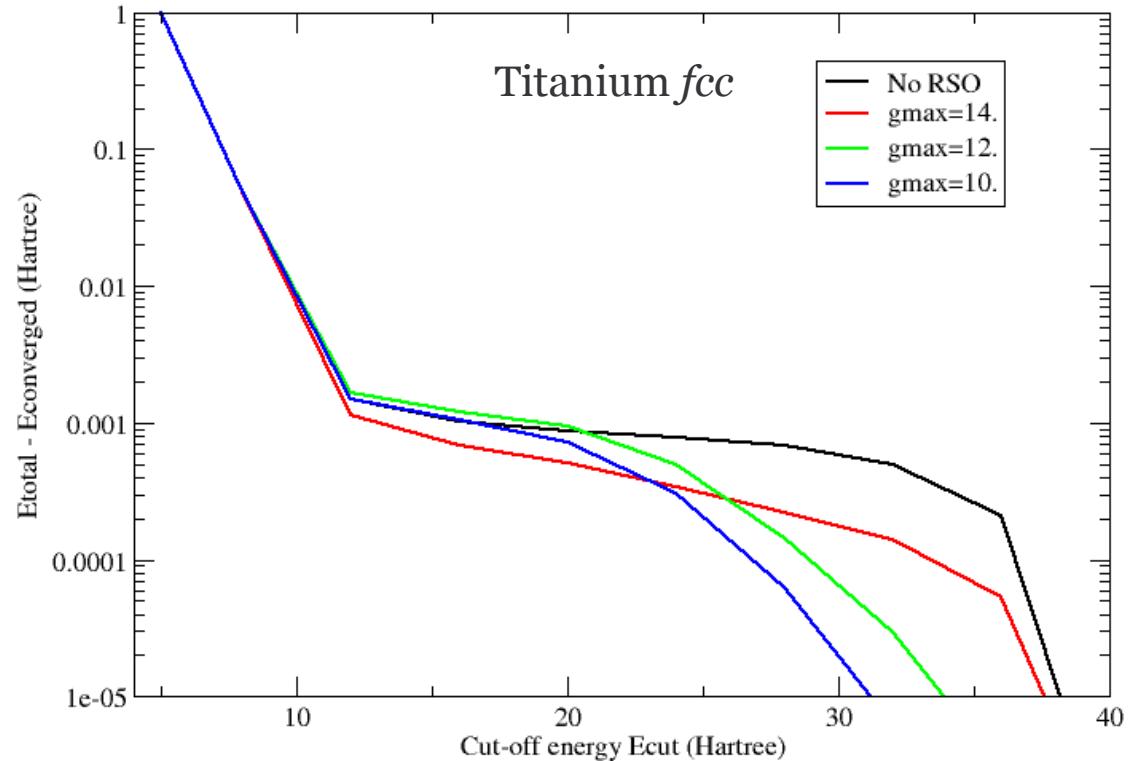
Choose reasonable R_o

$$\Delta\epsilon_{n,k}^{nl}(l,m,n) \leq W_{l,n} = \max_g \left[\int_{R_0}^{\infty} \tilde{p}_{l,n}(r) j_l(g) r^2 dr \right]$$

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Real Space Optimization II

Influence of RSO on convergency



How to choose RSO parameters in practice ?

- $\gamma/g_{max} = 2$ and $0.0001 < W < 0.001$ is a good choice
- g_{max} has to be adjusted
- The lower g_{max} the faster the convergence is;
but too low g_{max} can produce unphysical results

Where to find generator and prebuild atomic data ?

Why not a small turn on **www.abinit.org** ?

- ✓ **USPP2Abinit** and **AtomPAW2Abinit** downloadable
- ✓ User's guides available
- ✓ A complete tutorial to learn how to use USPP2Abinit
- ✓ A set of prebuild PAW atomic data for ABINIT
downloadable from a periodic table

Conclusion

- ✓ PAW atomic data generation needs a **trial-error** type of adjustment
- ✓ Each set of data must be **tested** in the context of each study

- Two types of atomic data now available
- ABINIT's user can download/generate atomic data
- Fully documented on Abinit's web site

To be continued...

- ... Final format ?
- Evaluate accuracy and performance for elements of the periodic table
- XML “universal” format for PAW atomic data ?
- An atomic data generator completely written for Abinit ?
- Spin orbit ?