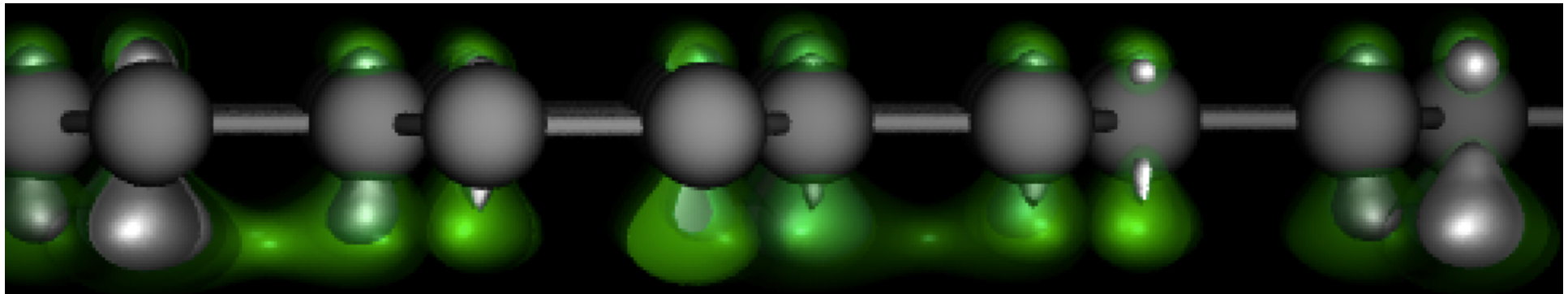


# Plane-Waves, pseudopotentials, k-points, FFTs .... and all that



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# The Kohn-Sham problem

- Want to solve the Kohn-Sham equations:

$$\left[ -\frac{1}{2} \nabla^2 + V_{nuc}(\mathbf{r}) + V_H[n(\mathbf{r})] + V_{XC}[n(\mathbf{r})] \right] \psi_i(\mathbf{r}) = \varepsilon_i \psi_i(\mathbf{r})$$

$H$

- Note that **self-consistent solution** necessary, as  $H$  depends on solution:

$$\{\psi_i\} \rightarrow n(r) \rightarrow H$$

- Convention (most of the time, in this talk):

$$e = \hbar = m_e = 1$$

# Kohn-Sham Equations in a Basis

- Can choose to expand wavefunctions in a **basis set**:

$$\psi_i(\mathbf{r}) = \sum_{\alpha=1}^{N_b} c_{i\alpha} f_{\alpha}(\mathbf{r})$$

- Now obtain a matrix equation:

$$\sum_{\beta} H_{\alpha\beta} c_{i\beta} = \epsilon_i c_{i\alpha}$$

*Matrix element*      *Eigenvalue*      *Eigenvector*

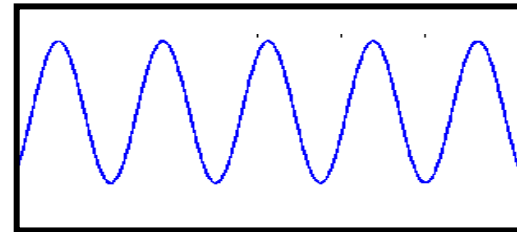
- Solving  $\Leftrightarrow$  Have to diagonalize a matrix of size  $N_b \times N_b$

*Size of basis*

# Some possible basis sets

- Various possible choices of basis:

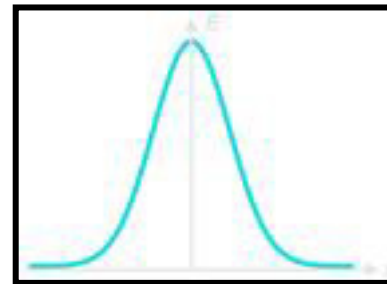
- Plane waves  $e^{i\mathbf{K}\cdot\mathbf{r}}$



- Localized sets:

- e.g., Gaussians

- e.g., atomic orbitals



- Mixed basis

- Augmented basis

- Choose so that calculation is fast, accurate, convenient.
  - Would like  $N_b$  to be small (within reason)?
  - Would like form of  $\mathbf{f}_\alpha(\mathbf{r})$  to be simple?

# Advantages of a Plane Wave Basis

- **Simple**: Easy to take derivatives, etc.  $\Rightarrow$  Coding is easy!
- **Orthonormal**: No overlap integrals.
- **Independent of atomic positions**  $\Rightarrow$  No “Pulay forces”; easy to calculate forces for structural relaxation & molecular dynamics.
- **Unbiased**: No assumption about where charge concentrated. (But  $\therefore$  also wasteful?)
- **Easy to control convergence** w.r.t. size of basis: only one parameter  $E_{cut}$  (energy cut-off for planewaves)
- Can easily take advantage of FFT's : r-space  $\leftrightarrow$  k-space



# Advantages of a Plane Wave Basis

Convenient use of FFTs:

$$\tilde{f}(k) = \sum_{n=0}^{N-1} f_n e^{-2\pi i k n / N}$$

Very practical to calculate convolutions, solve Poisson's equation, etc.

$$V(\mathbf{r}) = \int d\mathbf{r}' \frac{n(\mathbf{r}')}{|\mathbf{r} - \mathbf{r}'|}$$
$$\tilde{V}(\mathbf{G}) = 4\pi \frac{\tilde{n}(\mathbf{G})}{G^2}$$

# Disadvantages of a Plane Wave Basis

- Often need a HUGE number of plane waves to get an adequate expansion, i.e.,  $N_b$  can be very large! ( $\sim 10^5$  per atom)  
(Will discuss... solution = introduction of pseudopotentials.)
- The set of plane waves is discrete only if the system is periodic!  
(Will discuss solution = introduction of artificial supercell or periodic approximant.)
- Sometimes (chemical) interpretation harder.



# Some popular plane wave codes

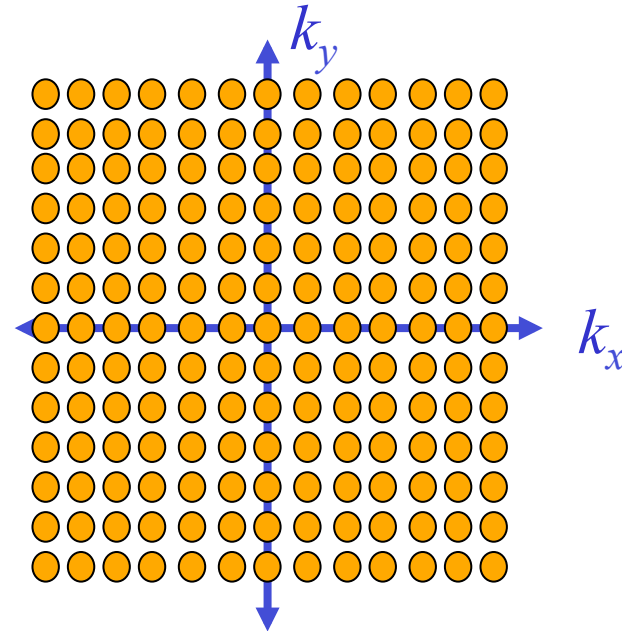
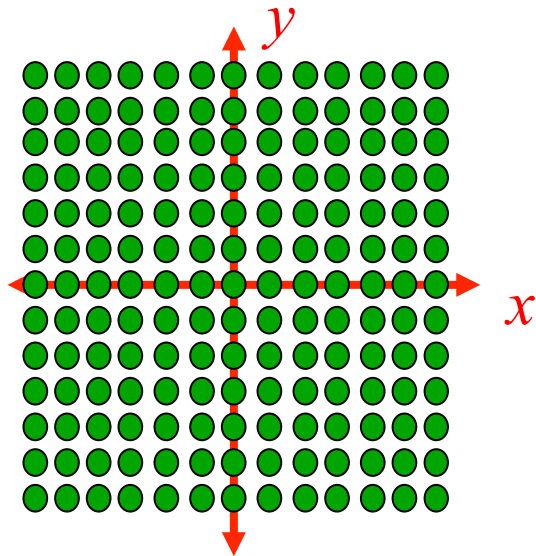


- Quantum ESPRESSO (PWscf)
- VASP
- ABINIT
- CASTEP
- CPMD

(there are others too...)

# Periodic Systems

- Periodic systems are characterized by a lattice of
  - lattice vectors  $\mathbf{R}$  in real (r-) space
  - reciprocal lattice vectors  $\mathbf{G}$  in reciprocal (k-) space



- Spacing of  $\mathbf{R}$ 's inversely proportional to spacing of  $\mathbf{G}$ 's

# Periodic Systems & Bloch's Theorem

- For a periodic system, recall Bloch's Theorem:

$$\psi_{\mathbf{k}}(\mathbf{r}) = e^{i\mathbf{k}\cdot\mathbf{r}} u_{\mathbf{k}}(\mathbf{r})$$

- $u_{\mathbf{k}}(\mathbf{r})$  has the periodicity of the system, i.e.,

$$u_{\mathbf{k}}(\mathbf{r}) = u_{\mathbf{k}}(\mathbf{r} + \mathbf{R}), \quad \text{where } \mathbf{R} = \text{lattice vector}$$

- As for all lattice-periodic functions, only certain plane waves will appear in the Fourier expansion of  $u_{\mathbf{k}}(\mathbf{r})$  :

$$u_{\mathbf{k}}(\mathbf{r}) = \frac{1}{\Omega} \sum_{\mathbf{G}} c_{\mathbf{k},\mathbf{G}} e^{i\mathbf{G}\cdot\mathbf{r}} \quad \text{where } \mathbf{G} = \text{reciprocal lattice vector}$$

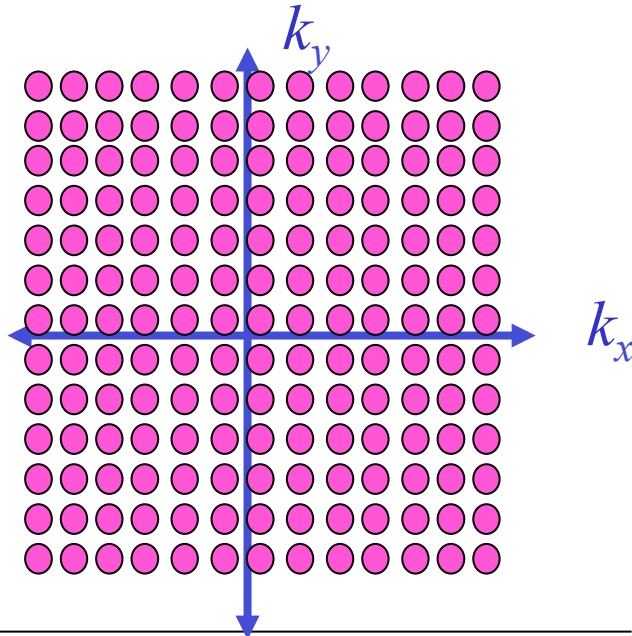
# Plane Waves & Periodic Systems

- So, for a periodic system:

$$\psi_{\mathbf{k}}(\mathbf{r}) = \frac{1}{\Omega} \sum_{\mathbf{G}} c_{\mathbf{k},\mathbf{G}} e^{i(\mathbf{k}+\mathbf{G})\cdot\mathbf{r}}$$

where  $\mathbf{G}$  = reciprocal lattice vector

- The **plane waves** that appear in this expansion can be represented as a grid in k-space:

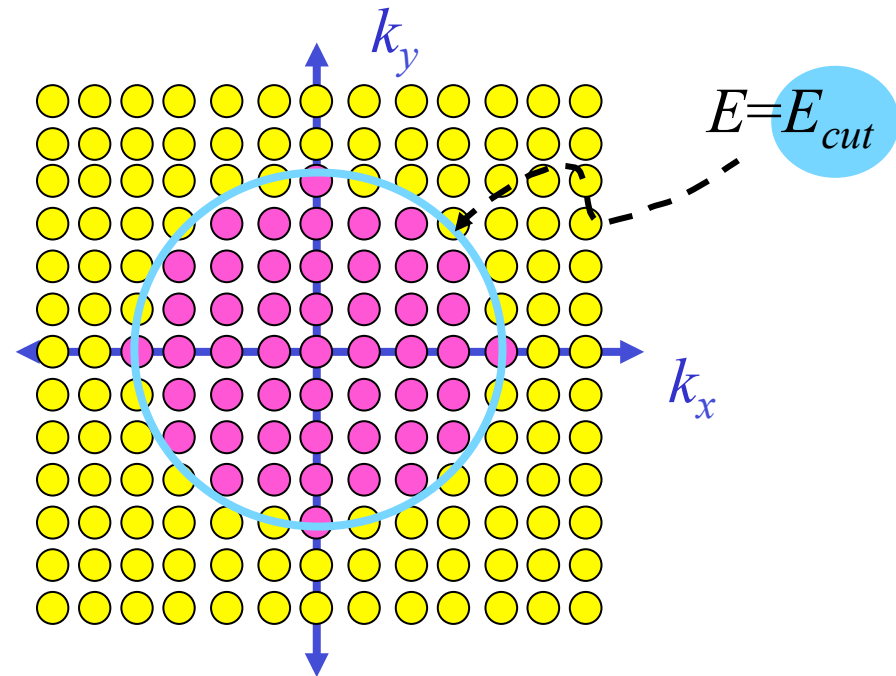


- Only true for periodic systems that grid is discrete.
- In principle, still need **infinite number of plane waves**.

# Truncating the Plane Wave Expansion

- In practice, the contribution from higher Fourier components (large  $|\mathbf{k}+\mathbf{G}|$ ) is small.
- So truncate the expansion at some value of  $|\mathbf{k}+\mathbf{G}|$ .
- Traditional to express this cut-off in energy units:

$$\frac{\hbar^2 |\mathbf{k} + \mathbf{G}|^2}{2m_e} \leq E_{cut}$$



# Truncating the Plane Wave Expansion

- **Beware:** charge density and orbitals have different cutoffs!

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➔ if the **orbitals** are represented with a cutoff  $E_{cut}$ , then the **charge density** is represented with a cutoff of  $4 E_{cut}$ .

## Matrix elements of (non-)local operators

Given a general non-local operator  $O(\mathbf{r}, \mathbf{r}')$  .

Its matrix elements in the plane-wave basis read:

$$\tilde{O}(\mathbf{k} + \mathbf{G}, \mathbf{k} + \mathbf{G}') = \int d\mathbf{r} d\mathbf{r}' e^{i(\mathbf{k} + \mathbf{G}) \cdot \mathbf{r}} O(\mathbf{r}, \mathbf{r}') e^{-i(\mathbf{k} + \mathbf{G}') \cdot \mathbf{r}'}$$

If  $O(\mathbf{r}, \mathbf{r}')$  is a **local** operator, then:

$$O(\mathbf{r}, \mathbf{r}') = O(\mathbf{r})\delta(\mathbf{r} - \mathbf{r}')$$

$$\begin{aligned}\tilde{O}(\mathbf{k} + \mathbf{G}, \mathbf{k} + \mathbf{G}') &= \int d\mathbf{r} d\mathbf{r}' e^{i(\mathbf{k} + \mathbf{G}) \cdot \mathbf{r}} O(\mathbf{r}, \mathbf{r}') e^{-i(\mathbf{k} + \mathbf{G}') \cdot \mathbf{r}'} \\ &= \int d\mathbf{r} e^{i(\mathbf{G} - \mathbf{G}') \cdot \mathbf{r}} O(\mathbf{r}) \\ &= \tilde{O}(\mathbf{G} - \mathbf{G}')\end{aligned}$$

## Kohn-Sham equations in plane wave basis

- Eigenvalue equation is now:

$$\sum_{\mathbf{G}'} H_{\mathbf{k}+\mathbf{G},\mathbf{k}+\mathbf{G}'} c_{i,\mathbf{k}+\mathbf{G}'} = \epsilon_i c_{i,\mathbf{k}+\mathbf{G}}$$

- Matrix elements are:

$$\frac{1}{2}|\mathbf{k} + \mathbf{G}|^2 \delta_{\mathbf{G},\mathbf{G}'} + V_{\text{ion}}(\mathbf{k} + \mathbf{G}, \mathbf{k} + \mathbf{G}') + V_{\text{H}}(\mathbf{G} - \mathbf{G}') + V_{\text{XC}}(\mathbf{G} - \mathbf{G}')$$

- Nuclear ( $\rightarrow$  ionic) potential given by:

$$V_{\text{ion}}(\mathbf{G}) = \sum_{\alpha} \mathbf{S}_{\alpha}(\mathbf{G}) v_{\alpha}(\mathbf{G}); \quad \mathbf{S}_{\alpha}(\mathbf{G}) = \sum_{\mathbf{I}} \exp(i\mathbf{G} \cdot \mathbf{R}_{\mathbf{I}})$$

# Nuclear Potential

- Electrons experience a **Coulomb potential** due to the nuclei.
- This has a known and simple form:

$$V_{nuc} = -\frac{Z}{r}$$

- But this leads to computational problems!

# Electrons in Atoms

- Electrons in atoms are arranged in **shells**.
- Quantum numbers:  
 $n$  [principal],  $l$  [angular],  $m_l$  [magnetic],  $m_s$  [spin]
- Rare gas atoms  
have **certain complete subshells** (inert configurations):  
He:  $1s^2$     Ne: [He],  $2s^2, 2p^6$     Ar: [Ne]  $3s^2, 3p^6$   
Kr: [Ar],  $3d^{10}, 4s^2, 4p^6$     Xe: [Kr],  $4d^{10}, 5s^2, 5p^6$   
Rn: [Xe],  $4f^{14}, 5d^{10}, 6s^2, 6p^6$
- Can divide electrons in any atom into core and valence.
- This division is not always clear-cut, but usually  
core = rare gas configuration [+ filled d/f subshells]

# Atomic Wavefunctions

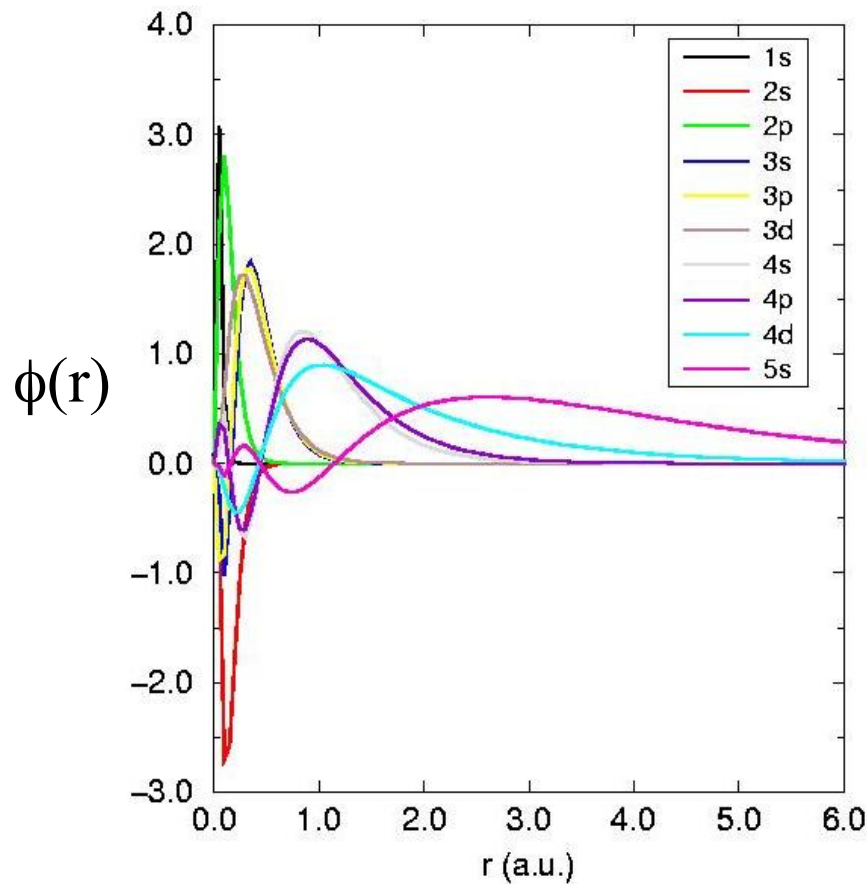
- For hydrogenic atoms, recall:

$$\psi_{lm}(\mathbf{r}) = \psi_l(r) Y_{lm}(\theta, \phi) = r^{-1} \phi_l(r) Y_{lm}(\theta, \phi)$$

- Radial part & Angular Part.
- Being eigenfunctions of a Hermitian operator,  $\psi_{lm}$ 's are orthonormal.
- Wavefunctions with same  $n$ , different  $l$  are orthogonal due to the nature of the angular part of the wavefunction.
- Wavefunctions with different  $n$ , same  $l$  are orthogonal due to the nature of the radial part of the wavefunction.

# Example: Wavefunctions for Ag atom

Ground state configuration: [Kr], 4d<sup>10</sup>, 5s<sup>1</sup>, 5p<sup>0</sup>, 5d<sup>0</sup>



- Core wavefunctions sharply peaked near nucleus.
- Valence wavefunctions peaked far away from nucleus, lots of wiggles near nucleus.
- 1s, 2p, 3d, 4f, ... nodeless.
- Not immediately clear whether 4d should be considered core / valence?

# Electrons in molecules/solids



- Chemical bonds between atoms are formed by sharing / transferring electrons.
- Only the valence electrons participate in bonding.
- Wavefunctions of valence electrons can change significantly once the bond is formed.
- e.g., when Ag is a constituent of a solid, the wavefunction may also acquire some 5p or 5d character?
- Wavefunctions of core electrons change only slightly when the bond is formed.

# Problem for Plane-Wave Basis

Core wavefunctions:  
sharply peaked near  
nucleus.

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lots of wiggles near  
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# Solutions for Plane-Wave Basis

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Don't solve for the  
core electrons!

Remove wiggles from  
valence electrons.

# The Pseudopotential Approximation

- **Frozen core**: remove core-electron degrees of freedom i.e., NOT an “All-electron” calculation.
- Valence electrons see a **weaker potential** than the full Coulomb potential.

$$V_{nuc}(r) \rightarrow V_{ion}(r)$$

- **Further tailor this potential** so that wavefunctions behave ‘properly’ in region of interest, yet computationally cheap.

# How the Pseudopotential Helps

## (Numerical) Advantages when solving Kohn-Sham eqns.:

- When solving using a basis (especially plane waves), **basis size drastically reduced** (smaller matrices to diagonalize).
- Have to solve for **fewer eigenvalues**.
- No Coulomb singularity (cusp in wavefunction) at origin.

## Disadvantages:

- Can lose accuracy.

## An analogy!

- “Dummy cops” used by some law-enforcement agencies!
- Don’t care about internal structure as long as it works ~ right!
- But cheaper!!
- Obviously it can’t reproduce all the functions of a real cop, but **should be convincing enough** to produce desired results....



# Wish List for a Good Pseudopotential

## For accuracy:

- Should **reproduce scattering properties** of true potential.
- **Transferable**: Nice to have one pseudo-potential per element, to use in variety of chemical environments.
- **Norm conserving**? (*will explain*)
- **Ab initio**? (no fitting to experimental data)



## For (computational) cheapness:

- **Smooth / Soft**: Need smaller basis set (esp. plane waves)
- **'Separable'**? (*will skip!*) but **'Ghost free'** (should not introduce spurious states when making separable!)

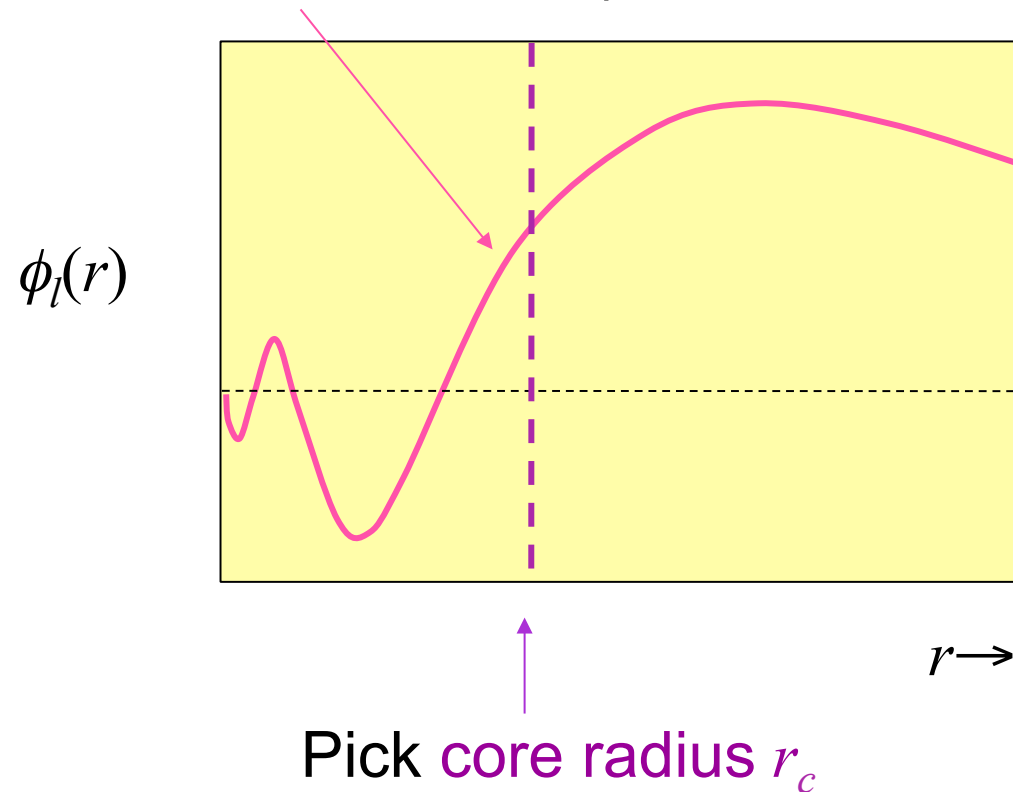
# Generating an *Ab Initio* Pseudopotential

- For the element of interest, pick a reference configuration.
- Perform an “all-electron” calculation for this reference configuration.

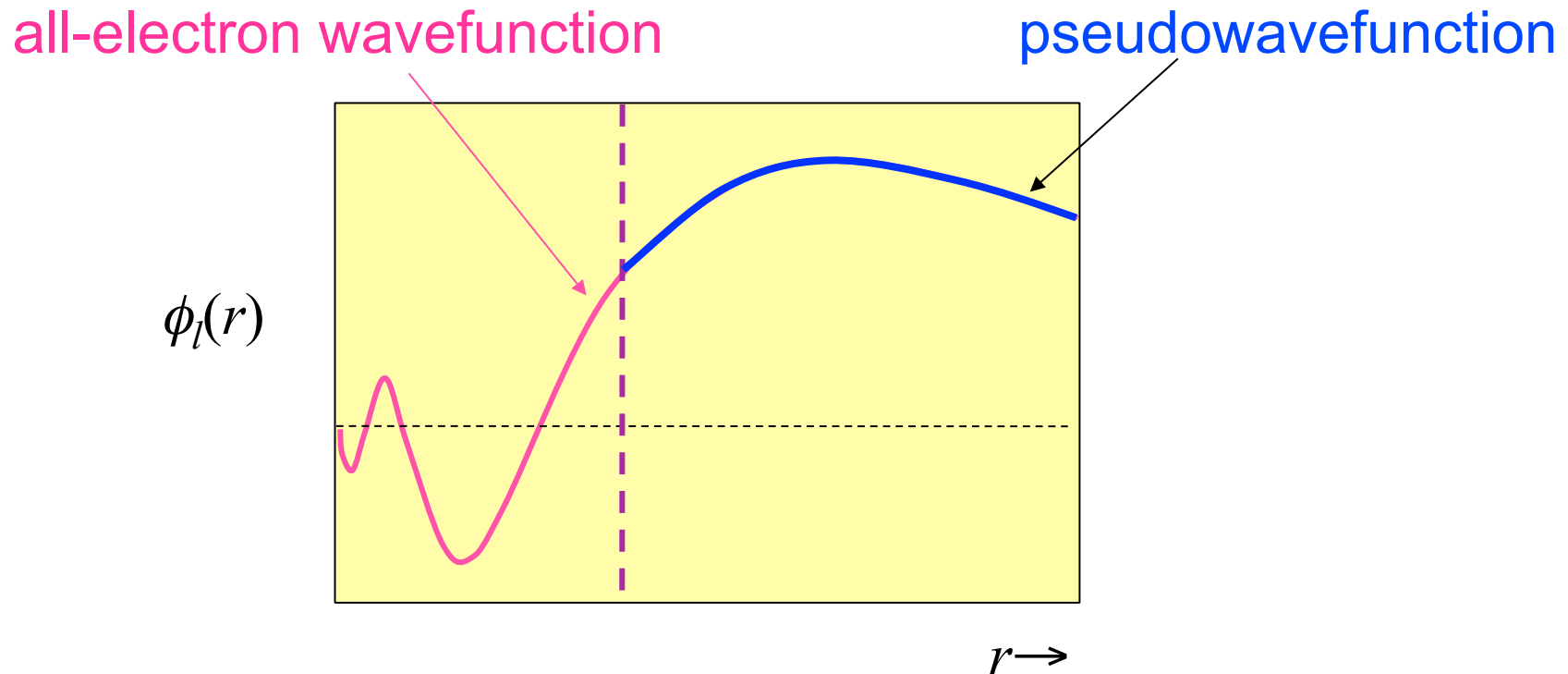
$$\rightarrow \phi_{nl}^{AE}(\mathbf{r}), \epsilon_{nl}^{AE}$$

# All-Electron Wavefunction

all-electron wavefunction (for some reference configuration)

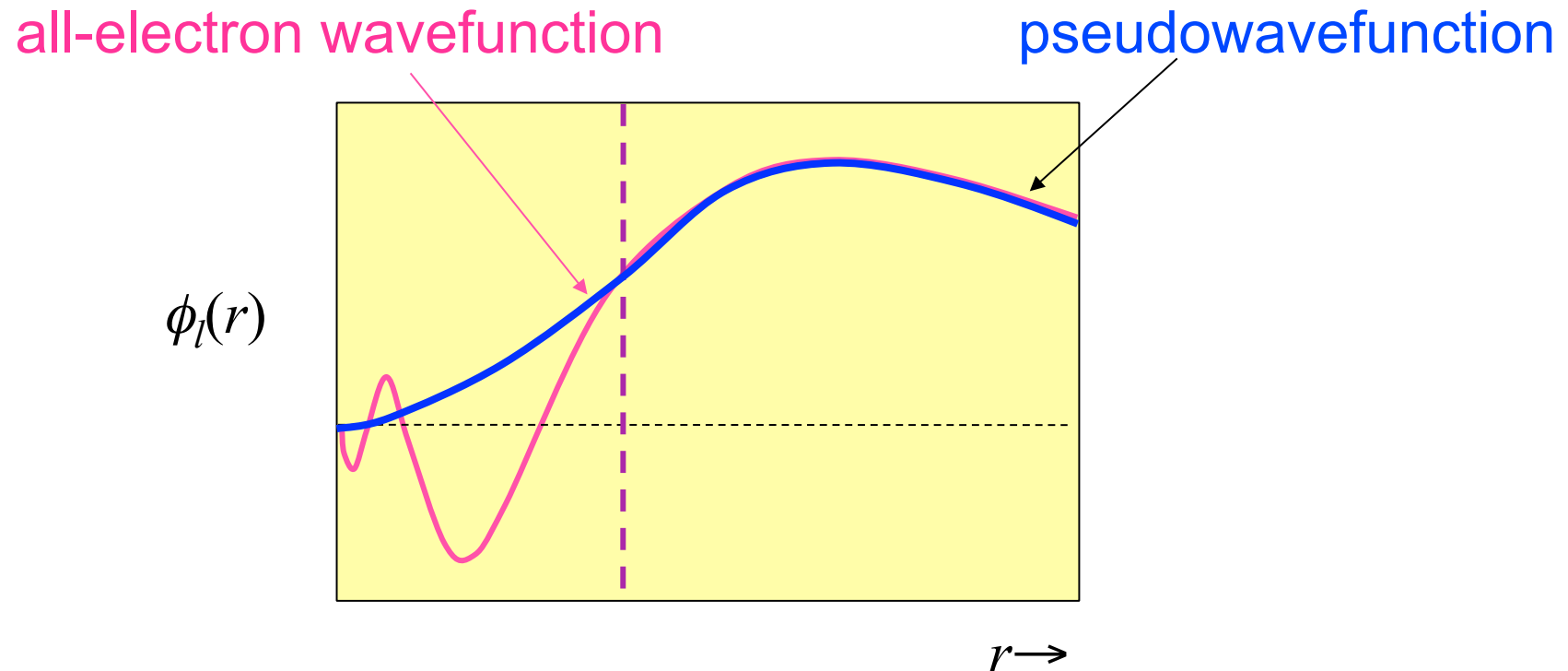


# Pseudowavefunction Outside $r_c$



- Pseudowavefunction & all-electron wavefunction are identical outside cut-off radius  $r_c$   $\phi_{l,ref}^{AE}(r) = \phi_{l,ref}^{PS}(r) \quad r \geq r_c$

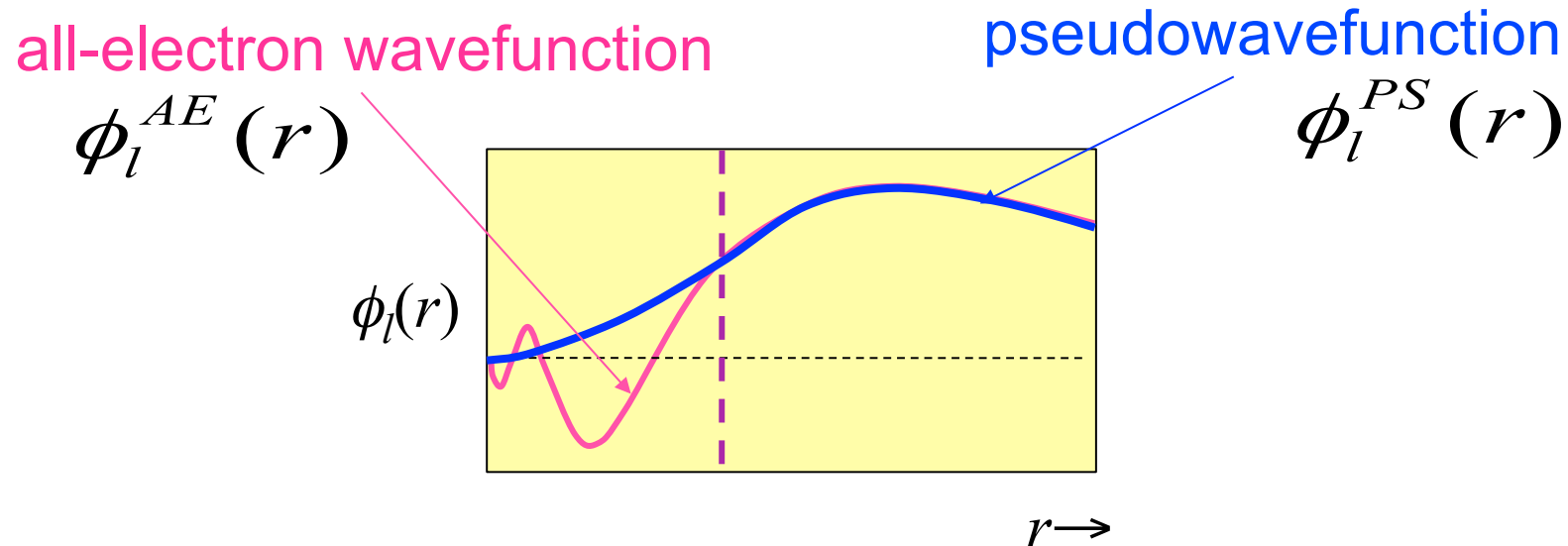
# Pseudowavefunction



- Inside  $r_c$ ,  $\phi_l^{PS}(r) = f(r)$

*Choose to get desired properties*

# Norm-Conservation



- Norm conservation:

$$\int_0^{r_c} \phi^{*AE}(r) \phi^{AE}(r) dr = \int_0^{r_c} \phi^{*PS}(r) \phi^{PS}(r) dr$$

- Imposing **norm conservation** improves **transferability**!  
(Hamann, Schlüter, Chiang, 1979)

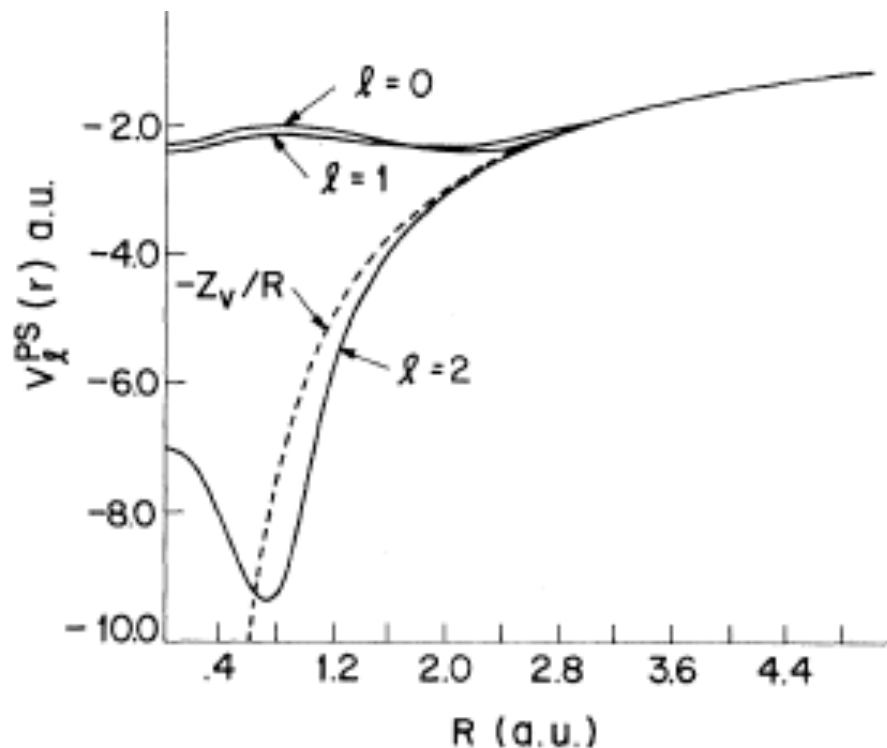
# Pseudowavefunction → Pseudopotential

- Invert the radial Schrödinger equation to get a “screened” potential for each  $l$ ,  $V_l^{scr}(r)$
- This “screened” potential includes Hartree and XC contributions; “unscreen” to get pseudopotential.

$$V_l^{PS}(r) = V_l^{scr}(r) - V_H[\rho^{val}(r)] - V_{XC}[\rho^{val}(r)]$$

# What does a pseudopotential look like?

Example for Mo:



*Hamann, Schluter & Chiang, 1979.*

- Weaker than full Coulomb potential
- No singularity at  $r=0$
- Different pseudopotential for each  $l$  (example of semilocal pseudopotential)
- Will be  $V_{ion}$  (replacing nuclear potential)

# Dealing with the non-locality

$$V_{ps} = V_{loc} + \sum_l \sum_{m=-l}^l |lm\rangle \delta V_l \langle lm|$$

This non-local operator has  $(N_{pw})^2$  matrix elements  
(must be avoided!)

Solution: **Kleinman-Bylander** representation

$$V_{ps} = V_{loc} + \sum_{lm} \frac{|\delta V_l \psi_{lm}\rangle \langle \psi_{lm} \delta V_l|}{\langle \psi_{lm} | \delta V_l | \psi_{lm} \rangle}$$

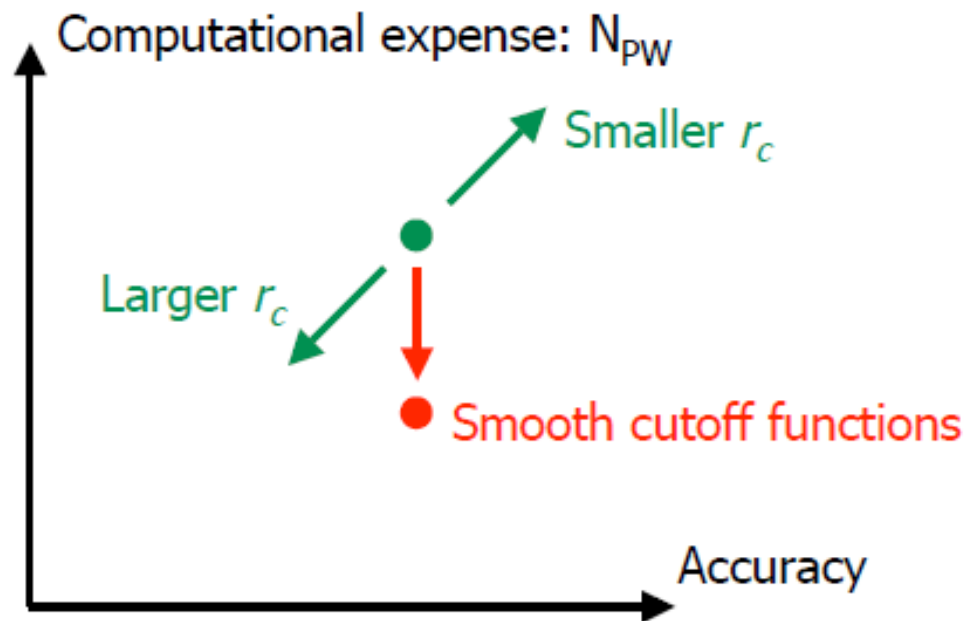
$\psi_{lm}$  is an eigenstate of the pseudo-Hamiltonian, acting as reference state.

# Some Popular Pseudopotentials: BHS

- Bachelet, Hamann, Schlüter, *PRB* 26, 4199 (1982).
- “Pseudopotentials that work: from H to Pu”
- Ab initio, norm conserving, so good transferability (?)
- Semilocal  $V_l(r)$  [local in radial coordinates, nonlocal in angular coordinates]
- Parametrized form: chosen to give nice analytical expressions with many basis sets, 9 parameters, tabulated for all elements.
- Non-linear fitting procedure, caution needed!
- Fairly hard pseudopotentials since smoothness not built in explicitly, frequently need high cut-off.

# How to Make Softer?

- Increase radial cut-off  $r_c$ ?? Softer, but transferability suffers.



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# Soft / Smooth Pseudopotentials

- Want to **lower**  $E_{cut}$  (cut-off for plane wave basis).
- **Various strategies:**
  - Optimize so as to minimize error in KE introduced by truncating basis (Rappe, Rabe, Kaxiras & Joannopoulos, [RRKJ] 1990)
  - Make smooth near origin (Troullier & Martins, 1991)
- **Cut-offs lowered considerably**, but still higher than we would like, especially for
  - > **first row elements** (1s, 2p nodeless)
  - > **transition metals** (3d nodeless)
  - > **rare-earths** (4f nodeless)

# Need lower $E_{cut}$ with soft pseudopotentials

e.g. **Cu**: localized d orbitals →  
high cut-off needed with BHS pseudopotential

## Troullier-Martins

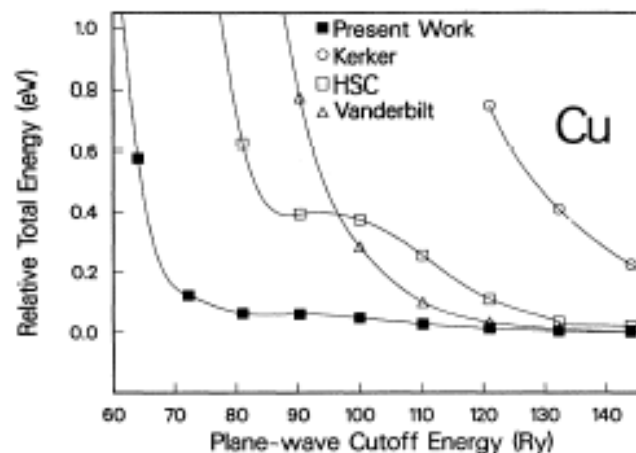


FIG. 8. The calculated total energy of fcc Cu plotted against the cutoff energy of the plane-wave basis set for the four pseudopotentials shown in Fig. 7. The total energy for all four curves are referenced to the total energy calculated at a cutoff energy of 225 Ry. The squares, circles, and triangles are the calculated data points and the curves are obtained from a spline interpolation.

## RRKJ

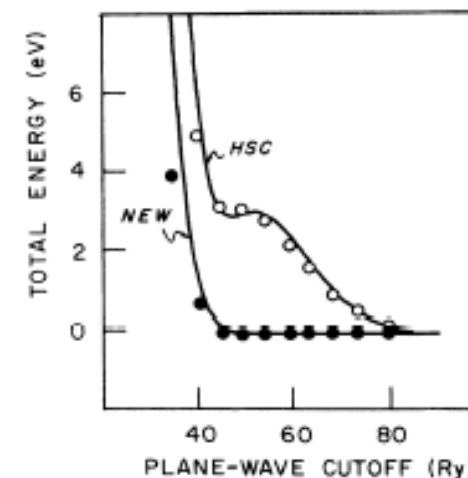


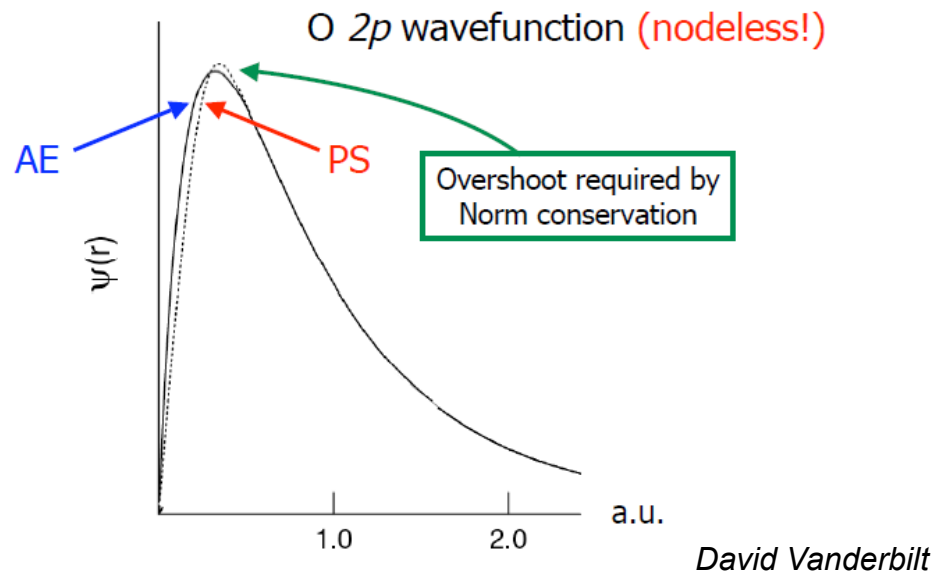
FIG. 3. Atomic (solid lines) and fcc solid (dots) total energies as a function of cutoff energy for copper in the HSC and present approaches. The zero of atomic total energy for each pseudopotential was chosen to be the total atomic energy at a cutoff energy of 324 Ry. The zero of solid total energy was chosen for each pseudopotential so that the atomic and solid total energies coincide at a cutoff energy of 80 Ry.

# Nodeless Wavefunctions & Norm Conservation

Cut-offs still higher than we would like, especially for

- > first row elements (1s, 2p nodeless)
- > transition metals (3d nodeless)
- > rare-earths (4f nodeless)

This is because of the constraint of norm conservation...



# Ultrasoft Pseudopotentials



- David Vanderbilt, *Phys. Rev. B* 41 7892 (1990).
- Do away with norm conservation!!
- Can make  $\psi^{\text{PS}}$  extremely soft!
- Drastically reduces  $E_{\text{cut}}$ , especially for “difficult” elements.
- New separable form.
- Choose multiple energy references (to improve transferability).

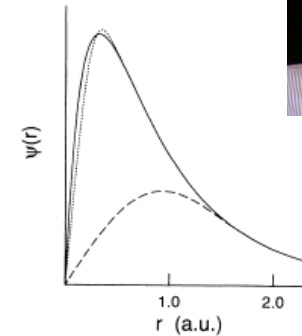


FIG. 1. Oxygen 2p radial wave function (solid line), and corresponding pseudo-wave-functions generated using HSC (dotted line) and current (dashed line) methods.

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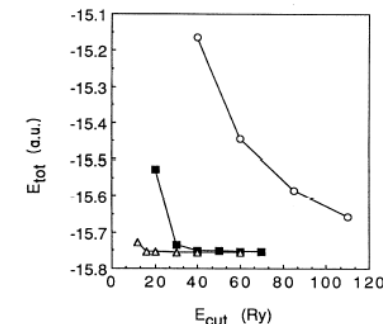


FIG. 1. Total energy of ground-state oxygen atom vs plane-wave cutoff for Bachelet-Hamann-Schlüter pseudopotential (open circles) and for Vanderbilt pseudopotential with  $r_c = 1.2$  a.u. (solid squares) and  $r_c = 1.8$  a.u. (open triangles).

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# POPULAR Pseudopotentials!

- GB Bachelet, DR Hamann and M. Schluter, “Pseudopotentials that Work- From H to Pu”, Phys. Rev. B, 1982. Times Cited: 2,723.
- N. Troullier and JL Martins, “Efficient Pseudopotentials for Plane-Wave Calculations”, Phys. Rev. B, 1991. Times Cited: 9,640.
- AM Rappe, KM Rabe, E Kaxiras and J Joannopoulos, “Optimized Pseudopotentials”, Phys. Rev. B, 1990, Times Cited: 1,011.
- D. Vanderbilt: “Soft Self-Consistent Pseudopotentials in a Generalized Eigenvalue Formalism”, Phys. Rev. B, 1990. Times Cited: 12,784.

# Transferability

- Condition that pseudoatom reproduces behavior of all-electron atom in wide variety of chemical environments.
- Recall, pseudopotential derived for reference config. (atom with given occ of levels), using ref eigenvalue.
- When eigenvalue changes from reference one:
  - do scattering properties of potential change correctly?  
(Look at **log derivatives**)
- When the filling changes:
  - do eigenvalues shift correctly?  
(look at **chemical hardness**)
  - do scattering properties change correctly?

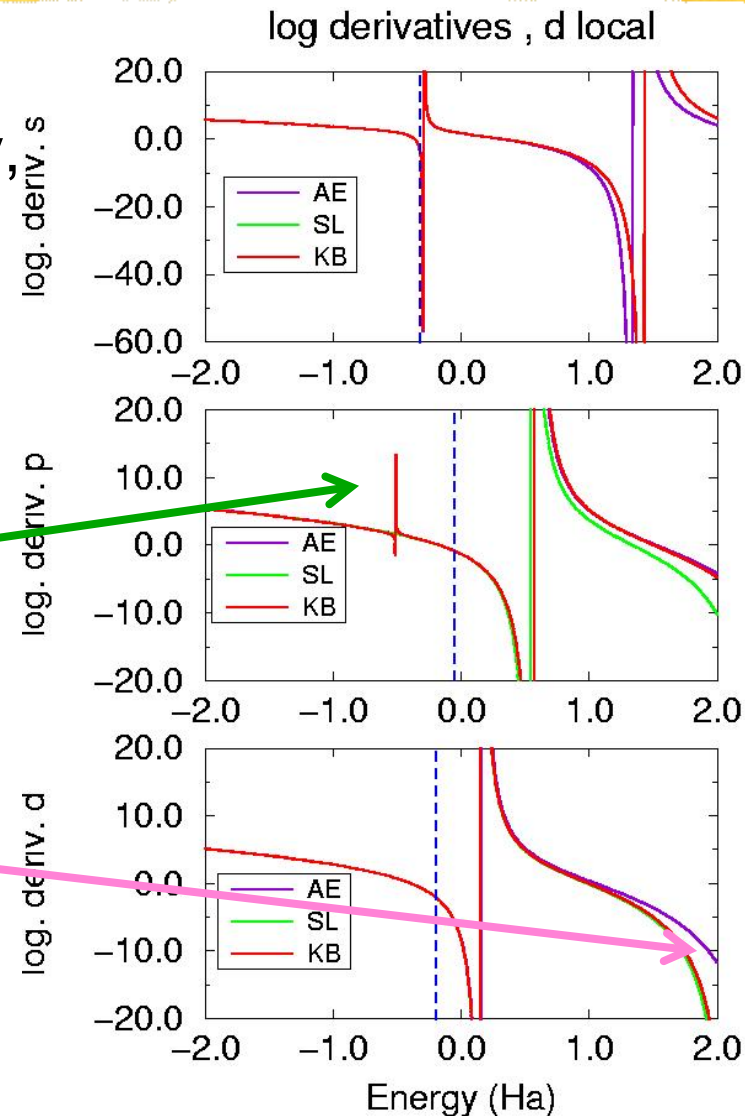
# Transferability: log derivatives

- Log derivatives guaranteed to match at reference energy, check how log derivatives change with energy.

Has ghost ☹️

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Log derivatives don't match ☹️



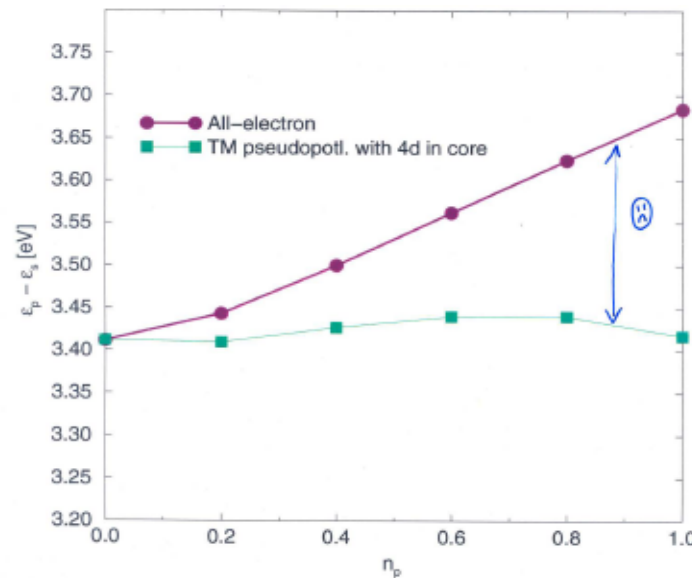
# Transferability: Occupation Changes

See how **eigenvalues** change with occupation

Chemical Hardness matrix:  $\eta_{ij} = \frac{1}{2} \frac{\partial \epsilon_i}{\partial f_j}$  [Teter, 1993] .

See how **'tail norms'**  $N_i = \int_{r_c}^{\infty} |\phi_i|^2 dr$  change with occupation:  $\frac{\partial N_i}{\partial f_j}$  should be reproduced

*e.g.: check transferability of a pseudopotential for Ag with 4d in core:*



# Non-Linear Core Correction

Working only with  $\rho^{val}$  corresponds to linearizing the XC potential, but  $V_{XC}(\rho^{val} + \rho^{core}) \neq V_{XC}(\rho^{val}) + V_{XC}(\rho^{core})$

This is particularly a problem when there is significant overlap between  $\rho^{val}$  and  $\rho^{core}$

Correction: [Louie, Froyen & Cohen, Phys. Rev. B 26 1738 (1982)]:

- When unscreening, subtract out  $V_H(\rho^{val})$  and  $V_{XC}(\rho^{val} + \rho^{core})$
- Store  $\rho^{core}$  from atomic calculation
- Use  $V_{XC}(\rho^{val} + \rho^{core})$  in all calculations
- Okay to just use partial  $\rho^{core}$  (in region of overlap)

# Extra Stuff: Scattering

*Recall (from a quantum mechanics course?):*

- Scattering properties of a potential described by **phase shift**  $\eta_l$ .
- Related to **logarithmic derivatives**: [see, e.g. Eq. J.6, Martin]

$$D_l(\epsilon, r) = r \frac{d}{dr} \ln \psi_l(\epsilon, r) = r \frac{d}{dr} \ln(\phi_l(\epsilon, r)/r)$$

- Weaker potentials will have fewer bound states.
- In the **pseudopotential approximation**: want to make the potential weak enough that the **valence electron is the lowest bound state (with that  $l$ )**, while **reproducing log derivatives** to the extent possible....

## Extra Stuff: Norm Conservation & Transferability

- By construction, log derivatives satisfy:

$$D_l^{AE}(\epsilon, r_c) = D_l^{PS}(\epsilon, r_c)$$

- In addition, if we impose **norm conservation**:

$$\int_0^{r_c} \phi^{*AE}(r) \phi^{AE}(r) dr = \int_0^{r_c} \phi^{*PS}(r) \phi^{PS}(r) dr$$

then from the identity *(see e.g. pg. 214 of Martin for derivation)*:

$$\frac{\partial}{\partial \epsilon} D_l(\epsilon, r_c) = -\frac{r_c}{|\phi_l(r_c)|^2} \int_0^{r_c} dr |\phi_l(r_c)|^2$$

we have\*

$$\frac{\partial}{\partial \epsilon} D_l^{AE}(\epsilon, r_c) = \frac{\partial}{\partial \epsilon} D_l^{PS}(\epsilon, r_c)$$

i.e., if energy is shifted slightly from that of reference eigenvalue, log derivatives ~ unchanged →

improved transferability!

# Terminology: Local, Semilocal, Separable, etc.

## Local PSP

$$\hat{V}_{\text{ps}} = V_{\text{ps}}(r) \quad (\text{local in } r, \theta, \phi)$$

## Semilocal PSP

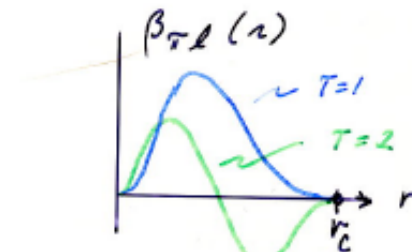
$$\hat{V}_{\text{ps}} = \sum_l V_{\text{ps}}^{(l)}(r) \hat{P}_l \quad (\text{local in } r, \text{nonlocal in } \theta, \phi)$$

## Nonlocal separable PSP (e.g., Kleinman-Bylander)

$$\hat{V}_{\text{ps}} = V_{\text{ps}}^{\text{loc}}(r) + \sum_{lm} D_l |\beta_{lm}\rangle \langle \beta_{lm}|$$

## General nonlocal separable PSP

$$\hat{V}_{\text{ps}} = V_{\text{ps}}^{\text{loc}}(r) + \sum_{\tau\tau'} \sum_{lm} D_{\tau\tau'l} |\beta_{\tau lm}\rangle \langle \beta_{\tau' l}|$$



(Note: All are spherically symmetric.)

## Extra Stuff: Relativistic Pseudopotentials

- Do all-electron calculation on free atom using Dirac equation
- Obtain  $\psi_{nlj}(r)$  for  $j = l + \frac{1}{2}$  and  $j = l - \frac{1}{2}$
- Invert **Schrödinger equation** to get  $V_{lj}^{\text{ps}}(r)$
- For “scalar relativistic” target calc., use  $j$ -averaged PSPs:

$$V_l^{\text{ps}}(r) = \frac{1}{2l+1} \left[ (l+1) V_{l,l+\frac{1}{2}}^{\text{ps}} + l V_{l,l-\frac{1}{2}}^{\text{ps}} \right]$$

- For spin-orbit interactions, keep also

$$V_l^{\text{so}}(r) = \frac{1}{2l+1} \left[ V_{l,l+\frac{1}{2}}^{\text{ps}} - V_{l,l-\frac{1}{2}}^{\text{ps}} \right]$$

and use, schematically speaking,

$$\hat{V}_{\text{ps}} = \sum_l |l\rangle \left[ V_l^{\text{ps}}(r) + V_l^{\text{so}}(r) \mathbf{L} \cdot \mathbf{S} \right] \langle l|$$