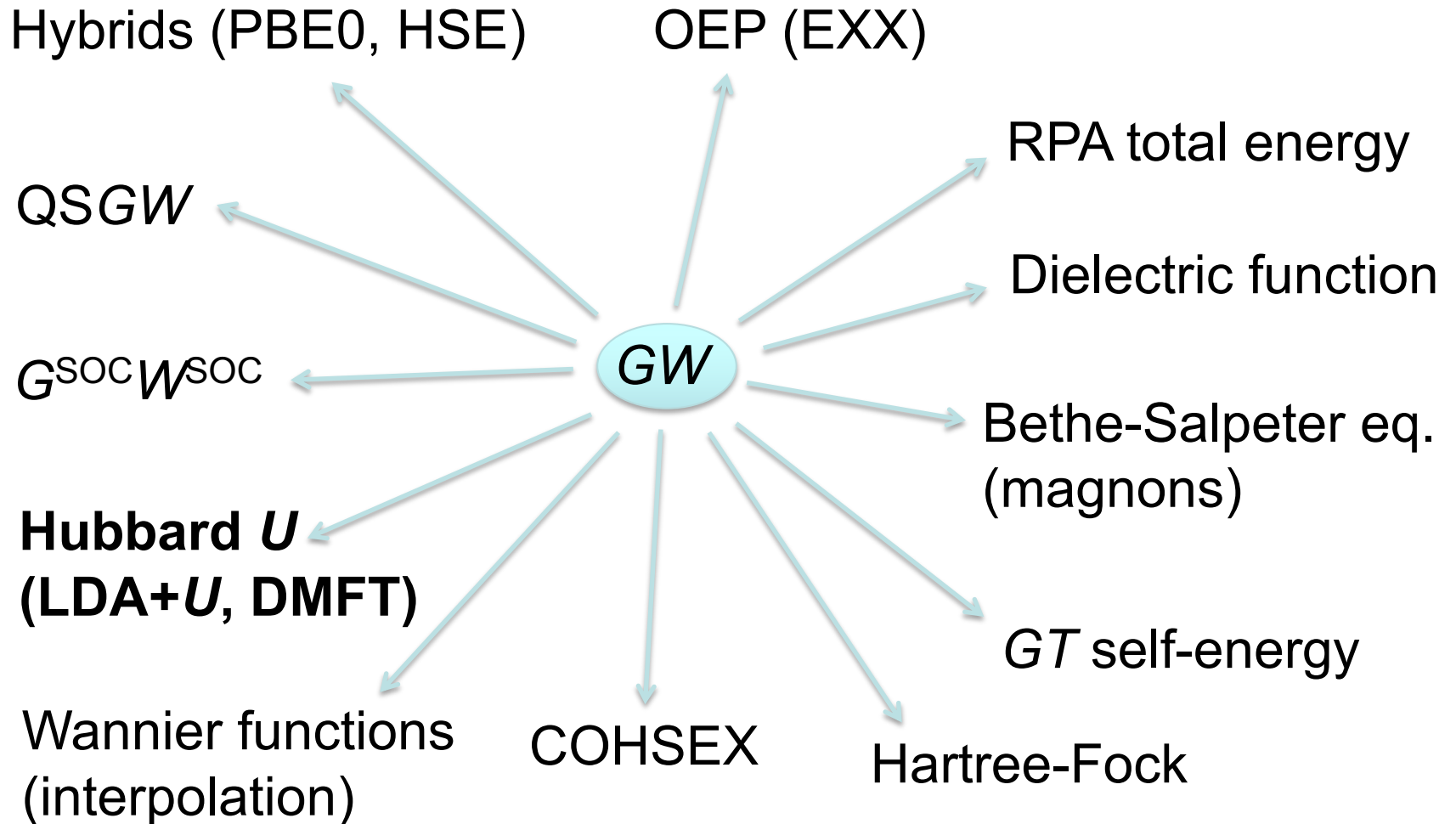


Hubbard U parameters from constrained random-phase approximation

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SPEX



Correlation strength



Alkali metals
Li, Na, K ...

Transition metals (TMs)
Fe, Co, Ni, FePd, ...

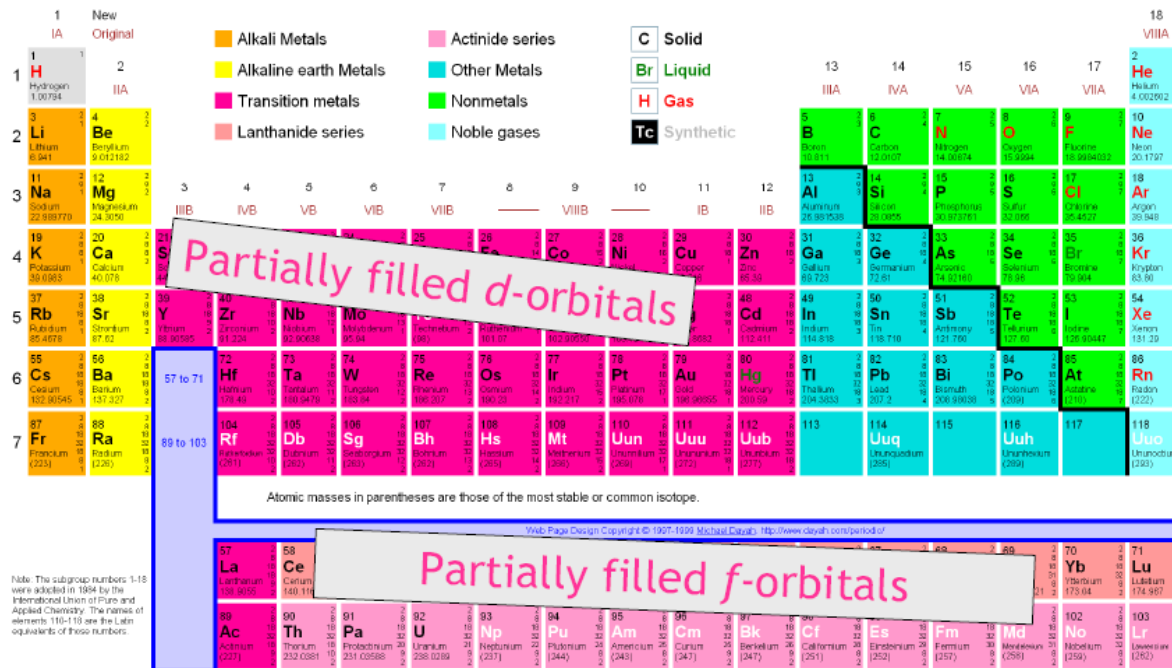
Semiconductors
GaAs, GaN, ...

TM-Oxides
MnO, FeO, ...

Rare Earths
Gd, Eu, EuO, ...

**DFT-LDA
GW,**

**Hubbard Model
LDA+U, Hubbard I, LDA+DMFT**



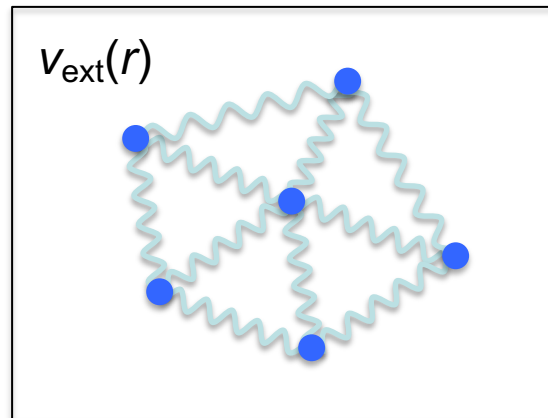
Approximation or Downfolding

$$\left[-\frac{1}{2} \sum_i \nabla_{\mathbf{r}_i}^2 + \sum_i v_{\text{ext}}(\mathbf{r}_i) + \frac{1}{2} \sum_{i,j} \frac{1}{|\mathbf{r}_i - \mathbf{r}_j|} \right] \Psi_n(\mathbf{r}_1, \mathbf{r}_2, \dots) = E_n \Psi_n(\mathbf{r}_1, \mathbf{r}_2, \dots)$$

**Approximate
Hamiltonian**



HF, DFT (LSDA, GGA), GW



**Downfold
Hamiltonian**
(correlated subspace
and rest)



LDA+U, LDA+DMFT, LDA+Gutzwiller

Downfolding

First quantization

$$\left[-\frac{1}{2} \sum_i \nabla_{\mathbf{r}_i}^2 + \sum_i v_{\text{ext}}(\mathbf{r}_i) + \frac{1}{2} \sum_{i,j} \frac{1}{|\mathbf{r}_i - \mathbf{r}_j|} \right] \Psi_n(\mathbf{r}_1, \mathbf{r}_2, \dots) = E_n \Psi_n(\mathbf{r}_1, \mathbf{r}_2, \dots)$$

Second quantization

$$\left[- \sum_{\substack{\mathbf{R}\mathbf{R}' \\ ab,\sigma}} t_{\mathbf{R}\mathbf{R}'}^{ab\sigma} \hat{c}_{\mathbf{R}a\sigma}^\dagger \hat{c}_{\mathbf{R}'b\sigma} + \frac{1}{2} \sum_{\substack{\mathbf{R}\mathbf{R}'\mathbf{R}''\mathbf{R}''' \\ abcd,\sigma\sigma'}} V_{\mathbf{R}\mathbf{R}'\mathbf{R}''\mathbf{R}'''}^{abcd} \hat{c}_{\mathbf{R}a\sigma}^\dagger \hat{c}_{\mathbf{R}'b\sigma'}^\dagger \hat{c}_{\mathbf{R}''d\sigma'} \hat{c}_{\mathbf{R}'''c\sigma} \right] \Psi_n = E_n \Psi_n$$

Downfolding → One-band Hubbard model

$$\left[-t \sum_{\langle \mathbf{R}, \mathbf{R}' \rangle} \hat{c}_{\mathbf{R}}^\dagger \hat{c}_{\mathbf{R}'} + \epsilon_0 \sum_{\mathbf{R}} \hat{c}_{\mathbf{R}}^\dagger \hat{c}_{\mathbf{R}} + U \sum_{\mathbf{R}} \hat{n}_{\mathbf{R}\uparrow} \hat{n}_{\mathbf{R}\downarrow} \right] \Psi_n = E_n \Psi_n$$

Screening



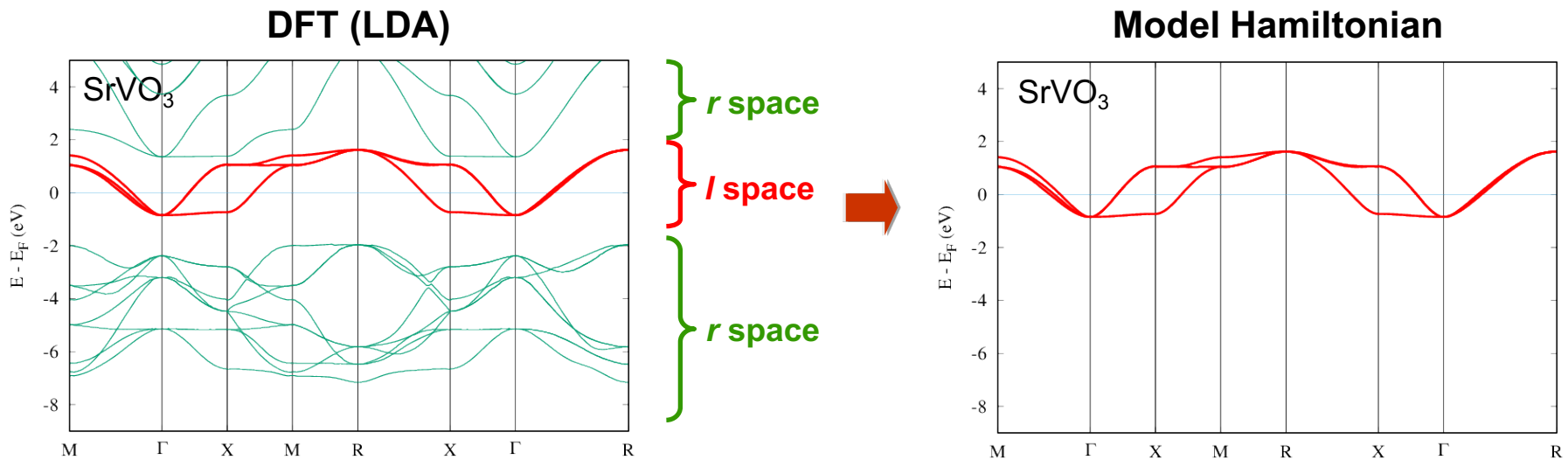
Hubbard U parameter: electron-electron interaction and screening by the other electrons

Combining DFT and many-body methods

Correlated Hilbert space

Devide Hilbert space into two parts:

- **Localized** Hilbert space (*l* space)
- **Rest** Hilbert space (*r* space)



l space: V3d (t_{2g}) \rightarrow DFT

r space: O2p + V3d (e_g) + ... \rightarrow DFT

Hubbard U from first principles

Constrained local-density approximation (cLDA)

[Anisimov and Gunnarsson, PRB 43, 7570 (1991); Cococchioni and de Gironcoli, PRB 71, 035105 (2005)]

$$U = \frac{\partial^2 E}{\partial n_d^2} - \frac{\partial^2 E^{\text{KS}}}{\partial n_d^2}$$

- Easy to implement.
- Cheap computation.
- BUT: not general.

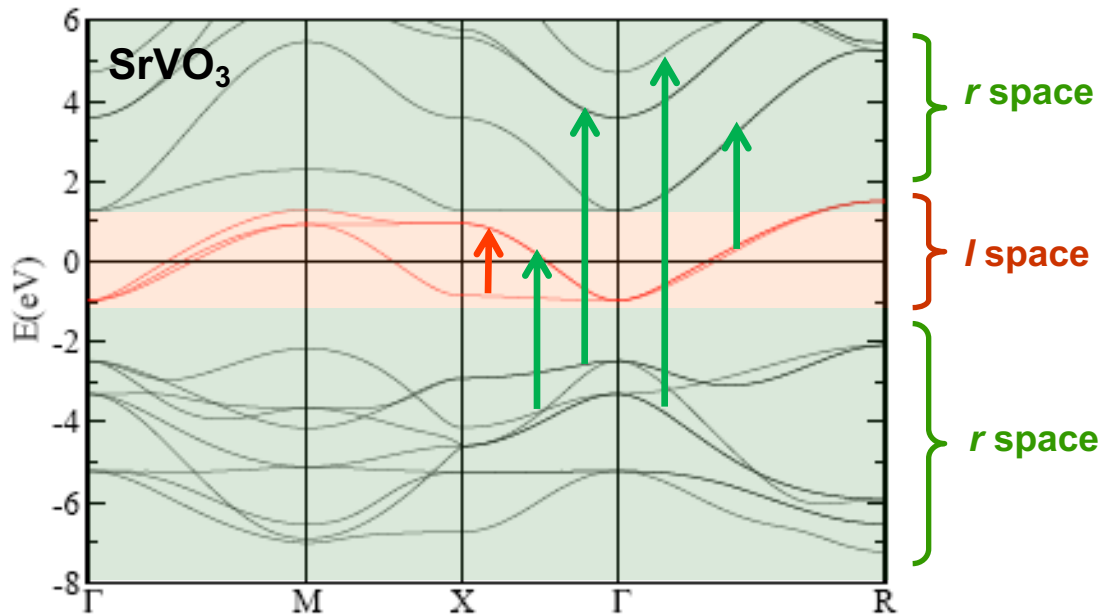
Constrained random-phase approximation (cRPA)

[Springer and Aryasetiawan *et al.*, PRB 57, 4364 (1998); Kotani, J. Phys. Condens. Matter 12, 2413 (2000)]

- Formulation in many-body perturbation theory.
- Frequency dependence $U(\omega)$ accessible.
- Individual matrix elements (U , J , off-site U).
- BUT: more expensive.

Hubbard U parameters from constrained random-phase approximation (cRPA)

$$P(\mathbf{r}, \mathbf{r}'; \omega) = \sum_m^{\text{occ}} \sum_{m'}^{\text{unocc}} \phi_m(\mathbf{r}) \phi_{m'}^*(\mathbf{r}) \phi_m^*(\mathbf{r}') \phi_{m'}(\mathbf{r}') \left[\frac{1}{\omega - \epsilon_{m'} + \epsilon_m + i\eta} - \frac{1}{\omega + \epsilon_{m'} - \epsilon_m - i\eta} \right]$$

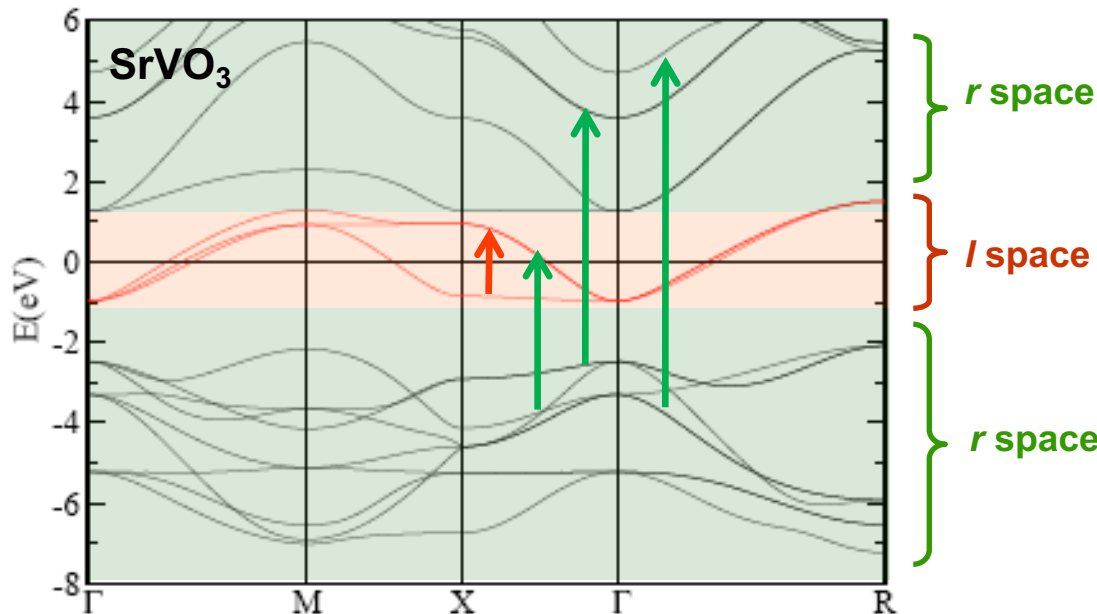


$$P = P_l + P_r$$

$$\sum_l^{\text{occ}} \sum_{l'}^{\text{unocc}}$$

$$\sum_r^{\text{occ}} \sum_{r'}^{\text{unocc}} + \sum_r^{\text{occ}} \sum_{l'}^{\text{unocc}} + \sum_l^{\text{occ}} \sum_{r'}^{\text{unocc}}$$

Hubbard U parameters from constrained random-phase approximation (cRPA)



$$P = P_l + P_r$$

$$U(\omega) = \frac{v}{1 - vP_r(\omega)}$$

→ projected onto
Wannier functions:

$$w_{\mathbf{R}a}(\mathbf{r}) = \frac{1}{N} \sum_{\mathbf{k}m} T_{\mathbf{R}a}^{\mathbf{k}m} \phi_{\mathbf{k}m}(\mathbf{r})$$

transformation matrix T
defined such that Wannier
functions are (maximally)
localized

Constrained RPA (cRPA)

- U is basis independent
- U , J , and off-site U easy to calculate
- $U(\omega)$ accessible
- subspace screening easy to eliminate if bands are **disentangled** (!)

Projection method

[Sasioglu *et al.*, PRB 83, 121101 (2011)]

$$P(\mathbf{r}, \mathbf{r}'; \omega) = \sum_m^{\text{occ}} \sum_{m'}^{\text{unocc}} \phi_m(\mathbf{r}) \phi_{m'}^*(\mathbf{r}) \phi_m^*(\mathbf{r}') \phi_{m'}(\mathbf{r}') \left[\frac{1}{\omega - \epsilon_{m'} + \epsilon_m + i\eta} - \frac{1}{\omega + \epsilon_{m'} - \epsilon_m - i\eta} \right] (*)$$



$$P(\mathbf{r}, \mathbf{r}'; \omega) = \sum_m^{\text{occ}} \sum_{m'}^{\text{unocc}} p_m p_{m'} \phi_m(\mathbf{r}) \phi_{m'}^*(\mathbf{r}) \phi_m^*(\mathbf{r}') \phi_{m'}(\mathbf{r}') \left[\frac{1}{\omega - \epsilon_{m'} + \epsilon_m + i\eta} - \frac{1}{\omega + \epsilon_{m'} - \epsilon_m - i\eta} \right]$$

Disentanglement method

[Miyake *et al.*, PRB 80, 155134 (2009)]

Hybridization between subspace and rest switched off.

- Bands are disentangled.
- Equation (*) is applicable.

Effective parameters

Example: Parameters for d states

$$U_{m_1, m_2, m_3, m_4}^{\sigma\sigma'}(\omega)$$

Output file "spex.cou"

- 625 different matrix elements

“Hubbard-Hund“ parameters (full d shell)

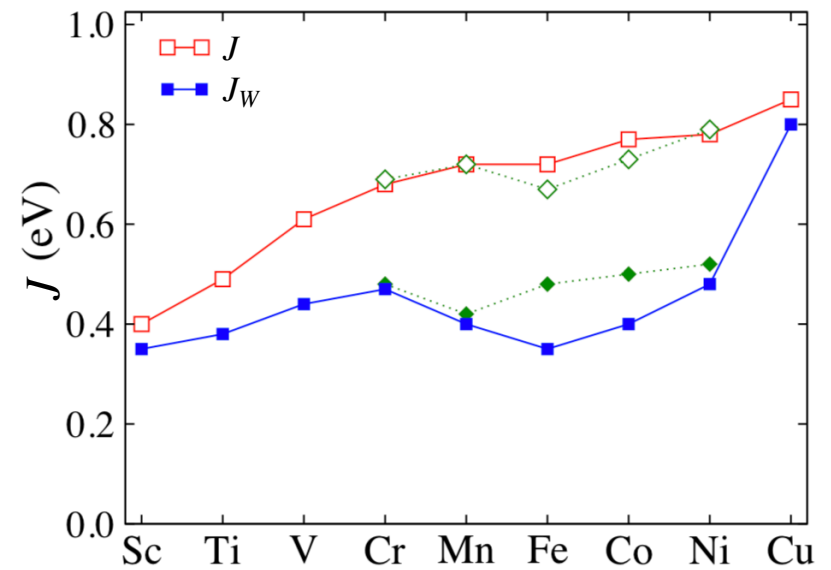
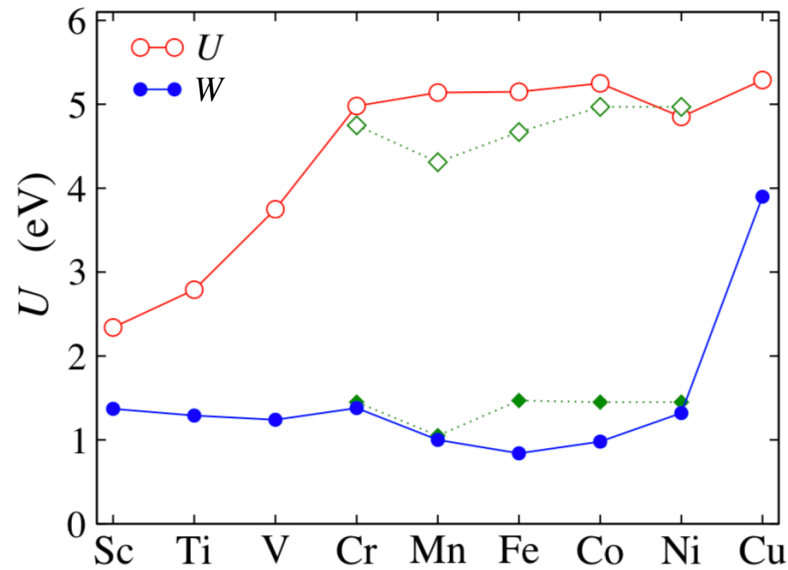
- 15 different matrix elements (or 8)
- 3 are independent

Kanamori parameters (t_{2g} or e_g Hamiltonian)

- 3 different matrix elements
- 2 are independent

end of standard output

3d transition metals



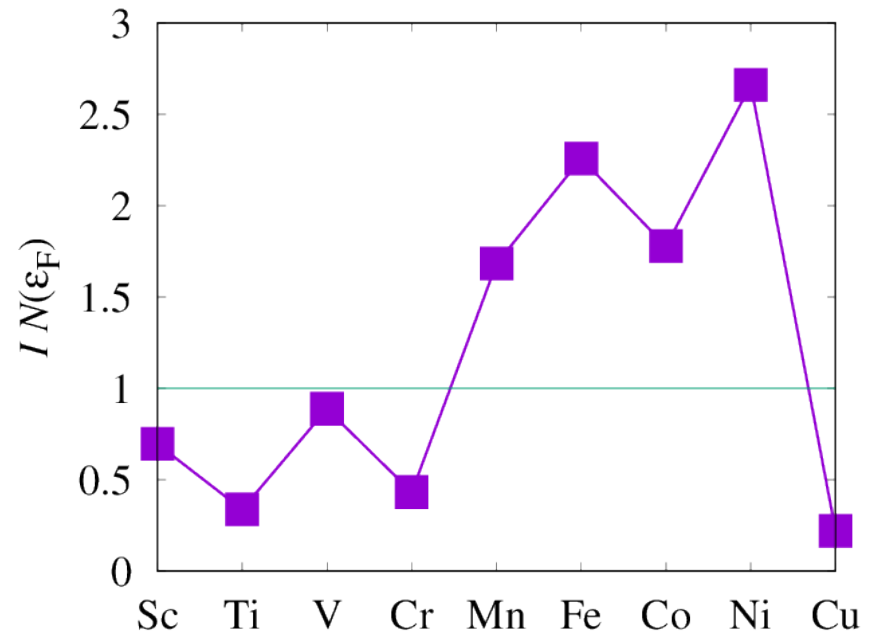
E. Sasioglu, Spring School 2014

Stoner criterion $I \cdot N(\epsilon_F) > 1$

Stollhoff *et al.*, PRB 41, 7028:

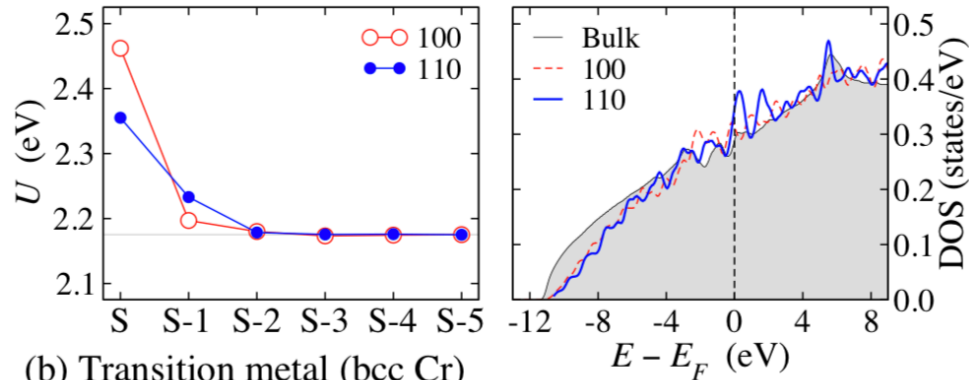
$$I = (U + 6J)/5$$

(40% reduction due to correlation)

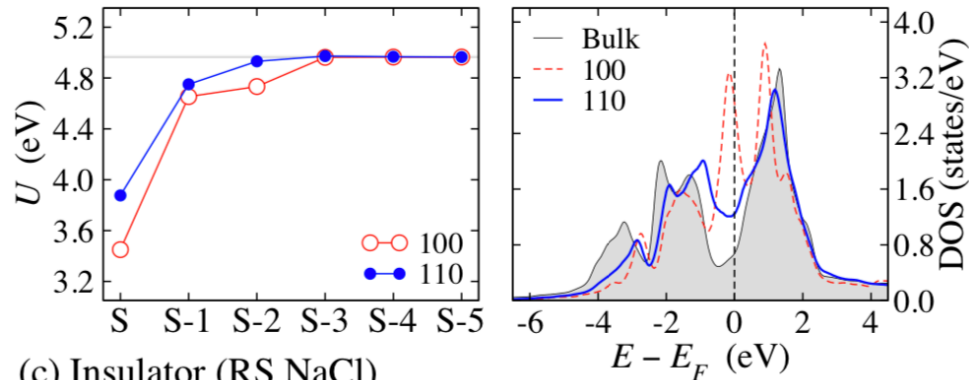


Hubbard U at surfaces

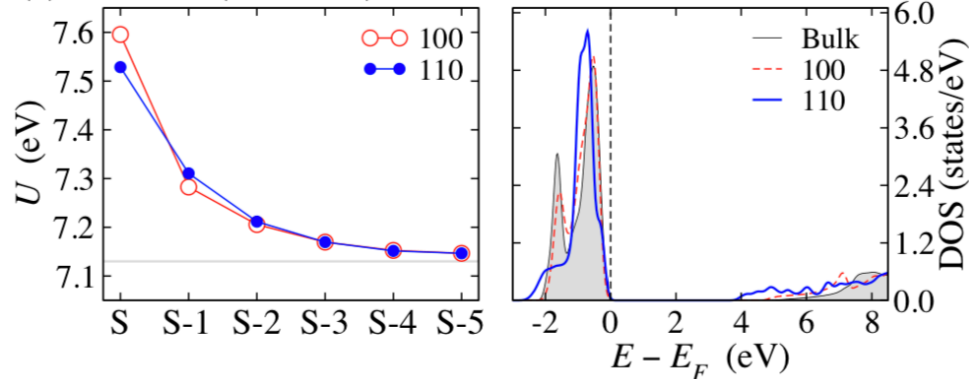
(a) Simple metal (fcc Al)



(b) Transition metal (bcc Cr)



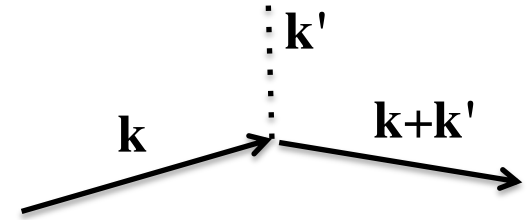
(c) Insulator (RS NaCl)



Computational procedure

One-Shot GW

- **FLEUR**: Self-consistent field calculation
→ Density, Exchange-correlation potential
- **SPEX**: Generate special equidistant k-point set
 \mathbf{k} , \mathbf{k}' , $\mathbf{k}+\mathbf{k}'$, and $\mathbf{0}$ must be elements
- **FLEUR**: Diagonalize Hamiltonian on new k points (non iterative)
→ Kohn-Sham energies and wavefunctions
- **SPEX**: GW calculation
→ Quasiparticle energies

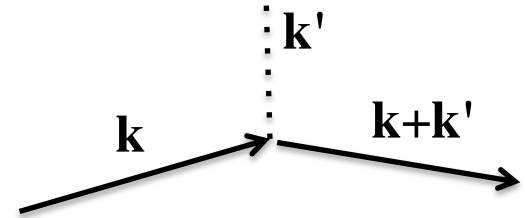


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Computational procedure

Hubbard U (cRPA)

- **FLEUR**: Self-consistent field calculation
→ Density, Exchange-correlation potential
- **SPEX**: Generate special equidistant k-point set
 \mathbf{k} , \mathbf{k}' , $\mathbf{k}+\mathbf{k}'$, and $\mathbf{0}$ must be elements
- **FLEUR**: Diagonalize Hamiltonian on new k points (non iterative)
→ Kohn-Sham energies and wavefunctions
- **SPEX**: cRPA calculation
 - Construction of Wannier orbitals (Wannier90 library used for MLWFs)
 - Calculation of P_r
 - Calculation of U and projection onto Wannier basis
→ Hubbard U parameters



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Summary

- For **strongly correlated systems**, methods like LDA+ U or LDA+DMFT, which are based on the Hubbard Hamiltonian of a correlated subspace, might be more appropriate than DFT (LDA, GGA) or GW .
- These methods require an effective interaction parameter, the **Hubbard U parameter**, which incorporates the screening processes of the electrons that are not included in the correlated subspace.
- The **constrained random-phase-approximation (cRPA)** is a first-principles method to determine the Hubbard U parameter.
- Spex has an **implementation** of cRPA. Correlated subspace spanned in Wannier basis. Possibility of treating entangled bands.