

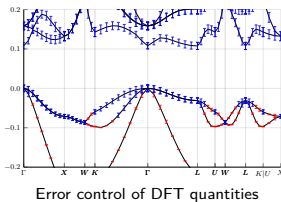
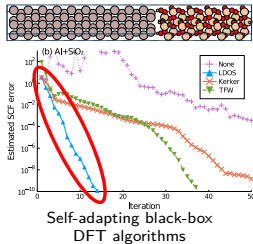
Recent updates in DFTK

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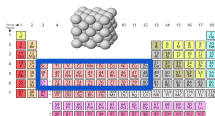
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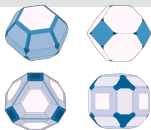
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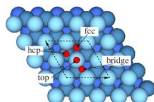
Motivation: Computational materials design¹



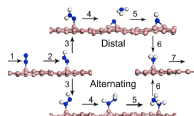
Host metal + dopant
 $\approx 30 \times 30 = 900$



Host surface
 $\approx 3 - 5$



Dopant adsorption site
 ≈ 30

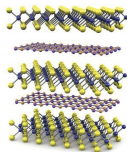
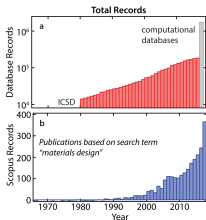


Reaction intermediates
 ≈ 10

- Simple catalyst design space: **Combinatorial** $\approx 10^5 - 10^6$ possibilities
- Computational screening to **complement and accelerate** experiment
- Exponentially **growing impact** & successes:⁵
 - Semiconductors², batteries³, magnetic compounds⁴

⇒ Crucial tool for **21st century challenges**:

- Information technology & quantum computing
- Energy storage & conversion



¹ACED project: <https://www.cmu.edu/aced/index.html>

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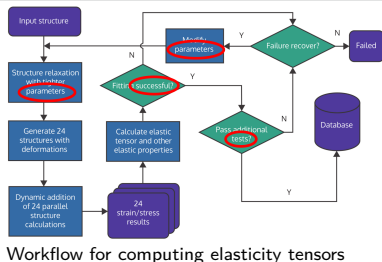
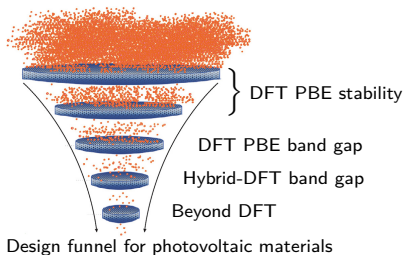
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<https://www.edfenergy.com/electric-cars/batteries>

J. Evans *Beyond graphene* Chemistry World (2014).

Sketch of high-throughput workflows



- Many parameters to choose (algorithms, tolerances, models)
 - Elaborate heuristics: **Failure rate** $\simeq 1\%$
 - Still: **Thousands** of failed calculations

⇒ Wasted resources & increased human attention (limits throughput)
- Carbon footprint? More complex design spaces?
- **Goal:** **Self-adapting black-box DFT algorithms**
 - Parameter-free, automatically adapt to simulated system
 - Transform **empirical wisdom** to built-in **convergence guarantees**

Interdisciplinary field \Rightarrow Multidisciplinary community

- **Mathematicians:** Toy models and unphysical edge cases
- **High-performance person:** Exploit hardware specialities
- **Scientist:** Design new models, not tweak numerics
- **Practitioner:** Reliable, black-box code, high-level interface

- State-of-the-art first-principle codes:
 - Difficult problem \Rightarrow Complex codes
 - Hard-coded details: Workflow, algorithms, optimisations
 - Huge code bases: 1M lines and beyond
 - Non-standard input syntax and API
 - Two-language problem: Algorithmic code hardly accessible

\Rightarrow Innovations might not cross community boundaries

Density-functional toolkit¹ — <https://dftk.org>



high-performance computing

materials simulations




numerical analysis

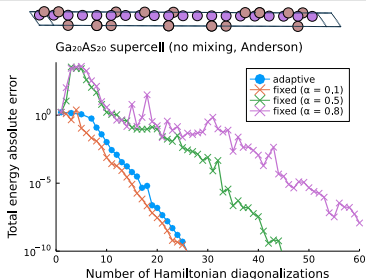
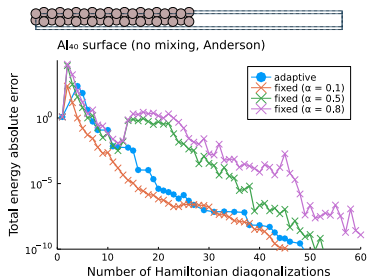
novel scientific models



- **julia** code for plane-wave DFT, started in 2019
- Lowers barriers for **cross-disciplinary research**:
 - Allows restriction to **relevant model problems**,
 - **scale-up** to application regime (1000 electrons)
 - Features incl. meta-GGA, response, MPI
 - **Speed** within factor 2–4 to established codes
- ⇒ Build to enable **multidisciplinary synergies**
- **Fully composable** with **julia** ecosystem:
 - Arbitrary precision (32bit, >64bit, ...)
 - Algorithmic differentiation (AD)
 - Integrated in multi-scale pipeline (potentials, MD, see talk by Emmanuel Lujan)
- **High-productivity** research framework:
 - **Only 7000 lines** of code
 - Avoids **two-language problem**: Just **julia**
 - GSoC student (10 weeks) for initial AD support

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Black-box algorithms: Adaptive damping¹



- DFT involves a fixed-point problem, solved by SCF iteration

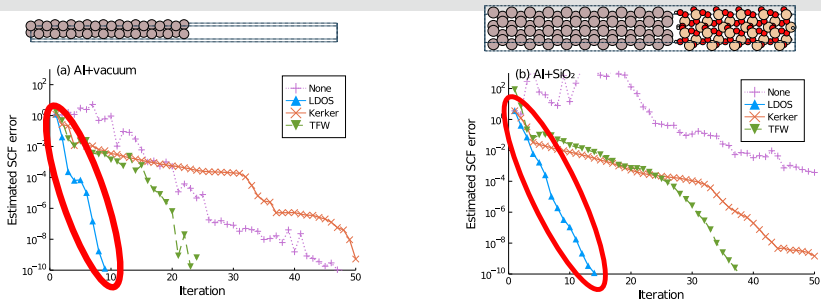
$$\rho^{(n+1)} = \rho^{(n)} + \alpha P^{-1} \left[\text{SCF step}(\rho^{(n)}) - \rho^{(n)} \right]$$


- How to choose mixing P^{-1} and damping α ?
 - State-of-the-art: Guessing / trial and error (**fixed damping**)
- ⇒ Wasted computational time!

-  **DFTK** approach: **adaptive damping** *automatically* selects damping
- Similar performance than best fixed damping, but **fully black-box**

¹M. F. Herbst, A. Levitt. *A robust and efficient line search for self-consistent field iterations* arXiv 2109.14018.

Black-box algorithms: LDOS mixing²



- Long-standing problem: Suitable mixing for inhomogeneous systems
 - E.g. metal+insulator, catalytic surfaces, ...
- State-of-the-art: **local Thomas-Fermi-von Weizsäcker mixing (TFW)**¹
-  **DFTK** approach: **LDOS mixing** *automatically* interpolates between Kerker mixing (in the metallic region) and no mixing (insulating region)

⇒ **Parameter-free** and black-box

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²M. F. Herbst, A. Levitt. J. Phys. Condens. Matter **33**, 085503 (2021).

Obtaining DFT model sensitivities

- Consider **optimal lattice constant**

$$a_* = \arg \min_a \mathcal{E}_{\text{DFT}}(a, \theta)$$



(a lattice parameter, θ DFT exchange-correlation parameters)

- **How sensitive** is a_* for a system? \Rightarrow Need $\frac{da_*}{d\theta}$
- Annoyances for derivation and implementation:
 - Nested iterative methods (eigensolver, SCF, lattice optimisation)
 - Unusual second-order derivatives (e.g. $\frac{\partial^2 \mathcal{E}}{\partial \theta \partial a}$)
 - **Combinatorial explosion**: Other QoI? Other DFT models?
 - What about future DFT models?
(with completely different kinds of parameters θ)
- Use algorithmic differentiation (\approx **automatic derivatives**)
 - Break “one PhD student per derivative” paradigm
 - **Generic framework** for DFT derivatives / response properties \Rightarrow New properties/derivatives by **non-DFT experts!**

Example: Lattice constant sensitivities of silicon

```
function dft_energy(a,  $\theta$ )  
    model = model_DFT(make_structure(a), PbeExchange( $\theta$ ))  
    basis = PlaneWaveBasis(model; Ecut=..., kgrid=... )  
    self_consistent_field(basis).energies.total  
end  
optimise_lattice( $\theta$ ) = optimise(a -> dft_energy(a,  $\theta$ ))  
  
sensitivities =  
    ForwardDiff.gradient(optimise_lattice, [ $\kappa$ ,  $\beta$ ])
```

$$a_* = \arg \min_a \mathcal{E}(a, \theta)$$
$$\text{sensitivities} = \frac{da_*}{d\theta}$$

- One line of code to “request” desired gradients from:
 - Floating-point agnostic  DFTK architecture
 -  tools for algorithmic differentiation
 - Generic response implementation in  DFTK
- Fully flexible in DFT model or targeted quantity:
 - Only XC energy expression & SCF postprocessing code needed


(Å)	a_*	κ	$\frac{da_*}{d\kappa}$	β	$\frac{da_*}{d\beta}$
expmnt.	5.421				
PBEsol	5.449	0.804	0.713	0.0375	0.0058
PBE	5.461	0.804	0.550	0.0667	0.0194
APBE	5.465	0.804	0.482	0.0790	0.0269
PBEsol	5.467	0.804	0.456	0.0838	0.0301
XPBE	5.466	0.920	0.603	0.0706	0.0184
rev-PBE	5.467	1.245	0.744	0.0667	0.0099

Model sensitivities for the silicon lattice constant

DEMO

Ecosystem integration of DFTK

- `AtomsBase.jl`: Interface for atomic structures
 - `AtomIO.jl`: Abstraction for parsing/writing structure files
(ongoing student project)
- `DftFunctionals.jl`: Interface and differentiable fallbacks for exchange-correlation functionals
- `InteratomicPotentials.jl`: Interface for evaluating energies and forces



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- **GPU Support** (GSoC of Guillaume Vigne):
 - **Goal:** Minimise code duplication between GPU & CPU
 - Target generic GpuArrays infrastructure ⇒ CUDA & AMD
- **Adjoint-mode** algorithmic differentiation:
 - (talk by Gaspard, Markus, Niklas Wed 27th 12:30 UTC)
 - **All parameter sensitivities** by a single response problem
 - ⇒ Routine computation of model sensitivities
 - ⇒ Prospect: **Machine-learned** solid-state **XC models**

- Self-adapting black-box DFT methods^{a,b} (details follow)
- Numerical analysis of DFT^c
- Practical numerical error bounds^{d,e}

- Exploring **algorithmic differentiation**: DFT, potentials, MD
- **Uncertainty quantification** all the way: DFT, potentials, MD
- **Approximate computing** on modern GPUs

- Outreach and teaching
 - **Community building**: -based first-principle ecosystem
 - Interdisciplinary **workshop** on DFT and  DFTK
 - **Lecture**: Mathematics of computational chemistry

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Growing
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