

LDA+U: a simple Hubbard correction for correlated ground states

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Outline


- Brief introduction to some of DFT most notable failures
- The Hubbard model
- DFT+U: formulation
- Breaking the symmetry
- Computing U from linear response
- LDA+U for metals: FLL and AMF flavors
- Band and Mott insulators: the LDA+U+V extension
- Magnetism and particle/hole localization
- Energy derivatives from the LDA+U ground state
- Summary

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- While exact in principle, actual implementations of DFT require approximations for E_{xc}

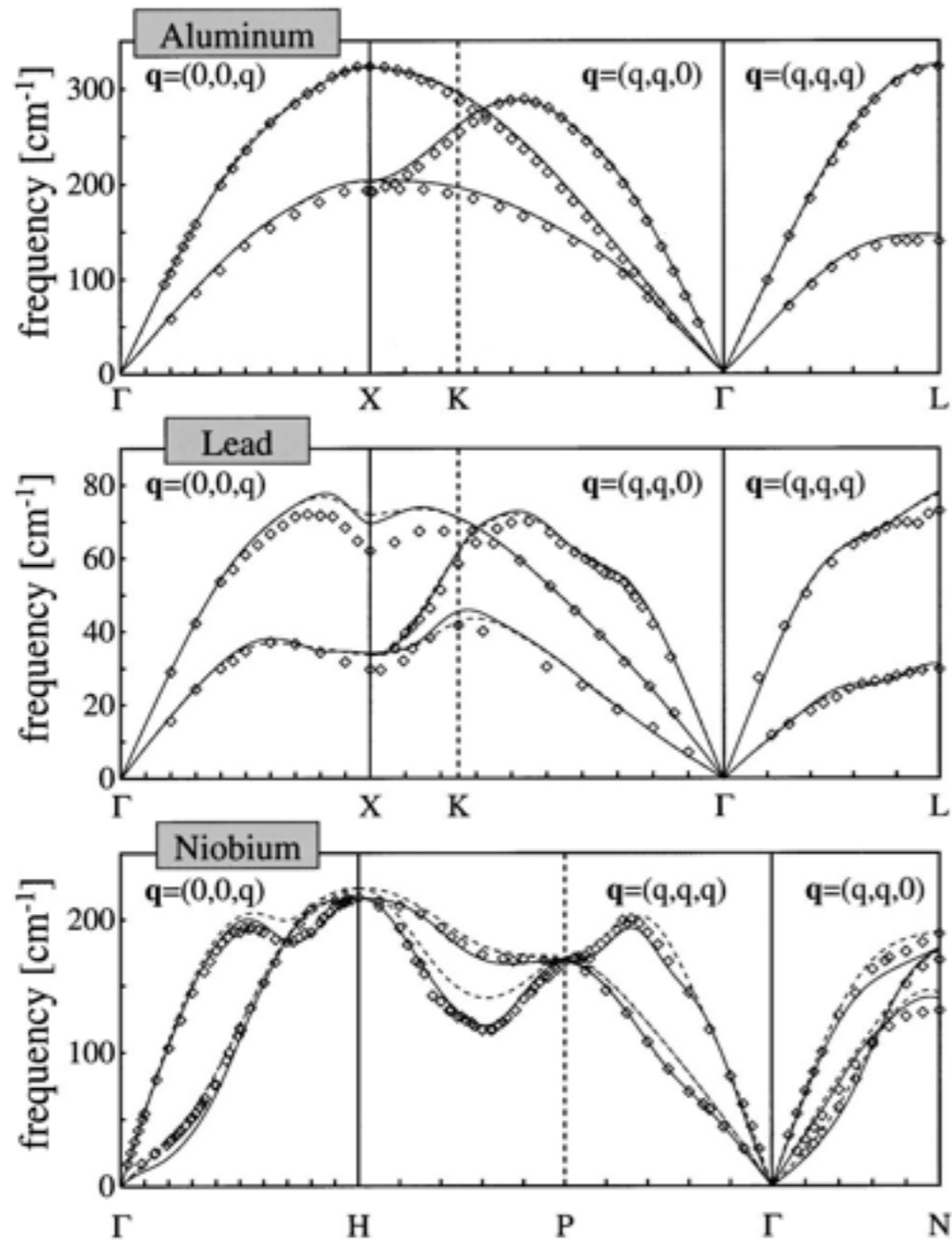
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GGA

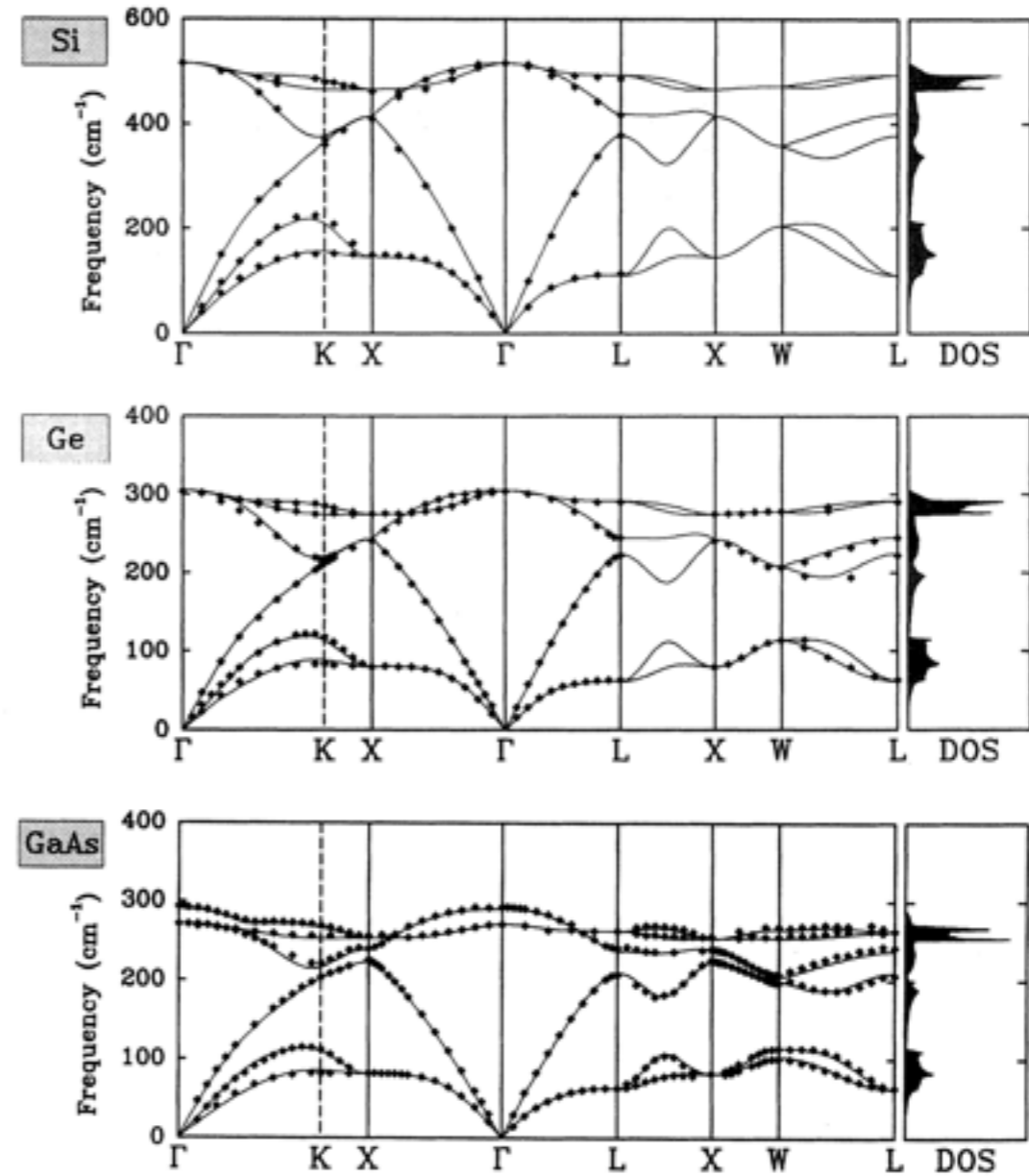
$$E_{xc}[\rho] = \int \epsilon_{xc}(\rho(\mathbf{r}))\rho(\mathbf{r})d\mathbf{r}$$

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How well does DFT work?

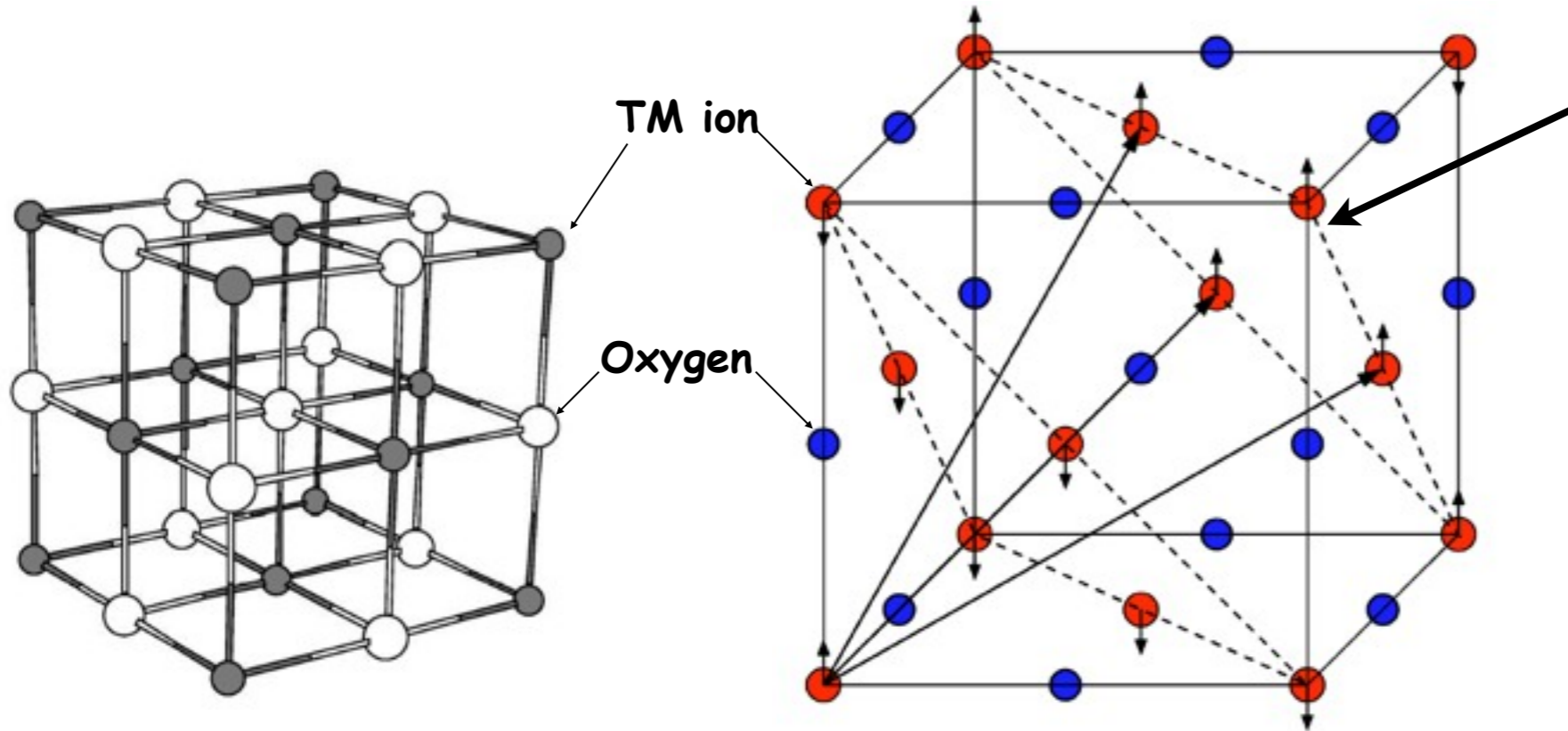


S. Baroni et al., *Rev. Mod. Phys.* 73, 515 (2001)



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AfII ground state

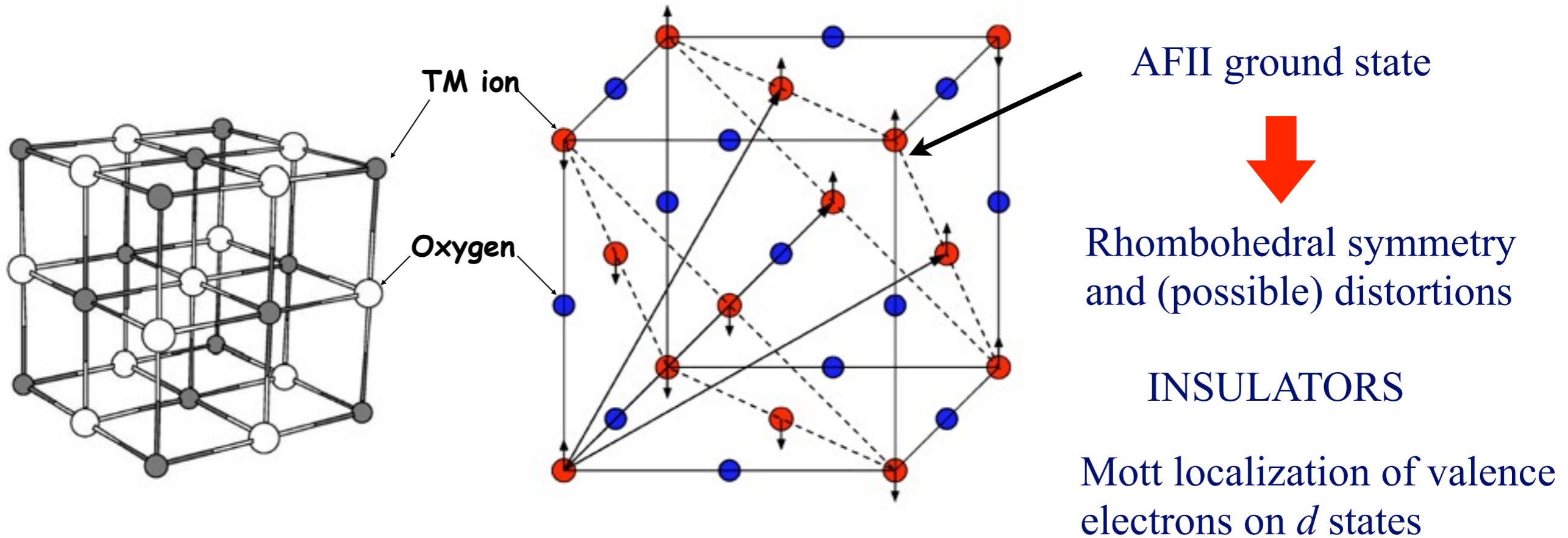


Rhombohedral symmetry
and (possible) distortions

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Mott localization of valence
electrons on d states

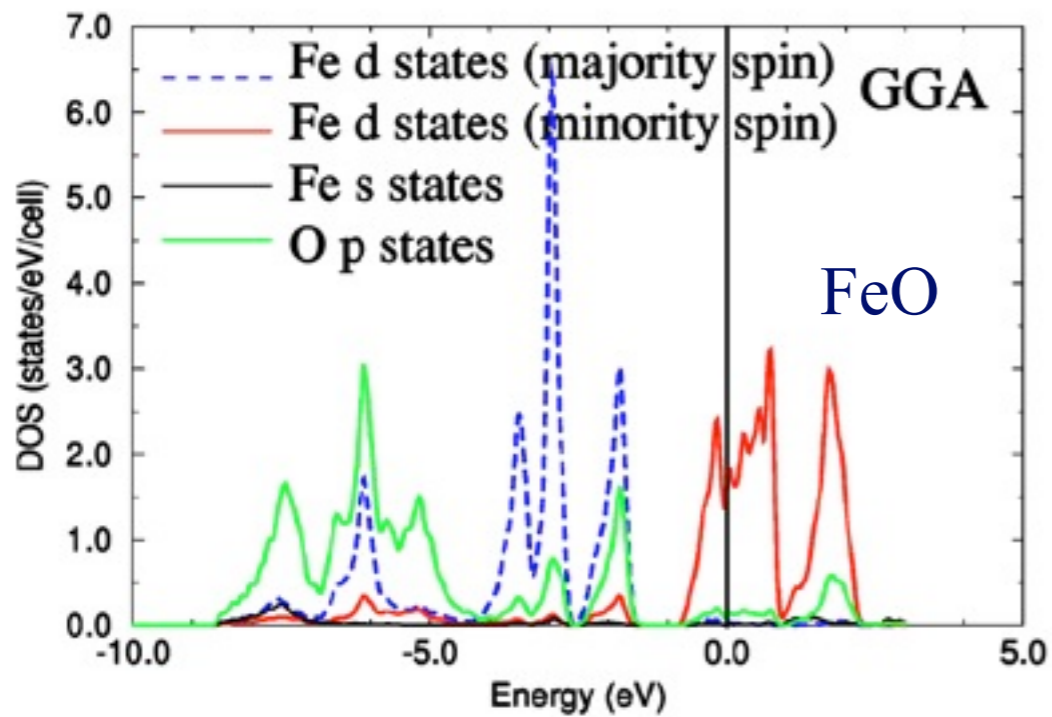
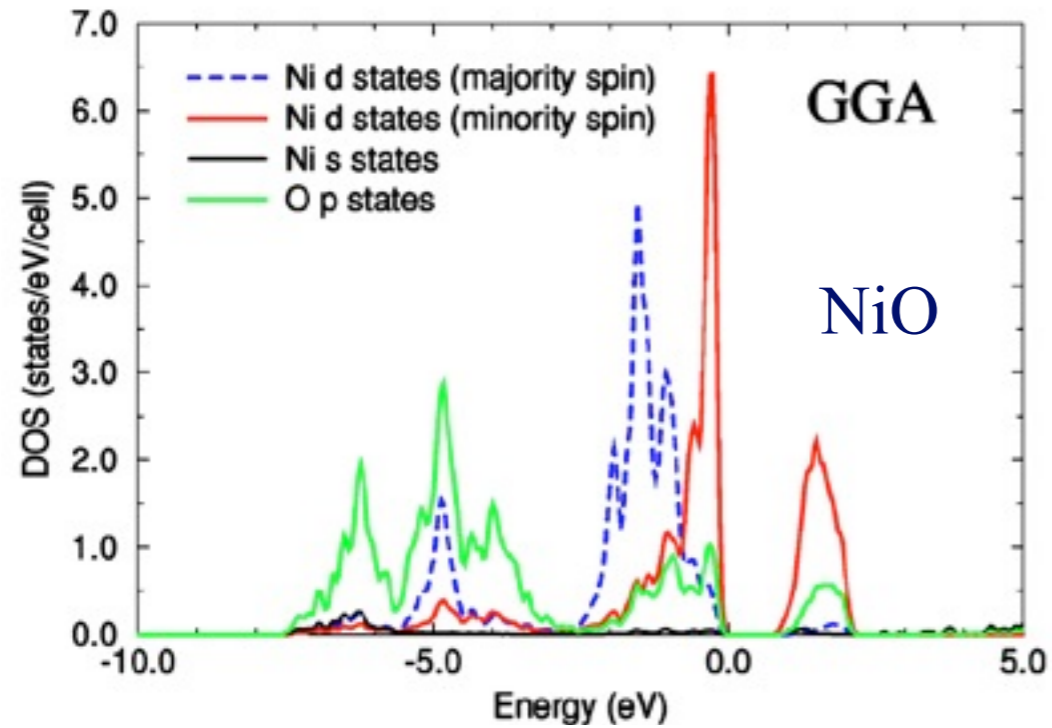
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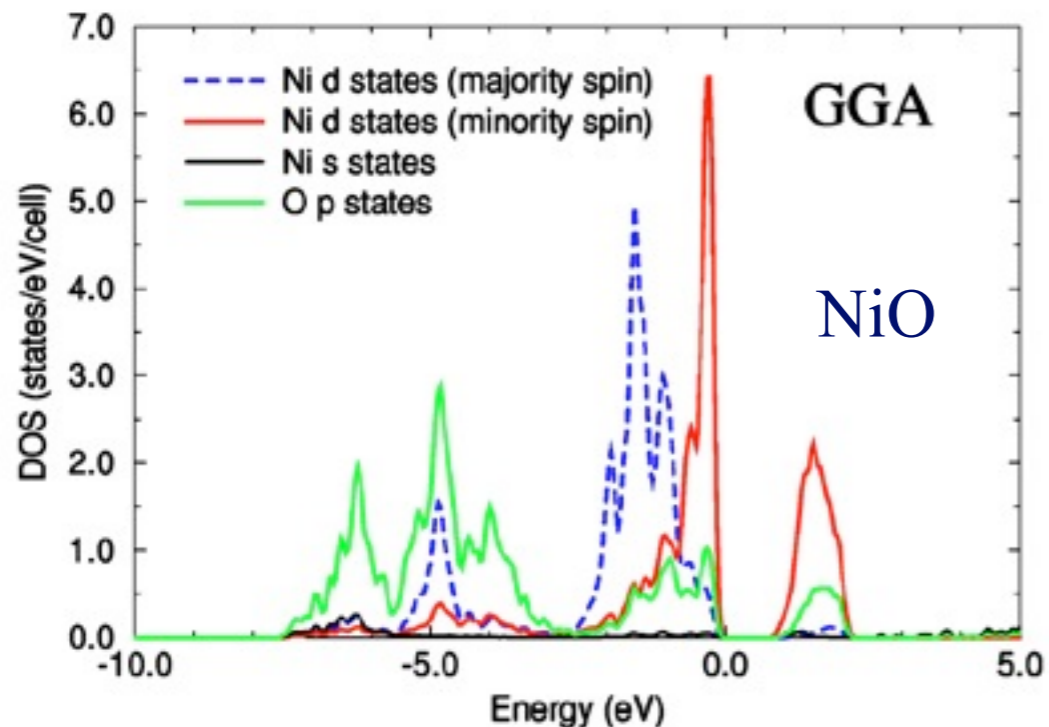
Approximate DFT (e.g., LDA or GGA):

- Rhombohedral distortion overestimated
- Poor estimate of structural properties
- **FM ground state (FeO)**
- Too small or no gap at all
- Magnetization underestimated
- Wrong ordering of states

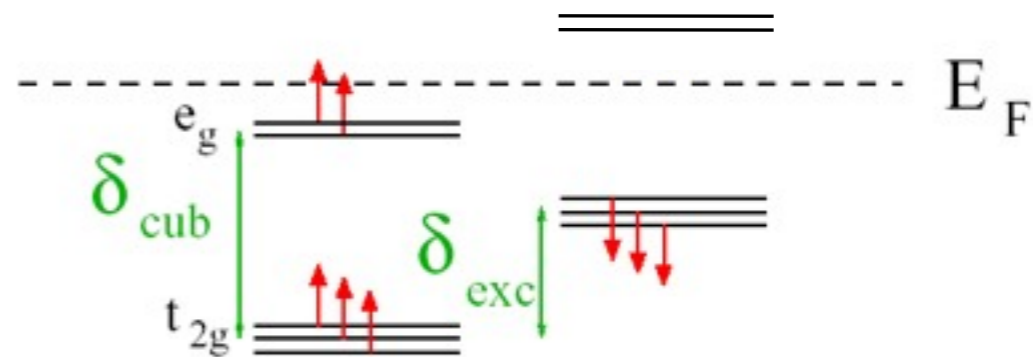
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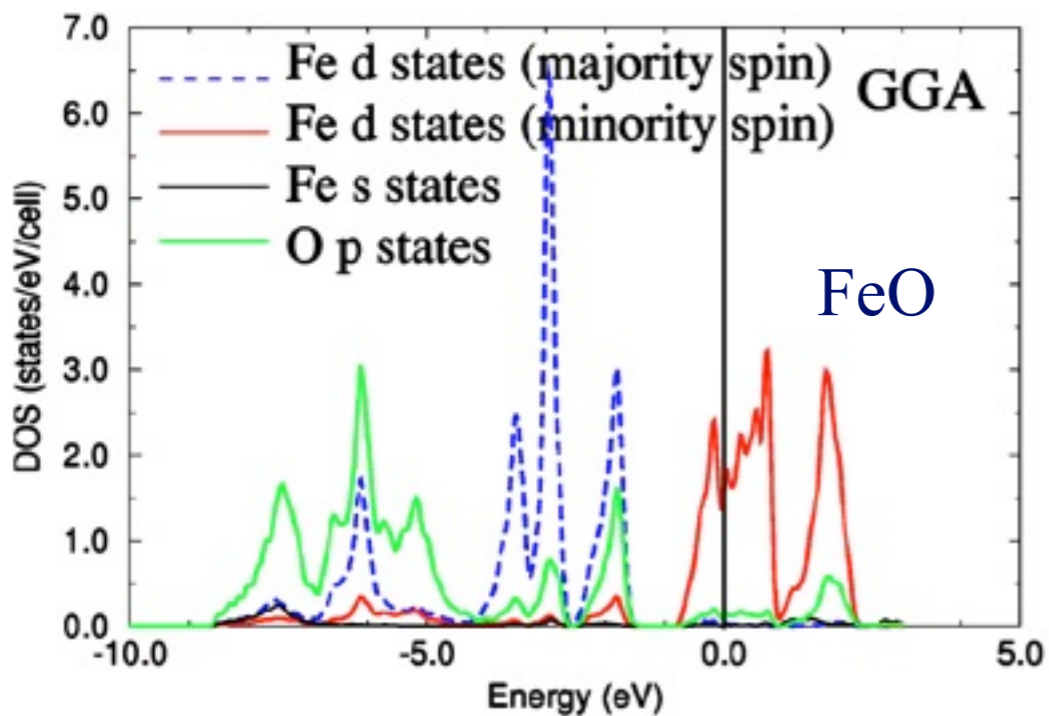
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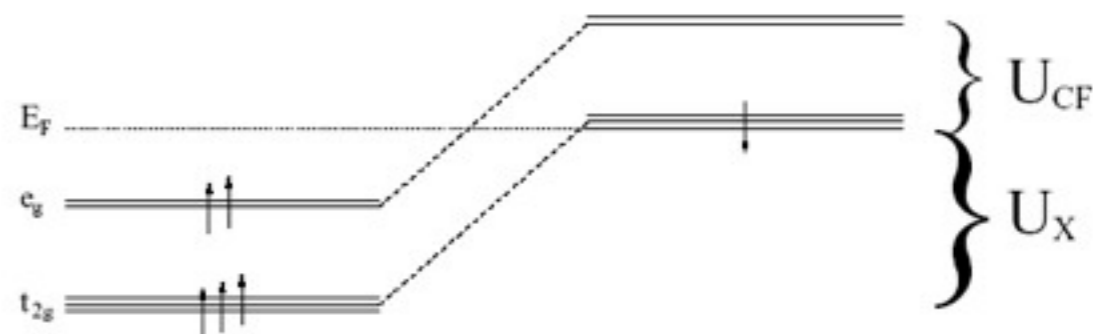
Ni^{2+}



The gap is underestimated
O p states not at the top of valence band



Fe^{2+}



No gap at all: metallic ground state

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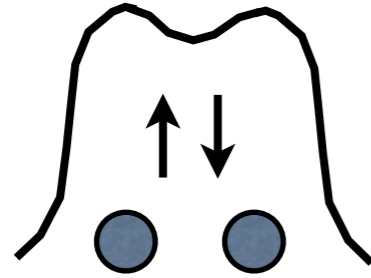
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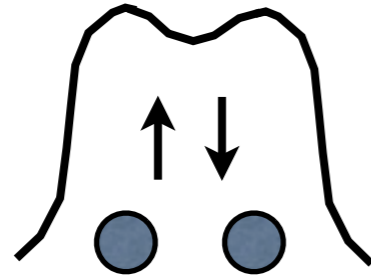
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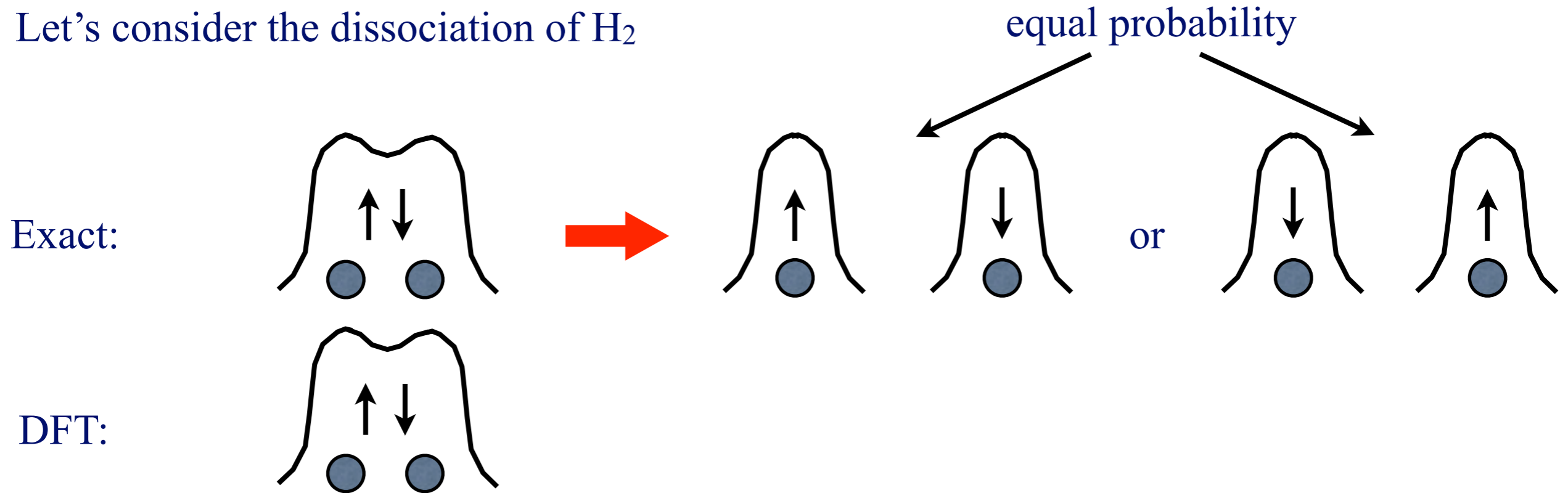


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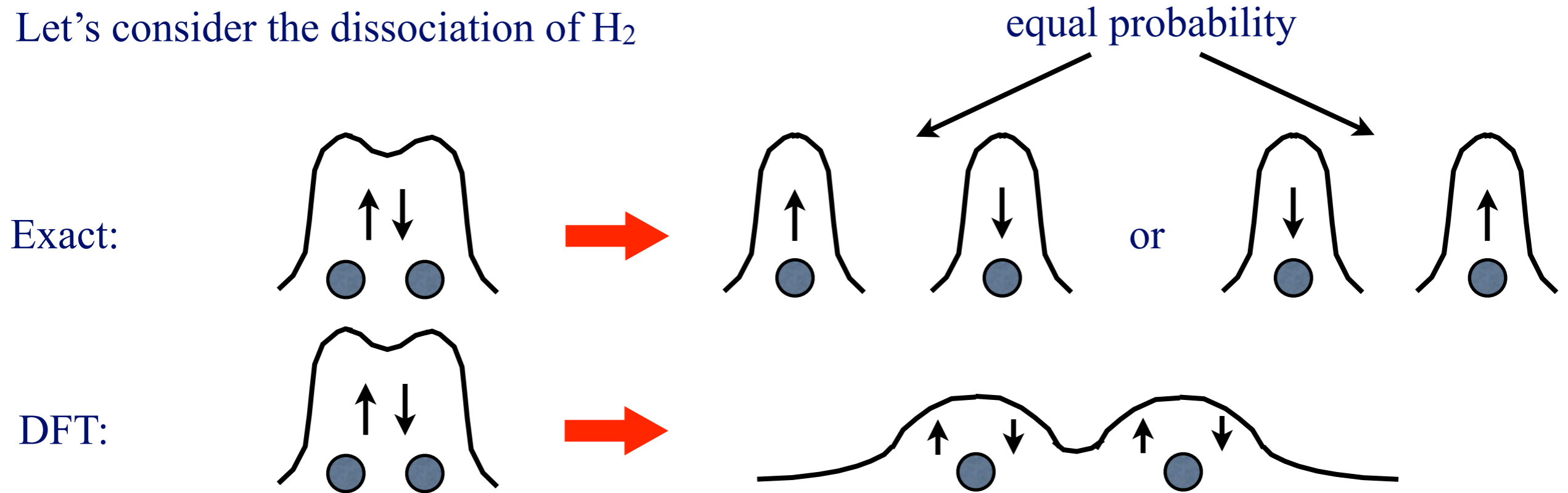
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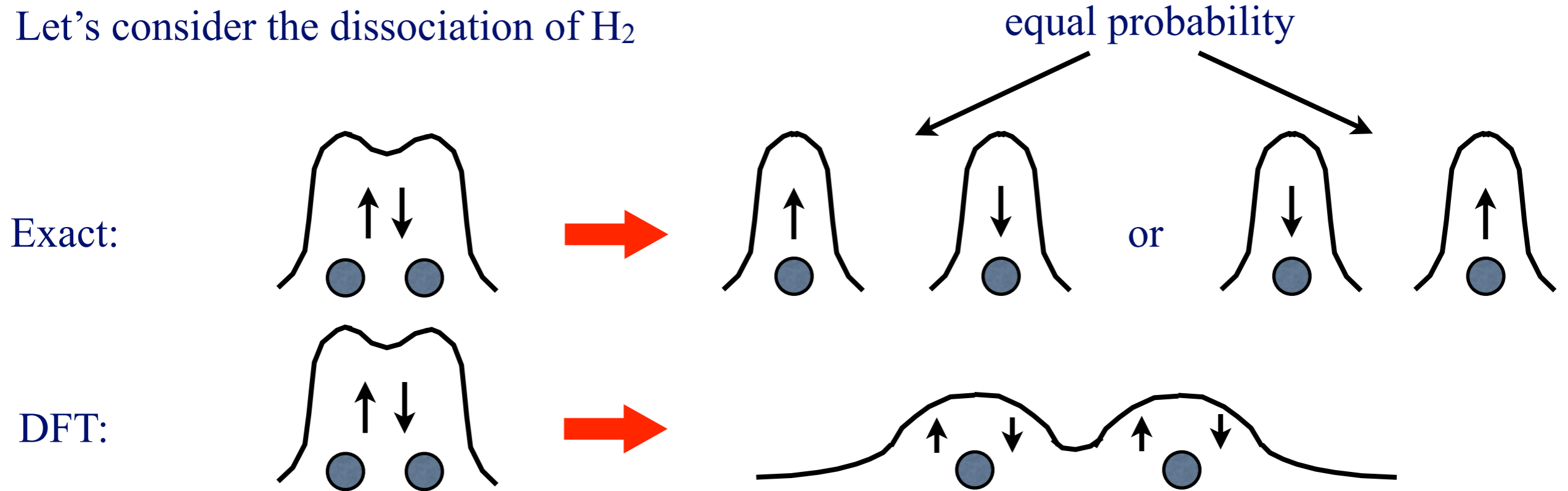
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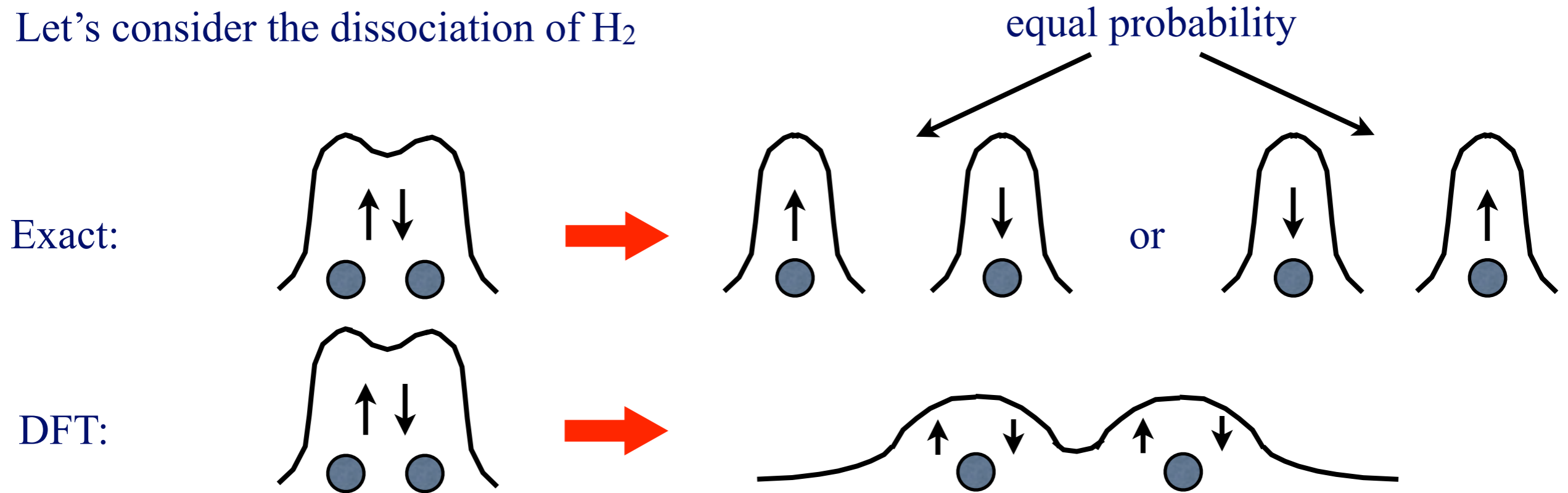


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Misrepresentation of electronic localization  consequences for magnetism, mixed valence states, structural properties, etc

The Hubbard Model

$$\hat{H}_{Hub} = t \sum_{\langle i,j \rangle, \sigma} \left(\hat{c}_{i,\sigma}^\dagger \hat{c}_{j,\sigma} + h.c. \right) + U \sum_i \hat{n}_{i,\uparrow} \hat{n}_{i,\downarrow}$$

J. Hubbard, *Proc. Roy. Soc. Lond.* (1963-67)

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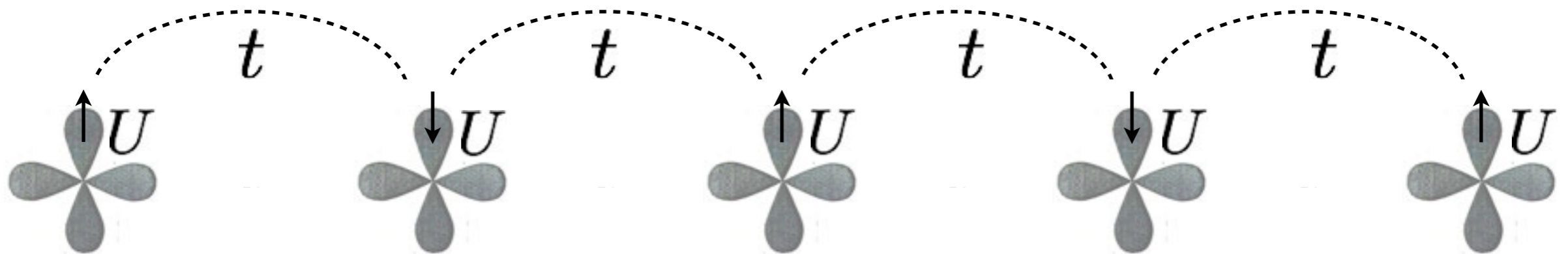


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(1905-1996)
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Energy is expanded around the strongly-localized limit (on atomic orbitals):

t is the “hopping” amplitude; kinetic term: **well represented in DFT**

U is the effective repulsion between electrons *localized* on the same site;
not well represented in DFT



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The Hubbard correction acts selectively on localized states:

$$E_U = E_{Hub} - E_{dc} = E_U[\{n_i\}] \quad n_i = \sum_{kv} f_{kv} \langle \phi_i | \psi_{kv} \rangle \langle \psi_{kv} | \phi_i \rangle$$

DFT+U: rotationally invariant formulation

The expression of the corrective “+U” functional should be independent from the specific choice of localized states

$$E_{Hub}[\{n_{mm'}^I\}] = \frac{1}{2} \sum_{\{m\}, \sigma, I} \{ \langle m, m'' | V_{ee} | m', m''' \rangle n_{mm'}^{I\sigma} n_{m''m'''}^{I-\sigma} \\ + (\langle m, m'' | V_{ee} | m', m''' \rangle - \langle m, m'' | V_{ee} | m''', m' \rangle) n_{mm'}^{I\sigma} n_{m''m'''}^{I\sigma} \}$$

$$E_{dc}[\{n_{mm'}^I\}] = \sum_I \left\{ \frac{U^I}{2} n^I (n^I - 1) - \frac{J^I}{2} [n^{I\uparrow} (n^{I\uparrow} - 1) + n^{I\downarrow} (n^{I\downarrow} - 1)] \right\}$$

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where:

$$n_{mm'}^{I\sigma} = \sum_i f_i \langle \psi_i^\sigma | \phi_{m'}^I \rangle \langle \phi_m^I | \psi_i^\sigma \rangle$$

$$n^{I\sigma} = \sum_m n_{mm}^{I\sigma}$$

$$n^I = \sum_\sigma n^{I\sigma}$$

ψ_i^σ are Kohn-Sham states

ϕ_m^I are *localized* atomic orbitals (*d* or *f*)

A simpler formulation

Effective interactions:

$$\langle m, m'' | V_{ee} | m', m''' \rangle = \sum_k a_k(m, m', m'', m''') F^k$$

$$F^k = \int d\mathbf{r} \int d\mathbf{r}' \phi_{lm}^*(\mathbf{r}) \phi_{lm'}(\mathbf{r}) \frac{r_{<}^k}{r_{>}^{k+1}} \phi_{lm''}^*(\mathbf{r}') \phi_{lm'''}(\mathbf{r}') \quad a_k(m, m', m'', m''') = \frac{4\pi}{2k+1} \sum_{q=-k}^k \langle lm | Y_{kq} | lm' \rangle \langle lm'' | Y_{kq}^* | lm''' \rangle$$

Let's neglect interaction anisotropy:

$$U = F^0 \neq 0$$

$$J = \frac{F^2 + F^4}{14} = 0$$

After some algebra....

Dudarev *et al.*, PRB 57, 1505 (1998)

$$E_{DFT+U}[\rho(\mathbf{r})] = E_{DFT}[\rho(\mathbf{r})] + \sum_{I,\sigma} \frac{U^I}{2} \text{Tr} [\mathbf{n}^{I\sigma} (\mathbf{1} - \mathbf{n}^{I\sigma})]$$

How does it work?

Because of the rotational invariance we can use a diagonal representation:

$$E_U = E_{Hub} - E_{dc} = \sum_I \frac{U^I}{2} \sum_{m,\sigma} [\lambda_m^{I\sigma} (1 - \lambda_m^{I\sigma})]$$

where:

$$\mathbf{n}^{I\sigma} \mathbf{v}_m = \lambda_m^{I\sigma} \mathbf{v}_m$$

$$\lambda_m^{I\sigma} = \sum_{k,v} f_{kv} \langle \psi_{kv}^\sigma | \phi_m^I \rangle \langle \phi_m^I | \psi_{kv}^\sigma \rangle$$

Potential:

$$V_U |\psi_{kv}^\sigma\rangle = \frac{\delta E_U}{\delta (\psi_{kv}^\sigma)^*} = \sum_I \frac{U^I}{2} \sum_{m,\sigma} (1 - 2\lambda_m^{I\sigma}) |\phi_m^I\rangle \langle \phi_m^I | \psi_{kv}^\sigma \rangle$$

$$\left. \lambda_m^{I\sigma} > \frac{1}{2} \Rightarrow V_U < 0 \right\}$$

$$\left. \lambda_m^{I\sigma} < \frac{1}{2} \Rightarrow V_U > 0 \right\}$$

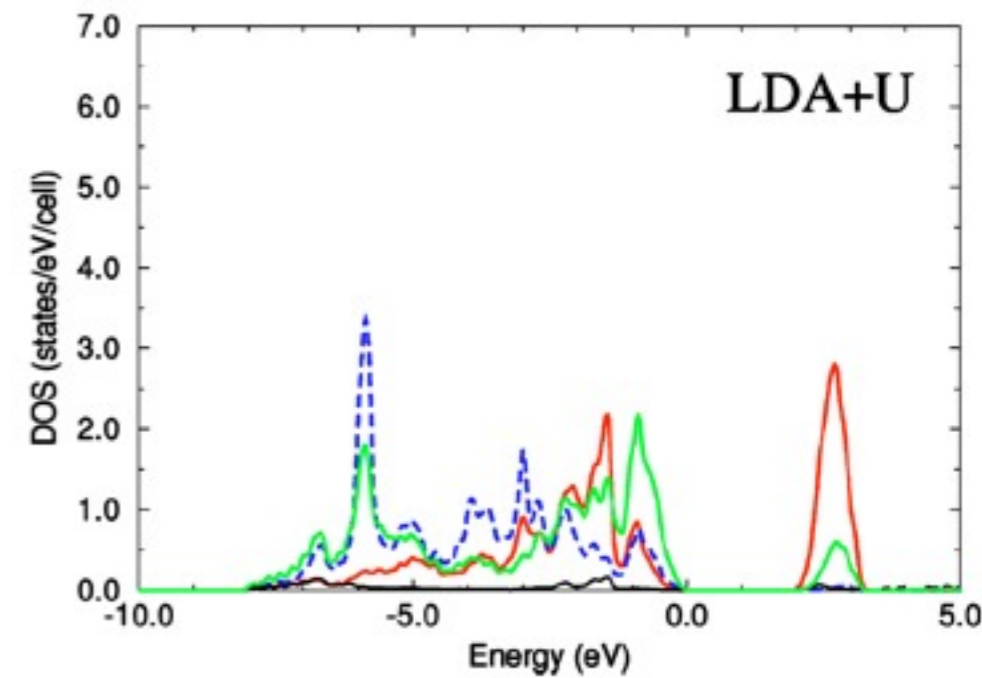
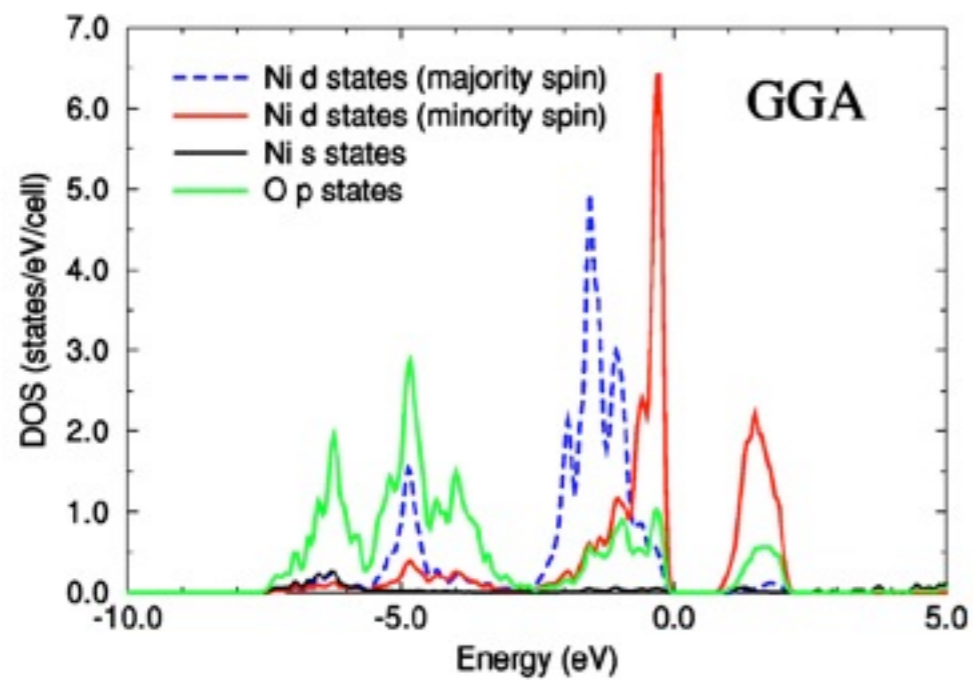
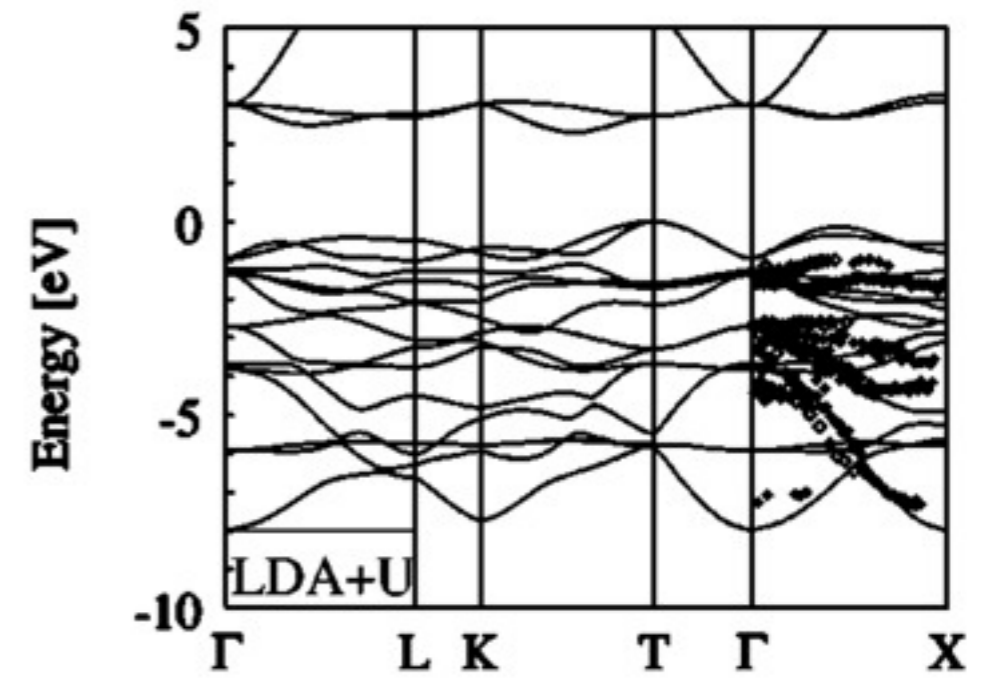
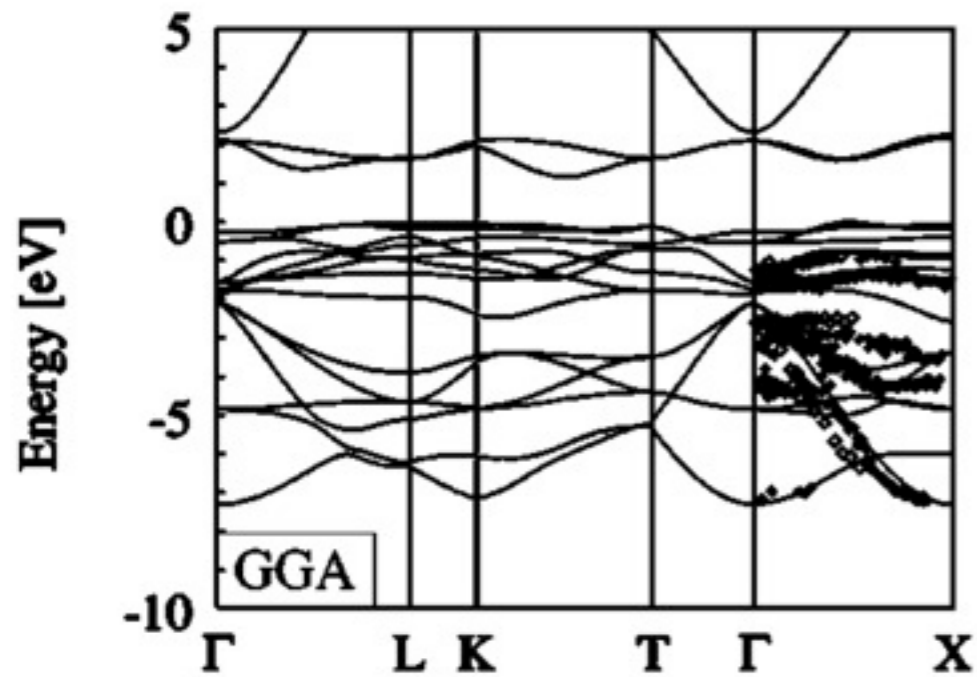


Partial occupations of atomic states are discouraged

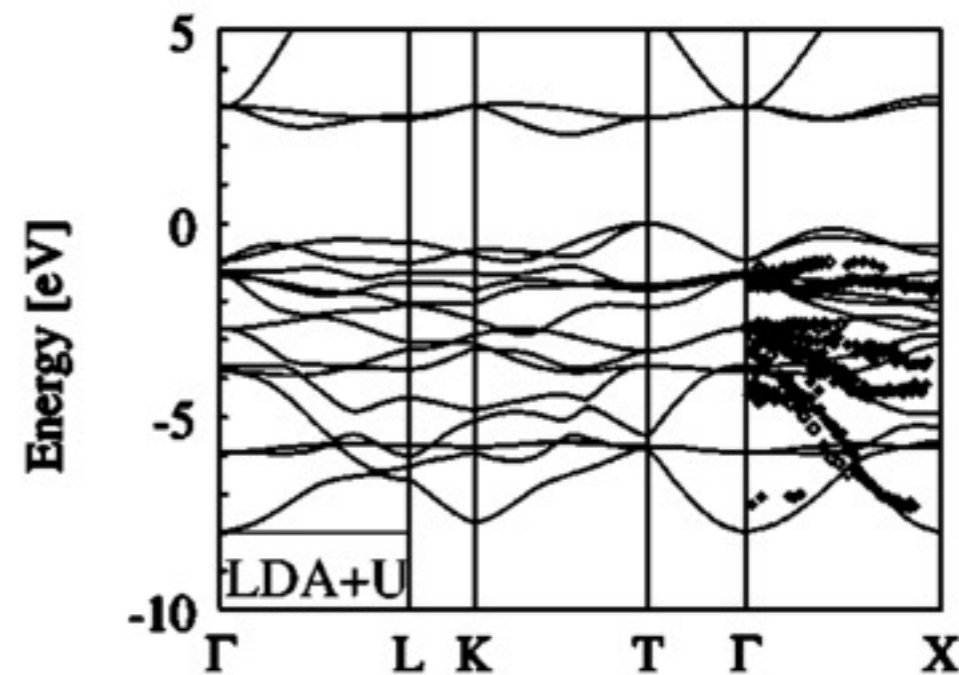
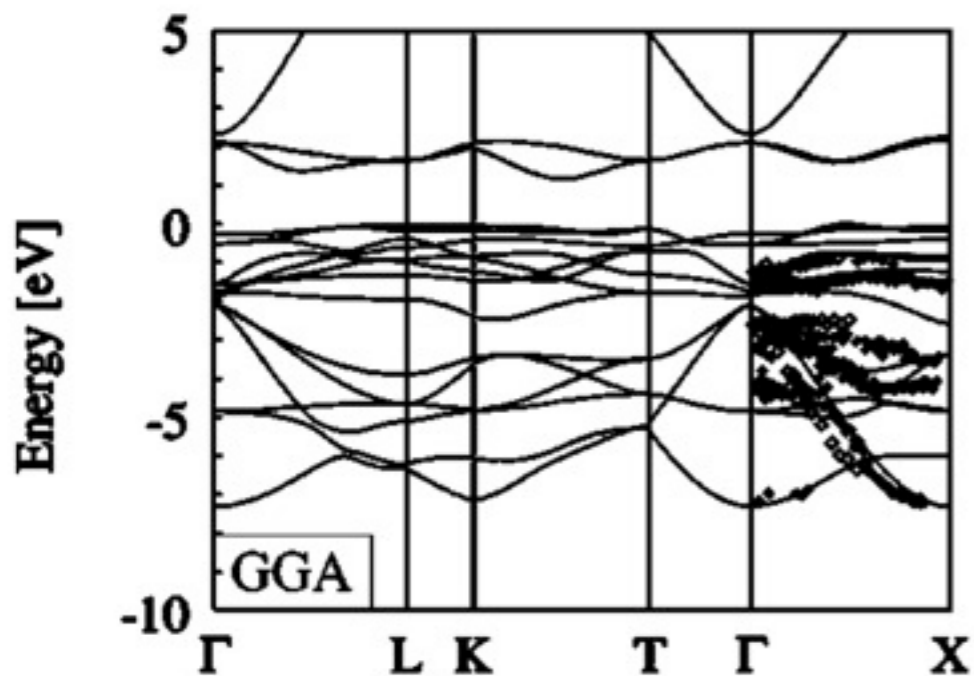
Potential discontinuity re-established

A gap opens: $E_g \approx U$

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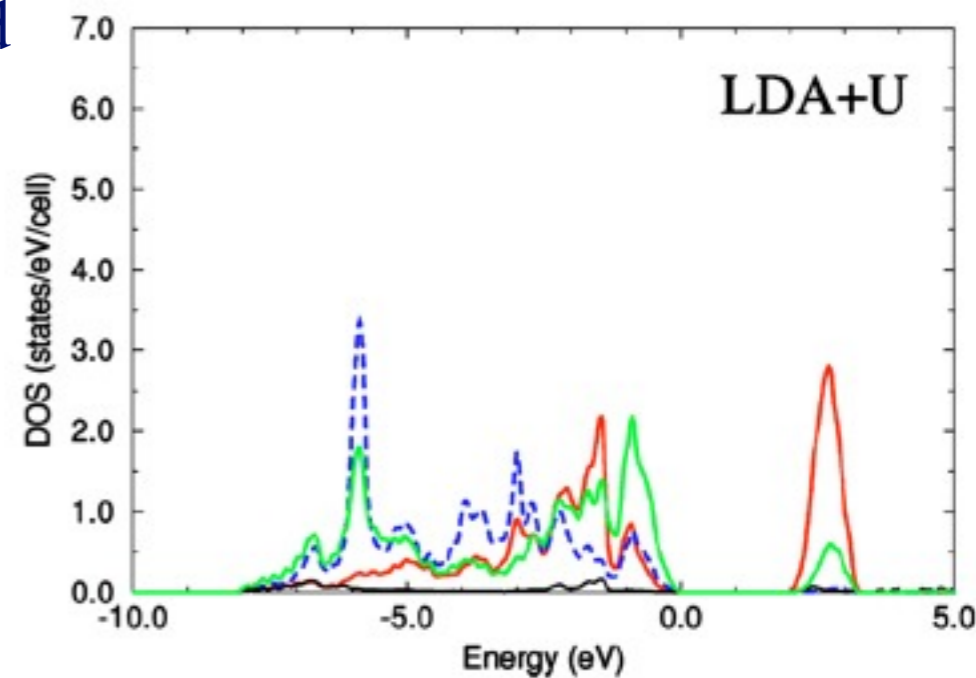
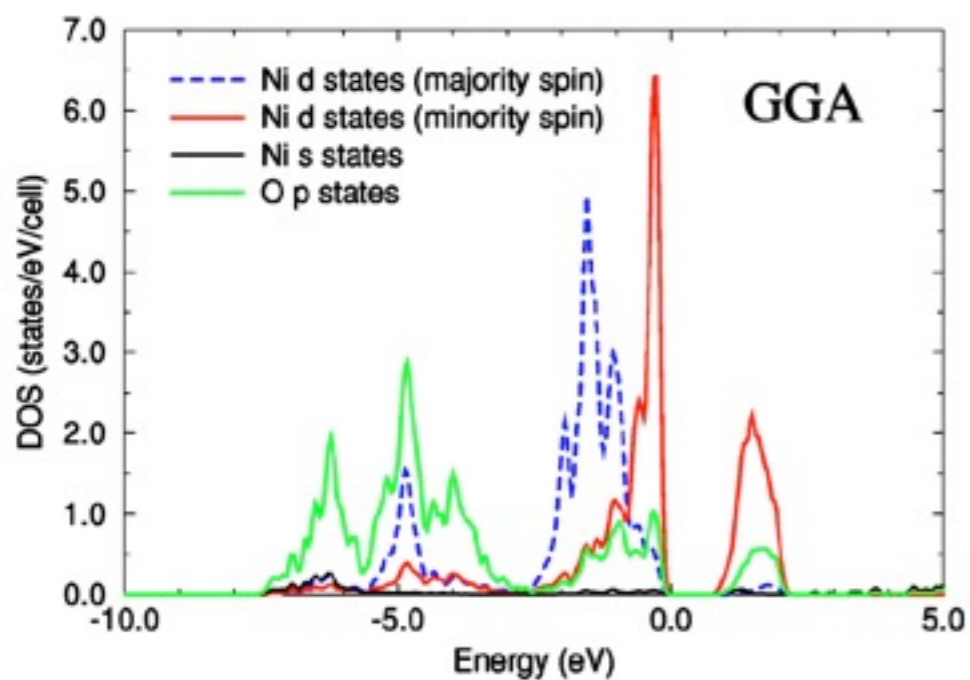


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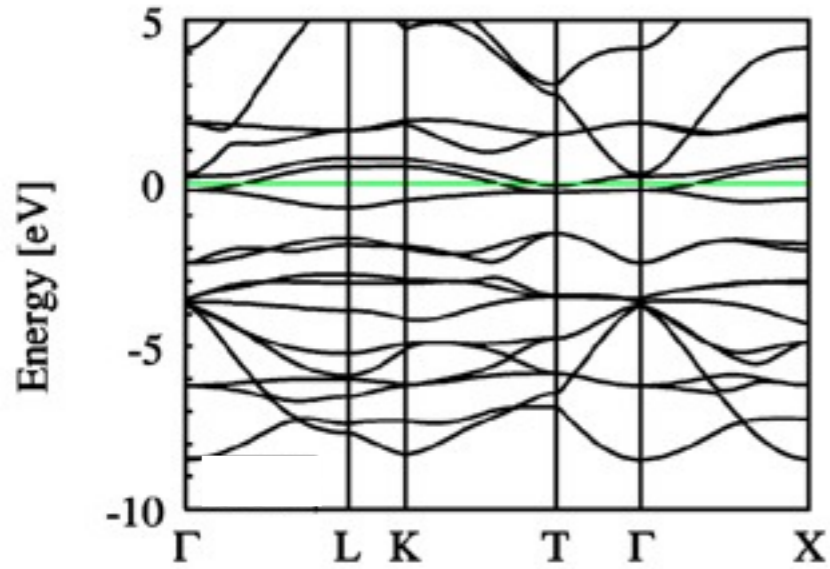
✓ Gap improves

✓ O p states on top of the valence band

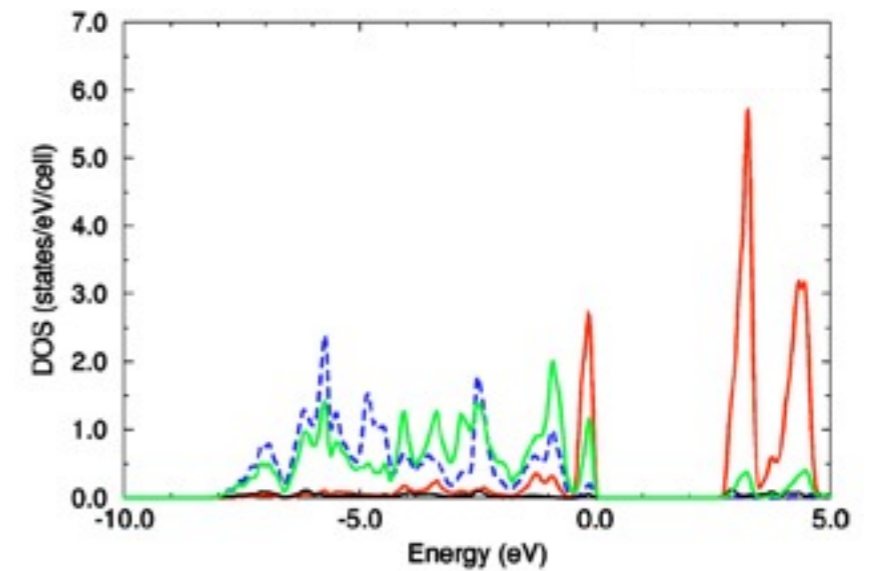
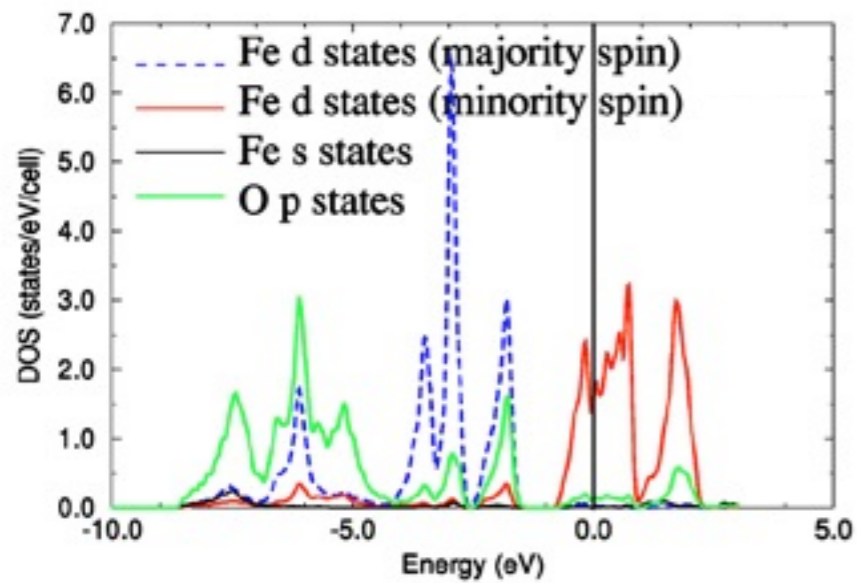
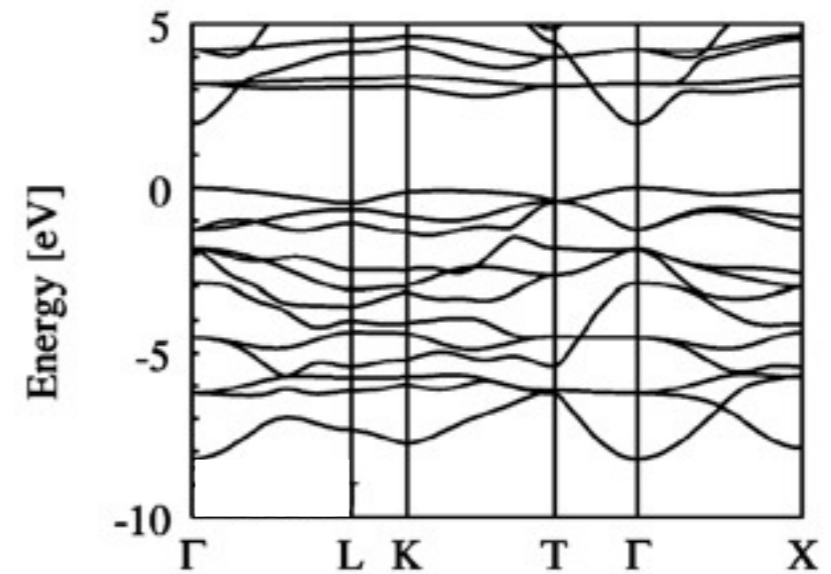


FeO: DFT and DFT+U

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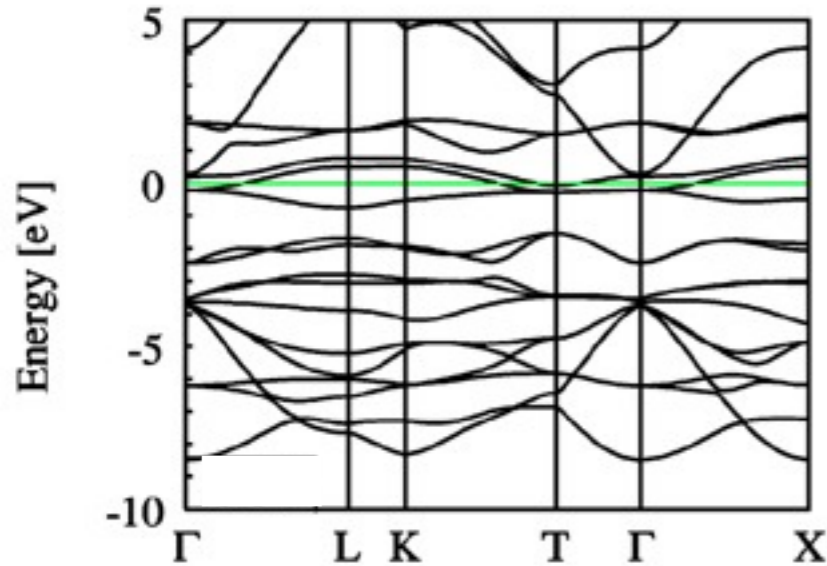
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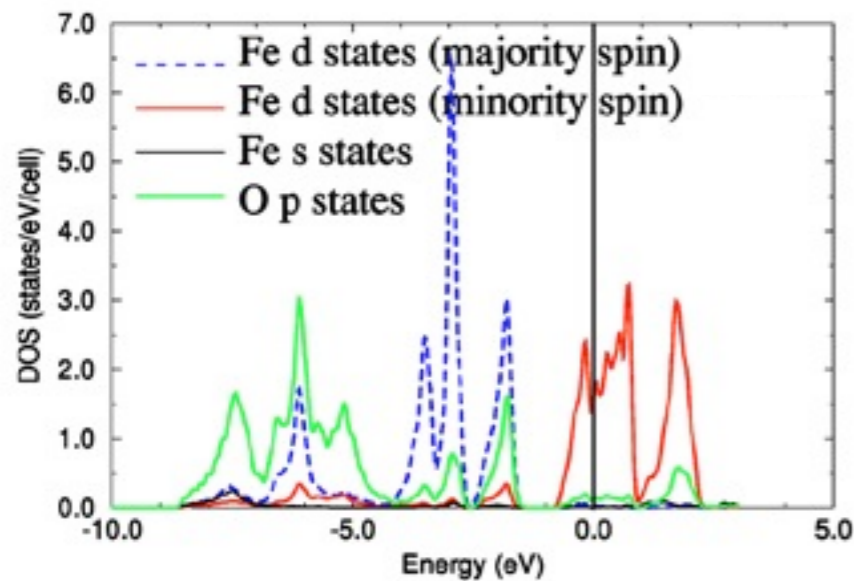
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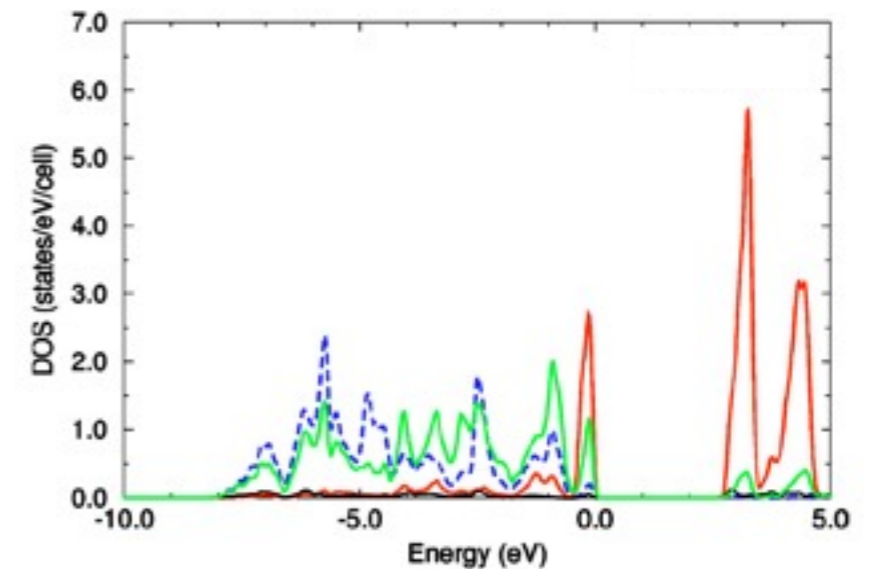
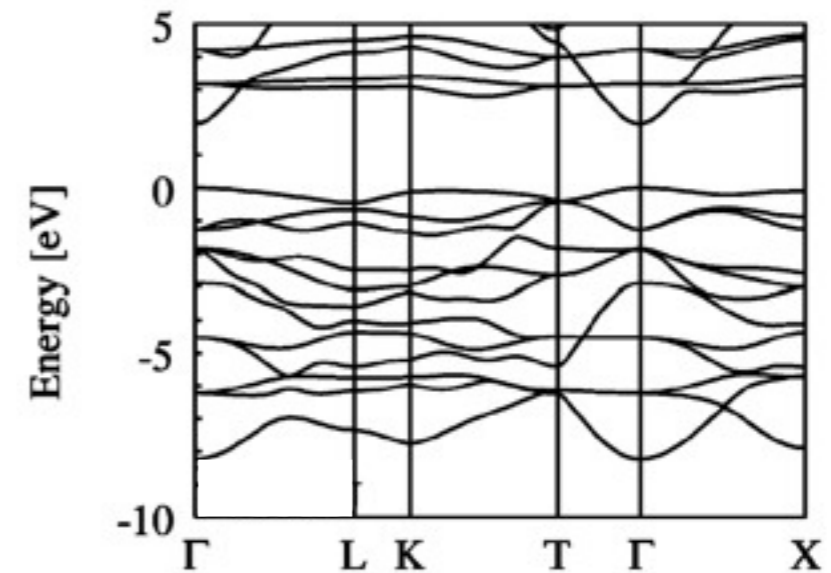


✓ Insulating character
(Gap of right size)

✓ AFM ground state
(AFII)



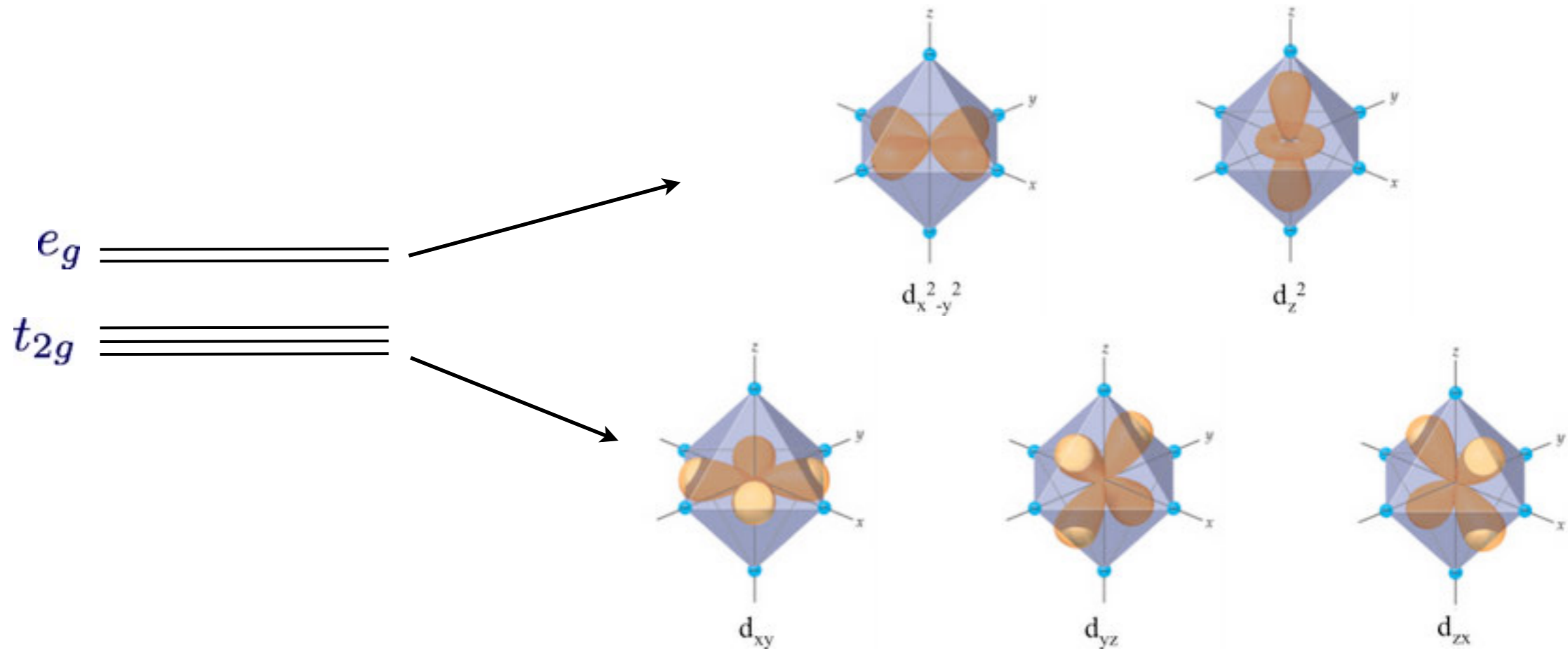
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Symmetry and degeneracy of d states

In an isolated atom all the d states are all degenerate

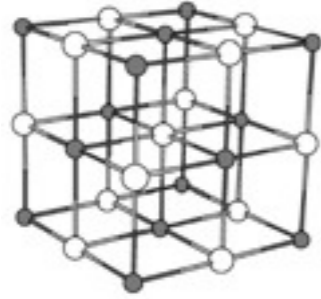
In a cubic crystal (highest possible symmetry) they split in two groups



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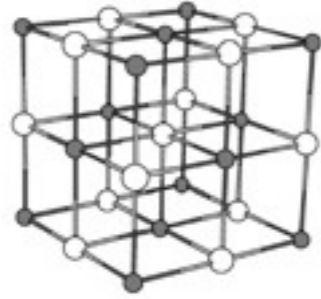
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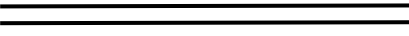
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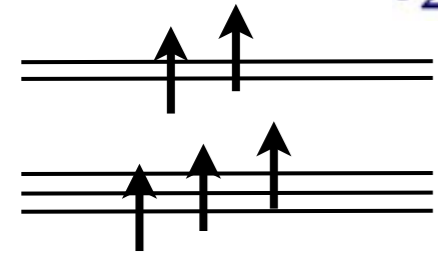
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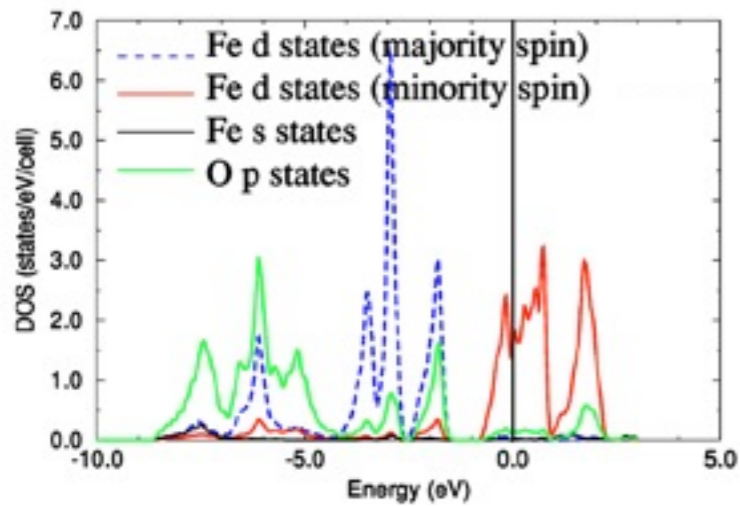
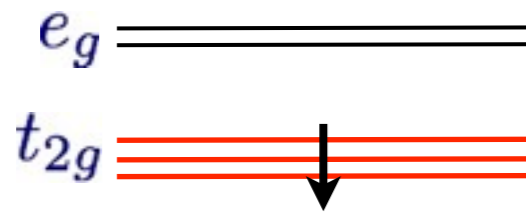
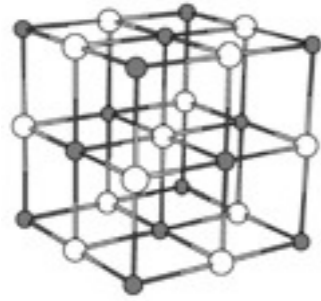
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t_{2g} 



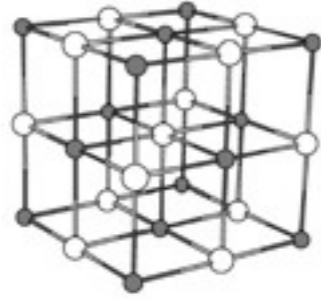
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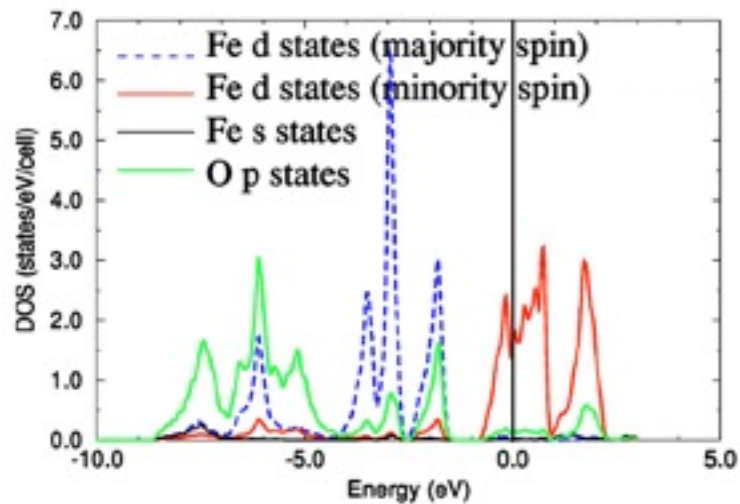
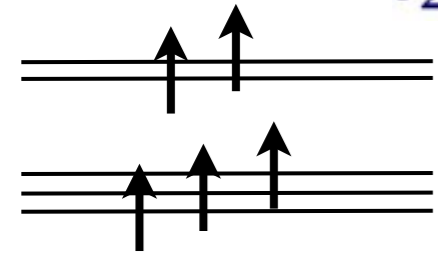
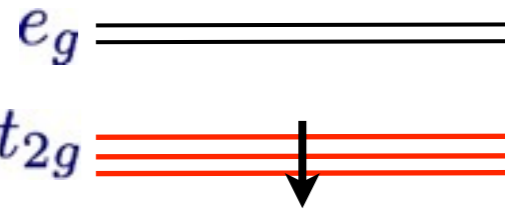
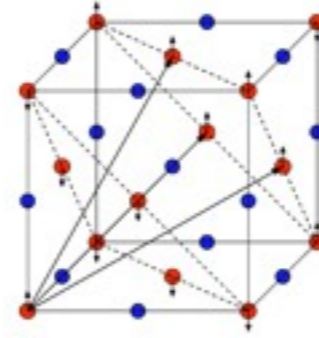


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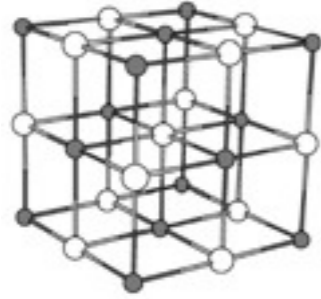


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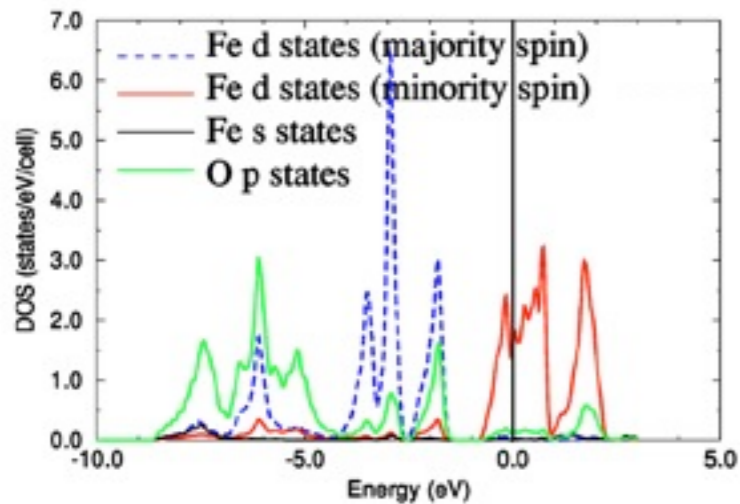
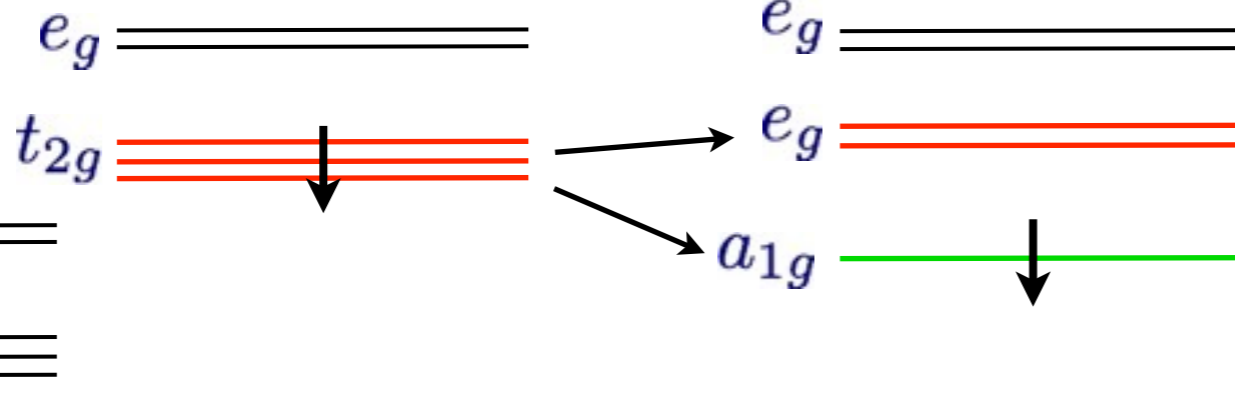
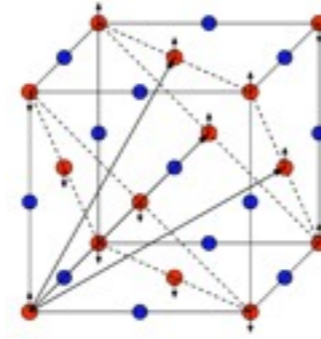


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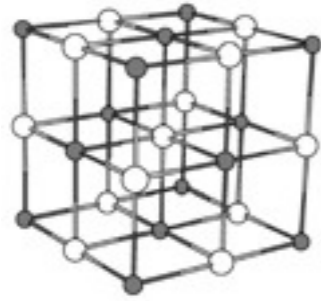


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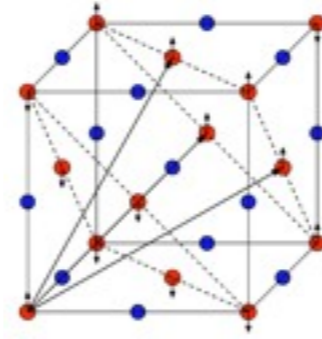


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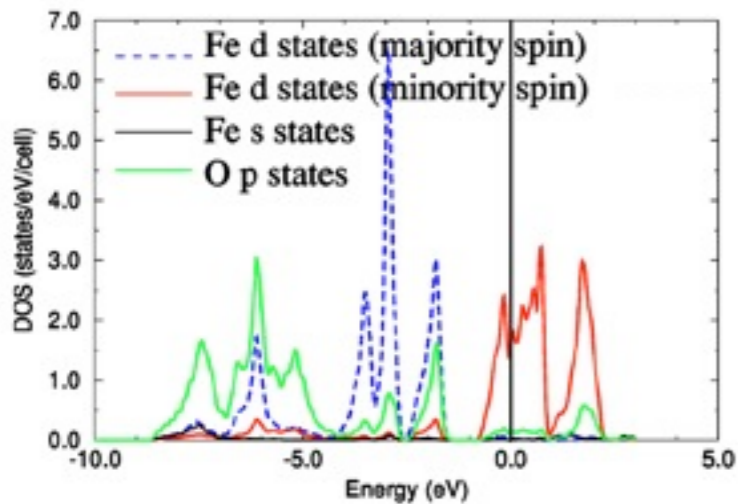
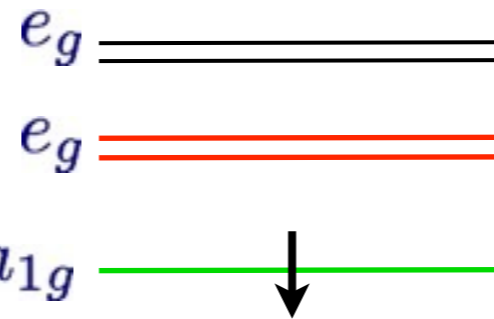
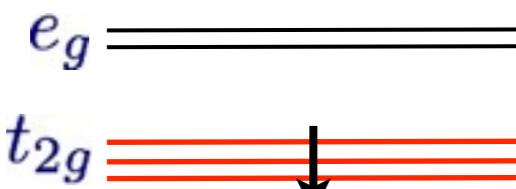
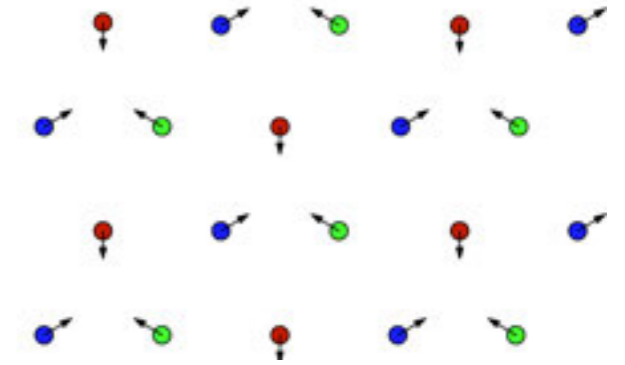
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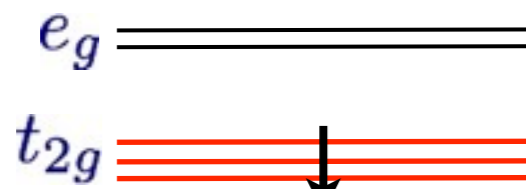
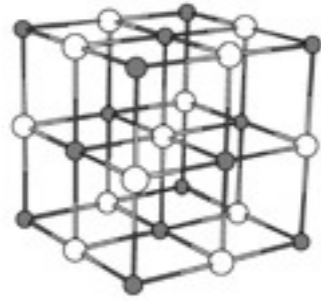


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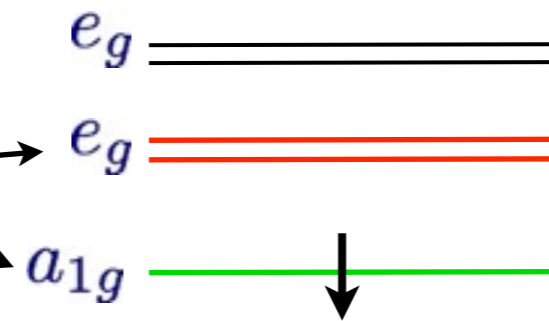
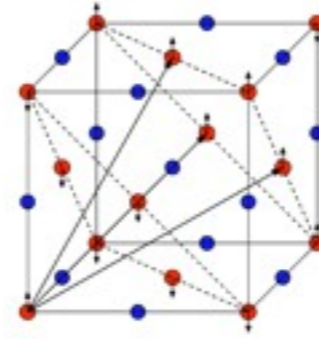


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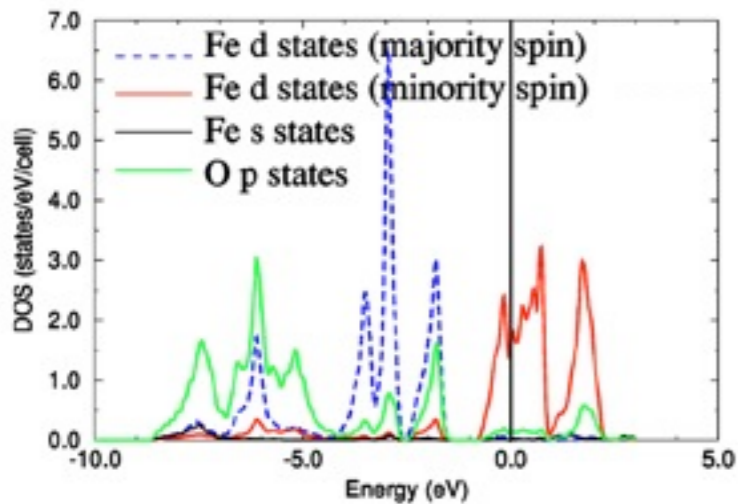
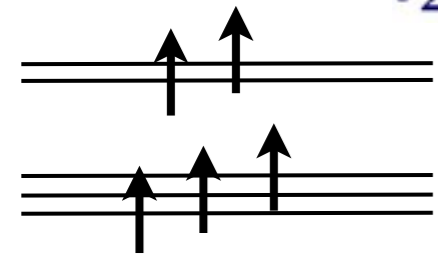
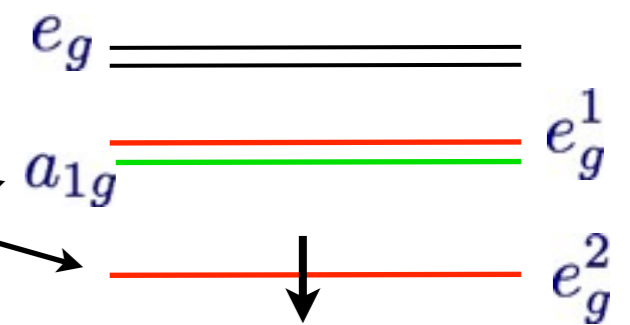
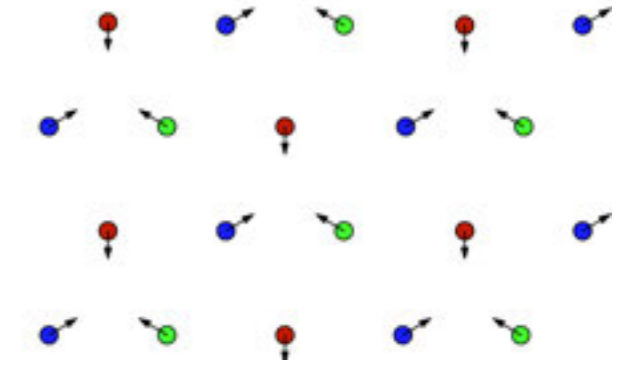
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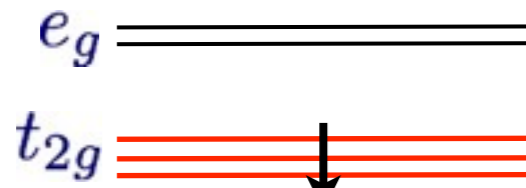
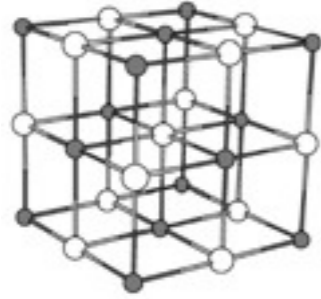


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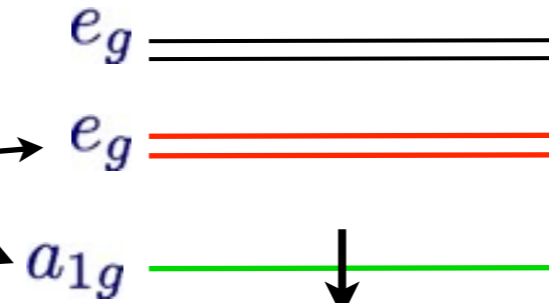
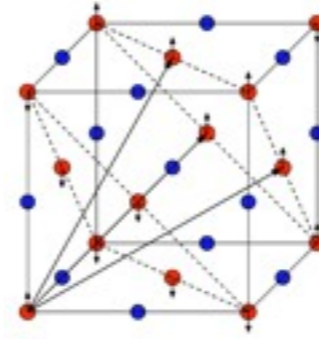


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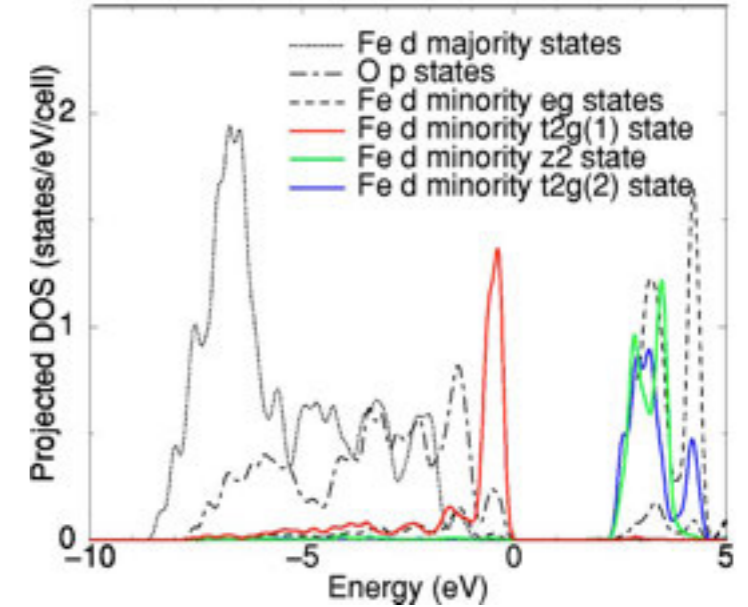
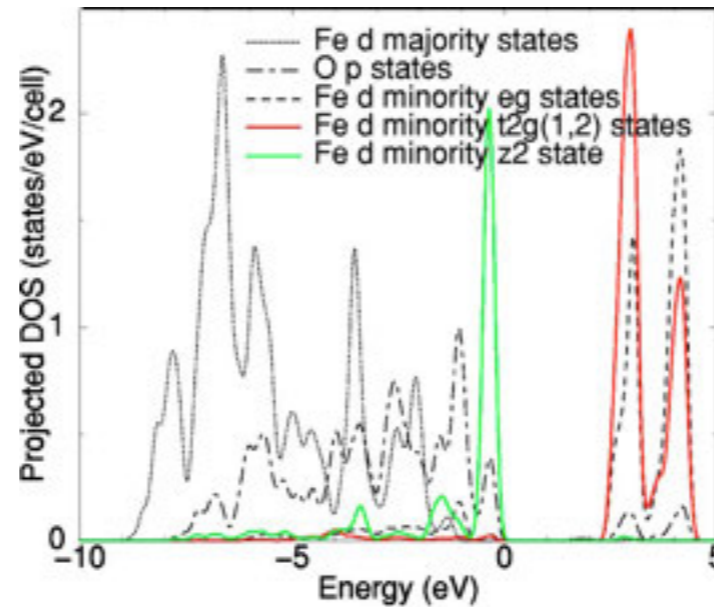
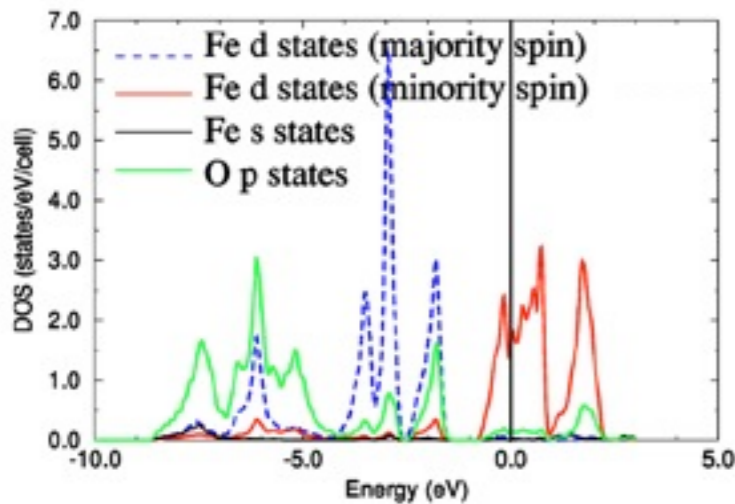
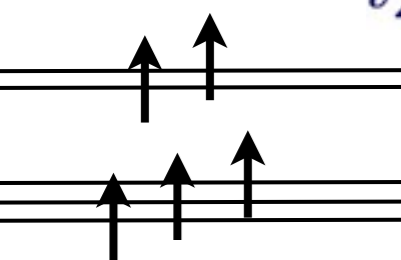
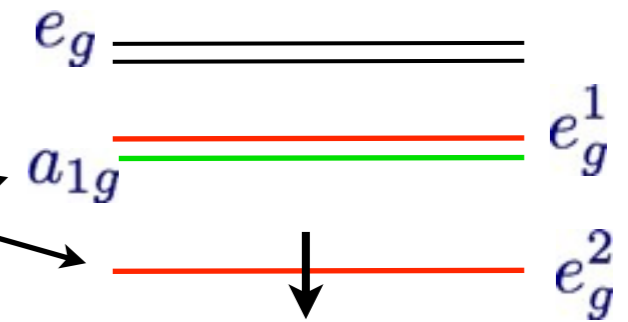
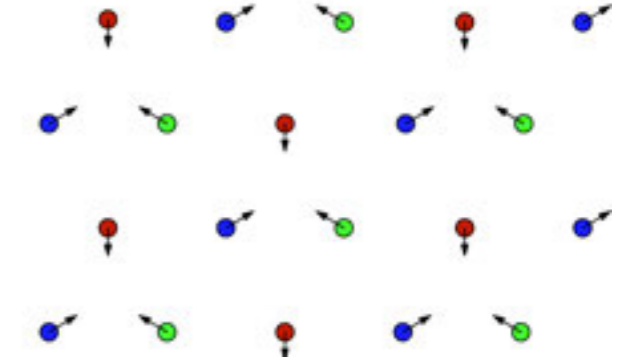
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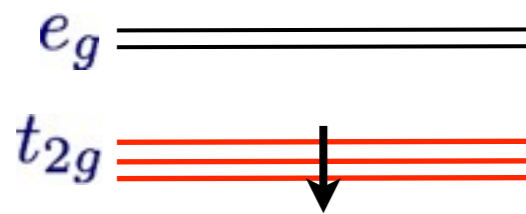
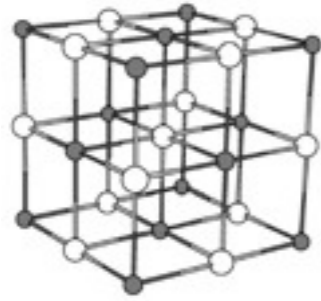


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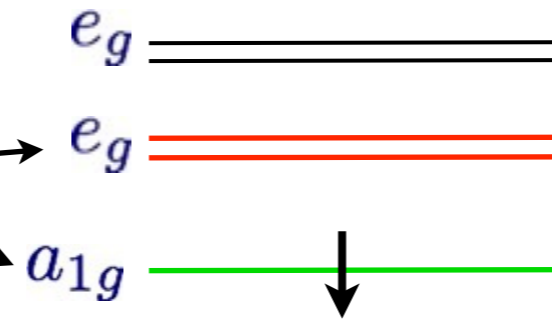
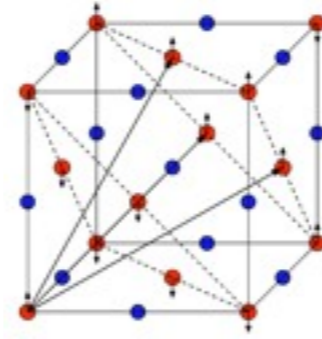


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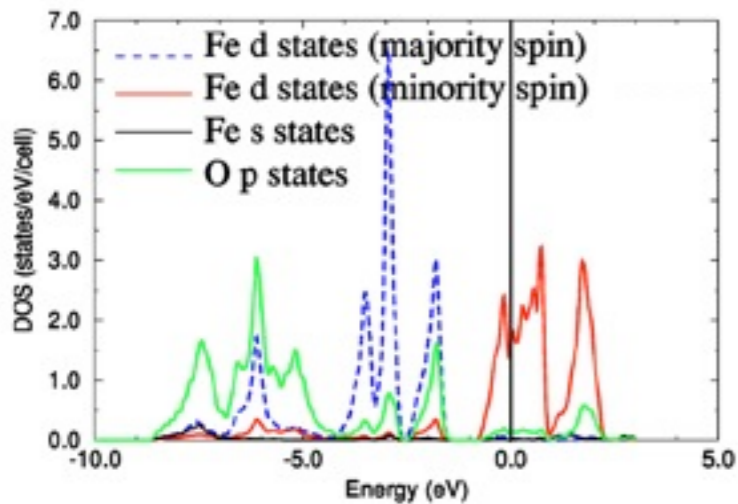
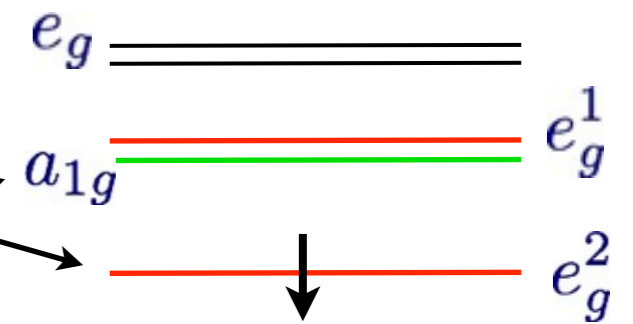
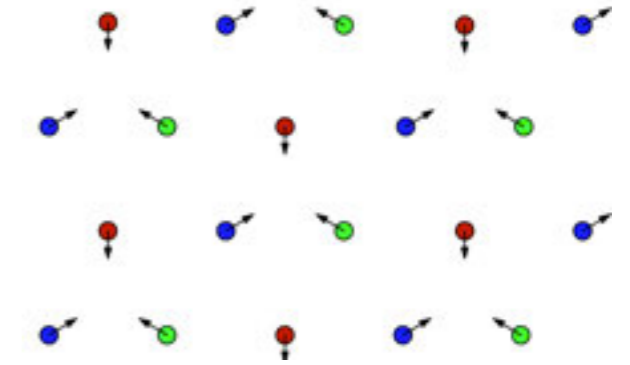
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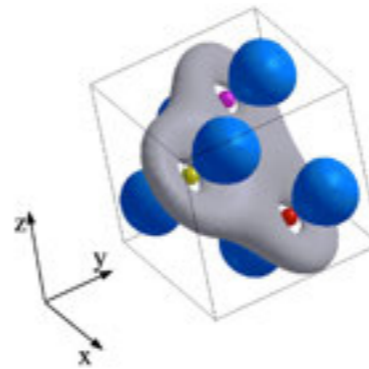
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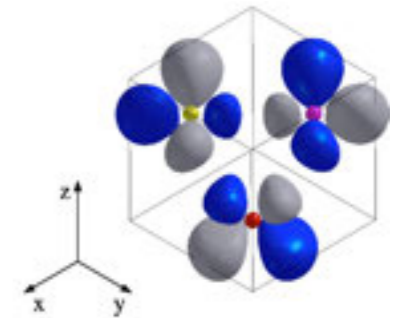
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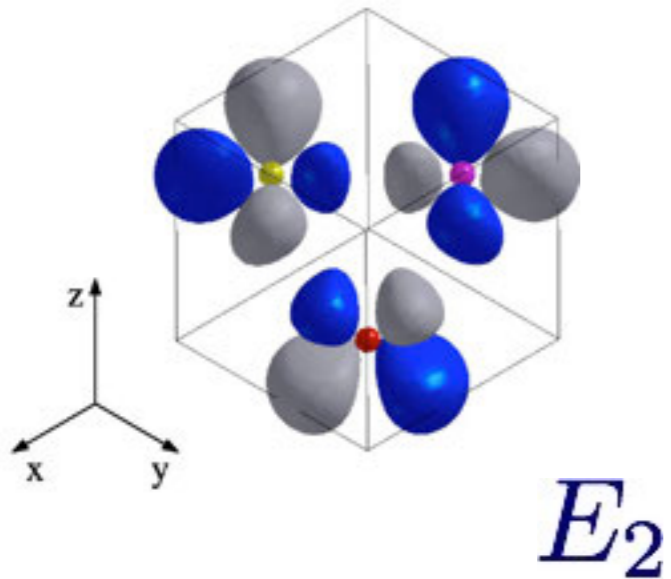
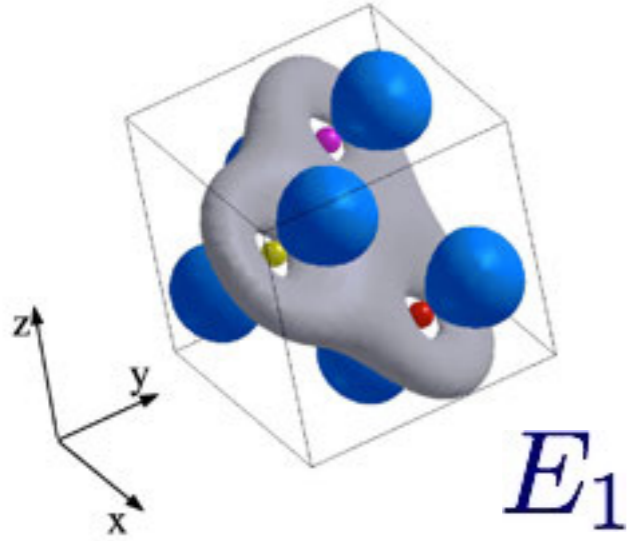
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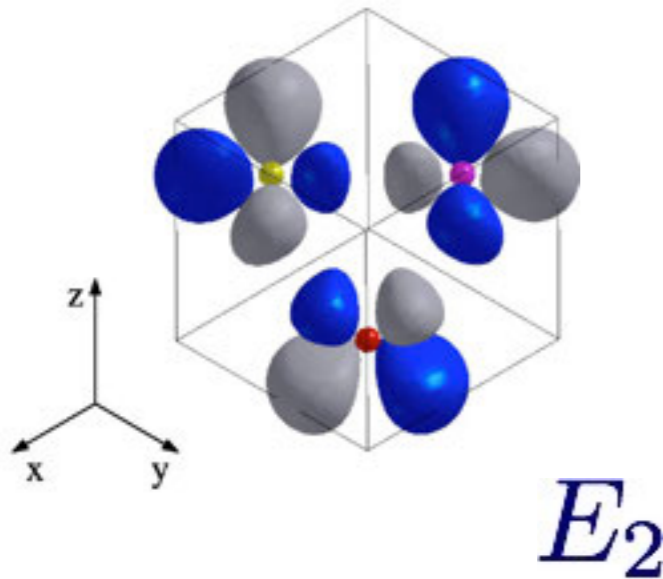
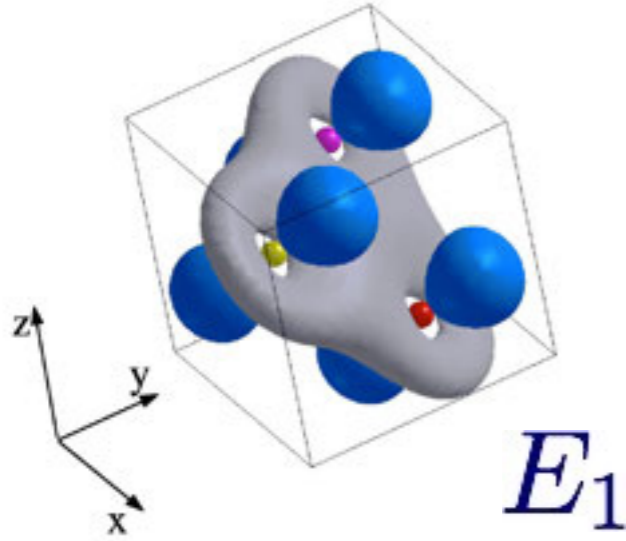


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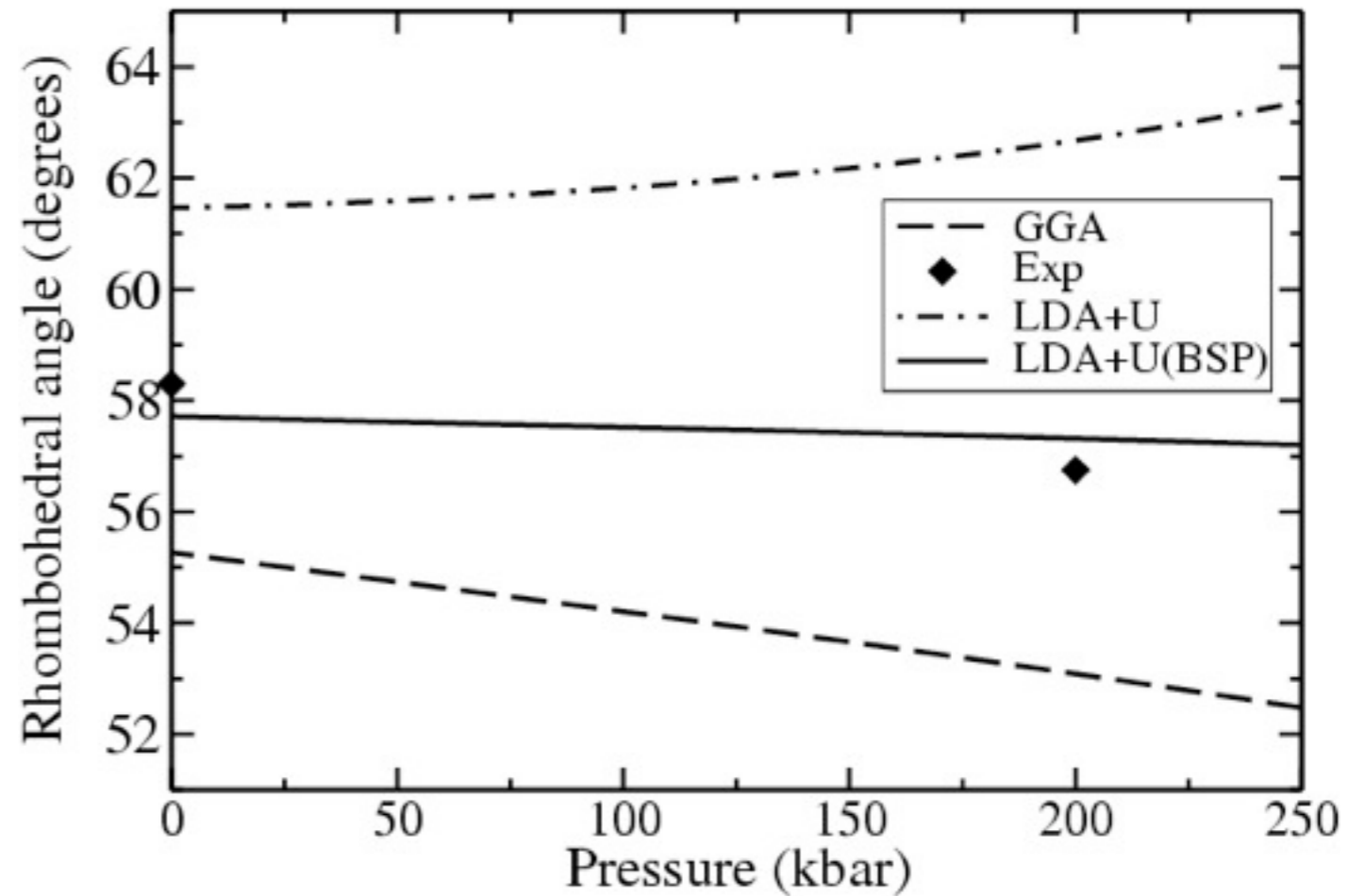
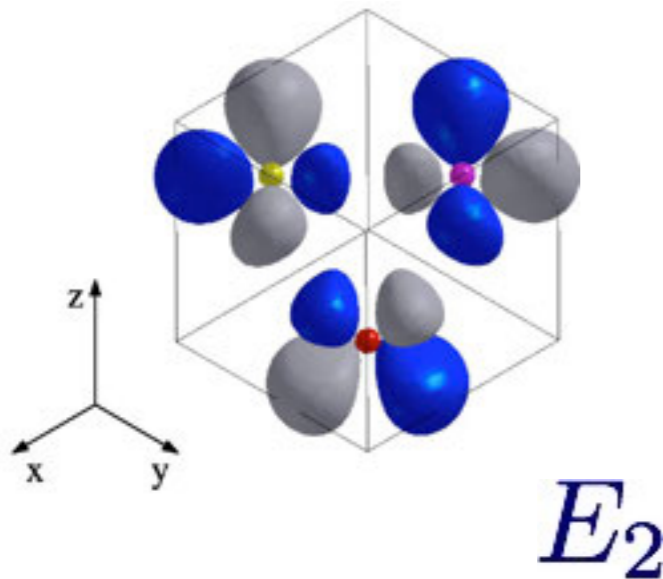
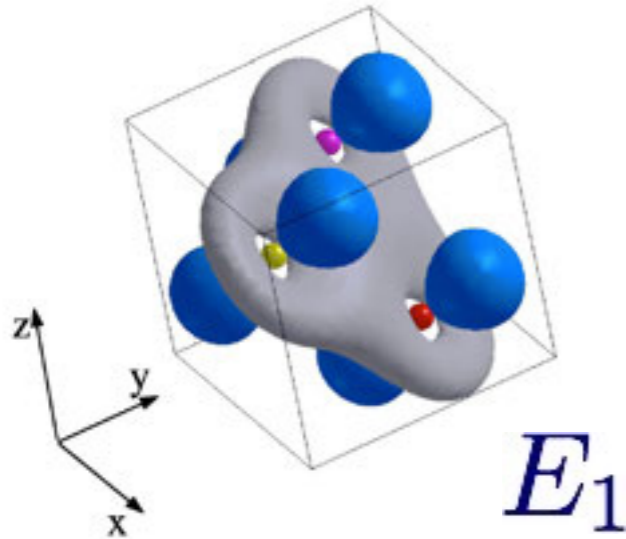
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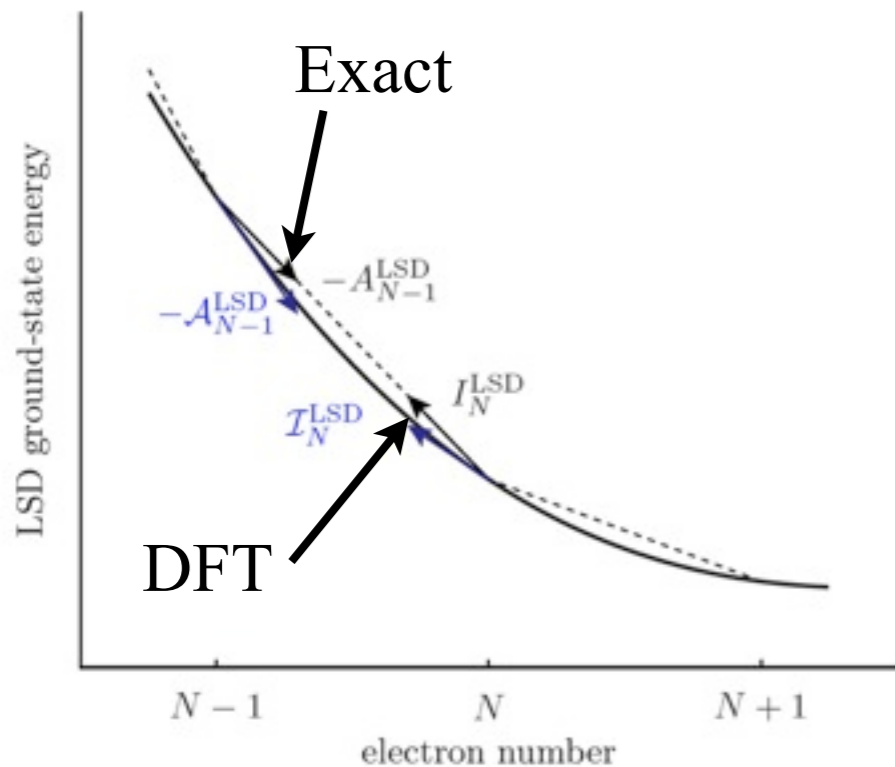
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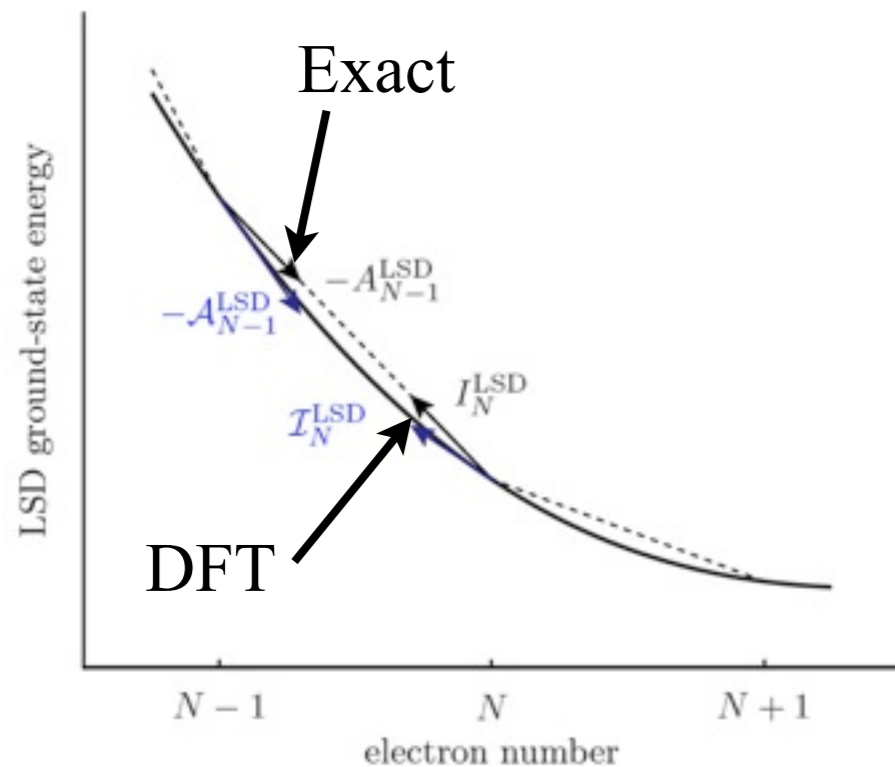


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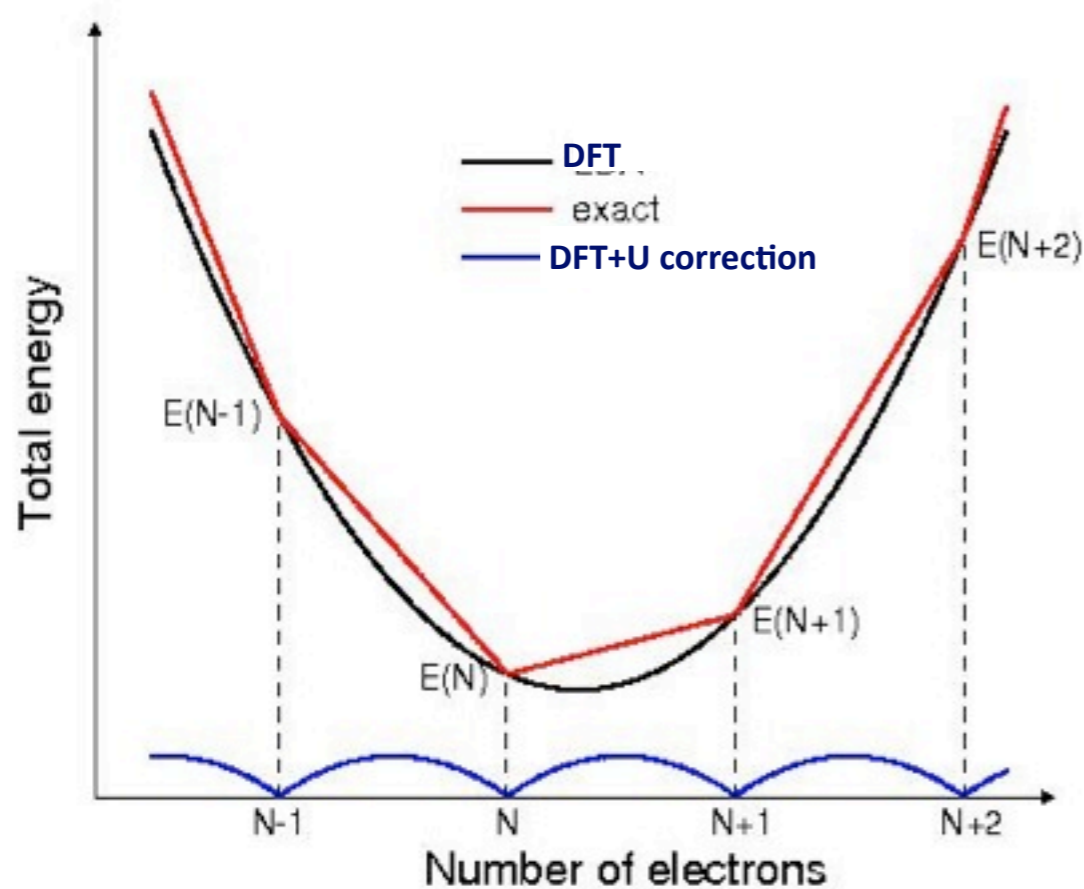
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- Energy should be linear between integer N
- Potential should be discontinuous at integer N
- Discontinuity of 1st derivative: fundamental gap

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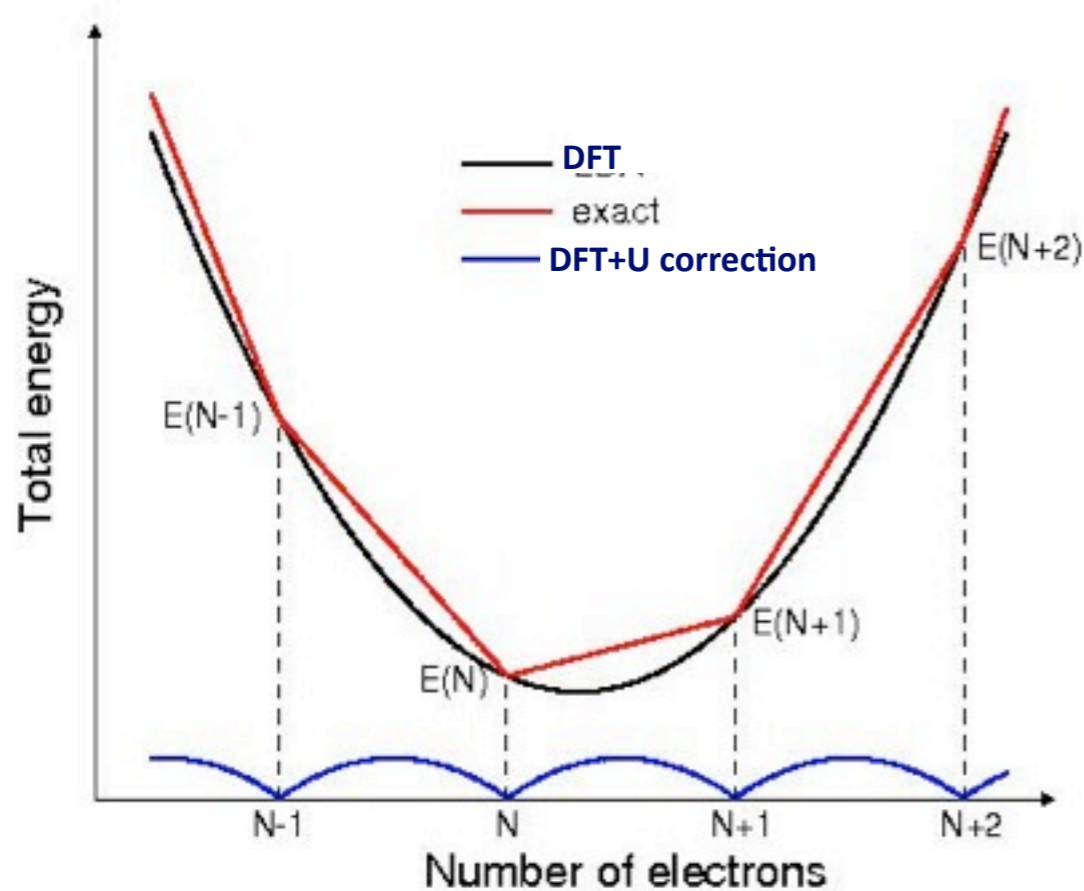
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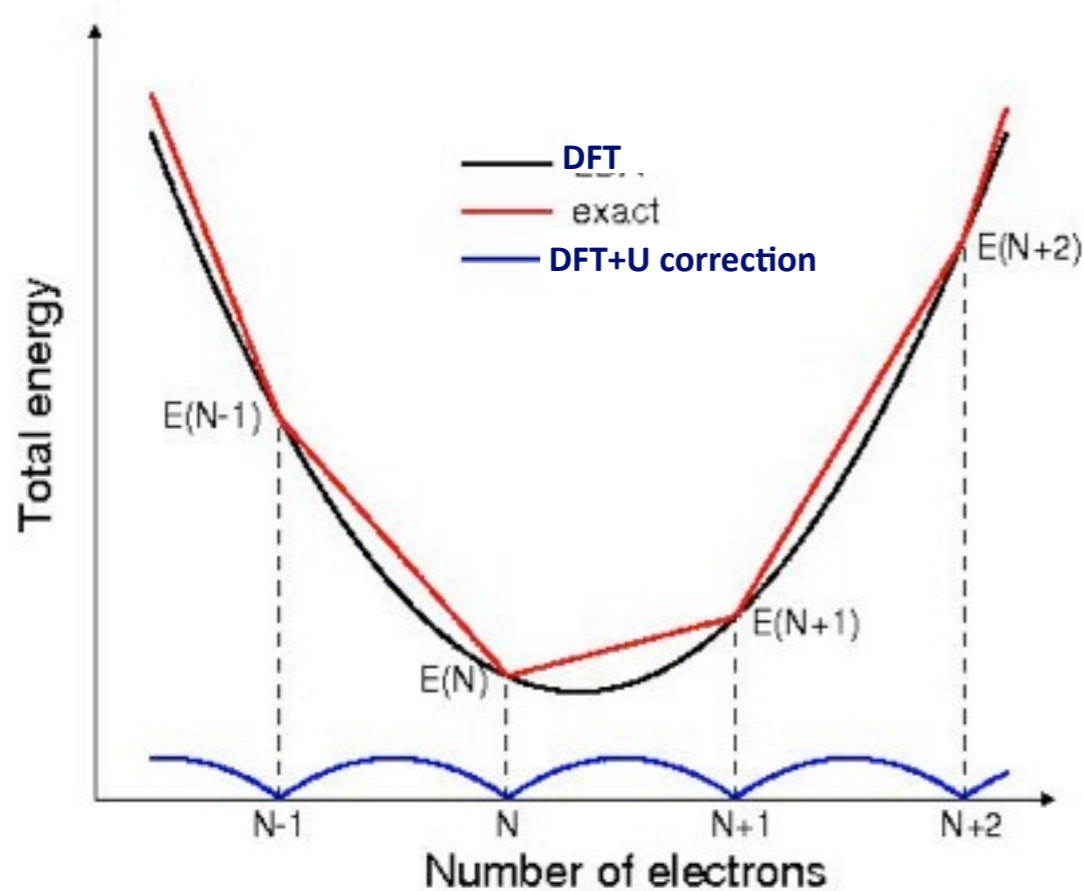
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- Second derivatives can not be directly obtained from DFT calculations
- Legendre transforms can help us:

Let's apply a shift to the potential acting on localized states:

$$E[\{\alpha^I\}] = \min_{\rho} \left\{ E[\rho(\mathbf{r})] + \sum_I \alpha^I n^I \right\}$$

A functional of the atomic occupations can be defined as:

$$E[\{n^I\}] = E[\{\alpha^I\}] - \sum_I \alpha^I n_{min}^I$$

First and second derivatives can be easily obtained:

$$\frac{dE[\{n^I\}]}{dn^I} = -\alpha^I(\{n^J\}) \quad \frac{d^2E[\{n^J\}]}{d(n^I)^2} = -\frac{d\alpha^I(\{n^J\})}{dn^I}$$

Linear response

Apply a perturbation to the potential acting on the localized states of each Hubbard atom and compute the response of the occupations

$$V_{tot}|\psi_{kv}^{\sigma}\rangle = V_{KS}|\psi_{kv}^{\sigma}\rangle + \alpha^I \sum_m |\phi_m^I\rangle \langle \phi_m^I | \psi_{kv}^{\sigma}\rangle \Rightarrow \Delta n^I$$

Response matrices:

$$\chi^{IJ} = \frac{dn^I}{d\alpha^J} \quad \chi_0^{IJ} = \frac{dn_0^I}{d\alpha^J}$$

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Using linear-response theory and the definitions given in the previous slides, one obtains:

$$U_{ijkl} = \int \int \phi_i(\mathbf{r})^* \phi_j(\mathbf{r}) \left[\frac{1}{|\mathbf{r} - \mathbf{r}'|} + \frac{\delta v_{xc}(\mathbf{r})}{\delta \rho(\mathbf{r}')} \right] \phi_k(\mathbf{r}')^* \phi_l(\mathbf{r}') d\mathbf{r} d\mathbf{r}'$$

The U^I actually computed is a “renormalized” atomically-averaged quantity. The renormalization is due to other (non-localized) states.

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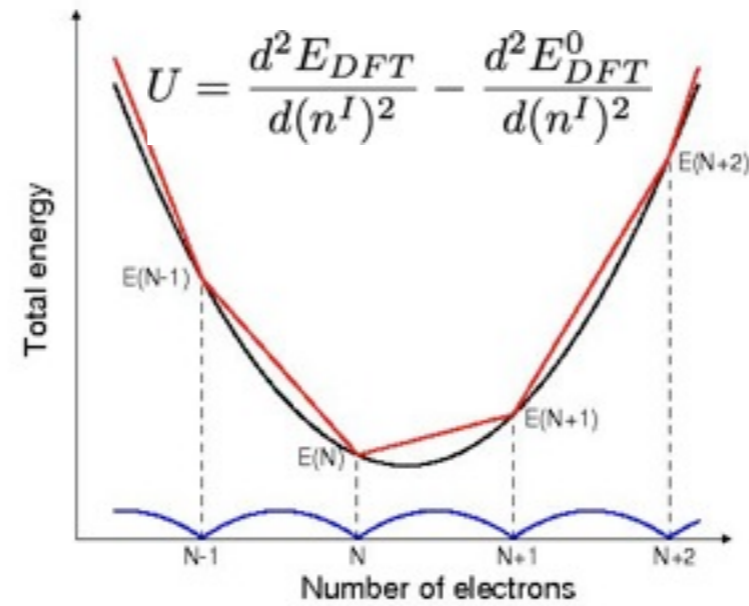
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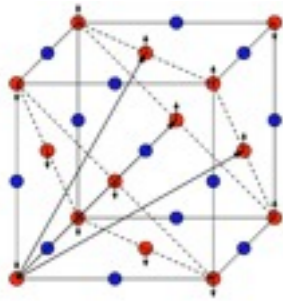
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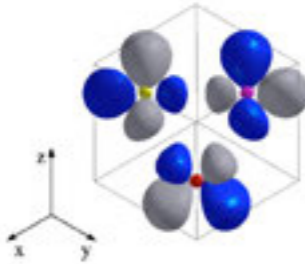
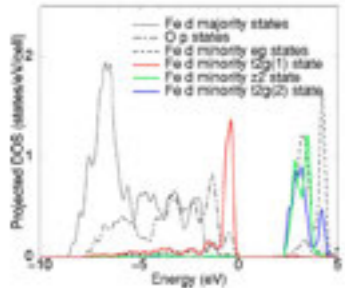
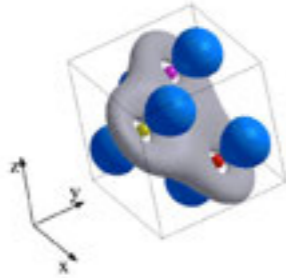
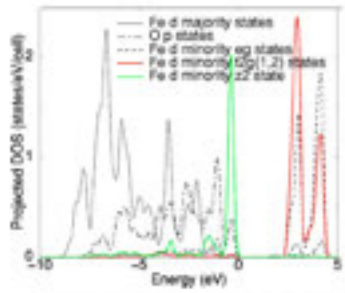


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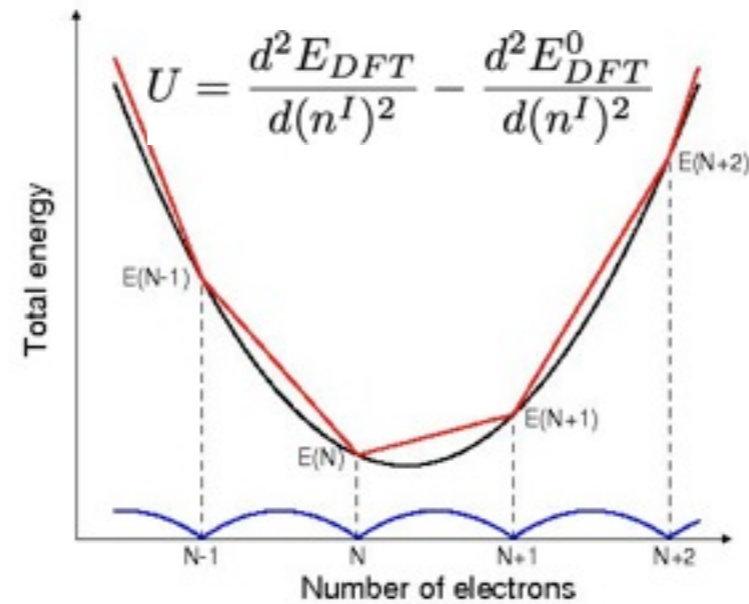


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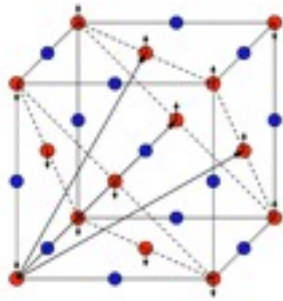
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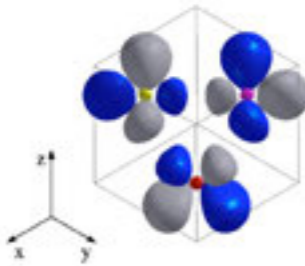
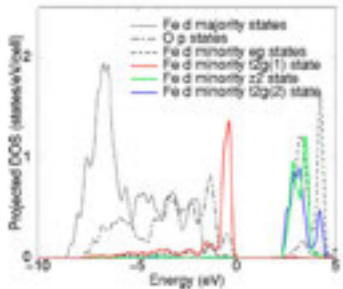
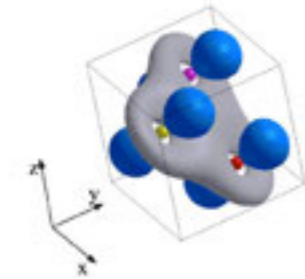
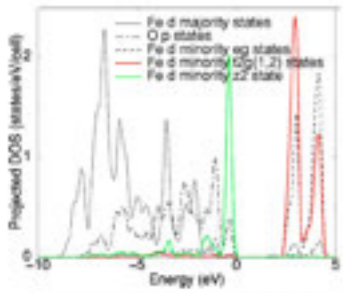


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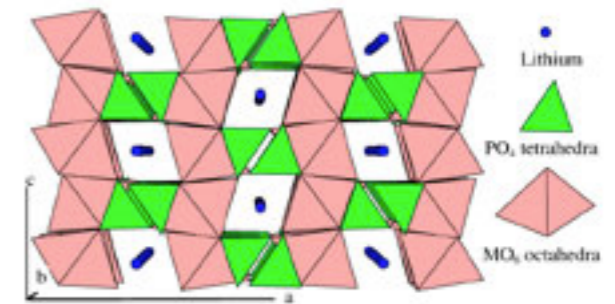
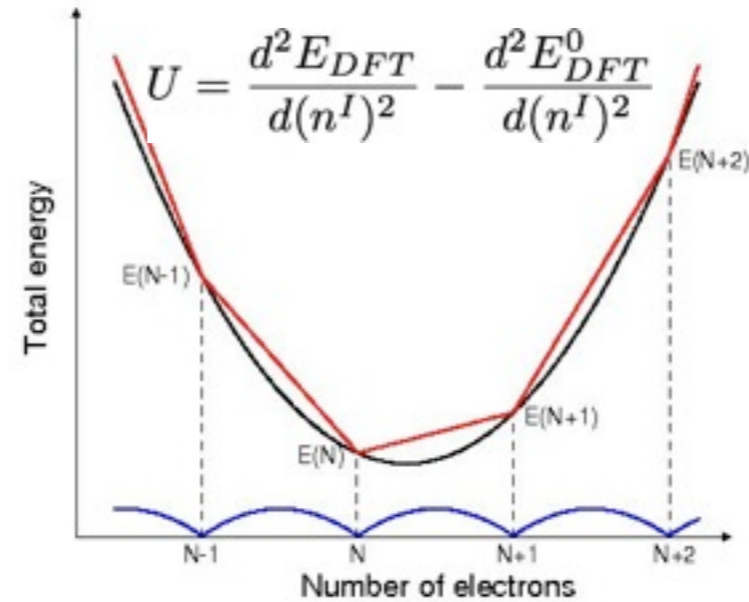


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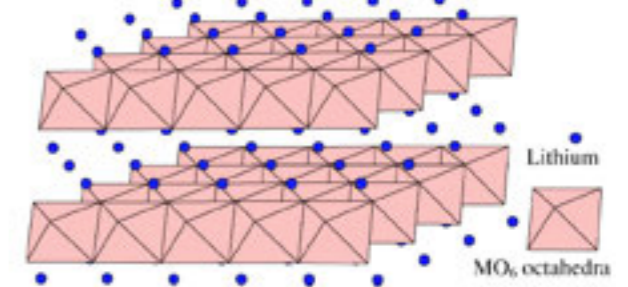
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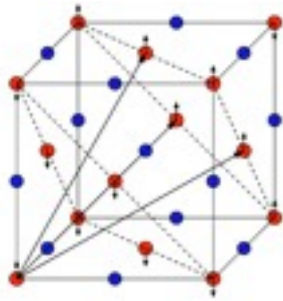


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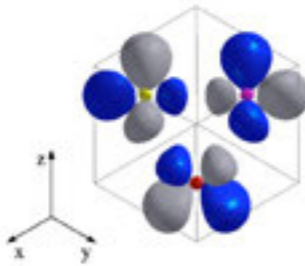
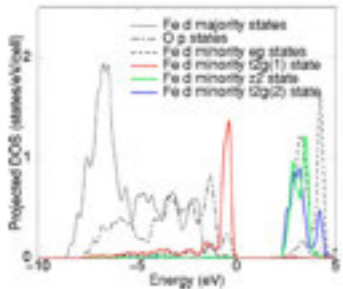
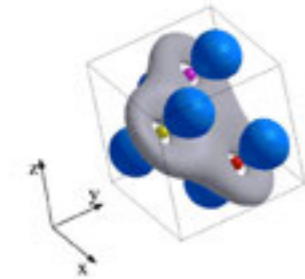
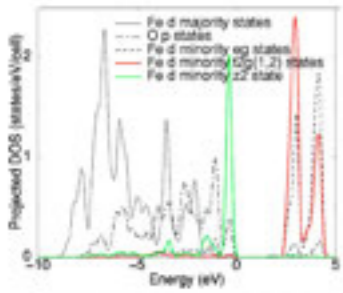
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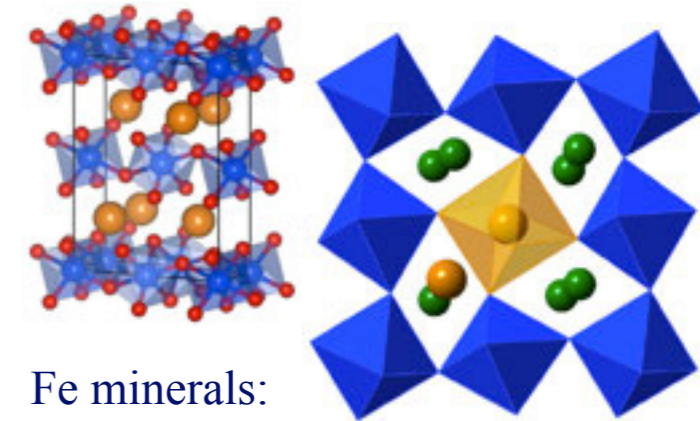
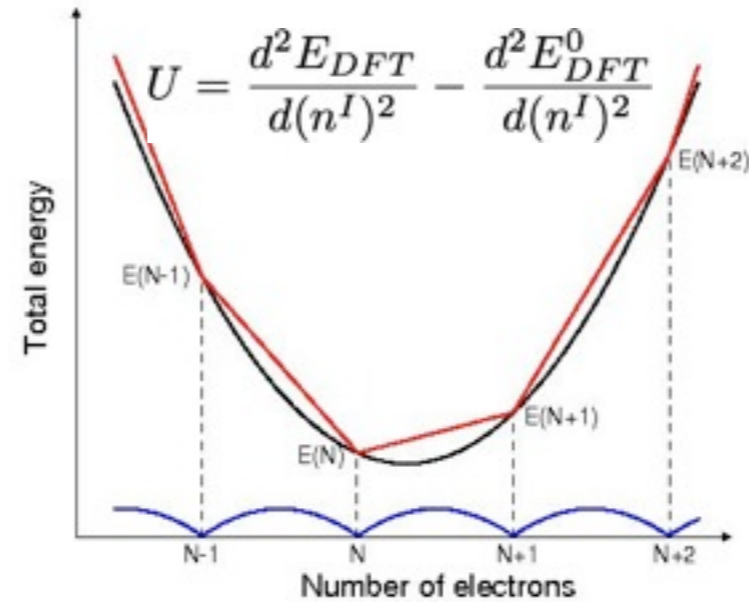


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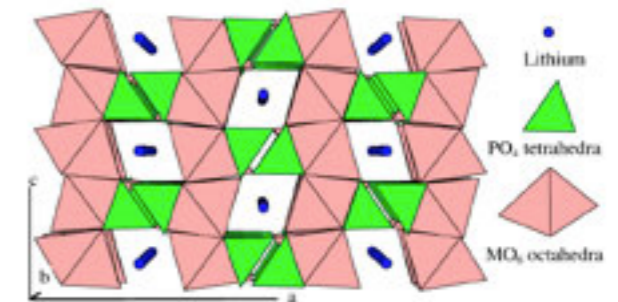


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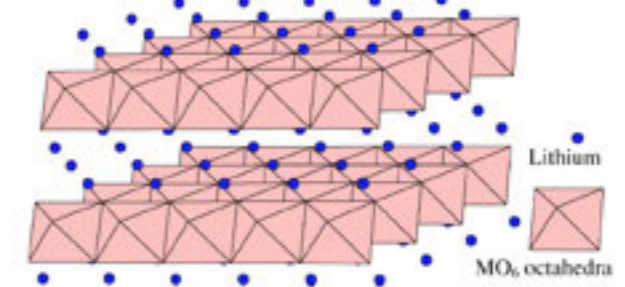


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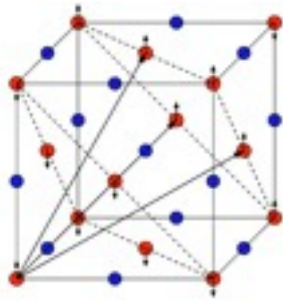


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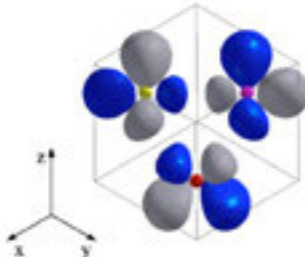
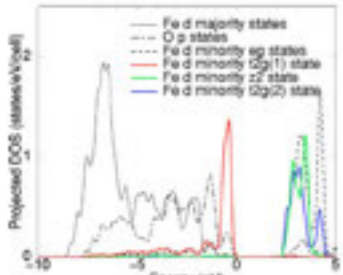
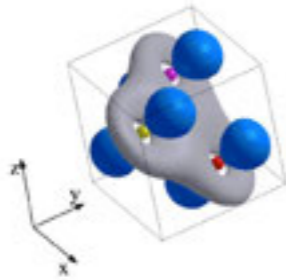
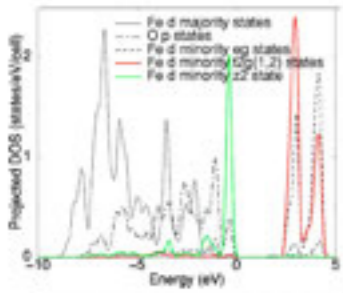
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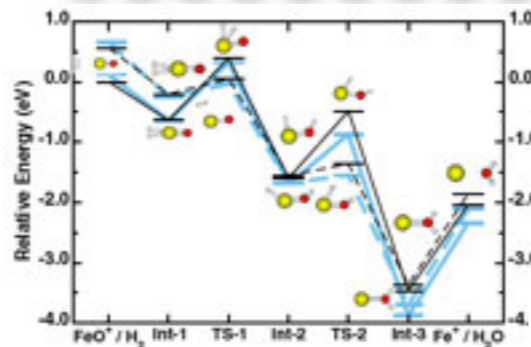
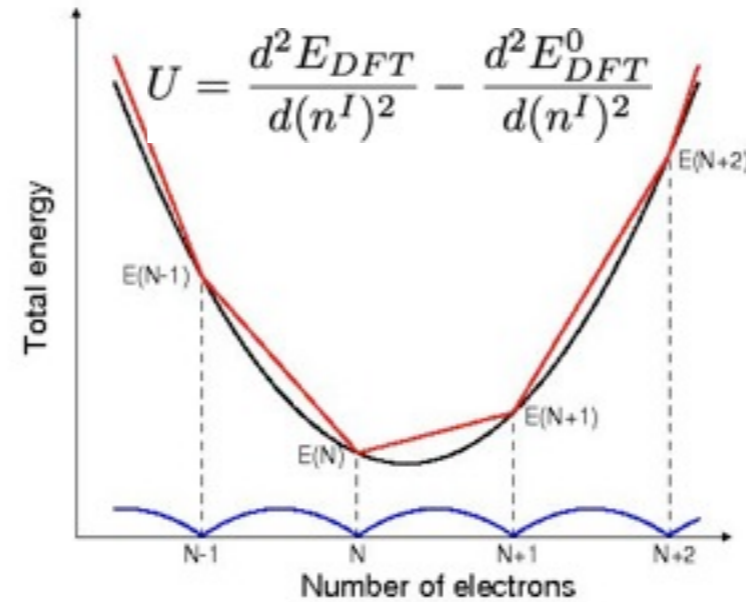


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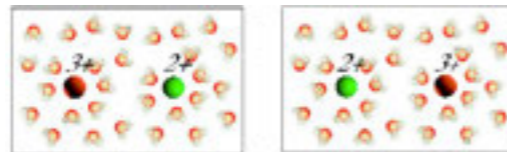
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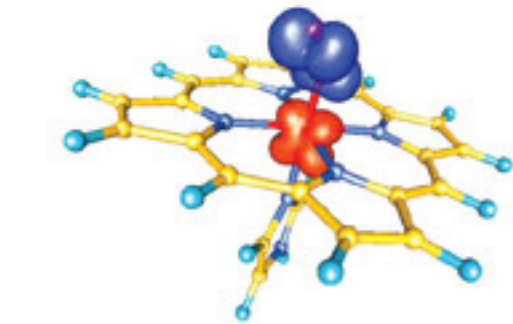
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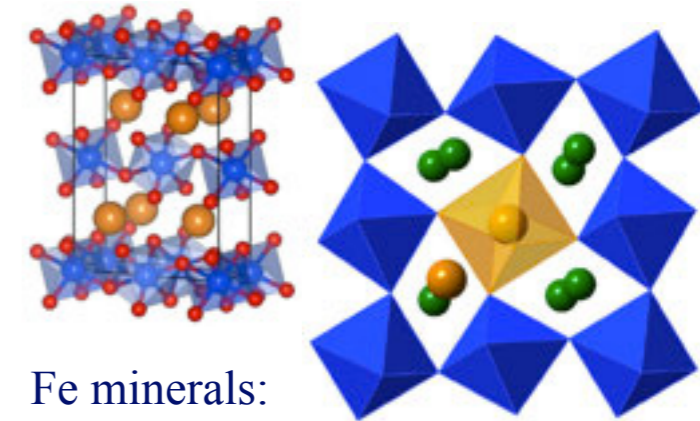


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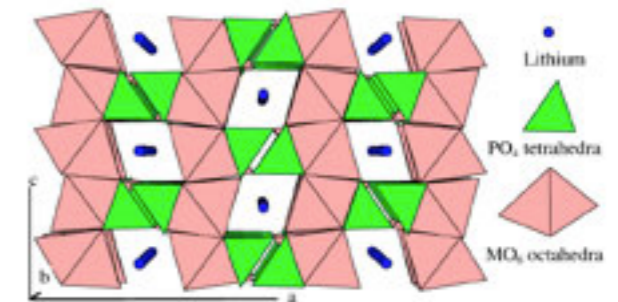
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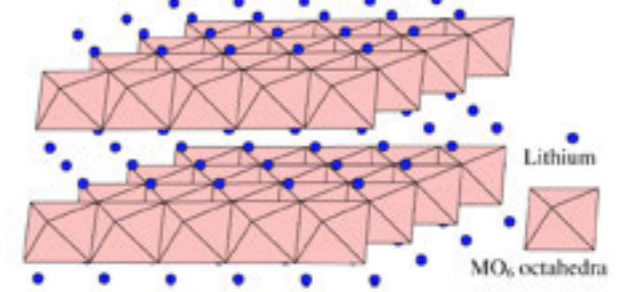


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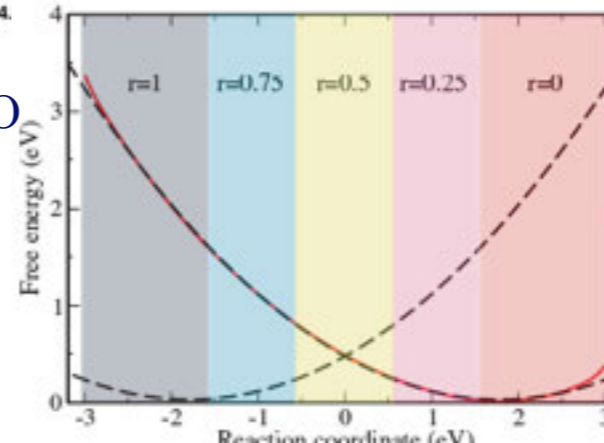
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LDA+U_{scf}: computing U from a LDA+U ground state

LDA and LDA+U ground states can be qualitatively different.

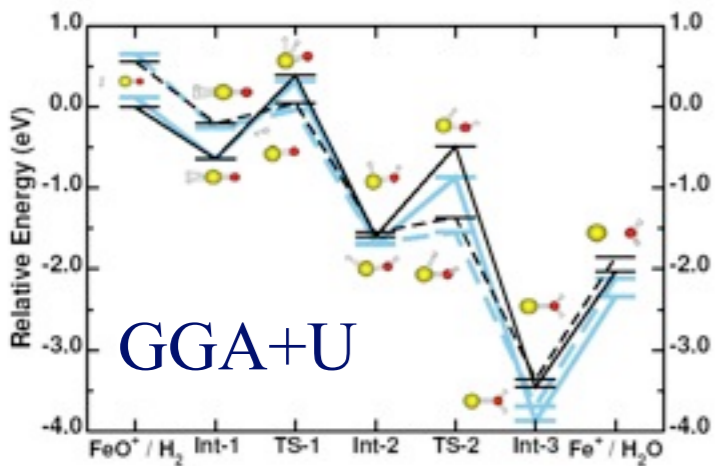
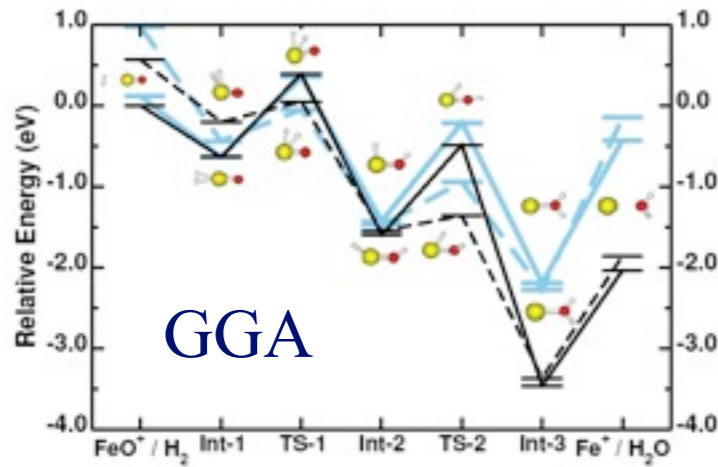
U can be calculated as the curvature of the DFT part of the energy corresponding to a LDA+U ground state

$$E[\{\alpha_I\}] = \min_{\rho} \left\{ E_{DFT}[\rho(\mathbf{r})] + E_U[\{n^I\}] + \sum_I \alpha^I n^I \right\}$$

In the perturbed run we keep the Hubbard potential “frozen” (we construct it with the same n^I of the unperturbed scf calculation)

U is recomputed until consistent with the one used in the expression of E_U

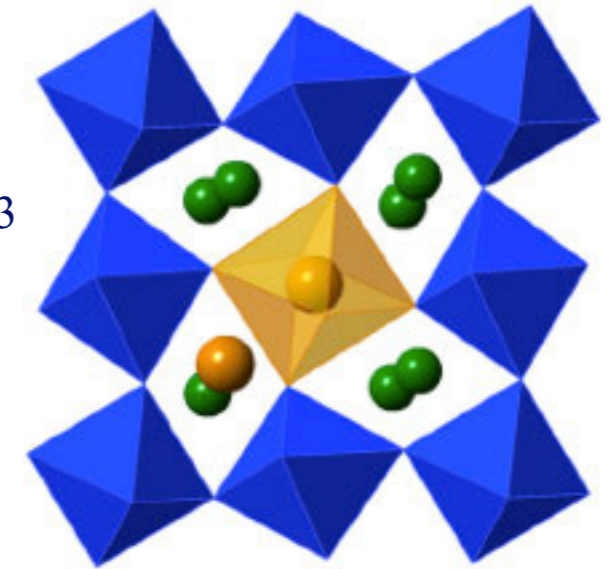
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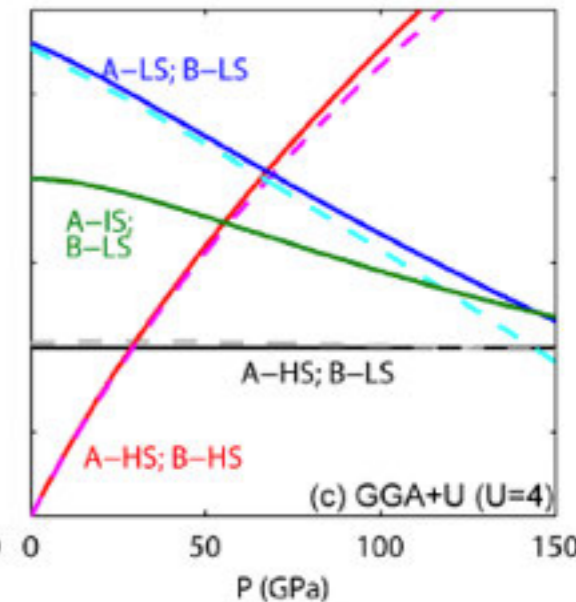
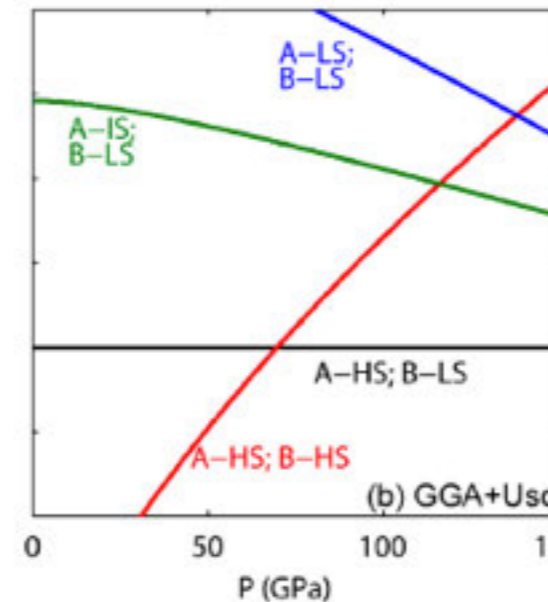


(Mg,Fe)(Si,Fe)O₃ perovskite



(Mg_{0.875}Fe_{0.125})(Si_{0.875}Fe_{0.125})O₃

ΔE_a	Forward Reaction			Back Reaction		
	GGA	GGA+U	CCSD(T)	GGA	GGA+U	CCSD(T)
TS-1 ⁴	0.39	0.22	0.25	1.43	1.64	1.60
TS-1 ⁶	0.99	0.96	1.03	1.60	2.02	1.99
TS-2 ⁴	0.54	0.13	0.19	1.34	2.15	2.01
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LDA+U for metals: FLL vs AMF limits

Fully Localized Limit (FLL)

$$E_{DFT+U}[\rho(\mathbf{r})] = E_{DFT}[\rho(\mathbf{r})] + \sum_{I,\sigma} \frac{U^I}{2} \text{Tr} [\mathbf{n}^{I\sigma} (\mathbf{1} - \mathbf{n}^{I\sigma})]$$

Favors integer occupations

V. I. Anisimov *et al.*, PRB 48, 16929 (1993)

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S. L. Dudarev *et al.*, PRB 57, 1505 (1998)

Around Mean-Field (AMF)

$$E_{DFT+U} = E_{DFT} + \sum_I \frac{U^I}{2} \text{Tr} (\mathbf{n}^I - \langle n^I \rangle)^2$$

Energy costs of fluctuations around even distribution of electrons

V. I. Anisimov *et al.* PRB 44, 943 (1991)

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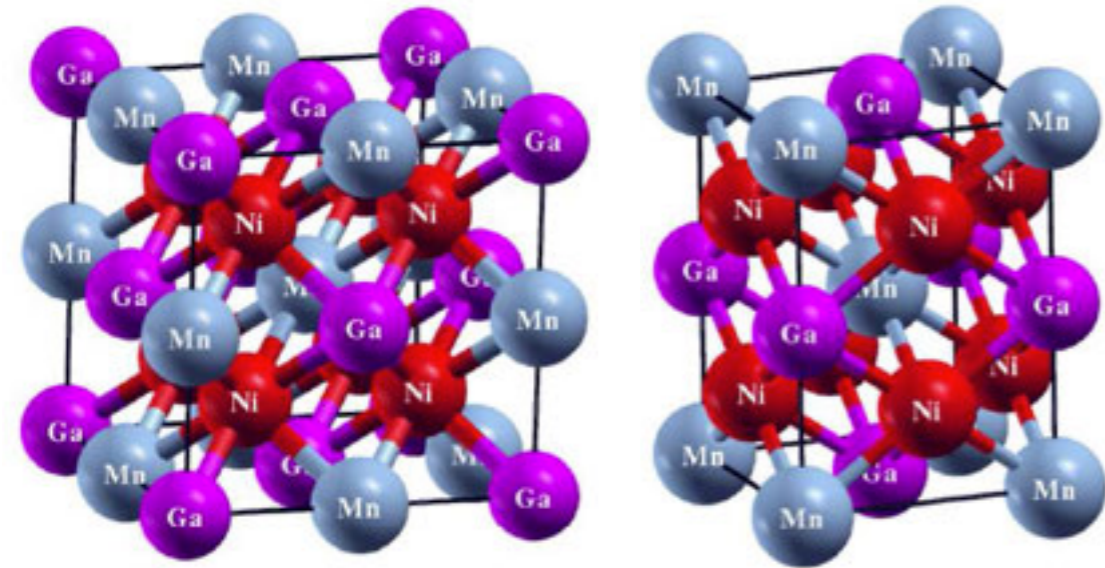
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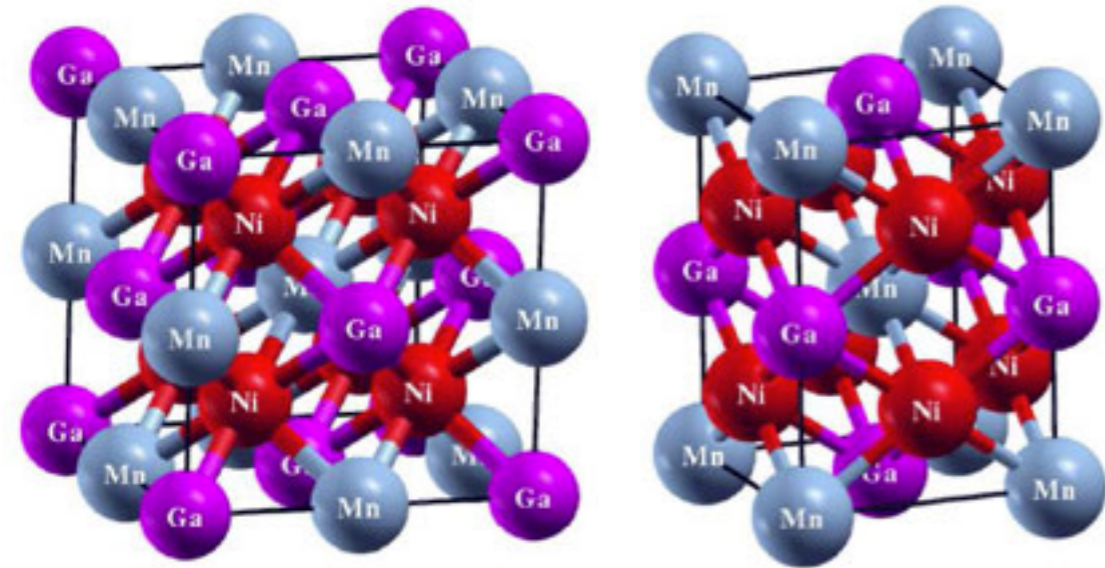
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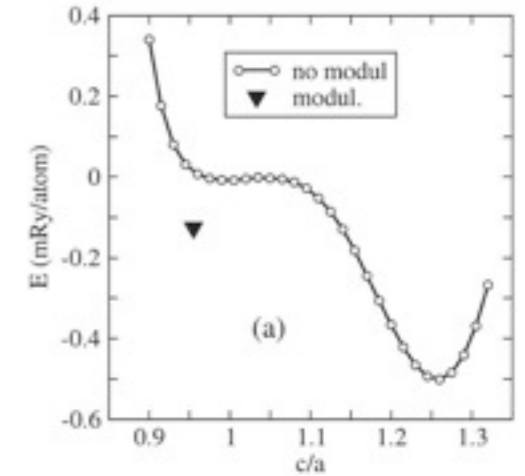
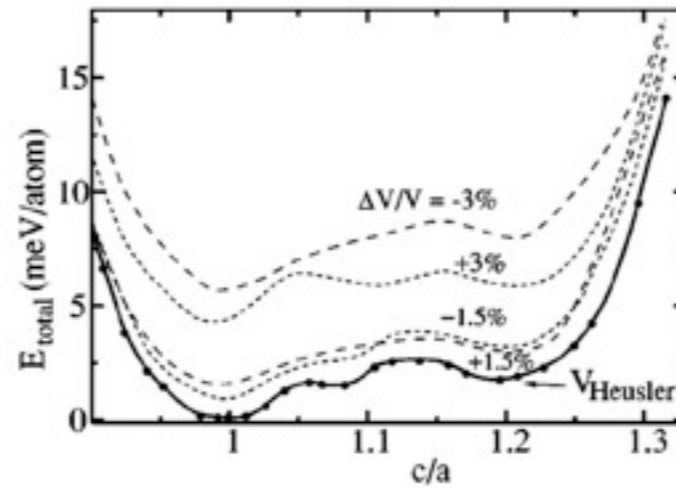
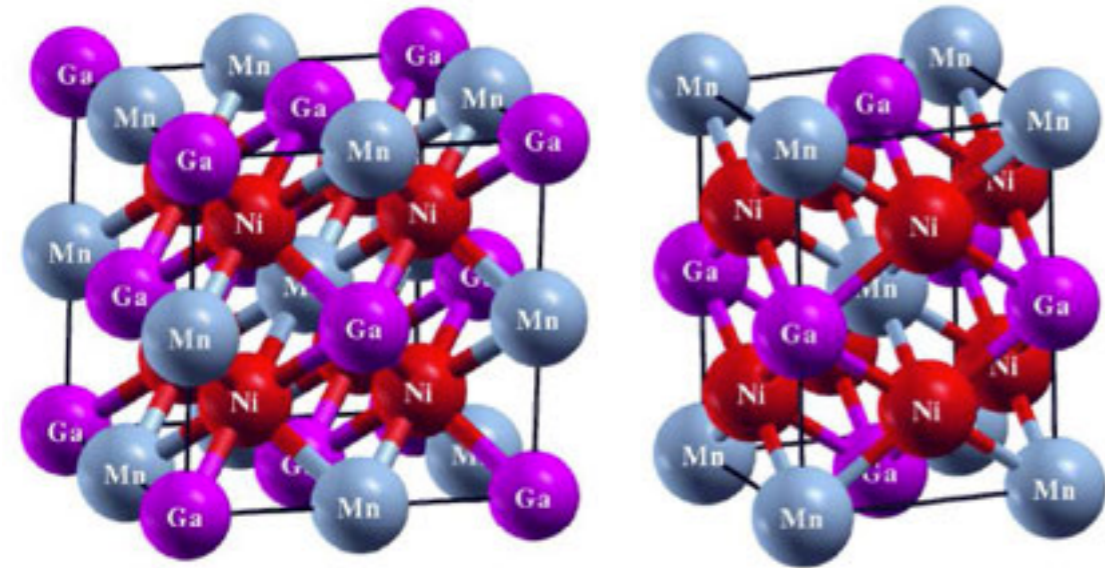
Experiments

Alloy	Content (at %)		e/a	Phase
	Ni	Mn		
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2	50.7	28.3	7.681	5M
3	50.7	27.8	7.661	5M
4	50.6	28.5	7.682	5M
5	50.0	29.8	7.692	5M
6	50.0	28.9	7.656	5M
7	49.9	29.9	7.690	5M
8	49.7	29.1	7.643	5M
9	49.6	29.2	7.640	5M
10	49.2	30.6	7.668	5M
11	49.1	30.7	7.665	5M
12	49.0	30.3	7.642	5M
13	48.5	30.3	7.607	5M
14	51.0	28.5	7.710	7M
15	50.5	29.4	7.711	7M
16	49.5	30.3	7.677	7M
17	48.8	31.4	7.672	7M
18	54.9	23.8	7.795	NM
19	54.0	24.7	7.768	NM
20	53.9	24.4	7.749	NM
21	53.7	26.4	7.815	NM
22	53.3	24.6	7.715	NM
23	52.9	25.0	7.703	NM
24	52.8	25.7	7.724	NM
25	52.7	26.0	7.729	NM
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29	51.5	26.8	7.677	NM
30	51.2	27.4	7.68	NM
31	51.0	28.7	7.721	NM
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33	47.0	33.1	7.614	NM

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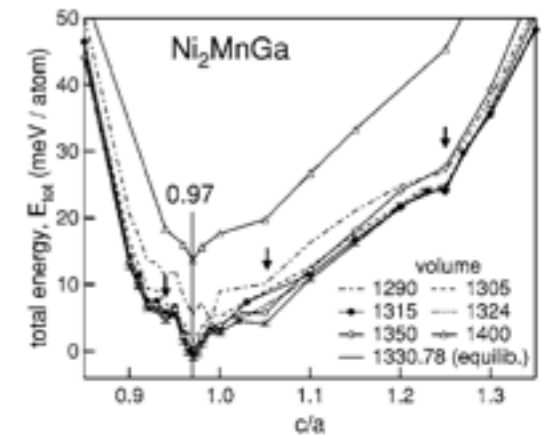
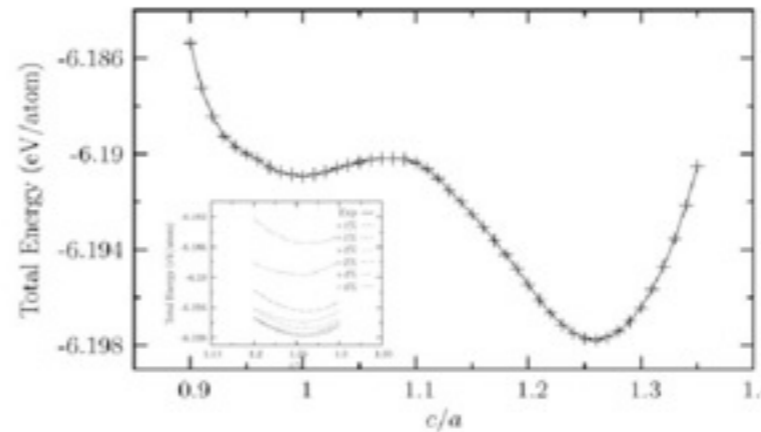
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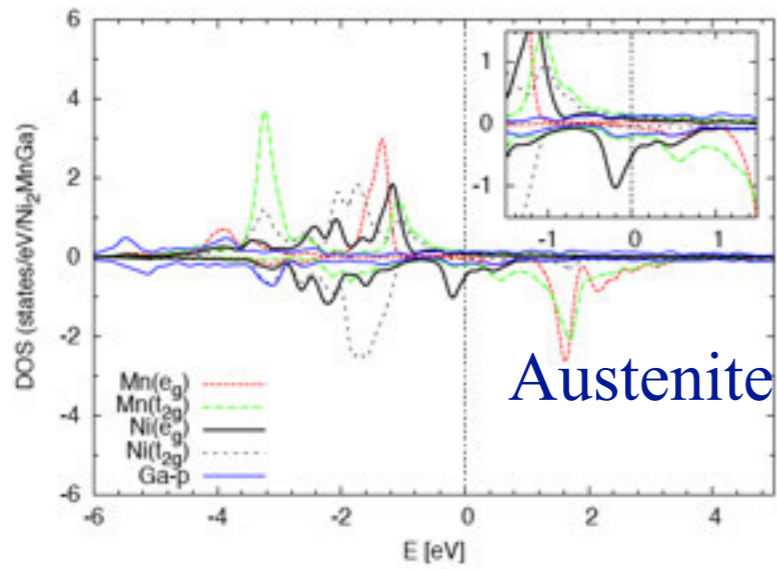
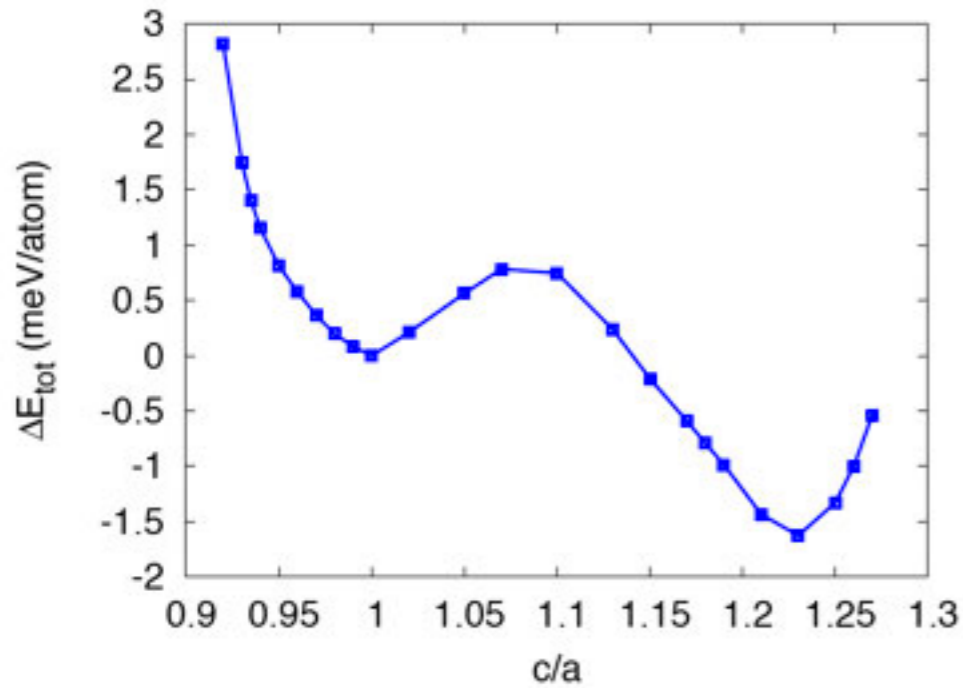
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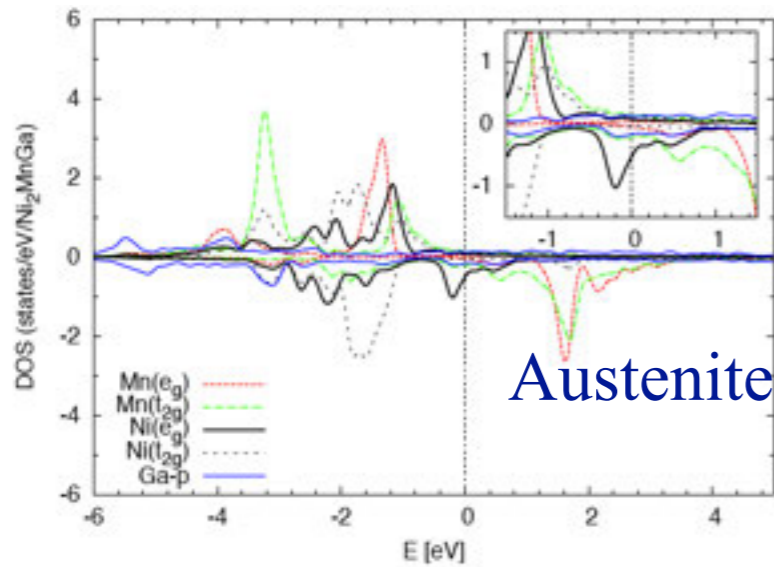
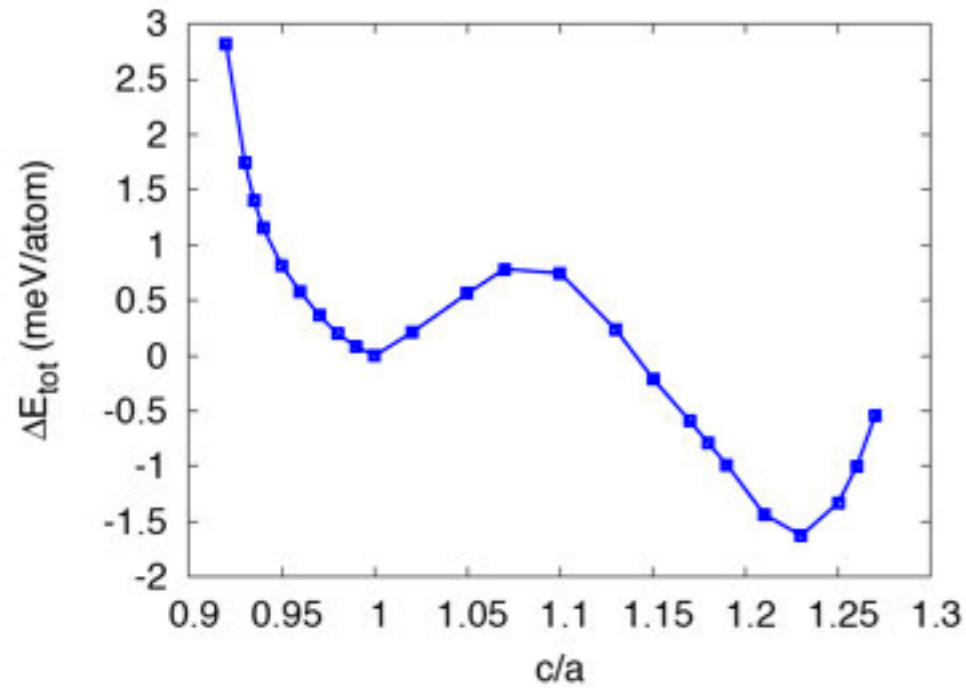
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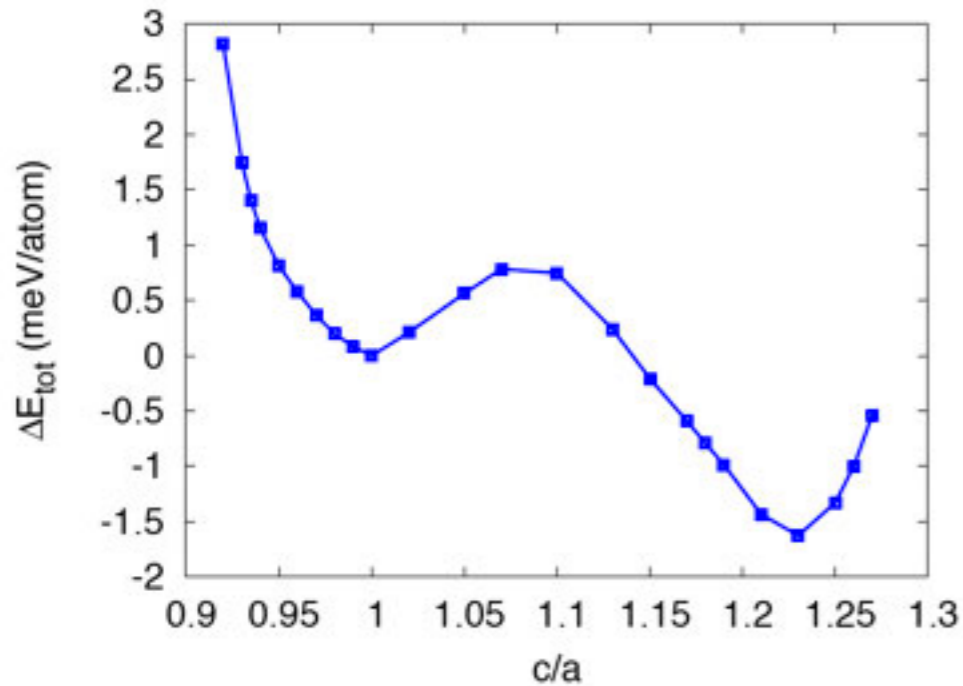


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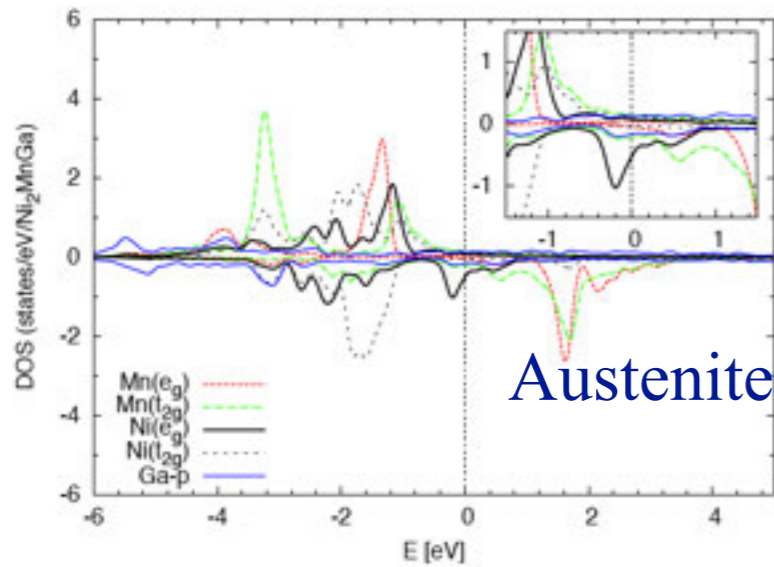
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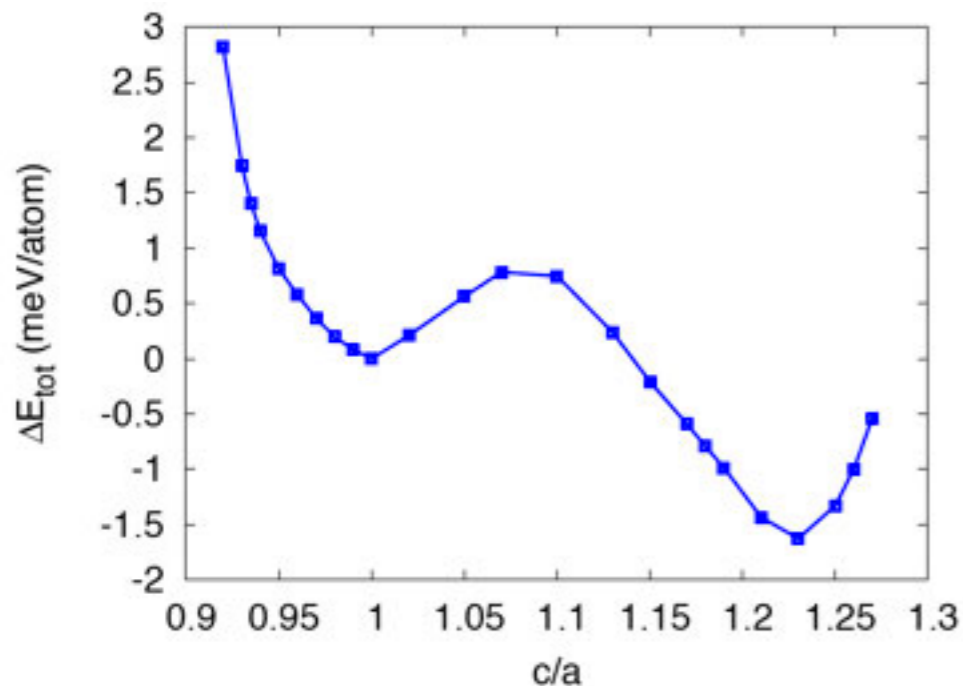
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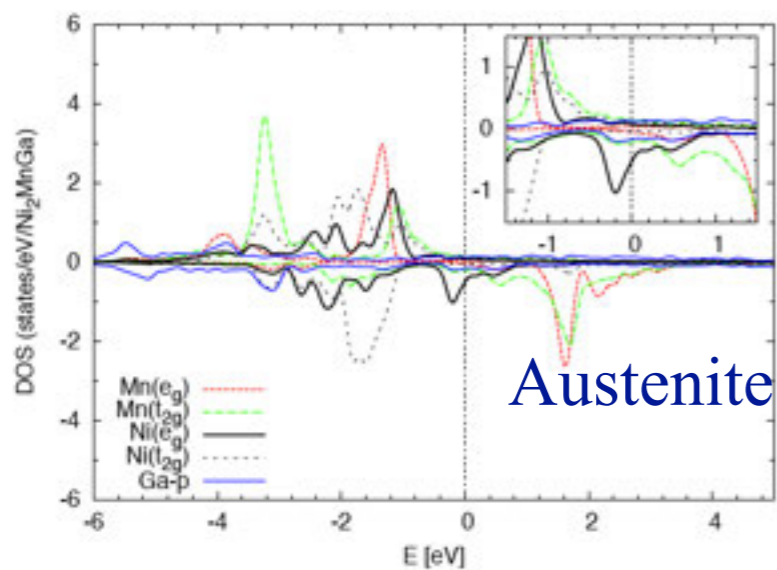
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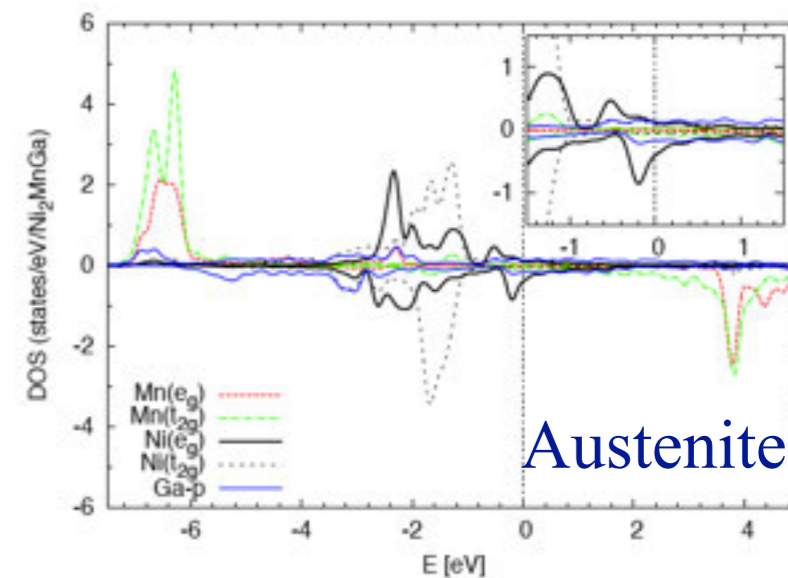
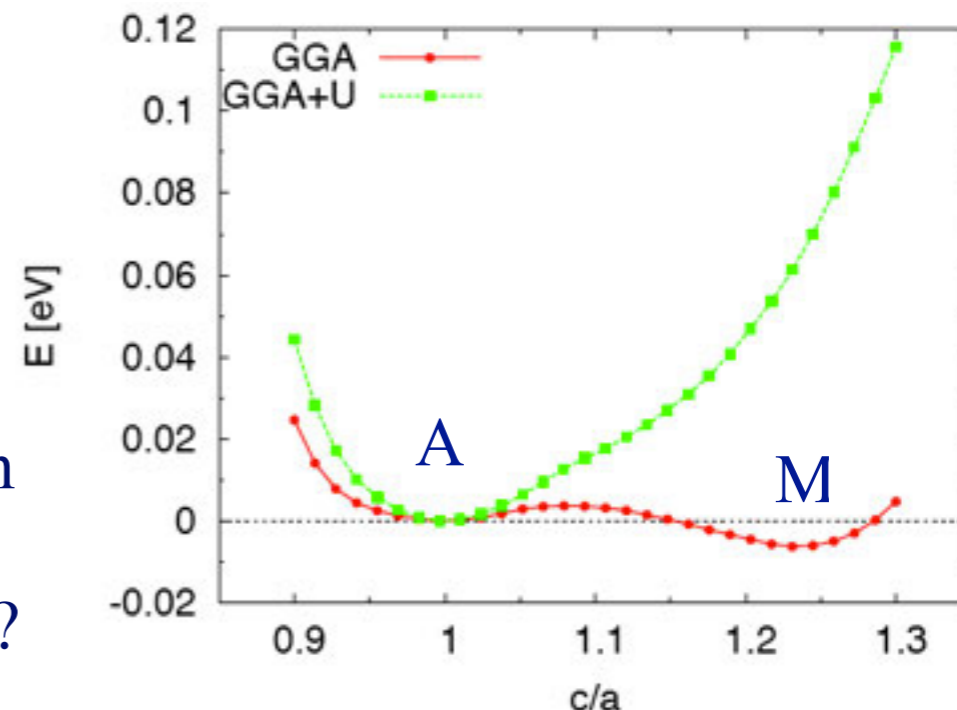
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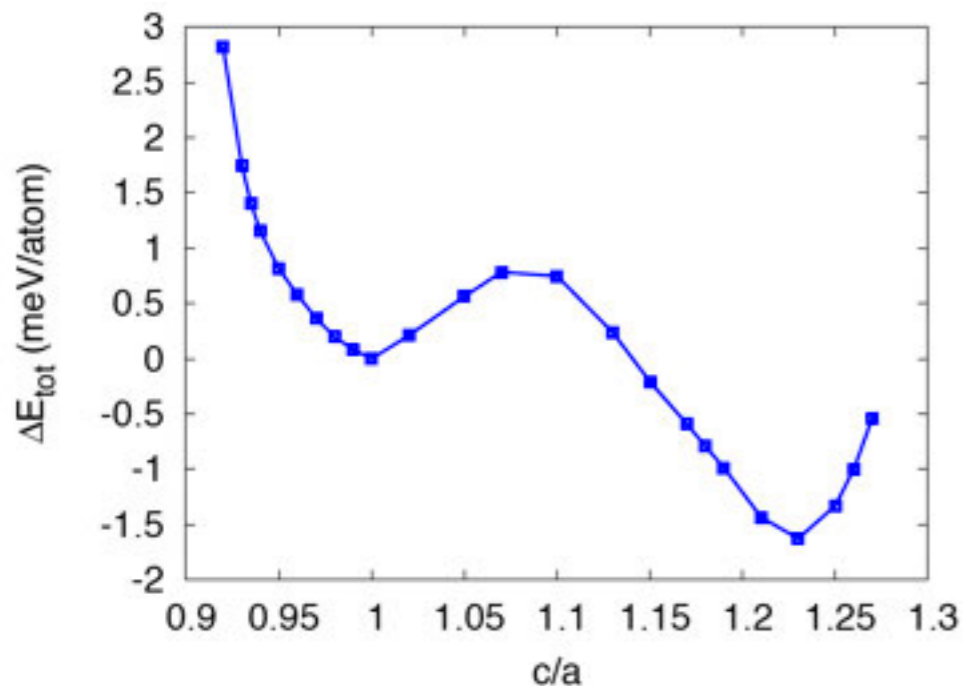
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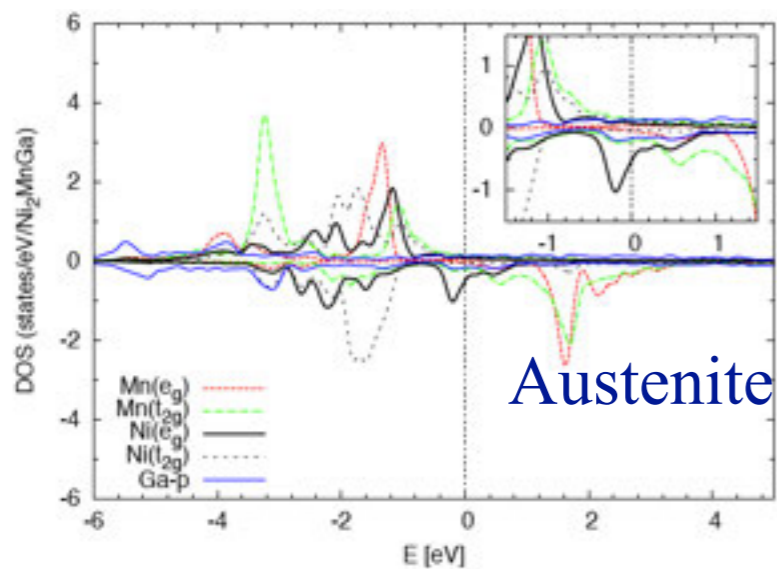
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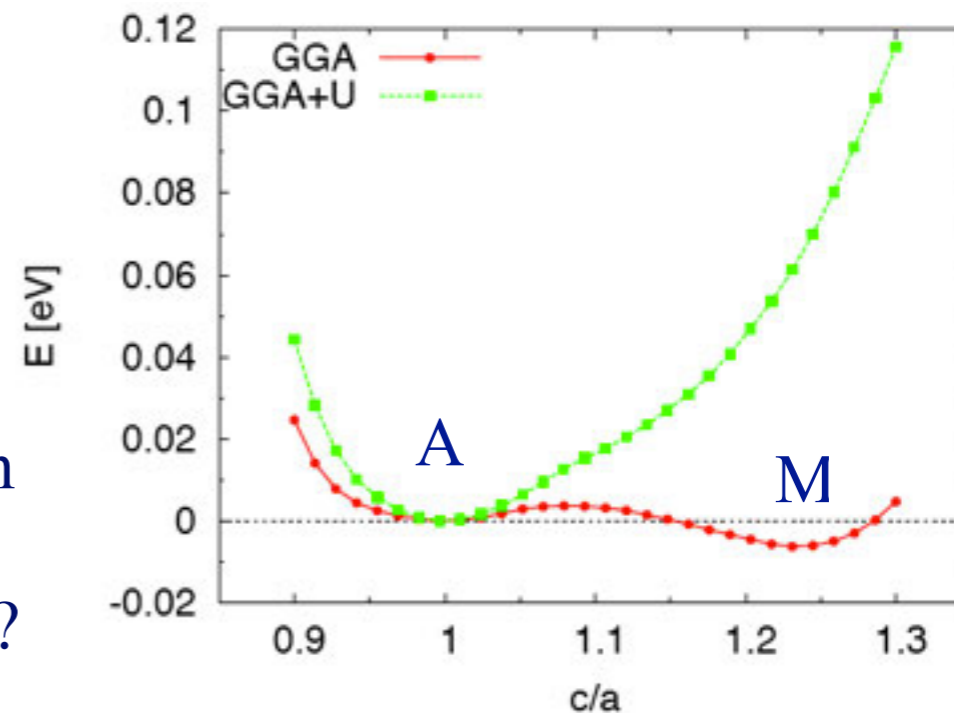
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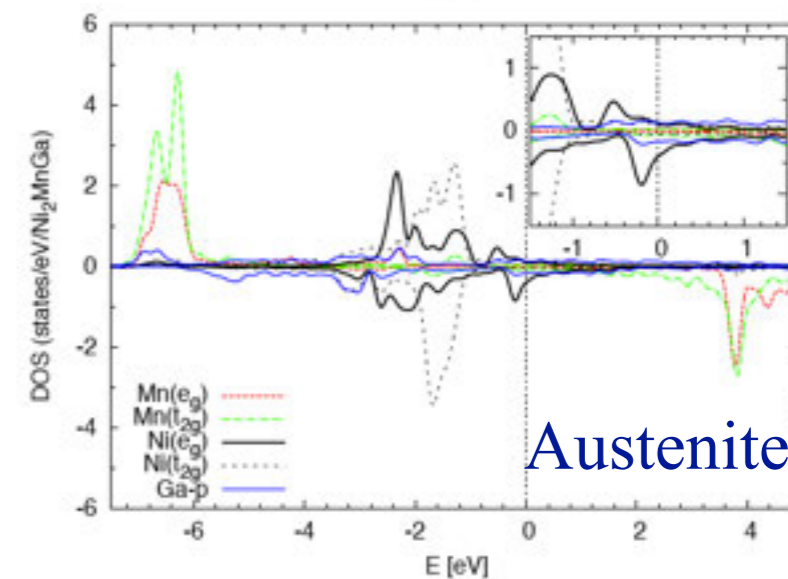
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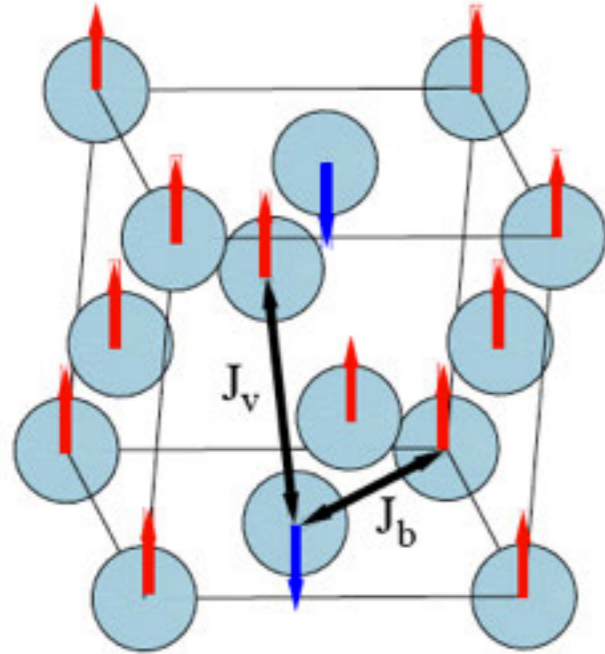
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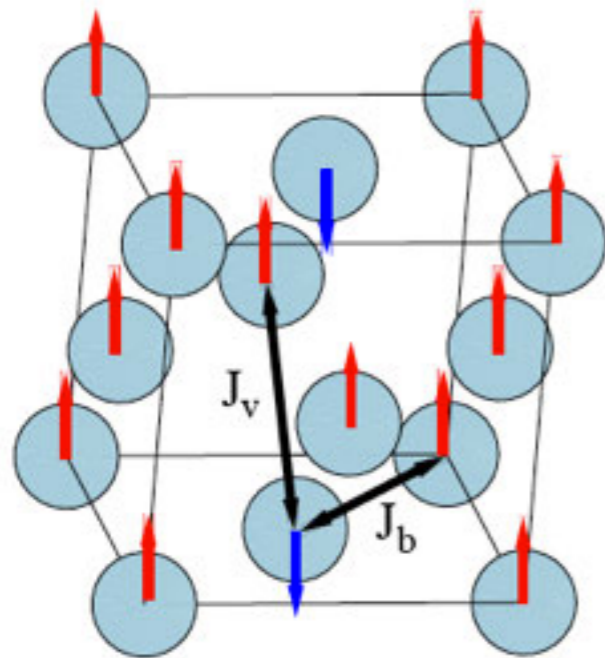
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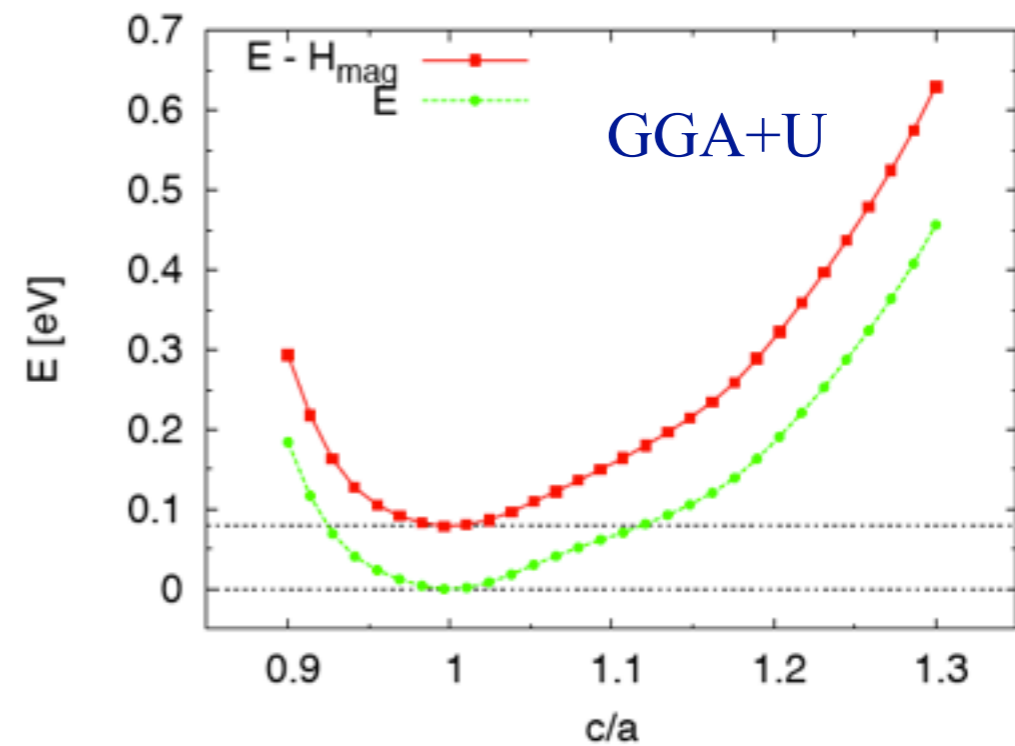
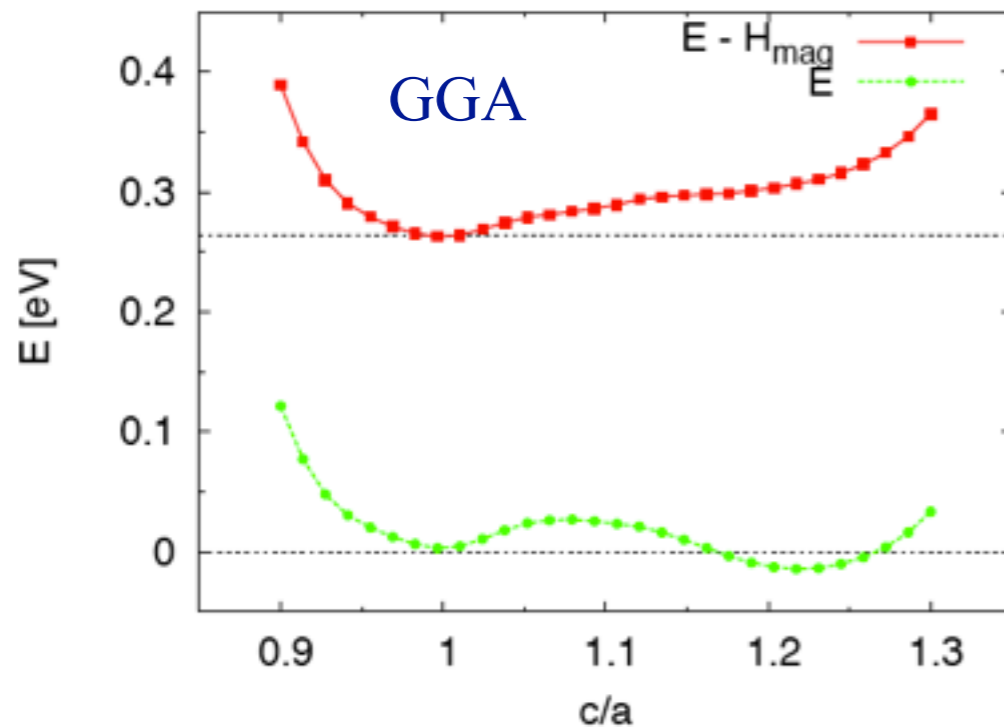
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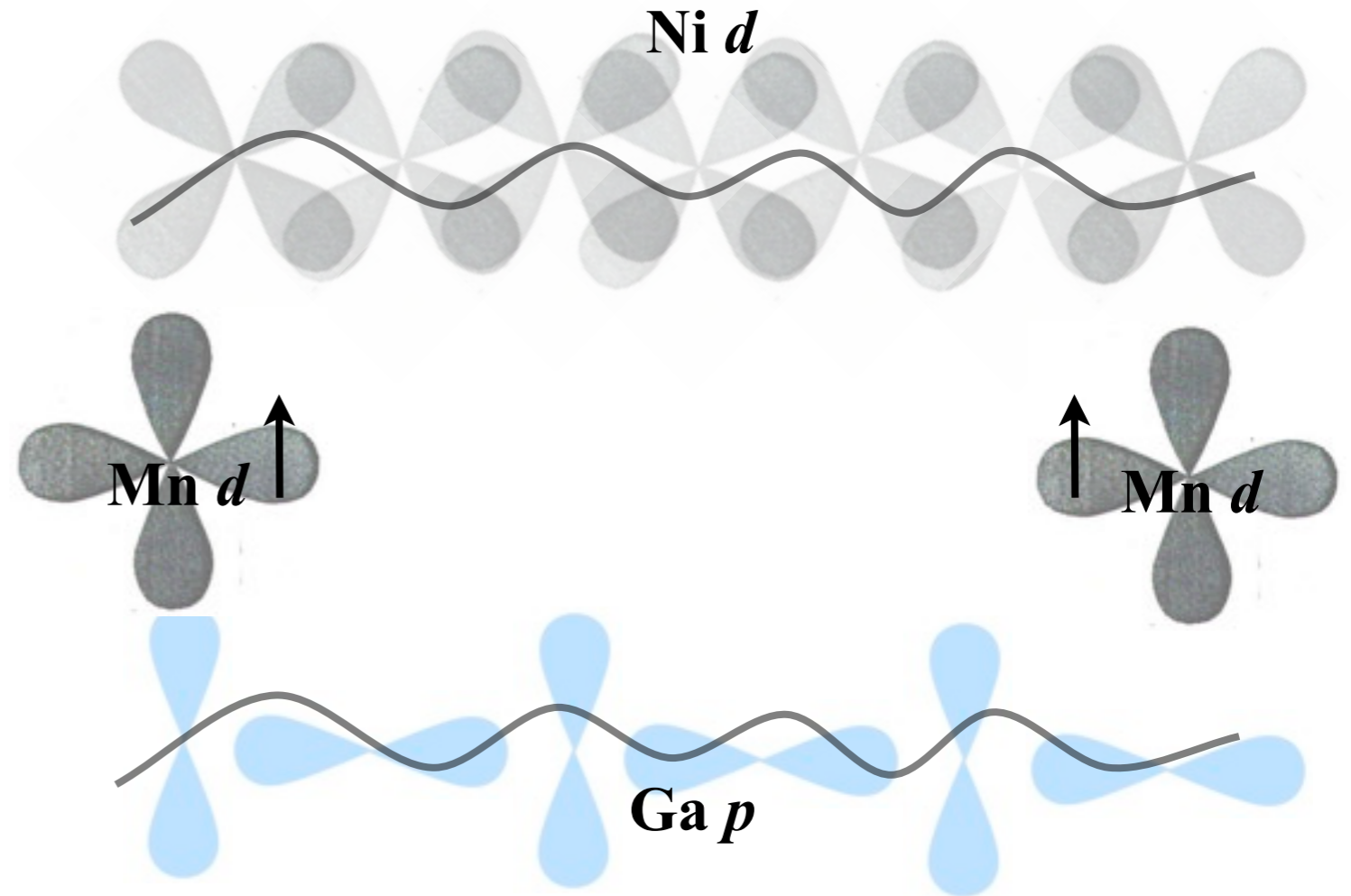
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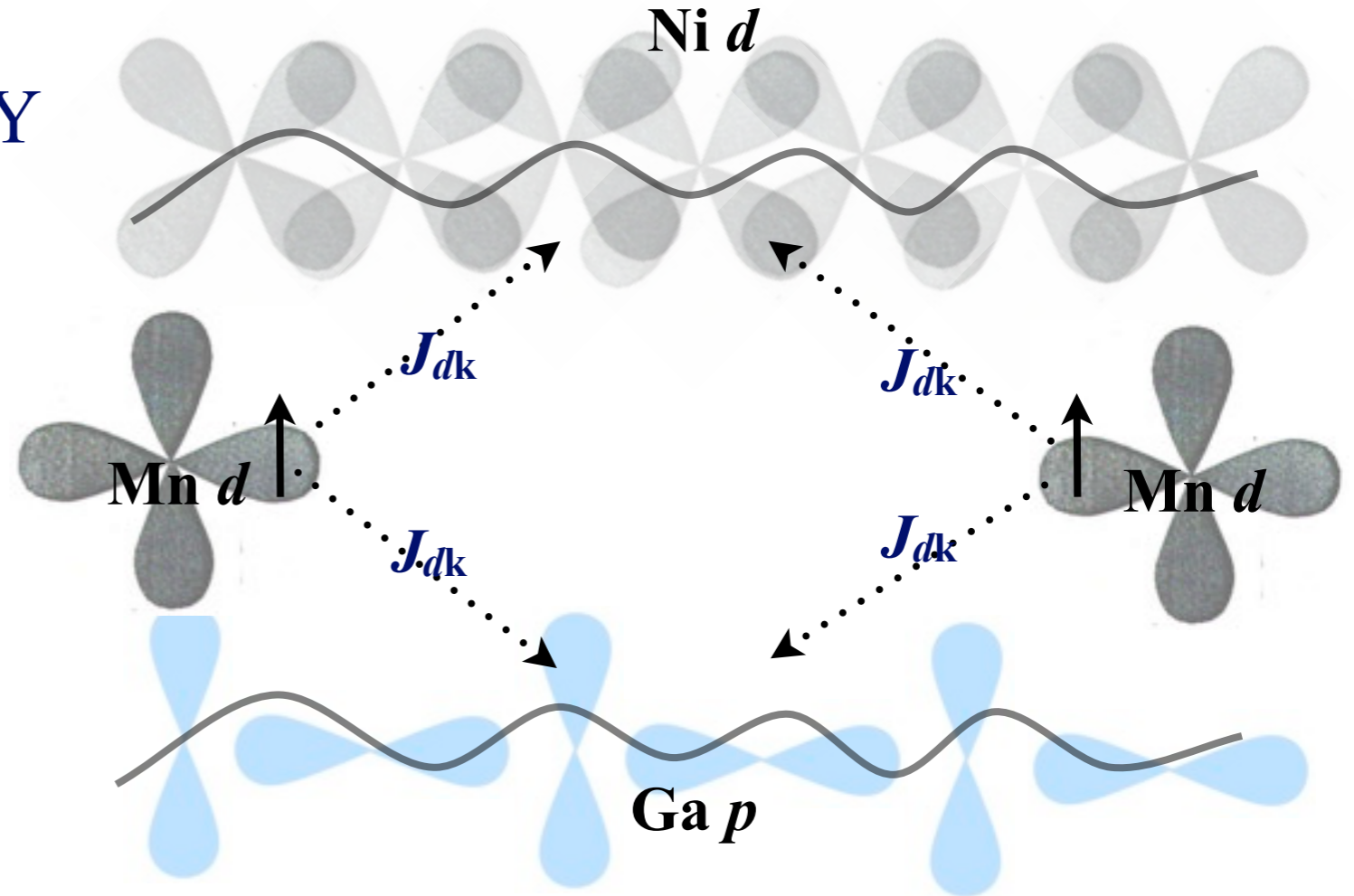


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Anderson model \rightarrow RKKY
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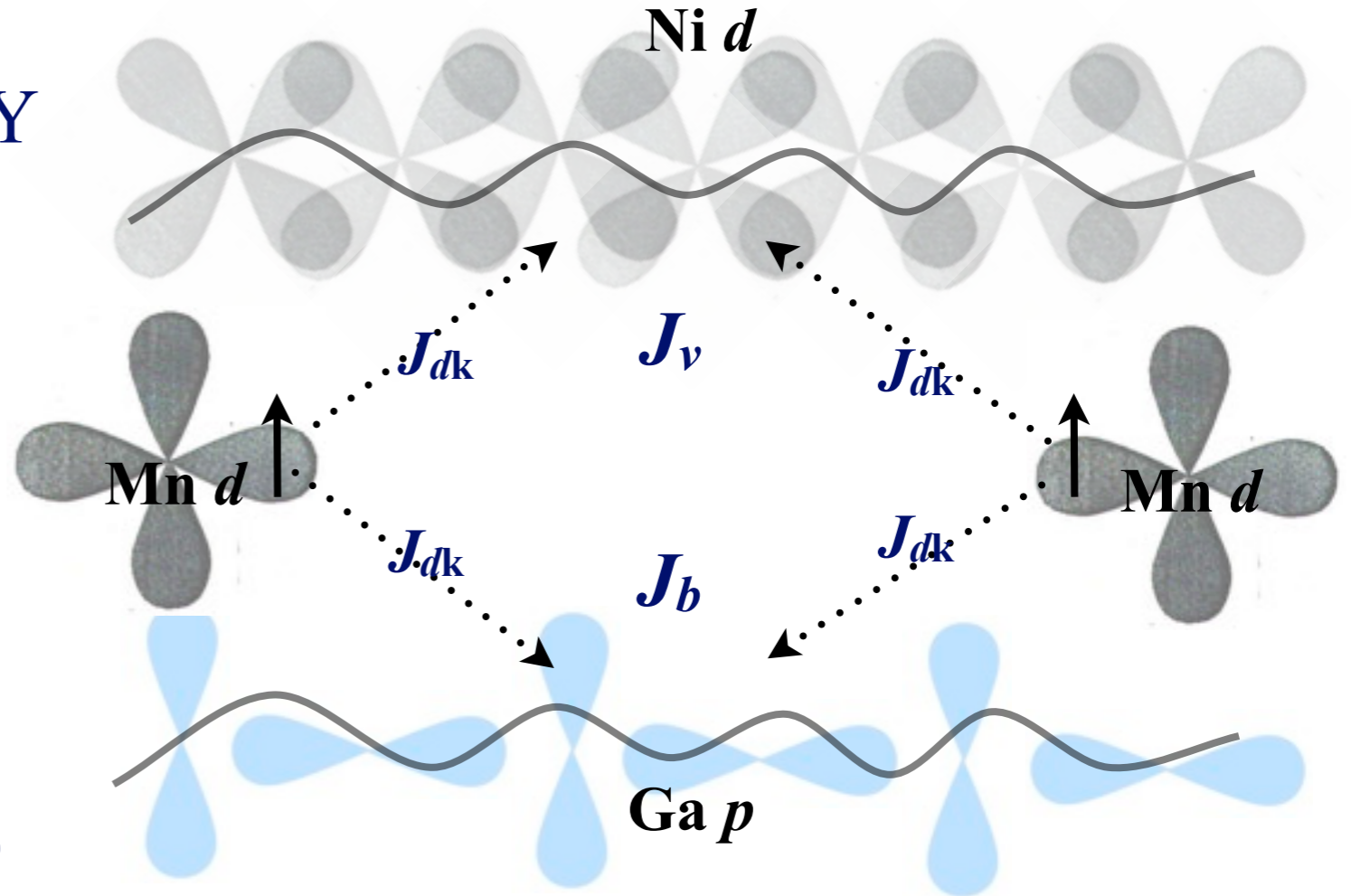
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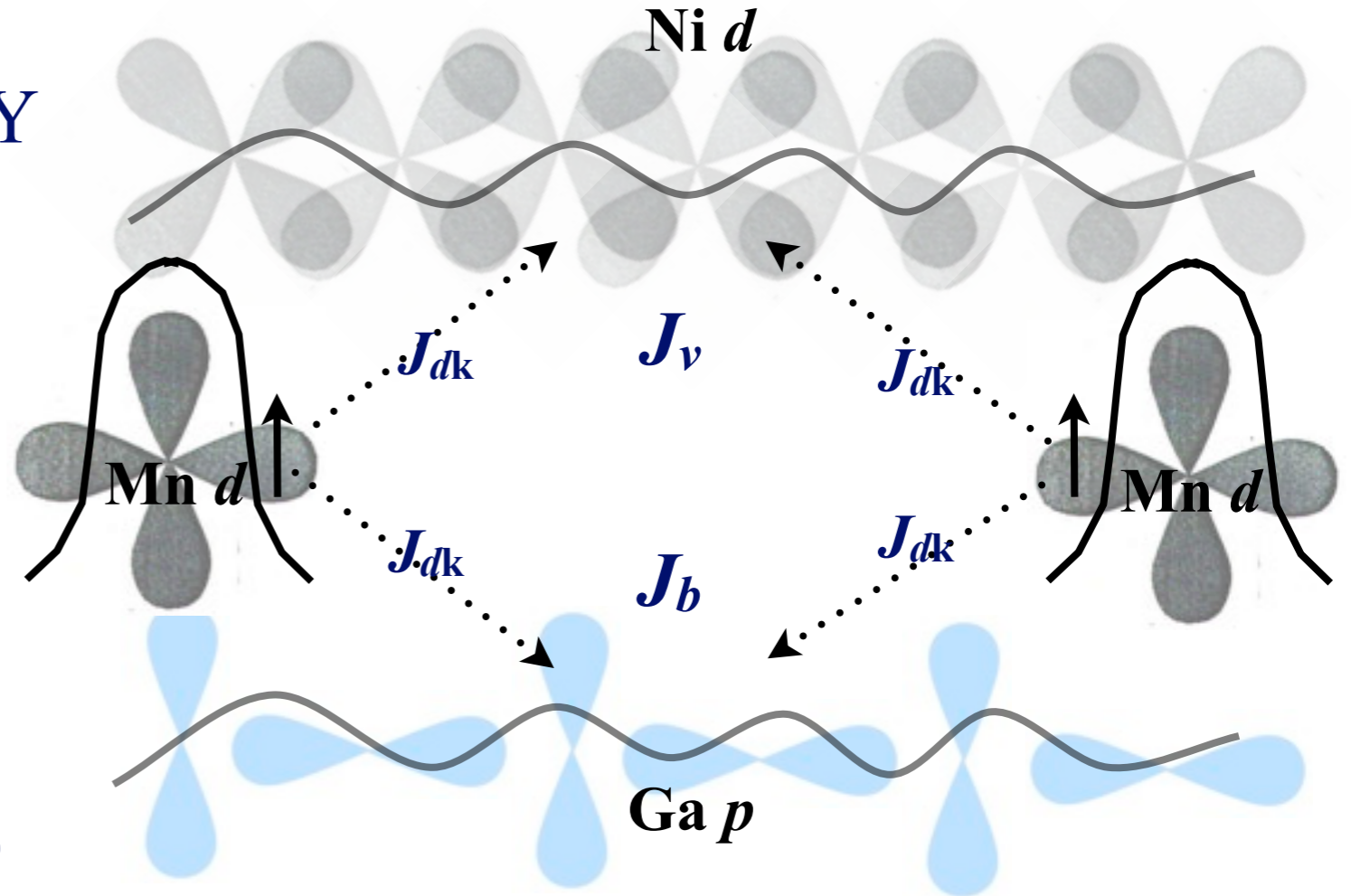
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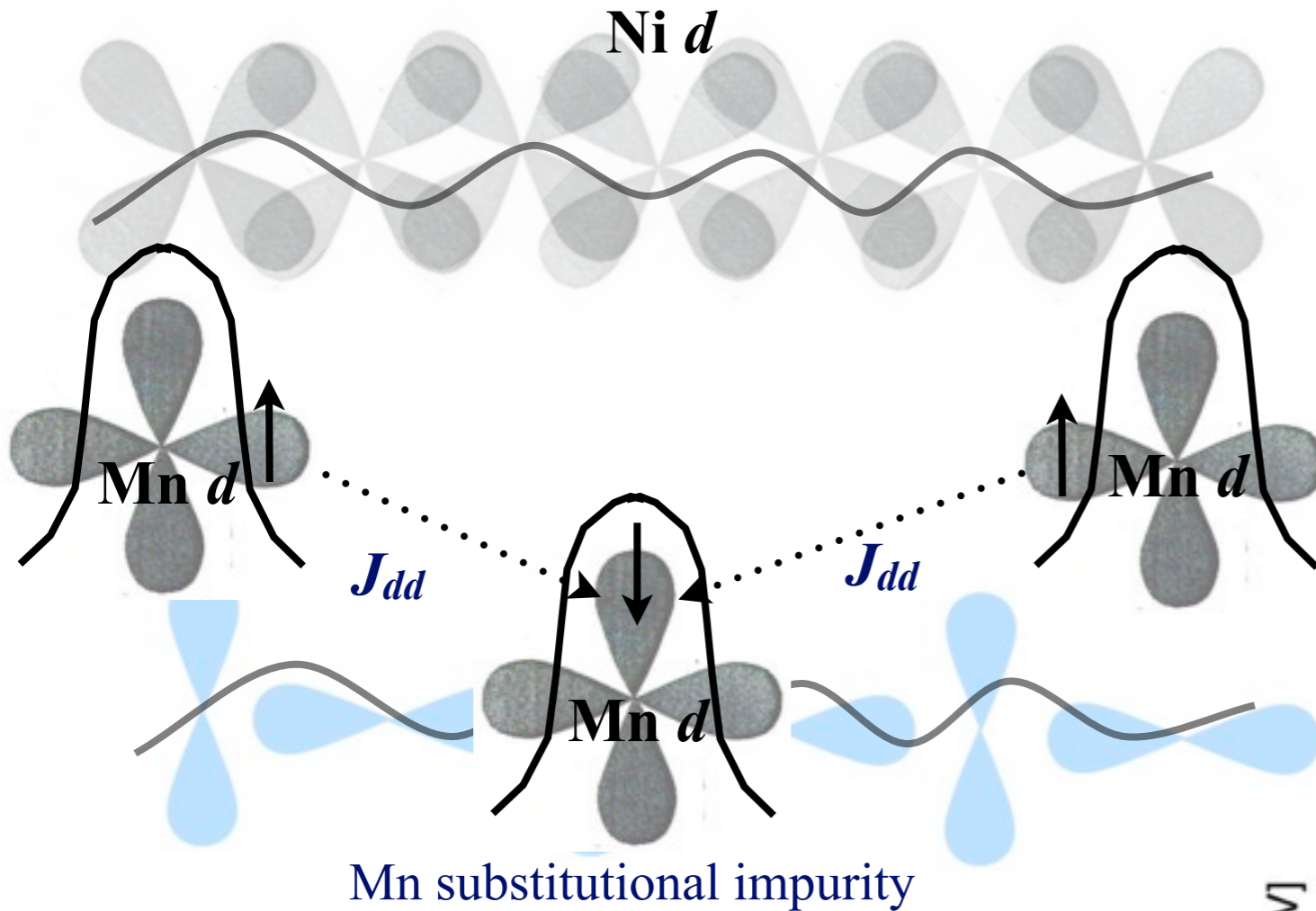
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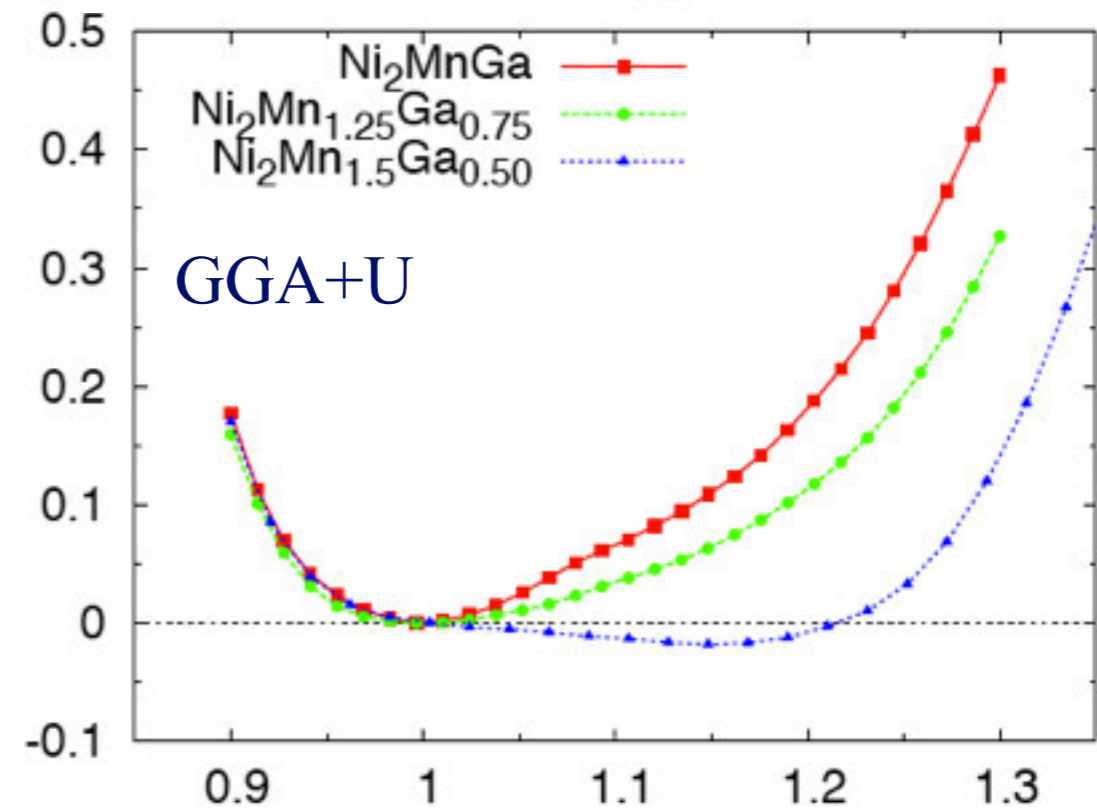
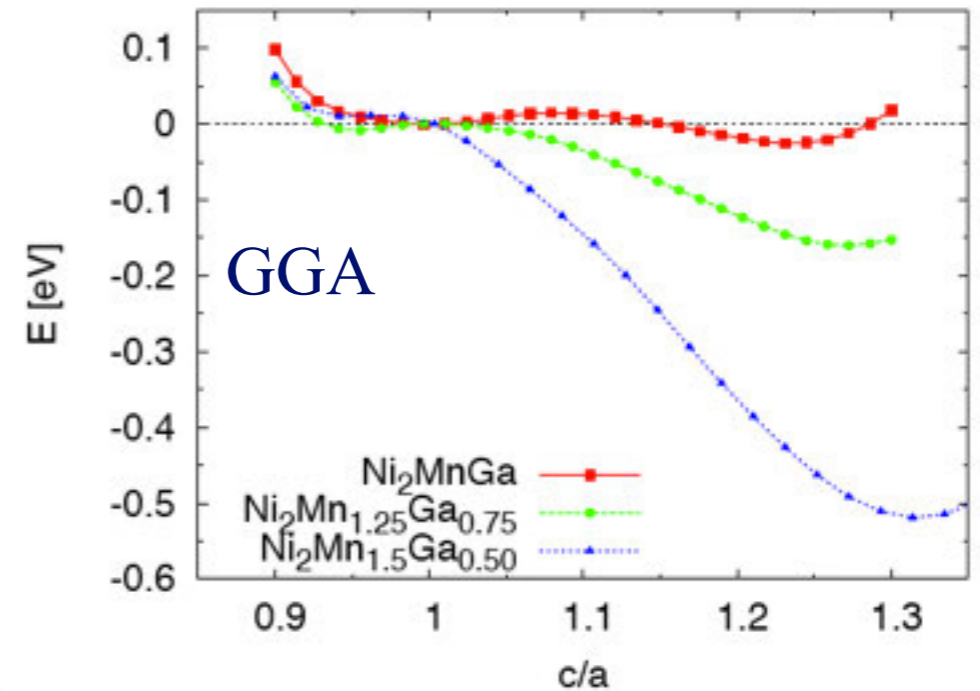
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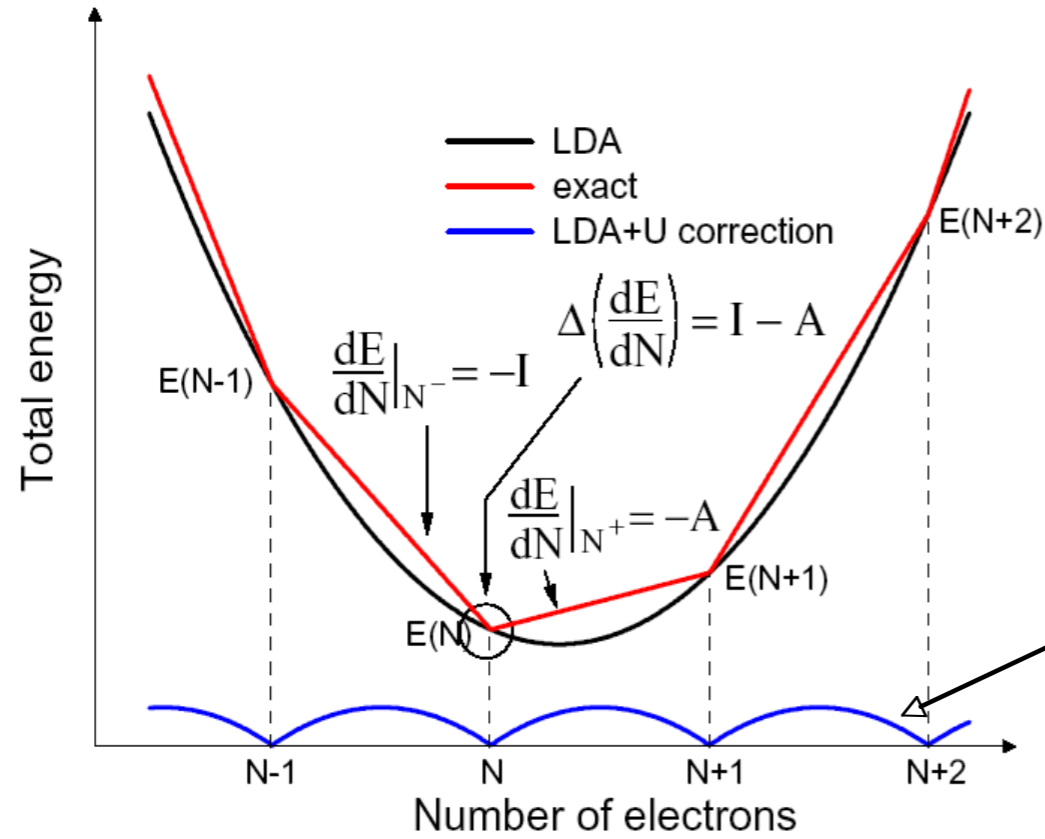
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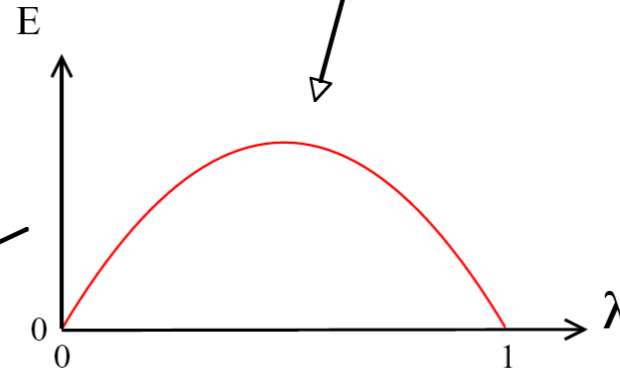


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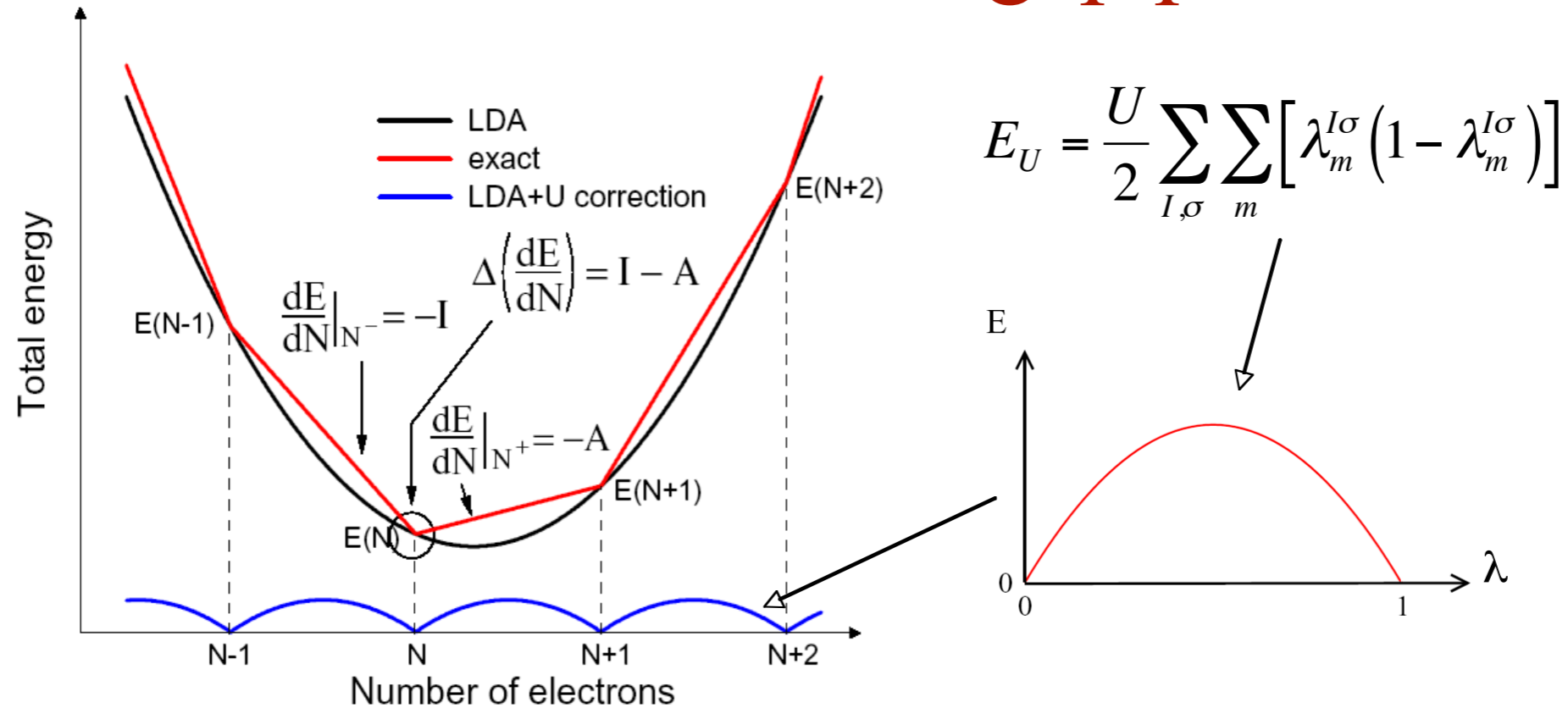
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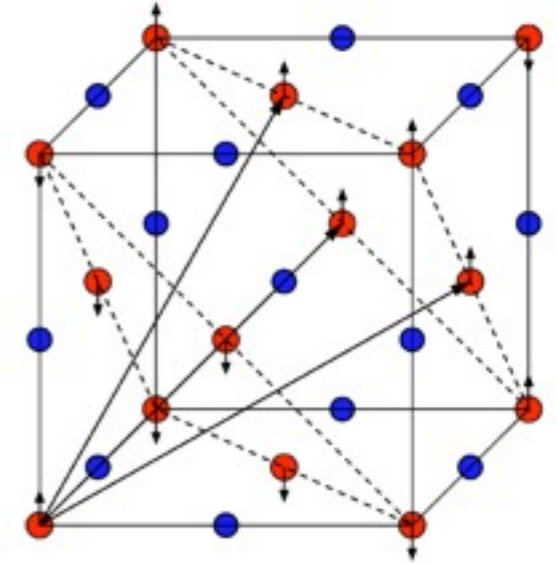
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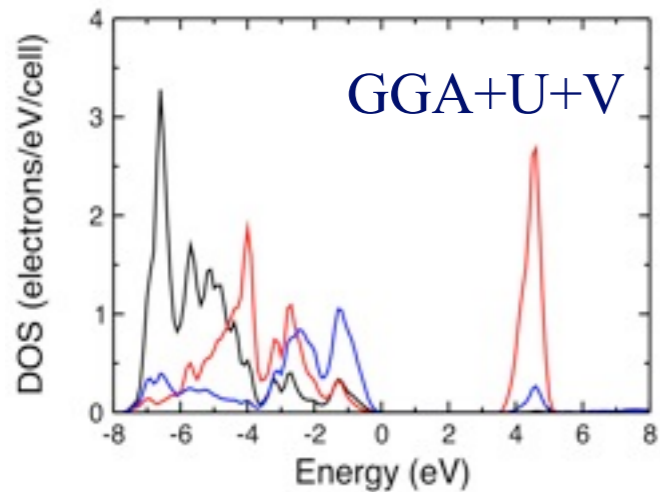
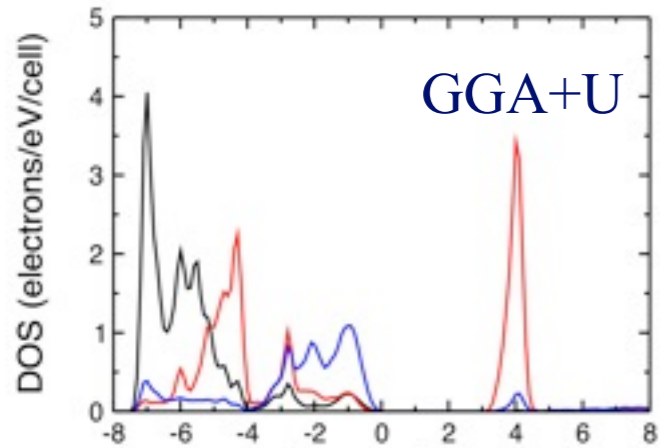
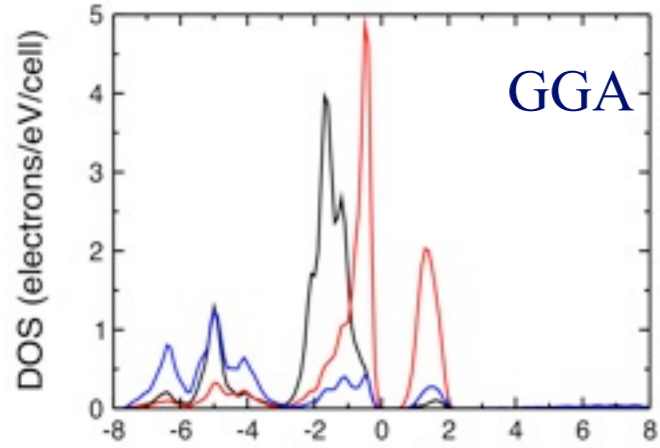
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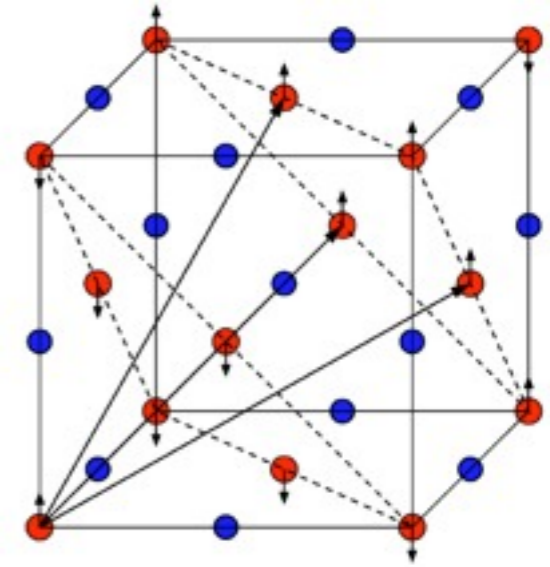


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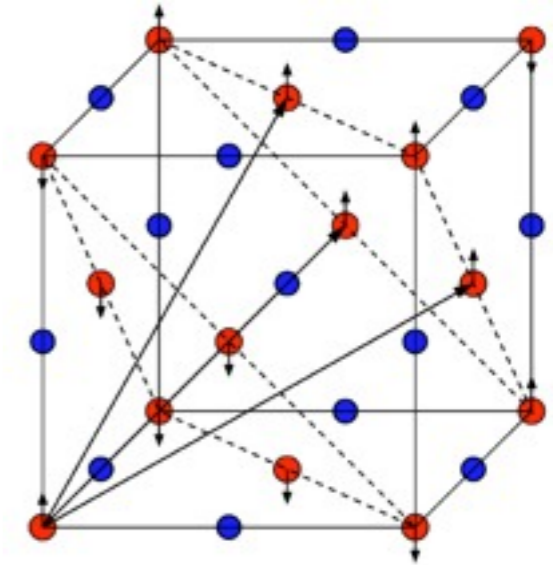


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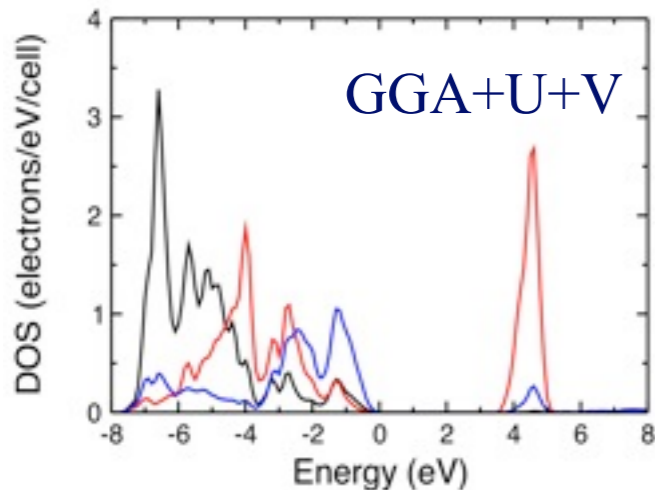
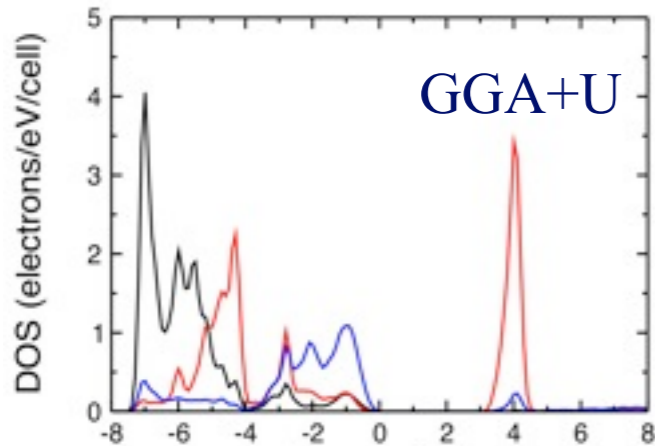
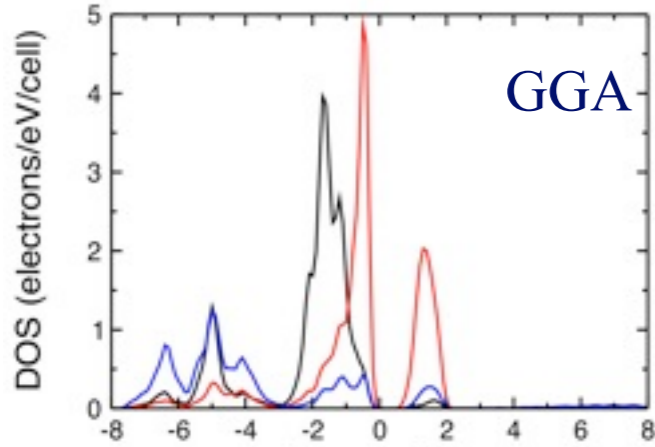


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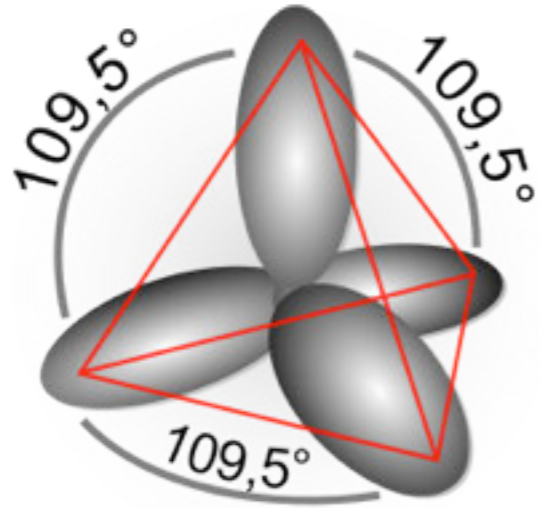
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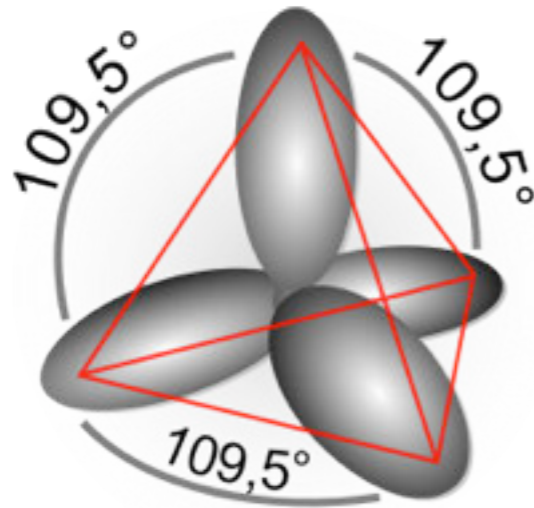
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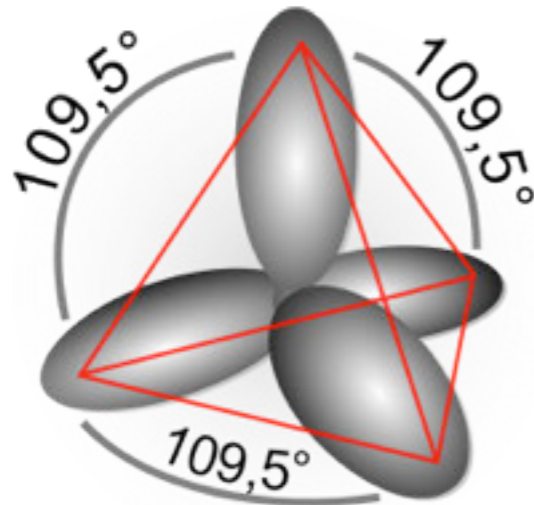
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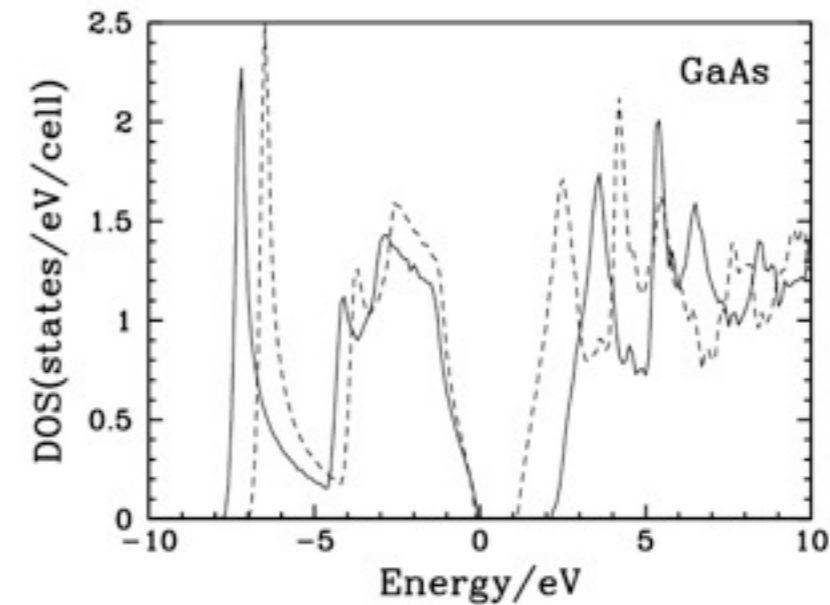
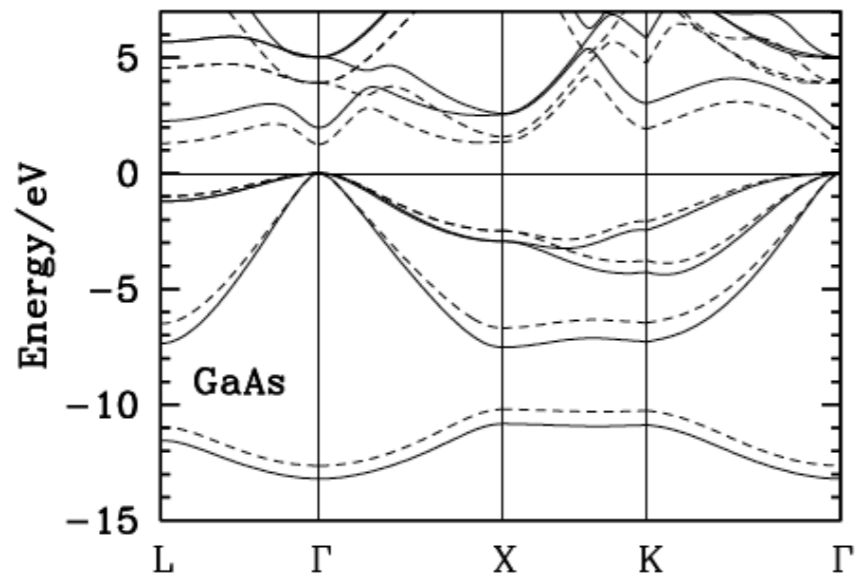
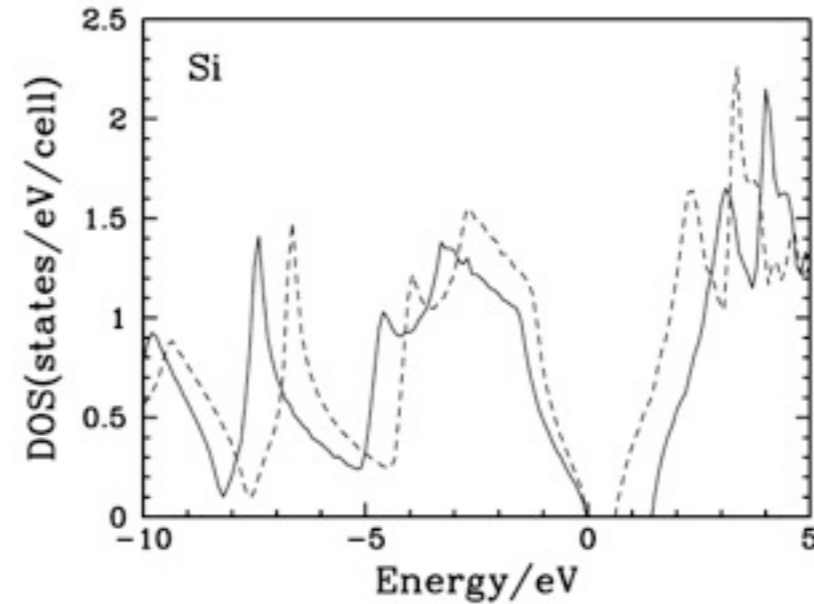
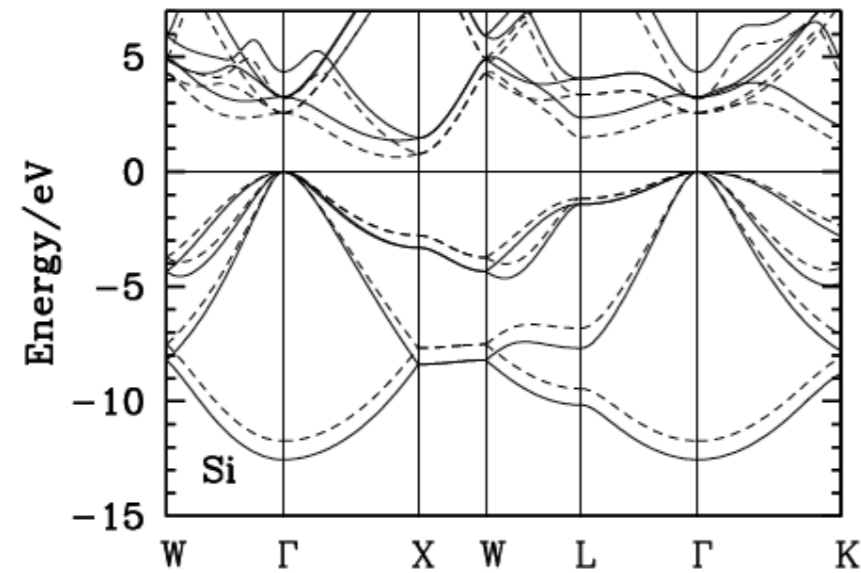


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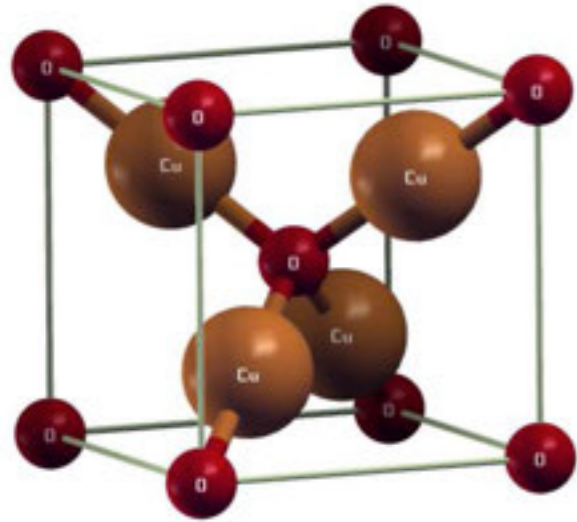


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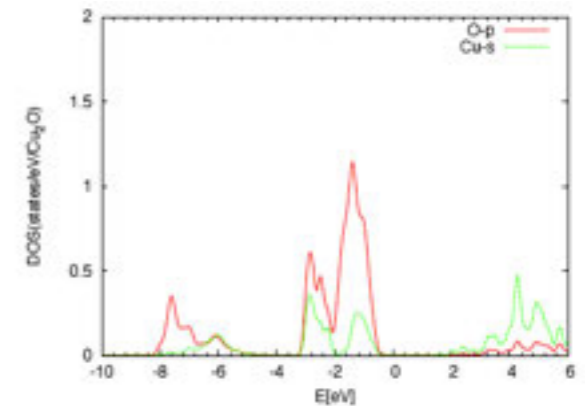
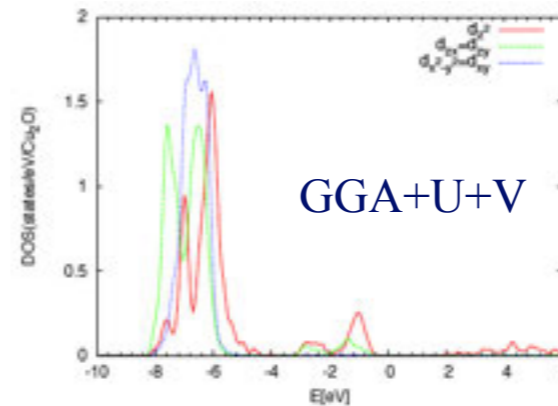
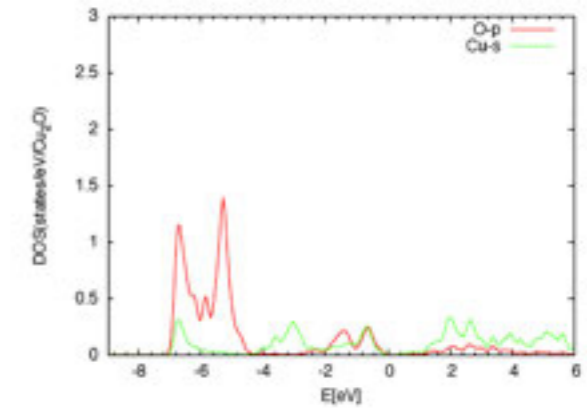
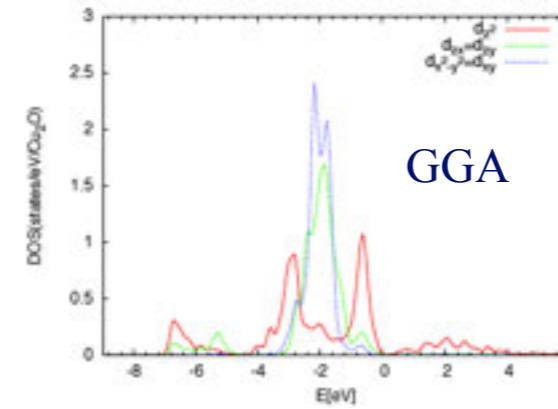
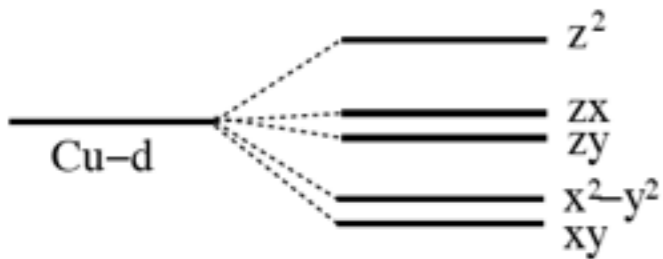


Expectation:

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GGA+U over-stabilizes d states of Cu

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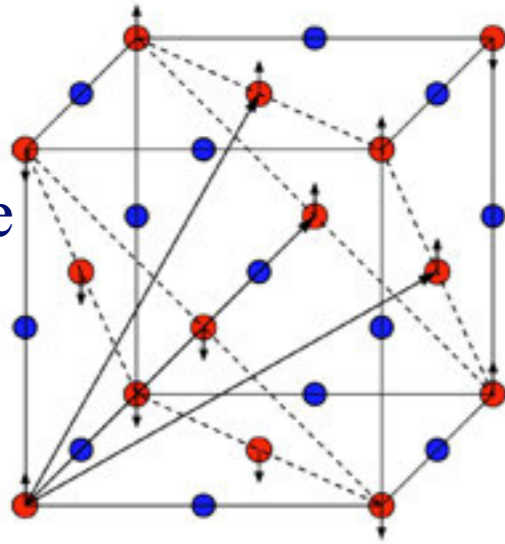
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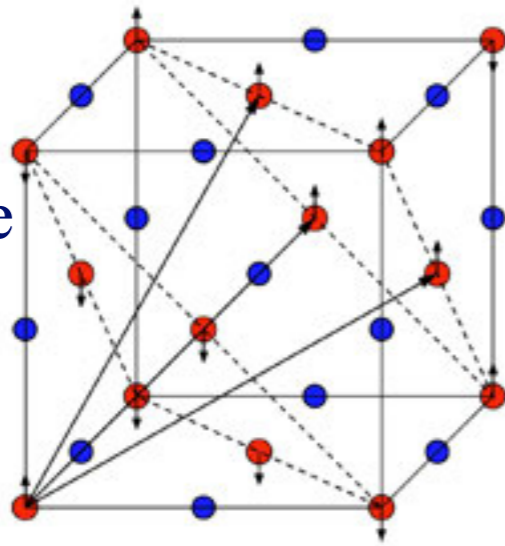
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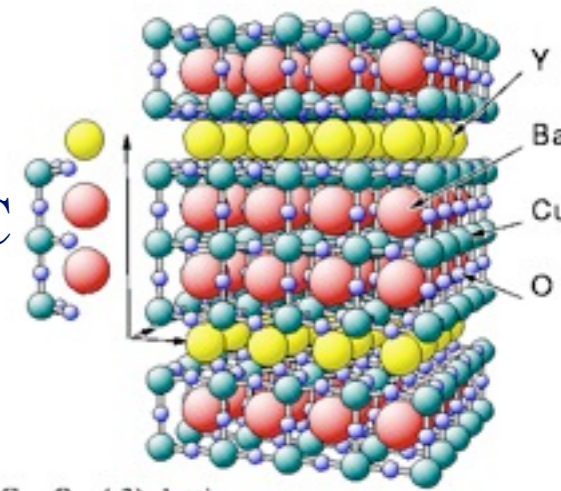
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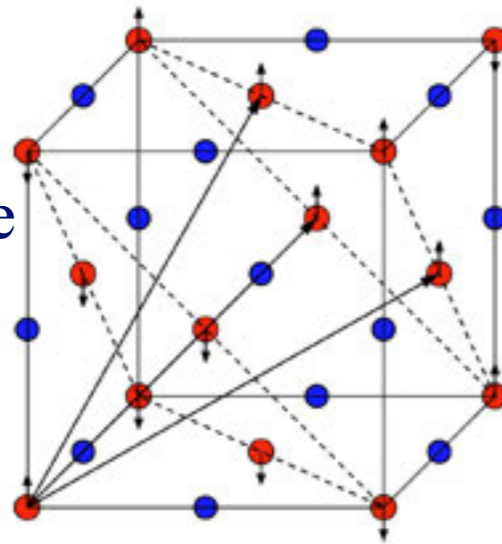
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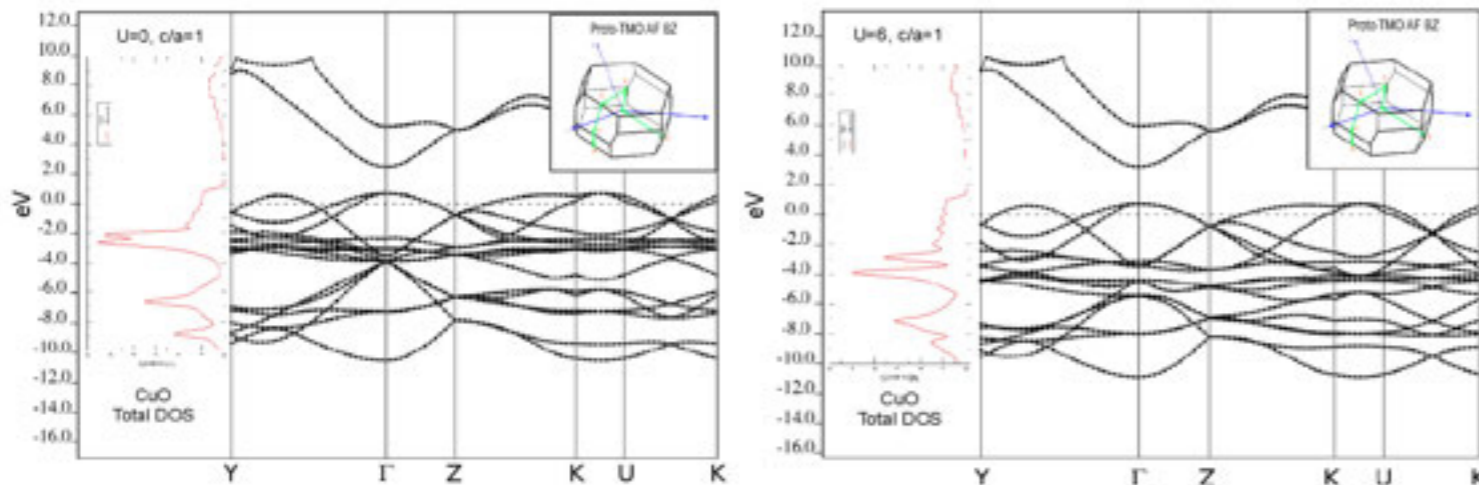
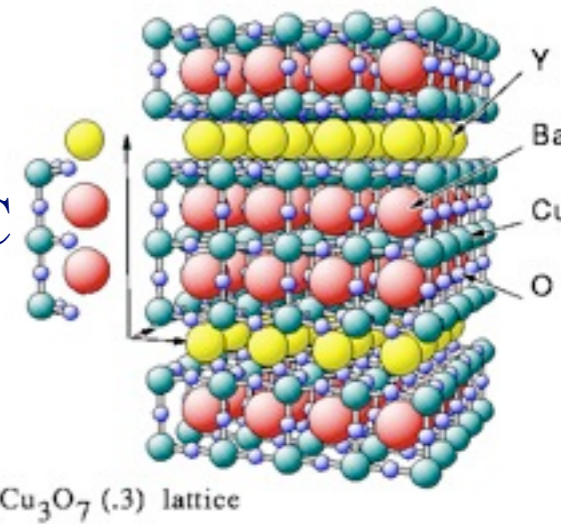
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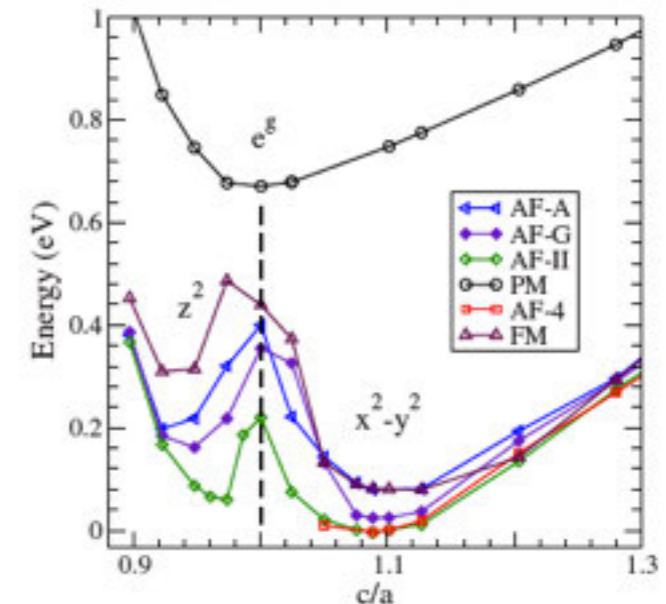
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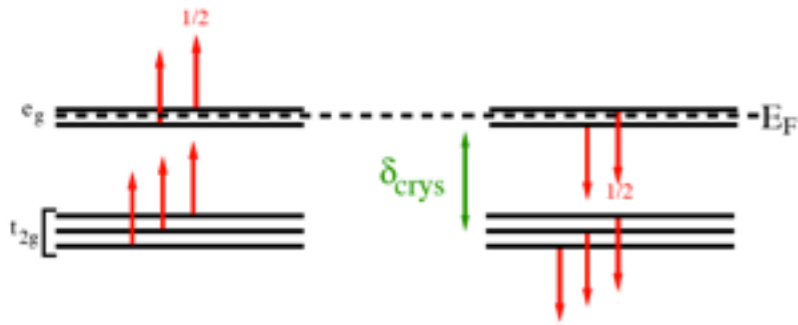


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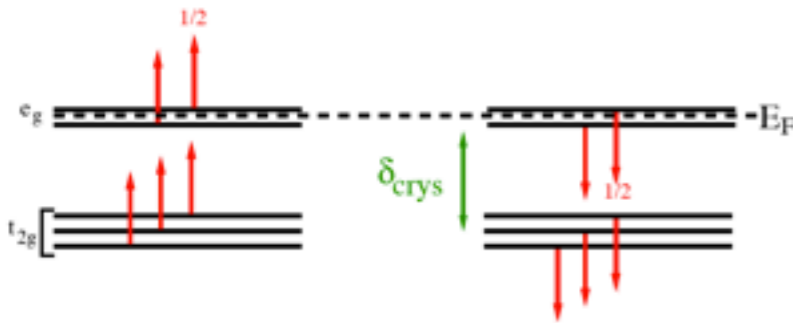
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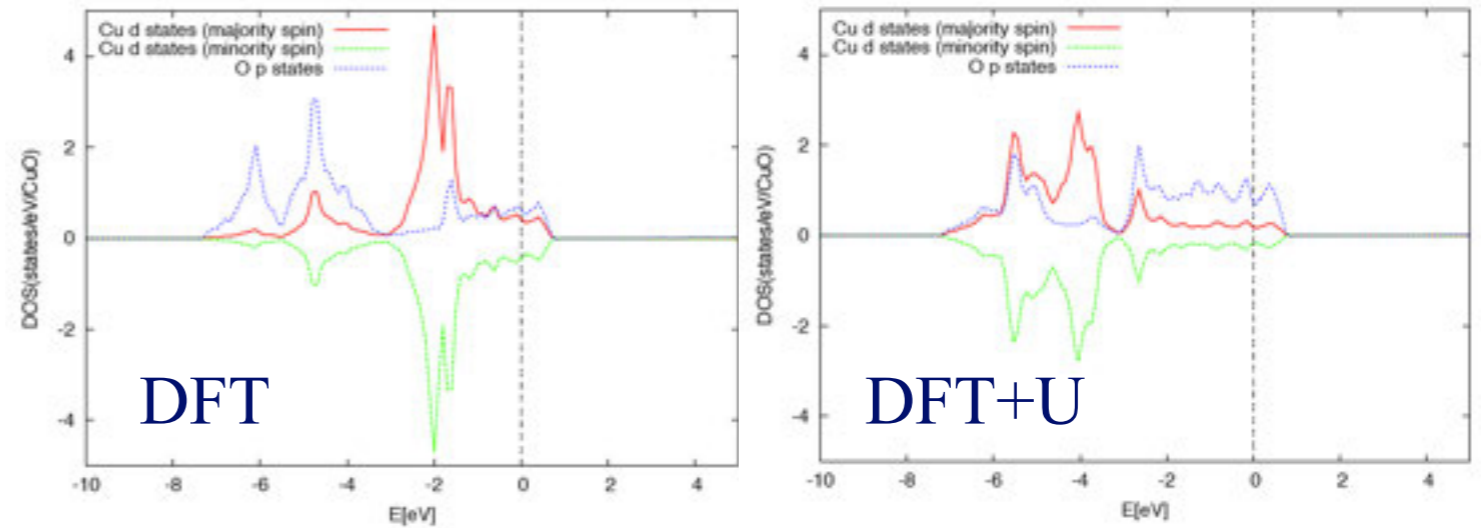
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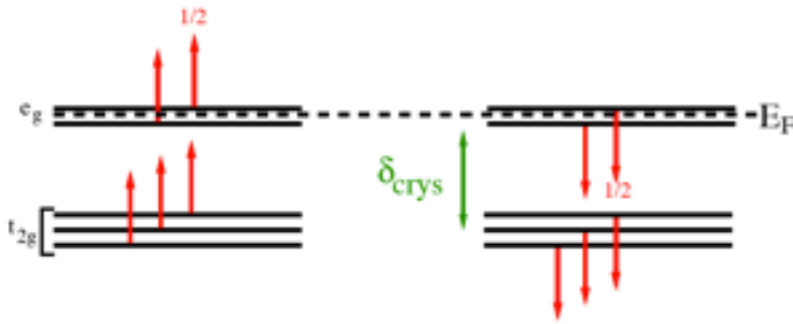


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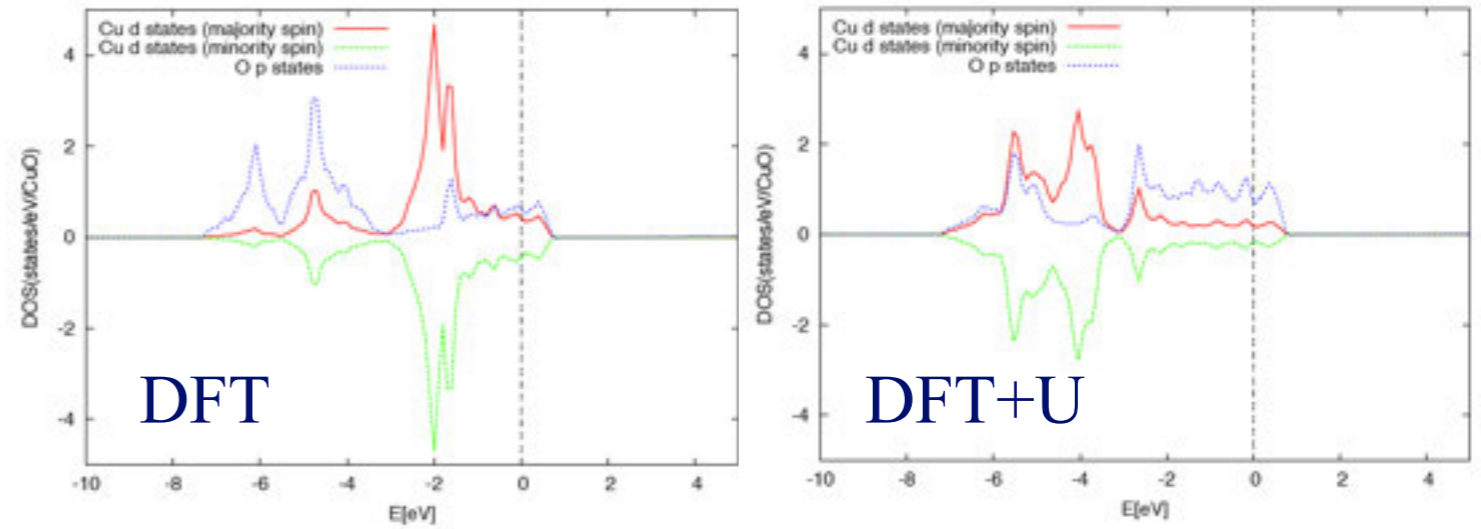
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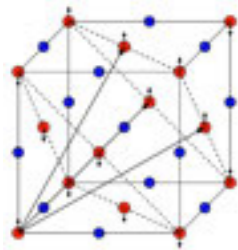


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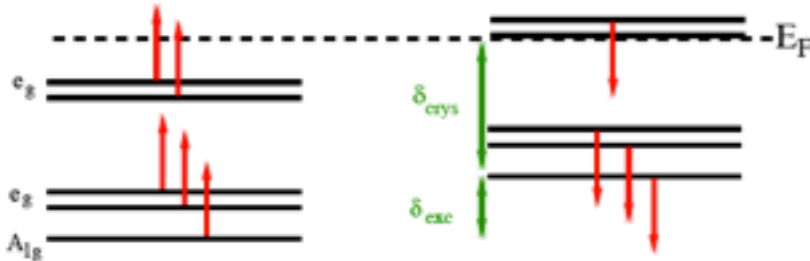


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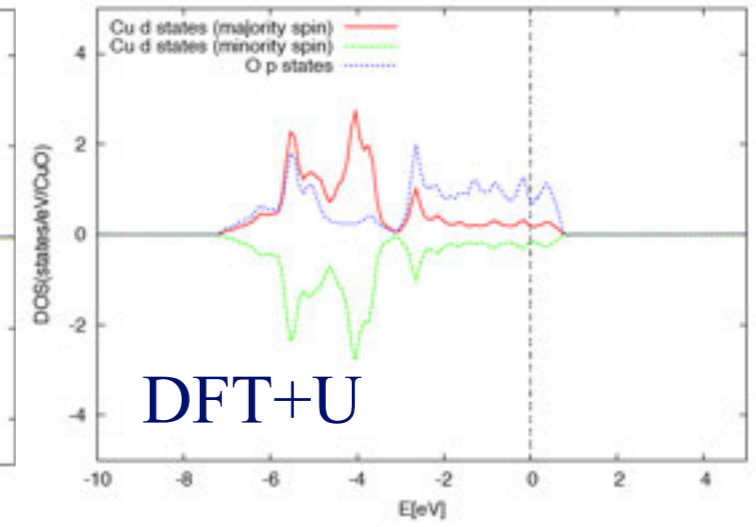
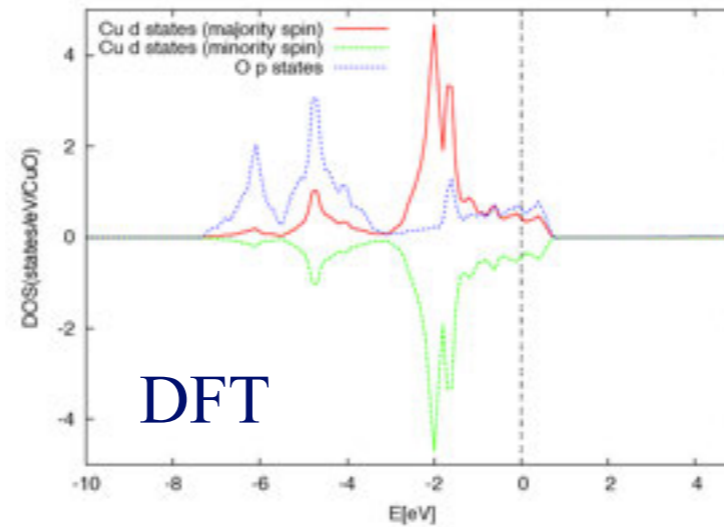
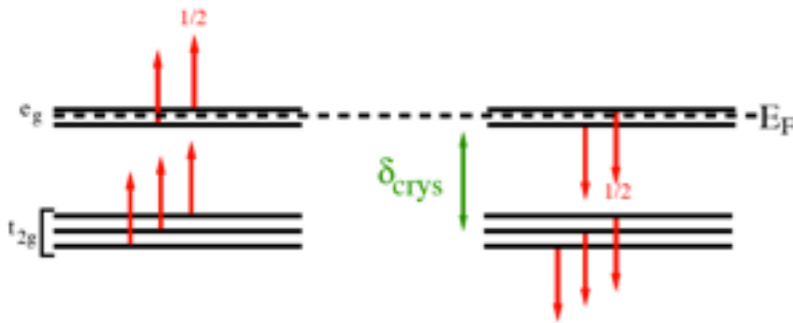
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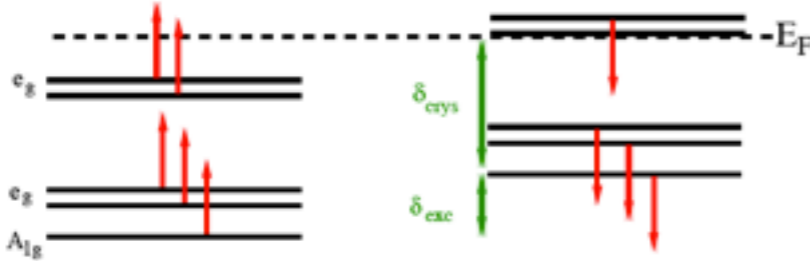
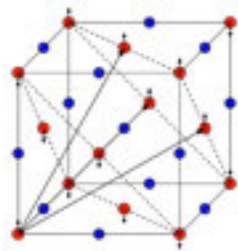
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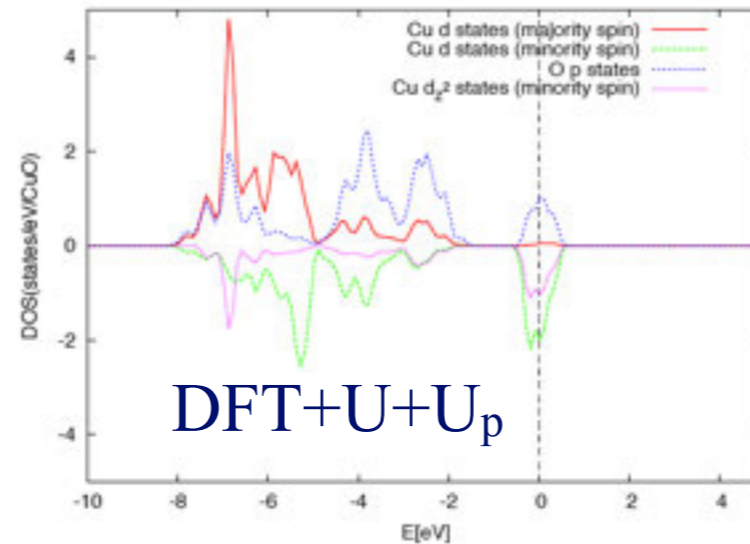
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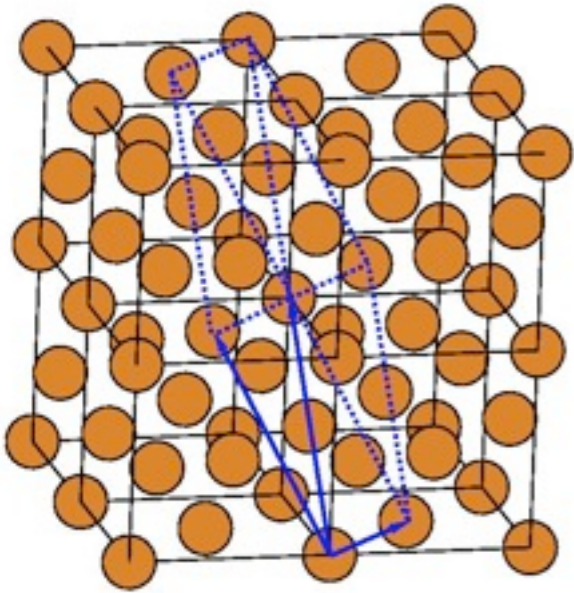
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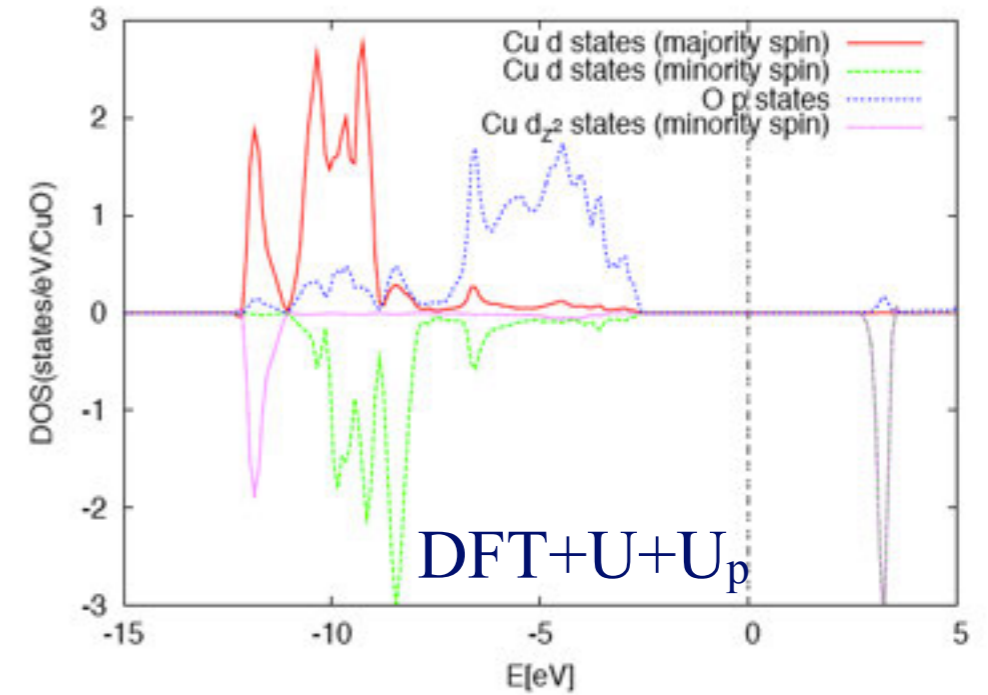
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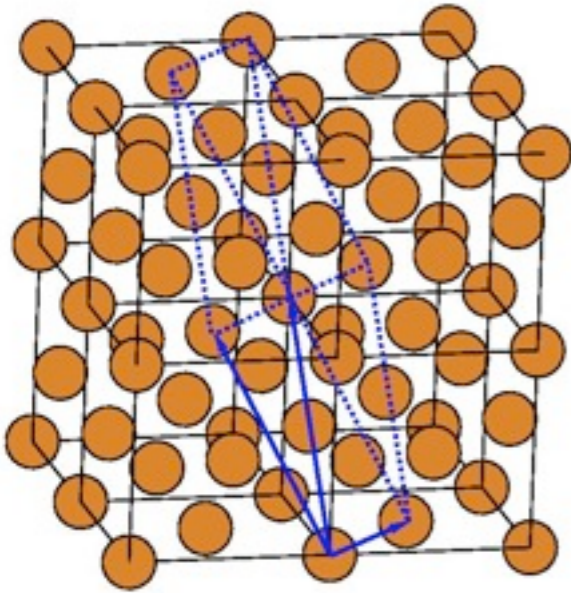


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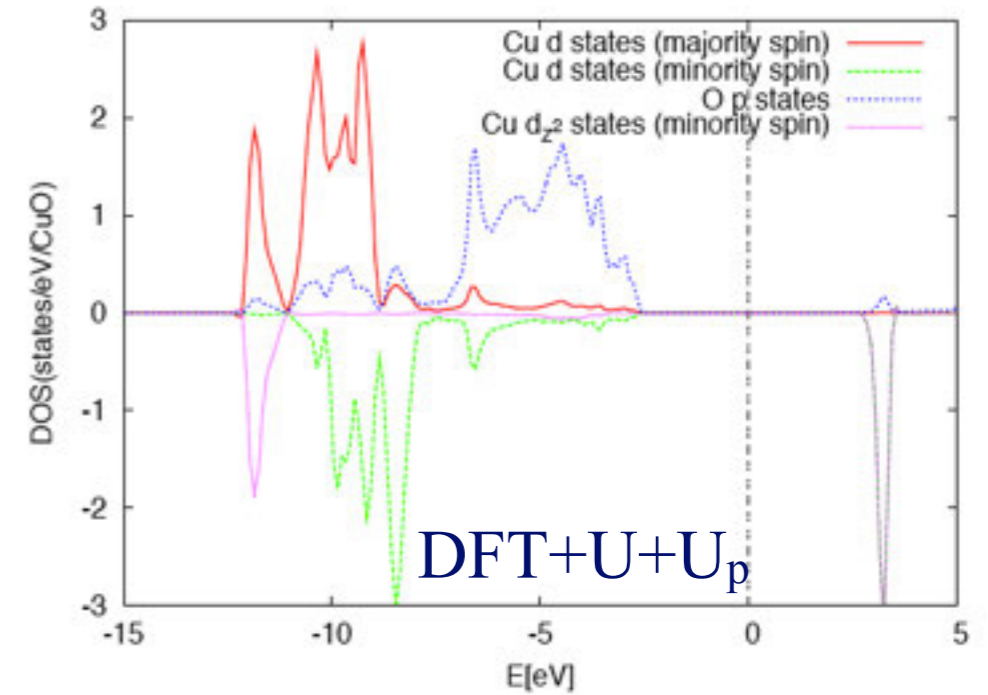
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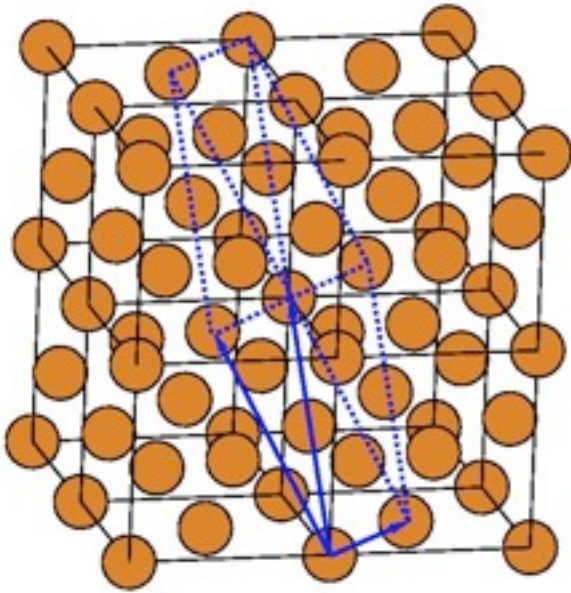
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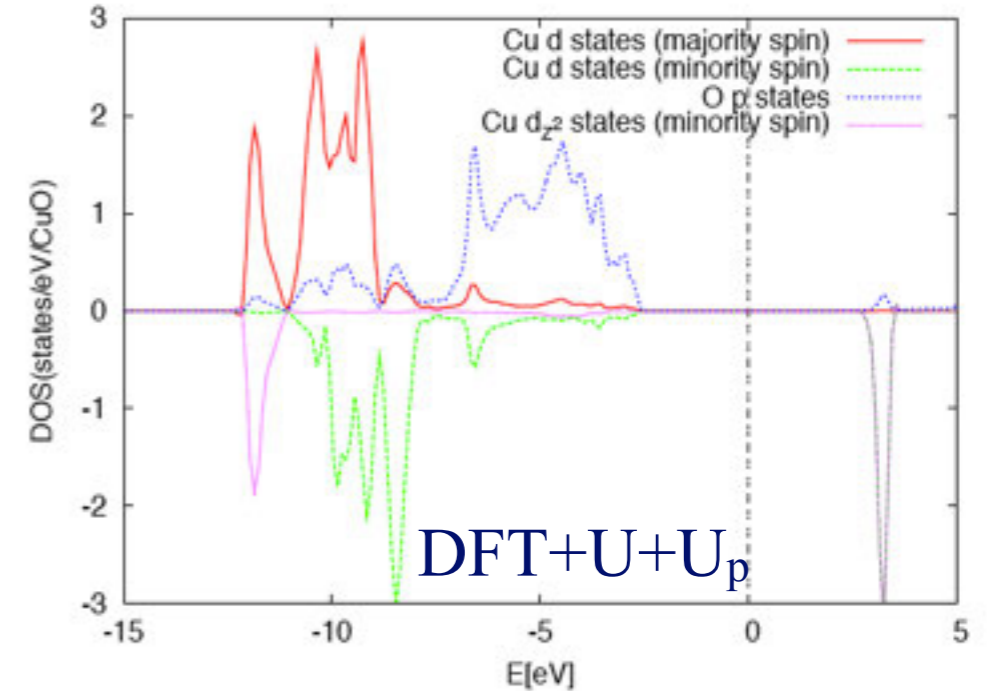
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A competition exists between two tendencies: **filling up the d shell**, and **magnetism**



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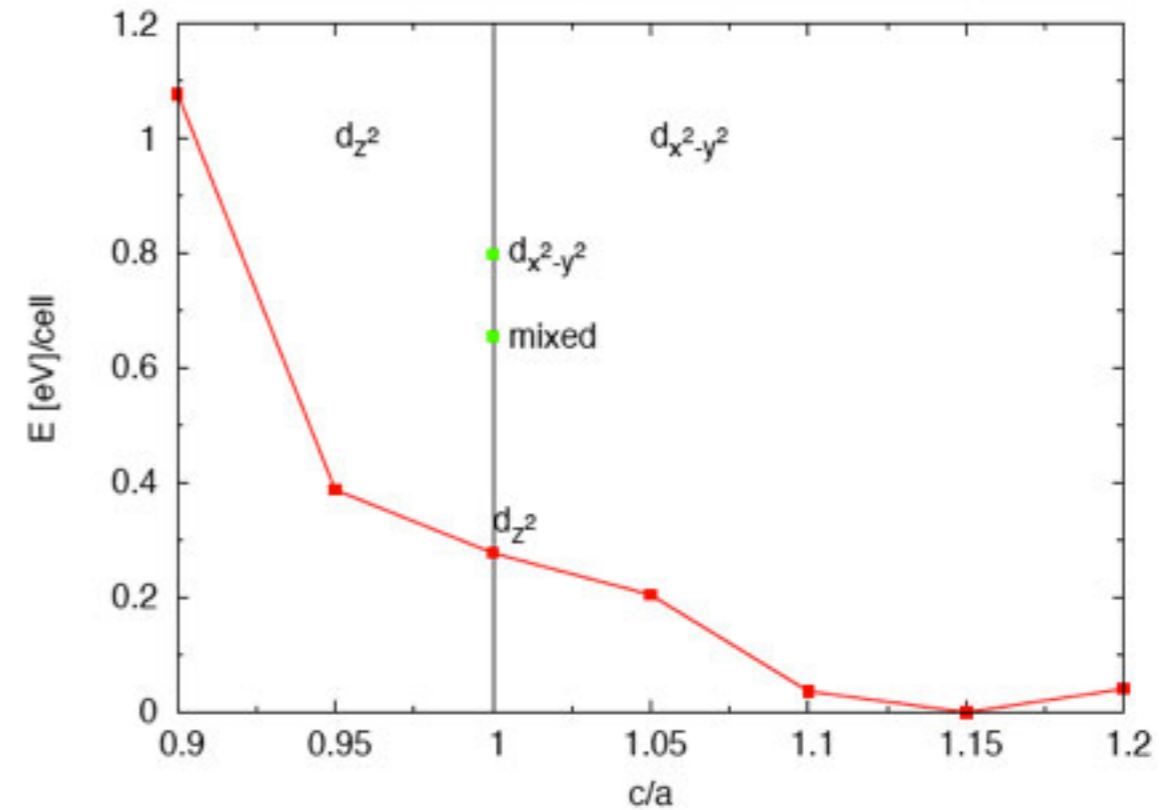
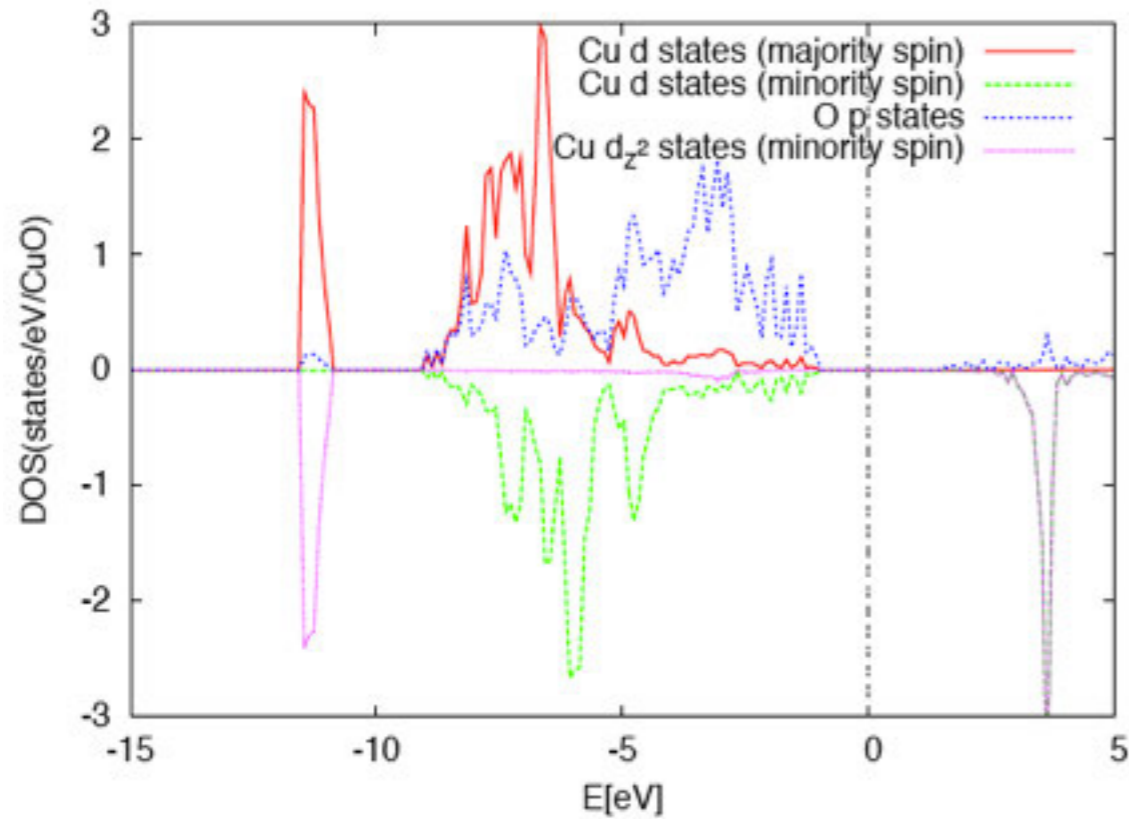
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Second derivatives: phonons

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$$D_{I\alpha J\beta} = -\frac{d^2 E(\mathbf{R})}{d\mathbf{R}_\alpha^I d\mathbf{R}_\beta^J} = \frac{dF_{I\alpha}}{d\mathbf{R}_\beta^J} = \frac{dF_{J\beta}}{d\mathbf{R}_\alpha^I}$$

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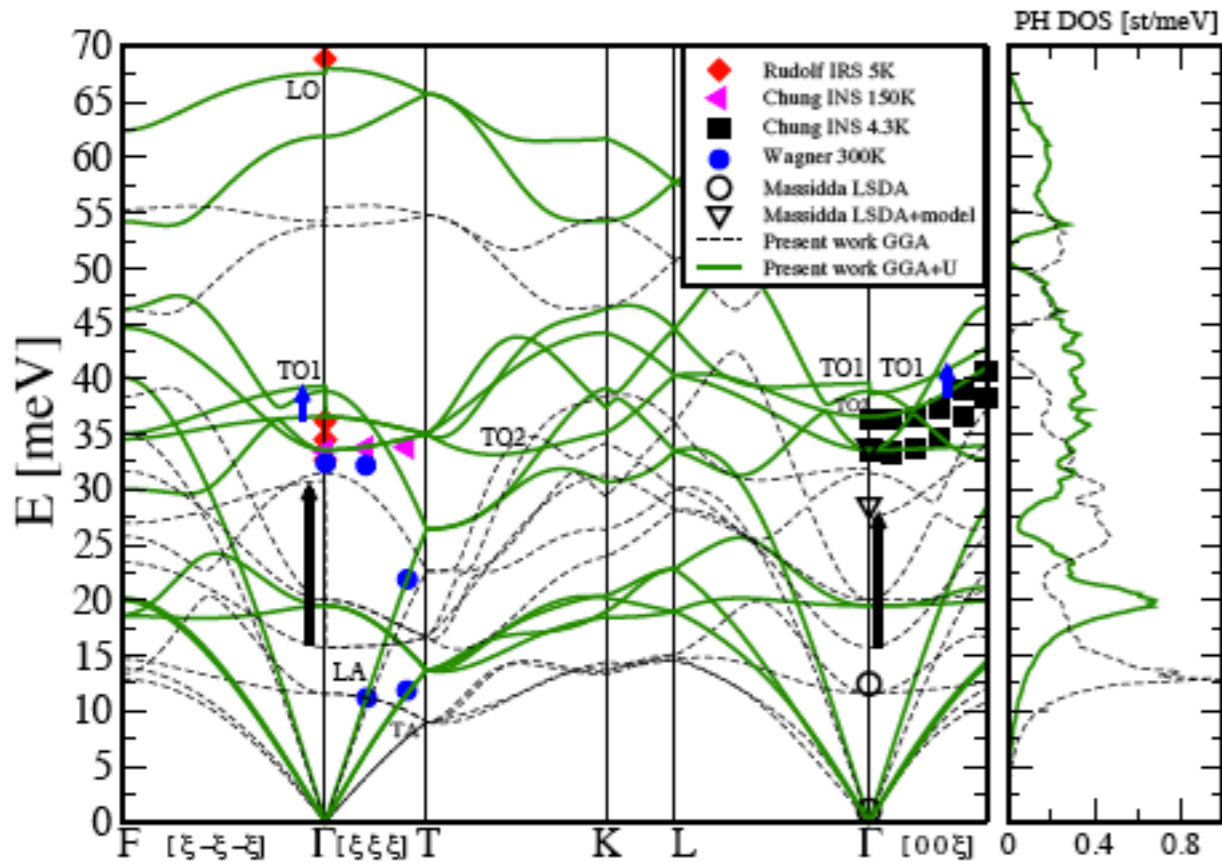
$$\Delta^\mu (\partial^\lambda E_{\text{Hub}}) = \sum_{I\sigma mm'} U^I \left[\frac{\delta_{mm'}}{2} - n_{mm'}^{I\sigma} \right] \Delta^\mu (\partial^\lambda n_{mm'}^{I\sigma}) - \sum_{I\sigma mm'} U^I \Delta^\mu n_{mm'}^{I\sigma} \partial^\lambda n_{mm'}^{I\sigma}$$

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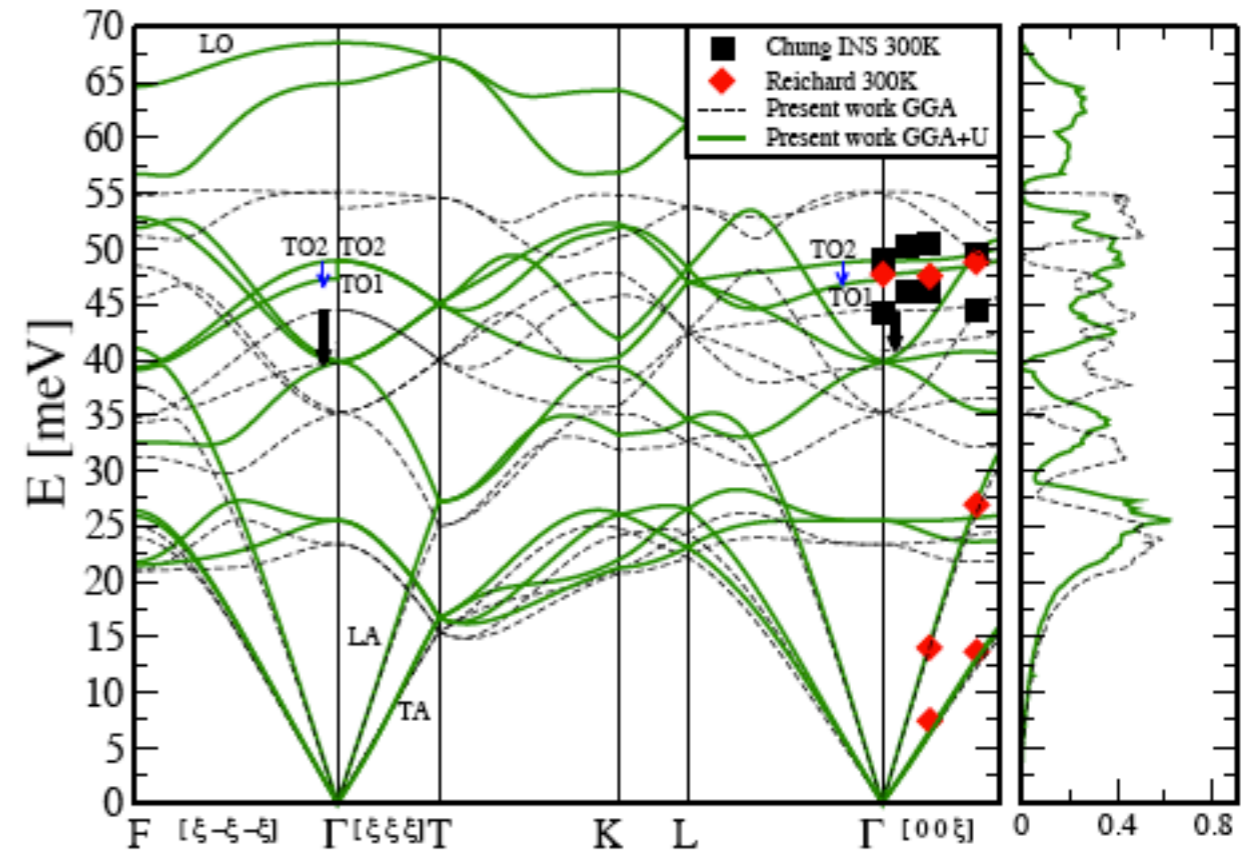
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