

Practical Session:

SCALE-UP and its auxiliary tools

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Goals for the practical session

Overall objective: Run SCALE-UP and utils in its different modes

① Running SCALE-UP in the terminal

- ▶ Single point calculation: basic keywords
- ▶ Output and files
- ▶ Plotting the bands and the DOS
- ▶ Visualizing the geometry
- ▶ Visualizing other properties

② Running SCALE-UP python interface

- ▶ Plotting energy surfaces

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- 1 Energy decomposition
- 2 SCF For BO calculations
- 3 Montecarlo step For MC runs
- 4 Dynamic step For MD simulations
- 5 ...

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- 3 `Electronic eigenvalues` `systemname.ener`
`Print_energies 1`
- 4 `Electronic bands` `systemname.bands`
`Print_bands 1`
- 5 `Orbital occupation` `systemname.orbocc`
`Print_orbocc 1`
- 6 `Real-space Hamiltonian` `systemname.rham`
`Print_Space_Hamiltonian 1`

They can be read by the SCALE-UP python utils!

Check the manual!

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- ▶ Find:
 - Difference occupation of the pz orbital on the anion
 - Difference occupation of the s orbital on the cation
- ▶ Find the total charge and the difference charge on the atoms
Relationship between the orbital occupation and charges?
- ▶ Find the electrostatic potential and dipoles on the atoms
- ▶ How is the charge of the cation during convergence?

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Properties Exports a xsf (xcrysden) file with scalar or vector fields

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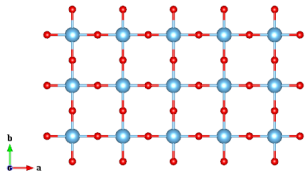
Property can be `-mag` or `-diffcharge`

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Exercise 3-Visual_dos_bands

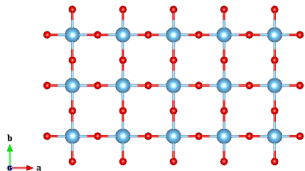
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Go to the third exercise of the session:

```
$ cd ~/Workshop/Day1/02_First_run/3-Visual_dos_bands
```

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and edit it to complete the following exercises:

- ▶ Obtain a DOS diagram
- ▶ Converge the DOS diagram with k-sampling
- ▶ Plot a band diagram
- ▶ Plot the band diagram

$\Gamma(0, 0, 0) \rightarrow X(0.5, 0, 0) \rightarrow M(0.5, 0.5, 0) \rightarrow \Gamma(0, 0, 0)$

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Useful:

Modify→**Number of units drawn...**

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```

Check the input and edit it to complete the following exercises:

- ▶ Represent the full geometry

```
$ python -geom -sysname _2d_lattice_SP
```

```
$ xcrsden &
```

- ▶ Represent the distortions of the system **Load _2d_lattice_SP.xsf and show the distortions (Press f)**
- ▶ Represent the difference charge as a scalar field
- ▶ Combine the plots of difference charge and distortions
- ▶ Represent the magnetization to find whether the system is spin-polarized

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Go to the fifth exercise of the session:

```
$ cd ~/Workshop/Day1/02_First_run/5-Python_surfaces
```

Check the script that plots the energy for octahedral rotation (M point):

```
$ vi get_energy_rotation.py
```

- ▶ Run the script and look at the resulting energy surface
Is there instability?
- ▶ Change the strain of the system isotropically to enlarge the cell
Remember strain comes in Voigt notation ($\eta_{xx}, \eta_{yy}, \eta_{zz}, \eta_{zy}, \eta_{zx}, \eta_{xy}$)
Is the mode associated to the distortion softer or harder?
- ▶ Add an extra loop to explore the behavior with strain and plot your results
Is the instability destroyed at some point?

Practical session summary

▶ 1-Hello_world

Converge the energy with k-sampling! Check energy terms

▶ 2-Output_files

Check the input for various output files

▶ 3-Visual_dos_and_bands

Play with SCF options and plot the DOS and bands for system

▶ 4-Visual_properties

Use utils to explore the plotting modes for the geometry
Represent magnetization, electron and holes to study the electronic structure

▶ 5-Python_surfaces

How does strain affect SrTiO₃ rotations?

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