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Relativistic effects & Non-collinear magnetism

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<u>Slides of:</u>

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Notes of:

- Pavel Novak (Calculation of spin-orbit coupling)

http://www.wien2k.at/reg_user/textbooks/

- Robert Laskowski (Non-collinear magnetic version of WIEN2k package)

<u>Books:</u>

- WIEN2k userguide, ISBN 3-9501031-1-2

- Electronic Structure: Basic Theory and Practical Methods, Richard M. Martin ISBN 0 521 78285 6

- Relativistic Electronic Structure Theory. Part 1. Fundamentals, Peter Schewerdtfeger, ISBN 0 444 51249 7

web:

- http://www2.slac.stanford.edu/vvc/theory/relativity.html

- wienlist digest http://www.wien2k.at/reg_user/index.html
- wikipedia ...



Light

Composed of photons (no mass)

Speed of light = constant Atomic units: $\hbar = m_e = e = 1$ $c \approx 137 \text{ au}$



Few words about Special Theory of Relativity



Matter

Composed of atoms (MASS)





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Lorentz Factor (measure of the relativistic effects)



Relativistic mass: $M = \gamma m$ (m: rest mass) Momentum: $p = \gamma mv = Mv$ *Total energy:* $E^2 = p^2c^2 + m^2c^4$ $E = \gamma mc^2 = Mc^2$









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*Analysis of Erwin Schrödinger of the wave packet solutions of the Dirac equation for relativistic electrons in free space: The interference between positive and negative energy states produces what appears to be a fluctuation (at the speed of light) of the position of an electron around the median.





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4) Indirect relativistic effect

The change of the electrostatic potential induced by relativity is an indirect effect of the core electrons on the valence electrons



One electron radial Schrödinger equation

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Dirac relativistic Hamiltonian provides a quantum mechanical description of electrons, consistent with the theory of special relativity.

 $\begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{E}^2 = \mathbf{p}^2 \mathbf{c}^2 + \mathbf{m}^2 \mathbf{c}^4 \end{bmatrix}$ $H_D \Psi = \mathcal{E} \Psi \quad \text{with} \quad H_D = c \,\vec{\alpha} \cdot \vec{p} + \beta m_e c^2 + V$



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(2×2) Pauli spin matrices



 Ψ is a four-component single-particle wave function that describes spin-1/2 particles.



 Φ and χ are time-independent two-component spinors describing the spatial and spin-1/2 degrees of freedom

Leads to a set of coupled equations for Φ and $\chi \colon$

$$c(\sigma \cdot \vec{p}) \chi = (\varepsilon - V - m_e c^2) \phi$$
$$c(\sigma \cdot \vec{p}) \phi = (\varepsilon - V + m_e c^2) \chi$$



For a free particle (i.e. V = 0):





Dirac equation: H_D and Ψ are 4-dimensional

For a free particle (i.e. V = 0):



For a spherical potential V(r):

$$\Psi = \begin{pmatrix} \Phi \\ \chi \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} g_{n\kappa}(r) Y_{\kappa\sigma} \\ -i f_{n\kappa}(r) Y_{\kappa\sigma} \end{pmatrix}$$

 $g_{n\kappa}$ and $f_{n\kappa}$ are Radial functions $Y_{\kappa\sigma}$ are angular-spin functions

$$j = l + s/2$$

$$\kappa = -s(j+1/2)$$

$$s = +1, -1$$



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Note that: $\kappa(\kappa+1) = l(l+1)$



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Due to spin-orbit coupling, Ψ is not an eigenfunction of spin (s) and angular orbital moment (l). Instead the good quantum numbers are j and κ Note that: $\kappa(\kappa+1) = l(l+1)$

No approximation have been made so far



Scalar relativistic approximation

 $\begin{array}{l} \textbf{Approximation that the spin-orbit term is small} \\ \Rightarrow \textit{neglect SOC in radial functions (and treat it by perturbation theory)} \\ \textbf{No SOC} \Rightarrow \textbf{Approximate radial functions:} \quad g_{n\kappa} \rightarrow \widetilde{g}_{nl} \qquad f_{n\kappa} \rightarrow \widetilde{f}_{nl} \\ \hline -\frac{\hbar^2}{2M_e}\frac{1}{r^2}\frac{d}{dr}\left(r^2\frac{d\widetilde{g}_{nl}}{dr}\right) + \left[V + \frac{\hbar^2}{2M_e}\frac{l(l+1)}{r^2}\right]\widetilde{g}_{nl} - \frac{\hbar^2}{4M_e^2c^2}\frac{dV}{dr}\frac{d\widetilde{g}_{nl}}{dr} = \varepsilon'\widetilde{g}_{nl} \\ \textbf{and} \quad \widetilde{f}_{nl} = \frac{\hbar}{2M_ec}\frac{d\widetilde{g}_{nl}}{dr} \quad \textit{with the normalization condition:} \qquad \int \left(\widetilde{g}_{nl}^2 + \widetilde{f}_{nl}^2\right)r^2dr = 1 \end{array}$



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and $\widetilde{f}_{nl} = \frac{\hbar}{2M_{e}c}\frac{d\widetilde{g}_{nl}}{dr}$ with the normalization condition: $\int \left(\widetilde{g}_{nl}^{2} + \widetilde{f}_{nl}^{2}\right)r^{2}dr = 1$

The four-component wave function is now written as:



Relativistic effects in a solid

For a molecule or a solid:

Relativistic effects originate deep inside the core.

It is then sufficient to solve the relativistic equations in a spherical atomic geometry (inside the atomic spheres of WIEN2k).

Justify an implementation of the relativistic effects only inside the muffin-tin atomic spheres









Implementation in WIEN2k: core electrons



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Implementation in WIEN2k: core electrons

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Implementation in WIEN2k: valence electrons

Valence electrons INSIDE atomic spheres are treated within scalar relativistic approximation [1] if RELA is specified in case.struct file (by default).

Title	
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MODE OF CALC=RELA unit=bohr	
7.670000 7.670000 7.670000 90.000000 90.000000 90.000000 ATOM 1: X=0.00000000 Y=0.00000000 Z=0.00000000	Valence electron
MULT= 1 ISPLIT= 2 Au1 NPT= 781 R0=0.00000500 RMT= 2.6000 Z: 79.0	4
LOCAL ROT MATRIX: 1.0000000 0.0000000 0.0000000 0.0000000 1.0000000 0.0000000 0.0000000 0.0000000 1.0000000	Scalar relati (no SOC
48 NUMBER OF SYMMETRY OPERATIONS	

- no κ dependency of the wave function, (n,l,s) are still good quantum numbers
- all relativistic effects are included except SOC
- small component enters normalization and calculation of charge inside spheres
- augmentation with large component only
- SOC can be included in « second variation »

Valence electrons in interstitial region are treated classically

Valence electrons

Scalar relativistic (no SOC)

[1] Koelling and Harmon, J. Phys. C (1977)



Implementation in WIEN2k: valence electrons



- First diagonalization (lapw1): $H_1\Psi_1 = \varepsilon_1\Psi_1$
- Second diagonalization (lapwso): $(H_1 + H_{SO})\Psi = \mathcal{E}\Psi$

The second equation is expanded in the basis of first eigenvectors (Ψ_1)

$$\sum_{i}^{N} \left(\delta_{ij} \varepsilon_{1}^{j} + \left\langle \Psi_{1}^{j} \middle| H_{SO} \middle| \Psi_{1}^{i} \right\rangle \right) \left\langle \Psi_{1}^{i} \middle| \Psi \right\rangle = \varepsilon \left\langle \Psi_{1}^{j} \middle| \Psi \right\rangle$$

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• SOC is active only inside atomic spheres, only spherical potential (V_{MT}) is taken into account, in the polarized case spin up and down parts are averaged.

• Eigenstates are not pure spin states, SOC mixes up and down spin states

• Off-diagonal term of the spin-density matrix is ignored. It means that in each SCF cycle the magnetization is projected on the chosen direction (from case.inso)

V_{MT}: Muffin-tin potential (spherically symmetric)



Controlling spin-orbit coupling in WIEN2k

- Do a regular scalar-relativistic "scf" calculation save_lapw initso_lapw • case inso: WFFIL 4 1 0 llmax, ipr, kpot -10.0000 1.50000 emin,emax (output energy window) 0. 0. 1. direction of magnetization (lattice vectors) number of atoms for which RLO is added NX -4.97 0.0005 atom number, e-lo, de (case.in1), repeat NX times NX1 0 0 0 0 0 number of atoms for which SO is switch off; atoms • case.in1(c): (...) 0.30 0.005 CONT 1 2 0.30 0.000 CONT 1 0 K-VECTORS FROM UNIT:4 -9.0 emin/emax/nband 4.5 65
 - symmetso (for spin-polarized calculations only)

* run(sp)_lapw -so <---- -so switch specifies that scf cycles will include SOC</pre>



Controlling spin-orbit coupling in WIEN2k

The w2web interface is helping you



Excecution Utilities

> analysis save_lapw restore_lap

initso_lapw view structu stop SCF stop mini

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 core-superposition

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 testpara

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 testpara2

 Tasks

 Files

 Session Mgmt.

 Configuration

 Usersguide

show dayfile show STDOUT Session: [Au-fcc] /u/xrocquef/DATA/PREPA-PENNSTATE/Au-fcc

Initialization of spin-orbit calculations

Au-fcc.in2c has been created

edit Au-fcc.inso Select magnetization direction, RLOs, SO on/off

edit Au-fcc.in1 set larger EMAX in energy window

System not spinpolarized

Non-spin polarized case

W2web



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Excecution Utilities

analysis

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initso_lapw

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Session: [Co-hcp] /u/xrocquef/DATA/PREPA-PENNSTATE/Co-hcp Initialization of spin-orbit calculations Co-hcp.in2c has been created edit Co-hcp.inso Select magnetization direction, RLOs, SO on/off edit Co-hcp.in1 set larger EMAX in energy window Spin polarized case This is a spin-polarized system. SO may reduce symmetry. x symmetso Determines symmetry in spinpolarized case edit Co-hcp.outsymso view Co-hcp.outsymso A new setup for SO calculations has been created (so). If you commit the next step will create new Co-hcp.struct, in1, in2c, inc, clmsum/up/dn files. PLEASE "save lapw" any previous calculation. Prepare new input files The number of symmetry operations may have changed, then you must run KGEN. x kgen Generate k-mesh with proper SO-symmetry edit Co-hcp.klist view Co-hcp.klist V2web



Relativistic effects in the solid: Illustration





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Direct relativistic effect (mass enhancement) \rightarrow contraction of 0.46% only However, the relativistic contraction of the 6s orbital is large (>20%) ns orbitals (with n > 1) contract due to orthogonality to 1s



(1) Orbital Contraction: Effect on the energy











• Spin-orbit splitting of I-quantum number

• $p_{3/2}$ (κ =-2): nearly same behavior than non-relativistic p-state





Spin-orbit splitting of l-quantum number

• $p_{1/2}$ (κ =1): markedly different behavior than non-relativistic p-state $g_{\kappa=1}$ is non-zero at nucleus





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Relativistic correction (%)









Atomic spectra of gold





Ag - Au: the differences (DOS & optical prop.)



Relativistic semicore states: p^{1/2} orbitals

Electronic structure of fcc Th, SOC with 6p^{1/2} local orbital

Energy vs. basis size

DOS with and without $p^{1/2}$



J.Kuneš, P.Novak, R.Schmid, P.Blaha, K.Schwarz, Phys.Rev.B. 64, 153102 (2001)



SOC in magnetic systems

SOC couples magnetic moment to the lattice

direction of the exchange field matters (input in case.inso)

Symmetry operations acts in real and spin space

•number of symmetry operations may be reduced (reflections act differently on
spins than on positions)

time inversion is not symmetry operation (do not add an inversion for klist)

initso_lapw (must be executed) detects new symmetry setting

	Direction of magnetization			
	[100]	[010]	[001]	[11 0]
1	Α	Α	Α	Α
m _x	Α	В	В	-
m _y	В	Α	В	-
2 _z	В	В	Α	В





WIEN2k offers several levels of treating relativity:

- **non-relativistic:** select NREL in case.struct (not recommended)
- **standard:** fully-relativistic core, scalar-relativistic valence
 - mass-velocity and Darwin s-shift, no spin-orbit interaction

*"fully"-relativistic:

adding SO in "second variation" (using previous eigenstates as basis) adding $p^{1/2}$ LOs to increase accuracy (caution!!!)

× lapw1	(increase E-max for more eigenvalues, to have
× lapwso	basis for lapwso)
x lapw2 -so -c	SO ALWAYS needs complex lapw2 version

Non-magnetic systems:

SO does NOT reduce symmetry. initso_lapw just generates case.inso and case.in2c. Magnetic systems:

symmetso dedects proper symmetry and rewrites case.struct/in*/clm*

ATOMIC STRUCTURE OF CuO





*CuO*₄ square planar

ATOMIC STRUCTURE OF CuO





CuO₂ ribbons

ATOMIC STRUCTURE OF CuO





Oxygen 4-fold coordinated

ATOMIC STRUCTURE OF CuO



Cu

0

Monoclinic 3D atomic structure

MAGNETIC STRUCTURE OF CuO



MAGNETIC STRUCTURE OF CuO



LOW-TEMPERATURE MAGNETIC STRUCTURE OF CuO FROM SINGLE-CRYSTAL NEUTRON DIFFRACTION^[1]



[1] J.B. Forsyth et al., J. Phys. C: Solid State Phys. 21 (1988) 2917

Estimation of the Magneto-crystalline Anisotropy Energy (MAE) of CuO

Allows to define the magnetization easy and hard axes

Here we have considered the following expression:

 $MAE = E[u \ v \ w] - E[0 \ 1 \ 0]$

E[uvw] is the energy deduced from spin-orbit calculations with the magnetization along the [uvw] crystallographic direction



[1] X. Rocquefelte, P. Blaha, K. Schwarz, S. Kumar, J. van den Brink, Nature Comm., Accepted



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2x2 matrix in spin space, due to Pauli spin operators

$$H_{P} = -\frac{\hbar^{2}}{2m_{e}}\nabla^{2} + V_{eff} + \mu_{B}\vec{\sigma}\cdot\vec{B}_{eff} + \zeta\left(\vec{\sigma}\cdot\vec{l}\right) + \dots$$
$$\sigma_{1} = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ 1 & 0 \end{pmatrix} \quad \sigma_{2} = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & -i \\ i & 0 \end{pmatrix} \quad \sigma_{3} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & -1 \end{pmatrix}$$

(2×2) Pauli spin matrices



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(2×2) Pauli spin matrices

Wave function is a 2-component vector (spinor) – It corresponds to the large components of the dirac wave function (small components are neglected)

$$H_{P}\begin{pmatrix} \Psi_{1} \\ \Psi_{2} \end{pmatrix} = \varepsilon \begin{pmatrix} \Psi_{1} \\ \Psi_{2} \end{pmatrix} spin up$$

$$spin down$$



2x2 matrix in spin space, due to Pauli spin operators

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Exchange-correlation potential Exchange-correlation field





Many-body effects which are defined within DFT LDA or GGA



From DFT exchange correlation energy:

$$E_{xc}(\rho(r),\vec{m}) = \int \rho(r) \varepsilon_{xc}^{hom} \left[\rho(r),\vec{m}\right] dr^{3}$$

Local function of the electronic density (ρ) and the magnetic moment (m)

 \square Definition of V_{xc} and B_{xc} (functional derivatives):

$$V_{xc} = \frac{\partial E_{xc}(\rho, \vec{m})}{\partial \rho} \qquad \vec{B}_{xc} = \frac{\partial E_{xc}(\rho, \vec{m})}{\partial \vec{m}}$$

 \implies LDA expression for V_{xc} and B_{xc} :

$$V_{xc} = \varepsilon_{xc}^{hom}(\rho, \vec{m}) + \rho \frac{\partial \varepsilon_{xc}^{hom}(\rho, \vec{m})}{\partial \rho} \qquad \qquad \vec{B}_{xc} = \rho \frac{\partial \varepsilon_{xc}^{hom}(\rho, \vec{m})}{\partial m} \hat{m}$$

 B_{xc} is parallel to the magnetization density vector (\hat{m})



Non-collinear magnetism
$$\delta \circ \delta \sim \mathcal{O} \to \mathcal{O} \circ \mathcal{O}$$

Direction of magnetization vary in space, thus spin-orbit term is present

$$H_P = -\frac{\hbar^2}{2m_e} \nabla^2 + V_{eff} + \mu_B \vec{\sigma} \cdot \vec{B}_{eff} + \zeta \left(\vec{\sigma} \cdot \vec{l}\right) + \dots$$

$$\begin{pmatrix} -\frac{\hbar^2}{2m_e} \nabla^2 + V_{eff} + \mu_B B_z + \dots & \mu_B (B_x - iB_y) \\ \mu_B (B_x + iB_y) & -\frac{\hbar^2}{2m_e} \nabla^2 + V_{eff} - \mu_B B_z + \dots \end{pmatrix} \psi = \varepsilon \psi$$

$$\psi = \begin{pmatrix} \psi_1 \\ \psi_2 \end{pmatrix} \xrightarrow{\Psi_1 \text{ and } \Psi_2 \text{ are } non-zero}$$

- Solutions are non-pure spinors
- Non-collinear magnetic moments


Collinear magnetism



Magnetization in z-direction / spin-orbit is not present

$$H_{P} = -\frac{\hbar^{2}}{2m_{e}}\nabla^{2} + V_{eff} + \mu_{B}\vec{\sigma}\cdot\vec{B}_{eff} + \zeta\vec{\rho}\cdot\vec{l} + \dots$$

$$\begin{pmatrix} -\frac{\hbar^2}{2m_e} \nabla^2 + V_{eff} + \mu_B B_z + \dots & 0 \\ 0 & -\frac{\hbar^2}{2m_e} \nabla^2 + V_{eff} - \mu_B B_z + \dots \end{pmatrix} \psi = \varepsilon \psi$$

$$\begin{split} \psi_{\uparrow} = \begin{pmatrix} \psi_1 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} \quad \psi_{\downarrow} = \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ \psi_2 \end{pmatrix} \\ \varepsilon_{\uparrow} \neq \varepsilon_{\downarrow} \end{split}$$

- Solutions are pure spinors
- Collinear magnetic moments
- Non-degenerate energies



 \square No magnetization present, $B_x = B_y = B_z = 0$ and no spin-orbit coupling

$$H_{P} = -\frac{\hbar^{2}}{2m_{e}}\nabla^{2} + V_{eff} + \mu_{B}\vec{O}\vec{B}_{eff} + \zeta\vec{O}\vec{O} + \dots$$

$$\begin{pmatrix} -\frac{\hbar^2}{2m_e} \nabla^2 + V_{eff} & 0 \\ 0 & -\frac{\hbar^2}{2m_e} \nabla^2 + V_{eff} \end{pmatrix} \psi = \varepsilon \psi$$

$$egin{aligned} \psi_{\uparrow} = & \begin{pmatrix} \psi \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} & \psi_{\downarrow} = & \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ \psi \end{pmatrix} \ arepsilon_{\uparrow} & arepsilon_{\downarrow} & arepsilon_{\downarrow$$

- Solutions are pure spinors
- Degenerate spin solutions



Magnetism and WIEN2k

Wien2k can only handle collinear or non-magnetic cases





Magnetism and WIEN2k

- Spin-polarized calculations
 - * runsp_lapw script (unconstrained magnetic calc.)
 - * runfsm_lapw -m value (constrained moment calc.)
 - * runafm_lapw (constrained anti-ferromagnetic calculation)
 - spin-orbit coupling can be included in second variational step
 - never mix polarized and non-polarized calculations in one case directory !!!





In case of non-collinear spin arrangements WIENncm (WIEN2k clone) has to be used:

- code based on Wien2k (available for Wien2k users)
- structure and usage philosophy similar to Wien2k
- independent source tree, independent installation

WIENncm properties:

- real and spin symmetry (simplifies SCF, less k-points)
- constrained or unconstrained calculations (optimizes magnetic moments)
- SOC in first variational step, LDA+U
- Spin spirals





> For non-collinear magnetic systems, both spin channels have to be considered simultaneously

> Relation between spin density matrix and magnetization

runncm_lapw script:

xncm lapw0 xncm lapw1 xncm lapw2 xncm lcore xncm mixer

 $\mathbf{m}_{\mathbf{z}} = \mathbf{n}_{\uparrow\uparrow} - \mathbf{n}_{\downarrow\downarrow} \neq \mathbf{0}$ $\mathbf{m}_{\mathsf{x}} = \frac{1}{2} (\mathbf{n}_{\uparrow\downarrow} + \mathbf{n}_{\downarrow\uparrow}) \neq \mathbf{0}$ $m_{y} = i\frac{1}{2}(n_{\uparrow\downarrow} - n_{\downarrow\uparrow}) \neq 0$







- spin-spiral is defined by a vector q given in reciprocal space and an angle θ between magnetic moment and rotation axis.
- Rotation axis is arbitrary (no SOC) fixed as z-axis in WIENNCM
- ⇒ Translational symmetry is lost !

 \Rightarrow But WIENncm is using the generalized Bloch theorem. The calculation of spin waves only requires **one unit cell** for even incommensurate modulation q vector.





- 1. Generate the atomic and magnetic structures
 - Create atomic structure
 - Create magnetic structure

See utility programs: ncmsymmetry, polarangles, ...

- 2. Run initnem (initialization script)
- 3. Run the NCM calculation:
 - * xncm (WIENncm version of x script)
 - runncm (WIENncm version of run script)

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