

Optical Properties with Wien2k

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Screening in a solid
Calculating ϵ : Random-Phase Approximation

② Practical Calculations

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joint: Imaginary Part of Dielectric Tensor
kram: Derived Quantities

③ Examples

Ambrosch-Draxl and Sofo, Comp. Phys. Commun. 175, 1 (2006)

Appetizer

$$\left\{ \begin{array}{ll} \text{optical conductivity} & \text{Re } \sigma_{ij} = \frac{\omega}{4\pi} \text{Im } \varepsilon_{ij} \\ \text{refractive index} & n_{ii} = \sqrt{(|\varepsilon_{ii}| + \text{Re } \varepsilon_{ii})/2} \\ \text{extinction coefficient} & k_{ii} = \sqrt{(|\varepsilon_{ii}| - \text{Re } \varepsilon_{ii})/2} \\ \text{absorption coefficient} & \alpha_{ii} = 2\omega k/c \\ \text{energy loss function} & L_{ij} = -\text{Im}(\varepsilon^{-1})_{ij} \\ \text{reflectivity} & R_{ii} = \frac{(n-1)^2 + k^2}{(n+1)^2 + k^2} \\ \text{sum rules} & N_{\text{eff}} = \int_0^\omega d\omega' \text{Im } \varepsilon(\omega') \end{array} \right.$$

$\text{Im } \varepsilon_{ij}(\omega) \Rightarrow$

Screening

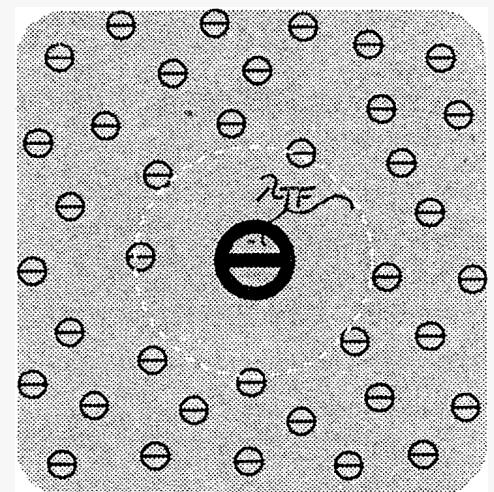
Consider a test charge Q in a solid:

$$V(\mathbf{r} - \mathbf{r}') = \frac{-Q}{|\mathbf{r} - \mathbf{r}'|} \longleftrightarrow V(\mathbf{q}) = -\frac{4\pi Q}{\mathbf{q}^2}$$

e^- will move to **screen** the charge

\rightsquigarrow effective potential W ;

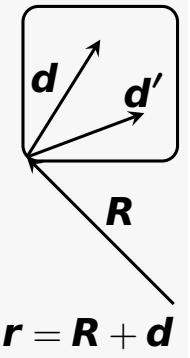
dielectric function “ $V = \varepsilon W$ ”



Simplest model: **Thomas-Fermi**

$$W(\mathbf{r}) = \frac{e^{-\mathbf{k}_{\text{TF}} \mathbf{r}}}{\mathbf{r}} \longleftrightarrow W(\mathbf{q}) = \frac{4\pi}{\mathbf{k}_{\text{TF}}^2 + \mathbf{q}^2} \quad \mathbf{k}_{\text{TF}}^2 = 4\pi \mathcal{N}(E_F)$$

Ansatz for W



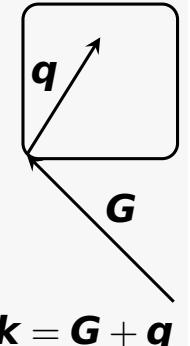
$$W \sim \int d\mathbf{r}' dt \epsilon^{-1}(\mathbf{r}'; t) V(\mathbf{r} - \mathbf{r}'; t - t')$$

Bare $V(\mathbf{r}, \mathbf{r}'; t, t') = V(\mathbf{r} - \mathbf{r}')\delta(t - t')$ is translation invariant and instantaneous

Response depends on position in unit cell, is retarded

$$\rightsquigarrow W_R(\mathbf{d}, \mathbf{d}'; t) = \sum_{\tilde{\mathbf{R}}} \int d\mathbf{d}_1 d\mathbf{d}_2 \epsilon^{-1}_{\tilde{\mathbf{R}}}(\mathbf{d}_1, \mathbf{d}_2; t) \cdot V(\mathbf{R} + \mathbf{d} - \mathbf{d}' - [\mathbf{d}_1 - \mathbf{d}_2 - \tilde{\mathbf{R}}])$$

The Dielectric Function



$$W_G(\mathbf{q}, \omega) = \sum_{\mathbf{G}'} \epsilon^{-1}_{\mathbf{GG}'}(\mathbf{q}, \omega) V_{\mathbf{G}'}(\mathbf{q}, \omega)$$

light is long-wavelength:

$$W_G(\mathbf{q}, \omega) \approx \epsilon^{-1}_{\mathbf{G}\mathbf{0}}(\mathbf{q}, \omega) V_{\mathbf{0}}(\mathbf{q}, \omega)$$

$$\mathbf{G}' = \mathbf{0}, \mathbf{q} \rightarrow \mathbf{0}$$

“macroscopic” ϵ (u.c. average):

$$W(\mathbf{q}, \omega) = \epsilon^{-1}_{\mathbf{0}\mathbf{0}}(\mathbf{q}, \omega) V_{\mathbf{0}}(\mathbf{q}, \omega)$$

$$\epsilon_M(\mathbf{q}, \omega) = \frac{1}{\epsilon^{-1}_{\mathbf{0}\mathbf{0}}(\mathbf{q}, \omega)}$$

neglect local-field effects:

$$\epsilon_M(\mathbf{q}, \omega) \approx \epsilon_{\mathbf{0}\mathbf{0}}(\mathbf{q}, \omega)$$

Calculating ϵ : The RPA

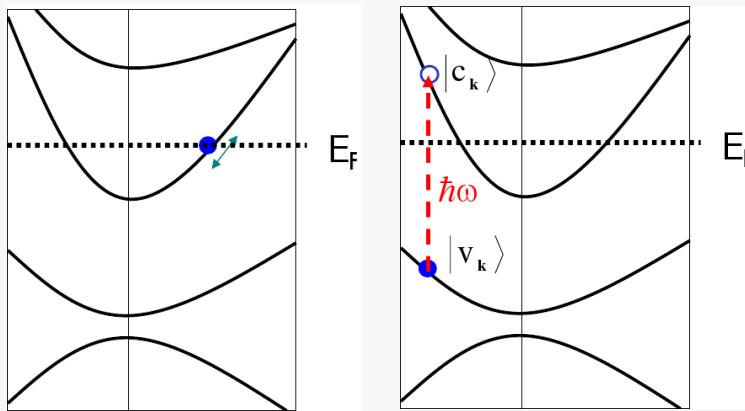
$$V(\mathbf{q}) = \epsilon(\mathbf{q}, \omega) W(\mathbf{q}, \omega)$$

- Poisson: $\mathbf{q}^2 W = 4\pi(-Q + \delta n) \leftrightarrow W = V + \frac{4\pi}{\mathbf{q}^2} \delta n$
- linear response: $\delta n = \cancel{\chi P W} \rightarrow V = (1 - \frac{4\pi}{\mathbf{q}^2} P) W$
- “random-phase” approximation: P to lowest order

$$P = \text{loop diagram} + \text{loop diagram with one wavy line} + \text{loop diagram with two wavy lines} + \dots$$

$\sim G^0(1, 2) G^0(2, 1)$

Intra- and Interband transitions



free e^- : Lindhard formula

$$P = \frac{4\pi}{\mathbf{q}^2 \Omega} \sum_{\mathbf{k}} \frac{f(\epsilon_{\mathbf{k}+\mathbf{q}}) - f(\epsilon_{\mathbf{k}})}{\epsilon_{\mathbf{k}+\mathbf{q}} - \epsilon_{\mathbf{k}} - \omega}$$

intraband

interband

Bloch e^- :

$$P = \frac{4\pi}{\mathbf{q}^2 \Omega} \sum_{\mathbf{k}n\mathbf{n}'} A_{\mathbf{k}\mathbf{q}}^{nn'} \frac{f(\epsilon_{\mathbf{k}+\mathbf{q}}) - f(\epsilon_{\mathbf{k}})}{\epsilon_{\mathbf{k}+\mathbf{q}} - \epsilon_{\mathbf{k}} - \omega}$$

Intra- and Interband transitions

intraband: Drude model,
(ω_p : plasma frequency)

$$\text{Im } \epsilon^{\text{intra}} = \frac{\Gamma \omega_p^2}{\omega(\omega^2 + \Gamma^2)}$$

interband:

joint density of states:

$$\rho(\omega) = \sum_{c,v} \int d\mathbf{k} \delta(\epsilon_c(\mathbf{k}) - \epsilon_v(\mathbf{k}) - \omega)$$

v - c transition probability
("selection rules") given by
momentum matrix elements

$$\text{Im } \epsilon_{ij}(\omega, \mathbf{0}) \propto \frac{1}{\omega^2} \sum_{c,v} \int d\mathbf{k} \delta(\epsilon_c(\mathbf{k}) - \epsilon_v(\mathbf{k}) - \omega) \langle c\mathbf{k} | \hat{p}_i | v\mathbf{k} \rangle \langle v\mathbf{k} | \hat{p}_j | c\mathbf{k} \rangle$$

Symmetry Constraints

$\epsilon_{ij} = \epsilon_{ji}$ is always symmetric.

Additional constraints from crystal symmetry:

$$\epsilon = U^{-1} \epsilon U$$

cubic $\begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$

tetragonal,
trigonal,
hexagonal $\begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 3 \end{pmatrix}$

monoclinic $\begin{pmatrix} 1 & 4 & 0 \\ 2 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 3 \end{pmatrix}$

orthorhombic $\begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 2 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 3 \end{pmatrix}$

triclinic $\begin{pmatrix} 1 & 4 & 5 \\ 2 & 6 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 3 \end{pmatrix}$

Program Flow

`lapw1` Kohn-Sham eigenstates

`optic` momentum matrix elements (`case.symmat`)

`joint` imaginary part of dielectric tensor (`case.joint`)

`kram` derived quantities

- Kramers-Kronig

$$\text{Re } \varepsilon_{ij} = \delta_{ij} + \frac{2}{\pi} \mathcal{P} \int_0^\infty d\Omega \frac{\Omega}{\Omega^2 - \omega^2} \text{Im } \varepsilon_{ij}$$

↝ all optical constants

optic: Momentum Matrix Elements

- ① normal SCF run → converged density
- ② x `kgen` → dense k-mesh (check convergence!)
- ③ x `lapw1 -options` → eigenvectors on dense mesh
- ④ x `lapw2 -fermi -options` → `case.weight`
 - metals: “TETRA 101.0” in `case.in2`
- ⑤ x `optic -options` → momentum matrix elements
`case.symmat`: $\langle c\mathbf{k}|\hat{p}_i|v\mathbf{k}\rangle \langle v\mathbf{k}|\hat{p}_j|c\mathbf{k}\rangle$

core-level spectra: Kevin Jorissen’s lecture tomorrow 10:30

optic: Input and Output

case.inop

```

99999 1      #k-points, 1st k-point
-5.0 3.0 9999 Emin Emax [Ry], NBvalMAX
2          #indep. elements (symmetry/SOC)
1          Re xx
3          Re zz
OFF 3      write mommat2?, #spheres
1 2 3      spheres to sum over

```

symmetry

1: Re $\langle xx \rangle$ 4: Re $\langle xy \rangle$
 2: Re $\langle yy \rangle$ 5: Re $\langle xz \rangle$
 3: Re $\langle zz \rangle$ 6: Re $\langle yz \rangle$

spin-orbit

7: Im $\langle xy \rangle$
 8: Im $\langle xz \rangle$
 9: Im $\langle yz \rangle$

case.symmat

$\langle v\mathbf{k} | \hat{p}_i | c\mathbf{k} \rangle \langle c\mathbf{k} | \hat{p}_j | v\mathbf{k} \rangle$

case.mommat2 (if ON)

$\langle v\mathbf{k} | \hat{p}_i | c\mathbf{k} \rangle$

joint: Im(ϵ), (Joint) Density of States

case.injoint

```

1 9999 9999 lower, upper, upper-val bandindex
0.0 .001 1.0 Emin ( $\geq 0$ ), dE, Emax [Ry]
eV        units [eV / ryd / cm-1]
4          mode
2          #indep. elements
0.1 0.1   broadenings  $\Gamma$  for Drude (mode=6,7)

```

case.joint

$$\left. \text{Im } \epsilon_{ij} \right\rangle \sim \sum_{c,v} \int d\mathbf{k} \delta(\epsilon_c(\mathbf{k}) - \epsilon_v(\mathbf{k}) - \omega) \left\{ \frac{\langle c\mathbf{k} | \hat{p}_i | v\mathbf{k} \rangle \langle v\mathbf{k} | \hat{p}_j | c\mathbf{k} \rangle}{1} \right.$$

joint: Modes of Operation

“physical” (all bands)

- 1 joint DOS
- 3 regular DOS
- 4 $\text{Im } \epsilon$ interband
- 6 $\text{Im } \epsilon$ intraband (Drude)

band analysis

- 0 joint DOS
- 2 DOS
- 5 interband
- 7 intraband

$$\text{Im } \epsilon_{ij} \sim \sum_{c,v,\mathbf{k}} \delta(\epsilon_c(\mathbf{k}) - \epsilon_v(\mathbf{k}) - \omega) \langle c\mathbf{k} | \hat{p}_i | v\mathbf{k} \rangle \langle v\mathbf{k} | \hat{p}_j | c\mathbf{k} \rangle$$

“sphere analysis”

$$|c\mathbf{k}\rangle = \sum_{\alpha}^{\text{MT,I}} |c\mathbf{k}\rangle_{\alpha}$$

NB: cross-terms are missed!

`case.inop`

```
0FF 3 mommat2?, #spheres
1 2 3 spheres to sum over
```

kram: Kramers-Kronig Analysis

`case.inkram`

```
0.1      interband broadening
0.0      energy shift (scissors operator)
1        add intraband contributions? 1/0
12.6 12.6 plasma frequencies (joint, mode=6)
0.1 0.1  broadenings  $\Gamma$  for Drude models
```

output

- `case.epsilon` $\text{Re } \epsilon, \text{Im } \epsilon$
- `case.sigmak` $\text{Re } \sigma, \text{Im } \sigma$
- `case.sumrules`
- `case.absorp` $\text{Re } \sigma, \alpha$
- `case.eloss` loss function
- `case.reflectivity` R
- `case.refraction` n, k

More Stuff You May Need to Know

spin-polarized calculations

Kramers-Kronig is not additive.

- ① x joint -up && x joint -dn
- ② addjoint-updn
- ③ x kram

procedure for metals

- ① x joint (mode=6) → plasma frequencies ω_{pij}
- ② x joint (mode=4) → interband $\text{Im } \epsilon$
- ③ x kram (intra=1, insert ω_p)

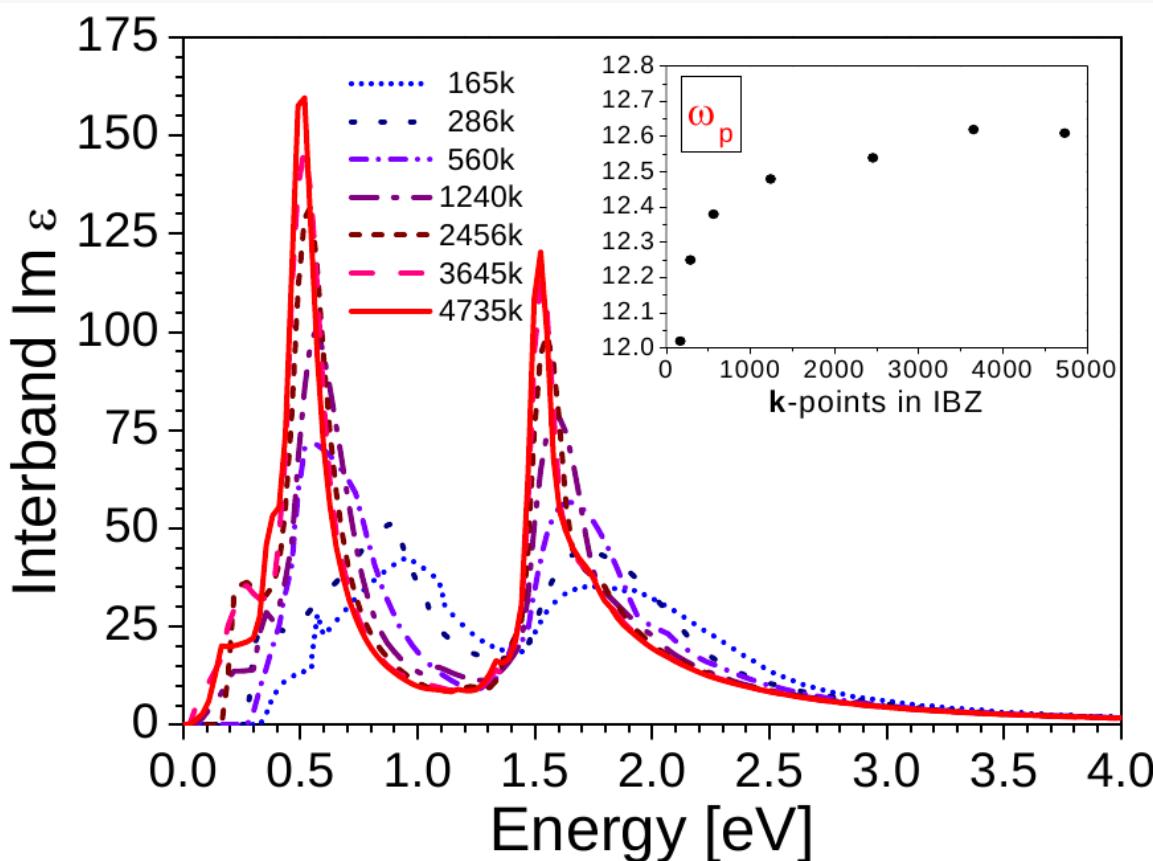
$$\text{Im } \epsilon^{\text{intra}} = \frac{\Gamma \omega_p^2}{\omega(\omega^2 + \Gamma^2)}, \quad \text{Re } \epsilon^{\text{intra}} = 1 - \frac{\omega_p^2}{\omega^2 + \Gamma^2}$$

Kramers-Kronig needs $\text{Im } \epsilon$ in a large energy range

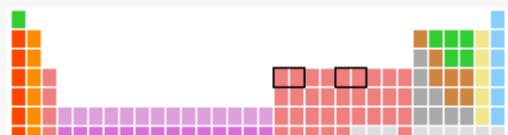
Some Limitations

- linear optical properties only
 - $W = \epsilon^{-1(1)} V + \cancel{\epsilon^{-1(2)} V^2} + \dots$
- Kohn-Sham eigenstates interpreted as excited states
 - ⇒ “scissors” operator: $\epsilon_c(\mathbf{k}) \rightarrow \epsilon_c^{\text{LDA}}(\mathbf{k}) + \Delta$
- independent-particle approx. (no $e^- - h^+$ interaction)
 - ⇒ Bethe-Salpeter (BSE) → Peter Blaha's lecture (13:00)
- LDA/GGA are not exact
 - ⇒ hybrid DFT, effective potentials → Peter Blaha
 - ⇒ DFT+U, LDA+DMFT → my lecture (tomorrow 9:00)

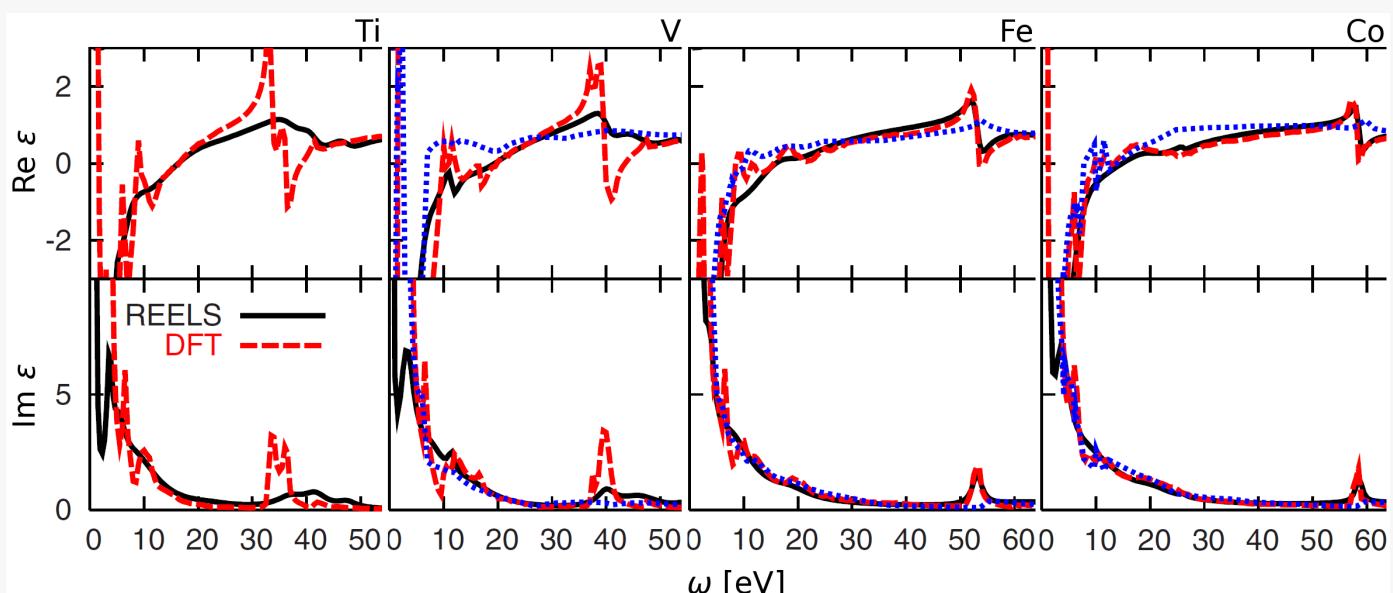
Example: Al, k-Mesh Convergence



Comparison to Experiment



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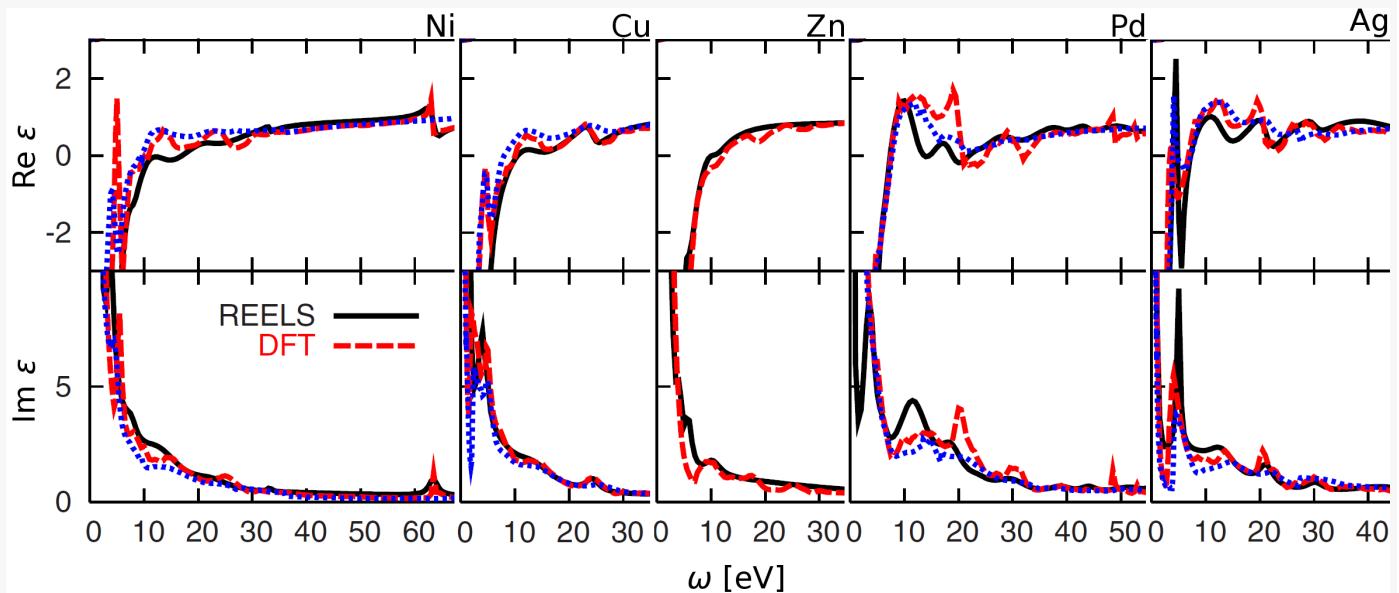
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