

# Hands-on introduction of OpenMX

## – Lecture –

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Schedule:  
14:30～15:30 Lecture  
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# What is OpenMX

First-principles program package based on density functional theory with

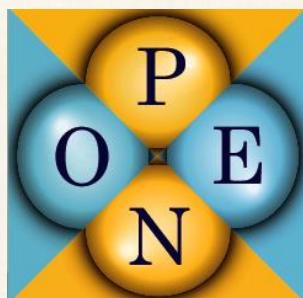
pseudopotentials

and

numerical local orbitals basis set

Reduce numerical cost by  
using carefully constructed  
potential for the valence  
electrons

Describe efficiently Kohn–Sham orbitals in  
atomic, molecular, solid systems.



Open source package for Material eXplorer

Main developer : T. Ozaki

More than 20 contributors

<http://www.openmx-square.org/>

# What can OpenMX do ?

- Total energy, charge/spin density, force, stress
- Band, DOS, PDOS, Fermi surface, Wannier function
- Variable-cell MD, structural optimization, reaction path (NEB)
- LDA, GGA, vdW functional, DFT+U
- Non-collinear magnetism, spin-orbit coupling
- Order-N
- Electronic transport with NEGF method
- Spin-Spin coupling constant
- Unfolding of band structure of surface, interface, etc.
- OpenMP + MPI hybrid parallelism
- Visualization and GUI input generation
- Etc.

# Install OpenMX : Download

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Open source package for Materials Science

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## Download of OpenMX

Available packages in terms of [GNU-GPL](#)

- [openmx3.8](#) (release date: 03/April/2016, 136 MB)
- [openmx3.7](#) (release date: 23/May/2013, 112 MB)
- [openmx3.6](#) (release date: 10/Nov./2011, 079 MB)

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|--|----------------------------|
| <a href="#">+ patch (12/June/2018)</a> | <a href="#">README.txt</a> |
| <a href="#">+ patch (21/Feb./2015)</a> | <a href="#">README.txt</a> |
| <a href="#">+ patch (14/Nov./2011)</a> | <a href="#">README.txt</a> |



```
$ tar xzvf openmx3.8.tar.gz
$ cd openmx3.8/source
$ tar xzvf ../../patch3.8.5.tar.gz
```

- `source/` : source code for OpenMX (C & fortran)
- `work/` : sample inputs
- `DFT_DATA13/` : pseudo potential & basis set

# Build OpenMX

Edit makefile in source/directory to apply your system

Macro for make command

- CC : C compiler and compile option.  
E.g./ mpicc -fopenmp -O3 -I /usr/local/include/ -Dscalapack
- FC : fortran compiler and compile option  
E.g./ mpif90 -fopenmp -O3 -I /usr/local
- LIB : linker option  
E.g./ -mkl=parallel -lmpi\_f90 -lmpi\_f77

```
$ make all
```

- openmx : Main program
- bandgnu13 : Utility for plotting band structure
- DosMain : Utility for DOS and PDOS
- jx : Utility for exchange (spin-spin) coupling
- bin2txt, cube2xsf, md2axsf : File-format converter

# Input file : General rule of Keywords

```

#
# File Name
#
System.CurrentDirectory    ./.      # default=./
System.Name
level.of.stdout      1      # default=1 (1-3)
level.of.fileout       1      # default=1 (0-2)

#
#
# Definition of Atomic Species
#
Species.Number          3
<Definition.of.Atomic.Species
  Ga   Ga7.0-s2p2d1   Ga_CA13
  As   As7.0-s2p2d1   As_CA13
  proj As7.0-s1p1d1   As_CA13
>Definition.of.Atomic.Species>

```

Key.Word	Value
System.CurrentDirectory	./
System.Name	
level.of.stdout	1
level.of.fileout	1

# comment

<Key.Word.List  
Value1a Value1b Value1c  
Value2a Value2b Value2c  
Value3a Value3b Value3c  
Key.word.List>

Uppercase and Lowercase are not distinguished.

# Keyword for path, title, IO

```
DATA.PATH    /home/public/program/openmx3.8/DFT_DATA13/  
System.CurrentDirectory      ./          # default= ./  
System.Name                 mgb2  
level.of.stdout              1          # default=1 (1-3)  
level.of.fileout             1          # default=1 (0-2)
```

Full path or relative path to DFT\_DATA13 (pseudopotentials)

The label of output files:  
GaAs.out, GaAs.md, GaAs.Band, ...

Amount of output data:

It should be  $\geq 1$  if we want to produce some volumetric files (charge-density, potential, etc.).

# Keyword for atomic species and structure

Basis file DFT\_DATA13/PAO/B7.0.pao  
(omitting .pao)

“7.0” is the radius of basis

Pseudopotential file  
DFT\_DATA13/VPS/B\_PBE13.vps  
(omitting “.vps”)

Functional (GGA-PBE)

```
Species.Number 4
<Definition.of.Atomic.Species
  B B7.0-s2p2d1  B_PBE13
  Mg Mg7.0-s3p3d2 Mg_PBE13
Definition.of.Atomic.Species>
```

Atoms.Number 3

```
Atoms.SpeciesAndCoordinates.Unit   Ang
<Atoms.SpeciesAndCoordinates
  1 Mg 0.000000 0.000000 0.000000 4.000000 4.000000
  2 B 1.542500 0.890563 1.761500 1.500000 1.500000
  3 B 0.000000 1.781126 1.761500 1.500000 1.500000
Atoms.SpeciesAndCoordinates>
```

Atoms.UnitVectors.Unit Ang

```
<Atoms.UnitVectors
  3.085000 0.000000 0.000000  $\vec{a}_1$ 
  -1.542500 2.671688 0.000000  $\vec{a}_2$ 
  0.000000 0.000000 3.523000  $\vec{a}_3$ 
Atoms.UnitVectors>
```

Basis configuration

Atomic position

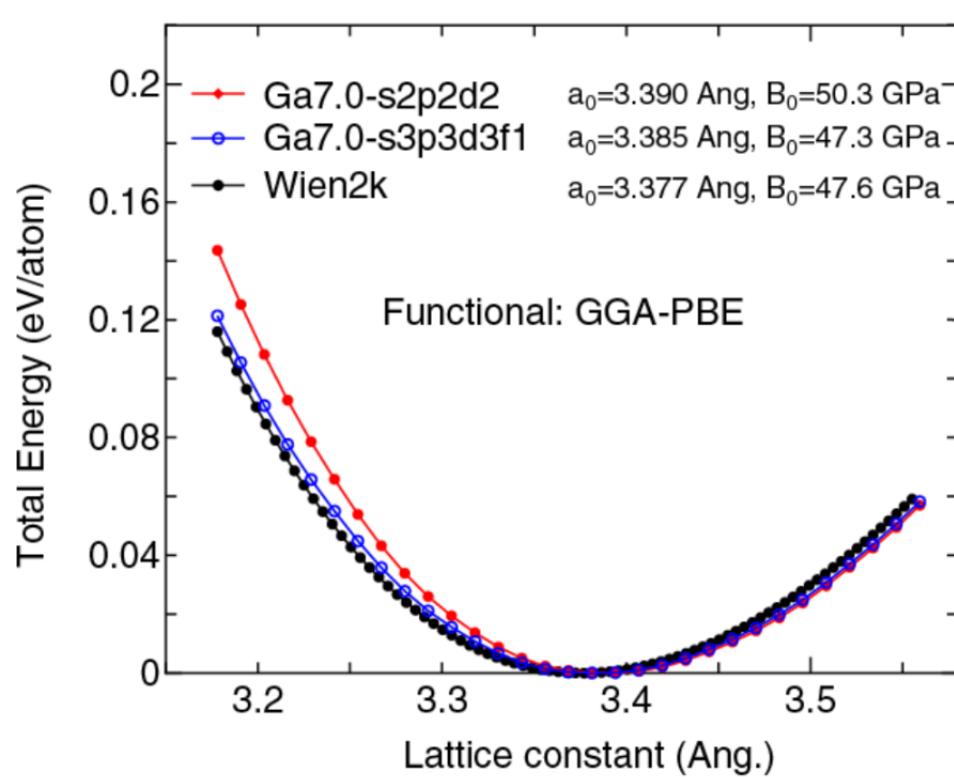
Occupation for initial guess

# How we choose basis configuration ?

- (1) Follow the configuration in literature if we reproduce it.
- (2) Suggestion in the OpenMX Web page

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- (3) Input file generator in OpenMX Viewer, etc.

→ It will be shown in this lecture and practice.

# Condition of DFT calculation

scf.XcType	GGA-PBE	# LDA LSDA-CA LSDA-PW GGA-PBE
scf.SpinPolarization	off	# On Off NC
scf.SpinOrbit.Coupling	off	# On Off, default=off
scf.energycutoff	300.0	# default=150 (Ry)
scf.EigenvalueSolver	band	# DC GDC Cluster Band
scf.ElectronicTemperature	5000.0	# default=300 (K)
scf.Kgrid	14 14 10	# means n1 x n2 x n3

Cutoff energy for FFT grid.  
 Small “scf.energycutoff” causes bad  
 SCF convergence (See manual).

Denser  $k$ -grid is required for metallic system.

For the Brillouin-zone integration.  
 It is not the same as the real temperature.

# Keyword for convergence

## SCF convergence

scf.maxIter	50	# default=40
scf.criterion	1.0e-7	# default=1.0e-6 (Hartree)
scf.Init.Mixing.Weight	0.20	# default=0.30
scf.Min.Mixing.Weight	0.001	# default=0.001
scf.Max.Mixing.Weight	0.500	# default=0.40
scf.Mixing.History	7	# default=5
scf.Mixing.StartPulay	7	# default=6
scf.Mixing.EveryPulay	1	# default=6

For good convergence:

- Small mixing
- Large mixing history
- Large startpulay
- Large electronic temperature
- Large enegycutoff

See section  
**“SCF convergence”**  
 In OpenMX manual

## Structural optimization

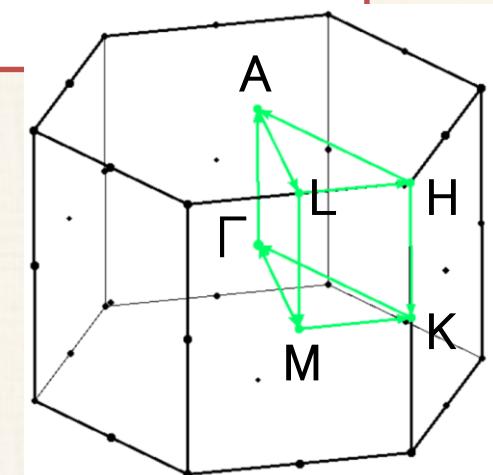
MD.Type	OPT	
MD.Opt.DIIS.History	3	
MD.Opt.StartDIIS	30	
MD.Opt.EveryDIIS	200	
MD.maxIter	100	
MD.Opt.criterion	0.0005	
MD.Opt.Init.Hessian	Schlegel	# Schlegel iden

# Keyword for post process (1)

```
scf.restart      on
orbitalOpt.Force.Skip    on
```

The post-process should be separated from the SCF calculation

```
Band.dispersion          off
Band.Nkpath   9
<Band.kpath
11  0.000000 0.000000 0.000000 0.500000 0.000000 0.000000 GAMMA M
6   0.500000 0.000000 0.000000 0.333333 0.333333 0.000000 M K
13  0.333333 0.333333 0.000000 0.000000 0.000000 0.000000 K GAMMA
8   0.000000 0.000000 0.000000 0.000000 0.000000 0.500000 GAMMA A
11  0.000000 0.000000 0.500000 0.500000 0.000000 0.500000 A L
6   0.500000 0.000000 0.500000 0.333333 0.333333 0.500000 L H
13  0.333333 0.333333 0.500000 0.000000 0.000000 0.500000 H A
8   0.500000 0.000000 0.500000 0.500000 0.000000 0.000000 L M
8   0.333333 0.333333 0.500000 0.333333 0.333333 0.000000 H K
Band.kpath>
```



# Keyword for post process (2)

DOS, PDOS

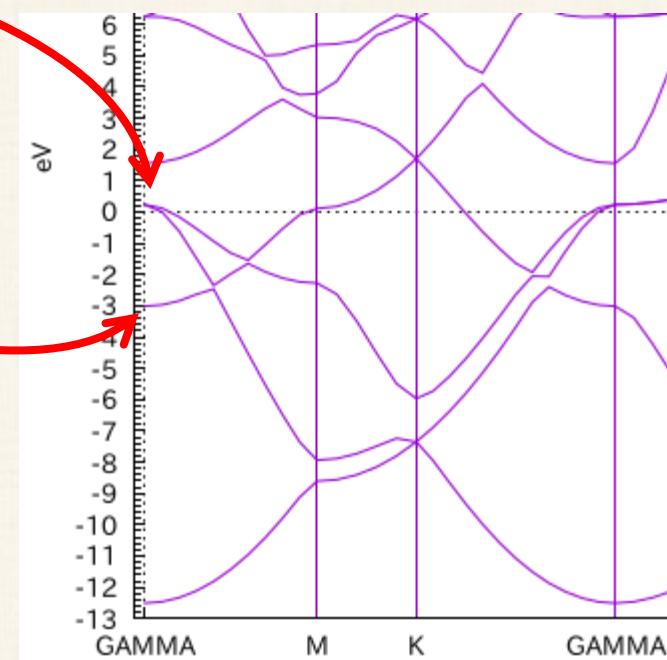
```
Dos.fileout      on
Dos.Erange       -3.0 3.0
Dos.Kgrid        28 28 20
```

Energy range is measured from  $E_F$

$k$ -grid for DOS should be denser than that for SCF (e.g. twice as large as)

Display Kohn-Sham orbitals

```
M0.fileout on
num.LUMOs 2
num.HOMOs 1
M0.Nkpoint 1
<M0.kpoint
0.0 0.0 0.0
M0.kpoint>
```



# How can we generate input file ?

(1) Write input-file by our own hand.

(2) Generate input file from CIF (Crystallographic information format) file

(a) Get CIF file from any database.

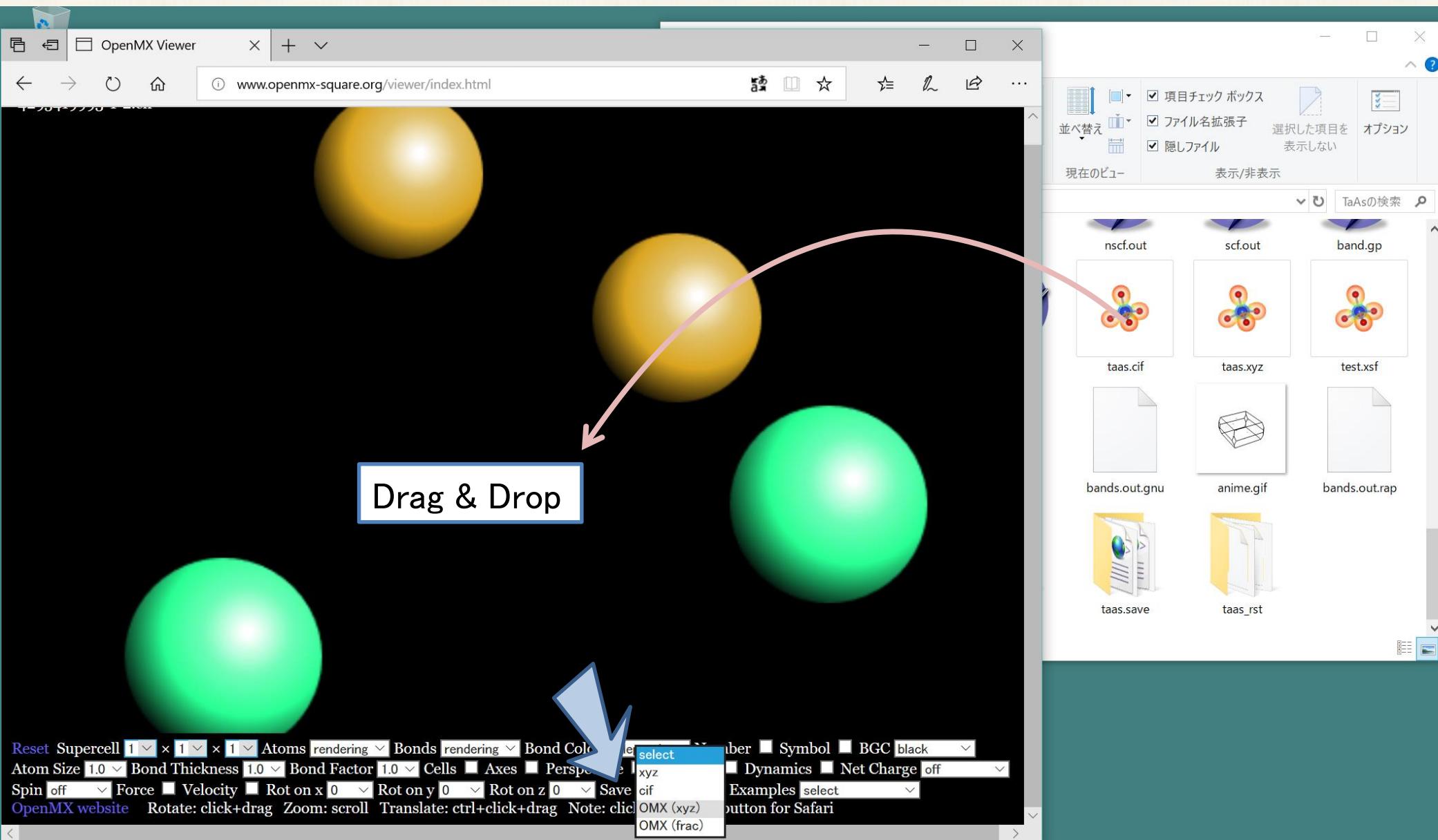
- ICSD (Commercial)
- Crystallography Open Database (<http://www.crystallography.net/cod/>)
- AtomWork (<http://crystdb.nims.go.jp/>) : requires sign-up
- Etc.



- OpenMX Viewer (<http://www.openmx-square.org/>)
- C-Tools (<https://sourceforge.net/projects/c-tools/>)
- Python script by kawamura



# Input generator in OpenMX Viewer



# Run

```
$ mpirun -np 7 openmx input-file -nt 4
```

## Parallelization:

- MPI parallelization for atoms
- MPI for k-parallelization
- Eigenvalue solver (ELPA)
- Real-space grid (FFT etc.)
- Frequency in NEGF
- More parallelization in O(N)
- Etc.

# Outputs

- Standard output, \*.out file
- Structural data
  - \*.md, \*.md2
- Volumetric data
  - Charge/Spin density, potential, Orbital
- Post-processing
  - Band
  - Dos, Partial DOS

# Standard output

Check the progress of the SCF calculation from the standard output.

```
***** MD= 1 SCF= 4 *****
<Poisson> Poisson's equation using FFT...
<Set_Hamiltonian> Hamiltonian matrix for VNA+dVH+Vxc...
<Band> Solving the eigenvalue problem...
KGrids1: -0.46428 -0.39286 -0.32143 -0.25000 -0.17857 -0.10714 ...
KGrids2: -0.46429 -0.39286 -0.32143 -0.25000 -0.17857 -0.10714 ...
KGrids3: -0.45000 -0.35000 -0.25000 -0.15000 -0.05000 0.05000 ...
<Band_DFT> Eigen, time=2.525886
<Band_DFT> DM, time=7.088623
    1   Mg   MulP   4.0500   4.0500 sum   8.1000
    2     B   MulP   1.4750   1.4750 sum   2.9500
    3     B   MulP   1.4750   1.4750 sum   2.9500
Sum of MulP: up      = 7.00000 down          = 7.00000
              total= 14.00000 ideal(neutral)= 14.00000
<DFT> Total Spin Moment (muB) = 0.000000000000
<DFT> Mixing_weight= 0.400000000000
<DFT> Uele      = -14.134678018779 dUele      = 0.012438791157
<DFT> NormRD = 0.127025852654 Criterion = 0.000001000000
```

# XXX.out file

This file is generated at the end of the calculation.

- SCF history
- Structure optimization/MD history
- Each contribution of the total energy
- All eigenvalues, eigenvectors (optional)
- Mulliken populations
- Computational time at each procedure

When we browse with “less” command,  
We can jump each section as :

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```
*****
*****
SCF history at MD= 1
*****
*****
```

SCF= 1	NormRD= 1.000000000000	Uele= -14.025400095131
SCF= 2	NormRD= 0.589538767138	Uele= -14.093890088826
SCF= 3	NormRD= 0.249943520955	Uele= -14.122239457714
SCF= 4	NormRD= 0.127025831723	Uele= -14.134678255608
SCF= 5	NormRD= 0.073388775646	Uele= -14.140692161282
SCF= 6	NormRD= 0.044342510992	Uele= -14.144151844345
SCF= 7	NormRD= 0.027111841578	Uele= -14.146375438069
SCF= 8	NormRD= 0.016634903597	Uele= -14.147860482646
SCF= 9	NormRD= 0.010224951888	Uele= -14.148853983324

The amount of information depends on “level.of.fileout”.

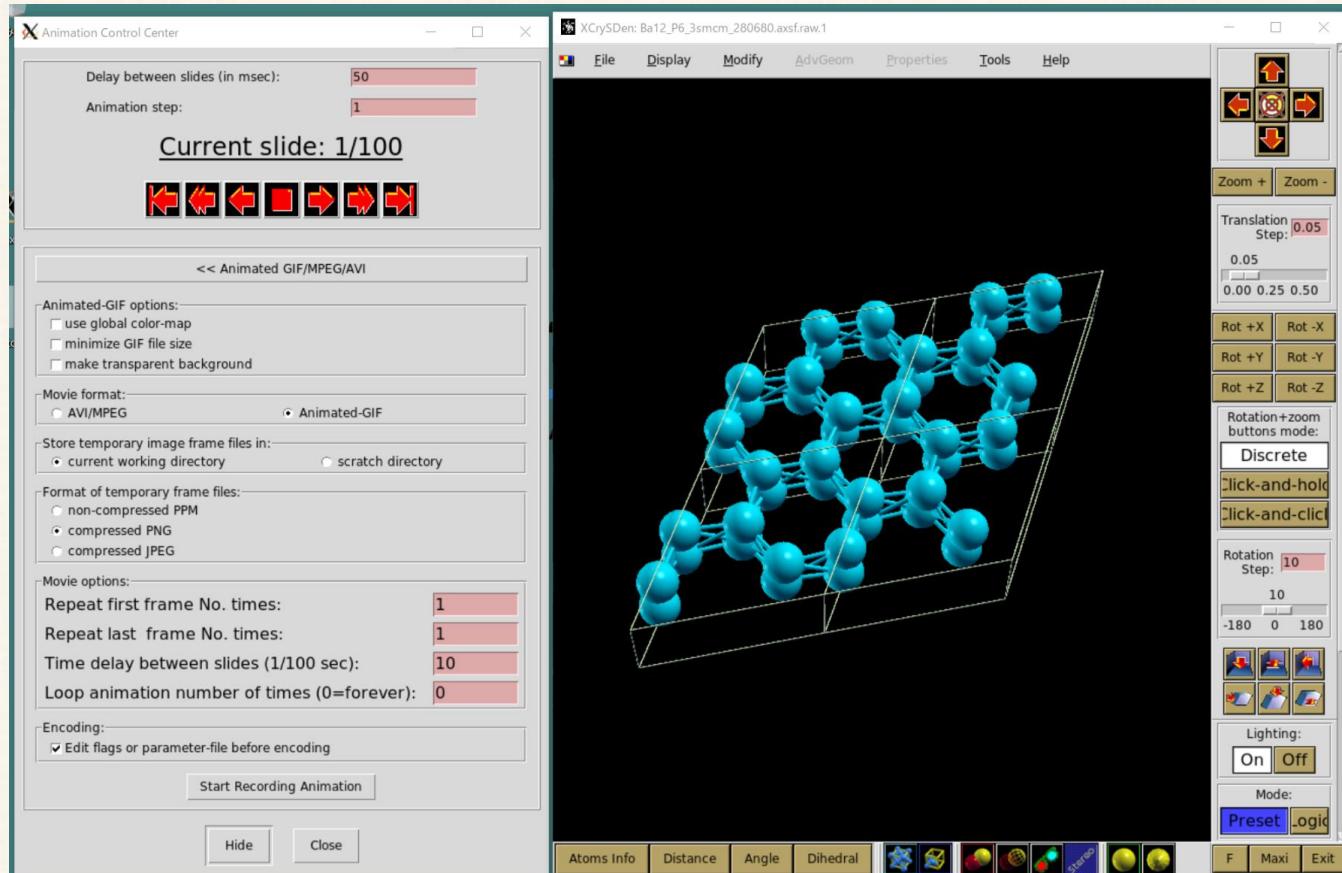
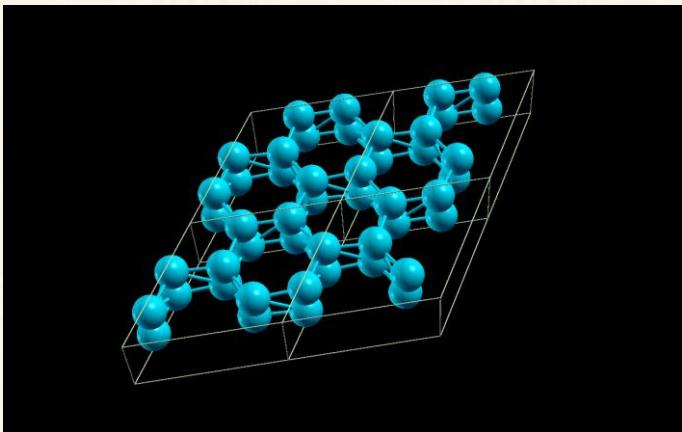
# Structural data for MD and optimization

XXX.md : Structure at each MD step

XXX.md2 : Final structure

XChem3D can read “.axsf” file.

```
$ md2axsf XXX.md XXX.axsf
$ xchem3d --axsf XXX.axsf
```



OpenMX Viewer also can display animation of MD.

It can read \*.md file.

# Charge density, potential

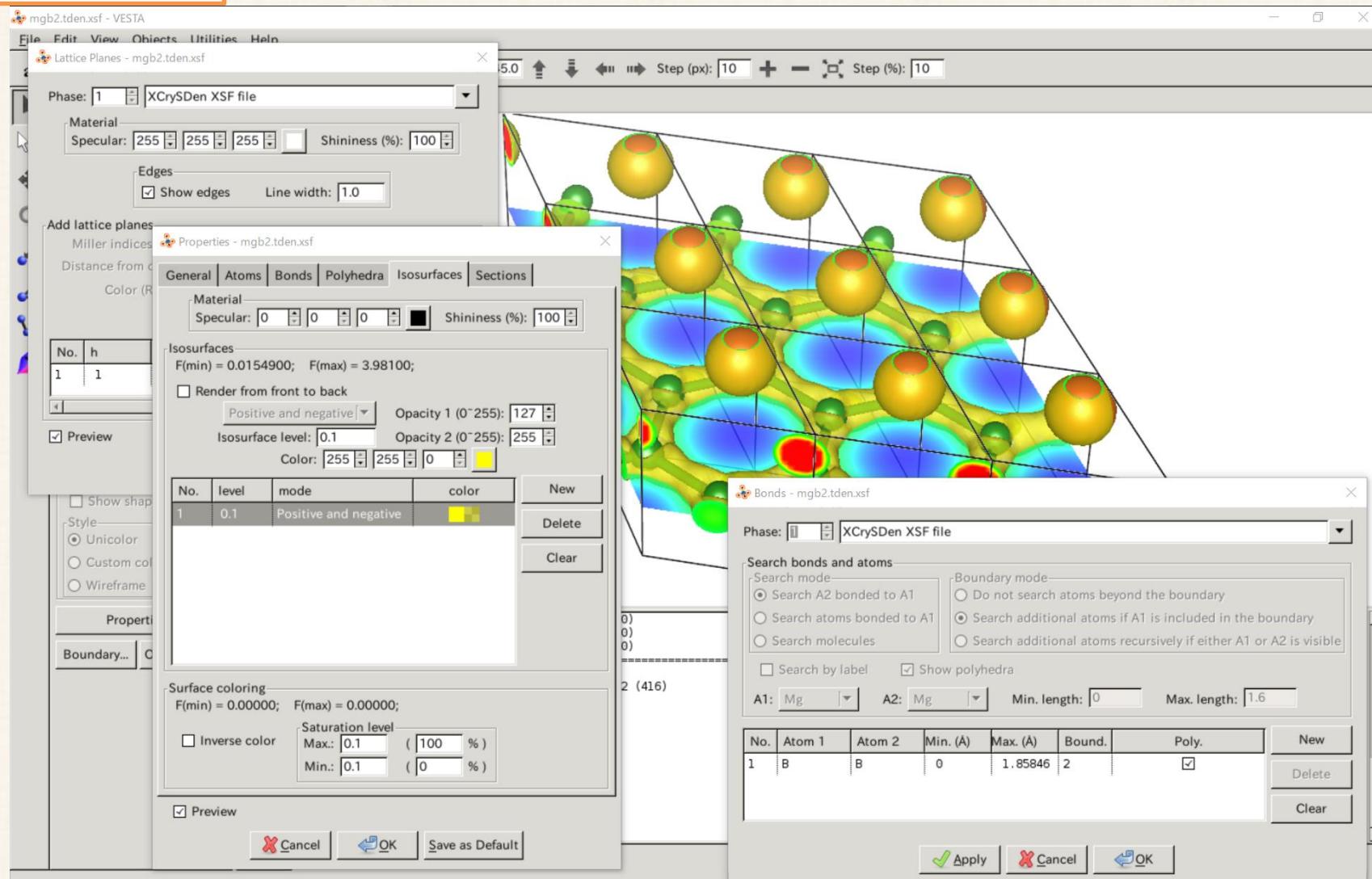
`level.of.fileout 1`

or `level.of.fileout 2`

`$ cube2xsf *.cube`

`$ VESTA mgb2_tden.xsf`

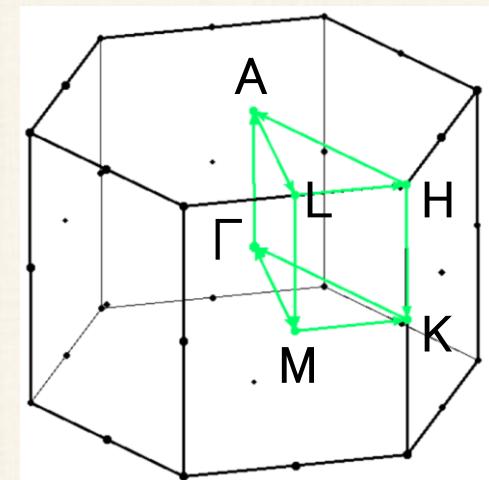
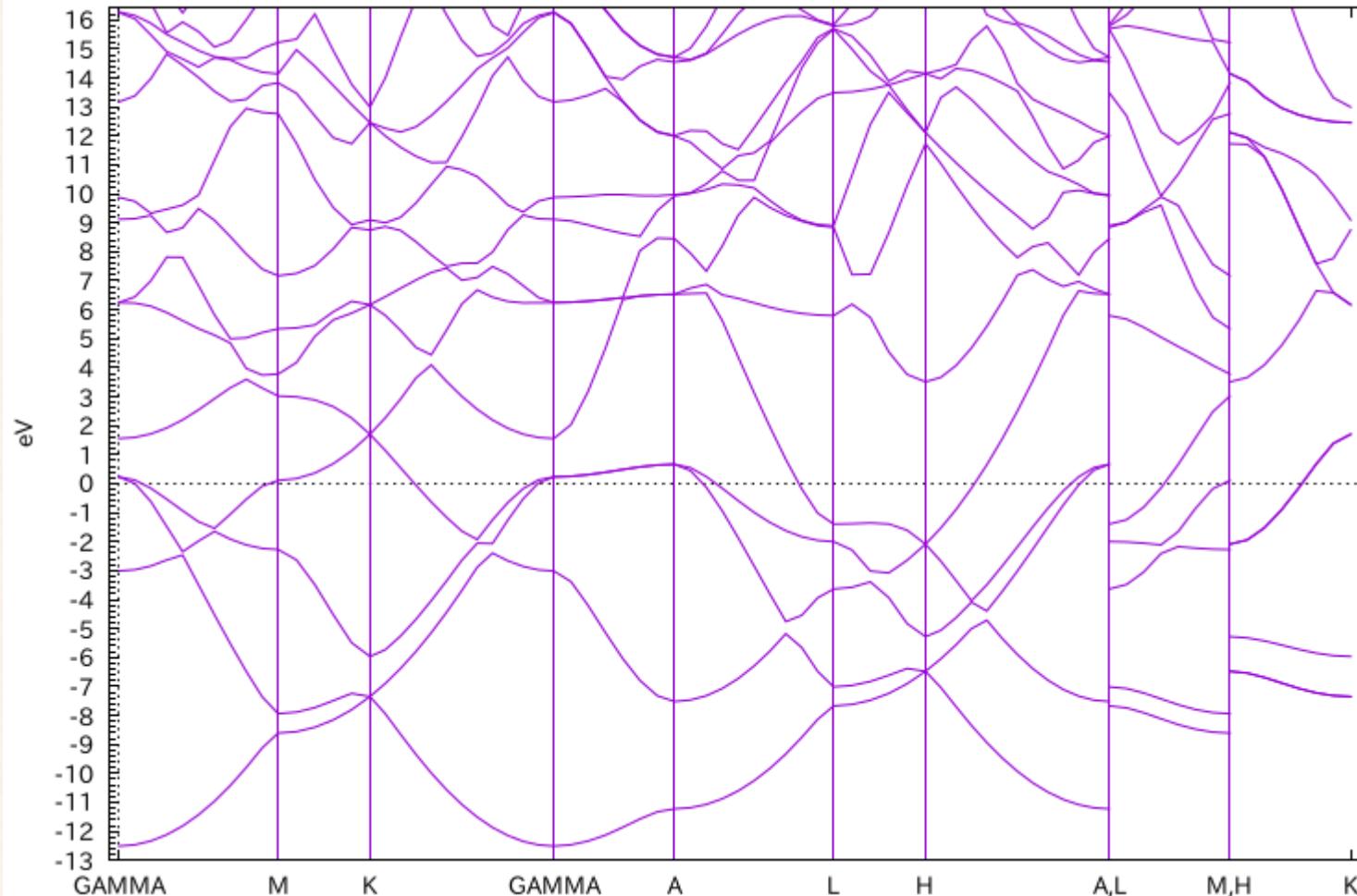
Gaussian Cube format is not suitable for the periodic system.



# Band structure

Band.dispersion      on

```
$ bandgnu13 mgb2.Band  
$ gnuplot mgb2.GNUBAND
```



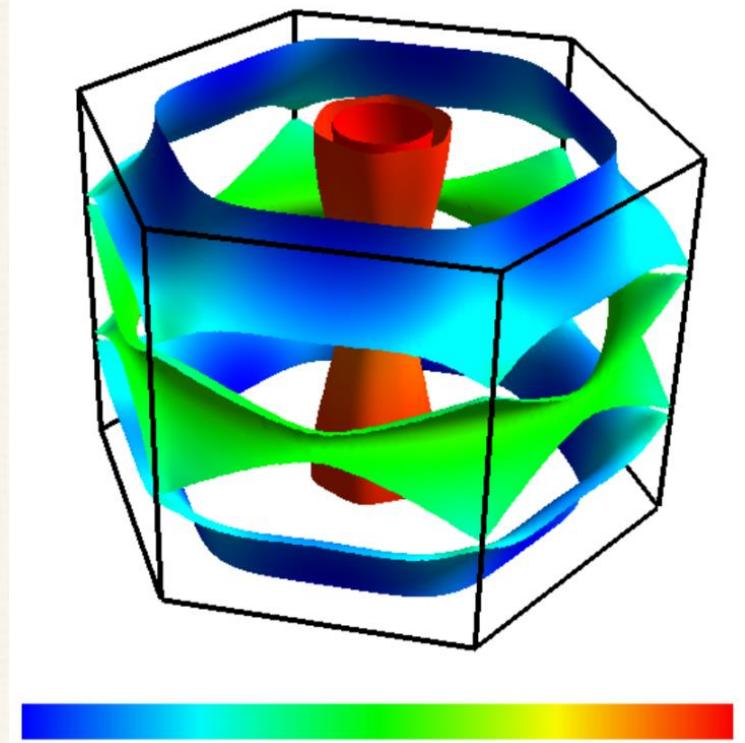
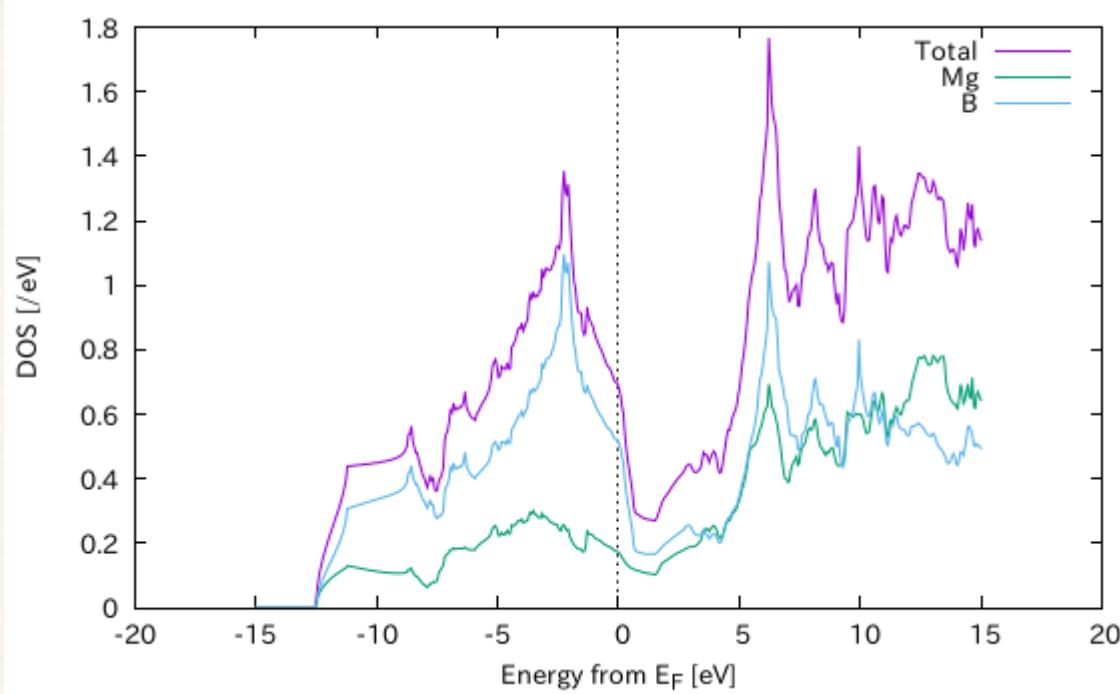
# DOS and Fermi surface

Dos.fileout      on

\$ DosMain mgb2.Dos.val mgb2.Dos.vec

The tetrahedron method is highly recommended.

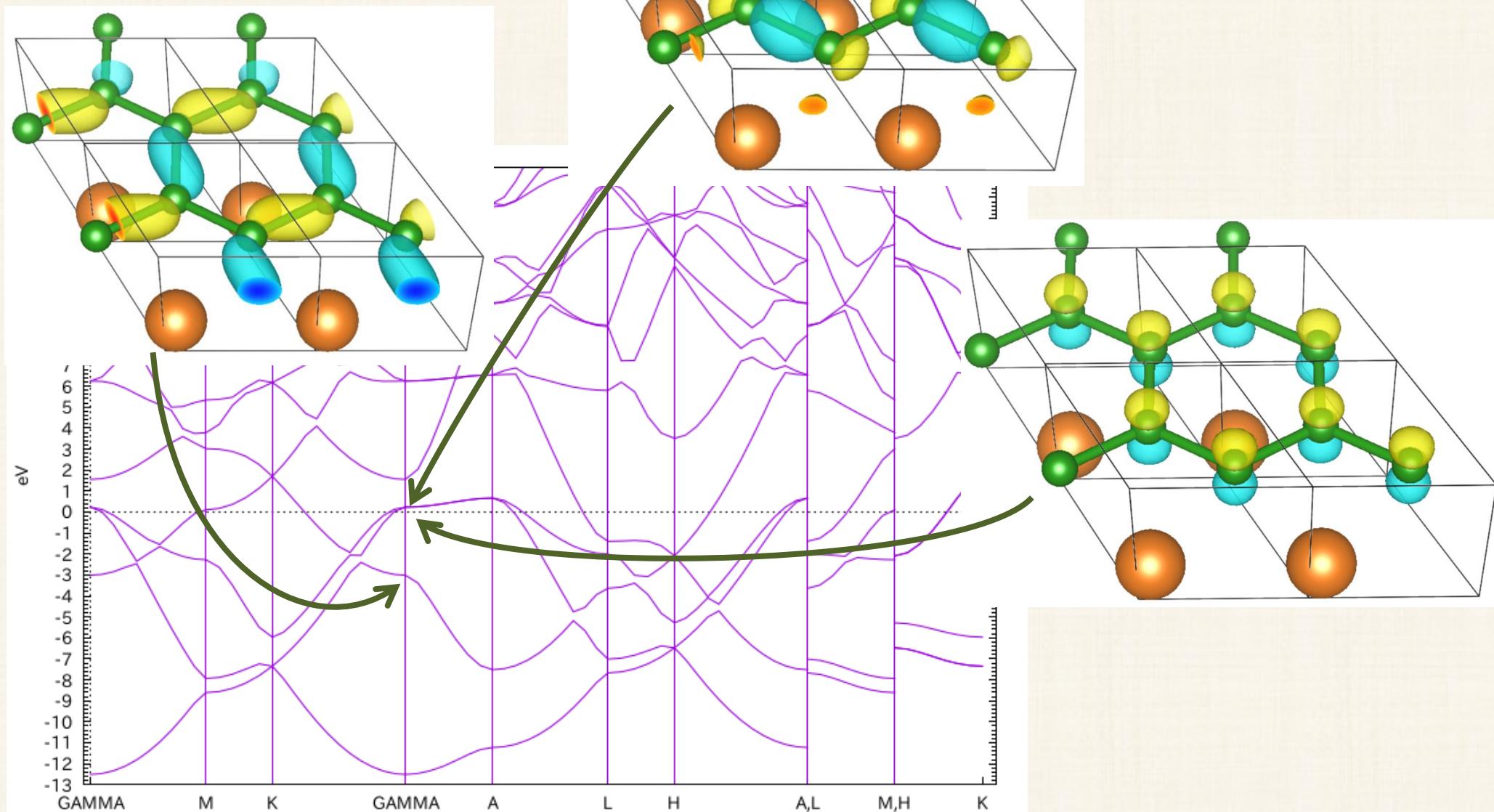
```
gnuplot> plot "mgb2.DOS.Tetrahedron" u 1:2 w l tit "Total", \
"mgb2.PDOS.Tetrahedron.atom1" w l tit "Mg", \
"mgb2.PDOS.Tetrahedron.atom2" u 1:(\$2*2) w l tit "B"
```



\$ fermisurfer mgb2.FermiSurf\_s0\_a2.frmsf

# Kohn–Sham Bloch orbitals

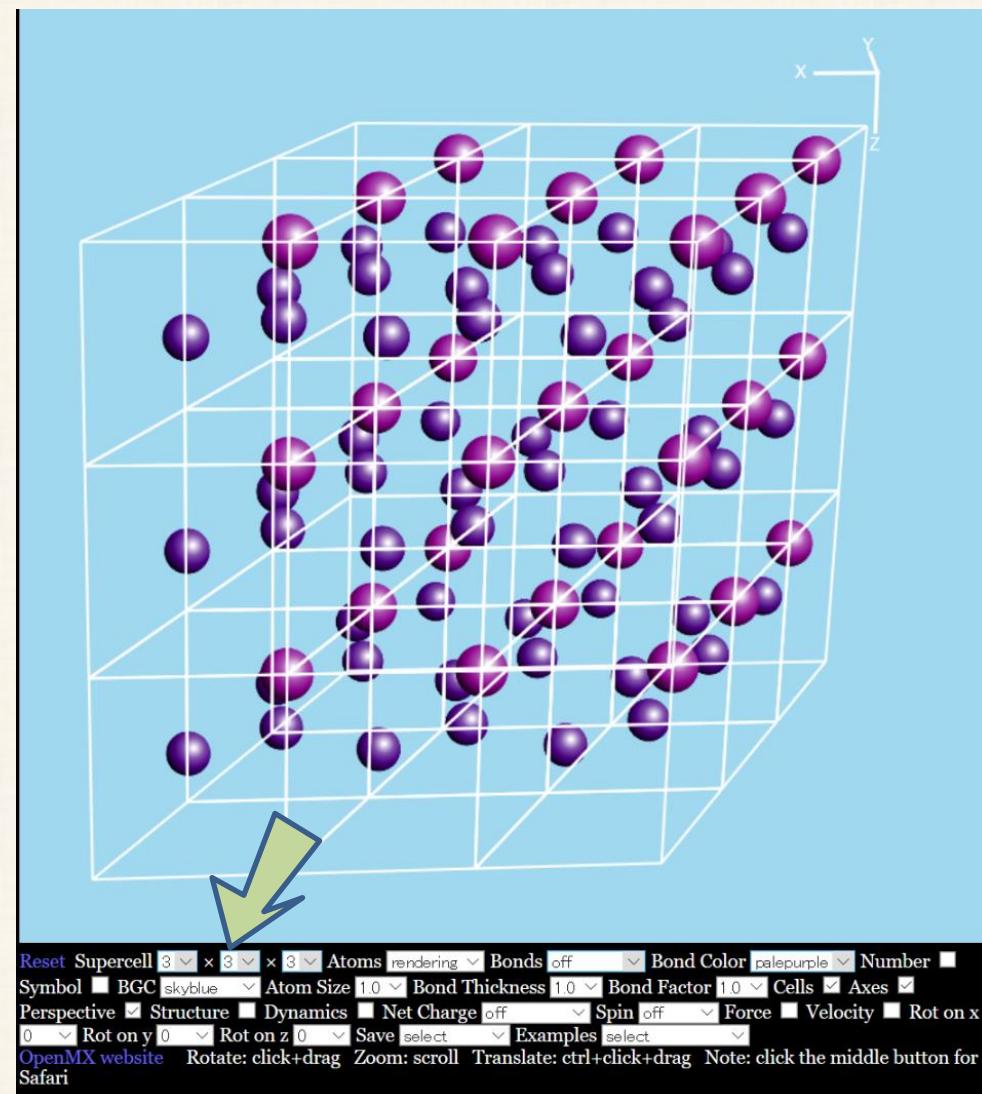
```
$ cube2xsf *_r.cube
$ VESTA *_r.xsf
```



# How can we construct supercell ?

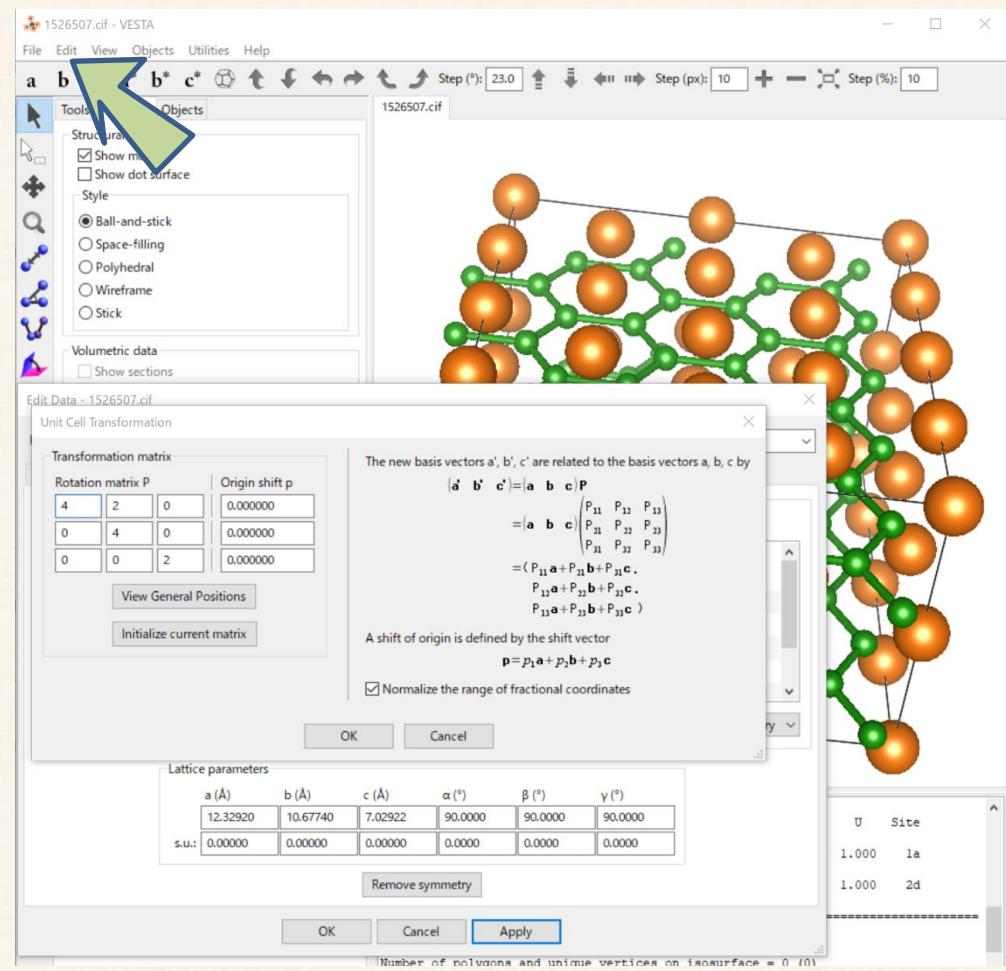
For the supercell written as  $N_1 \times N_2 \times N_3$  :

OpenMX Viewer



$$(\vec{a}'_1, \vec{a}'_2, \vec{a}'_3) = (\vec{a}_1, \vec{a}_2, \vec{a}_3) \begin{pmatrix} P_{11} & P_{12} & P_{13} \\ P_{21} & P_{22} & P_{23} \\ P_{31} & P_{32} & P_{33} \end{pmatrix}$$

VESTA → "Edit" → "Edit Data"

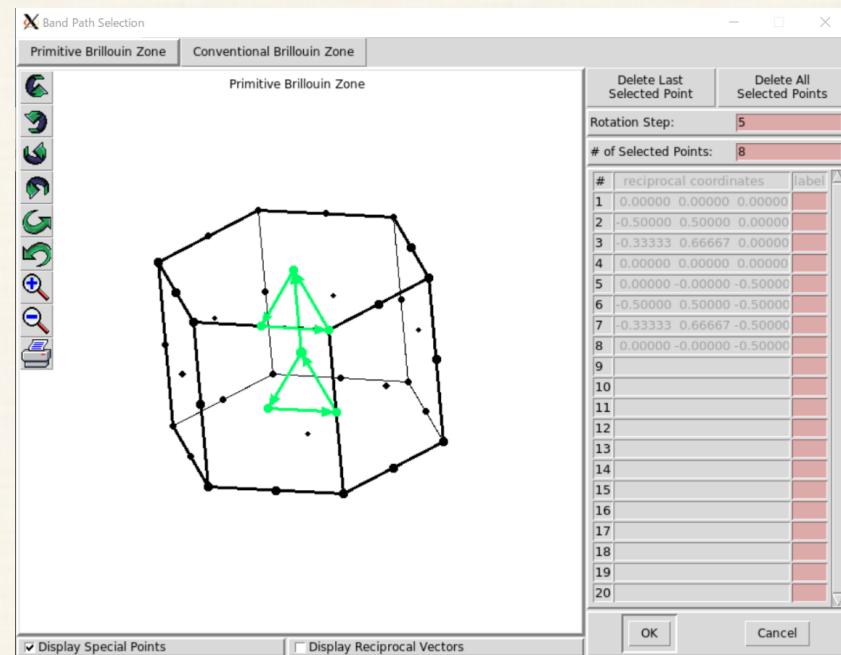
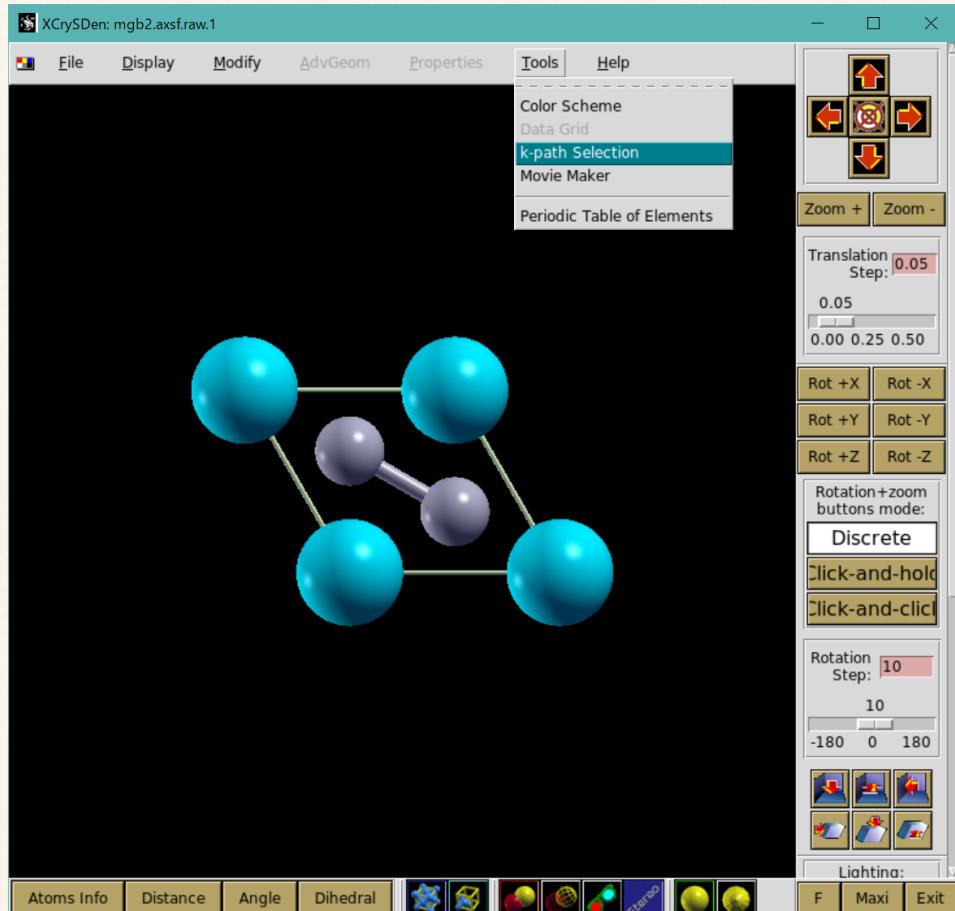


Then, export CIF and read from OpenMX Viewer

Remark

# Specifying your own $k$ -path

```
$ md2axsf XXX.md XXX.axsf
$ xcrysden --axsf XXX.axsf
```



Save  $k$ -points in arbitrary format.

The label of each special  $k$ -point is shown in “Wikipedia brillouin–zone” (English).

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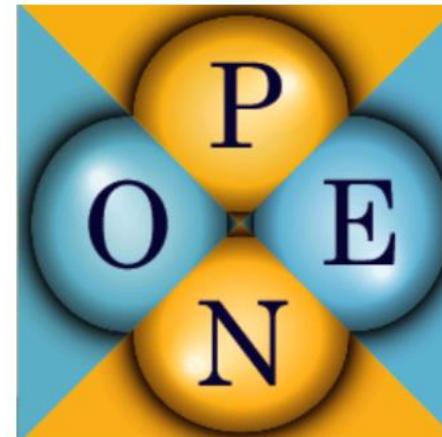
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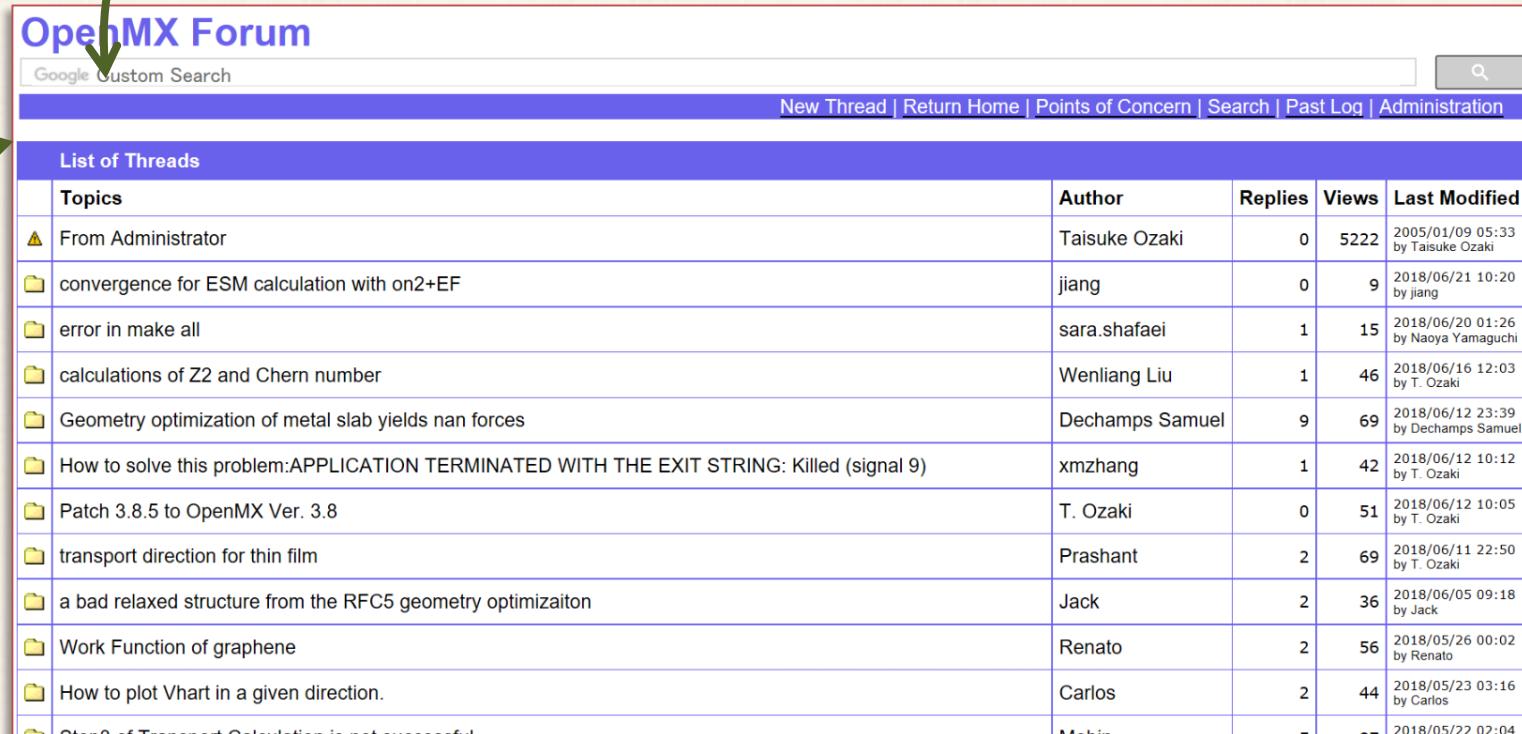
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Known issue can be searched.



The screenshot shows the OpenMX Forum interface. At the top, there is a navigation bar with links for 'New Thread', 'Return Home', 'Points of Concern', 'Search', 'Past Log', and 'Administration'. Below the navigation bar is a search bar labeled 'Google Custom Search' with a magnifying glass icon. The main content area is titled 'List of Threads' and contains a table with the following data:

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📁 Patch 3.8.5 to OpenMX Ver. 3.8	T. Ozaki	0	51	2018/06/12 10:05 by T. Ozaki
📁 transport direction for thin film	Prashant	2	69	2018/06/11 22:50 by T. Ozaki
📁 a bad relaxed structure from the RFC5 geometry optimizaiton	Jack	2	36	2018/06/05 09:18 by Jack
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📁 How to plot Vhart in a given direction.	Carlos	2	44	2018/05/23 03:16 by Carlos
📁 Step3 of Transport Calculation is not successful	Mohin	5	97	2018/05/22 02:04

# Summary

- We overview the typical usage of OpenMX. The following external utilities is useful to generate input file, visualize results.
  - OpenMX Viewer
  - XCrysDen
  - VESTA
  - FermiSurfer
- In the next practice, we will gain the experience of OpenMX with these programs.

# Prepare for practice : ssh client

Case 1: Use ssh command (Linux, UNIX, macOS, WSL)

```
$ ssh -Y user-name@server-name
```

Enter your password.

Your PC may ask you to add this workstation to “known-hosts”.

Case 2: GUI ssh-client in Windows

Google “xming putty”



WinSCP is also required in this case.