# **Fast, scalable and accurate finite-element based** *ab initio*  **calculations using mixed precision computing**

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## Impact of Density Functional Theory

### Citations to seminal work of Walter Kohn (1964,1965)



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12 of the 100 most-cited papers in scientific literature pertain to DFT! (Nature **514**, 550 (2014))







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#### Key Issues

- v Lack of good parallel scalability of existing DFT codes
- Computational complexity of DFT calculations  $(O(N^3))$



## Need for large scale DFT calculations





- $\triangleright$  Magnesium is the lightest structural material with high strength to weight ratio \* 75% lighter than Steel and 30% lighter than Aluminum
- $\triangleright$  Every 10% reduction in the weight of a vehicle will result in 6-8% increase in fuel efficiency.
	- Important implications to fuel efficiency and reducing carbon footprint
- $\triangleright$  Low ductility key issue in the manufacturability of structural components. Main limitation in the adoptability of Mg and Mg alloys in automotive and aerospace sectors. (T.M. Pollock, *Science* **328**, 986-987 (2010))



Courte[sy: https://www.audi-technology-portal.de/en/bo](https://www.audi-technology-portal.de/en/body)dy Current state of art: Hybrid Steel and Aluminum construction S. Sandlöbes et al. Scientific Reports 7, 10458 (2017).







## Technological challenge of low ductility in Mg



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#### (**Activation barrier**)



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4 slip planes in Face Centered Cubic Crystals $\rightarrow$  higher ductility





Kohn-Sham eigenvalue problem:

$$
\left(-\frac{1}{2}\nabla^2 + V_{eff}\right)\psi_i = \epsilon_i\psi_i
$$
\nSelf consistent iteration  
\n
$$
\rho = \sum_i f_i |\psi_i|^2, \qquad V_{eff}(\mathbf{r}) = V_H(\rho(\mathbf{r})) + V_{xc}(\rho(\mathbf{r})) + V_{ext}(\mathbf{R})
$$

$$
T_s(\Psi) = \frac{1}{2} \sum_i f_i \int |\nabla \psi_i(\mathbf{r})|^2 d\mathbf{r} \quad E_0(\Psi) = T_s(\Psi) + E_{xc}(\rho) + E_H(\rho) + E_{ext}(\rho) + E_{zz}
$$







 $\triangleright$  Use finite-element basis for computing -



By changing the positioning of the nodes the spatial resolution of basis can be changed/adapted

$$
\phi^h(\mathbf{r}) = \sum_i \phi_i N_i(\mathbf{r})
$$
  

$$
\psi_{k_i}, \phi_i \dots
$$
 Nodal values  

$$
N_i(\mathbf{r})
$$
–Shape functions

#### Features of FE basis

- Ø Systematic convergence
	- v Element size
	- v Polynomial order
- $\triangleright$  Adaptive refinement
- $\triangleright$  Complex geometries and boundary conditions
- $\triangleright$  Potential for excellent parallel scalability





## Higher (polynomial) order FE basis





~1000x advantage by using higher-order FE basis !





### Eigen-space computation: Chebyshev acceleration

(Zhou et al. J. Comput. Phys. 219 (2006); Motamarri et al. J. Comp. Phys. 253, 308-343 (2013))

*Kohn-Sham eigenvalue problem:*  $\widetilde{H}\widetilde{\psi}_k = \epsilon_k \widetilde{\psi}_k$  for  $k = 1, 2, ...N$  (N ~ 1.1N<sub>e</sub>/2)





- 1. Start with initial guess for electron density  $\rho_{in}^h(\mathbf{r}) = \rho_0(\mathbf{r})$  and the initial wavefunctions
- 2. Compute the discrete Hamiltonian  $\bar{\mathbf{H}}$  using the input electron density  $\rho_{in}^h$
- **3. CF:** Chebyshev filtering:  $\widetilde{\mathbf{\Psi}}_F = T_m(\bar{\mathbf{H}})\widetilde{\mathbf{\Psi}}$
- **4. Orthonormalize** CF basis:  $\widetilde{\Psi}_F \rightarrow \widetilde{\Psi}_F^o$
- **5. Rayleigh-Ritz procedure**:
	- Compute projected Hamiltonian:  $\hat{\mathbf{H}} = \widetilde{\mathbf{\Psi}}_{F}^{\text{o}^{\dagger}}\widetilde{\mathbf{H}}\widetilde{\mathbf{\Psi}}_{F}^{\text{o}}$
	- $\boldsymbol{\ast}$  Diagonalize  $\hat{\mathbf{H}}$ :  $\hat{\mathbf{H}}\mathbf{Q} = \mathbf{Q}\mathbf{D}$
	- **\*** Subspace rotation:  $\widetilde{\Psi}^{\mathbf{R}} = \widetilde{\Psi}_{\mathbf{F}}^{\mathrm{o}} \mathbf{Q}$
- 6. Compute electron density  $\rho_{\text{out}}^h(\mathbf{x}) = 2 \sum_{i=1}^N f(\epsilon_i^h, \mu) |\psi_i^h(\mathbf{x})|^2$
- 7. If  $||\rho_{out}^h(\mathbf{r}) \rho_{in}^h(\mathbf{r})|| < tol$ , EXIT; else, compute new  $\rho_{in}^h$  using a mixing scheme and go to (2).









## Performance of Chebyshev filtering (Summit)

**Case study**: Mg 3x3x3 supercell with a vacancy. (1070 electrons)





**Fig**: Chebyshev filtering throughput on 2 Summit nodes using 12 GPUs (3 MPI tasks per GPU) for various block sizes. FP64 peak of 2 Summit nodes is 87.6 TFLOPS

**Fig**: 14.7x GPU speed up for Chebyshev filtering. CPU run used 2 Summit nodes with 42 MPI tasks per node while GPU run used 2 Summit nodes with 12 GPUs (3 MPI tasks per GPU)





## Orthogonalization: Cholesky Gram-Schmidt

- $\triangleright$  Cholesky factorization of the overlap matrix:  $\mathbf{S} = \widetilde{\mathbf{\Psi}}_F^\dagger \widetilde{\mathbf{\Psi}}_F = \mathbf{L}\mathbf{L}^\dagger$ .  $\mathcal{O}(MN^2)$
- $\widetilde{\Psi}_{F}^{\circ} = \widetilde{\Psi}_{F} L^{-1^{\dagger}}$ .  $\mathcal{O}(MN^{2})$  $\triangleright$  Orthonormal basis construction:



**Mixed precision computation for Chol-GS**

- 1.  $S = DP {S_d} + SP {S_{od}}$
- 2.  $S = LL^{\dagger}$  in double precision.
- 3. Orthonormal basis construction:

$$
\widetilde{\mathbf \Psi}^{\rm o}_F = {\rm DP} \left\{ \widetilde{\mathbf \Psi}_F {\mathbf L}_{\mathbf d}^{-1} \right\} + {\rm SP} \left\{ \widetilde{\mathbf \Psi}_F {\mathbf L}^{-1} \hspace{-2pt}\stackrel{\dagger}{\text{od}} \right\}
$$

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## Orthogonalization: Cholesky Gram-Schmidt

#### **NERSC Cori CPU cluster benchmark Summit GPU cluster benchmark**

Performance improvement in CholGS due to mixed precision algorithm. Case study: Mg10x10x10 (39,990 electrons) and Mo13x13x13 (61,502 electrons)

Performance improvement in computation of **S** due to mixed precision algorithm. Case study: 61,640 electrons system using 1300 Summit nodes







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- ❖ Diagonalization of  $\hat{H}$ :  $\hat{H}Q = QD$ .  $\mathcal{O}(N^3)$
- ❖ Subspace rotation step:  $\widetilde{\Psi}^{\mathbf{R}} = \widetilde{\Psi}_{\mathbf{F}}^{\circ} \mathbf{Q}$ .  $\mathcal{O}(MN^2)$

#### **Mixed precision computation for RR**





- 2. Diagonalization of  $\hat{H}$ :  $\hat{H}Q = QD$  in double precision.
- 3. Subspace rotation step:  $\widetilde{\mathbf \Psi}^\text{R} = \text{DP}\left[\widetilde{\mathbf \Psi}^\text{o}_F \mathbf Q_\textbf{d}\right] + \text{SP}\left[\widetilde{\mathbf \Psi}^\text{o}_F \mathbf Q_\textbf{od}\right]$

#### **Summit GPU cluster benchmark**

Performance improvement in computation of  $\hat{H}$  due to mixed precision algorithm. Case study: 61,640 electrons system using 1300 Summit nodes







(Motamarri et al. Comput. Phys. Commun. (2019))

Monovacancy in HCP Mg – periodic calculation ; ONCV pseudopotential Accuracy for all calculations  $<$  0.1mHa/atom ( $\sim$ 2meV/atom)

#### Time per SCF in Node-Hrs for various system sizes (NERSC Cori KNL)







## Comparison with Quantum Espresso (Cori KNL)

Cu nanoparticles – non periodic calculation; ONCV pseudopotential

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Time per SCF in Node-Hrs for various system sizes (NERSC Cori KNL)











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## Performance Benchmarks – Strong Scaling/time to solution

Mg pyr II screw dislocation – 1,848 atoms (18,480 e- ); 55.11 million FE DoFs



3 MPI tasks per GPU via MPS





## Performance Benchmarks – Weak Scaling (Summit)

Total MPI tasks (3 MPI tasks per GPU; via MPS )







Large-scale dislocation systems performance: Time-to-solution & Sustained Performance (Summit)

Mg Pyr II dislocation - 6,1640 atoms (61,640 e-); 1300 Summit nodes (FP64 peak: 56.65 PFLOPS)



Mg Pyr II dislocation – 10,508 atoms (105,080 e- ) ; 3800 Summit nodes (FP64 peak: 165.58 PFLOPS)





## Concluding remarks

- Ø Computational framework
	- v Higher-order FE basis
	- v Spatial adaptivity
	- v Spectral finite-elements w/ GLL quadratures
- $\triangleright$  Algorithms
	- **\*** Chebyshev filtering
	- \* Mixed precision ideas in Orthogonalization and Rayleigh Ritz
- $\triangleright$  Parallel implementation
	- v Cell level matrix-matrix operations in Chebyshev filtering with single precision communication
	- \* Optimizations to reduce peak memory foot print in Orthogonalization and Rayleigh Ritz steps
- $\triangleright$  Fast and accurate large-scale DFT calculations
	- Significant outperformance of some widely used plane-wave codes in both computational efficiency and minimum time-to-solution
	- $\sim$  ~20x speedup using GPUs on a node-to-node comparison
	- <sup>v</sup> Sustained performance of 46 PFOLPS in DFT 28





## THANK YOU!

