

Real-space Operation of Nonlocal Pseudopotentials

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— Kleinman-Bylander fully-nonlocal pseudopotential

$$V_{KB}^{\sim} = V_{ion,local}^{PP}(r) + V_{NL}(r, r') \quad (1)$$

$$V_{NL}(r, r') = \sum_{lm} \frac{Y_{lm}(\hat{r}) \Delta V_l(r) R_l^{PP}(r) R_l^{PP}(r') \Delta V_l(r') Y_{lm}^*(\hat{r}')}{\langle R_l^{PP} | \Delta V_l | R_l^{PP} \rangle} \quad (2)$$

where

$$\langle R_l^{PP} | \Delta V_l | R_l^{PP} \rangle = \int dr r^2 |R_l^{PP}(r)|^2 \Delta V_l(r) \quad (3)$$

$$\begin{aligned} V_{NL}^{\sim} |\psi\rangle &= \int dr' V_{NL}(r, r') \psi(r') \\ &= \sum_{lm} \frac{Y_{lm}(\hat{r}) \Delta V_l(r) R_l^{PP}(r)}{\langle R_l^{PP} | \Delta V_l | R_l^{PP} \rangle} \int dr' R_l^{PP}(r') \Delta V_l(r') Y_{lm}^*(\hat{r}') \psi(r') \end{aligned} \quad (4)$$

* Note that the r' integral is finite-ranged since $\Delta V_l(r') = 0$ for $r' \geq r_c = \max\{r_{cl}\}$.

- Operation count

for each orbital n

$$\tilde{V}_{NL}|\psi_n\rangle \leftarrow 0$$

for each ion I

$$A_l \leftarrow \int dr r^2 |R_l^{PP}(r)|^2 \Delta V_l(r) \quad (l=0, \dots, l_{\max})$$

for each orbital n

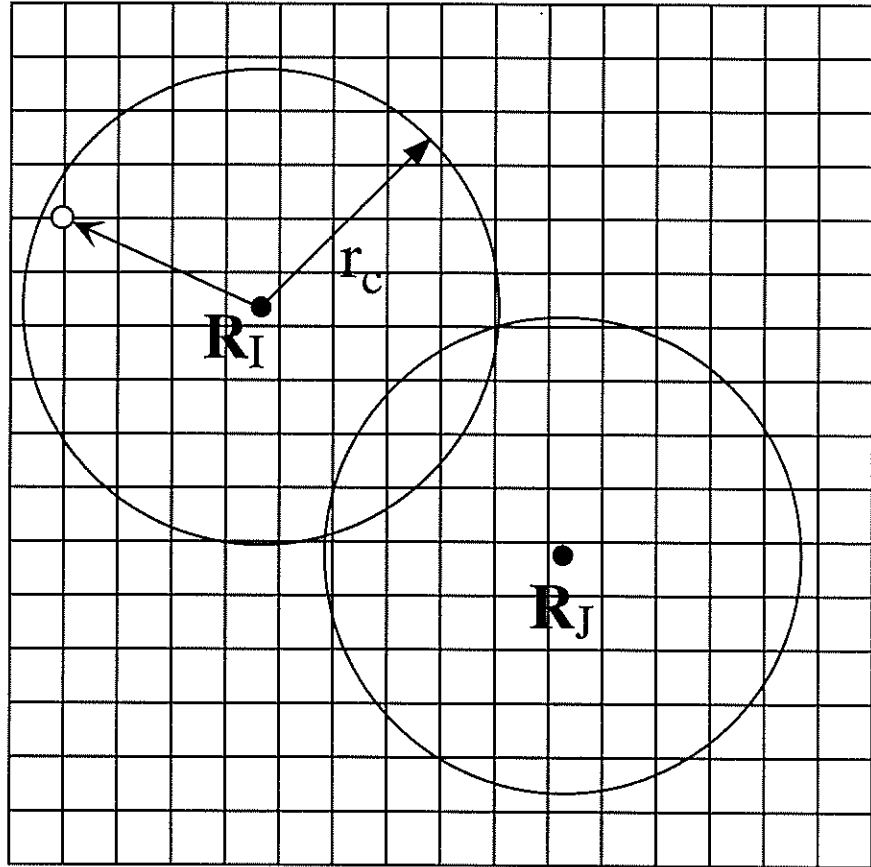
$$B_{lm}(n) \leftarrow \int dr R_l^{PP}(r) \Delta V_l(r) Y_{lm}^*(\hat{r}) \psi_n(ir) \quad (l=0, \dots, l_{\max}; \\ m=-l, \dots, l)$$

$$\tilde{V}_{NL}|\psi_n\rangle += \sum_{lm} \frac{B_{lm}(n)}{A_l} Y_{lm}(\hat{r}) \Delta V_l(r) R_l^{PP}(r)$$

The operation count $\propto N_I$ (# of ions) $\times N_B$ (# of bands)

$$O(N_I N_B) = O(N^2) !$$

$$\mathbf{r} = (r, \theta, \phi)$$



- Calculation of $B_{lm}(r)$

Using finite difference on a mesh with size Δ ,

$$B_{lm}^I(r) = \Delta^3 \sum_{\{r' | |r-r_I| \in \Delta\}} \underbrace{R_l^{PP}(|r-r_I|) \Delta V_l(|r-r_I|) Y_{lm}^*(\widehat{r-r_I})}_{\text{interpolate tables}} \psi_n(r) \quad (5)$$

where r are discrete mesh points.

- Potential Problem of Eq. (5)

With mesh size Δ , the wave number to be represented is $-\pi/\Delta \leq k \leq \pi/\Delta$ for both $R_l^{PP} \Delta V_l Y_{lm}^*(\widehat{r-r_I})$ and $\psi_n(r)$.

If we multiply these two quantities, however, much larger periodicity can arise. For example,

$$\cos(kr) \cos(k'r) = \frac{1}{2} \{ \cos[(k+k')r] + \cos[(k-k')r] \}$$

In principle, thus $k \sim 2\pi/\Delta$ component can result.

The atomic pseudowavefunction can be highly oscillatory (i.e., high k component with a rough mesh can be quite large), and therefore the resulting wave cannot be represented on the same mesh.

- Remedy (roughly stated)

Make high- k components of atomic pseudowavefunctions strictly zero so that the unrepresentable convolution will not arise.

