## **Introducing ONETEP**

Part II - Efficient implementation of a parallel code

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## ONETEP: A density-matrix linear-scaling DFT method



- Optimise non-orthogonal localised functions  $\{\phi_{\alpha}(\mathbf{r})\}\$  linear instead of orthogonal extended wavefunctions  $\{\psi_n(\mathbf{r})\}\$  scaling
- Aim: to achieve the same accuracy as traditional plane-wave methods



DFT always computationally demanding – ONETEP O(N) scheme should take full advantage of parallel computers  $E[n] = E[\{K^{\alpha\beta}\}, \{\phi_{\alpha}(\mathbf{r})\}] = E[\{K^{\alpha\beta}\}, \{C_{m\alpha}\}]$ **ONETEP** two-nested-loop CG optimisation scheme minimise  $F[\{C_{m\alpha}\}]$  w.r.t.  $\{C_{m\alpha}\}$   $n(\mathbf{r}) = \sum_{\alpha\beta} \phi_{\alpha}(\mathbf{r}) K^{\alpha\beta} \phi_{\beta}^{*}(\mathbf{r})$ minimise  $F[\{C_{m\alpha}\}] = \begin{cases} E[\{K^{\alpha\beta}\}, \{C_{m\alpha}\}] \\ \text{w.r.t. } \{K^{\alpha\beta}\} \end{cases}$ keep the  $\{C_{m\alpha}\}$  fixed  $\frac{\partial E}{\partial K^{\alpha\beta}} \propto H_{\alpha\beta} = \langle \phi_{\alpha} | \hat{H} | \phi_{\beta} \rangle$  $\frac{\partial F}{\partial C} \propto [\hat{H}\phi_{\beta}](\mathbf{r}_m)K^{\beta\alpha}$ 

Parallel implementation using the Message Passing Interface (MPI) paradigm – each processor runs its own copy of the program with its own data

Parallelisation of data: Distribution of atoms (and NGWFs) to processors according to a space-filling curve



## Effect on sparsity pattern of Hamiltonian matrix

without SF curve 4650 x 4650 with SF curve





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## "Small" sparse matrices!

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Atomic orbital "DZP" basis: 27500 x 27500

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BRC4-RAD51 complex (3000 atoms)

ONETEP NGWFs: 7600 x 7600

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## Can scale up to 100 processors (~5000 atoms) without data-parallel matrices!

#### **PPD & FFTbox representation of functions**

## $\varphi_{\alpha}$ in PPDs $\varphi_{\alpha}$ in FFTbox PPDs PPDs ExtractPPDs

- Compact storage in 1D arrays
- Fast communication

- QM operators
- Sums, products, interpolation

Quantum mechanical operators delocalise to the whole volume of the FFTbox. **Computationally expensive!** 

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 Interpolation to 2Gmax PSINC basis (fine grid)

# Calculation of $\hat{O}\phi\beta$ for each $\phi\alpha$ is linear-scaling but not ideal (large prefactor)!

## There is a way to reduce the prefactor: Enlarge FFTbox!

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Smallest FFT box ensuring:

- Hermiticity
- Uniform representation for each operator
- But: φ<sub>β</sub> needs to be recentred for every single φ<sub>α</sub> which overlaps with it!

![](_page_9_Picture_6.jpeg)

Same advantages plus:

 φ<sub>β</sub> does not need to be recentred. Ôφ<sub>β</sub> needs to be calculated only once!

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## Efficient calculation of integrals $\langle \varphi_{\alpha} | \hat{O} | \varphi_{\beta} \rangle$

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Keep  $\hat{O}\phi\beta$  FFTbox in memory and re-use for  $\langle\phi\beta|\hat{O}|\phi\beta\rangle$ ,  $\langle\phi\gamma|\hat{O}|\phi\beta\rangle$ , etc.

#### Efficient calculation of the charge density, n(r)

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#### **Only two** interpolations per $n(r;\alpha)$ , independent of num $\beta$ !

## **Efficient calculation of the NGWF gradient**

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#### Linear-scaling with small prefactor

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## **Communication model**

Functions on different processors which overlap need to be communicated during computation

- Use only **point-to-point** communication
- Keep functions to be sent in buffers and interleave communication with computation by using non-blocking sends
- Only use PPD representation during communication
- Keep in memory batches of  $\hat{O}\varphi\beta$  to minimise communication
- Send only if there is an overlap with current batch of functions of receiving processor
- Work with processor-processor blocks of functions/matrices – do N<sub>processor</sub> supersteps

Communication model **simplest case – evaluation of integrals**: outline from the viewpoint of processor **X** 

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#### Speedup with increasing number of processors

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## Chemical accuracy, no Basis Set Superposition Error

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Simulation cell size cost is O(0) in number of atoms. Can do plane-wave calculations in huge simulation cells!

ONETEP calculations of carbon nanotube tip in uniform external electric field (C.-K. Skylaris & G. Csányi et al.)

Local potential

![](_page_19_Picture_3.jpeg)

50Å x 50Å x 50Å simulation cell

Charge density on local potential iso-surface near Fermi level

![](_page_19_Figure_6.jpeg)

## Conclusions

- ONETEP linear-scaling total energy code takes full advantage of parallel computers
- Accuracy equivalent to conventional cubic-scaling Plane-wave / Gaussian DFT codes
- Low prefactor breakeven with cubic-scaling codes in the region of a few hundred atoms
- Work in progress: data-parallelisation of simulation cell even larger simulation cells
- A whole new level of large scale first principles simulations from condensed matter physics to biology now possible - see next week's instalment which will be brought to you by Peter D. Haynes