

# Computational materials database toward discovering novel semiconductors

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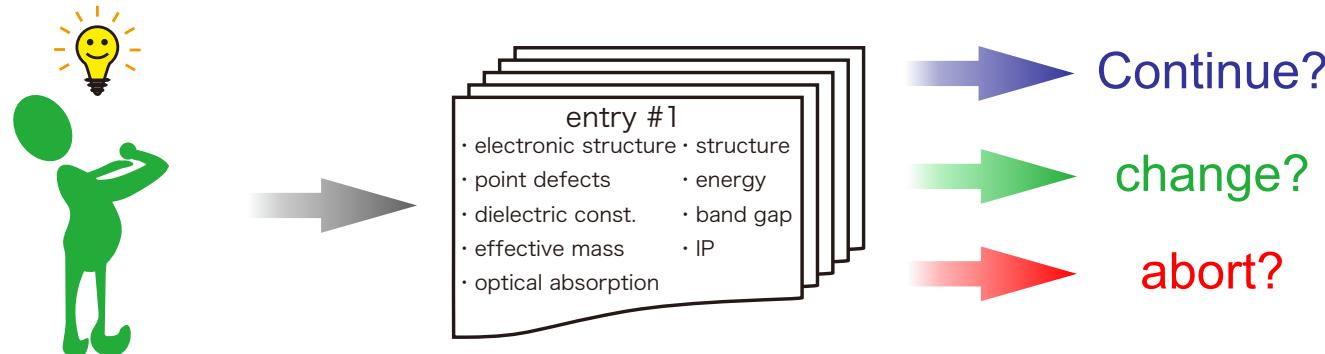
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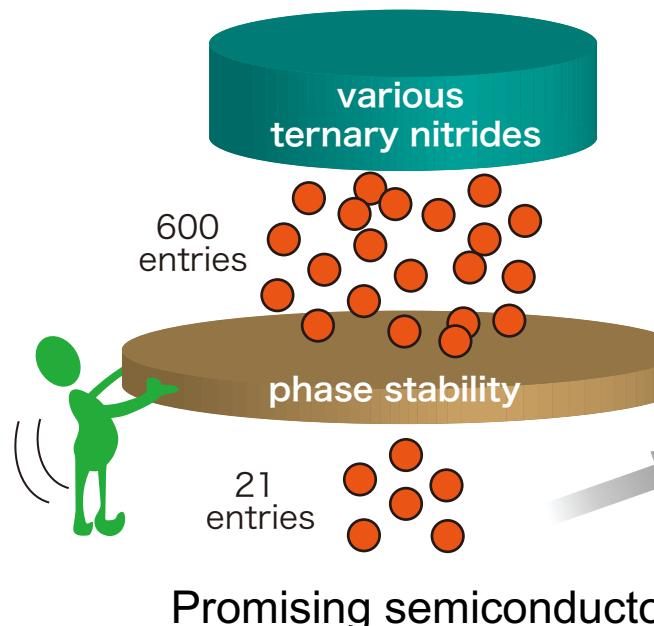


# Why computational materials database?

## ① Screening of materials at an early stage



## ② Rediscovery of reported materials

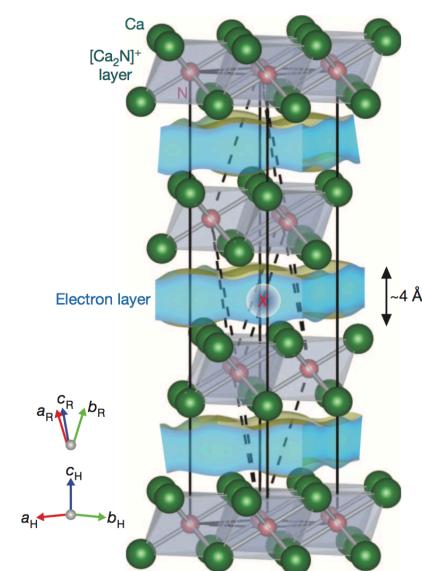


- 11 new compounds  
We synthesized a new semiconductor  $\text{CaZn}_2\text{N}_2$
- 2 theoretically reported
- 8 experimentally reported

Out of 4 had not been considered as semiconductors

Extract full potential of reported materials

$\text{Ca}_2\text{N}:2\text{-D}$  electride

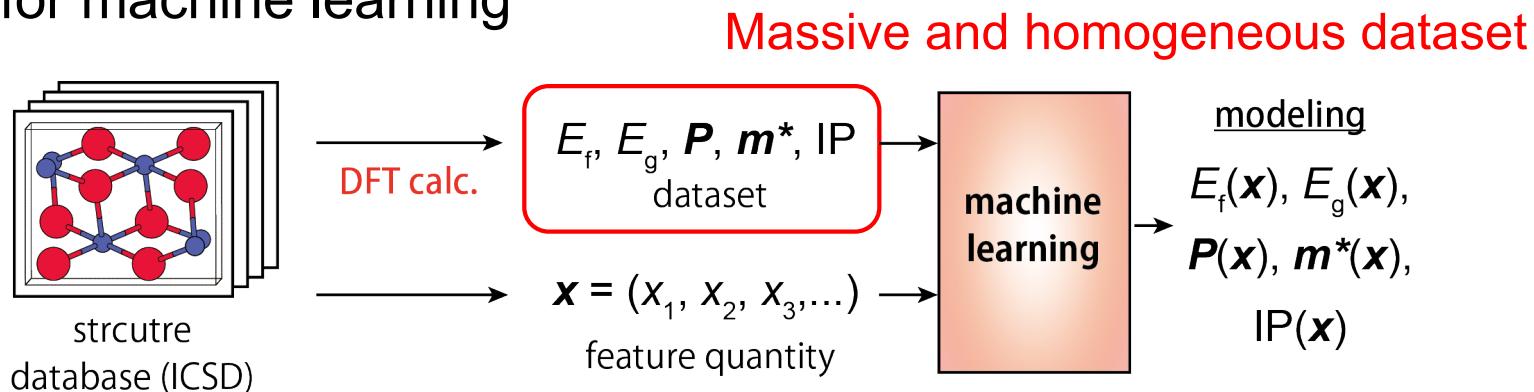


Lee et al., Nature (2013)

Hinuma, Hatakeyama, YK et al., Nat. Comm. (2016)

# Why computational materials database?

## ③ Dataset for machine learning



## ④ Construction of theories

### Ex : Oxygen vacancy

#### Deep level

- ZnO
- SnO<sub>2</sub>
- In<sub>2</sub>O<sub>3</sub>
- CdO
- HfO<sub>2</sub>
- .....

universal

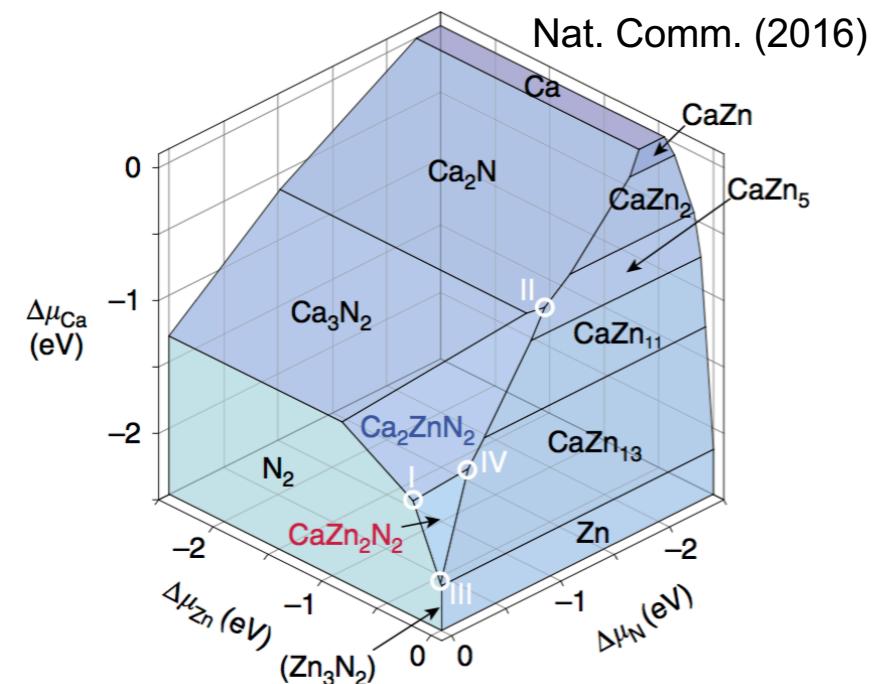


#### Shallow level

- SrTiO<sub>3</sub>
- anomalous



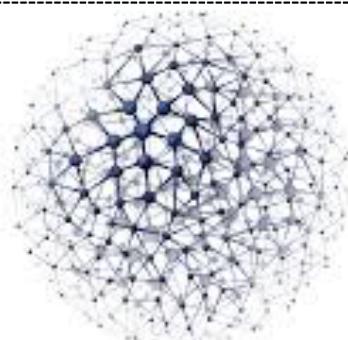
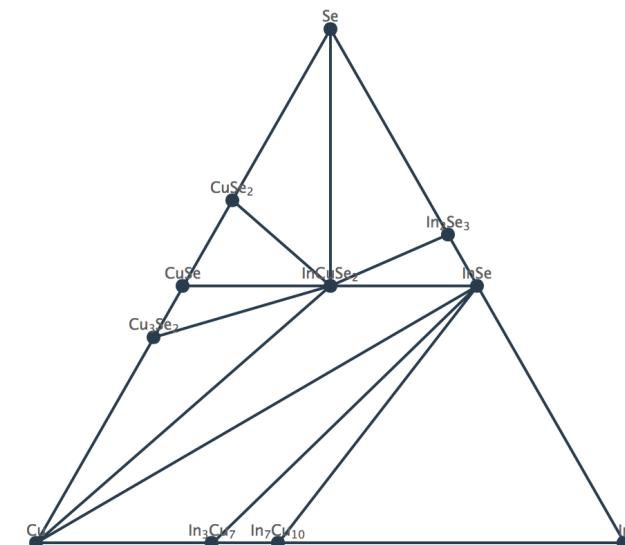
## ⑤ Energies for discovering new materials



# Available databases



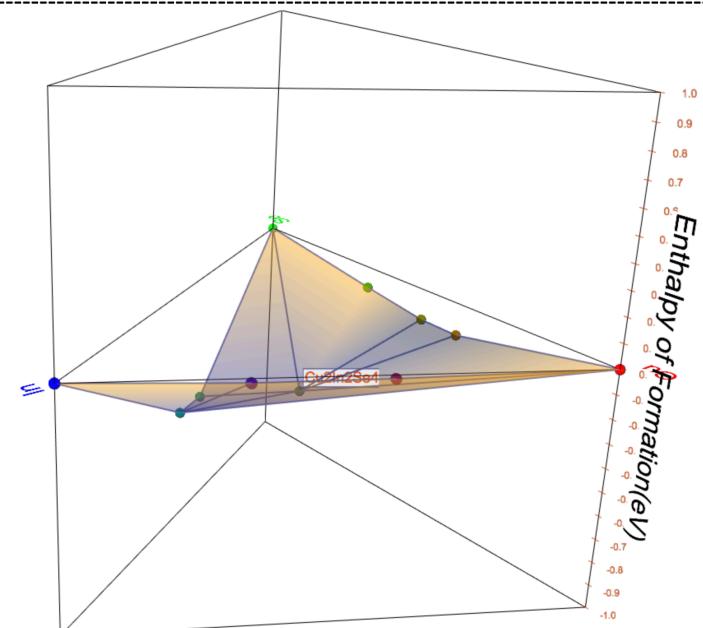
The Materials Project: A materials genome approach to accelerating materials innovation,  
Jain, Ceder *et al.*, APL Mat. 1, 011002 (2013).



**AFLOW**  
Automatic - FLOW for Materials Discovery

Aflow is a globally available database of **1,668,252** material compounds

AFLOW: An automatic framework for high-throughput materials discovery,  
Curtarolo *et al.*, Comp. Mat. Sci., 58, 218 (2012).



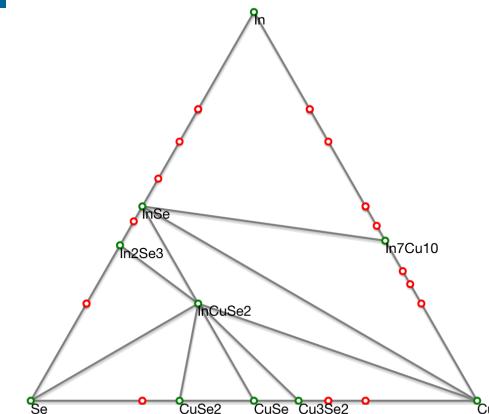
# Available databases

## OQMD:

The database now contains **471857** entries.

### *The Open Quantum Materials Database*

Materials Design and Discovery with High-Throughput Density Functional Theory: The Open Quantum Materials Database (OQMD), Saal, Wolverton, *et al.*, JOM 65, 1501 (2013).



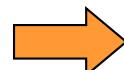
Computational  
data repository

High Performance Computing Center  
**Materials Database**

CMDB from NREL group

### Problems of existing databases for researching semiconductors

- ① Lack of physical properties (e.g., ionization potential, point-defect properties)
- ② Lack of accuracy of some properties (e.g., crystal structures, band gaps)



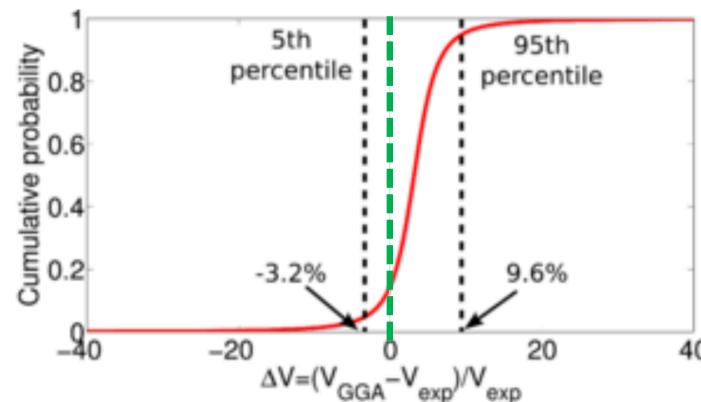
We need a new computational materials database  
toward investigating/discovering novel semiconductors

# Crystal structures in available databases

## ex. 1) Materials Project

Sun *et al.*,  
Sci. Adv. (2016)

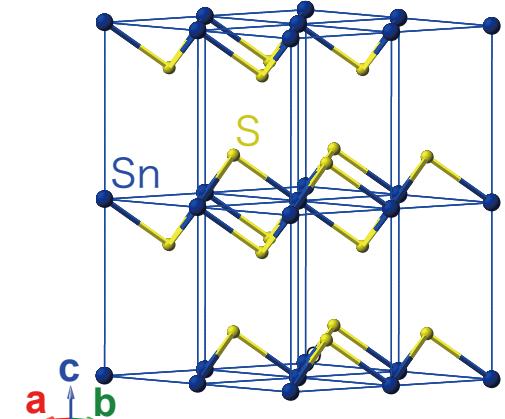
Cumulative distribution of the volume



Mean error: 3.2 %  
(# of structures : 29,902)  
by PBE functional

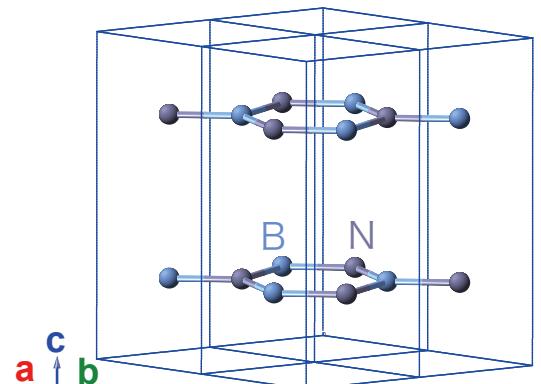
## ex. 2) Layered materials: c-axis in $\text{SnS}_2$

exp.	Materials Project	aflow	OQMD	NoMad	NREL MatDB
5.90 Å	6.98	6.67	6.23	NA	6.3



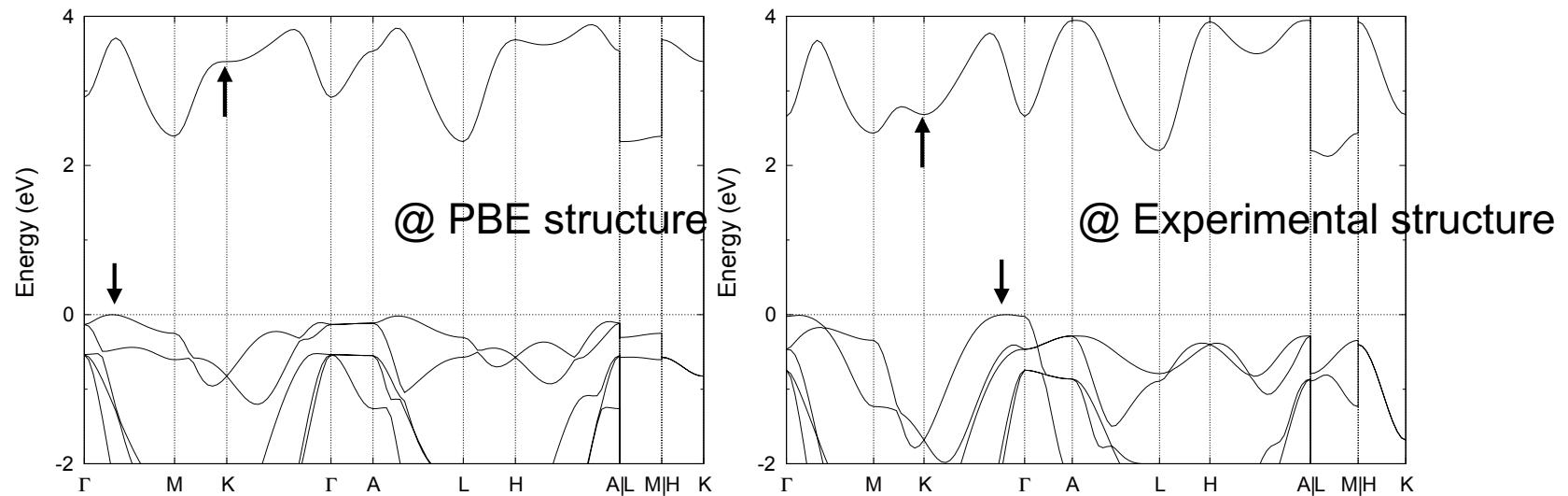
## ex. 3) Layered materials: c-axis in $h\text{-BN}$

exp.	Materials Project	aflow	OQMD	NoMad	NREL MatDB
6.661 Å	7.71	7.88	6.43 (LDA)	NA	7.6

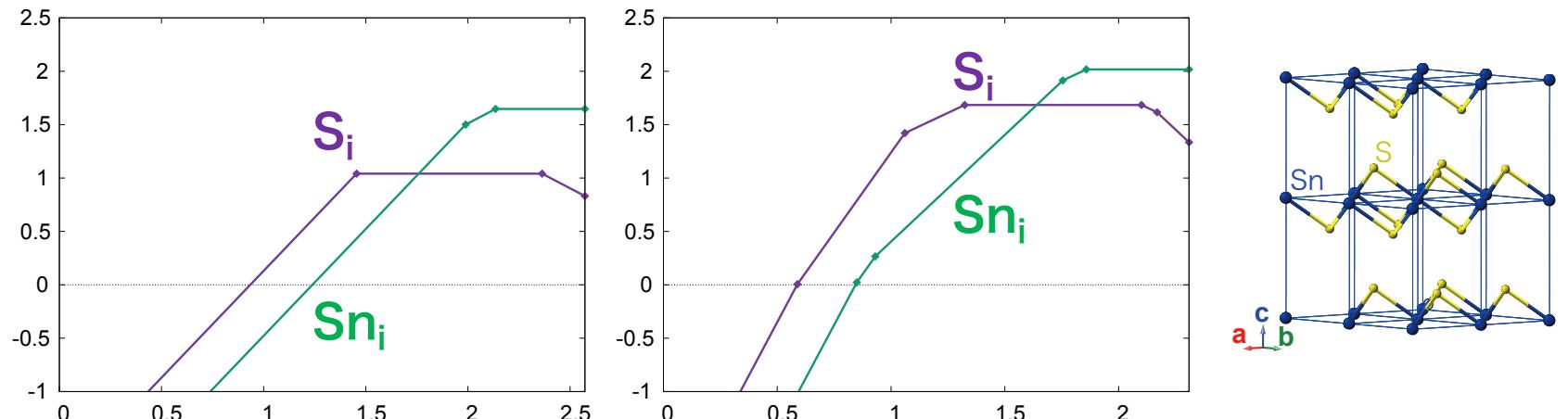


# Importance of reproducibility of structures

ex. 1) Electronic structure of SnS<sub>2</sub>

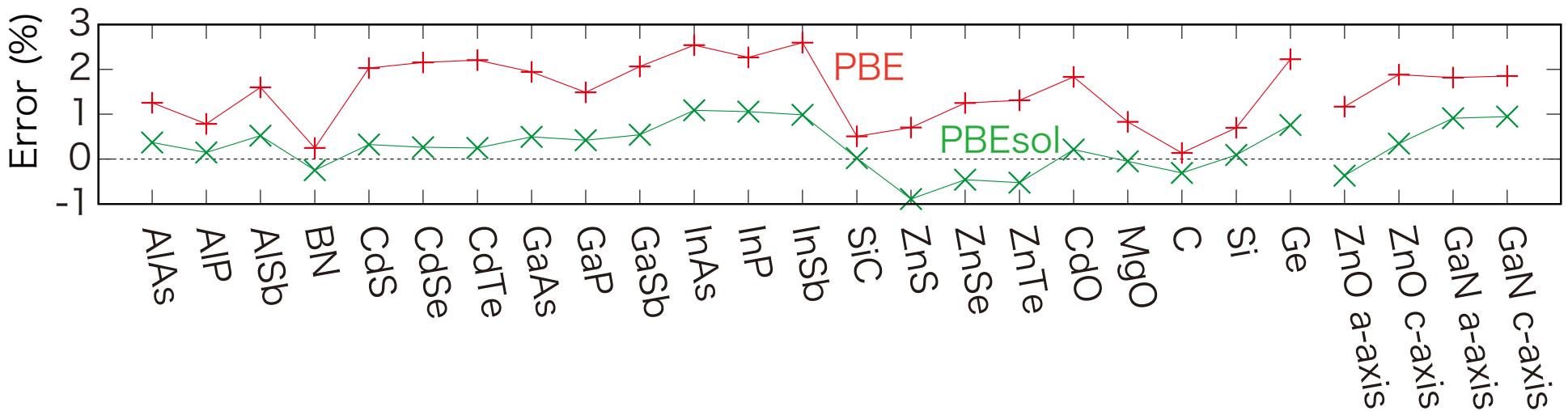


ex. 2) Formation energy of interstitials in SnS<sub>2</sub>



Structures are of crucially importance for semiconductor researches

# PBEsol+U



Errors of interlayer distances in layered oxides

	PBE+U	PBEsol+U
ME	5.9%	0.4%
RMSE	5.5%	3.0%

Hinuma, Hayashi, YK, Tanaka, Oba., submitted.

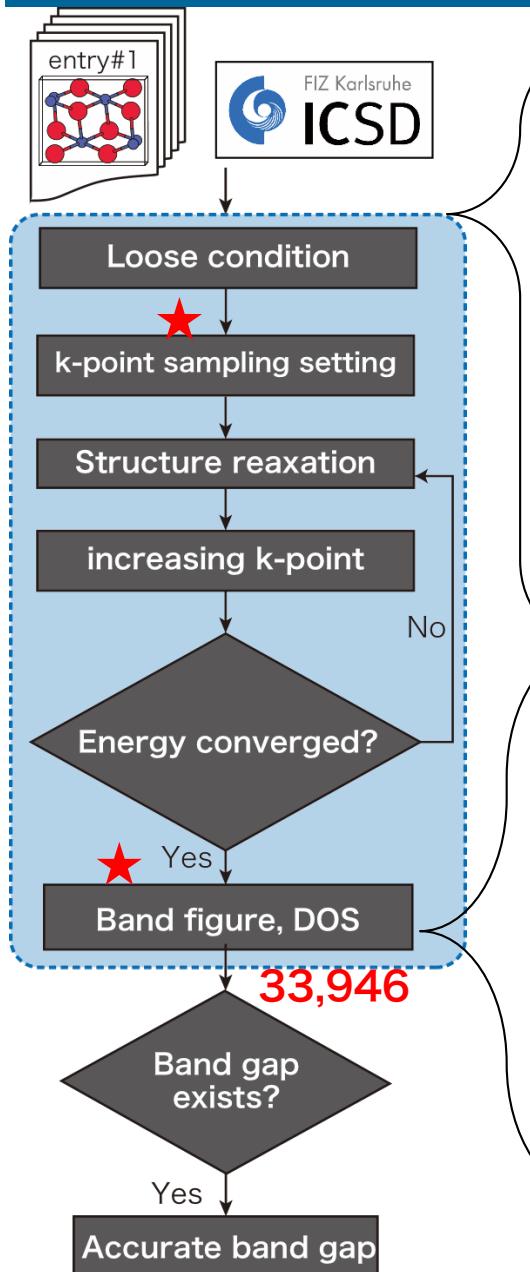
c-axis in  $\text{SnS}_2$

exp.	Materials Project	aflow	my DB
5.90 Å	6.98	6.67	5.91

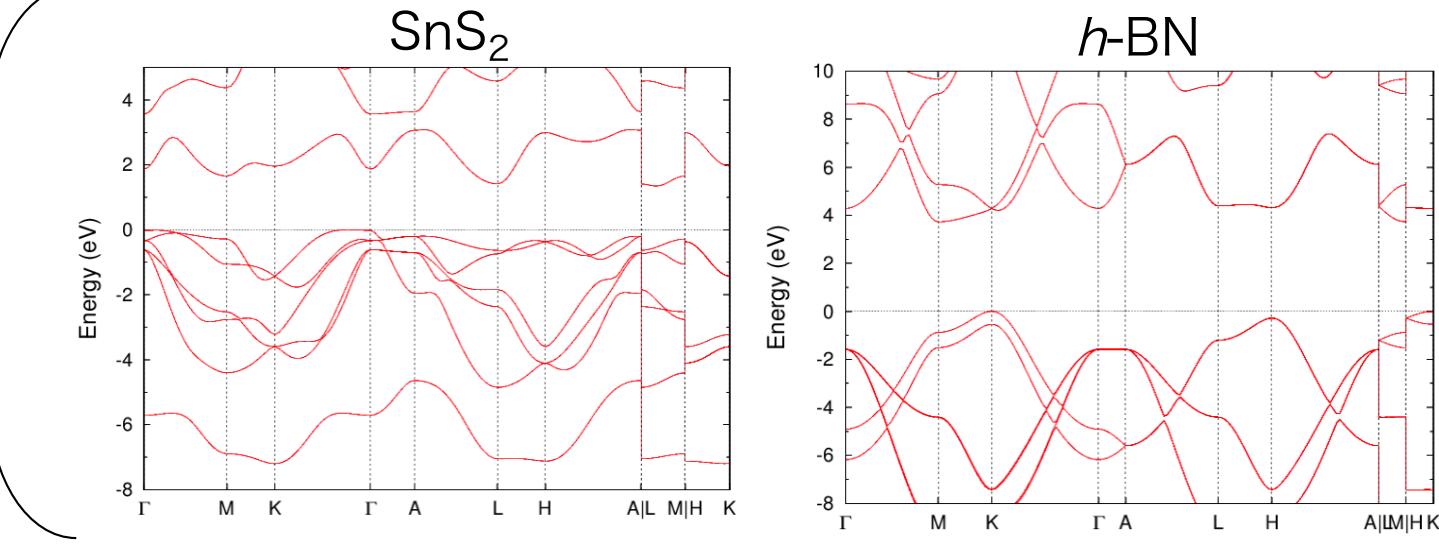
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exp.	Materials Project	aflow	my DB
6.661 Å	7.71	7.88	6.69

# Flowchart



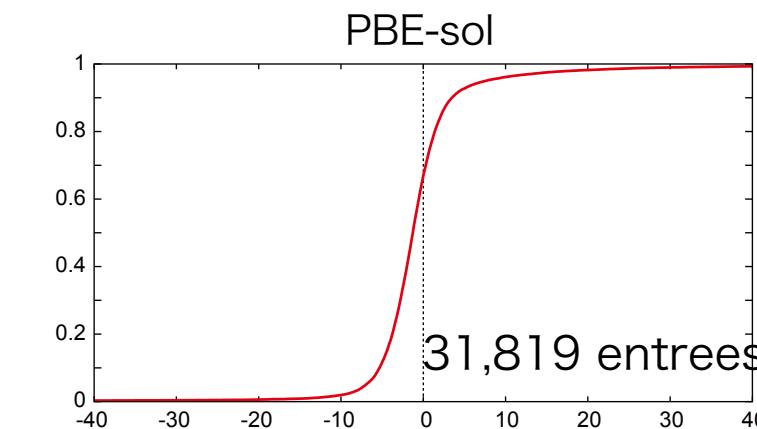
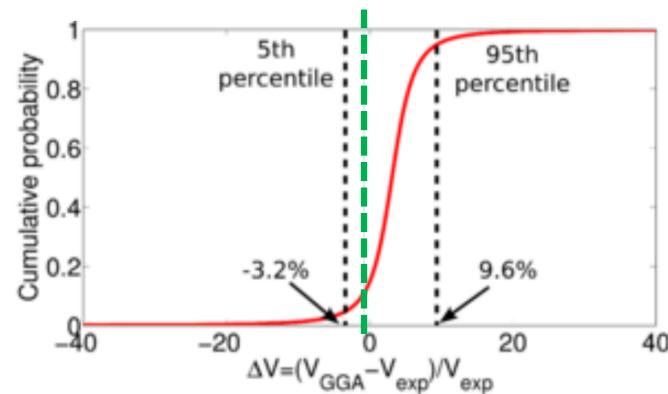
1. Remove entries with partial occupancies
2. Search for symmetries and transform the unit cell based on crystallography  $\star$
3. Remove redundant structures  $\star$
4. Remove entries with lanthanide and/or actinide elements
5. Remove entries containing more than 100 atoms  
 $\rightarrow$  # of remaining entries: 46,969
6. Classify entries by space groups  $\star$



Automation of band paths: Hinuma, Pizzi, YK, Oba, Tanaka, Comput. Mater. Sci. (2017).

# Analysis of the structures

## Cumulative distribution of the volume

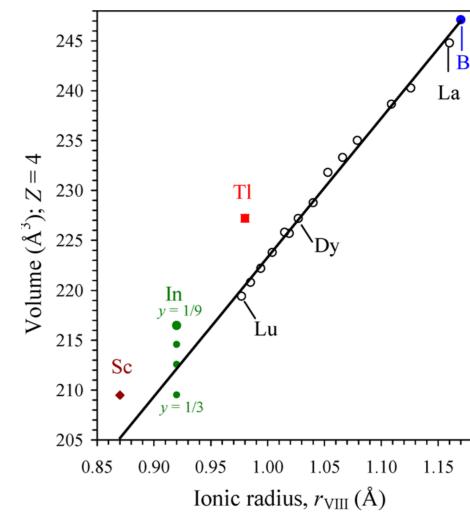
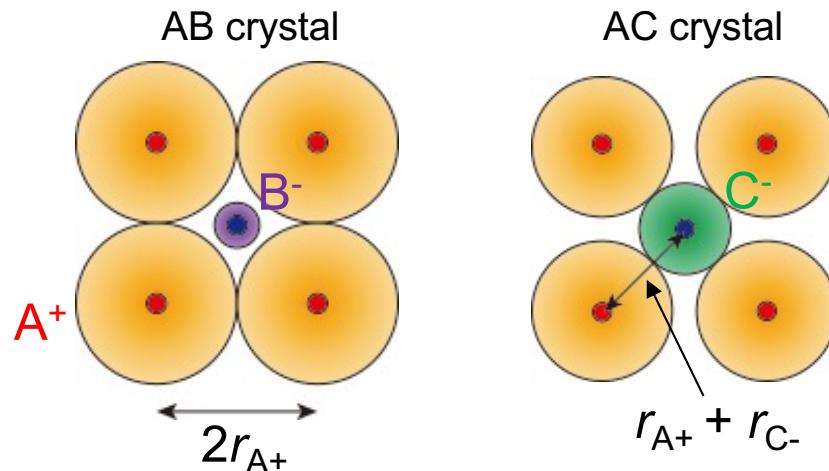


ME=-0.82% compared to experiments  
including high-temperature phases

*Acta Cryst.* (1976). A32, 751

## Revised Effective Ionic Radii and Systematic Studies of Interatomic Distances in Halides and Chalcogenides

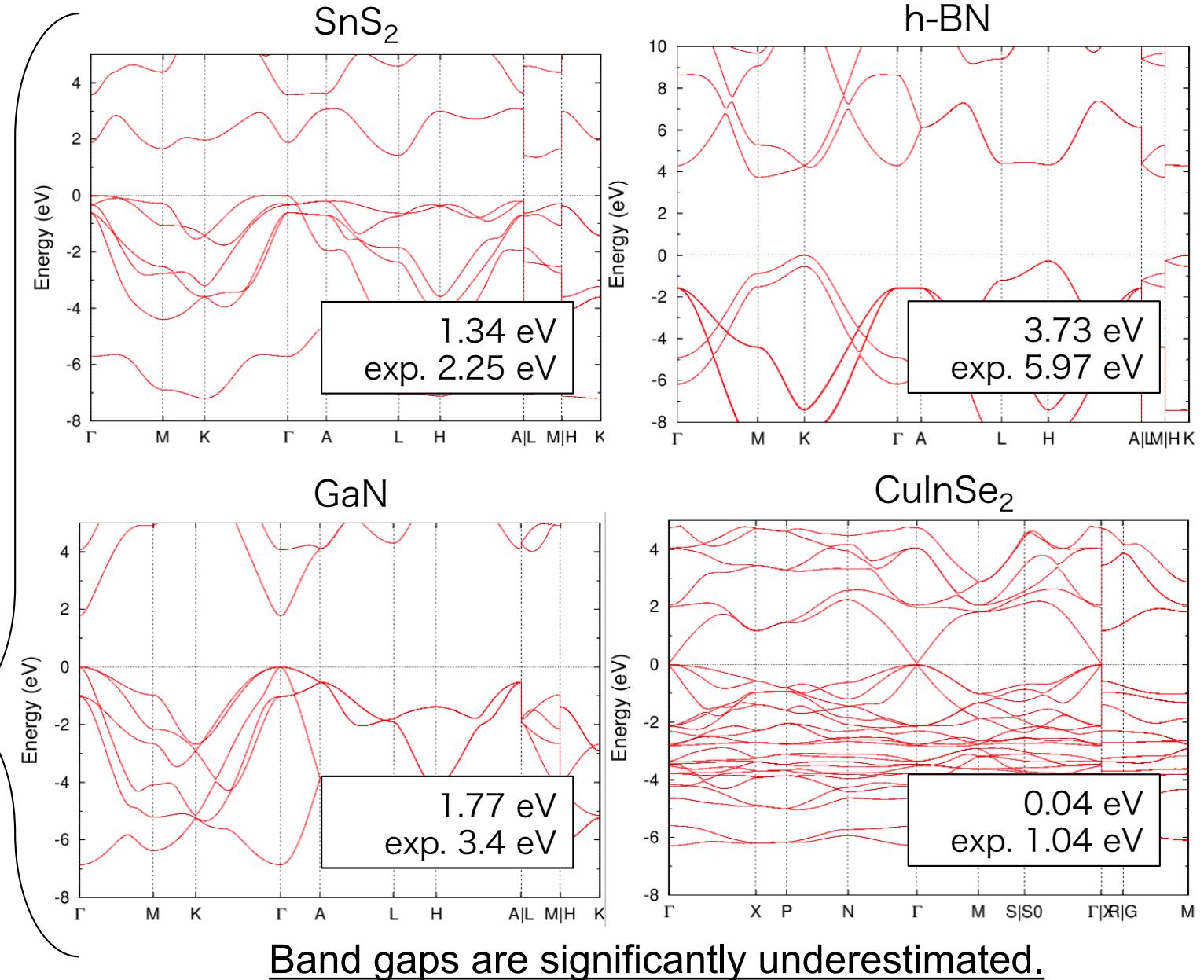
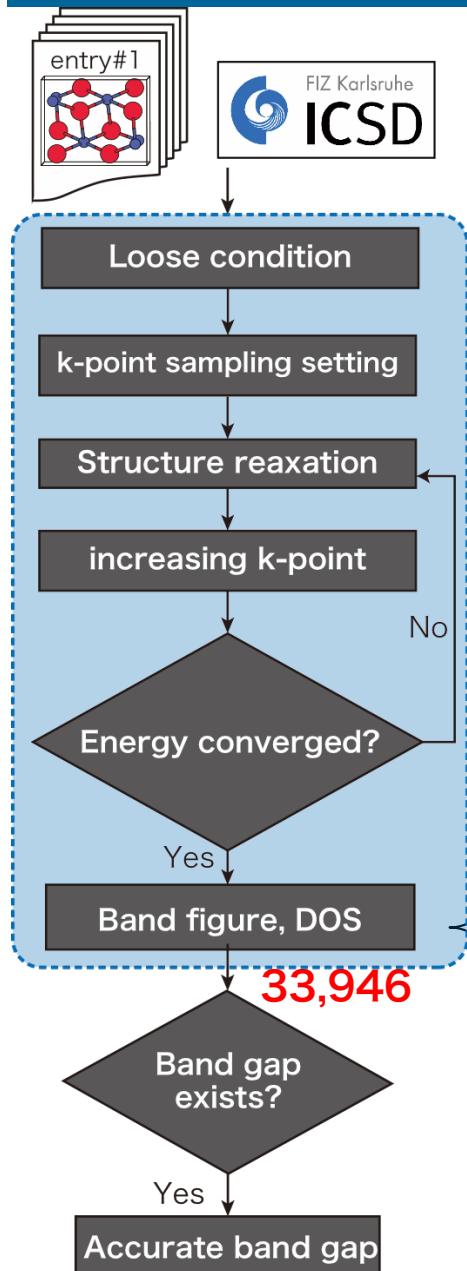
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including  
inaccurate data

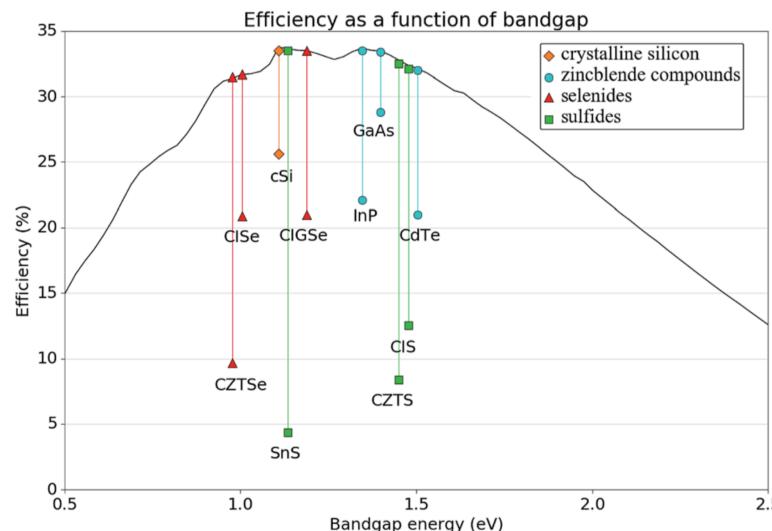
Yi, YK, et al.,  
*Inorg. Chem.*  
(2014).

# Flowchart



# Applications related to band gaps

## Solar cell

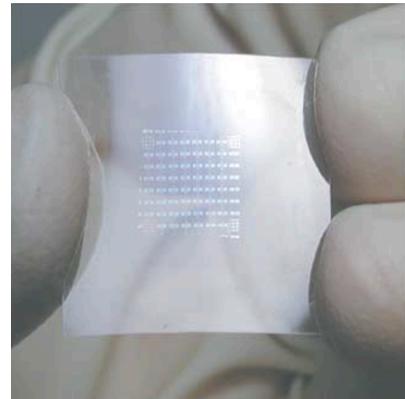


## LED

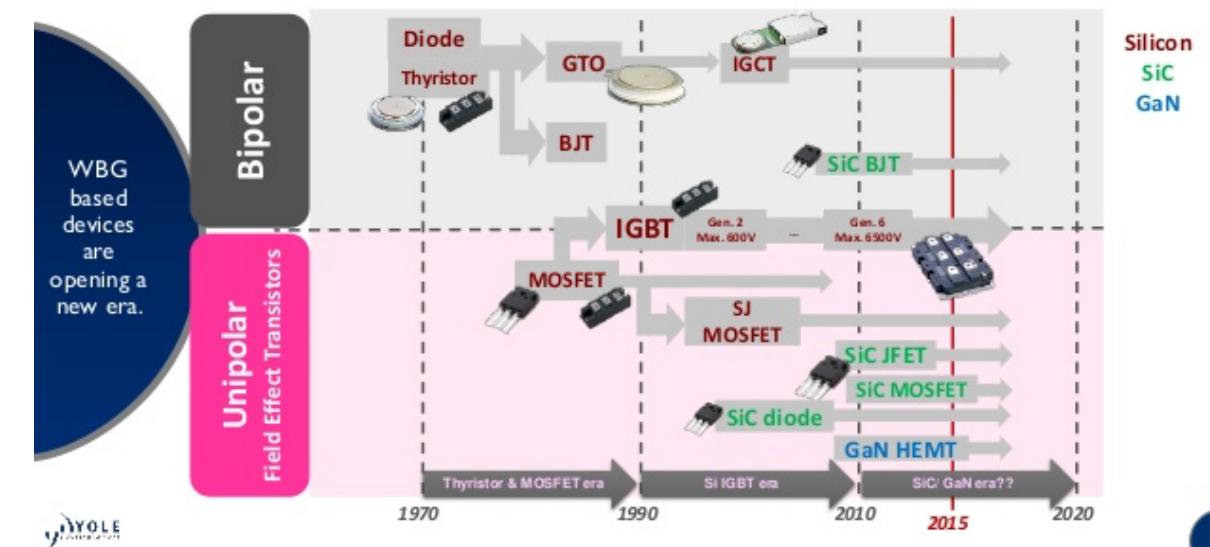


Lee, YK, Walsh, Oba, J. Mat. Chem. A (2017).

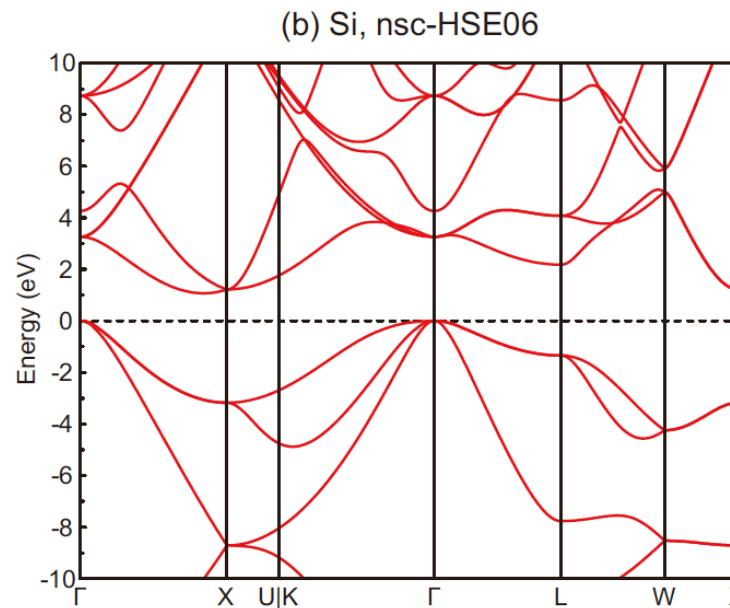
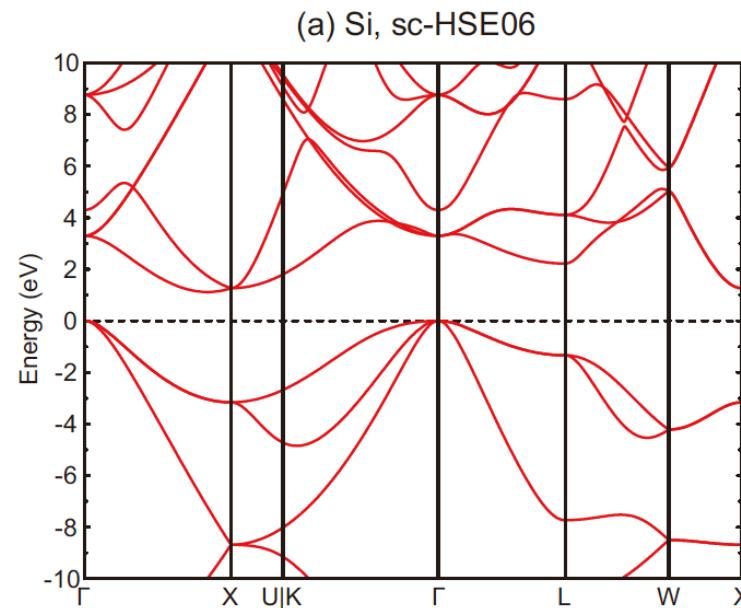
## Transparent conductors



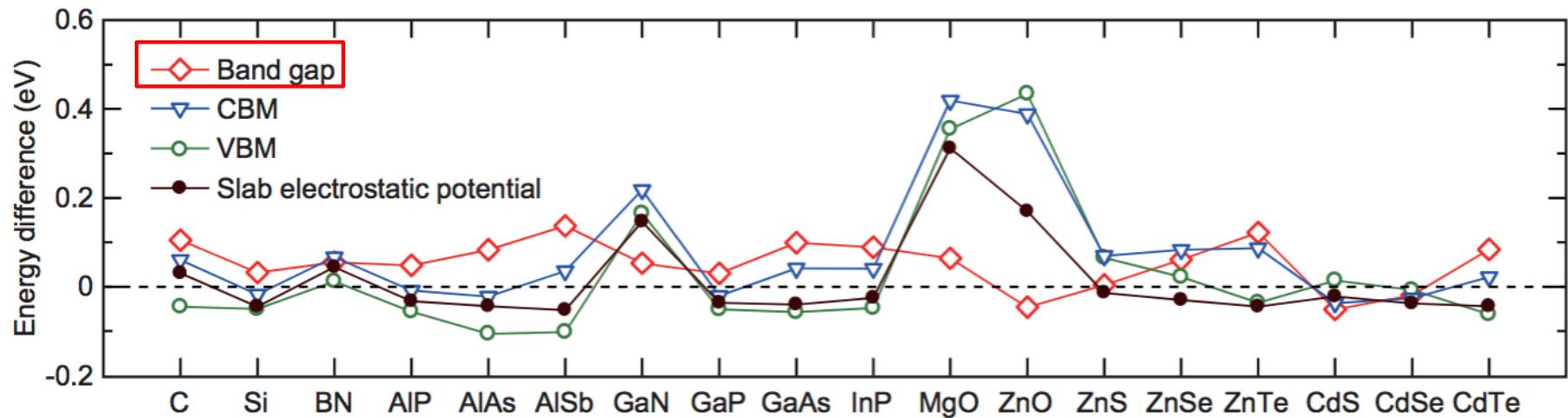
Nomura, et al., Nature (2004).



# non-selfconsistent (nsc) HSE06

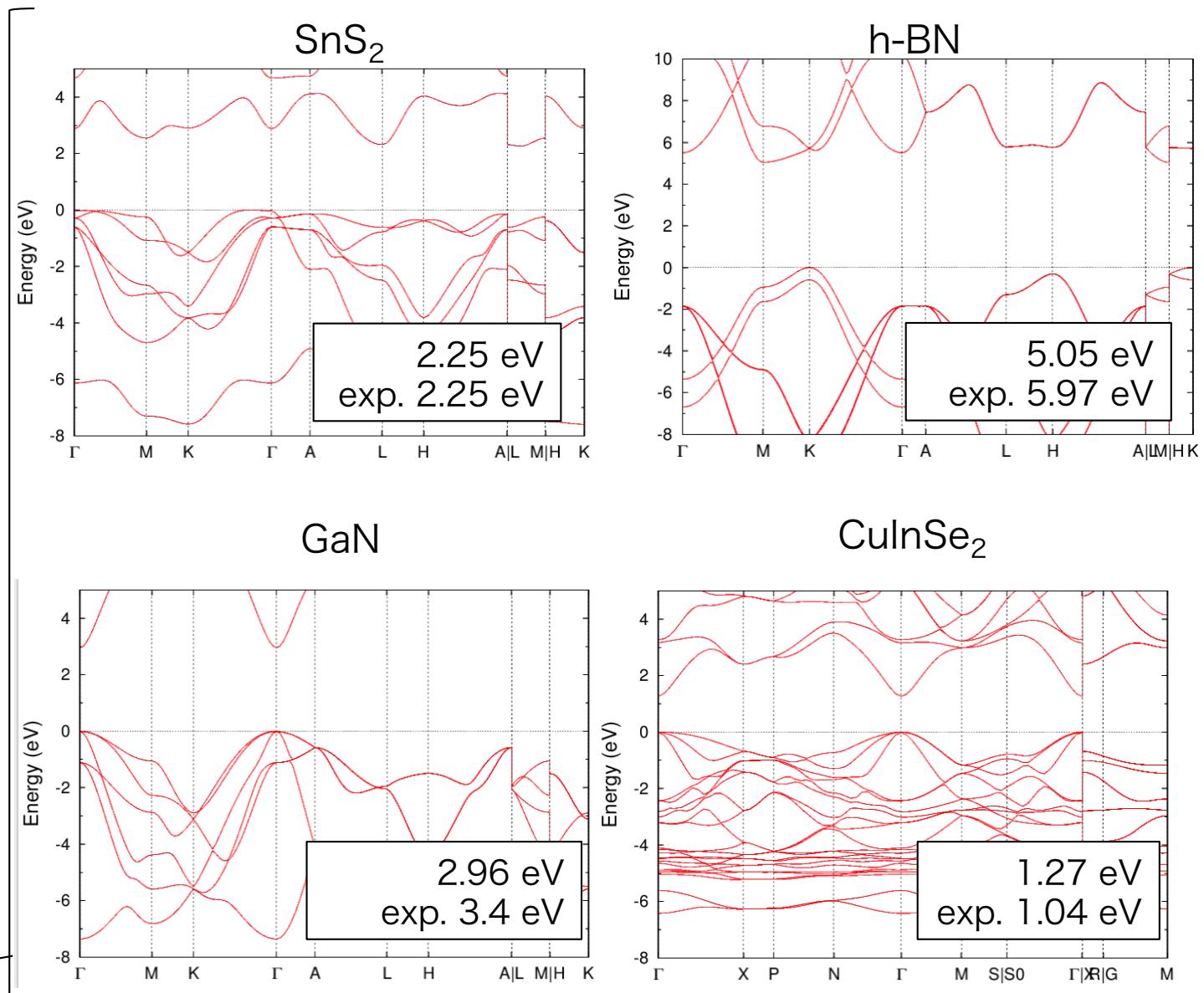
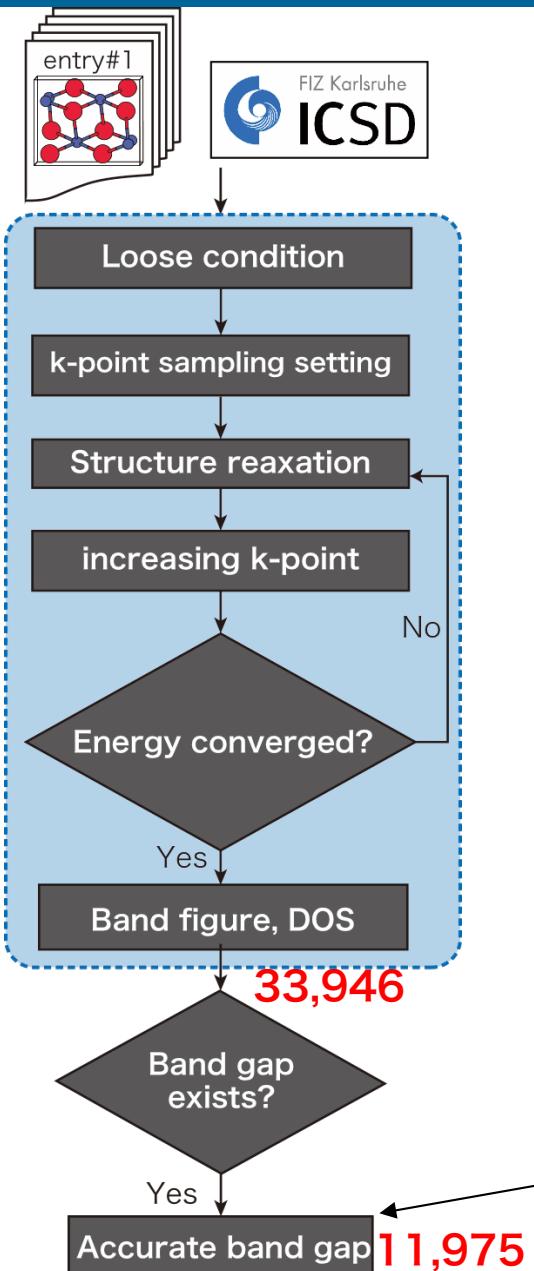


Band gap: 1.12 eV (exp. 1.17 eV)

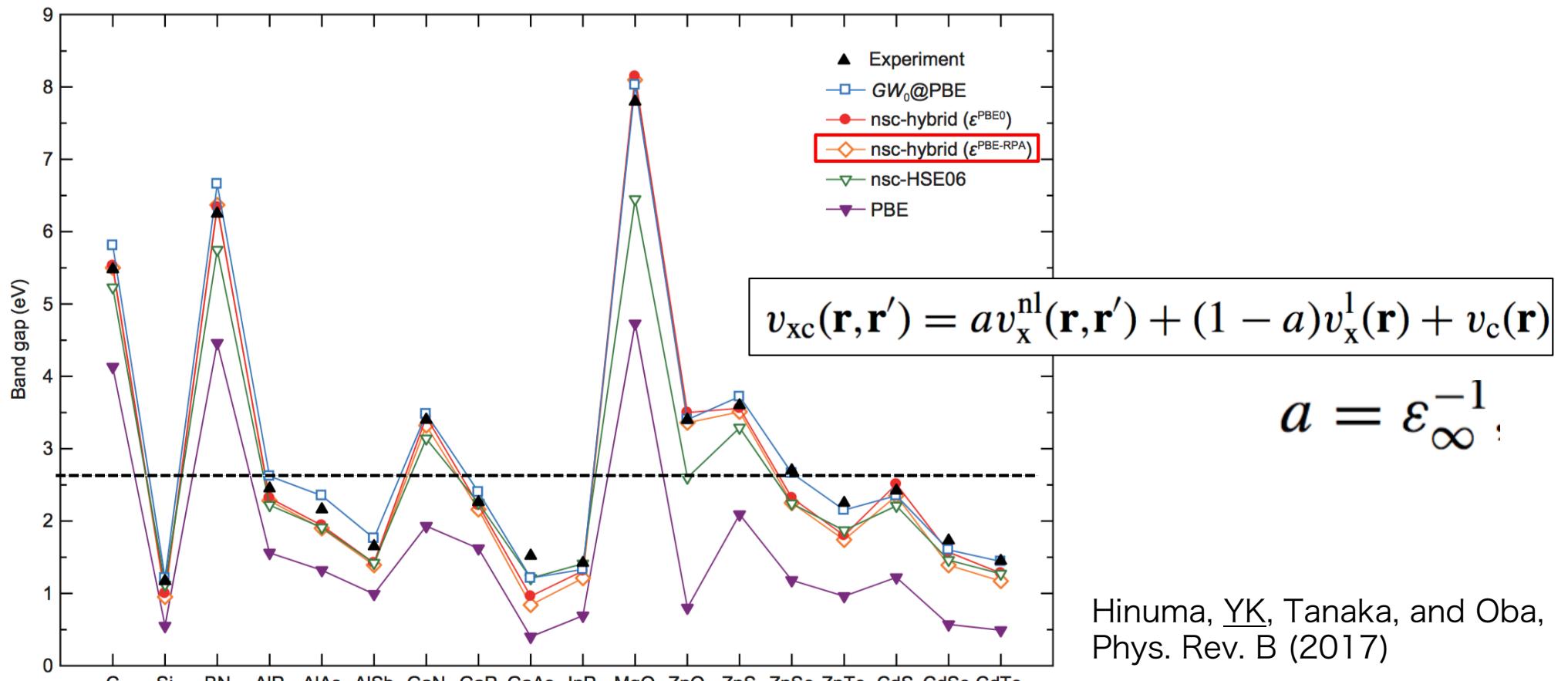


Hinuma, YK, Tanaka, and Oba, Phys. Rev. B (2017)

# nsc HSE06

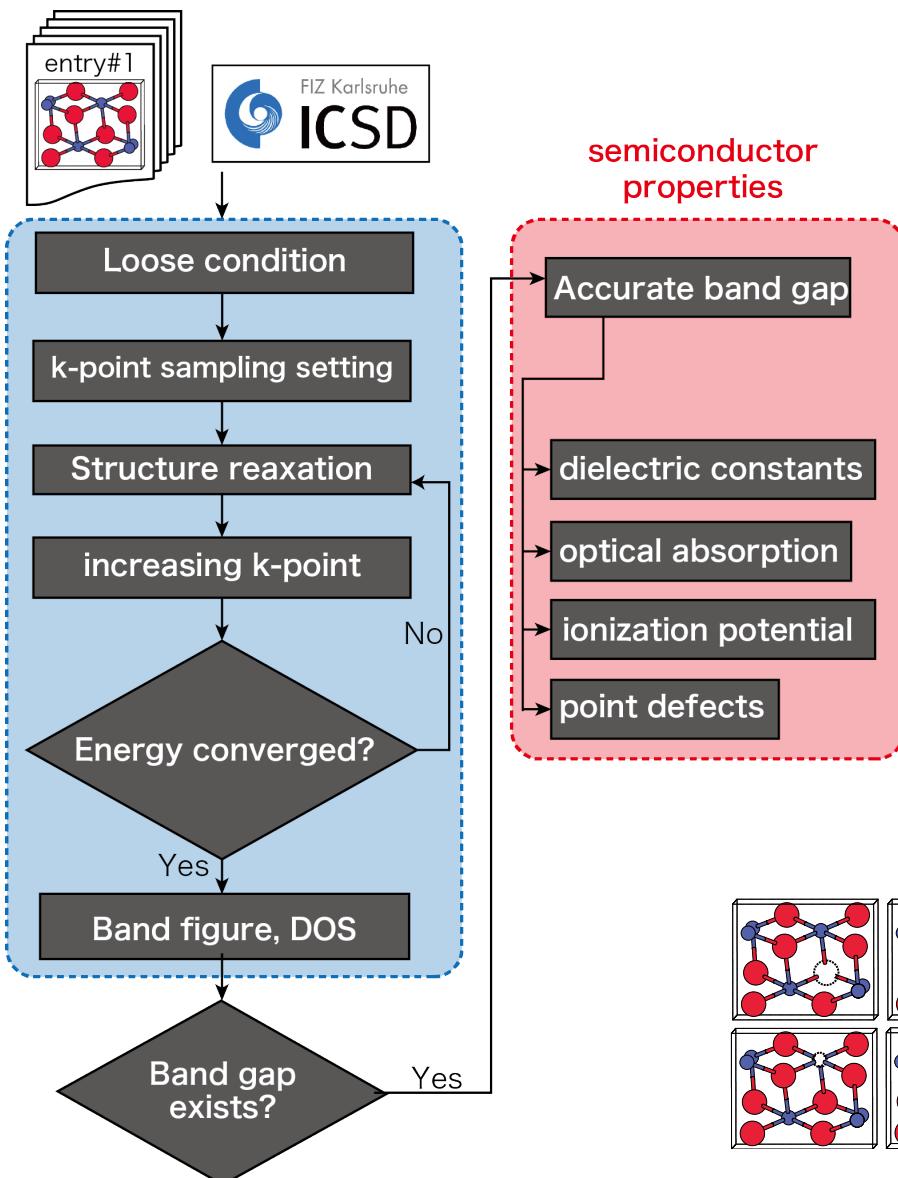


# Band gaps for wide gap materials

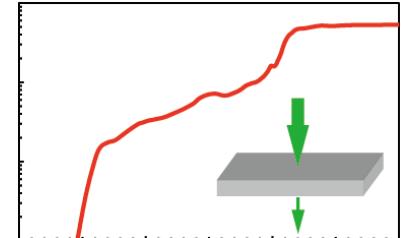
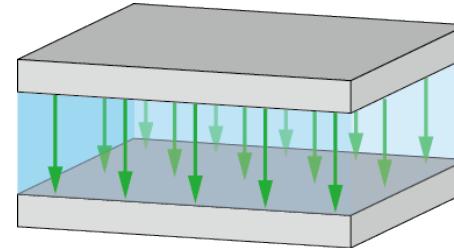


	PBE	nsc-HSE06	nsc-hybrid( $\epsilon_{\infty}^{\text{PBE-RPA}}$ )	nsc-hybrid( $\epsilon_{\infty}^{\text{PBE}0}$ )	$GW_0@\text{PBE}$	Experiment
CdS	1.22	2.21	2.35	2.51	2.35	2.42
CdSe	0.57	1.46	1.39	1.57	1.60	1.73
CdTe	0.49	1.27	1.17	1.28	1.44	1.45
MAE	1.30	0.34	0.23	0.19	0.14	

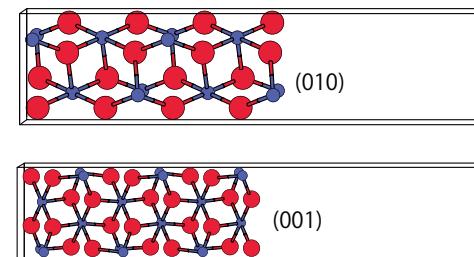
# Further properties...



- Dielectric constant
- Optical absorption

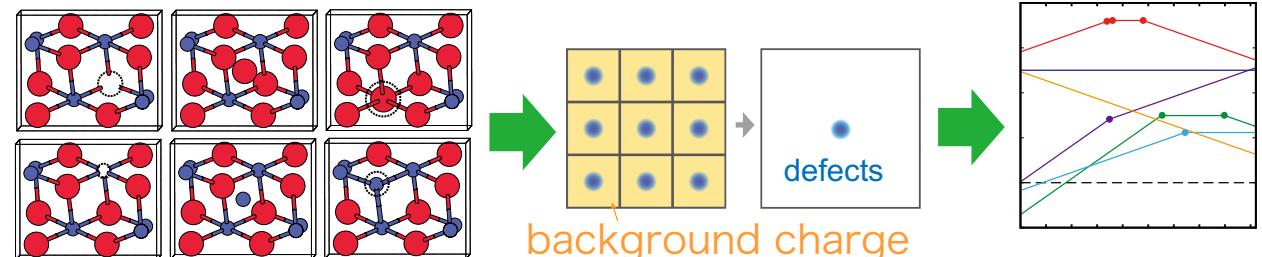


- Ionization potential



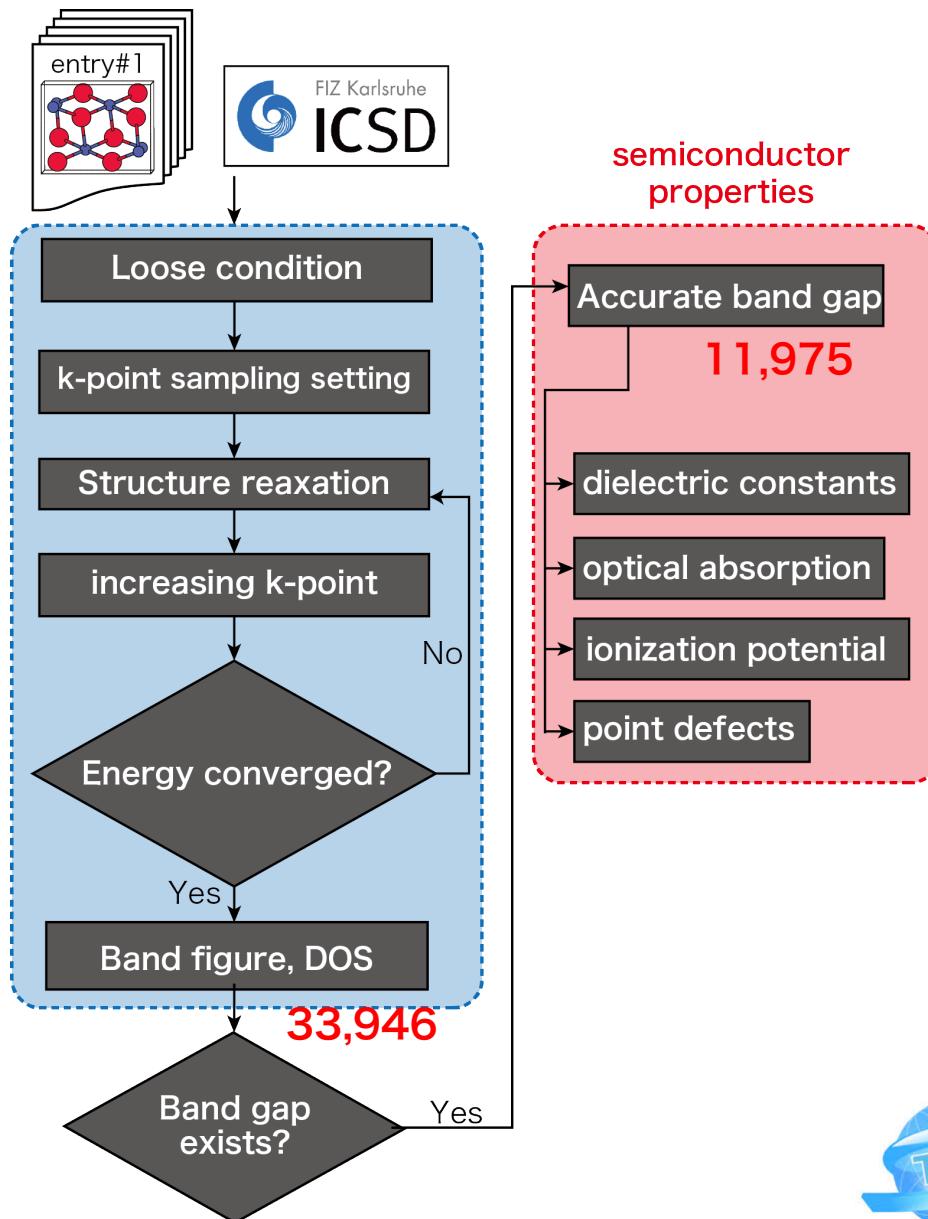
Automatic construction of surface models  
Hinuma, YK, Oba, Tanaka, Comput. Mater. Sci. (2016).

- Point defects

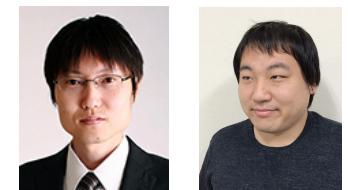


Automatic construction of point defect calculations, YK, and Oba, in preparation

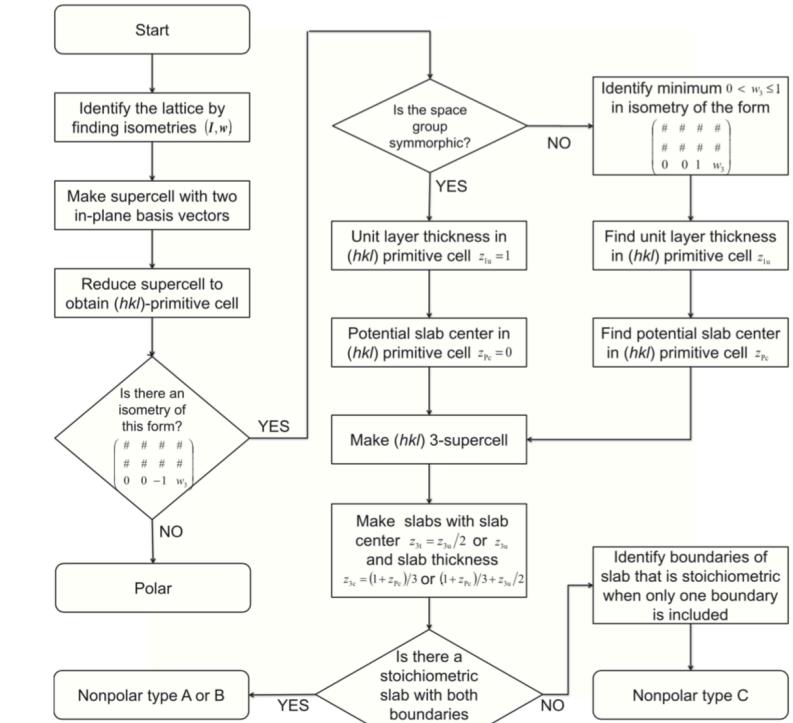
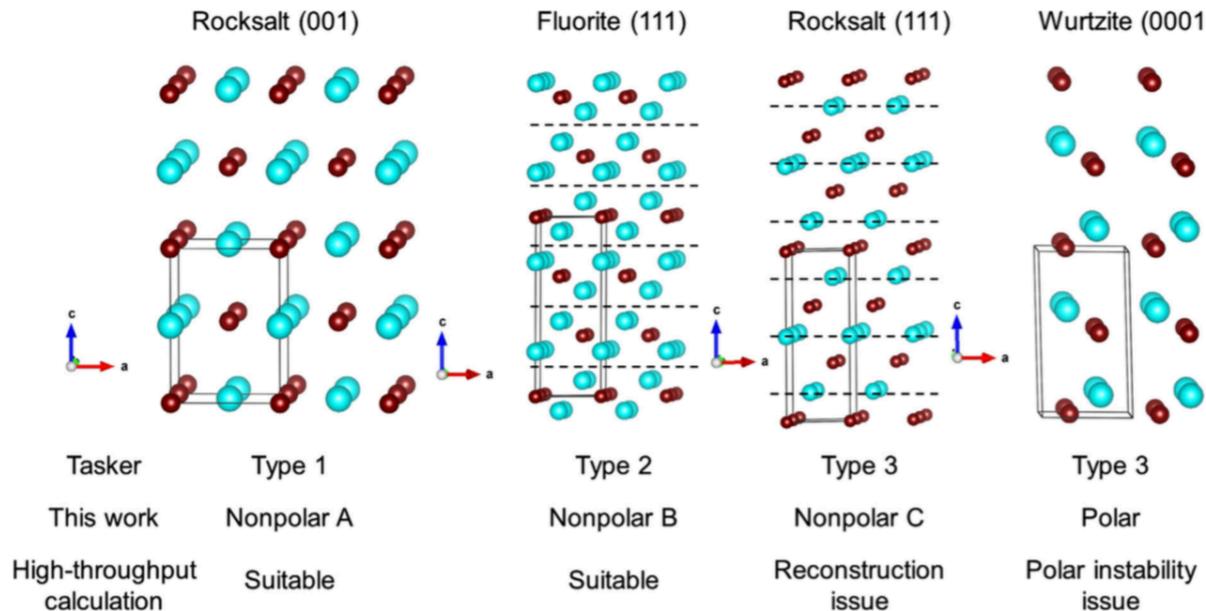
# Summary



- Construction of computational materials database
- PBEsol+U functional works well for reproducing the experimental structures
- non-selfconsistent HSE06 works well for predicting the band gaps
- Further semiconductor properties will be calculated in the future
- Collaborators
  - Prof. Fumiyasu Oba
  - Prof. Yoyo Hinuma
- Financial support
  - MEXT Elements Strategy Initiative
  - Grants-in-Aid for Young Scientists A
  - PRESTO

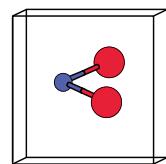


# Automatic construction of surface models

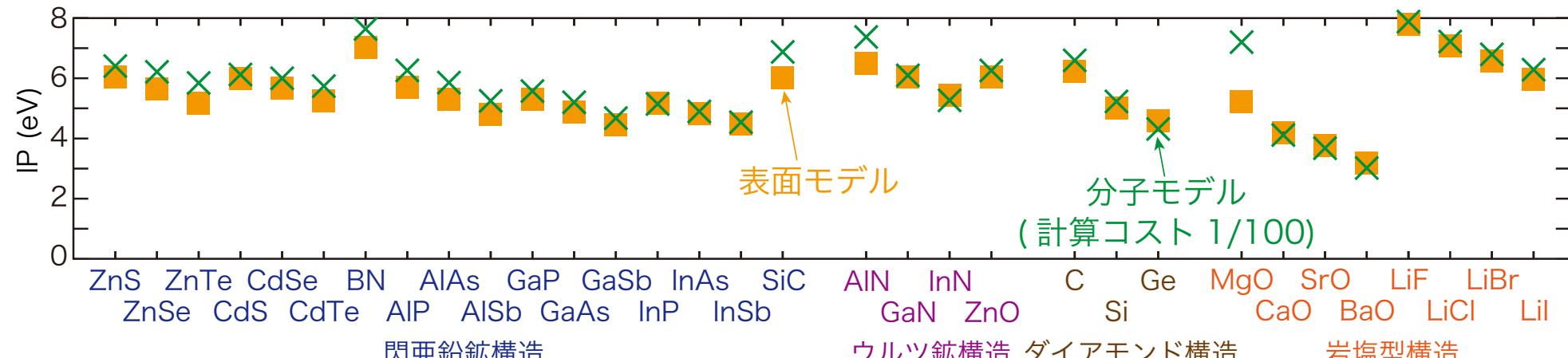
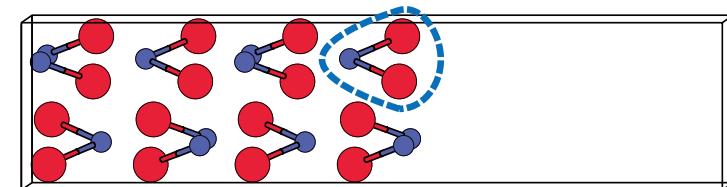


# Molecular model approximation

原子・分子モデル  
からのIP近似計算



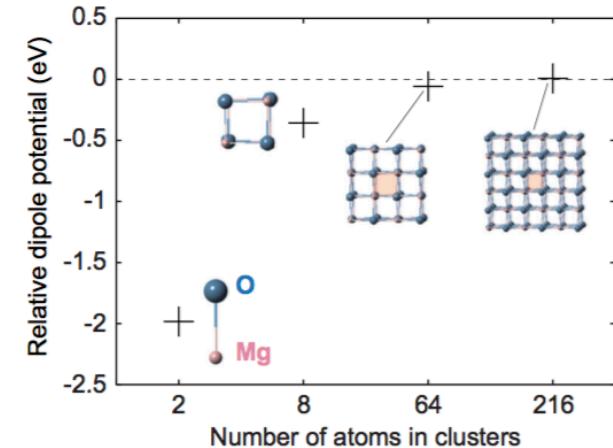
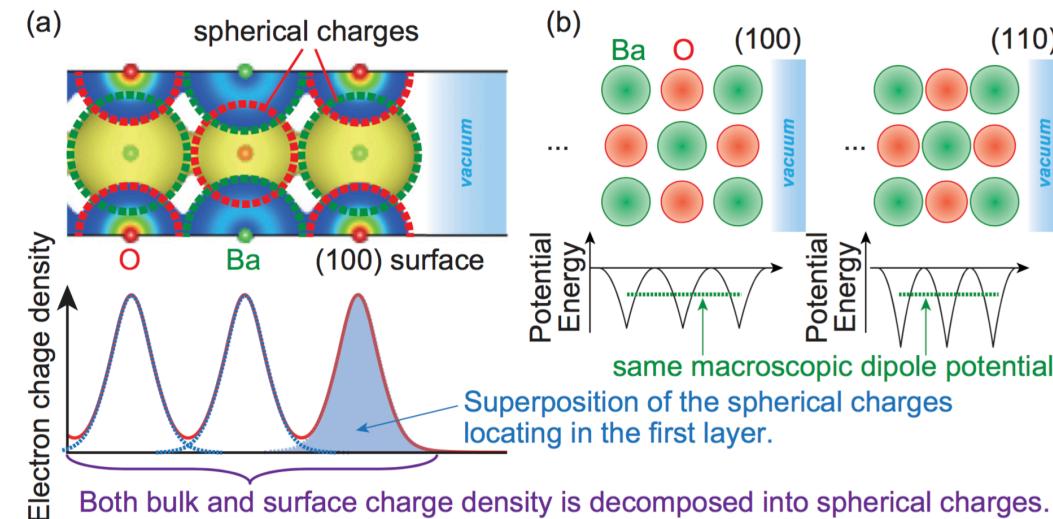
分子モデル



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ウルツ鉱構造

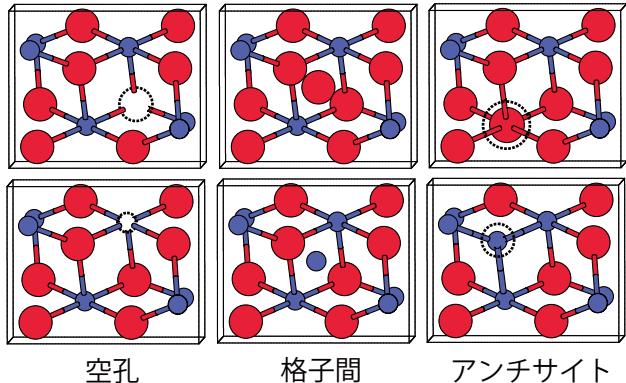
ダイアモンド構造



YK, Butler, Walsh, Oba, Phys. Rev. B (2017)

# Automation of point defect calculations

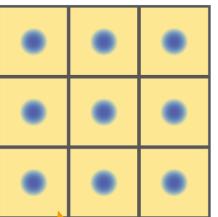
様々な欠陥モデルの計算



欠陥形成エネルギーの補正

周期的

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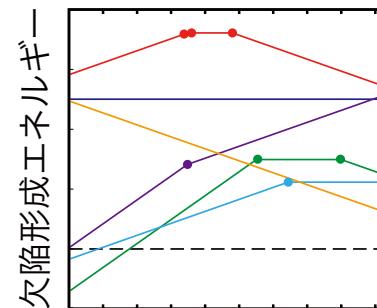


点欠陥

背景電荷

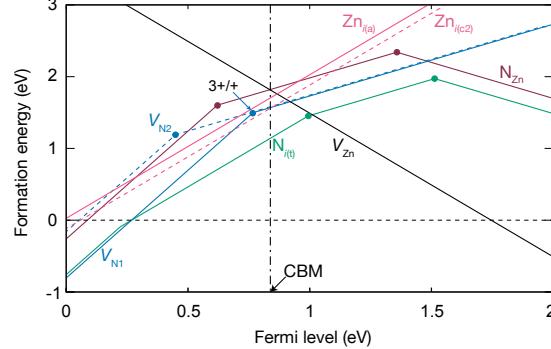
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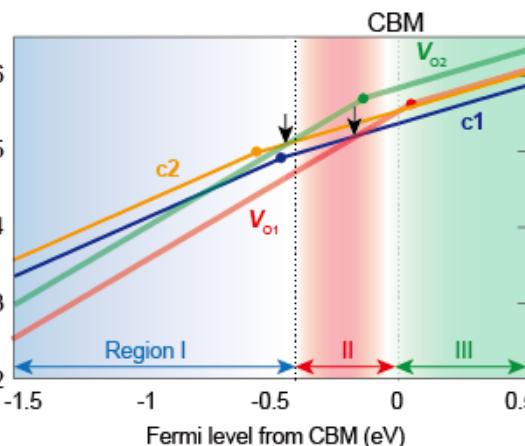
## 応用例

一連の計算プログラムを開発



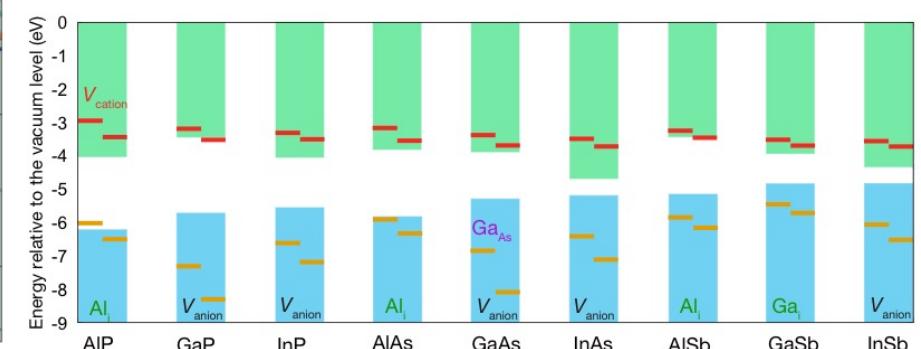
$Zn_3N_2$  の点欠陥

YK, et al.,  
Phys. Rev. Appl. in press



$SrTiO_3$  中の酸素クラスタ

YK and Oba, in preparation



24個の典型的半導体を網羅的に計算

YK, Nishiya, and Oba, in preparation