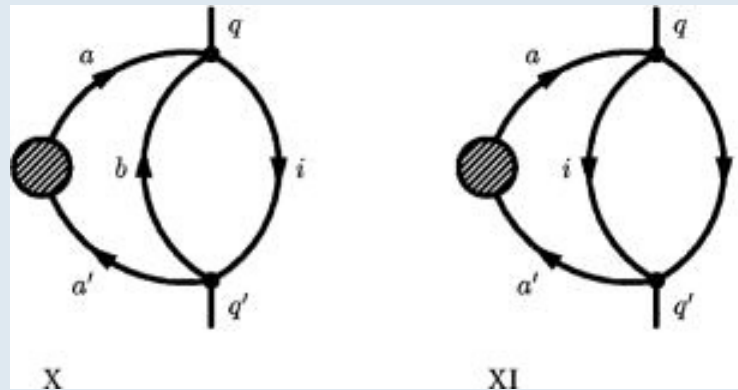


# Electronic states in atoms, molecules, and crystals

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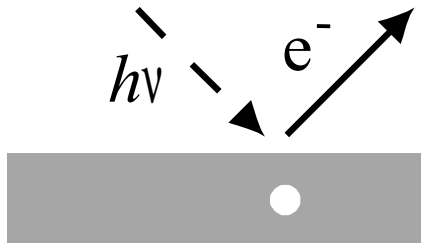
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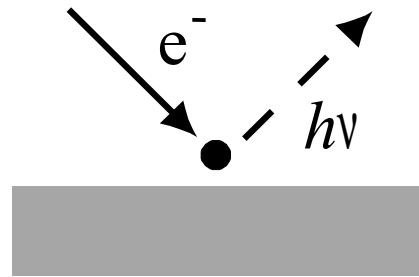
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# 1.1 (Inverse) photoelectron spectroscopy

- Probe excited states of atoms, molecules and crystals



Ionization potentials  
Valence bands



Electron affinities  
Conduction bands

## 1.2 Many-body Green's functions

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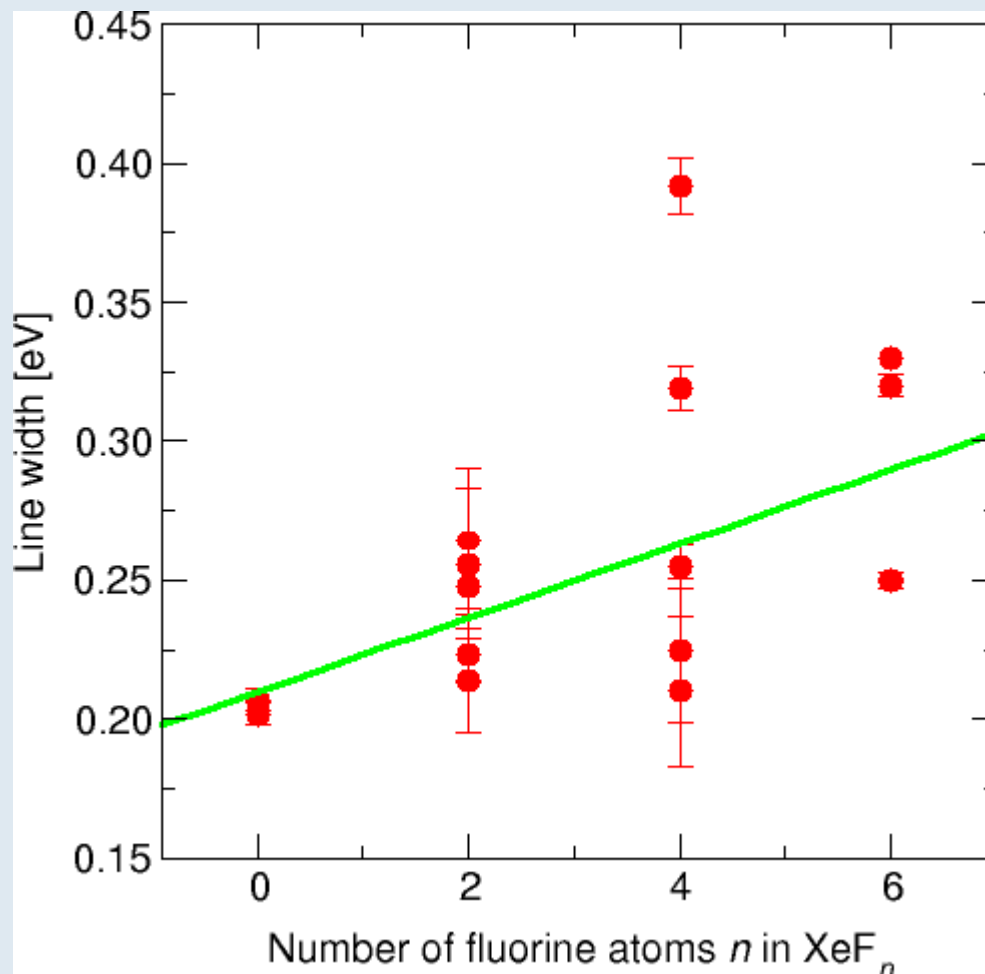
- QED description of one-photon processes in photoelectron spectra
- Many-body Green's function

$$i G_{pq}(t-t') = \langle \Psi_0^N | \hat{T}[\hat{c}_p(t) \hat{c}_q^\dagger(t')] | \Psi_0^N \rangle$$

- Pole positions in energy representation yield ionization potentials (IP) and electron affinities (EA)
- IP/EA to study electronic decay processes

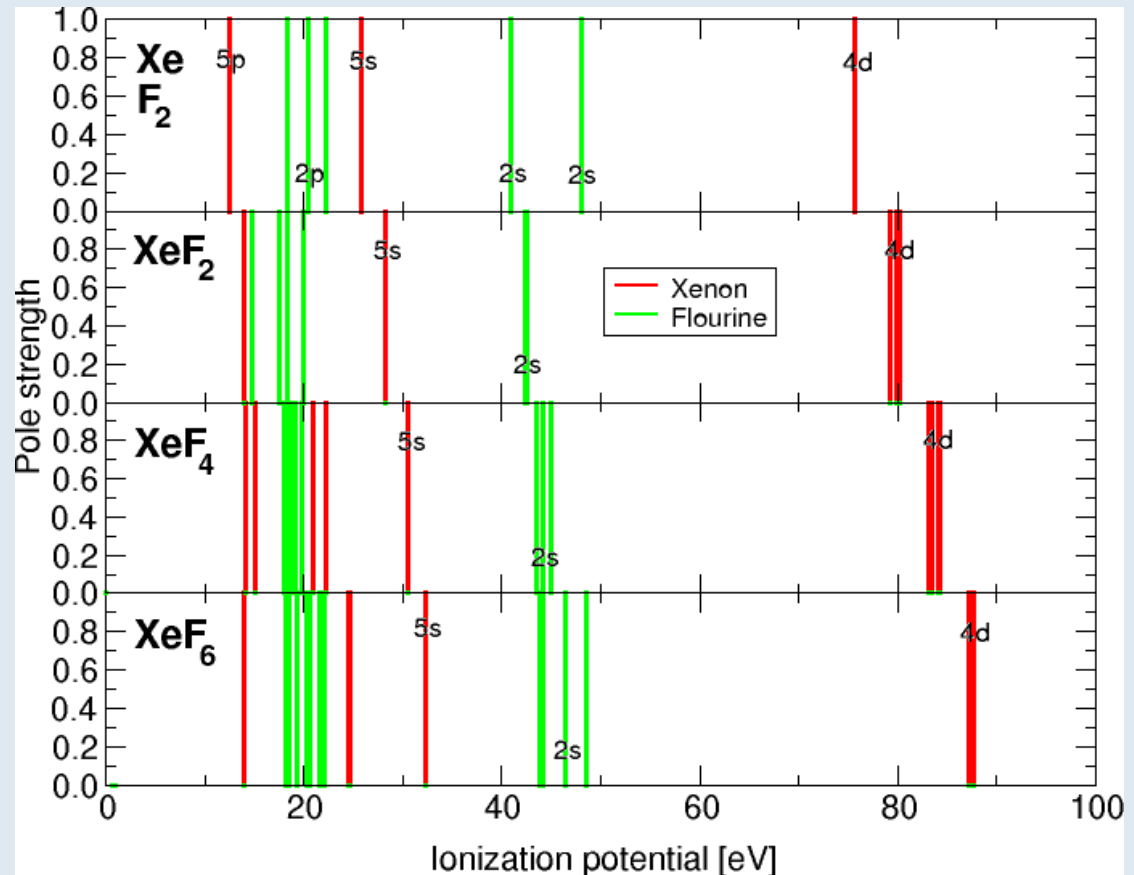
# 1.3 Width of the Xe 4d core lines in XeF<sub>n</sub>

- Xe 4d line width in the xenon fluorides
- Width increases with the number of ligands



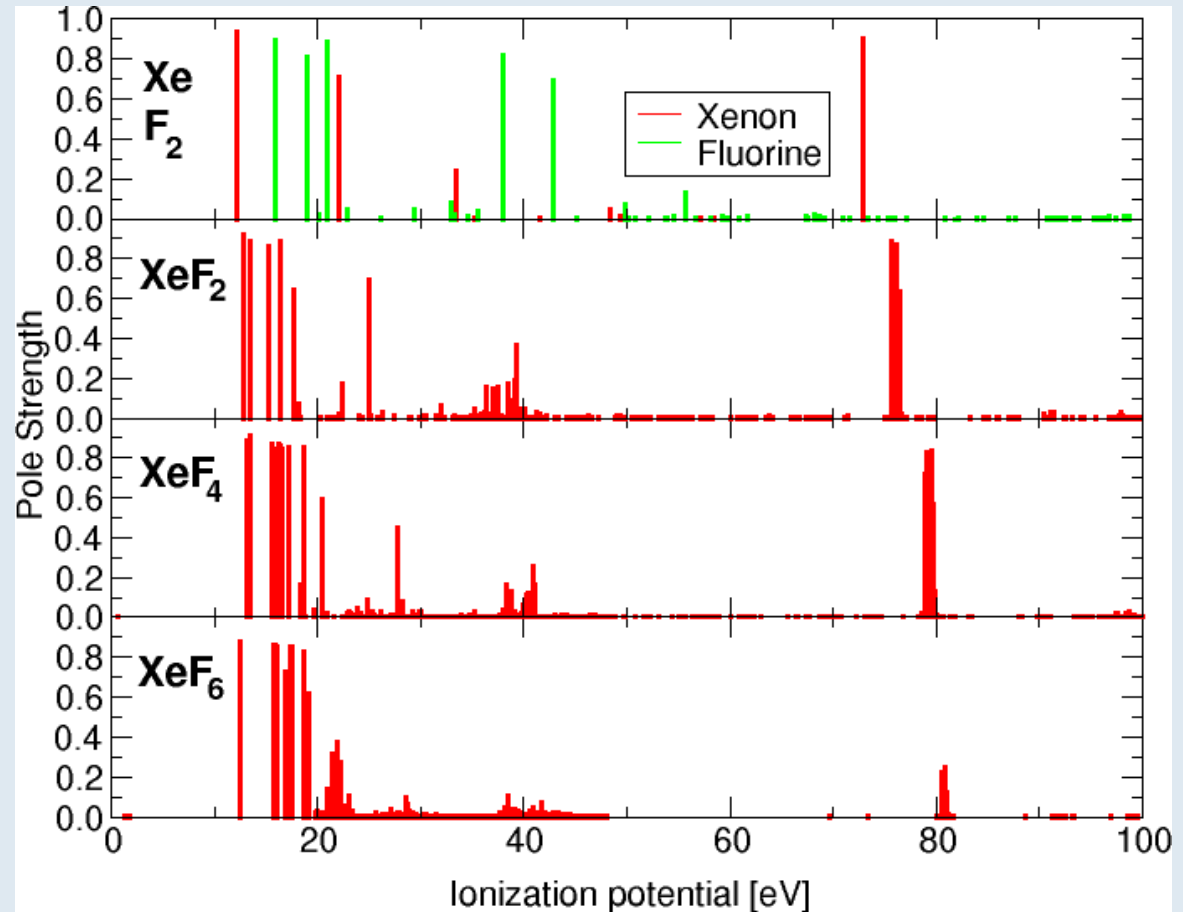
# 1.4 Hartree-Fock ionization potentials

- Ligand field removes degeneracies
- Charge transfer to fluorine atoms causes increasing IPs



# 1.5 ADC(3) ionization potentials

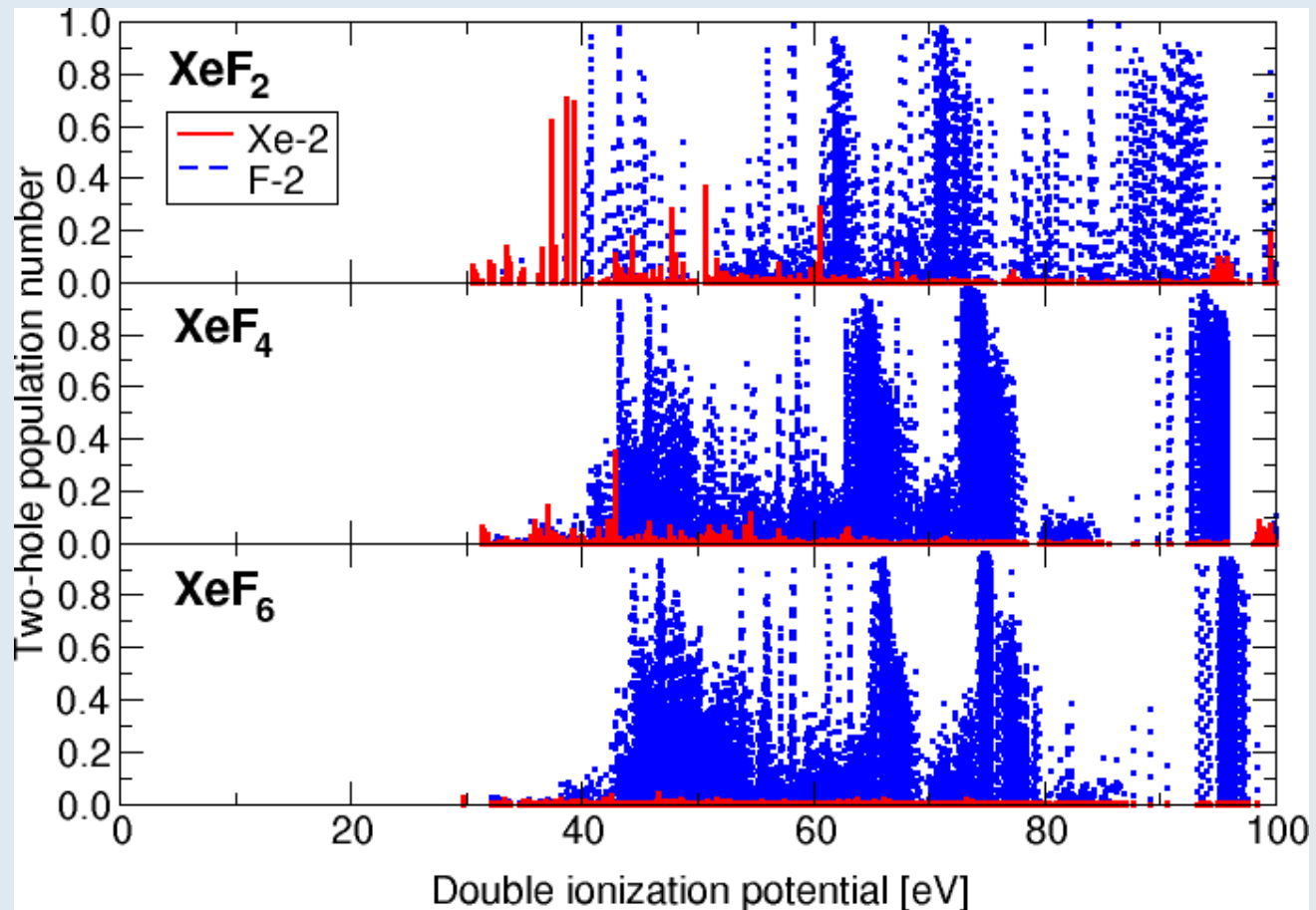
- Improvement of Hartree-Fock results
- Strong correlation
- Decay profiles



[Buth, Santra, Cederbaum, J. Chem. Phys. **119** 7763 (2003)]

## 1.6 One-site final states of $\text{XeF}_n^{++}$

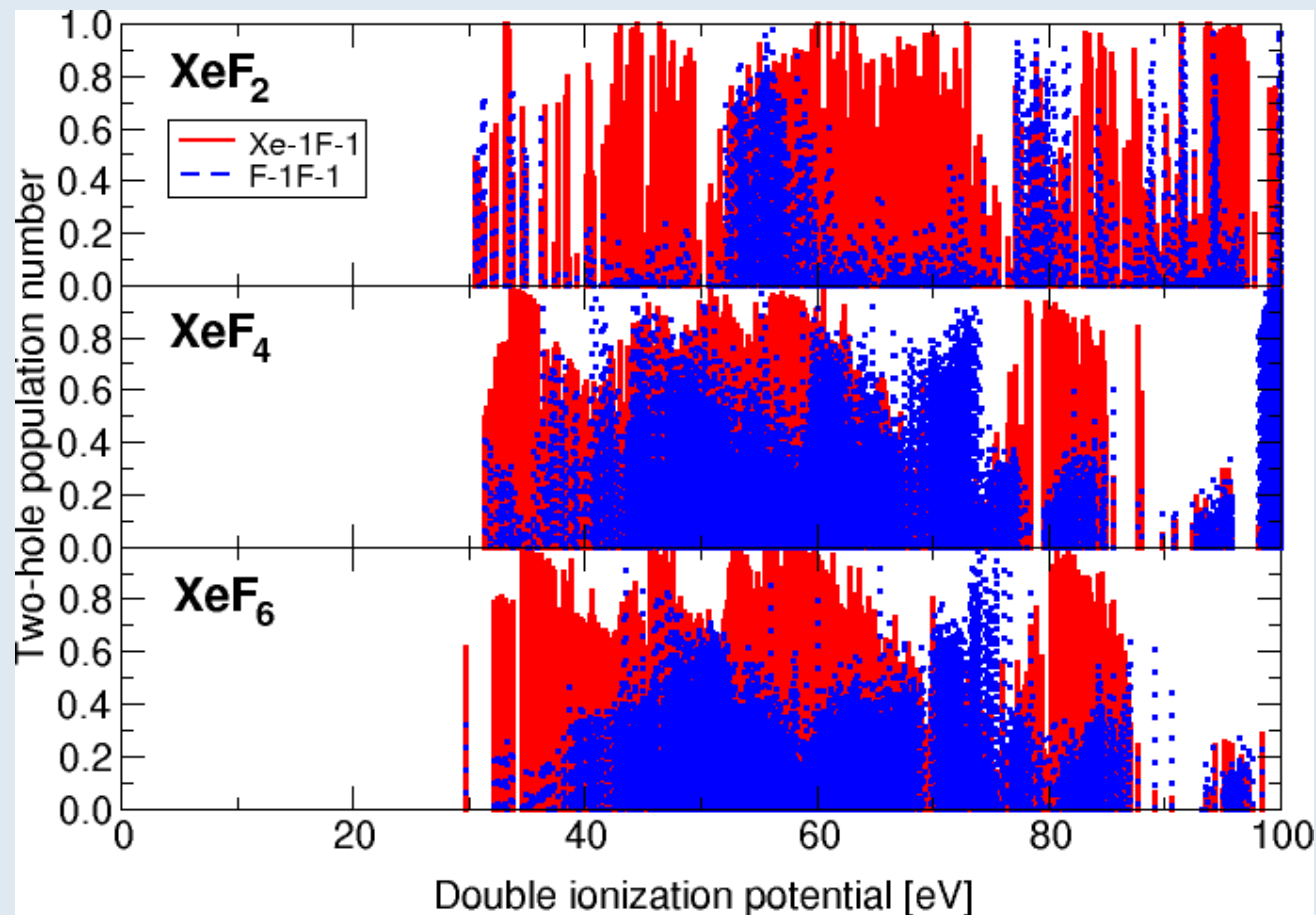
- One-site decay into  $\text{Xe}^{-2}$  holes suppressed
- F 2s holes decay predominantly into two-site states





# 1.7 Two-site Final States of $\text{XeF}_n^{++}$

- $\text{F}^{-1}\text{F}^{-1}$  states in  $\text{XeF}_2$  less important, in  $\text{XeF}_4$  strongest
- $\text{Xe}^{-1}\text{F}^{-1}$  states are dominant



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## 2.1 Decay width and population analysis

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- Analysis of the localization of the two final-state-holes yields population numbers
- Total decay width of Xe 4*d* holes decomposes

$$\Gamma = \Gamma_{\text{IAED}} + \Gamma_{\text{ICD}} + \Gamma_{\text{ETMD2}} + \Gamma_{\text{ETMD3}}$$

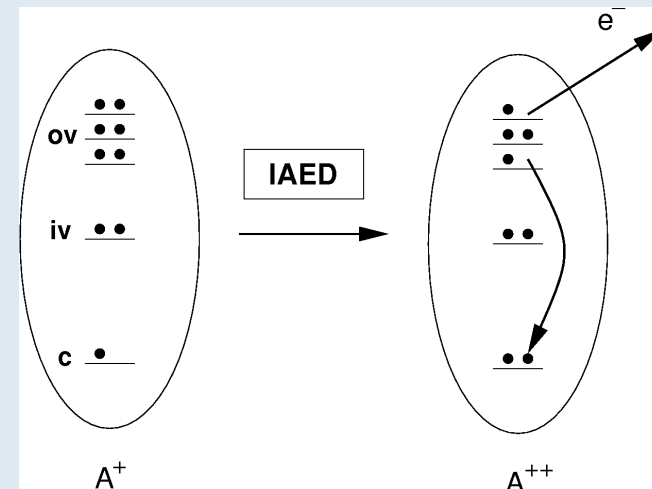
- Connection of two-hole population number  $Q_{\text{process}}$  and decay width  $\Gamma_{\text{process}}$

$$\Gamma_{\text{process}} = |T_{\text{process}}|^2 Q_{\text{process}}$$

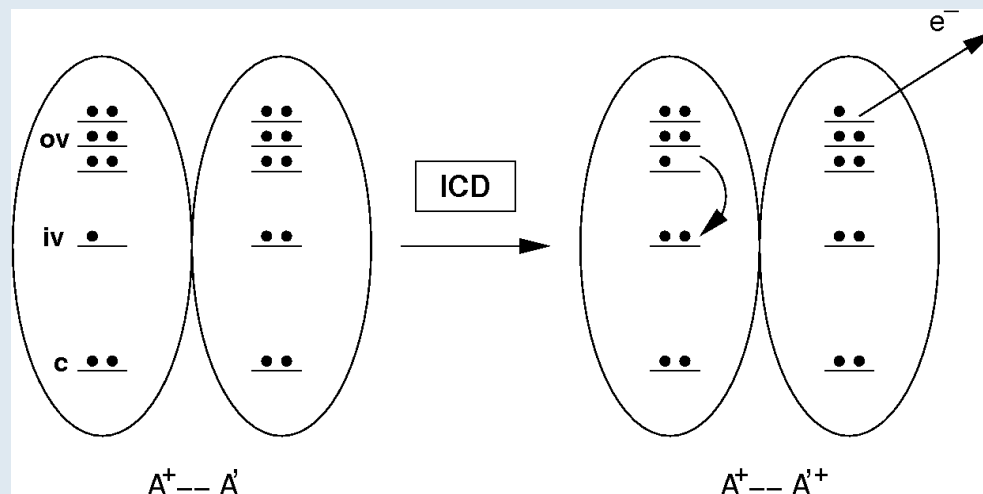
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## 2.2 Intraatomic and interatomic decay

- Intraatomic electronic decay
- Core ionized
- No neighbor involved

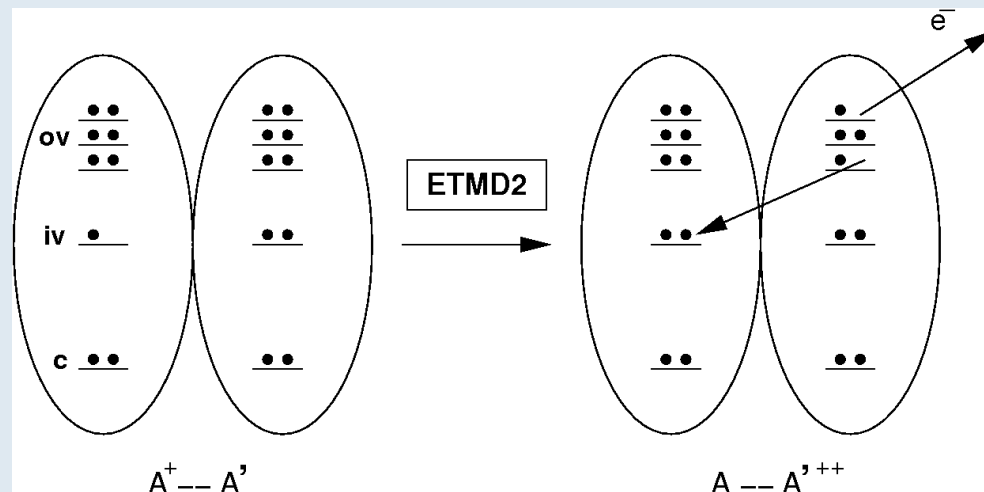


- Interatomic Coulombic decay
- Energy transfer to neighbor atom

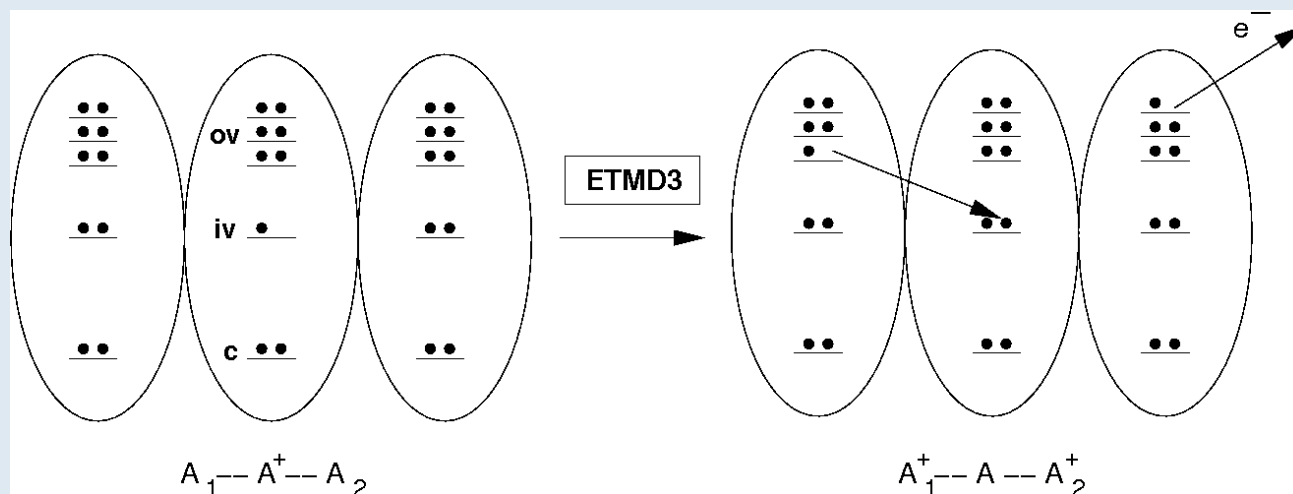


## 2.3 Electron transfer mediated decay

- Less important than ICD
- Electron transferred to neighbor atom

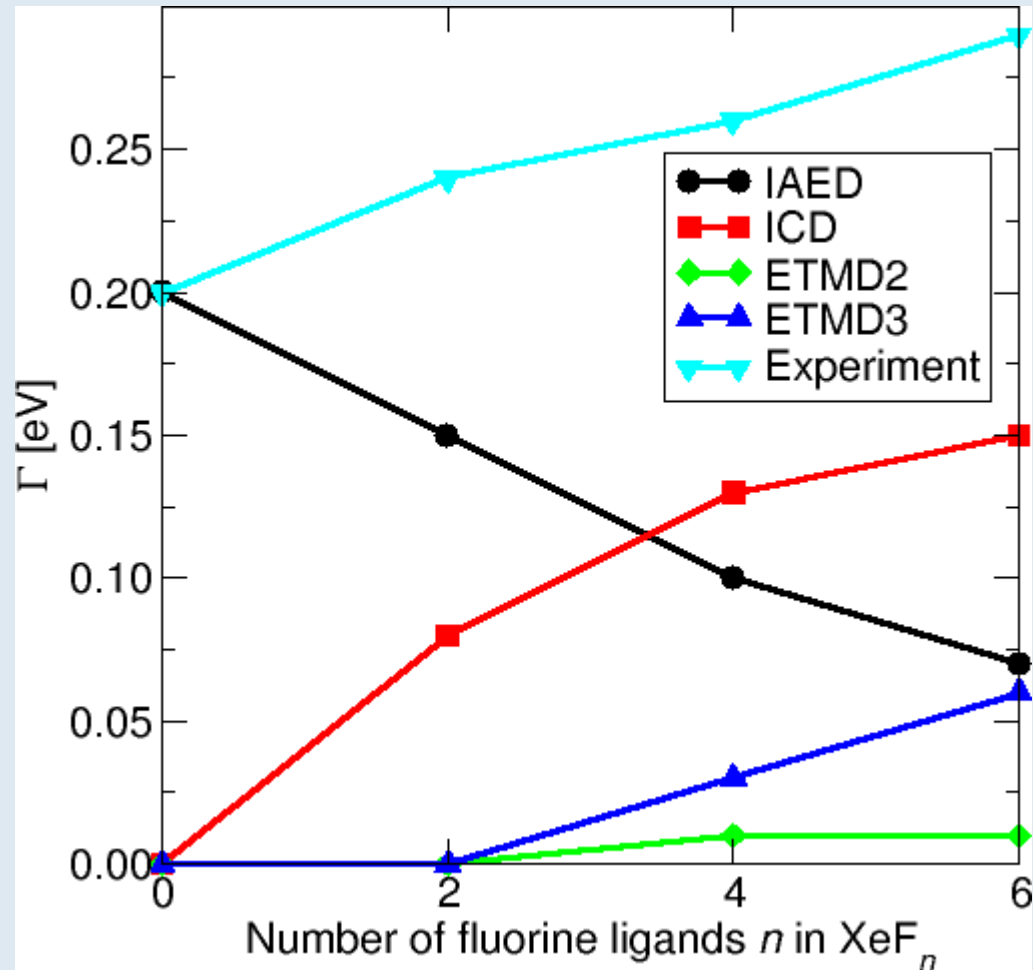


- Electron transferred to one neighbor
- Energy transferred to other neighbor



## 2.4 Partial decay widths

- Two opposite effects
- Drop of intraatomic rate
- Contribution of interatomic processes



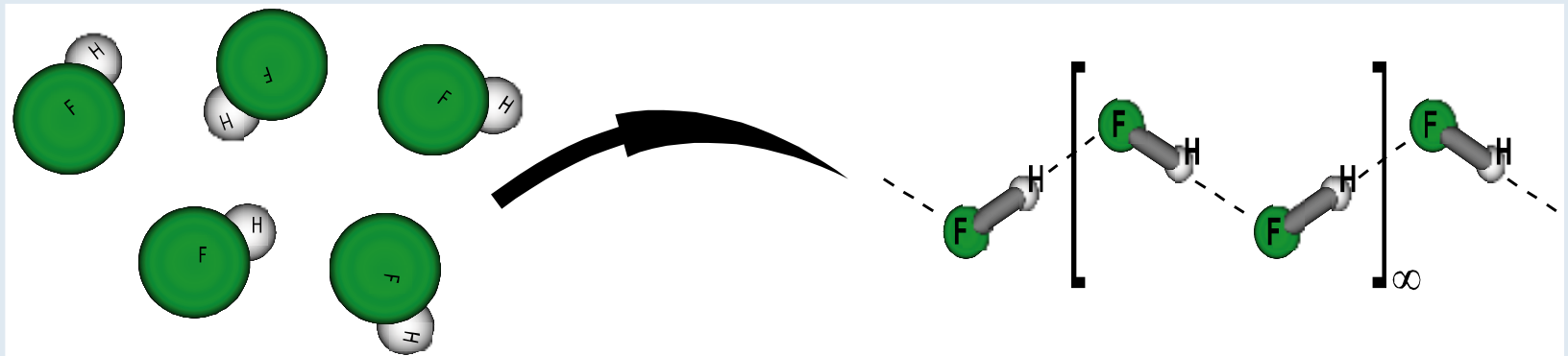
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# 3.1 From molecules to crystals

- Crystallization

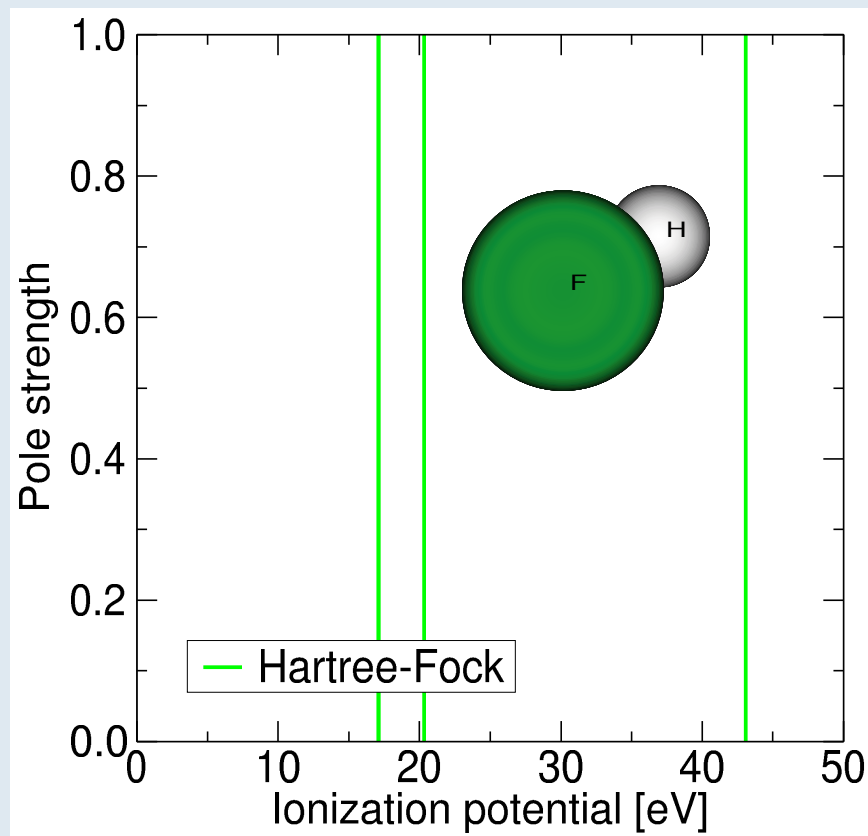


- Crystals are huge molecules
- Periodic repetition (translational symmetry)
- Usual model:** crystals extend to infinity



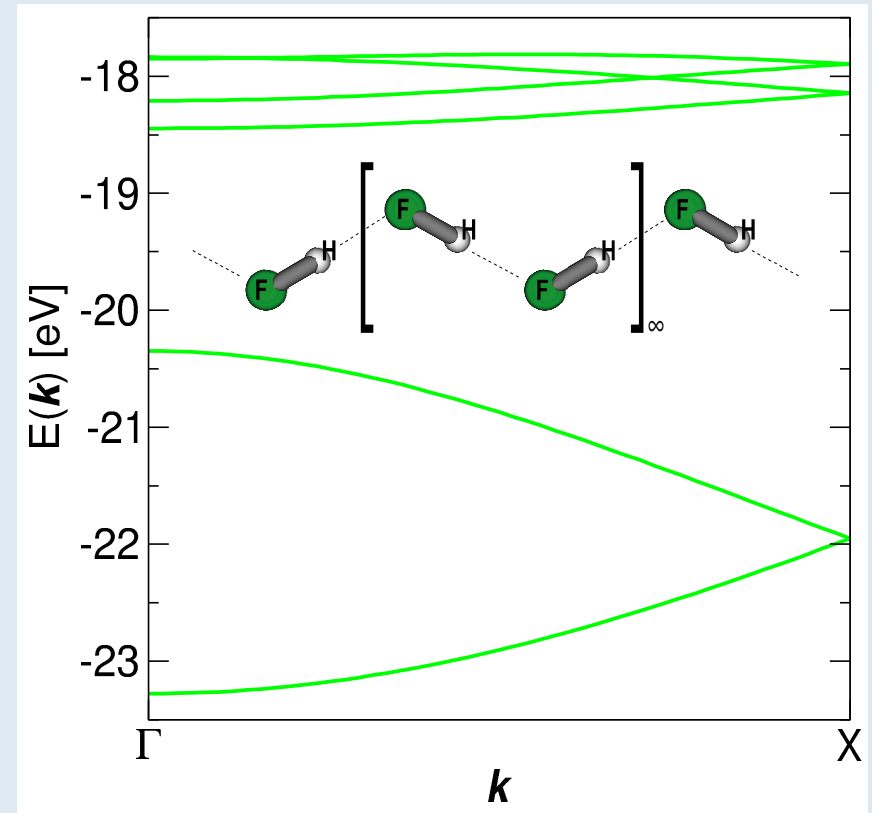
## 3.2 Hydrogen fluoride molecule

- HF molecule
- Hartree-Fock approximation
- IPs and EAs via Koopmans' theorem
- Basis set cc-pVDZ



# 3.3 Hydrogen fluoride chain

- $(\text{HF})_\infty$  chain
- Hartree-Fock approximation
- Energy levels
- Translational symmetry classified
- Calculations are routine
- Basis set cc-pVDZ



## 3.4 A full treatment of correlations

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- The algebraic diagrammatic construction (ADC) scheme has proven very accurate for atoms and molecules
- Devise a crystal orbital ADC (CO-ADC) scheme
- Systematically improvable correlation method CO-ADC(2,2), CO-ADC(3,2), ...
- Full treatment of many-body effects
- Semiconducting and insulating crystals

[Buth, Birkenheuer, Albrecht, Fulde, Phys. Rev B **72** 195107 (2005)]

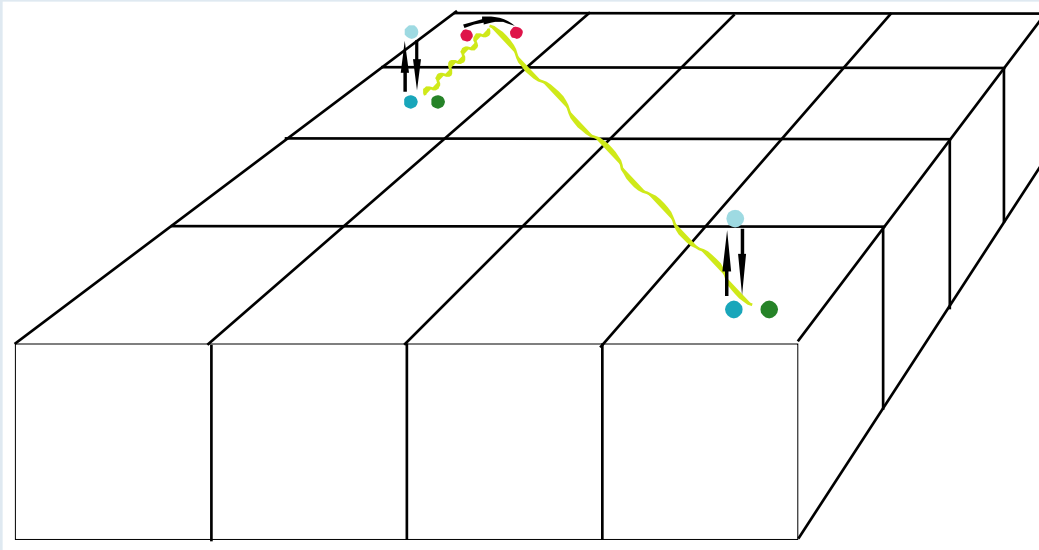
## 3.5 Views on independent electrons

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- Orbitals are a view on independent electrons in crystals
- Canonical orbitals are delocalized
- Unitary transformation
- Hartree-Fock wave function unchanged
- Other orbitals can be defined which are localized
- Periodically repeated in crystals (Wannier orbitals)

## 3.6 Electron configuration selection

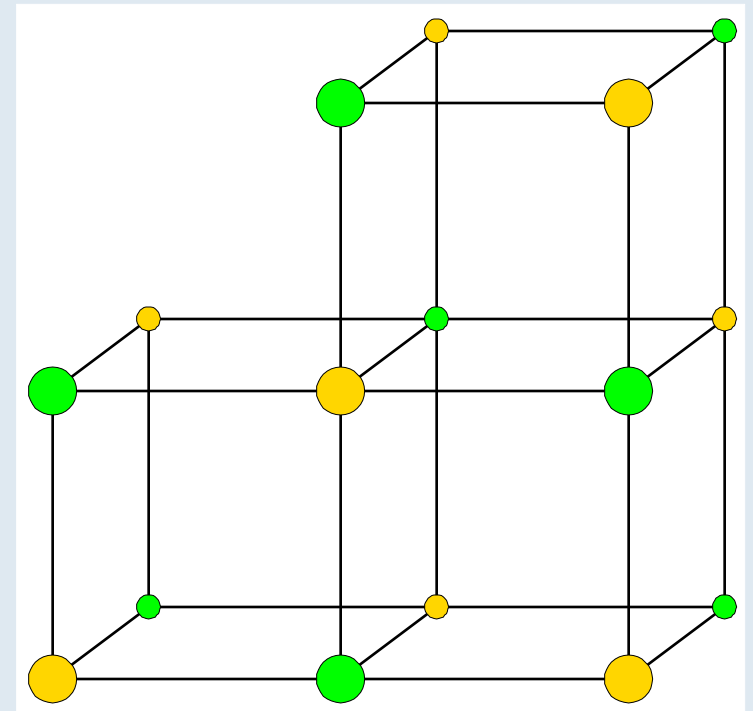
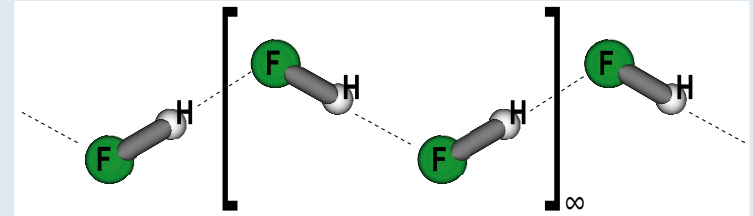
- Crystals are infinite  
 $\Rightarrow$  select excited configurations
- Dynamical selection for each crystal anew



- Neglect of couplings
- Selection criterion

# 4.1 Exemplary applications

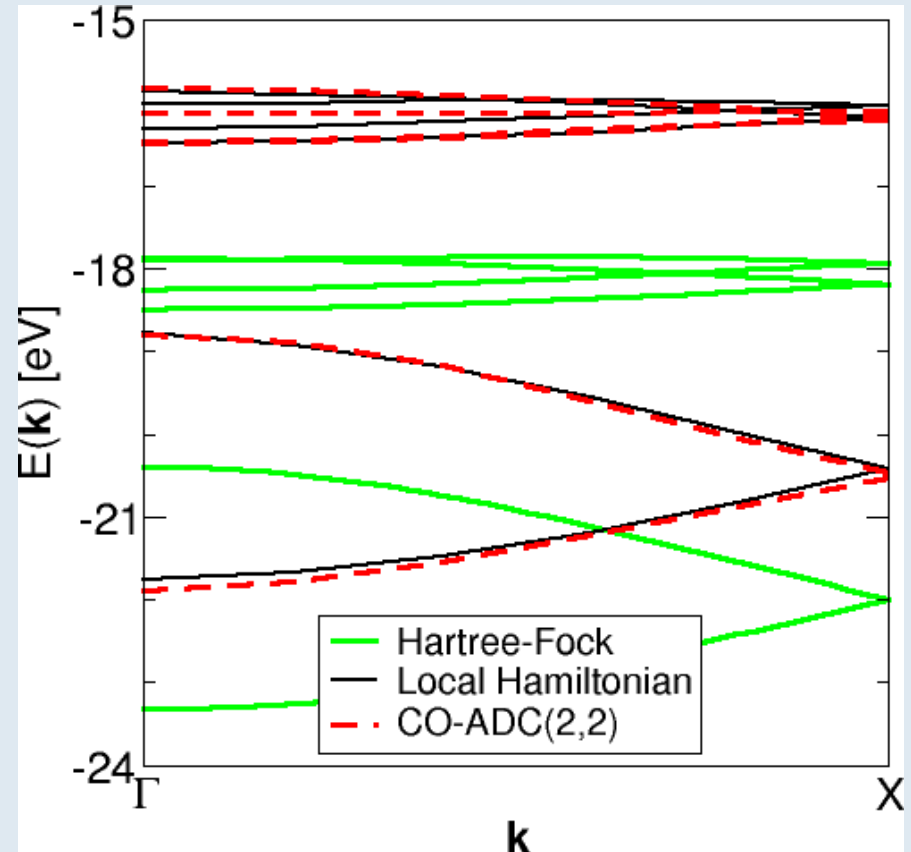
- $(\text{HF})_\infty$  simple model for HF crystal
- Hydrogen-bonded
- LiF crystal
- Rock salt structure (fcc)
- Ionic



[Buth, <http://planet.pks.mpg.de/trac/co-adc>]

## 4.2 Quasi-particle band structure of $(\text{HF})_\infty$

- Excitations from origin cell only
- Band widths are slightly increased by electron correlation
- Basis set cc-pVDZ

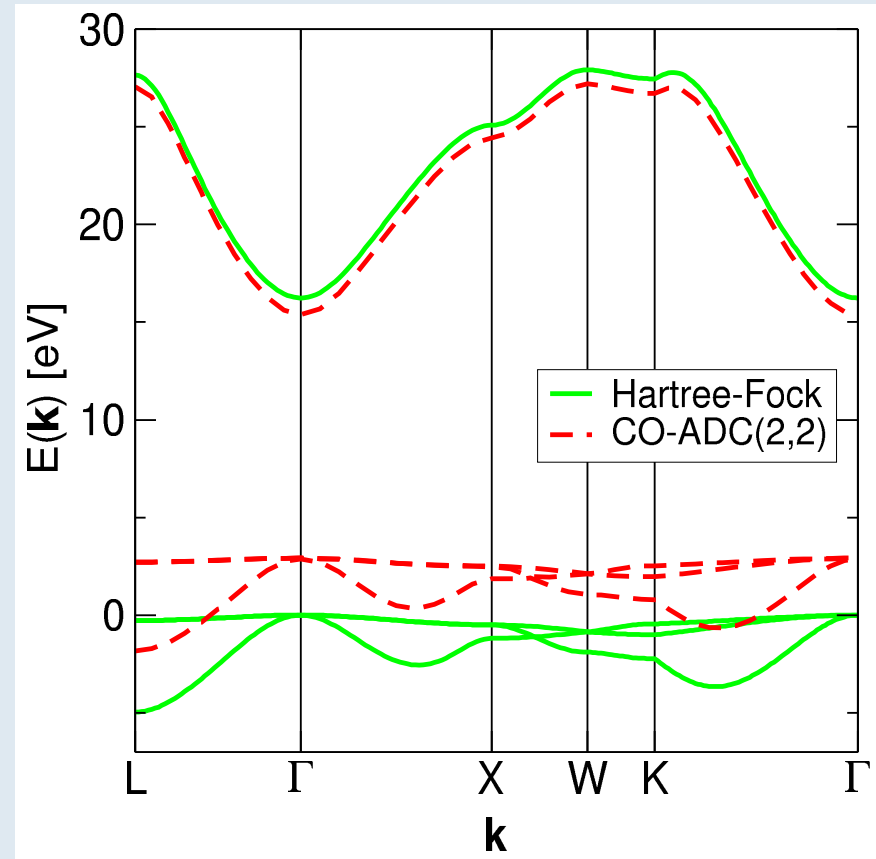


Local Hamiltonian calculation by **Viktor Bezugly**

[Theory: Bezugly, Birkenheuer: Chem. Phys. Lett. **399** 57 (2004)]

## 4.3 Quasi-particle band structure of LiF

- Minimal basis set STO-6G
- Excitations from 19 unit cells (up to 2<sup>nd</sup> nearest neighbors)
- Shift of conduction and valence bands
- Band widths are hardly influenced
- Good agreement with experiments



[Buth, Birkenheuer, Albrecht, Fulde, Phys. Rev B **72** 195107 (2005)]



## 5.1 Conclusion

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- Xe  $4d$  core holes in  $\text{XeF}_n$  can decay by electron emission
- Many dicationic final states are on two sites
- Observed increase in line width explained in terms of four electronic decay processes
- Electron correlation methods for local orbitals
- Translational symmetry exploited
- Configuration selection employed
- Clusters can be treated similarly

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