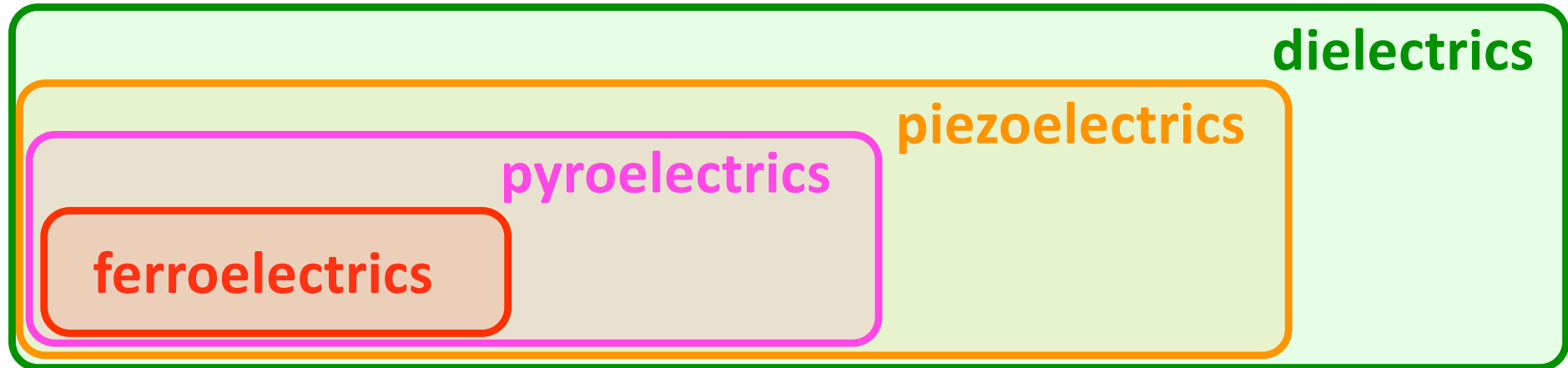


# Electron Theory of Ferroelectrics

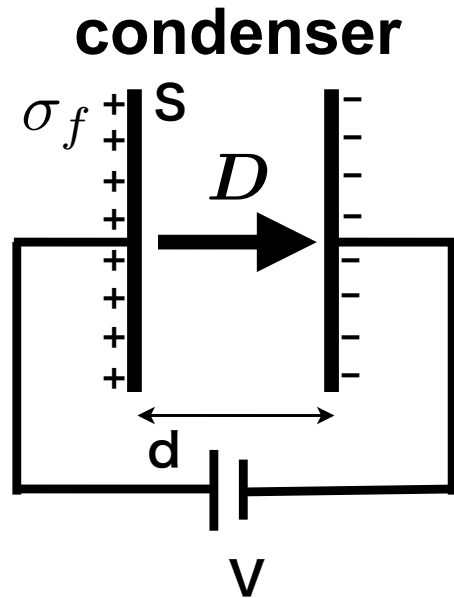
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**ISIR, Osaka University**

# Electric Materials



- **Dielectrics: insulators**
- **Piezoelectrics: non-polar/polar w. applied stress/strain**
- **Pyroelectrics: polar, spontaneous polarization, unswitchable**
- **Ferroelectrics: polar, switchable → FERAM**

# Dielectric Constant and Polarization



**Electric flux density**

$$D = \epsilon_0 E \quad |D| = \sigma_f$$

**Charge**

$$Q = \sigma_f S$$

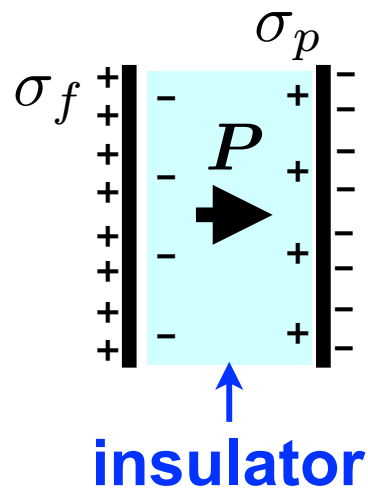
**Electric field**

$$|E| = \frac{V}{d} = \frac{\sigma_f}{\epsilon_0}$$

**Surface charge density**  
(C/m<sup>2</sup>)

**Capacity**

$$C = \frac{Q}{V} = \frac{\epsilon_0 S}{d}$$



$$D = \epsilon_0 E + P = \epsilon \epsilon_0 E$$

$\uparrow$   
 $\sigma_f$

$\uparrow$   
 $\sigma_p$

$\uparrow$   
**relative permittivity**

**Electric polarization**

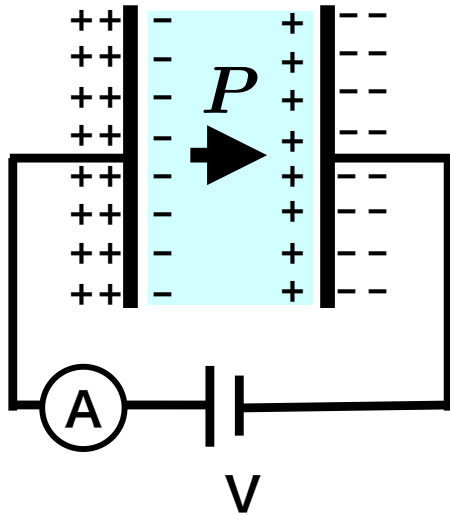
$$P = \epsilon_0 \chi E$$

$\uparrow$

**Susceptibility**

# Dielectric Constant and Polarization

$$\sigma_f + \sigma_b$$



$$D = \varepsilon_0 E + P = \varepsilon \varepsilon_0 E$$

$$|D| = \sigma_f + \sigma_b$$

$$|E| = \frac{\sigma_f + \sigma_b}{\varepsilon \varepsilon_0} = \frac{\sigma_f}{\varepsilon_0}$$

$$C = \frac{\varepsilon \varepsilon_0 S}{d}$$

**relative  
permittivity**

$$\varepsilon = 1 + \chi = \frac{\sigma_f + \sigma_b}{\sigma_f}$$

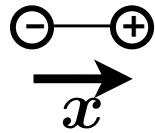
**Dielectric constants and electric polarization can be obtained by measuring charge transfer (electric current).**

# Electric Dipole and Polarization

**Electric dipole**

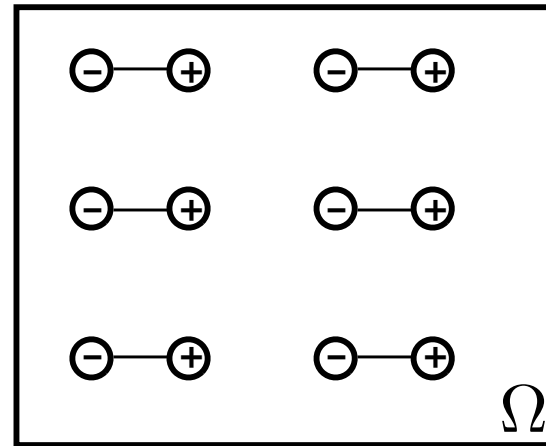
$$p = qx$$

$$-q \quad +q$$



**Polarization: dipole density**

$$P = \frac{1}{\Omega} \sum_i p_i \quad (\text{C/m}^2)$$



**Localized ion model with point charges**

$$P = \frac{e}{\Omega} \sum_n Z_n^* R_n$$



**effective charge**

**inversion operation**

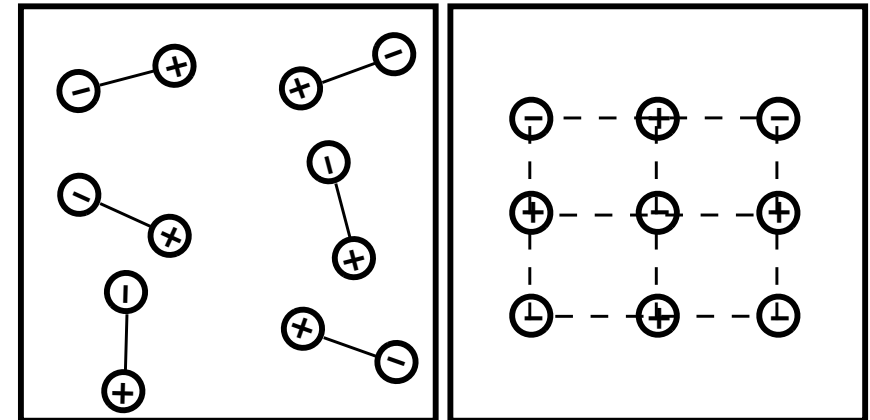
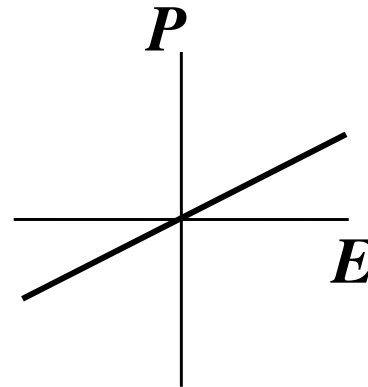
$$r \rightarrow -r \Rightarrow P \rightarrow -P$$

**no polarization with inversion**

# Paraelectrics and Ferroelectrics

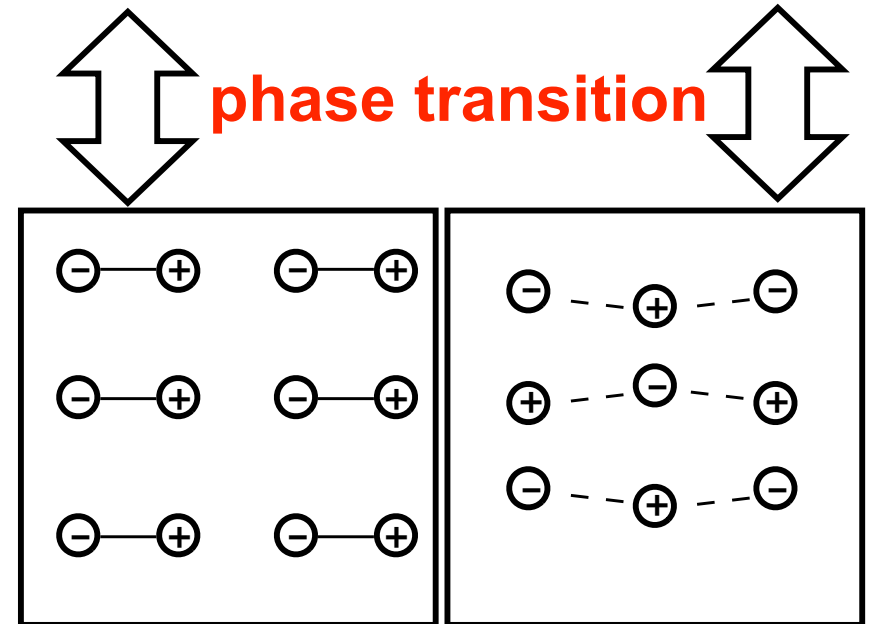
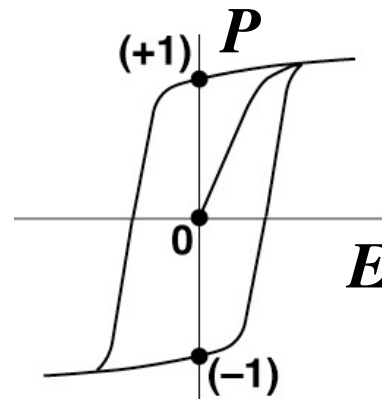
- Paraelectric phase

$$P = \epsilon_0 \chi E$$



- Ferroelectric phase

- Spontaneous polarization
- Non-volatile memory



**order-disorder    displace**

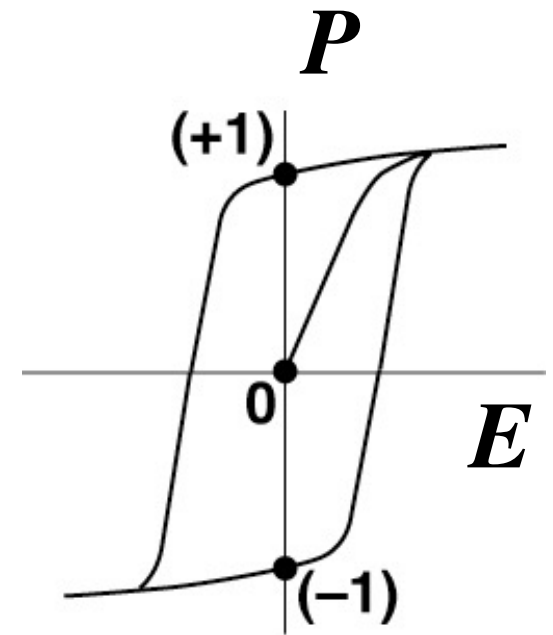
# Electron Theory of Ferroelectrics

## Ferroelectrics

Spontaneous polarization

traditional interpretation:

polarization of ionic charges



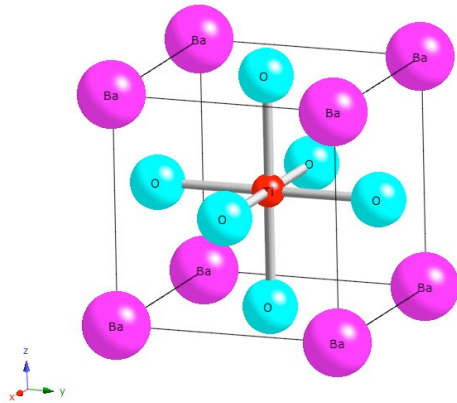
**Crucial Factors → Necessity of electron theory**

- Broken inversion symmetry
- Detailed response of electrons

# BaTiO<sub>3</sub>

Paraelectric phase

$Pm\bar{3}m$



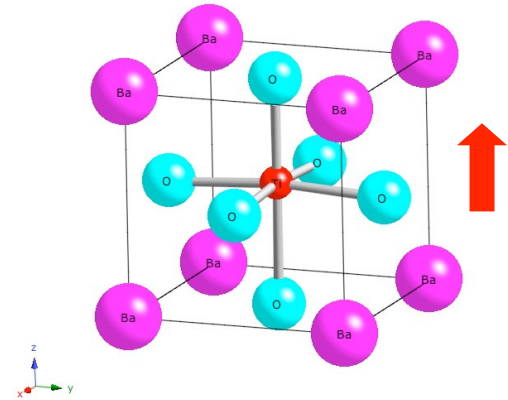
$c/a = 1.00$

403K



Ferroelectric phase

$P4mm$



$c/a \sim 1.01$



$P_s$   
*polarization*

displacements

$$u(\text{Ti}) = 0.054\text{\AA}$$

$$u(\text{O1}) = -0.097\text{\AA}$$

$$u(\text{O2}) = -0.061\text{\AA}$$

Ferroelectric Instability

Broken Inversion

Why?



# Born-Oppenheimer Potential

- **BO Approximation**

- **Nucleic system**

$$\left[ -\sum_n \frac{\hbar^2}{2M_n} \nabla_n^2 + \sum_{n>n'} \frac{Z_n Z_{n'} e^2}{|\mathbf{R}_n - \mathbf{R}_{n'}|} + E_e(\{\mathbf{R}_n\}) \right] \phi(\{\mathbf{R}_n\}) = \mathcal{E} \phi(\{\mathbf{R}_n\})$$

BO potential

- **Electron system**

$$\mathcal{H}_e \Psi(\{\mathbf{r}_i\}; \{\mathbf{R}_n\}) = E_e(\{\mathbf{R}_n\}) \Psi(\{\mathbf{r}_i\}; \{\mathbf{R}_n\})$$

$$\mathcal{H}_e = -\sum_i \frac{\hbar^2}{2m} \nabla_i^2 + \sum_{i>j} \frac{e^2}{|\mathbf{r}_i - \mathbf{r}_j|} - \sum_{i,n} \frac{Z_n e^2}{|\mathbf{r}_i - \mathbf{R}_n|}$$

external field by nuclei

- **Density Functional Theory**

- **One-electron problem in an effective field**

# Born-Oppenheimer Potential

- **BO Potential (Total Energy)**

$$E(\{\mathbf{R}_n\}) = + \sum_{n>n'} \frac{Z_n Z_{n'} e^2}{|\mathbf{R}_n - \mathbf{R}_{n'}|} + E_e(\{\mathbf{R}_n\})$$

- **Atomic Forces → Structure Optimization, MD**

$$\mathbf{F}_n(\{\mathbf{R}_n\}) = -\nabla_n E(\{\mathbf{R}_n\})$$

- **Force Constants → Phonon, Structure Stability**

$$k_{n\alpha, n'\beta}(\{\mathbf{R}_n\}) = \frac{\partial^2}{\partial R_{n\alpha} \partial R_{n'\beta}} E(\{\mathbf{R}_n\})$$

# Phonon Calculation

- **Atomic Coordinates**

$$\mathbf{R}_n = \mathbf{R}_{l\nu} = \underline{\mathbf{R}_l} + \underline{\boldsymbol{\tau}_\nu}$$

**lattice vector** **coordinates in cell**

- **Atomic Displacements**

$$\mathbf{u}_{l\nu} = \mathbf{R}_{l\nu} - \underline{\mathbf{R}_{l\nu}^{(0)}} \quad \text{equilibrium positions}$$

- **Harmonic Approximation with wave vector  $\mathbf{Q}$  and angular frequency  $\omega$**

$$\mathbf{u}_{l\nu} = \mathbf{u}_\nu e^{i(\mathbf{Q} \cdot \mathbf{R}_l - \omega t)}$$

- **Bloch Theorem**

$$\mathbf{u}_{l'\nu} = \mathbf{u}_{l\nu} e^{i\mathbf{Q} \cdot (\mathbf{R}_{l'} - \mathbf{R}_l)}$$

# Phonon Calculation

- **Atomic Forces**

$$F_{l\nu\alpha} = - \sum_{l'\nu'\beta} k_{l\nu\alpha,l'\nu'\beta} u_{l'\nu'\beta}$$

$$= - \sum_{\nu'\beta} \bar{k}_{\nu\alpha,\nu'\beta}(\mathbf{Q}) u_{l\nu'\beta}$$

$$\bar{k}_{\nu\alpha,\nu'\beta}(\mathbf{Q}) = \sum_{l'} k_{l\nu\alpha,l'\nu'\beta} e^{i\mathbf{Q}\cdot(\mathbf{R}_{l'} - \mathbf{R}_l)}$$

- **Equation of Motion**

$$-\omega^2 \underline{M}_\nu u_{\nu\alpha} = - \sum_{\nu'\beta} \bar{k}_{\nu\alpha,\nu'\beta}(\mathbf{Q}) u_{\nu'\beta}$$

mass

# Phonon Calculation

- **Dynamical Matrix**

$$D_{\nu\alpha,\nu'\beta}(\mathbf{Q}) = (M_\nu M_{\nu'})^{-1/2} \bar{k}_{\nu\alpha,\nu'\beta}(\mathbf{Q})$$

- **Secular Equation**

$$\sum_{\nu'\beta} [D_{\nu\alpha,\nu'\beta}(\mathbf{Q}) - \omega^2 \delta_{\nu\nu'} \delta_{\alpha\beta}] u_{\nu'\beta} = 0$$

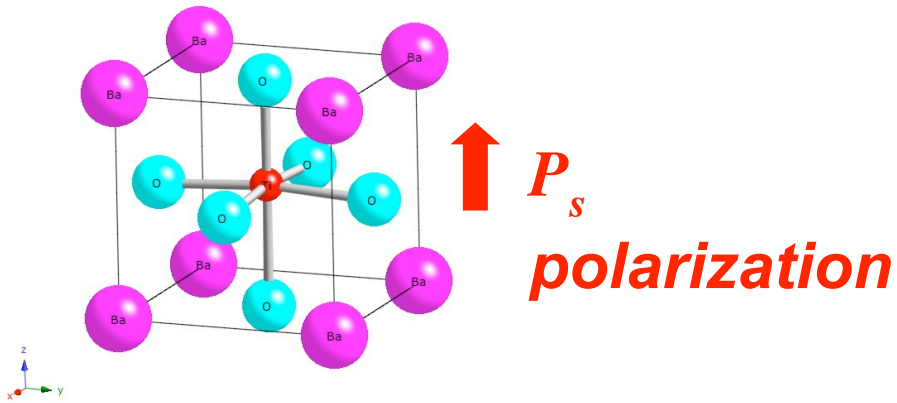
- **Eigenvalue**

$$\omega^2(\mathbf{Q}) \geq 0 \quad \text{vibration mode}$$

$$\omega^2(\mathbf{Q}) < 0 \quad \text{soft mode (instability)}$$

# BaTiO<sub>3</sub>

$P4mm$



$c/a = 1.01$

**displacements**

$$u(\text{Ti}) = 0.054 \text{ \AA}$$

$$u(\text{O1}) = -0.097 \text{ \AA}$$

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ionic model: Ba<sup>2+</sup> Ti<sup>4+</sup> O<sup>2-</sup>

$$P_S = \frac{e}{\Omega} \sum_n Z_n^* u_n = 0.16 \text{ C/m}^2$$

experiment:  $P_s = 0.27 \text{ C/m}^2$

**Polarization enhancement**

**Electron response**

Why?

# Macroscopic Polarization

R. Martin, Phys Rev B 9,1998 (1974)

- Accurate electron density by first-principles calculations
- Sensitive response of electron density spatially distributed due to lattice distortion and ionic displacements
- Electron density: not sufficient to determine polarization

$$\mathbf{P} = \frac{1}{\Omega} \int_{\text{cell}} \mathbf{P}(\mathbf{r}) d^3\mathbf{r} \quad \nabla \cdot \mathbf{P}(\mathbf{r}) = -\rho(\mathbf{r})$$

$$\mathbf{P} = \frac{1}{\Omega} \int_{\text{cell}} \mathbf{r} \rho(\mathbf{r}) + \frac{1}{\Omega} \int_{\text{surface}} \mathbf{r} [\mathbf{P}(\mathbf{r}) \cdot d\mathbf{S}]$$

# Theory of Macroscopic Polarization

R. Resta, *Ferroelectrics* 136, 51 (1992).

- **Electric dipole is ill defined in a periodic charge distribution unless decomposed into neutral, localized charge segments.**
  - ➔ **The absolute value of polarization  $P$  is not a bulk property and a variation in  $P$  is actually observable.**

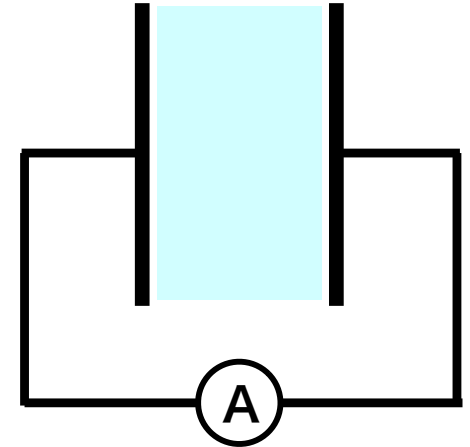


# Theory of Macroscopic Polarization

R. Resta, *Ferroelectrics* 136, 51 (1992).

- **Observation of polarization: current by adiabatic variation of state**

$$\lambda \rightarrow \lambda + d\lambda \quad J(\lambda) = \frac{\partial P}{\partial \lambda}$$



- **First-order polarization variation**

$$\Delta P = \int_0^1 J(\lambda) d\lambda = \int_0^1 \left( \frac{\partial P}{\partial \lambda} \right) d\lambda$$

$$\frac{\partial P}{\partial \lambda} = \frac{i\hbar e}{m \Omega} \sum_{\mathbf{k}, i \neq j} \frac{\langle \psi_i^{\mathbf{k}}(\lambda) | \mathbf{p} | \psi_j^{\mathbf{k}}(\lambda) \rangle \langle \psi_i^{\mathbf{k}}(\lambda) | \frac{\partial V}{\partial \lambda} | \psi_j^{\mathbf{k}}(\lambda) \rangle}{(E_i^{\mathbf{k}}(\lambda) - E_j^{\mathbf{k}}(\lambda))^2}$$

$$\mathcal{H}(\lambda) \psi_i^{\mathbf{k}}(\lambda) = \left[ \frac{\mathbf{p}^2}{2m} + V(\lambda) \right] \psi_i^{\mathbf{k}}(\lambda) = E_i^{\mathbf{k}}(\lambda) \psi_i^{\mathbf{k}}(\lambda)$$

# Theory of Macroscopic Polarization

King-Smith & Vanderbilt, PRB 47, 1651 (1993).

$$\frac{\partial P_\alpha}{\partial \lambda} = -\frac{ie}{\Omega} \sum_{\mathbf{k}, i}^{\text{occ.}} \left[ \left\langle \frac{\partial u_i^{\mathbf{k}}(\lambda)}{\partial k_\alpha} \middle| \frac{\partial u_i^{\mathbf{k}}(\lambda)}{\partial \lambda} \right\rangle - \left\langle \frac{\partial u_i^{\mathbf{k}}(\lambda)}{\partial \lambda} \middle| \frac{\partial u_i^{\mathbf{k}}(\lambda)}{\partial k_\alpha} \right\rangle \right]$$

$$\psi_i^{\mathbf{k}}(\lambda) = e^{i\mathbf{k}\cdot\mathbf{r}} u_i^{\mathbf{k}}(\lambda)$$

$$\Delta \mathbf{P} = \int_0^1 \left( \frac{\partial \mathbf{P}}{\partial \lambda} \right) d\lambda = \mathbf{P}^{(1)} - \mathbf{P}^{(0)}$$

$$P_\alpha^{(\lambda)} = \frac{2ie}{\Omega} \sum_{\mathbf{k}, i}^{\text{occ.}} \left\langle u_i^{\mathbf{k}}(\lambda) \middle| \frac{\partial}{\partial k_\alpha} \middle| u_i^{\mathbf{k}}(\lambda) \right\rangle$$

**Berry phase**  $\phi_{\mathbf{k}_\perp}^{(\lambda)} = i \sum_i^{\text{occ.}} \int dk_\alpha \left\langle u_i^{\mathbf{k}(\lambda)} \middle| \frac{\partial}{\partial k_\alpha} \middle| u_i^{\mathbf{k}(\lambda)} \right\rangle$

# Calculation of Macroscopic Polarization

- **Variation in polarization**

$$\Delta \mathbf{P} = \int_0^1 \left( \frac{\partial \mathbf{P}}{\partial \lambda} \right) d\lambda = \mathbf{P}^{(1)} - \mathbf{P}^{(0)}$$

$$\Delta \mathbf{P} = \Delta \mathbf{P}^{\text{ion}} + \Delta \mathbf{P}^{\text{el}}$$

**ion=nucleus + core electrons**

- **Localized charges**

$$\Delta \mathbf{P}^{\text{ion}} = \frac{e}{\Omega} \sum_{\nu} Z_{\nu}^* \mathbf{u}_{\nu}$$

$$Z_{\nu}^* = Z_{\nu} - N_{\text{core}} \quad \text{ionic charge}$$

$\mathbf{u}_{\nu}$  **atomic displacement**

# Calculation of Macroscopic Polarization

- **Non-overlapping charges**

$$\Delta \mathbf{P}^{\text{el}} = -\frac{e}{\Omega} \int \mathbf{r} \left[ n_a^{(1)} - n_a^{(0)} \right] d\mathbf{r}$$

**With boundary at zero density, integration can be made as a cell integral like localized density.**

- **Charges with localized orbitals (Wannier ft.)**

$$n_a^{(\lambda)}(\mathbf{r}) = 2 \sum_n \left| a_n^{(\lambda)}(\mathbf{r}) \right|^2$$

$$\Delta \mathbf{P}^{\text{el}} = -\frac{2e}{\Omega} \sum_n \left( \bar{\mathbf{r}}_n^{(1)} - \bar{\mathbf{r}}_n^{(0)} \right) \quad \bar{\mathbf{r}}_n^{(\lambda)} = \int \mathbf{r} \left| a_n^{(\lambda)} \right|^2 d\mathbf{r}$$

**center of gravity of Wannier ft.**

# Berry Phase

Berry, PRSL A 392, 45 (1984)

**Phase associated with adiabatic process originating from geometric property of hamiltonian**

## Time-dependent Perturbation

$$i\hbar|\dot{\Psi}(t)\rangle = \mathcal{H}(t)|\Psi(t)\rangle$$

$$|\Psi(t)\rangle = \sum_m |m(t)\rangle a_m(t)$$

$$\mathcal{H}(t)|m(t)\rangle = E_m(t)|m(t)\rangle$$

$$i\hbar\dot{a}_n(t) = E_n(t)a_n(t) - i\hbar \sum_m \langle n(t)|\dot{m}(t)\rangle a_m(t)$$

## Adiabatic Approximation (m=n only)

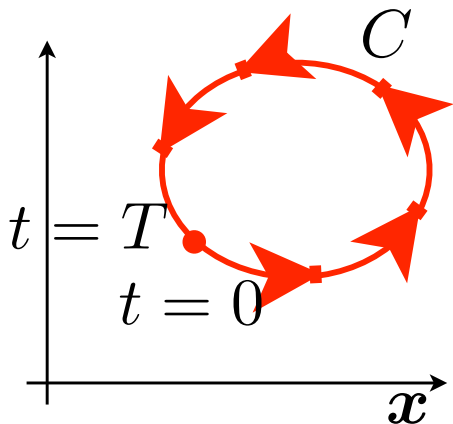
$$a_n(t) = a_n(0) \exp \left[ -\frac{i}{\hbar} \int_0^t E_n(t') dt' \right] \exp [i\gamma_n(t)]$$

$$\gamma_n(t) = i \int_0^t \langle n(t')|\dot{n}(t')\rangle dt'$$

# Berry Phase

- Time dependence via a parameter  $\mathbf{x}(t)$
- A one-turn process in the parameter space with time from 0 to  $T$

$$\begin{aligned}\gamma_n(T) &= i \int_0^T \langle n(\mathbf{x}(t')) | \dot{n}(\mathbf{x}(t')) \rangle dt' \\ &= i \oint_C \langle n(\mathbf{x}) | \nabla_{\mathbf{x}} n(\mathbf{x}) \rangle \cdot d\mathbf{x}\end{aligned}$$



# Berry Phase of Bloch Function

Zak, PRL 62, 2747(1989)

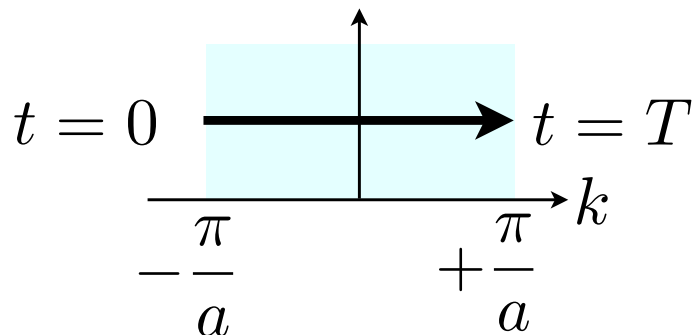
## 1D Bloch function in a vector potential

$$i\hbar\dot{\psi}(x, t) = \left[ \frac{1}{2m} \left( p - \frac{e}{c} A(t) \right)^2 + V(x) \right] \psi(x, t) \quad V(x+a) = V(x)$$

$$\left[ \frac{1}{2m} \left( p - \frac{e}{c} A(t) \right)^2 + V(x) \right] \phi_n(x, t) = \varepsilon_n(t) \phi_n(x, t)$$

## Generalized Bloch function

$$\phi_n(x, t) = e^{ikx} u_n(x, k(t)) \quad k(t) = k - \frac{e}{\hbar c} A(t)$$



$$\gamma_n = i \int_0^T \langle \phi_n(k(t')) | \dot{\phi}_n(k(t')) \rangle dt'$$

$$= i \int_{-\frac{\pi}{a}}^{+\frac{\pi}{a}} \langle \phi_n(k) | \frac{\partial}{\partial k} \phi_n(k) \rangle dk$$

# Berry Phase and Wannier Function

## 1D Wannier Function

$$a_i(x - X_l) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{N}} \sum_k e^{ik(x - X_l)} u_i(x, k)$$

$$u_i(x, k) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{N}} \sum_l e^{-ik(x - X_l)} a_i(x - X_l)$$

$$\frac{\partial}{\partial k} u_i(x, k) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{N}} \sum_l -i(x - X_l) e^{-ik(x - X_l)} a_i(x - X_l)$$

## Berry Phase

$$\gamma_i = i \int_{-\frac{\pi}{a}}^{\frac{\pi}{a}} \left\langle u_i(k) \left| \frac{\partial}{\partial k} u_i(k) \right. \right\rangle dk$$

$$= \left( \frac{2\pi}{a} \right) \int x |a_i(x)|^2 dx \quad \text{center of gravity}$$

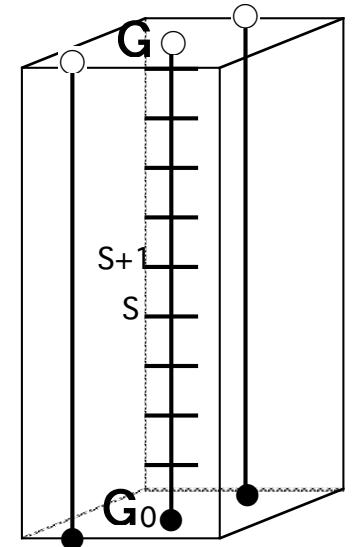


# Calculation of Polarization with Berry Phase

## Electric Polarization of 3D System

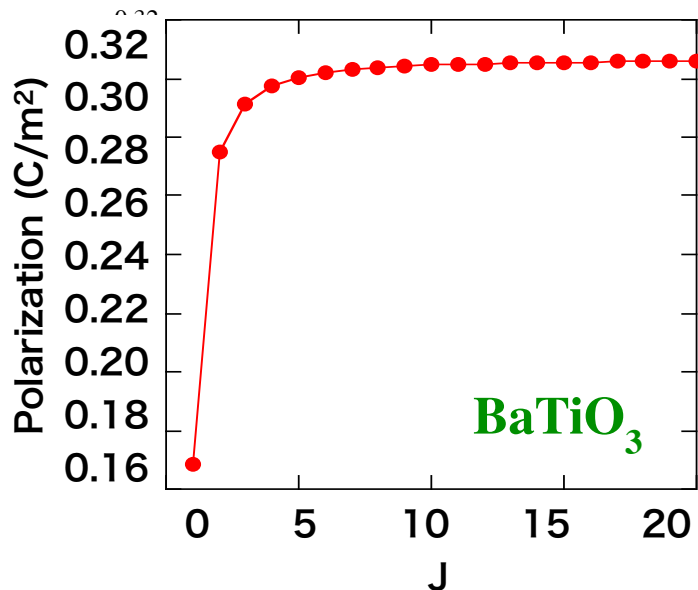
$$P_{el}^{(\lambda)} = \frac{-2ie}{(2\pi)^3} \sum_n \int d^3 \mathbf{k} \langle u_n^{(\lambda)}(\mathbf{k}) | \nabla_{\mathbf{k}} u_n^{(\lambda)}(\mathbf{k}) \rangle$$

$$= \frac{2e}{(2\pi)^3} \int d^2 \mathbf{k}_{\perp} \gamma^{(\lambda)}(\mathbf{k}_{\perp})$$



$$\gamma^{(\lambda)}(\mathbf{k}_{\perp}) = \text{Im} \left\{ \lim_{J \rightarrow \infty} \prod_{s=0}^{J-1} \det S_{ij}^{(\lambda)}(k_s, k_{s+1}) \right\}$$

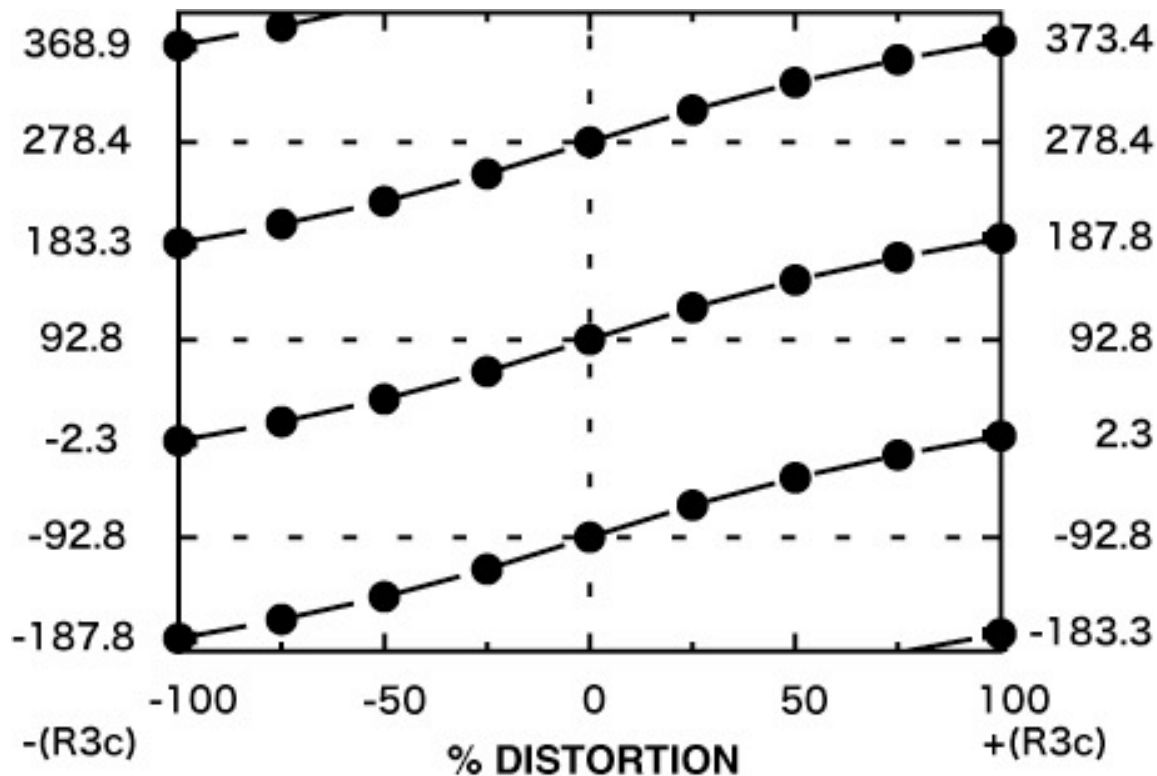
$$S_{ij}^{(\lambda)}(k_s, k_{s+1}) = \langle u_i^{(\lambda)}(\mathbf{k}_{\perp}, k_s) | u_j^{(\lambda)}(\mathbf{k}_{\perp}, k_{s+1}) \rangle$$



**Convergency with respect to number of k-points**

# Phase Problem of Polarization

$$\frac{eR}{\Omega} \sim \frac{1.6 \times 10^{-19} \text{C} \cdot 4 \times 10^{-8} \text{cm}}{(4 \times 10^{-8}) \text{cm}^3} = 100 \mu\text{C}/\text{cm}^2$$



**BiFeO<sub>3</sub>**

**PRB 71, 014113 (2005)**

# ZnO

Ishii, TO (unpublished)

$$\Delta P_{\text{ion}} = +14.7 \mu\text{C}/\text{cm}^2$$

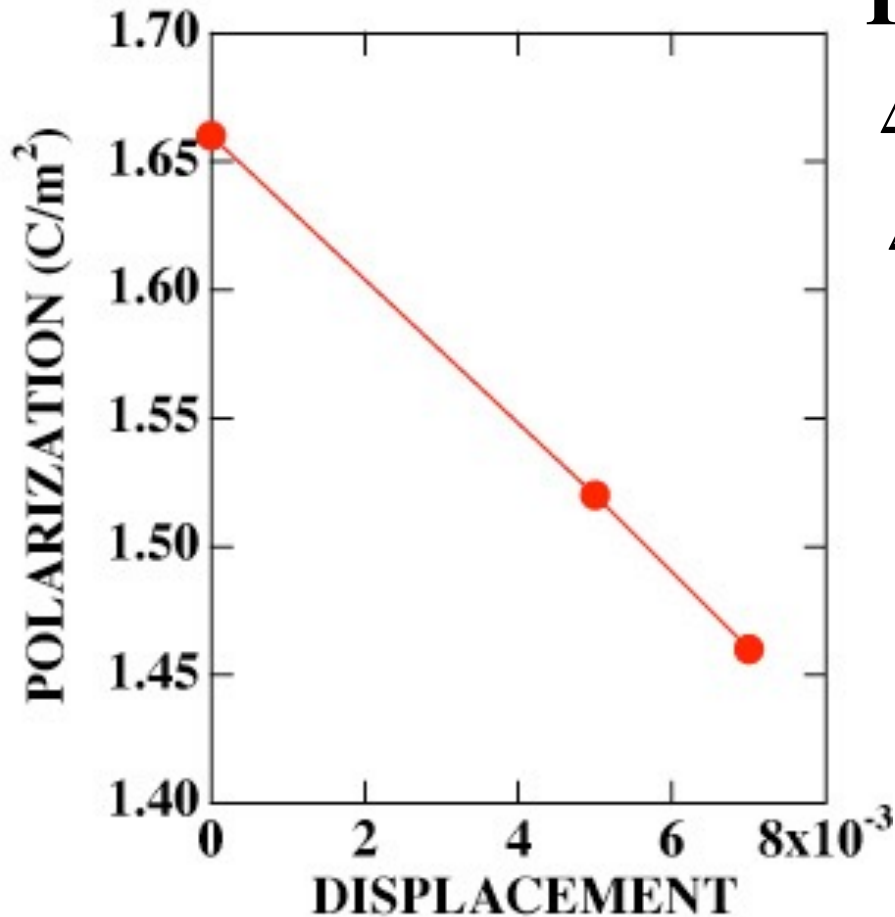
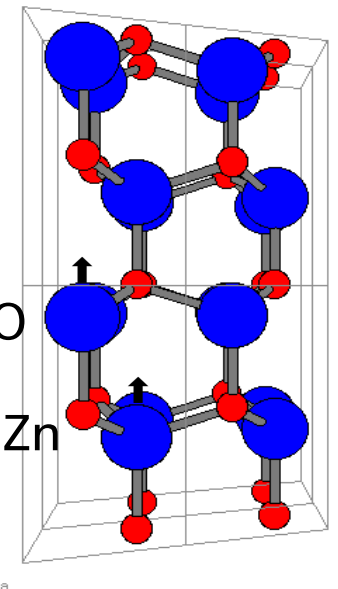
$$\Delta P_{\text{el}} = -19.6 \mu\text{C}/\text{cm}^2$$

$$\Delta P_{\text{ion}} + \Delta P_{\text{el}} = -4.9 \mu\text{C}/\text{cm}^2$$

**Posternak**  $-5 \mu\text{C}/\text{cm}^2$

**Vanderbilt**  $-5.7 \mu\text{C}/\text{cm}^2$

**experiment**  $-7 \pm 2 \mu\text{C}/\text{cm}^2$

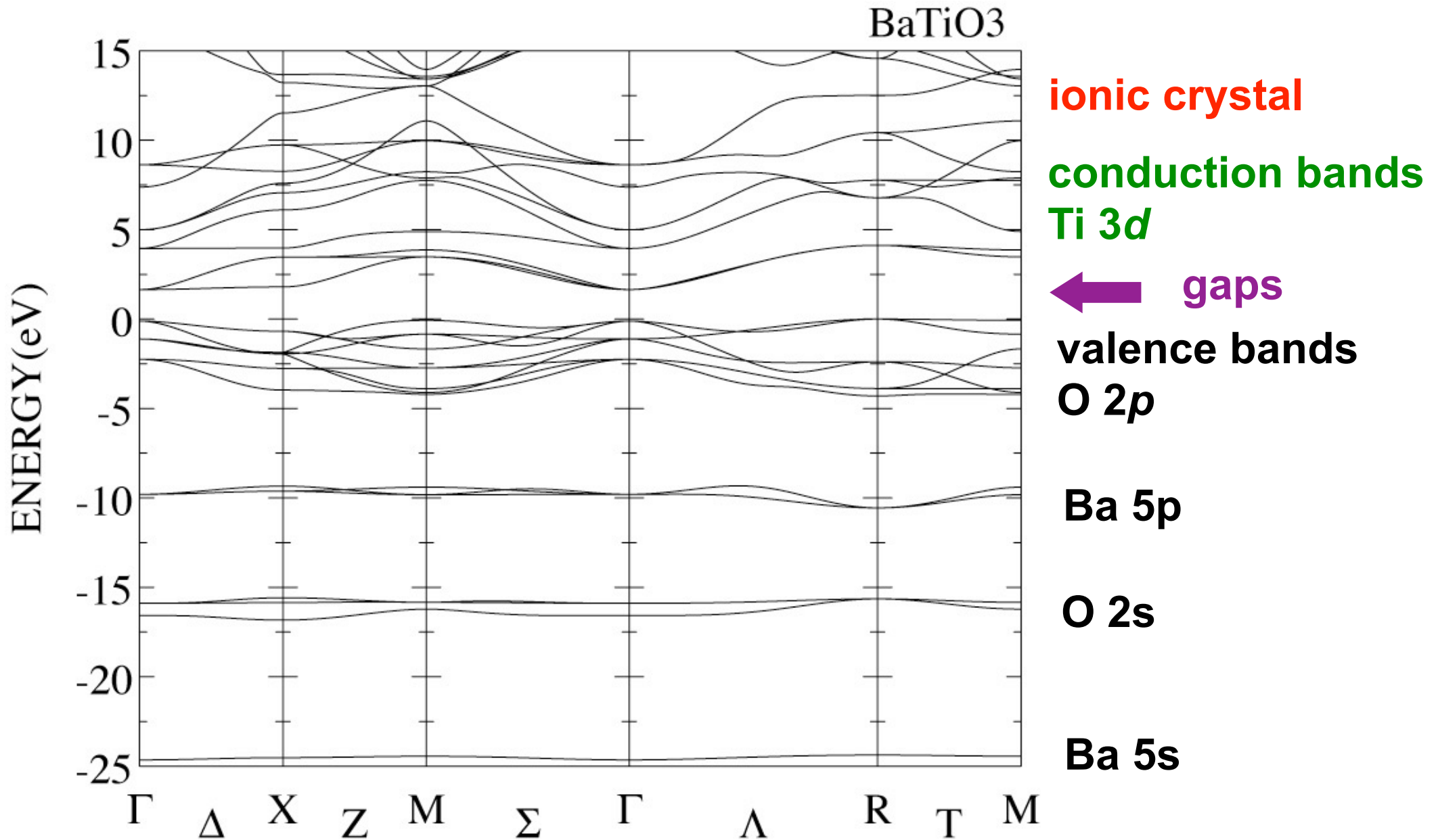


$$\Delta \mathbf{P} = \frac{e}{\Omega} Z^* \mathbf{u} \Rightarrow Z^* = -1.99 \quad \text{Born effective charges}$$

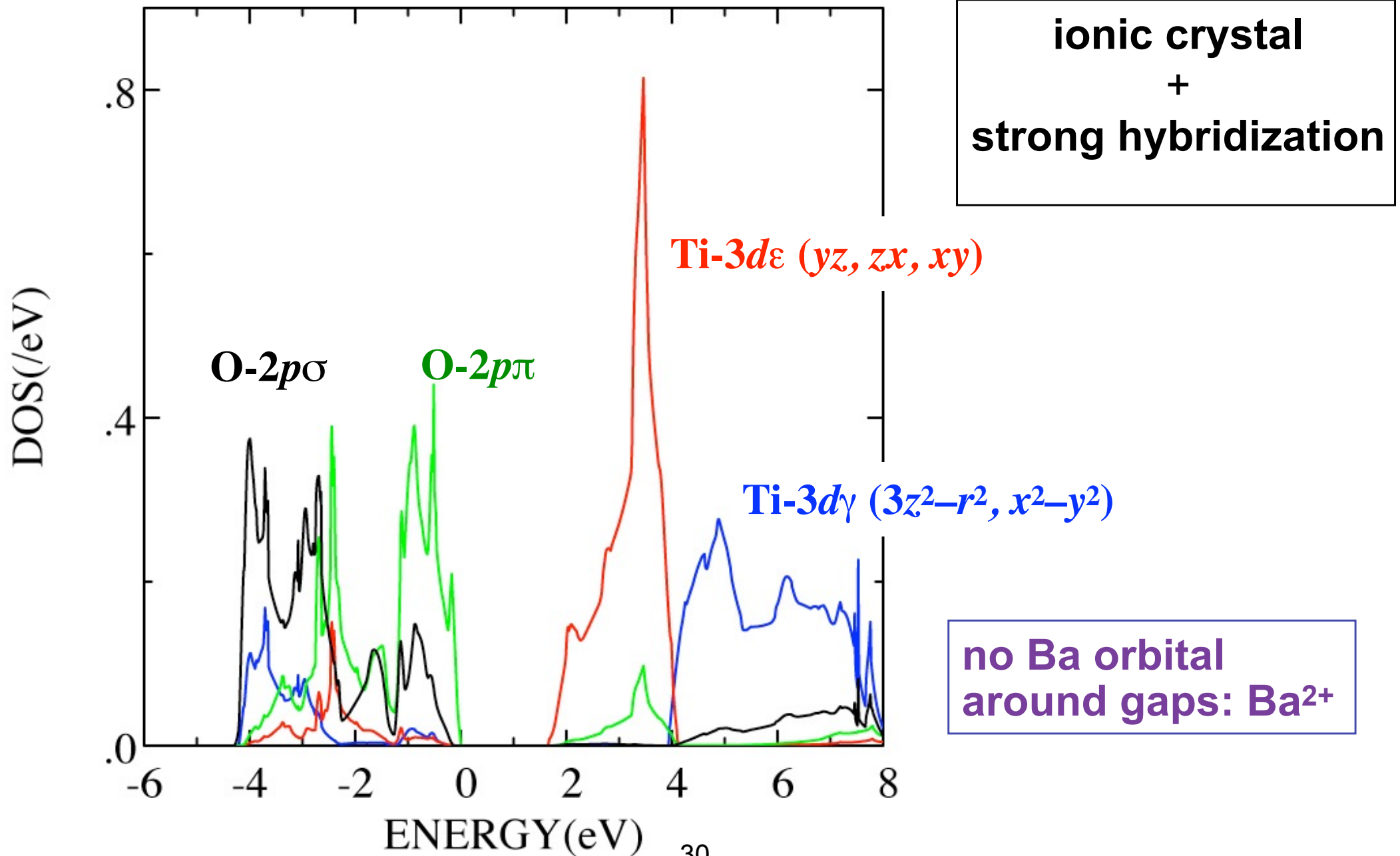
# Polarization of Ferroelectric BaTiO<sub>3</sub>

- **Tetragonal** (ionic model: 0.16 C/m<sup>2</sup>)
  - 0.31 C/m<sup>2</sup> Ishii, TO
  - 0.28 C/m<sup>2</sup> Zhong, Vanderbilt
  - 0.27 C/m<sup>2</sup> experiment
- **Rhombohedral**
  - 0.37 C/m<sup>2</sup> Ishii, TO
  - 0.43 C/m<sup>2</sup> Zhong, Vanderbilt
  - 0.33 C/m<sup>2</sup> experiment

# Band Structure of Cubic BaTiO<sub>3</sub>

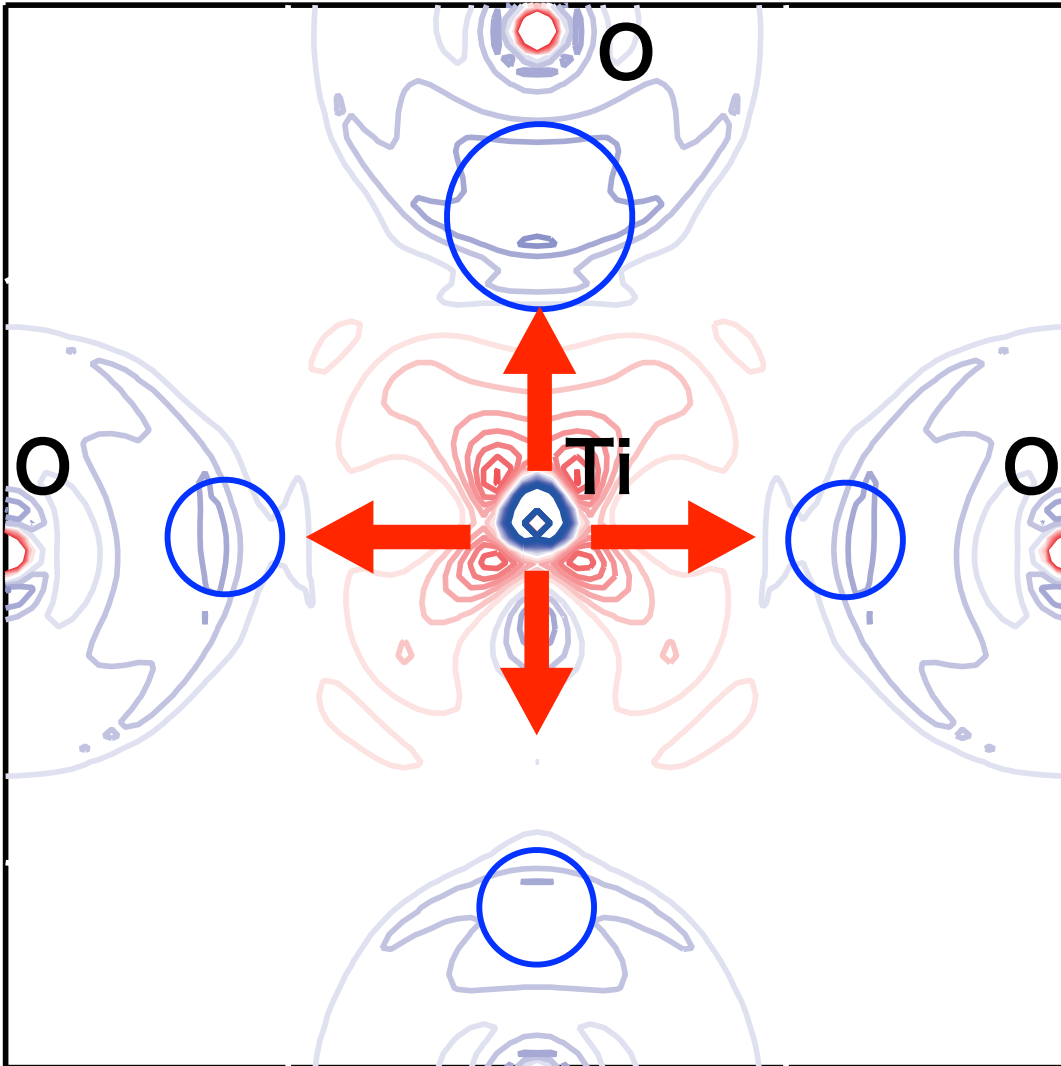


# Density of States of Cubic BaTiO<sub>3</sub>



# Electron Density of Tetragonal BaTiO<sub>3</sub>

$$\Delta n(\mathbf{r}) = n(\mathbf{r}) - \sum_{\nu} n_{\nu}^{atom}(\mathbf{r} - \mathbf{R}_{\nu})$$



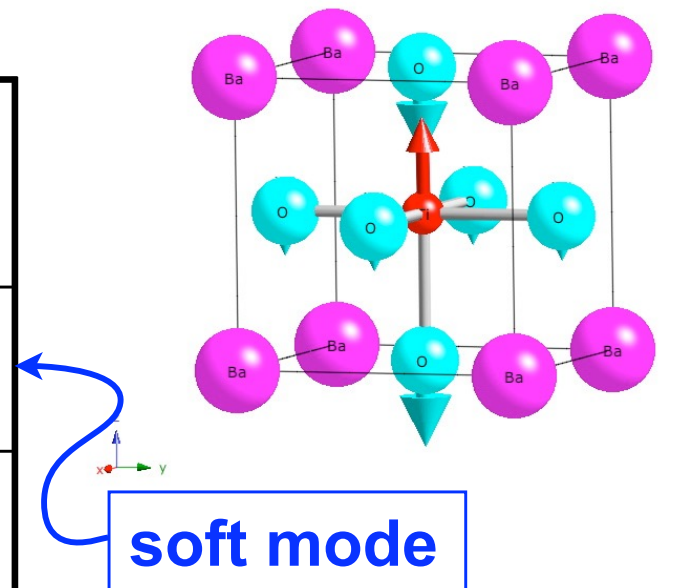
**reduction**  
**increase**

**charge transfer from Ti to O**  
→ **ionic bonding**

**bond charge between Ti and O**  
→ **covalent bonding**

# Phonon Mode of Cubic BaTiO<sub>3</sub>

$\omega$ (cm <sup>-1</sup> )	Ba	Ti	O1	O2	O2'
186i	-0.01	-0.62	1	0.51	0.51
0	1	1	1	1	1
165 180*	-0.66	1	0.78	0.97	0.97
277	0	0	0	1	-1
458 482*	-0.01	0.16	1	-0.69	-0.69



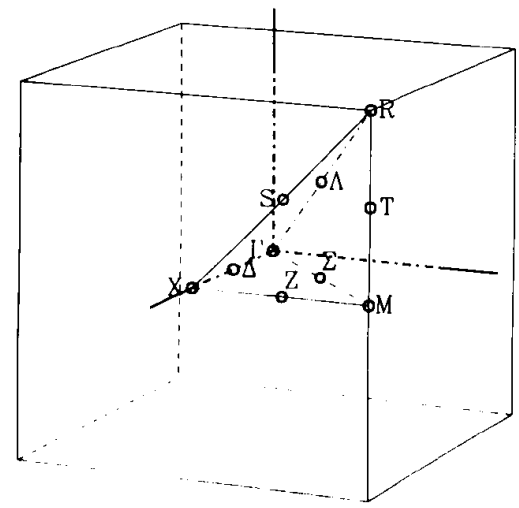
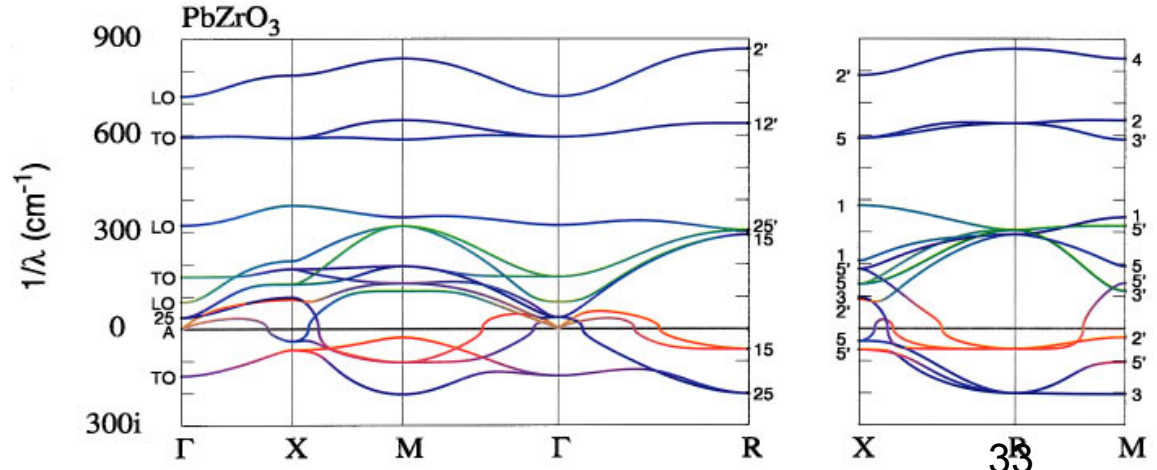
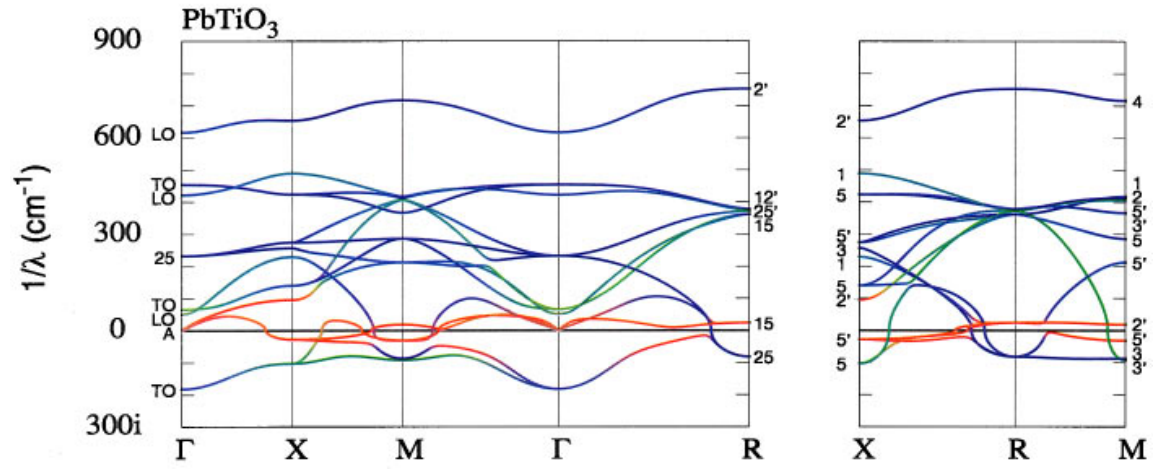
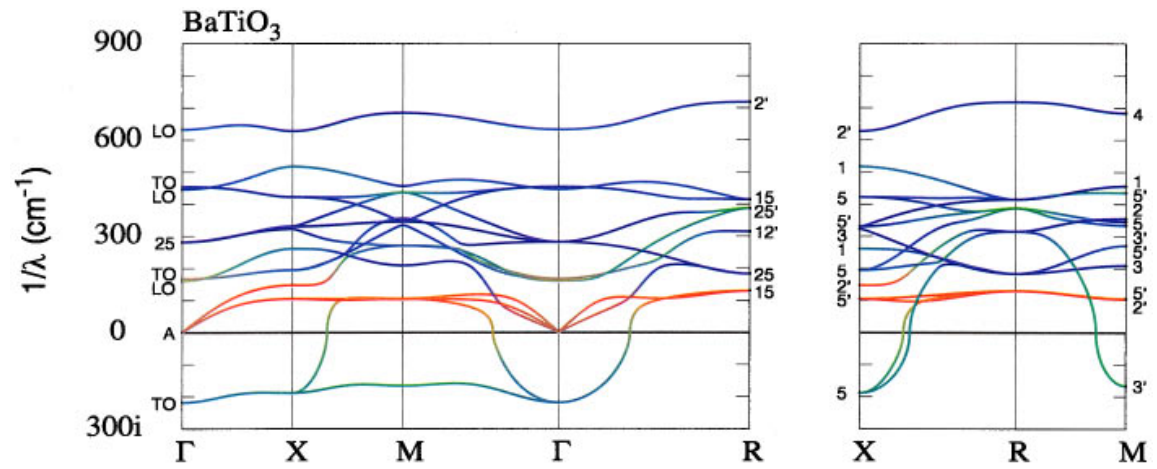
**Ba<sup>2+</sup> not joining  
soft mode**

\*IR @395K

$a = 4.00\text{\AA}$



# Phonon Band of Perovskite Oxides: $ABO_3$

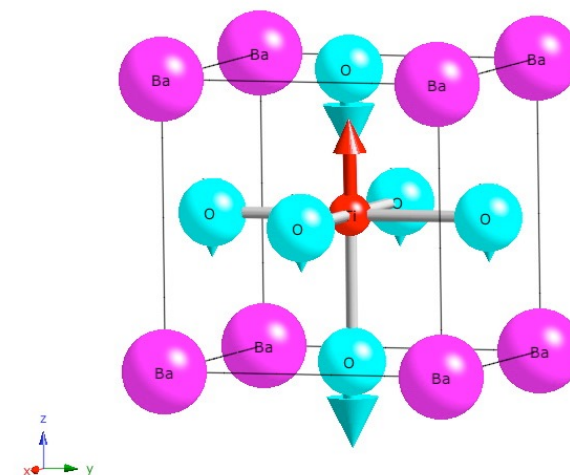
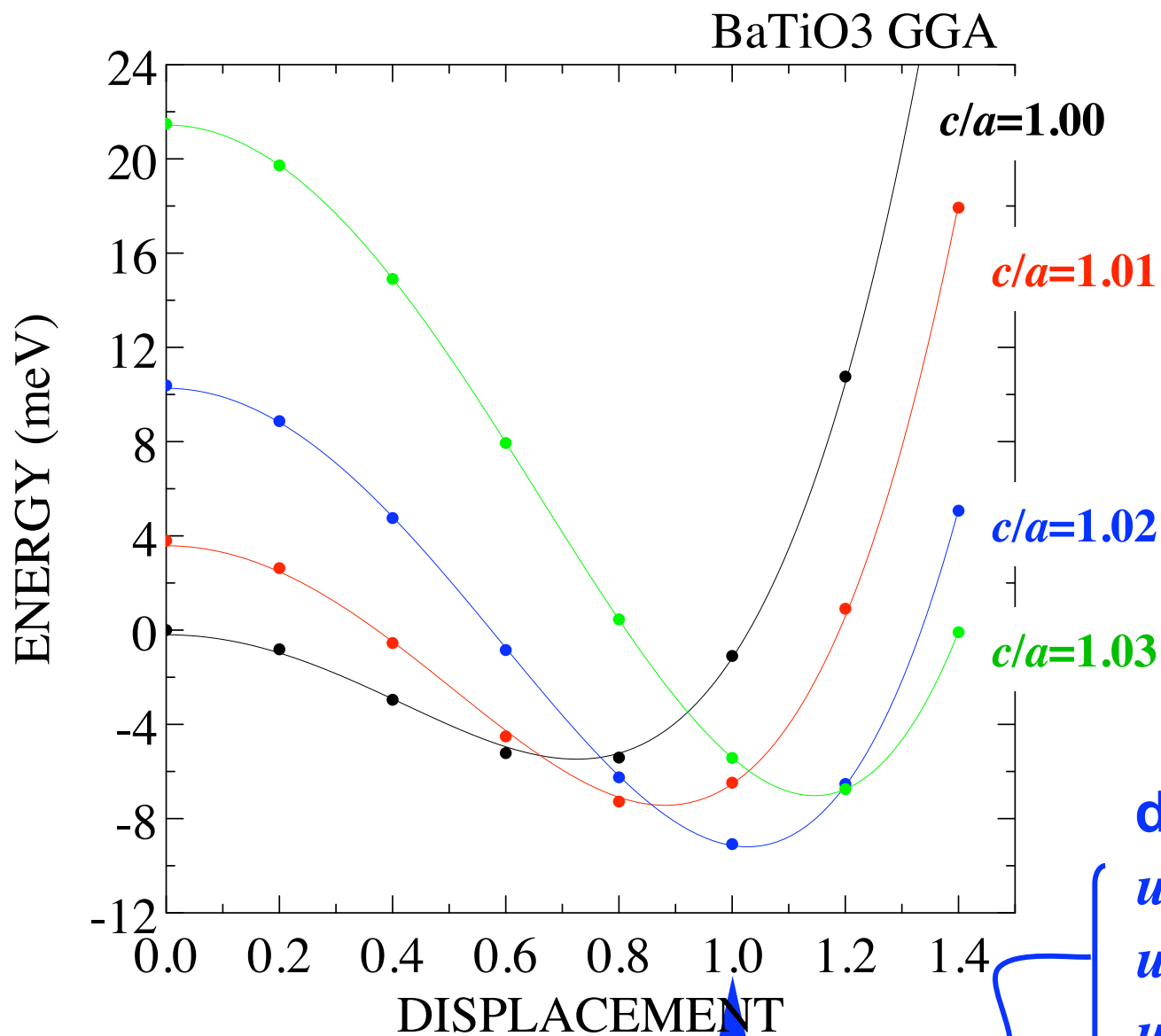


**Eigenvector:**

- red: A**
- green: B**
- blue: O**

**Phys. Rev. B 60, 836 (1999)**

# Energy Variation of BaTiO<sub>3</sub> due to Displacement



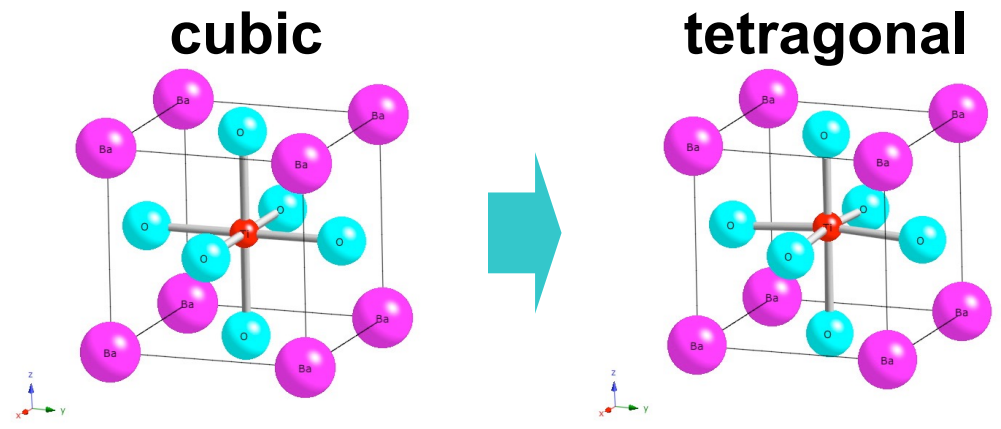
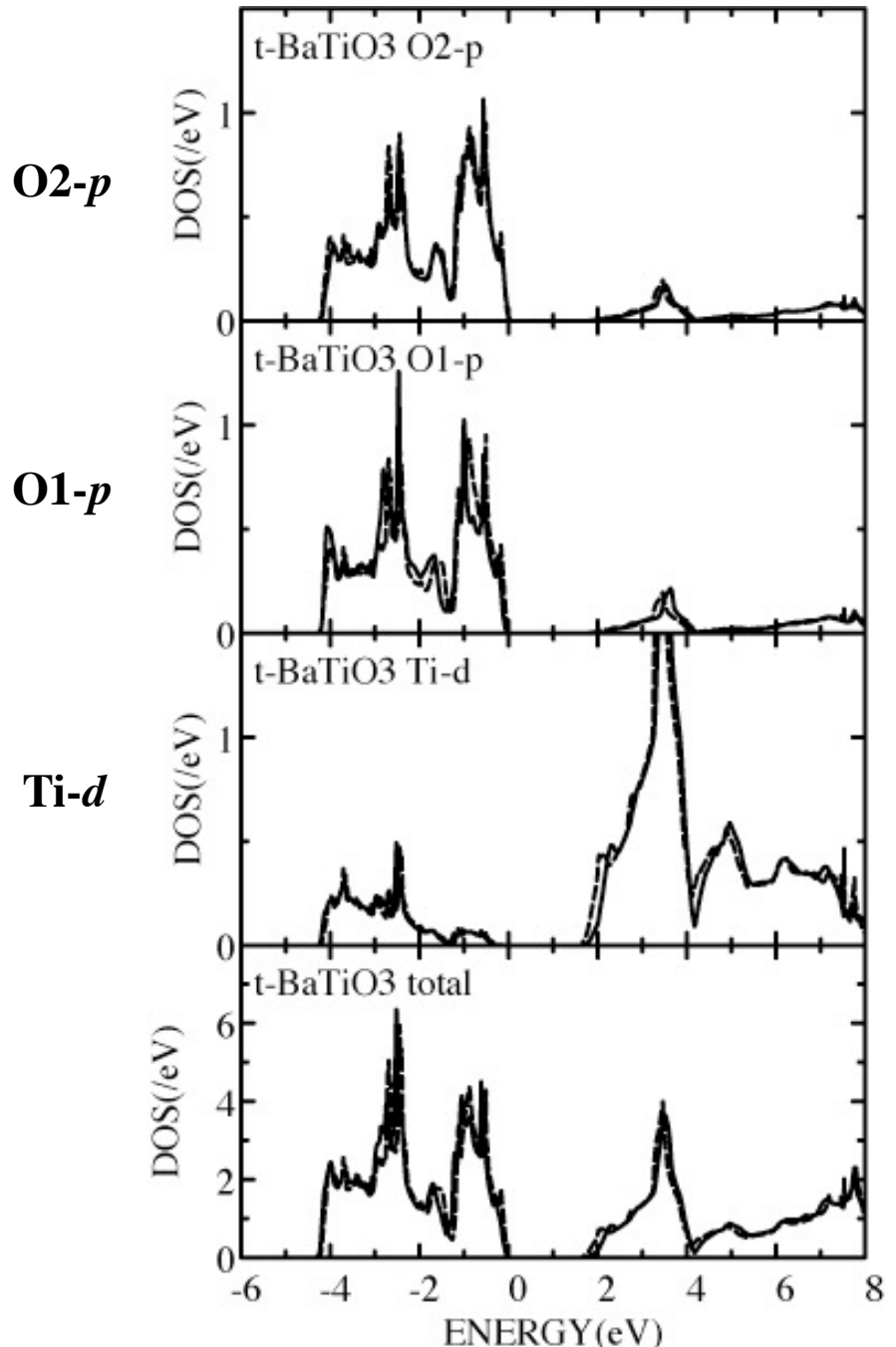
**displacements**

$$u(\text{Ti}) = 0.054\text{\AA}$$

$$u(\text{O1}) = -0.097\text{\AA}$$

$$u(\text{O2}) = -0.061\text{\AA}$$

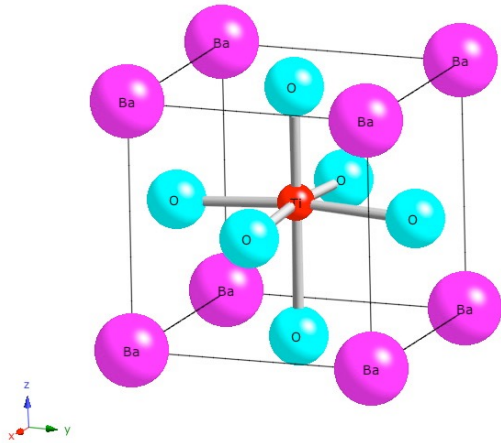
# Electronic Structure Variation of BaTiO<sub>3</sub> due to displacement



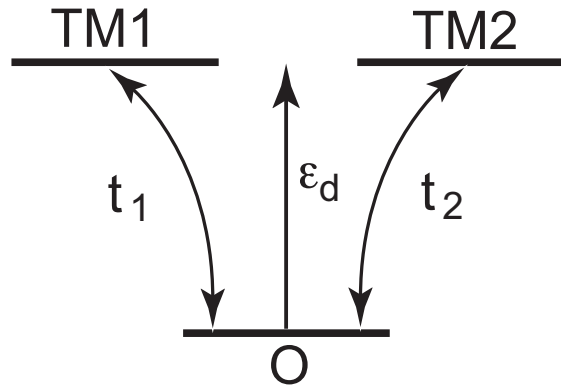
- displacement**
- **Enhancement in hybridization**
- **band shift**
- **energy gain**

**broken lines: cubic**  
**solid lines: tetragonal**

# Instability to Ferroelectric Phase



**perovskite structure**



## three-site model

$$\mathcal{H} = \mathcal{H}_0 + \mathcal{H}_t + \mathcal{H}_{ela}$$

$$\mathcal{H}_0 = \sum_{\sigma} \varepsilon_d (d_{1\sigma}^{\dagger} d_{1\sigma} + d_{2\sigma}^{\dagger} d_{2\sigma})$$

$$\mathcal{H}_t = t_1 \sum_{\sigma} \left( d_{1\sigma}^{\dagger} p_{\sigma} + h.c. \right)$$

$$+ t_2 \sum_{\sigma} \left( d_{2\sigma}^{\dagger} p_{\sigma} + h.c. \right)$$

$$\mathcal{H}_{ela} = \frac{\lambda}{2} x^2$$

# Instability to Ferroelectric Phase

Variation of hopping integral by O-ion displacement

$$t_1 = -t(1 + \underline{\delta} \cdot x) \quad t_2 = +t(1 - \underline{\delta} \cdot x)$$

electron-lattice coupling

Energy variation up to 4<sup>th</sup> order of hopping  $t$

$$\Delta E = \left[ -\frac{8t^2\delta^2}{\varepsilon_d} + \frac{32t^4\delta^2}{\varepsilon_d^3} + \lambda \right] \frac{x^2}{2} + \frac{32t^4\delta^4}{\varepsilon_d^3} \frac{x^4}{4}$$

Negative coefficient of 2<sup>nd</sup> order term  $\rightarrow$  instability

$$\left| \frac{t}{\varepsilon_d} \right| \ll 1$$

$$\frac{8t^2\delta^2}{\varepsilon_d} > \lambda$$

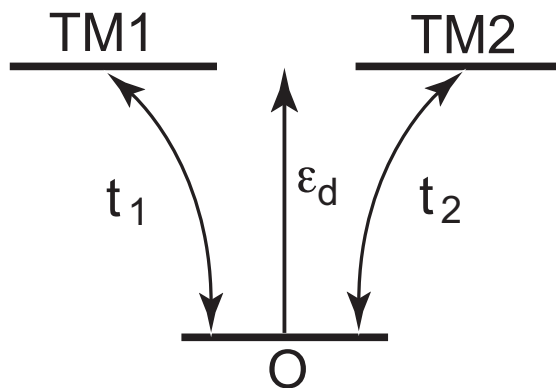
- large  $\delta$
- small  $\lambda$

# Instability to Ferroelectric Phase

## Equilibrium displacement

$$x^2 = \frac{\epsilon_d^3}{32t^4\delta^4} \left[ \frac{8t^2\delta^2}{\epsilon_d} - \lambda \right]$$

To satisfy the instability condition,  
appropriately large size of hopping integral  $t$   
compare to  $\epsilon_d$



- large  $\delta$
- small  $\lambda$
- appropriate  $t$

ionic + covalent bonding

# Instability to Ferroelectric Phase

**Coupling constant  $\delta$**

$$t(R) \propto R^{-(l+l'+1)} \approx t(R_0) \left( 1 - \frac{l+l'+1}{R_0} x \right)$$

- kind of orbital
- local structure

**Elastic constant  $\lambda$**

$$\mathcal{H}_t = \frac{\lambda}{2} x^2 \quad \bullet \text{ local structure: tolerance}$$

- **Tolerance factor of perovskite structure**

$$t = \frac{r_A + r_O}{\sqrt{2}(r_B + r_O)} \quad t > 1$$
$$t < 1$$

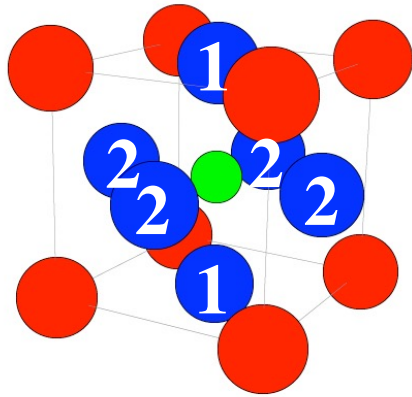
**Ferroelectric instability  
of B ion**

**Antiferroelectric instability  
of A ion**

# Born Effective Charge

$$\Delta \mathbf{P} = \frac{e}{\Omega} \mathbf{Z}^* \mathbf{u}$$

$\mathbf{u} // \langle 001 \rangle$

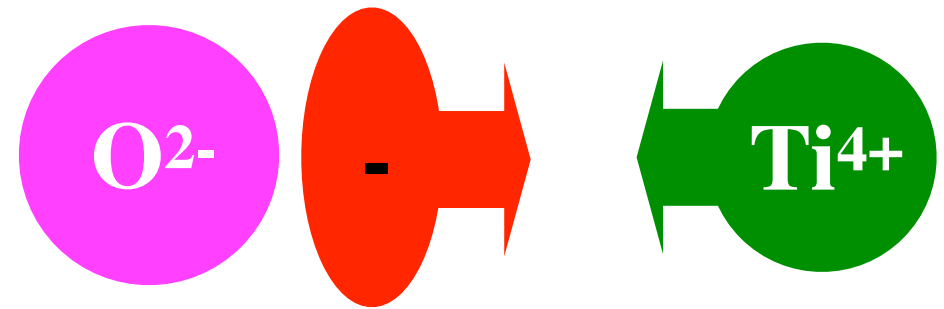
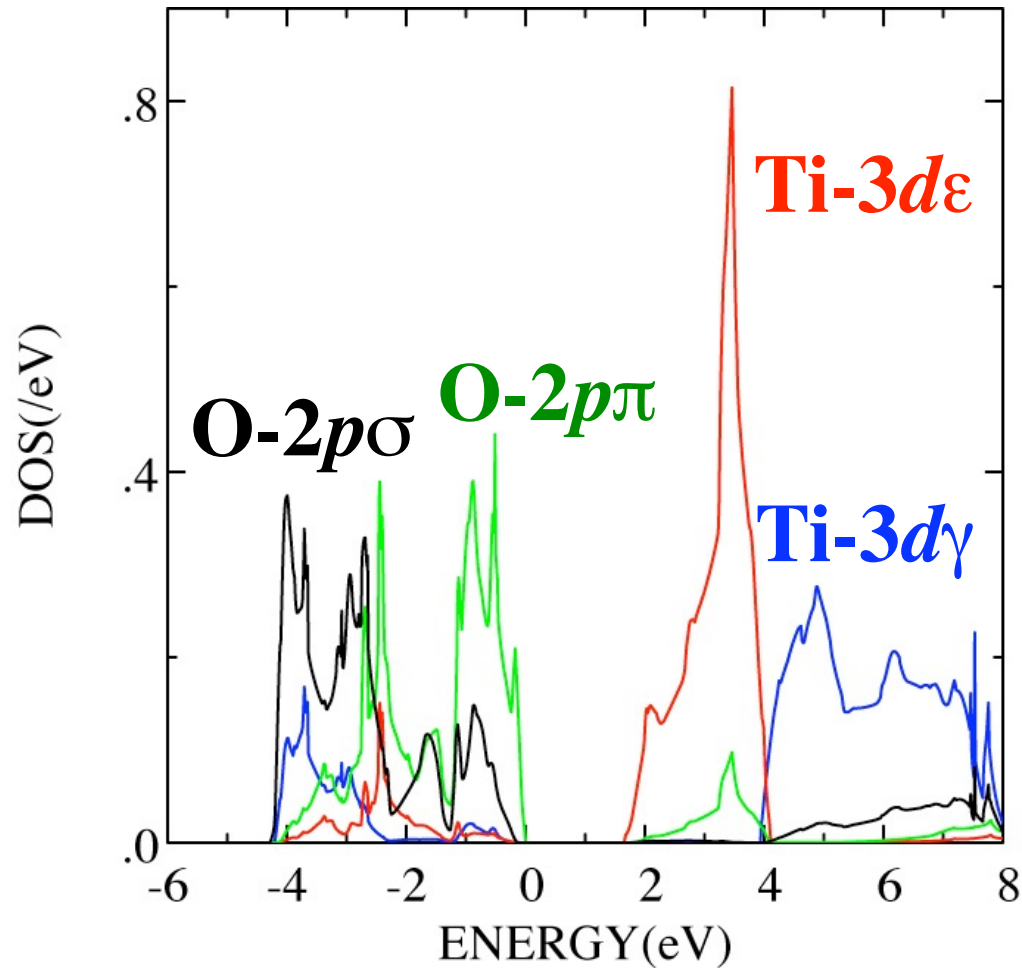


	<i>A</i>	<i>B</i>	O1	O2
BaTiO <sub>3</sub>	2.75	7.16	-5.69	-2.11
SrTiO <sub>3</sub>	2.54	7.12	-5.66	-2.00
CaTiO <sub>3</sub>	2.58	7.08	-5.65	-2.00
KNbO <sub>3</sub>	1.14	9.23	-7.01	-1.68
NaNbO <sub>3</sub>	1.13	9.11	-7.01	-1.61
PbTiO <sub>3</sub>	3.90	7.06	-5.83	-2.56
PbZrO <sub>3</sub>	3.92	5.85	-4.81	-2.48
BaZrO <sub>3</sub>	2.73	6.03	-4.74	-2.01

Zhong, Vanderbilt, PRL 72, 3618 (1994).



# Mechanism of Effective Charge Enhancement



**Movement of bond charge due to variation in hybridization between Ti-3d and O-2p orbitals**

# Role of Pb

- Lone pair

Repulsion of  $[6s]^2$  or  $[6sp]^2$

widely accepted since 70s especially in Chemistry

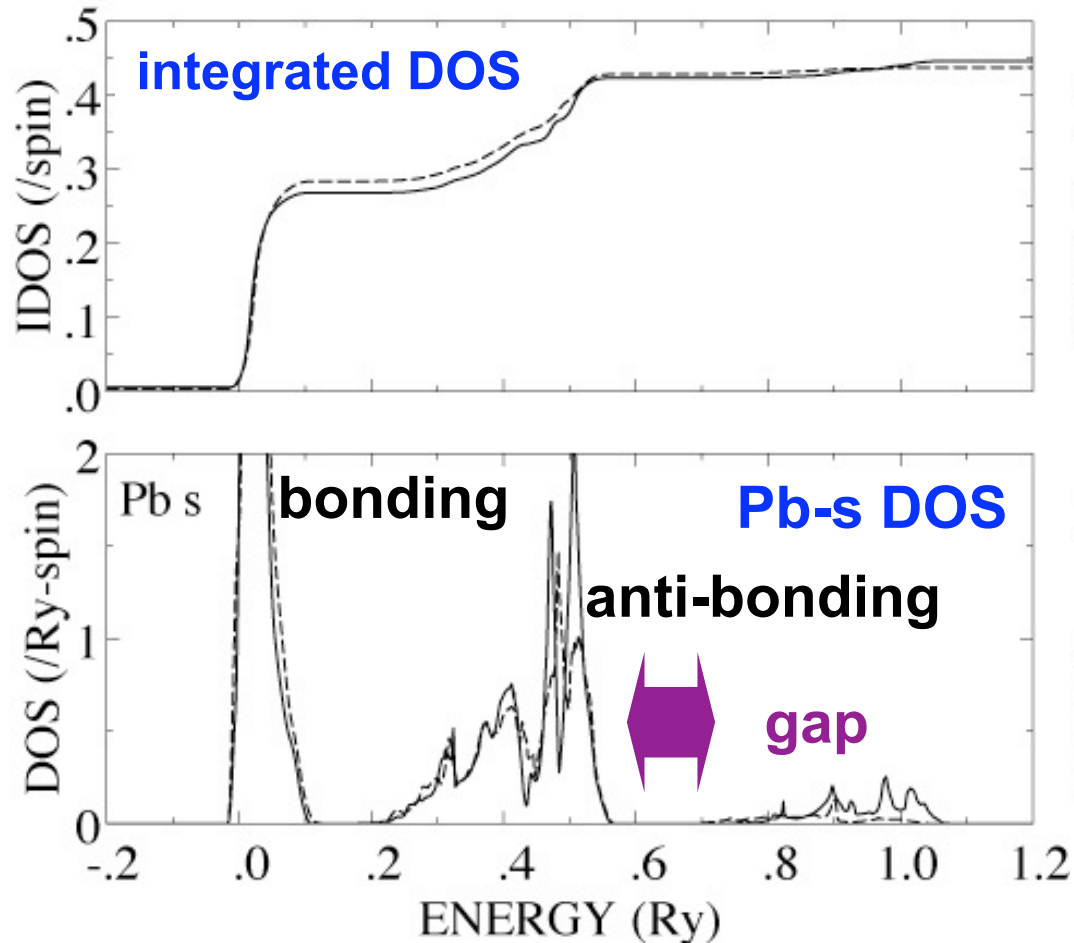
- Covalent bond with O-2p

$6s=O-2p$       Cohen (1992-)

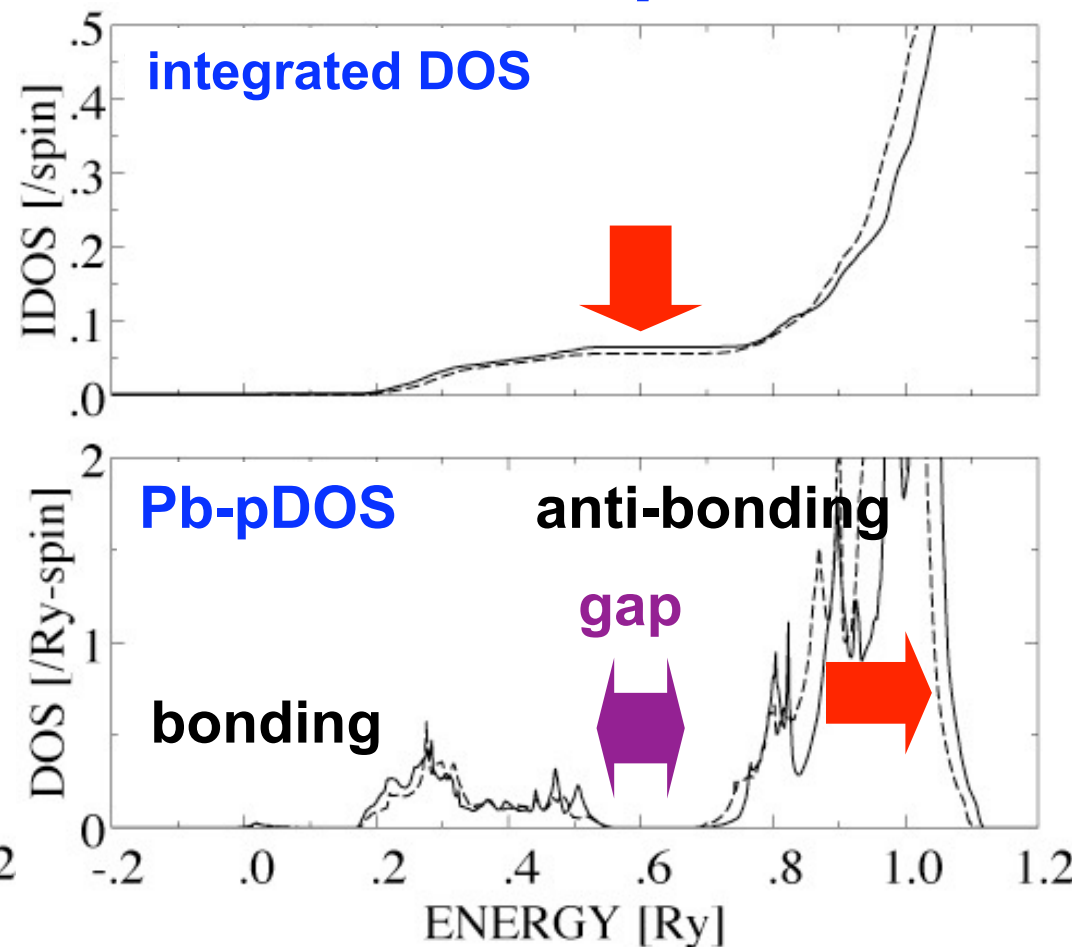
$6p=O-2p$       Miyazawa (2000-)

# Role of Pb: PbTiO<sub>3</sub>

## Pb-6s



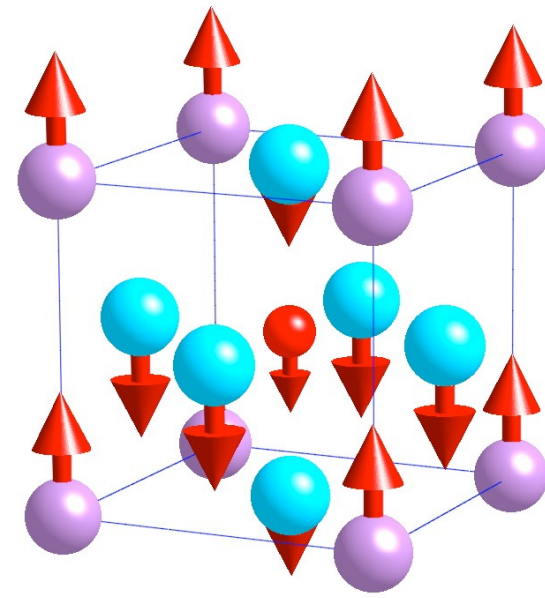
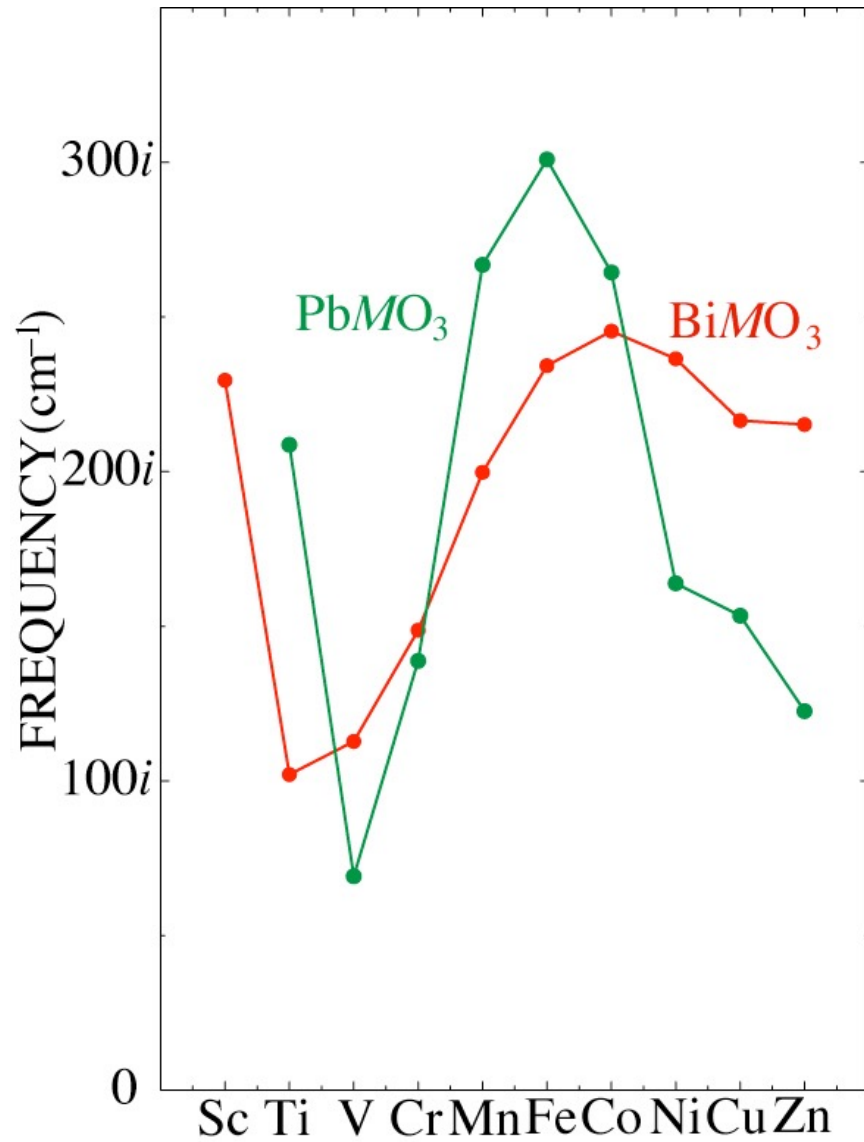
## Pb-6p



**fully occupied Pb-6s  
bonding and anti-bonding**

**occupied Pb-6p bonding  
states only → covalent**

# Soft Mode in Cubic $\text{PbMO}_3$ and $\text{BiMO}_3$



# Summary

- **Electron Theory of Ferroelectrics**
  - **BO Potential**
  - **QM Representation of Polarization**
- **Typical Ferroelectric BaTiO<sub>3</sub>**
  - **Ionic and Covalent Bonding**
  - **Ferroelectric Instability**
  - **Born Effective Charge**

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