

# Post-processing and analysis

Gabriel Antonius

Université du Québec à Trois-Rivières, Canada

Abinit School 2026

# What is Abipy

- Scripts that can be executed on the command line for a quick visualization of Abinit results.
- Objects and functions to extract data from Abinit output files and plot it.
- Objects and functions to create workflows and execute them.

# Setup

We will be working with the Abipy package, which requires some setup.

Copy the abipy configurations files in your home directory:

```
cp -r $ABISCHOOL/.abinit ~/
```

Copy the abipy examples:

```
cd $CCCWORKDIR  
cp -r $ABISCHOOL/abipy_examples .
```

# The Abipy documentation

We will rely on three sources of documentation:

- 1 The examples in the `abipy_examples` directory that you have copied (also found in the source code: <https://github.com/abinit/abipy>).
- 2 The Abipy notebook tutorials found here: [https://abinit.github.io/abipy\\_book](https://abinit.github.io/abipy_book)
- 3 The Abipy API documentation found here: <https://abinit.github.io/abipy>

# For this training session

We want you to consult the abipy notebook tutorials and write your own scripts to accomplish the **objectives** listed hereafter.

The following sections of the Abipy notebook tutorials will help you:

- **Output Files**

- ▶ The GSR file (Ground-State Results)
- ▶ The HIST.nc file (relaxation/MD)

- **AbiPy Workflows**

- ▶ Tasks, Workflows and Flow

- **AbiPy Lessons**

- ▶ Base1 lesson (H<sub>2</sub> molecule)
- ▶ Base3 lesson (silicon)

Do not read them from start to finish! Try to extract the information that you need to complete the objectives.

# Objectives (I)

Write small python scripts to:

- Plot a convergence study with respect to `ecut`.
- Plot a convergence study with respect to `nkpt`.
- Plot a band structure and a density of states (DOS).
- Plot the evolution of the maximum force and total energy in a relaxation.

Make sure that you are able to customize those scripts, e.g. by setting the title, the line colors, etc.

## Objectives (II)

Write and execute a workflow to:

- Compute the electronic band structure of silicon.
- Compute the energy of the  $H_2$  molecule as a function of distance.
- Perform a relaxation of aluminium.
- Perform a convergence study of aluminium with respect to k-points and `tsmear`.
  - ▶ Then write a script to plot the k-points convergence for the different values of `tsmear` on the same graph.

The solutions to these tasks are placed in this directory:

`$ABISCHOOL/abipy_tutorial_solutions/`