Pt₃Ni

Pt₃Ni bulk

- Pt₃Ni 2x2x2 bulk: 24 Pt atoms, 8 Ni atoms. EPS_SCF=1.0E-6
- Multiple minima exist with different Pt spin moments

This work 0.61, 0.20
[1] VASP PBE 0.67, 0.16
[2] DFTB 0.65, 0.16
[3] DFTB 0.58, 0.10

Source

Spin moment Ni, Pt

- 1D grid search performed for CUTOFF (600), KPOINTS (1x1x1), ADDED_MOS (30), ELECTRONIC_TEMPERATURE (300)
- K-points seem to improve interface SCF convergence but decrease bulk convergence

Multiplicity	Magnetization Ni, Pt	Energy / Ha	Spin moment Ni, Pt
1		-4239.1402	0.00, 0.00
17		-4239.1402	0.00, 0.00
17	2.00, 0.00	-4239.1707	0.63, 0.00
17	2.00, 0.00	-4239.1712	0.63, 0.10
17	2.00, 0.00	-4239.1743	0.61, 0.21

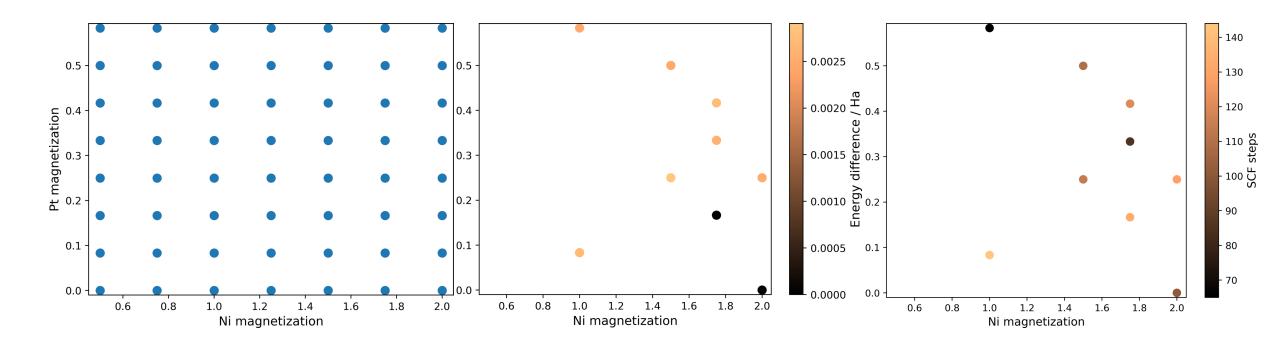
^[1] Sharma, B. K., Kwon, O., Odkhuu, D. & Hong, S. C. Electronic structure and magnetism of various surfaces of the catalytic material Pt3Ni: Density-functional study. *Journal of Magnetism and Magnetic Materials* 339, 89–93 (2013).

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^[3] Singh, P. P. Relativity and magnetism in Ni–Pd and Ni–Pt alloys. Journal of Magnetism and Magnetic Materials 261, 347–352 (2003).

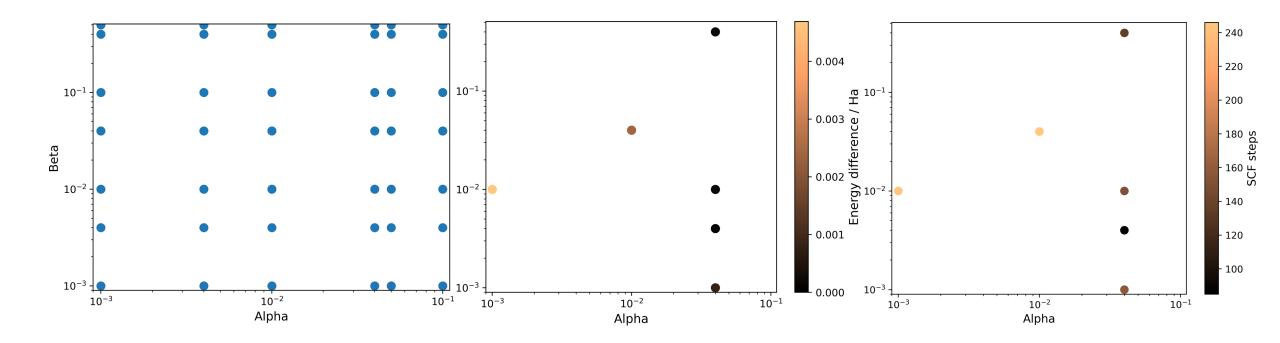
Pt₃Ni bulk optimization

- Pt₃Ni 2x2x2 bulk: 24 Pt atoms, 8 Ni atoms. EPS_SCF=5.0E-7
- 8x8 2D grid search for Pt, Ni magnetisations which sum to odd integer multiplicity
- Minimum at Ni=2.0, Pt=0.0. Finite Pt magnetisation does not improve convergence



Pt₃Ni bulk optimization

- Pt₃Ni 2x2x2 bulk: 24 Pt atoms, 8 Ni atoms. EPS_SCF=1.0E-6
- 8x8 2D grid search for BROYDEN_MIXING ALPHA, BETA
- Minimum at ALPHA=4.0E-2, BETA=4.0E-3



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- 0.932, 0.390



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Convergence is challenging, EPS_SCF=1E-7 required 12 restarts to converge EPS_SCF=5.0E-7

0.279





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Slab (right) spin moments larger than bulk (left), consistent with literature [1]

0.876, 0.39





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			Hirshfeld	d Charges							Hirshfeld	d Charges			
#Atom	Element	Kind	Ref Charge	Popula	ation	Spin moment	Net charge	#Atom	Element	Kind	Ref Charge	Popula	ation	Spin moment	Net charge
1	Ni	1	18.000	9.422	8.809	0.612	-0.231	1	Ni	1	18.000	9.516	8.640	0.876	-0.156
2	Ni	1	18.000	9.422	8.809	0.612	-0.231	2	Ni	1	18.000	9.516	8.640	0.876	-0.156
3	Pt	2	18.000	9.066	8.857	0.209	0.077	3	Pt	2	18.000	9.173	8.779	0.394	0.049
4	Pt	2	18.000	9.066	8.857	0.209	0.077	4	Pt	2	18.000	9.173	8.779	0.394	0.049
5	Ni	1	18.000	9.422	8.809	0.612	-0.231	5	Ni	1	18.000	9.516	8.640	0.876	-0.156
6	Ni	1	18.000	9.422	8.809	0.612	-0.231	6	Ni	1	18.000	9.516	8.640	0.876	-0.156
7	Pt	2	18.000	9.066	8.857	0.209	0.077	7	Pt	2	18.000	9.173	8.779	0.394	0.049
8	Pt	2	18.000	9.066	8.857	0.209	0.077	8	Pt	2	18.000	9.173	8.779	0.394	0.049
9	Pt	3	18.000	9.066	8.857	0.209	0.077	9	Pt	3	18.000	9.094	8.815	0.279	0.091
10	Pt	3	18.000	9.066	8.857	0.209	0.077	10	Pt	3	18.000	9.094	8.815	0.279	0.091
11	Pt	3	18.000	9.066	8.857	0.209	0.077	11	Pt	3	18.000	9.094	8.815	0.279	0.091
12	Pt	3	18.000	9.066	8.857	0.209	0.077	12	Pt	3	18.000	9.094	8.815	0.279	0.091
13	Pt	3	18.000	9.066	8.857	0.209	0.077	13	Pt	3	18.000	9.094	8.815	0.279	0.091
14	Pt	3	18.000	9.066	8.857	0.209	0.077	14	Pt	3	18.000	9.094	8.815	0.279	0.091
15	Pt	3	18.000	9.066	8.857	0.209	0.077	15	Pt	3	18.000	9.094	8.815	0.279	0.091
16	Pt	3	18.000	9.066	8.857	0.209	0.077	16	Pt	3	18.000	9.094	8.815	0.279	0.091
17	Ni	4	18.000	9.422	8.809	0.612	-0.231	17	Ni	4	18.000	9.555	8.623	0.932	-0.178
18	Ni	4	18.000	9.422	8.809	0.612	-0.231	18	Ni	4	18.000	9.555	8.623	0.932	-0.178
19	Pt	5	18.000	9.066	8.857	0.209	0.077	19	Pt	5	18.000	9.148	8.759	0.390	0.093
20	Pt	5	18.000	9.066	8.857	0.209	0.077	20	Pt	5	18.000	9.148	8.759	0.390	0.093
21	Ni	4	18.000	9.422	8.809	0.612	-0.231	21	Ni	4	18.000	9.555	8.623	0.932	-0.178
22	Ni	4	18.000	9.422	8.809	0.612	-0.231	22	Ni	4	18.000	9.555	8.623	0.932	-0.178
23	Pt	5	18.000	9.066	8.857	0.209	0.077	23	Pt	5	18.000	9.148	8.759	0.390	0.093
24	Pt	5	18.000	9.066	8.857	0.209	0.077	24	Pt	5	18.000	9.148	8.759	0.390	0.093
25	Pt	6	18.000	9.066	8.857	0.209	0.077	25	Pt	6	18.000	9.169	8.825	0.345	0.006
26	Pt	6	18.000	9.066	8.857	0.209	0.077	26	Pt	6	18.000	9.169	8.825	0.345	0.006
27	Pt	6	18.000	9.066	8.857	0.209	0.077	27	Pt	6	18.000	9.169	8.825	0.345	0.006
28	Pt	6	18.000	9.066	8.857	0.209	0.077	28	Pt	6	18.000	9.169	8.825	0.345	0.006
29	Pt	6	18.000	9.066	8.857	0.209	0.077	29	Pt	6	18.000	9.169	8.825	0.345	0.006
30	Pt	6	18.000	9.066	8.857	0.209	0.077	30	Pt	6	18.000	9.169	8.825	0.345	0.006
31	Pt	6	18.000	9.066	8.857	0.209	0.077	31	Pt	6	18.000	9.169	8.825	0.345	0.006
32	Pt	6	18.000	9.066	8.857	0.209	0.077	32	Pt	6	18.000	9.169	8.825	0.345	0.006

Pt₃Ni(111) Yike structure

- Pt₃Ni(111) surface calculated by Yike using VASP. 45 Pt atoms, 15 Ni atoms
- CUTOFF (600), ADDED_MOS (30), ELECTRONIC_TEMPERATURE (300)

Kpoints	Multiplicity	Energy / Ha	IASD	SCF steps	Restarts	
1x1x1	(0*15)+1=1	-8223.3280	0.0	85	0	
1x1x1	(2*15)+1=31	-8223.4133	28.6	286	19	
4x4x1	(0*15)+1=1	-8223.6260	0.0	74	0	
4x4x1	(2*15)+1=31	-8223.6865	24.4	245	19	

