

# sym1.foobar

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Symmetry line for the band plot.

We can generate `sym1.foobar` by `getsym1`.

## Get symmetry lines for band plot and Brillouin zone plot.

`sym1.*` is generated from `ctrl.*`. `sym1.*` is needed for band plot.

After generated, you can easily edit `sym1.*` for `job_band`.

At ecalj/GetSym1, we have getsym1.py, which is based on the seekpath at <https://github.com/giovannipizzi/seekpath/> and spglib at <https://anaconda.org/conda-forge/spglib>

### Usage:

We have softlink getsym1.py as getsym1 during InstallAll.py.

Run

```
getsym1 nio
(or)
getsym1 ctrl.s.nio
```

. This show 3D Brillouin zone together with symmetry lines for band plot.

See [BZsamples](#) here.

The symmetry lines are written into the `sym1.*` file for ecalj.

The number of divisions for `sym1` is give by a crude algorithm, so edit it if necessary.

### Needed citations

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In addition to usual ecalj acknowledgement, following citations are required when you make a publication.

1.Y. Hinuma, G. Pizzi, Y. Kumagai, F. Oba, I. Tanaka,  
Band structure diagram paths based on crystallography,  
Comp. Mat. Sci. 128, 140 (2017)

2.You should also cite spglib that is an essential library used in the implementation.  
<https://github.com/atztogo/spglib.git>

- See Lincence.txt for spglib and seekpath.

### (memo for developer)

a.Modify lmchk to write required information to supply reasonable.  
For example, ndiv (mesh size along lines).

b.Numerical accuracy of calculations.

np.set\_printoptions(precision=16) is not meaningful since we read output of lmchk

symmetry-line file : input for plotting energy bands along selected symmetry lines or for generating constant-energy contours such as a Fermi surface. This file (whose name is specified as a modifier with the command-line argument --band, described in the "Command-line switches" section) can take on of several forms.

format of syml

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generate bands along specific symmetry lines.  
The following sample input illustrates input for lines  
X->Gamma and Gamma->M for the simple cubic lattice.
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```
21 .5 0 0 0 0 0      X      Gamma  
21 0 0 0 .5 .5 0      Gamma  M  
0 0 0 0 0 0 0
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The first number designates how many points along each line.  
The next six label the starting and ending q-points,  
respectively. Note that the last line must contain zeros.
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