

Example: bandstructure calculation

This file is intended to detail the calculation presented in Sections 4.3.1 of our *BinPo* manuscript. Importantly, we remind you that any *BinPo* component looks for the input parameters at command-line at first, whereas the omitted and more advanced parameters are set by default from the configuration file. Keeping this in mind, we will show how the configuration files are set for each case and what to type from command-line. For a description of all the parameters in the configuration files, see `~/config_files/help_config.md`. Those parameters updatable by command-line in any *BinPo* components (*BP-component.py*) can be checked by means of help command as:

```
$ python BP-component.py -h
```

Total bandstructure calculation

First of all, we show the *bands.yaml* file. In order to make it more readable, we show at first the main block along with the total bandstructure calculation block.

```
3 ---
4 BAND_STRUCTURE :
5     identifier : "sto01"
6     path : "XGX"
7     number_of_kpoints : 600
8     reference_kpoint : "G"
9     Total_Hk_method : 'vectorized'
10    num_bands : 50
11    bands_task : 1
12    initial_plane : 0
13    final_plane : 5
14
15    TOTAL_BANDS :
16
17        PLOT_ADJUST :
18            plotstyle : "default"
19            xy_limits : &limxy [-0.5, 0.5, -0.33, 0.03] #[x_min, x_max, y_min, y_max]
20            linecolor : "darkred"
21            linewidth : 1.5
22            fig_size : [6,6]
23            axis_adjust : [0.22, 0.15, 0.9, 0.9] #[left, bottom, right, top]
24            title : ""
25            title_size : 18
26            shadow_above_Ef : 0.0
27            shadow_color : 'w'
28
29        LABELS :
30            xlabel : 'K$_{//}$ [$\AA^{-1}$]'
31            xfontsize : 18
32            ylabel : 'E-E$_{F}$ [eV]'
33            yfontsize : 18
34            ticksize : 14
35
36        SAVING :
37            save_bands : no
38            save_plot : yes
39            format : '.png'
40            dpi : 300
41
42    ORBITAL_CHARACTER :
43    PLANE_PROJECTION :
44
45 ...
```

We will compute the band structure along a high symmetry path by typing:

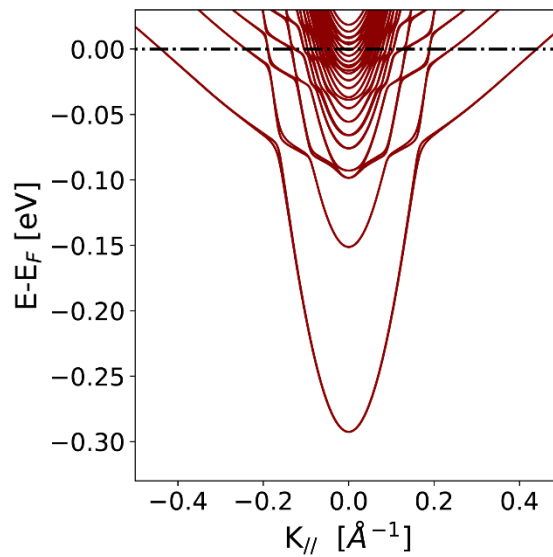
```
$ python BP-bands.py -id run2 -ph XGX -kp 600 -tk 0 -nb 50
```

The first parameter, *id*, is the identifier for the calculation that is being recalled. Then we have the path in reciprocal space (*ph*), the total number of points along the path (*kp*), the

task to perform (*tk*) and the number of bands to compute (*nb*). In this case, the output in terminal looks like:

```
DETAILS:
  Identifier: run2
  Surface: STO(100)
  Number of planes: 40
  Path: XGX
  K-points: 600
  Number of bands: 50
  Temperature: 10 K
  Fermi level: 11.47650 eV
  Task: total_bandstructure
```

Note that, as we indicated at the beginning of this text, the input parameters are those introduced by command-line, whereas the omitted ones are those set in the configuration file. It is worth mentioning that the data belonging to the SC calculation is automatically loaded from the *run2.yaml* file within the *run2* folder. As we can see, setting the task to 0 printed it as “total_bandstructure”, this is just one of the possible modes in which the bandstructure could be computed. At the end of this calculation, the total bandstructure along the selected path will be interactively shown.

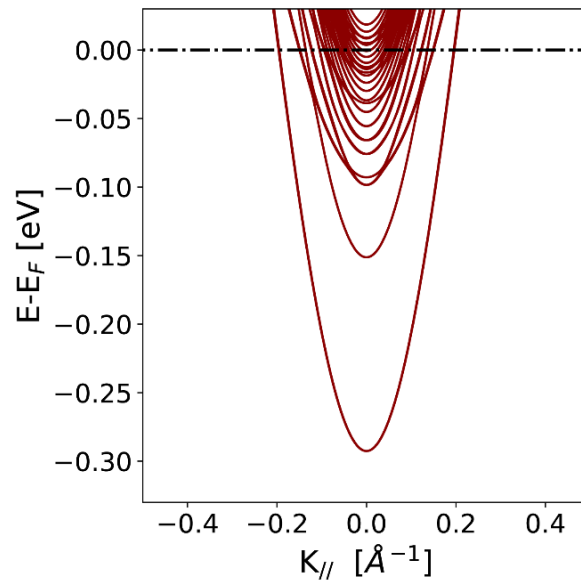


If the parameters “save_bands” and/or “save_plot” are setting to “yes”, so the output .dat file with the bands and/or the plot will be saved to the *run2* folder.

We will now compute the bandstructure along another path:

```
$ python BP-bands.py -id run2 -ph MGM -kp 600 -tk 0 -nb 50
```

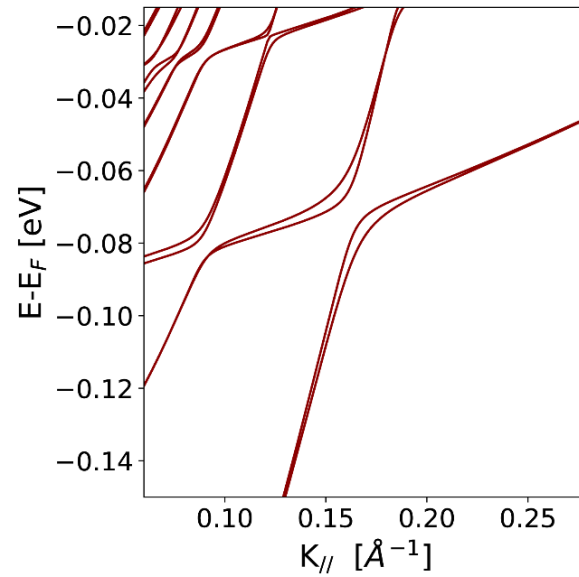
We will get the interactive plot showing the new computed bands.



We will now take a look at one of the avoided crossings along the Γ -X path, where the unconventional Rashba spin splitting appears. So, we type:

```
$ python BP-bands.py -id run2 -ph GX -kp 600 -tk 0 -nb 50 -xy 0.06 0.28 -0.15 -0.015
```

Note that we increased the resolution by choosing a shorter path while keeping constant the number of k-points. Here, the xy parameter was used, which sets the x and y values of the energy-momentum plot window. The output plot is now:



Bandstructure projection onto the manifold orbitals

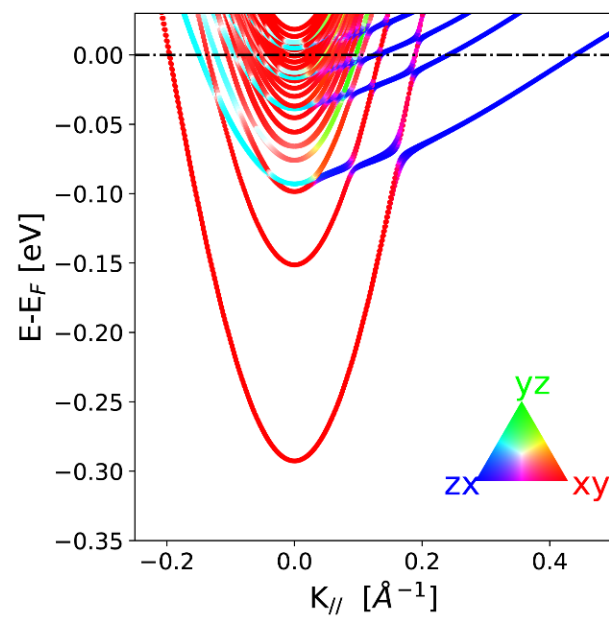
This is how the part of the *bands.yaml* file for this projection looks like:

```
3  ---
4  BAND_STRUCTURE :
5      identifier : "sto01"
6      path : "XGX"
7      number_of_kpoints : 600
8      reference_kpoint : "G"
9      Total_Hk_method : 'vectorized'
10     num_bands : 50
11     bands_task : 1
12     initial_plane : 0
13     final_plane : 5
14
15  TOTAL_BANDS :
16  -----
17  ORBITAL_CHARACTER :
18  PLOT_ADJUST :
19      plotstyle : "default"
20      xy_limits : *limxy
21      color_seq : r,lime,b
22      point_size : 4
23      fig_size : [6,6]
24      axis_adjust : [0.22, 0.15, 0.9, 0.9] #[left, bottom, right, top]
25      title : ""
26      title_size : 18
27      shadow_above_Ef : 0.0
28      shadow_color : 'w'
29  COLOR_TRIANGLE:
30      proportion : '35%'
31      location : 4
32      padding : 0.5
33      fontsize : 20
34  LABELS :
35      xlabel : 'K$_{//}$ [$\AA^{-1}$]'
36      xfontsize : 18
37      ylabel : 'E-E$_{F}$ [eV]'
38      yfontsize : 18
39      ticksize : 14
40  SAVING :
41      save_bands : no
42      save_plot : yes
43      format : '.png'
44      dpi : 300
45  PLANE_PROJECTION :
46  -----
47  ...
```

We are going now to compute the bands with projections onto the different orbitals in the *t_{2g}* manifold by typing:

```
$ python BP-bands.py -id run2 -ph MGX -kp 1000 -tk 1 -nb 50 -xy -0.25 0.5 -0.35 0.03
```

In this case, we are selecting the path MGX with a denser number of points. The task parameter equal to 1 indicates that we are projecting the bands onto the different orbitals. The output plot is:



Bandstructure projection onto a set of planes

This is how the part of the *bands.yaml* file for this projection looks like:

```

3  ---
4  BAND_STRUCTURE :
5      identifier : "sto01"
6      path : "XGX"
7      number_of_kpoints : 600
8      reference_kpoint : "G"
9      Total_Hk_method : 'vectorized'
10     num_bands : 50
11     bands_task : 1
12     initial_plane : 0
13     final_plane : 5
14
15     TOTAL_BANDS :
16
17     ORBITAL_CHARACTER :
18
19     PLANE_PROJECTION :
20
21         PLOT_ADJUST :
22             plotstyle : "default"
23             xy_limits : *limxy
24             colormap : "plasma"
25             background_color : "k"
26             point_size : 4
27             fig_size : [6,6]
28             axis_adjust : [0.22, 0.15, 0.9, 0.9] #[left, bottom, right, top]
29             title : ""
30             title_size : 18
31             shadow_above_Ef : 0.0
32             shadow_color : 'k'
33
34         COLORBAR :
35             location : [0.8, 0.2, 0.045, 0.27] #[x, y, width, height]
36             textbar : ['min','max']
37             fontsize : 15
38             fontcolor : 'w'
39
40         LABELS :
41             xlabel : 'K$_{//}$ [$\AA^{-1}$]'
42             xfontsize : 18
43             ylabel : 'E-E$_{F}$ [eV]'
44             yfontsize : 18
45             ticksize : 17
46
47         SAVING :
48             save_bands : no
49             save_plot : yes
50             format : '.png'
51             dpi : 300
52
53     ...

```

In this last example, we will project the bandstructure onto a set of planes. Consider the following line:

```
$ python BP-bands.py -id run2 -ph MGX -kp 1000 -tk 2 -nb 50 -xy -0.25 0.5 -0.35 0.03 -pi 0 -pf 2
```

As we can note, the line is almost identical to the last example except for the task parameter, which is equal to 2 for the projection onto planes, and the two additional parameters: initial plane (*pi*) and final plane (*pf*). These new parameters allow for projecting the bandstructure onto the set given by [*pi*, *pf*-1] planes. In consequence, the projection will be done onto the two first planes. The output plot is:

