

GPAW for developers

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Requirements for GPAW

- The Python interpreter - version 2.3 or better.
- A C-compiler.
- Non-standard Python packages:
 - Numeric.
 - ASE (<http://wiki.fysik.dtu.dk/ase>).
- Libraries:
 - BLAS.
 - LAPACK.
 - (MPI)

Installing GPAW

- System administrator:
 - Unpack the tar-file (get it from <http://wiki.fysik.dtu.dk/gpaw/Download>).
 - `python setup.py install`
- User:
 - `svn checkout https://svn.berlios.de/svnroot/repos/gridpaw/trunk gpaw`
 - `python setup.py install --home=$HOME`
 - Put `$HOME/lib/python` in your `$PYTHONPATH`
- Developer:
 - `svn checkout https://jensj@svn.berlios.de/svnroot/repos/gridpaw/trunk gpaw`
 - `python setup.py build_ext`
 - Put `$HOME/gpaw` in your `$PYTHONPATH`

Setups:

- Unpack the tar-file from the wiki (or make your own setups).
- Point `$GPAW_SETUP_PATH` at the directory containing the setup files:
 - `$GPAW_SETUP_PATH=$HOME/setups`
 - `$GPAW_SETUP_PATH=$HOME/mysetups:/usr/share/gpaw/setups`

Python rules and tricks

- 1) Use an editor that knows about Python!
- 2) Never ever put tab's in Python code!
- 3) Always use four spaces for indentation!

Turn on tab-completion for interactive Python sessions.

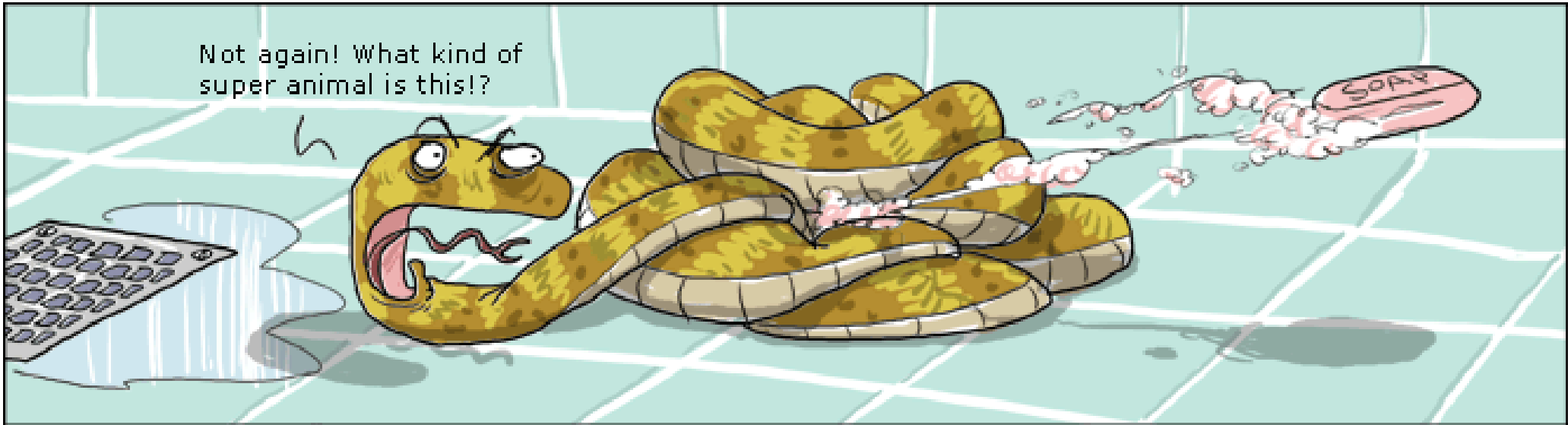
Set `$PYTHONSTARTUP=$HOME/.pythonrc` and put this in the startup file:

```
import rlcompleter
import readline
readline.parse_and_bind('tab: complete')
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`alias p=python`

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Not again! What kind of
super animal is this?



Python attacks a bar of soap

GPAW's directory structure

```
/gpaw/setup.py
  config.py
  README.txt
  gpaw/paw.py
    nucleus.py
    ...
    mpi/...
    atom/...
    utilities/...
    eigensolvers/...
  c/_gpaw.c
    ...
    bmgf/...
  test/test.py
    ...
  demo/H.py
    ...
  tools/gpaw-setup
  scripts/moleculetest.py
```

The Paw.find_ground_state() SCF loop

Before entering the loop we must have a density, a potential and an orthonormalized set of wave functions:

$$n_{\sigma}(\vec{r}) = \tilde{n}_{\sigma}(\vec{r}) + \sum_a \sum_{i_1 i_2} D_{\sigma i_1 i_2}^a [\phi_{i_1}^a(\vec{r} - \vec{R}^a) \phi_{i_2}^a(\vec{r} - \vec{R}^a) - \tilde{\phi}_{i_1}^a(\vec{r} - \vec{R}^a) \tilde{\phi}_{i_2}^a(\vec{r} - \vec{R}^a)]$$

$$\hat{H}_{\sigma} = -\frac{1}{2} \nabla^2 + \tilde{v}_{\sigma}(\vec{r}) + \sum_a \sum_{i_1 i_2} |\tilde{p}_{i_1}^a\rangle \Delta H_{\sigma i_1 i_2}^a \langle \tilde{p}_{i_2}^a|$$

$$\langle \tilde{\Psi}_{\sigma \vec{k} n} | \hat{S} | \tilde{\Psi}_{\sigma \vec{k} m} \rangle = \delta_{nm}, \quad \hat{S} = 1 + \sum_a \sum_{i_1 i_2} |\tilde{p}_{i_1}^a\rangle \Delta S_{i_1 i_2}^a \langle \tilde{p}_{i_2}^a|$$

Inside the loop this equation is solved:

$$(\hat{H}_{\sigma} - \epsilon_{\sigma \vec{k} n} \hat{S}) \Psi_{\sigma \vec{k} n} = 0$$

Mapping between formulas and variable names

$$D_{\sigma i_1 i_2}^a$$

nuclei[a].D_sp[s, p]

$$\tilde{n}_{\sigma}(\vec{r})$$

nt_sG[s, nx, ny, nz] or nt_sg[s, nx, ny, nz]

$$Q_{lm}^a$$

nuclei[a].Q_L[L]

$$\vec{F}^a = -\frac{\partial E}{\partial \vec{R}^a}$$

F_ac[a, c]

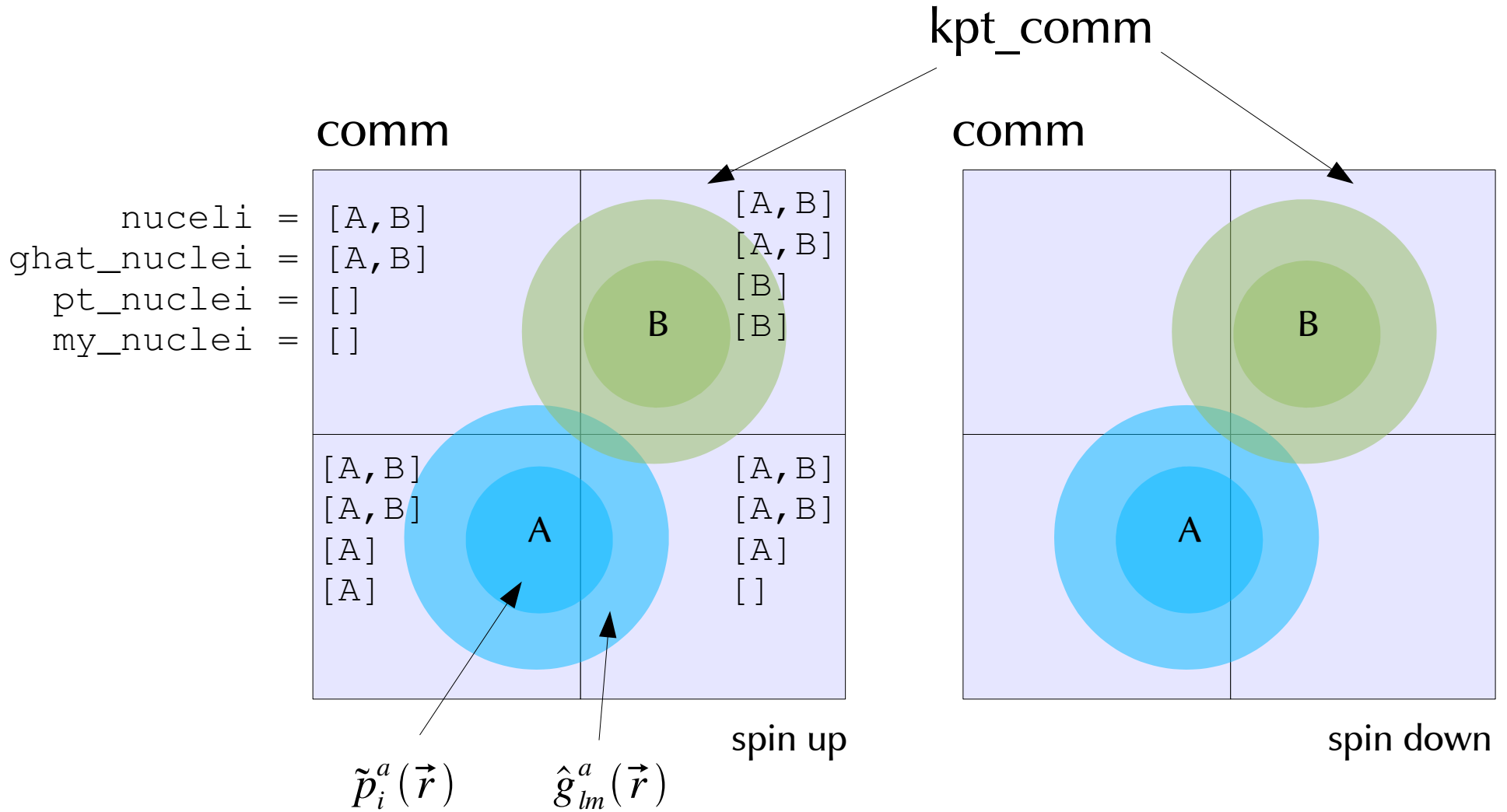
$$P_{\sigma \vec{k} n i} = \langle \tilde{p}_i^a | \tilde{\Psi}_{\sigma \vec{k} n} \rangle$$

nuclei[a].P_uni[u, n, i]

$$\tilde{\Psi}_{\sigma \vec{k} n}(\vec{r})$$

kpt_u[u].psit_nG[n, nx, ny, nz]

Parallelization



Optimization

- All loops over grid points are already in C-code:
 - Numeric.
 - GPAW's own C-code.
 - BLAS/LAPACK/MPI.
- The inner loops of the parts with quadratic and cubic scaling has been somewhat optimized!

- GPAW's own C-code.
- Parallel runs:
 - ScaLAPACK?
 - Do more than one band at a time?
- Linear scaling parts of the code.

Work to be done:

- Make the Numeric to numpy transition.
- More output formats:
 - NetCDF.
 - Simple tar-file.
 - HDF?
- Rewrite parallel code:
 - Allow different number of grid points on different CPU's.
 - More efficient communication.
- Non-orthorhombic unit cells?
- Normconserving pseudopotentials?
- Text-output needs some love and care!
- Efficient storage of Gaunt-coefficients and other large tensors.

Wannier functions and linear scaling

