

# Periodic Structures

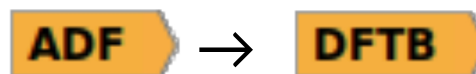
▶ File → Import Coordinates → cif/POSCAR/xyz

▶ SCM extended xyz-format

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▶ Common structures from library

▶ Switch to periodic engine e.g.

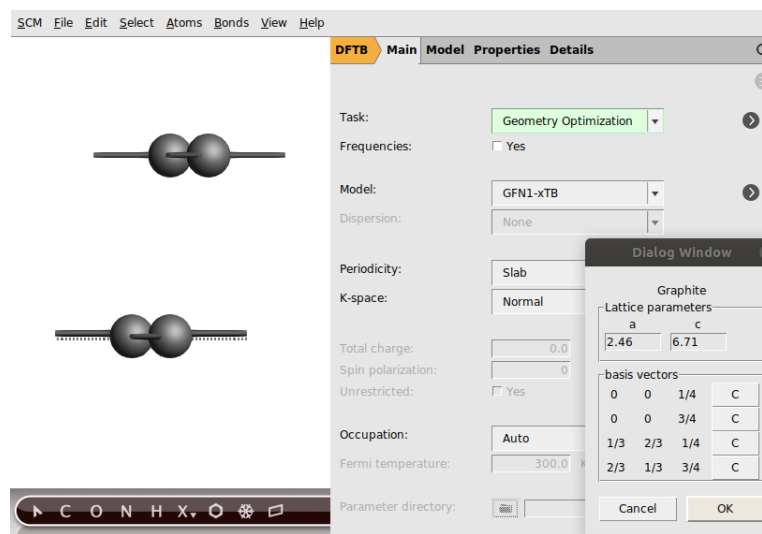


▶ Periodicity → Bulk

▶ Crystal structure library:



→ Hexagonal → Graphite

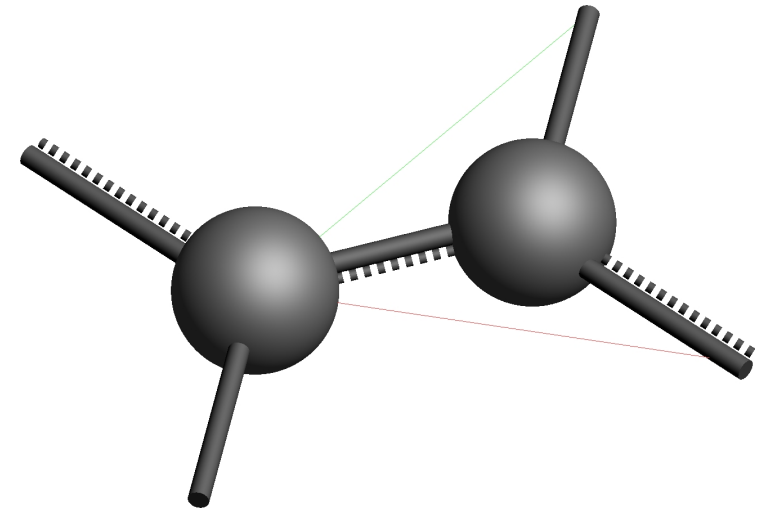


The screenshot shows the SCM software interface. The main window displays the DFTB engine settings, including Task: Geometry Optimization, Model: GFN1-xTB, and Periodicity: Slab. A dialog window titled "Dialog Window" is open, showing the Graphite lattice parameters: a = 2.46, c = 6.71, and the basis vectors: (0, 0, 1/4), (0, 0, 3/4), (1/3, 2/3, 1/4), and (2/3, 1/3, 3/4).

# Slab Models for Surfaces

- ▶ Manually: **Periodicity** → **Slab**
- ▶ Create surface
  - ▶ **Edit** → **Crystal** → **Generate Slab**
  - ▶ Set Miller indices. Here: **0 0 1**
  - ▶ Number of layers: **1**
- ▶ Select and delete one carbon layer


Tip: use hotkeys **ctrl + 1**, **ctrl + 2**, **ctrl + 3** to switch perspectives



Tip: **Edit** → **Crystal**  
→ **Map Atoms to (0 .. 1)**

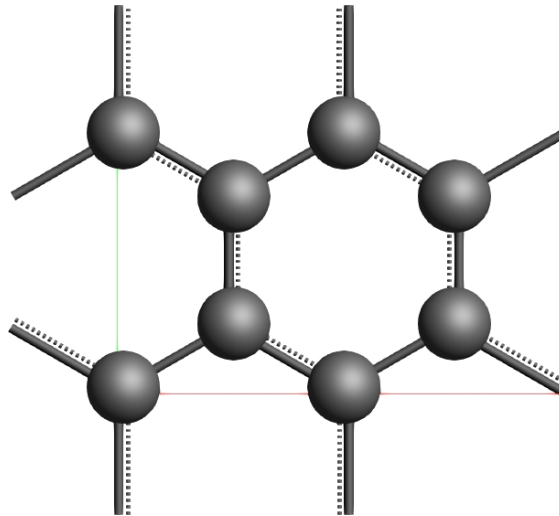
# Lattice Optimization



- ▶ Consistent geometry: needs lattice optimization (using GFN-xTB here)
  - ▶ Task → Geometry Optimization
  - ▶ Further Geometry Optimization details: click on 
  - ▶ Optimize Lattice → tick  Yes
- ▶ Save and run calculation: **File → Run**
- ▶ Switch to amsmovie to check optimization: **SCM → Movie**
- ▶ After calculation, use structure directly in new calculation

# Supercells

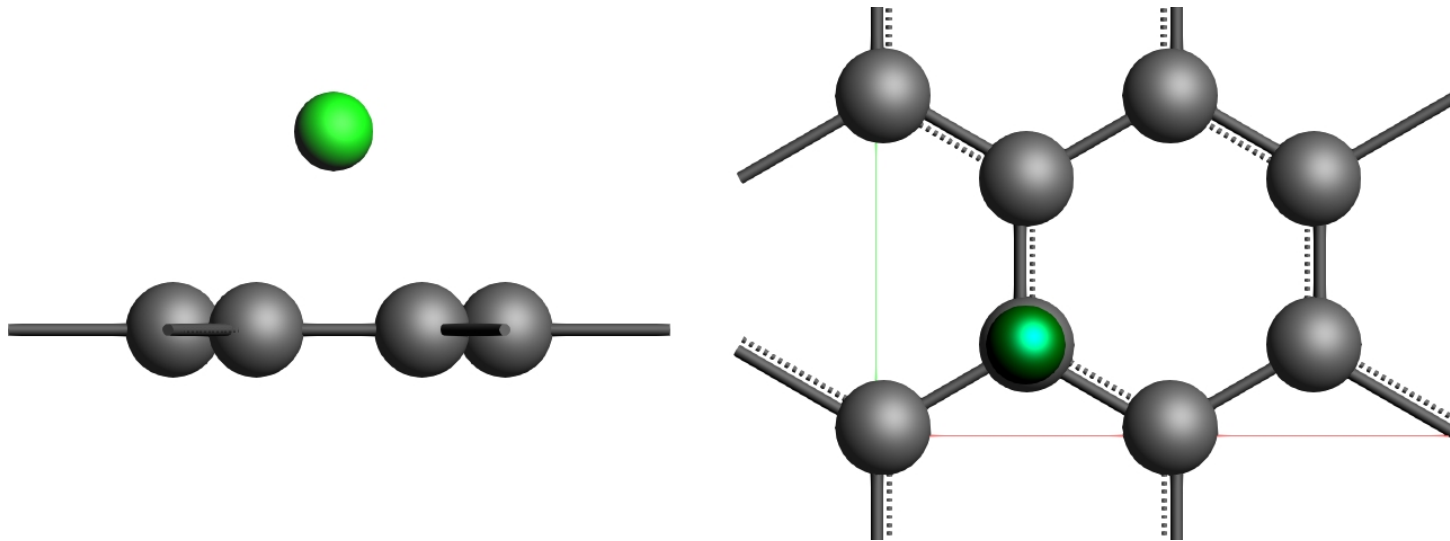
- ▶ Adsorption needs a bigger unit cell
  - ▶ Edit → Crystal → Generate Super Cell..
  - ▶ Enter coefficients  $2\ 0$  and  $-1\ 2$  in popup mask for rectangular cell




- ▶ Export Coordinates → `.xyz` and save for later

# Adsorption Complex



- ▶ Click  and select **F** in the periodic table
- ▶ Place F-atom on top of Graphene layer, above a C-atom



- ▶ Task → Geometry Optimization →  → Disable lattice optimization
- ▶ Run optimization, load structure into input afterwards
- ▶ Export Coordinates → `.xyz` and save for later

# DFT Calculations for DOS & Band Structure

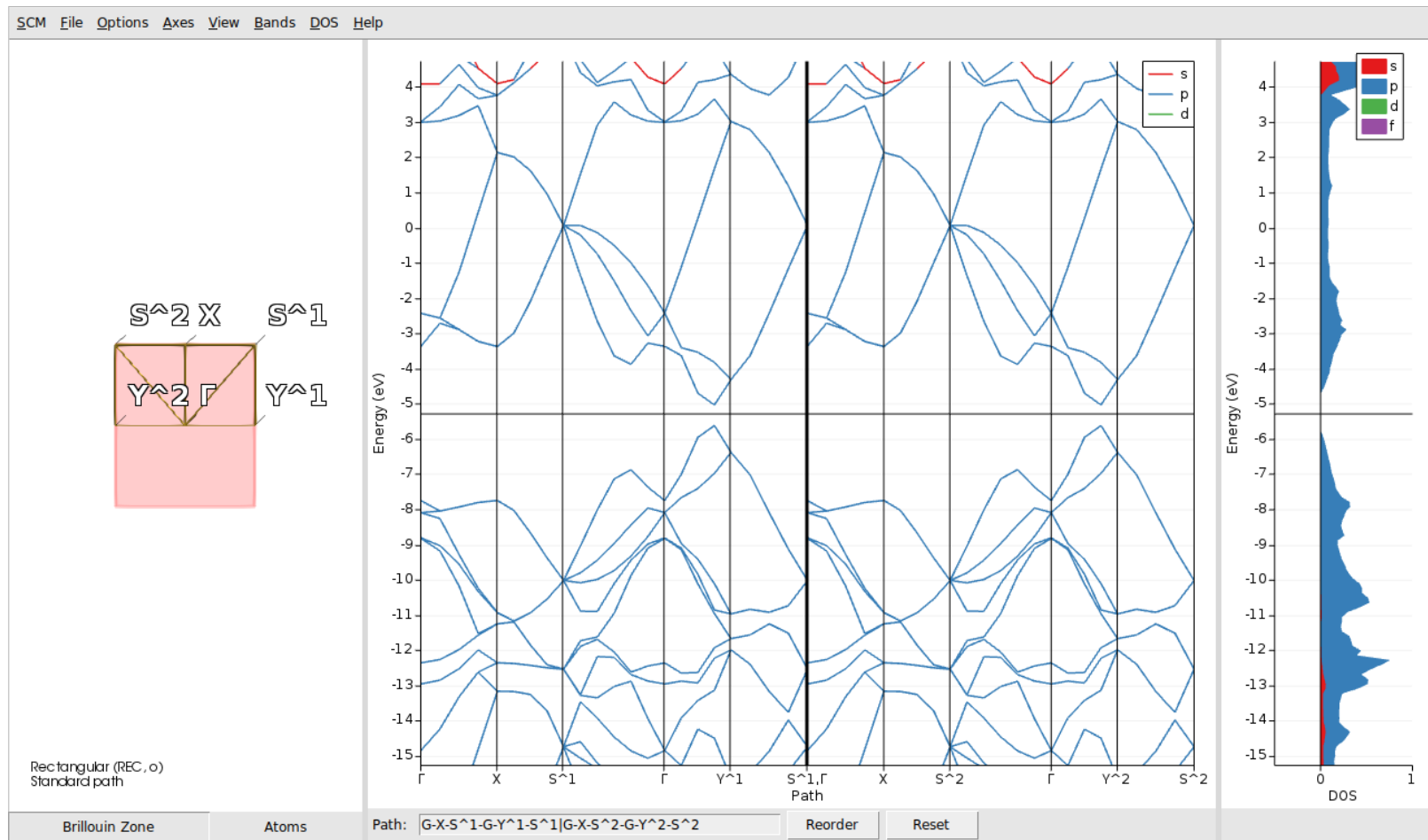


- ▶ Open new input
- ▶ File → Import Coordinates to load adsorption complex geometry
- ▶ Switch to BAND  → 
- ▶ Task → Single Point
- ▶ Calculate DOS → tick  Yes  
Calculate band structure → tick  Yes
- ▶ Run calculation
- ▶ Repeat for Graphene Supercell structure

# DOS & Band Structure



- ▶ SCM → band structure to visualize results



# DOS & Band Structure



- ▶ projected DOS
  - ▶ Switch to **Atoms** view and select atom(s)
  - ▶ Right-click on selection and pick the orbitals of interest

