

ON THE CRITERION OF THE CONSTRUCTION
OF A LOCAL MODEL POTENTIAL FOR SILICON

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The electron energy band spectra of silicon have been calculated by using an analytic approximant of the total atomic potential in the direct space with regard for a finite size of a model Coulomb well in a vicinity of the atomic nucleus. The band energies have been evaluated in a wide range of the single parameter β defining the well depth. The approximate criterion for the choice of β for silicon has been obtained. The Hamiltonian matrix has been calculated within the mixed basis (MB) of one-particle states consisting of core Bloch functions and plane waves. The reasons for a considerable dispersion of the band energies calculated with different pseudopotentials justified in the density functional theory are qualitatively established.