

# Siesta

**Purpose:** Ab initio electronic structure, Molecular Dynamics

**Latest version:** 4.1

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**Website:** [https://departments.icmab.es/\\_ext-link](https://departments.icmab.es/_ext-link)

Siesta is a program for ab initio electronic structure and molecular dynamics of solids and molecules.

Siesta applies DFT hamiltonians (LDA, GGA) to strictly localized numerical basis sets and non-local pseudopotentials to obtain electronic structures. From these it can compute solid properties (band structure, DOS, k-space sampling, dielectric polarisation, phonons), perform Born-Oppenheimer molecular dynamics (NVT and NPT), and, in recent versions, Van der Waals potentials and ballistic electron transport properties (TranSiesta).

## SLURM Submit script example

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For more information use the *Job Script Generator*.

### Sbatch options:

The options shown in the example are detailed below. For more information and a more comprehensive list of available options, see the *sbatch command page*.

- **-J:** Name for the job's allocation.
- **-e:** Name of the stderr redirection filename.
- **-o:** Name of the stdout redirection filename.

### siesta\_example.slm

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#!/bin/bash
#SBATCH -J siesta_example
#SBATCH -e siesta_example.%j.err
#SBATCH -o siesta_example.%j.out
#SBATCH -p std
#SBATCH -n 1
#SBATCH -t 0-02:00

module load apps/siesta/4.1

##
# Modify the input and output files!
INPUT_FILE=siesta_example.inp
OUTPUT_FILE=siesta_example.out

##
# You don't need to modify nothing more
cp -r ${SLURM_SUBMIT_DIR}/${INPUT_FILE}
${SCRATCH}
cd ${SCRATCH}

srun siesta < ${INPUT_FILE} > ${OUTPUT_FILE}

cp ./${OUTPUT_FILE} ${SLURM_SUBMIT_DIR}
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- **-p:** Name of the partition (queue) where the job will be submitted.
- **-n:** Number of tasks.
- **-c:** Number of cores per task.
- **-t:** Set the job's time limit. If the job don't finish before the time runs out, it will be killed.