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Abstract: Both electrons and nuclei follow the laws of quantum mechanics, and even though classical approximations and/or empirical models can be quite successful in many cases, a full quantum description is needed to achieve predictive simulations of matter. Traditionally, simulations that treat both electrons and nuclei as quantum particles have been prohibitively demanding. I will present several recent algorithmic advances that have increased dramatically the range of systems that are amenable to quantum modeling: on one hand, by using accelerated path integral schemes to treat the nuclear degrees of freedom, and on the other by using machine-learning potentials to reproduce inexpensively high-end electronic-structure calculations. I will give examples of both approaches, and discuss how the two can be used in synergy to make fully quantum modeling affordable.

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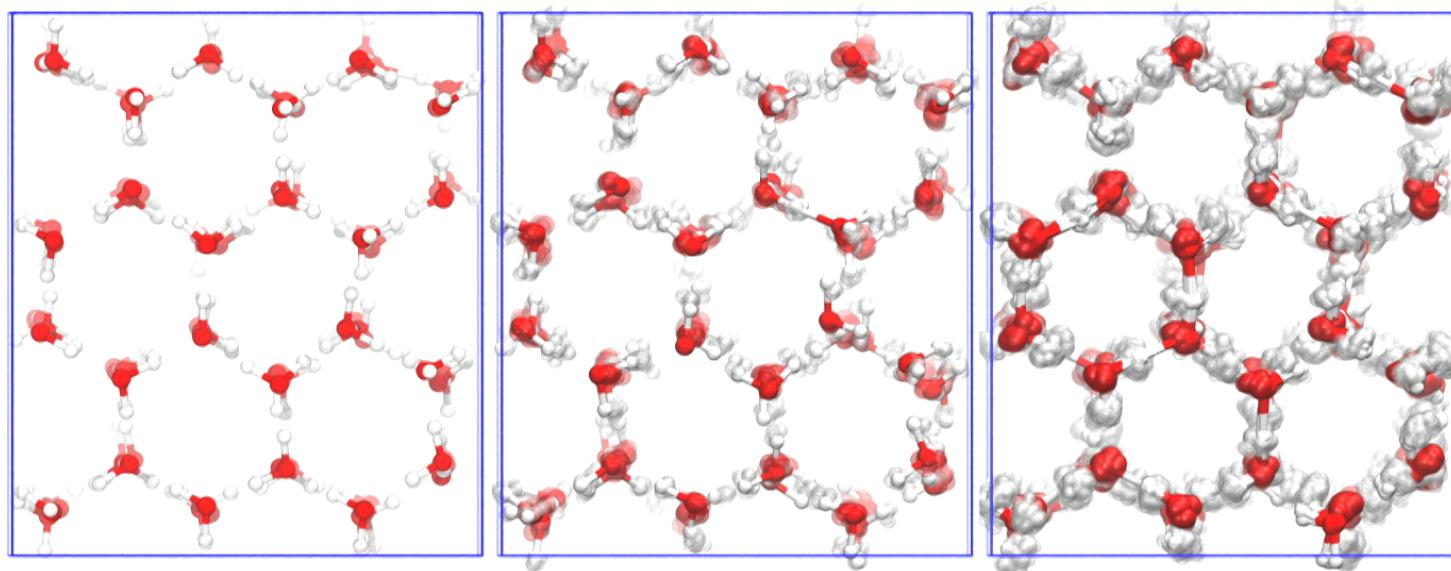
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Fluctuations worth caring about

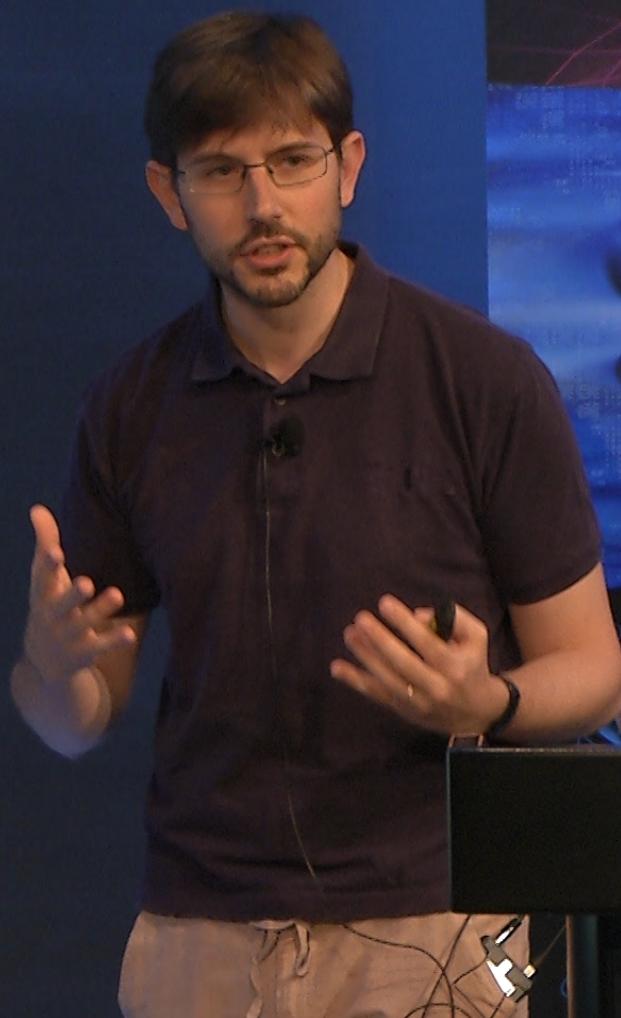
- Potential energy is central to achieve predictive atomic-scale modeling
- The minima of the potential energy surface provide a limited view of the (thermo)dynamics of complex systems



Minimum potential,
 $\partial V / \partial \mathbf{x} = 0$

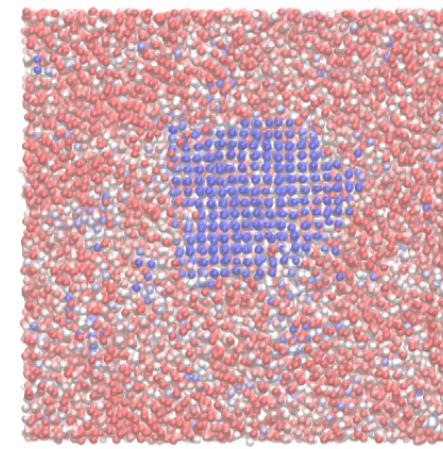
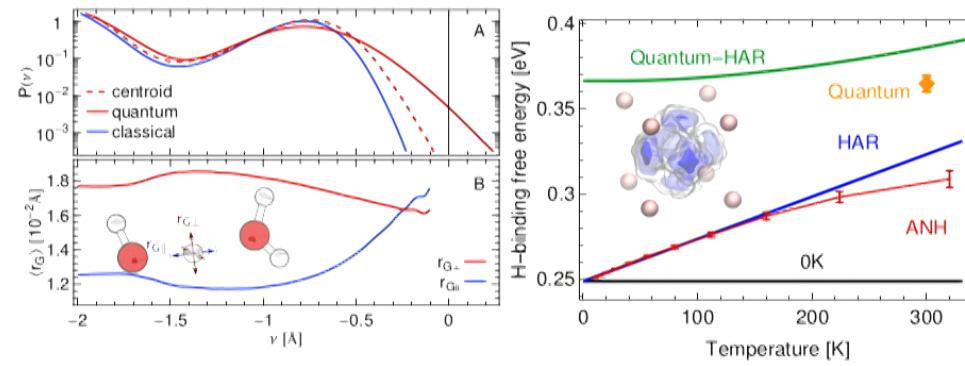
Thermal fluctuations
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Quantum fluctuations
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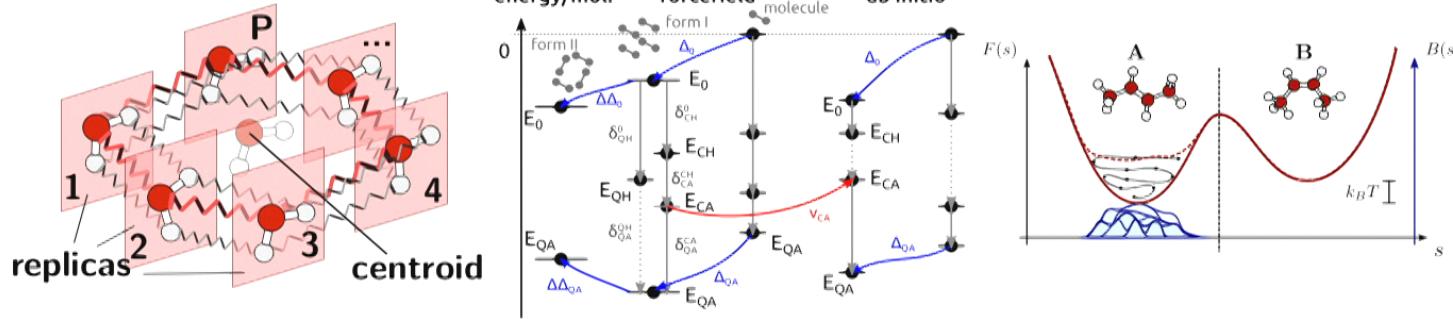
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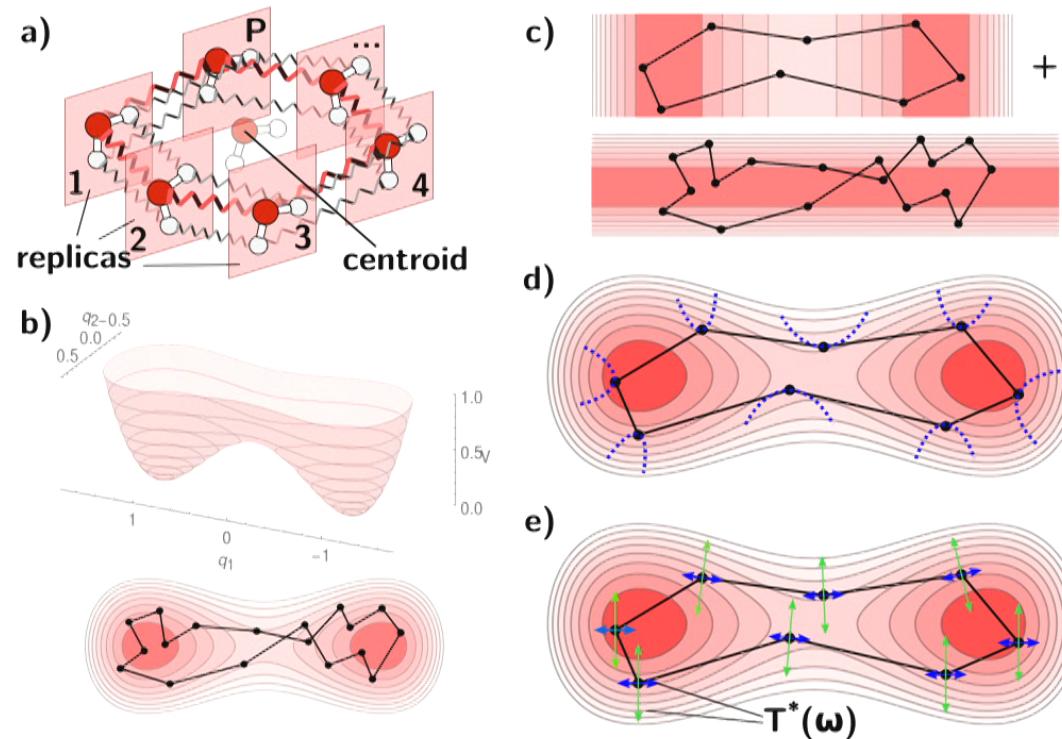
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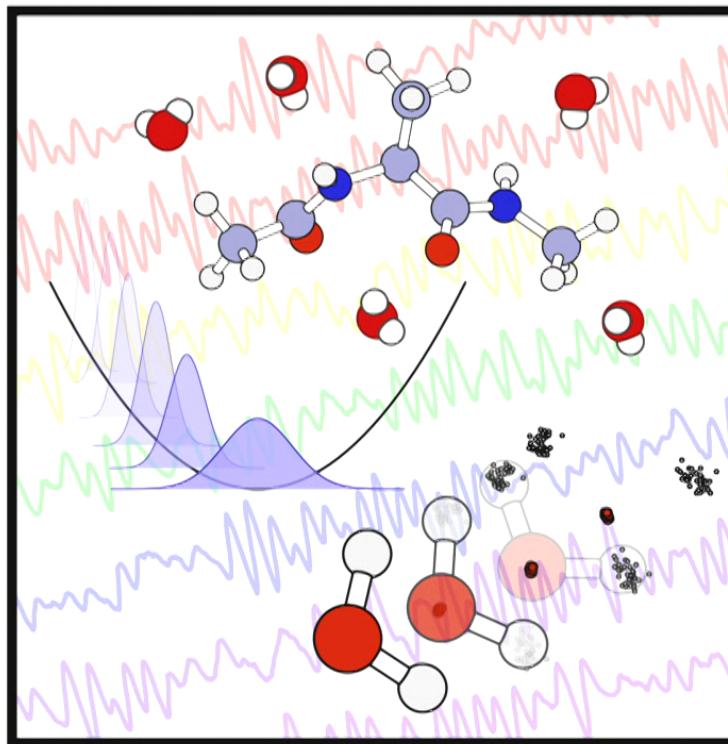
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Markland & Ceriotti, Nature Reviews Chemistry (2018)

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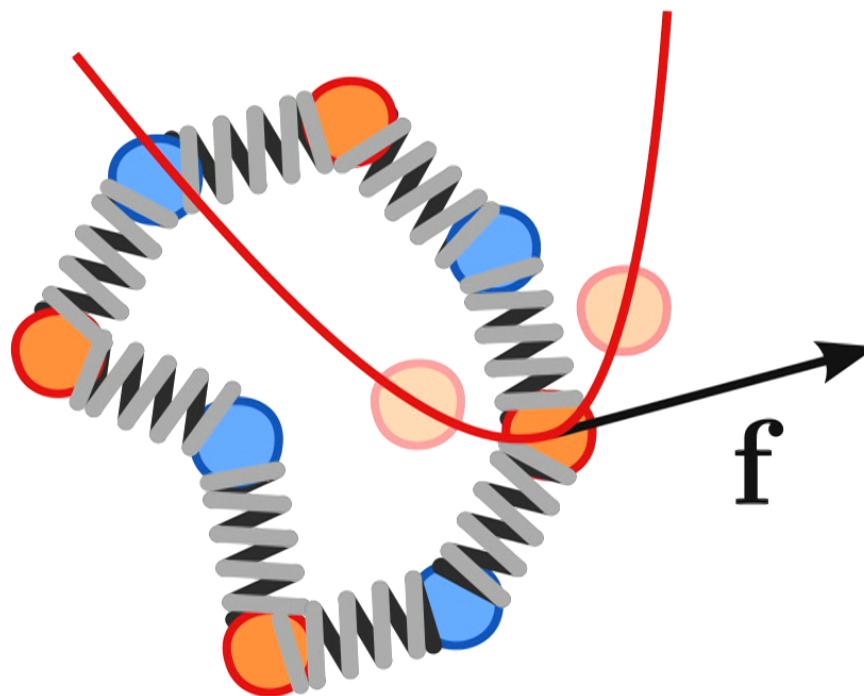
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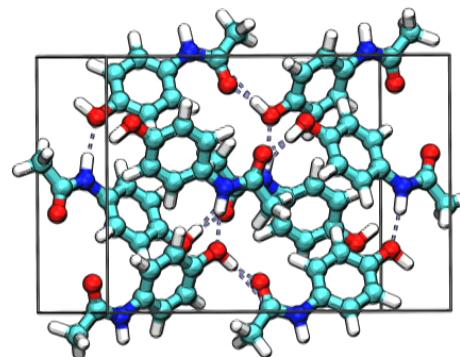
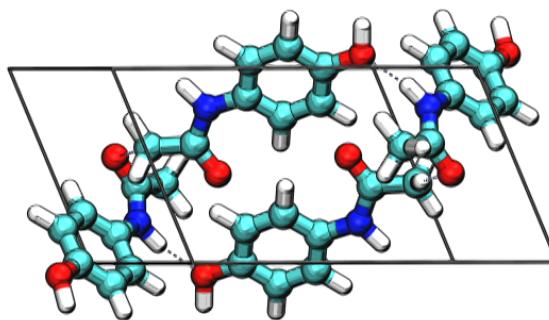


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The full quantum deal

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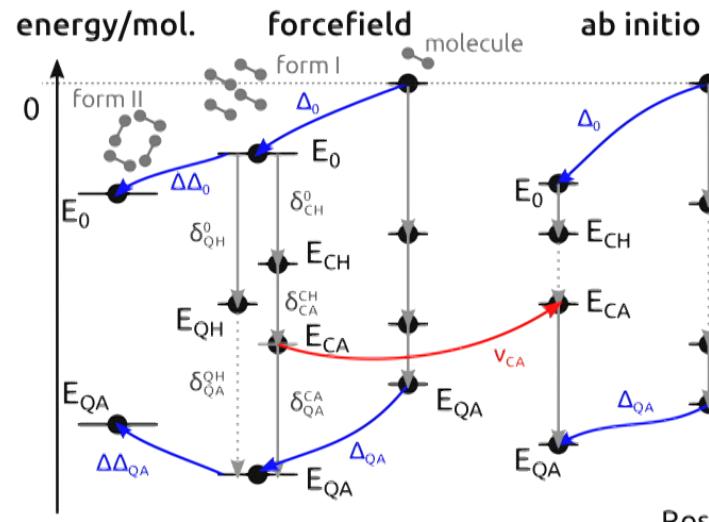
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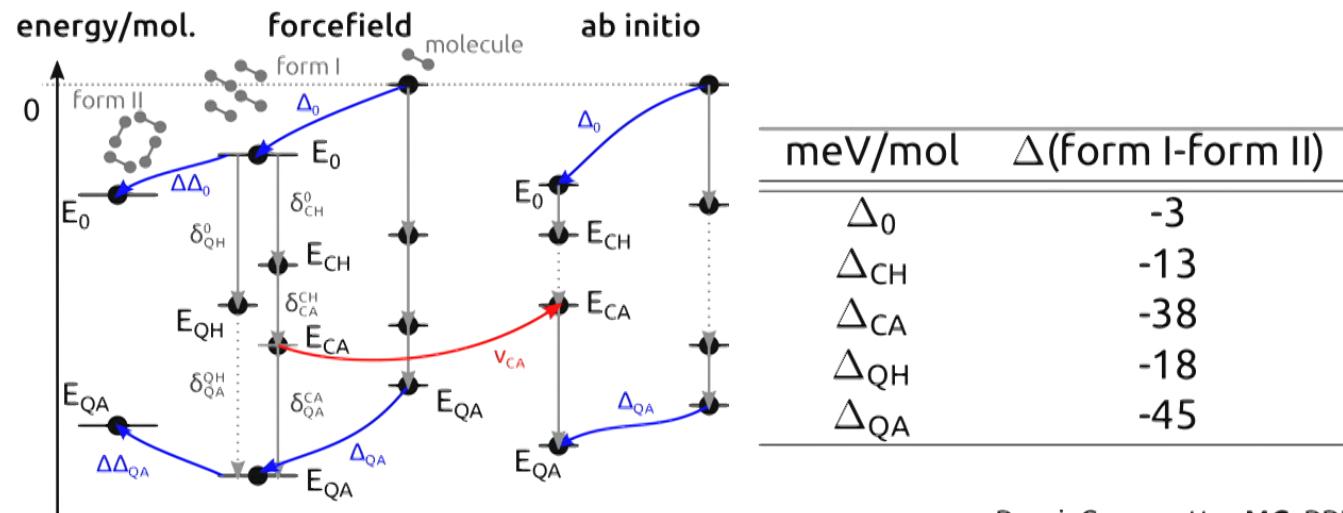
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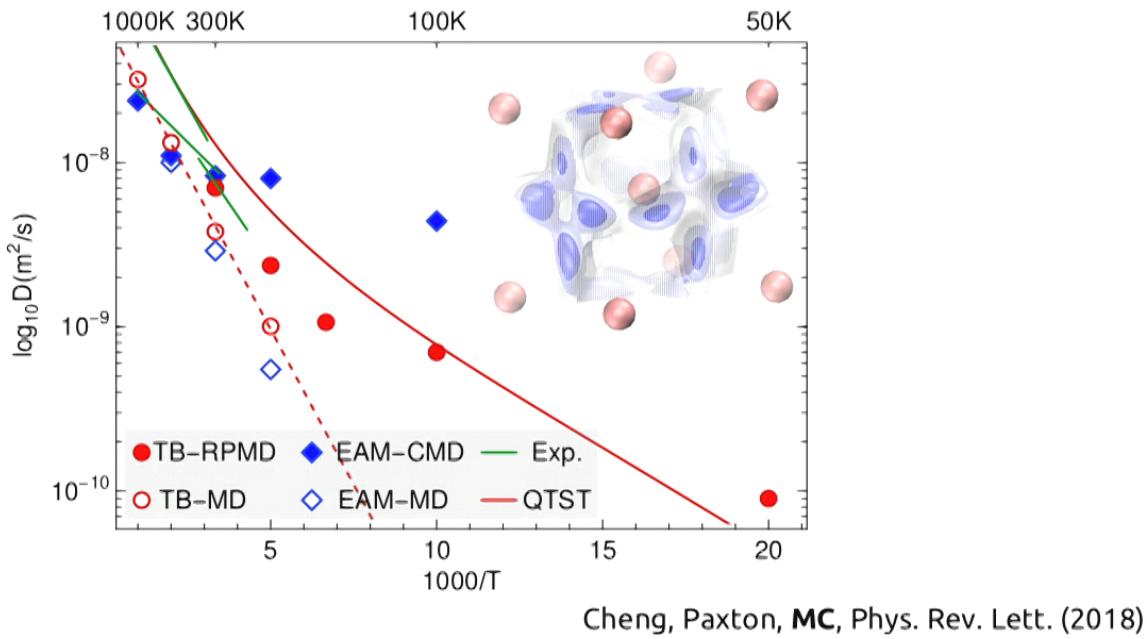
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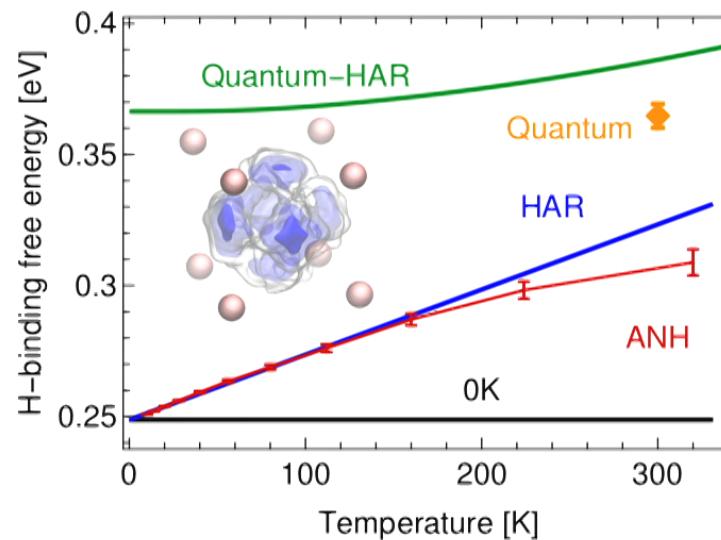
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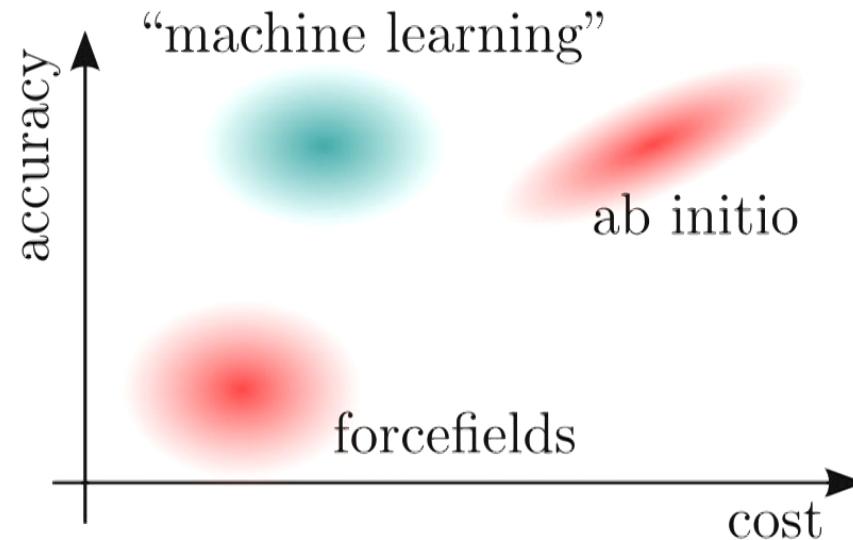
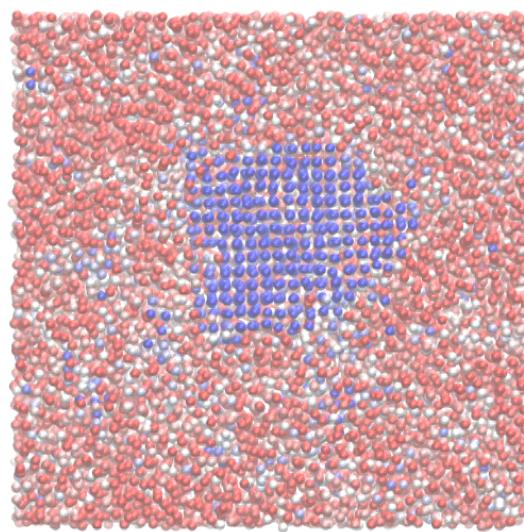


Cheng, Paxton, **MC**, Phys. Rev. Lett. (2018)

Machine learning: why do I care

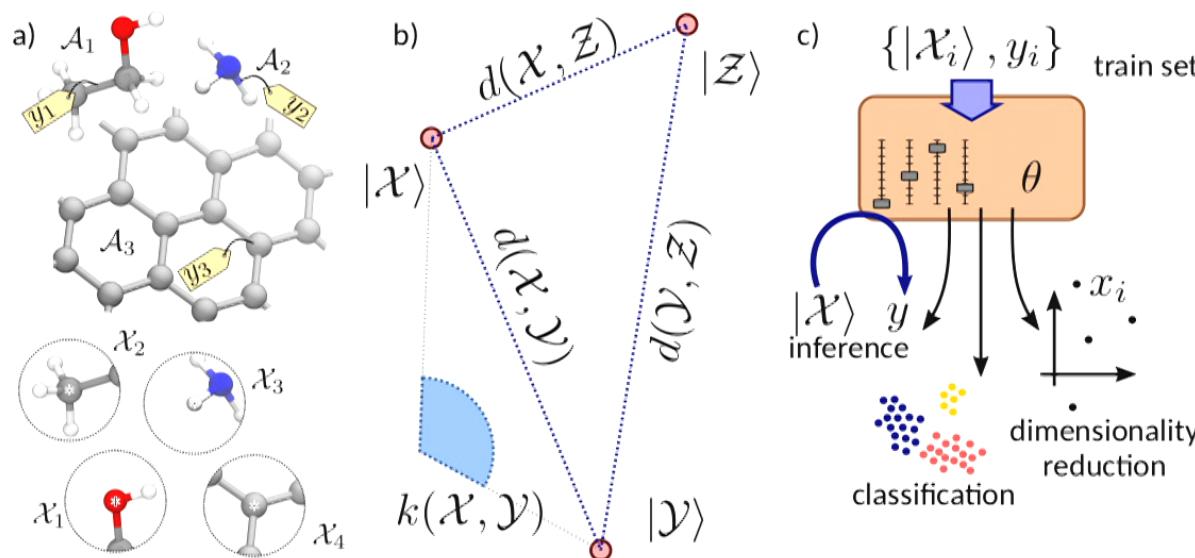
Machine learning for statistical sampling

- As much as one can improve sampling methods, convergence still requires millions of energy/force/properties evaluations. Inevitable tradeoff between cost, accuracy and transferability.
- Sampling is a very favorable scenario for ML because it often involves relatively minor variations around meta-stable states



Machine-learning in a nutshell

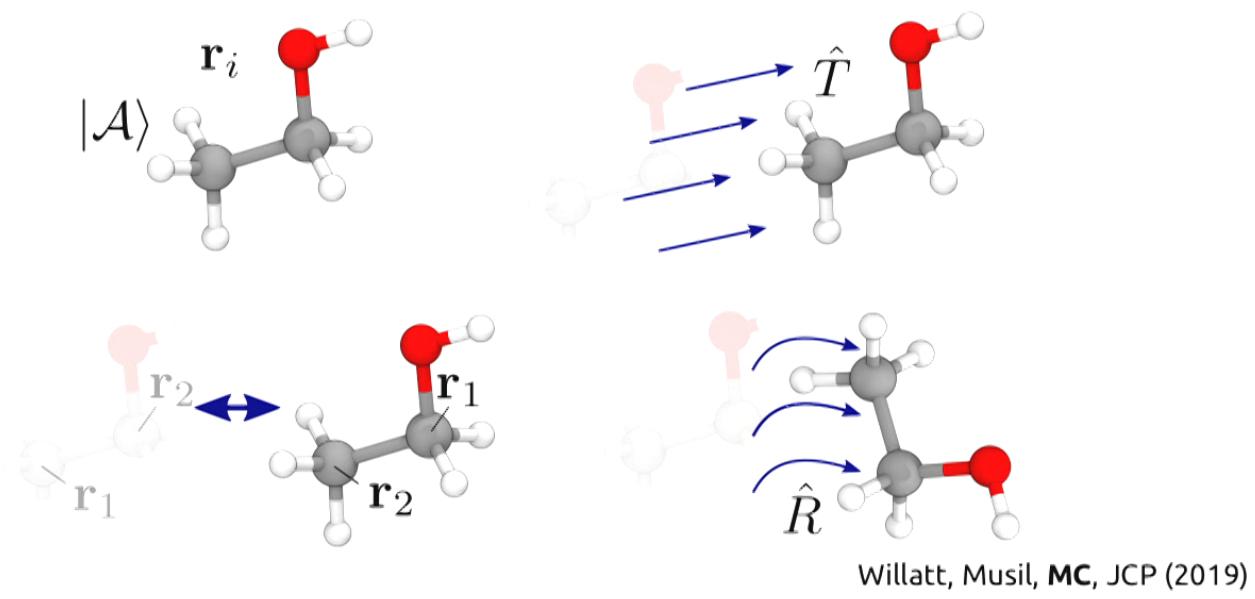
- Chemical structures/environments need to be cast in a complete but concise mathematical representation
- The input/label pairs are fed to a learning scheme, tuned by hyperparameters θ , that can then be used to perform different tasks on new data



JCP Perspective, MC, JCP (2019)

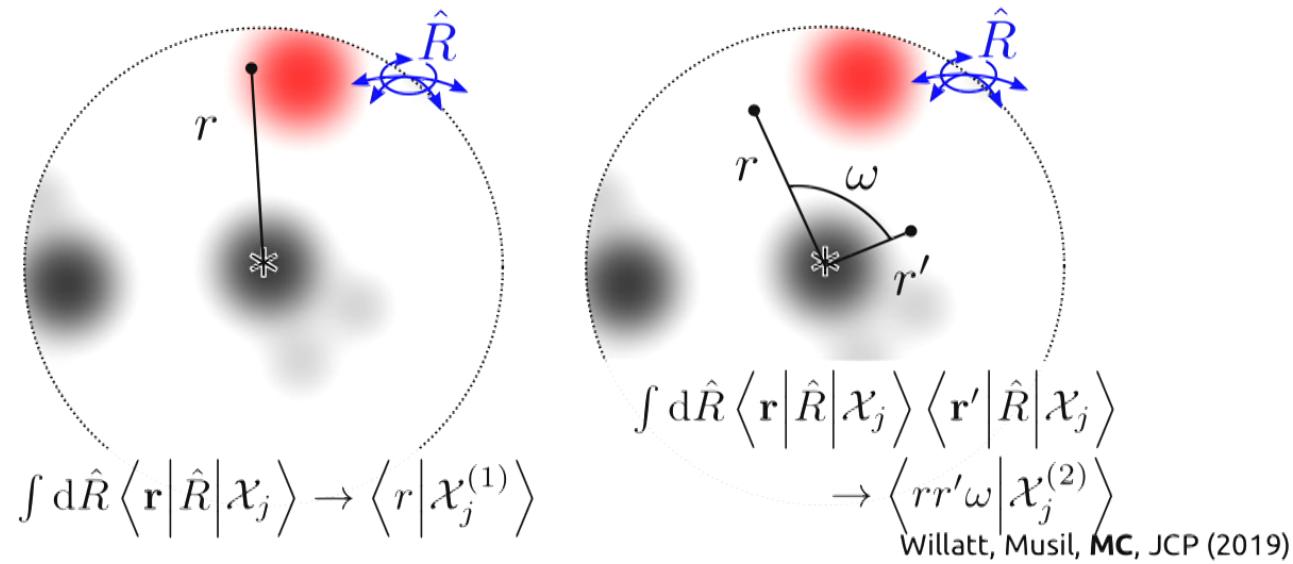
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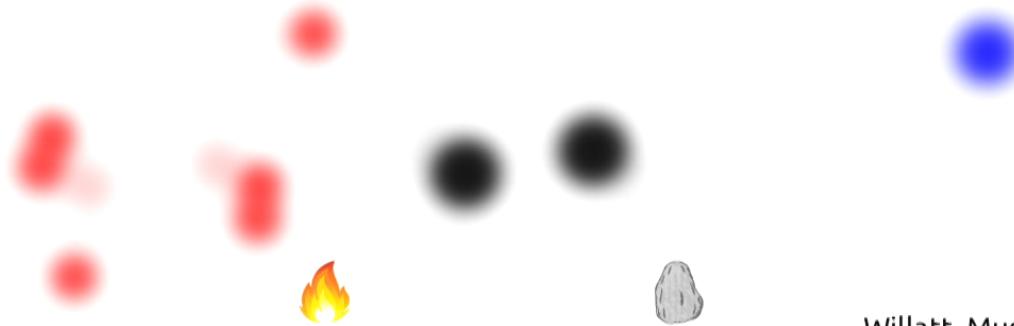
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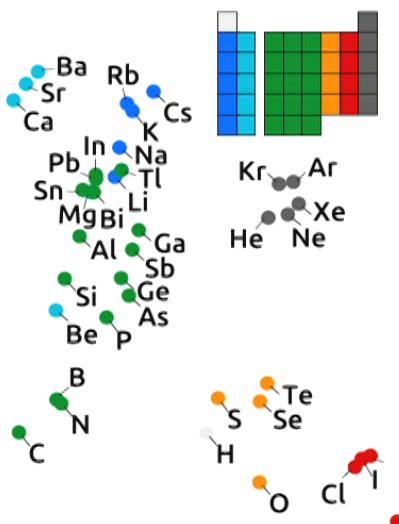
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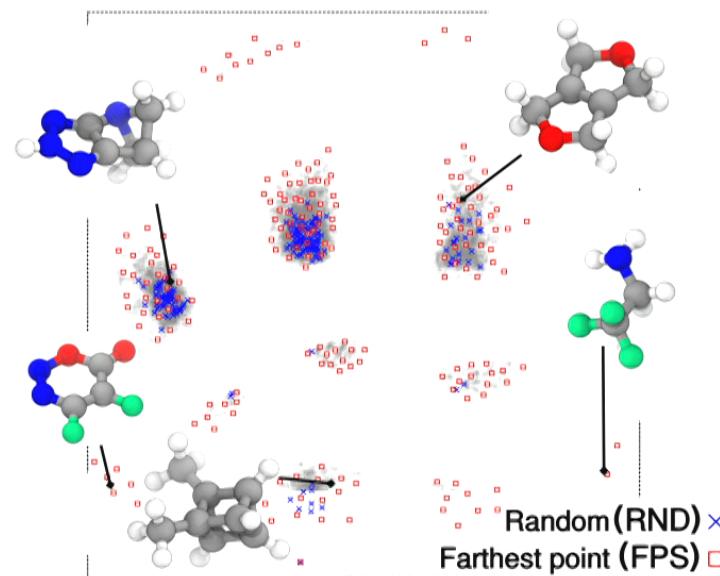
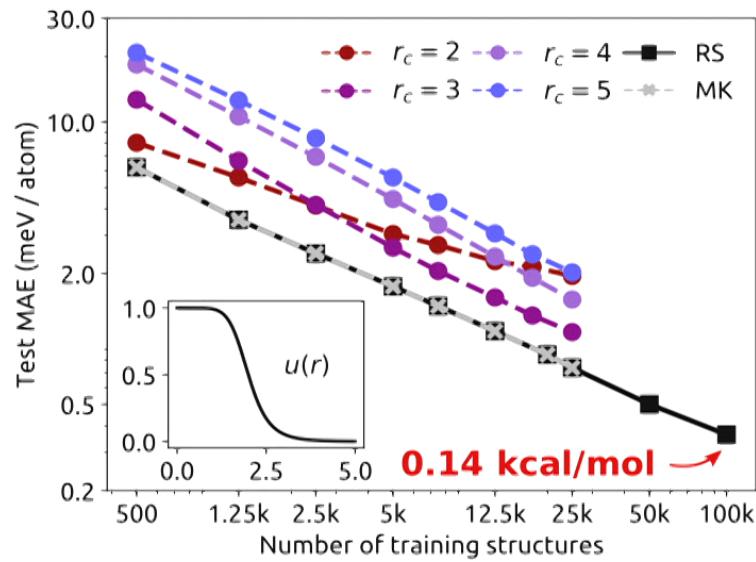


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Li	Be	B	C	N	O	F
Na	Mg	Al	Si	P	S	Cl
K	Ca	Ga	Ge	As	Se	Br
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A brief overview of ML applications

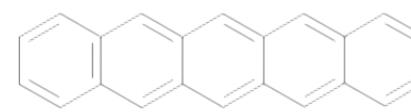
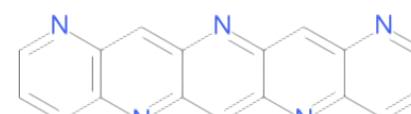
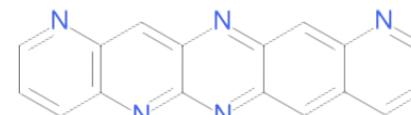
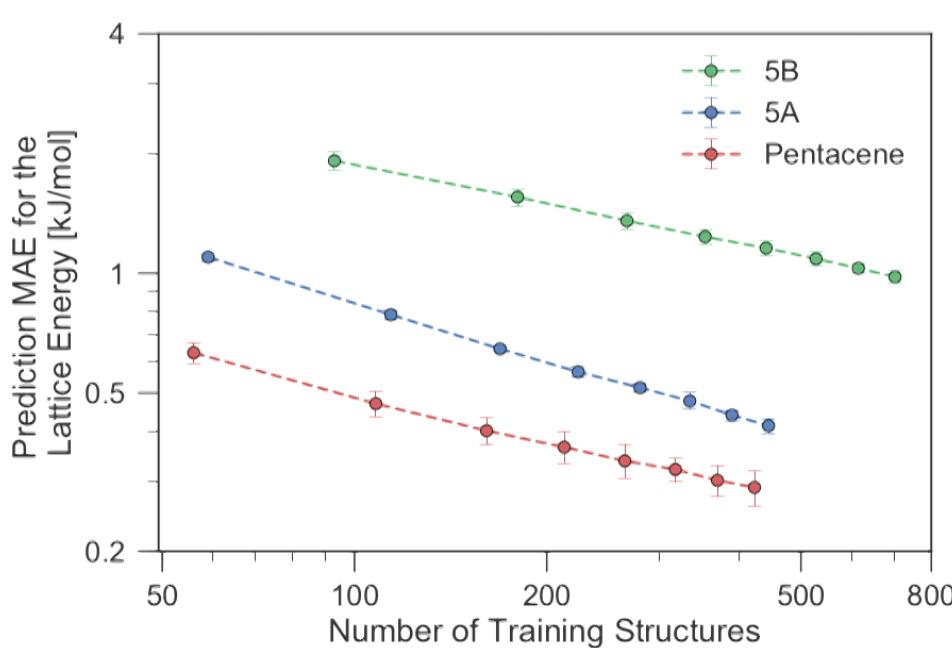
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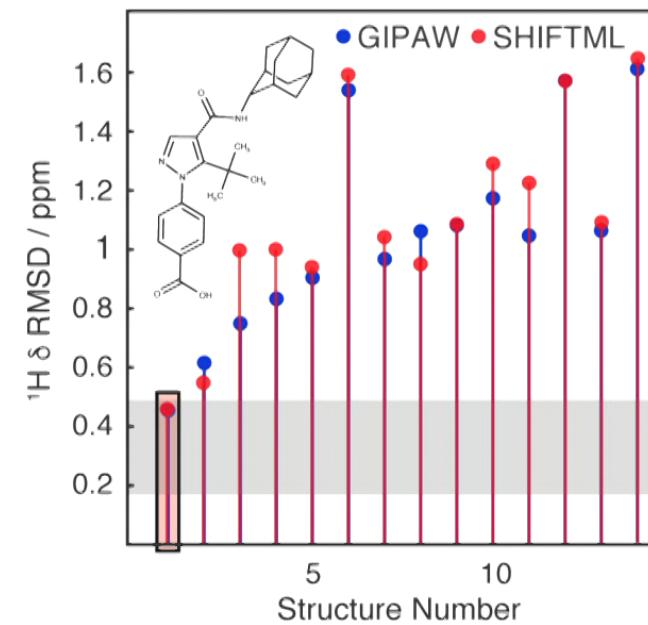
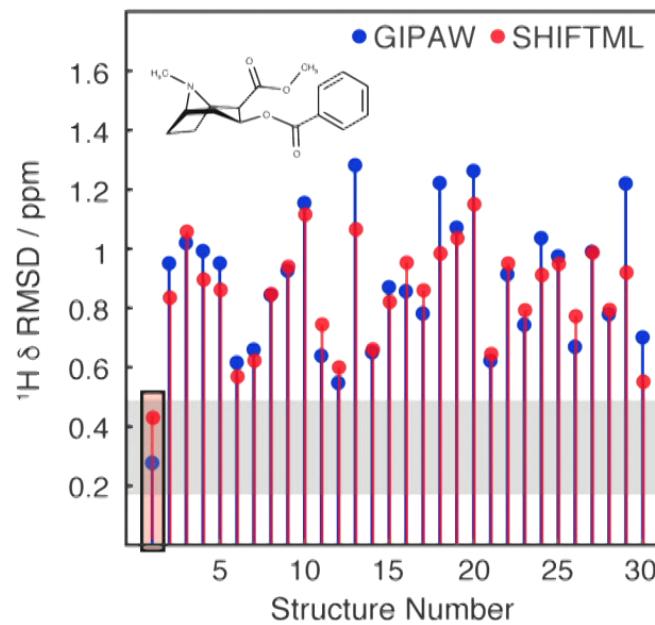
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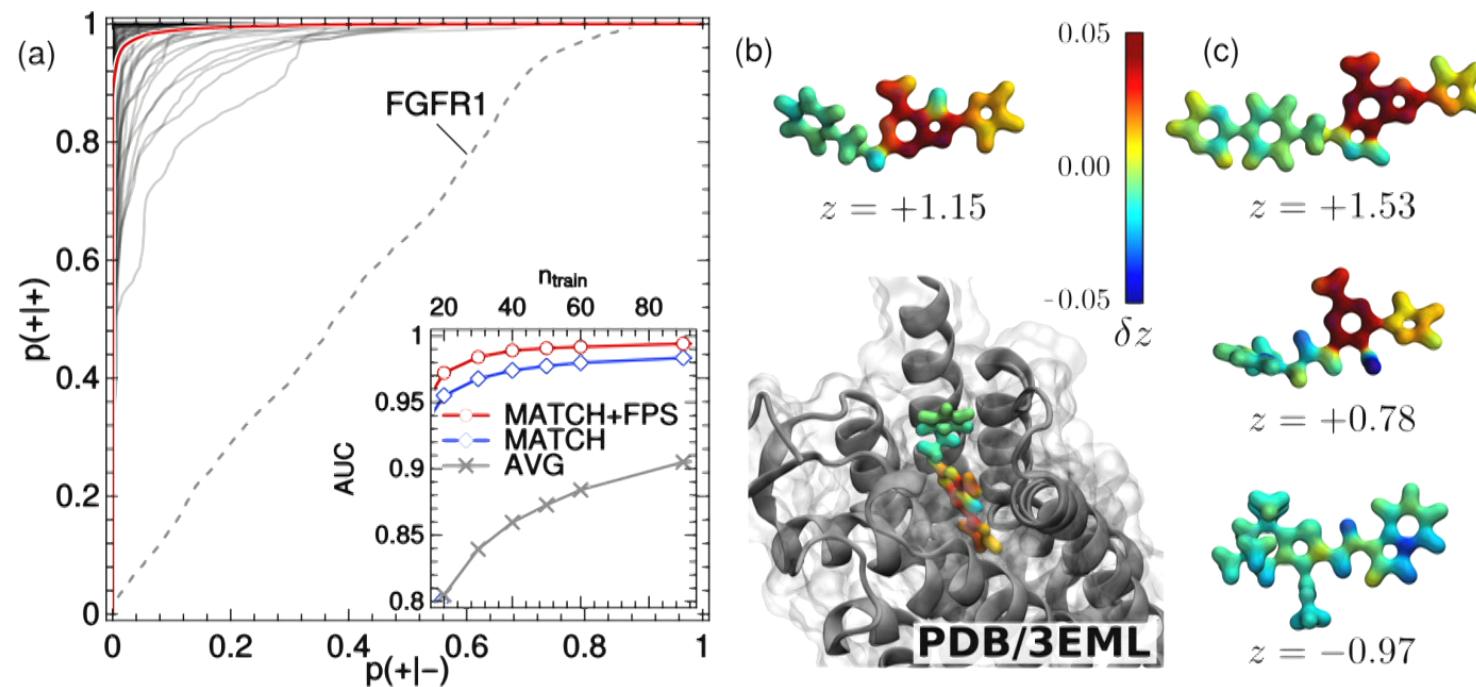
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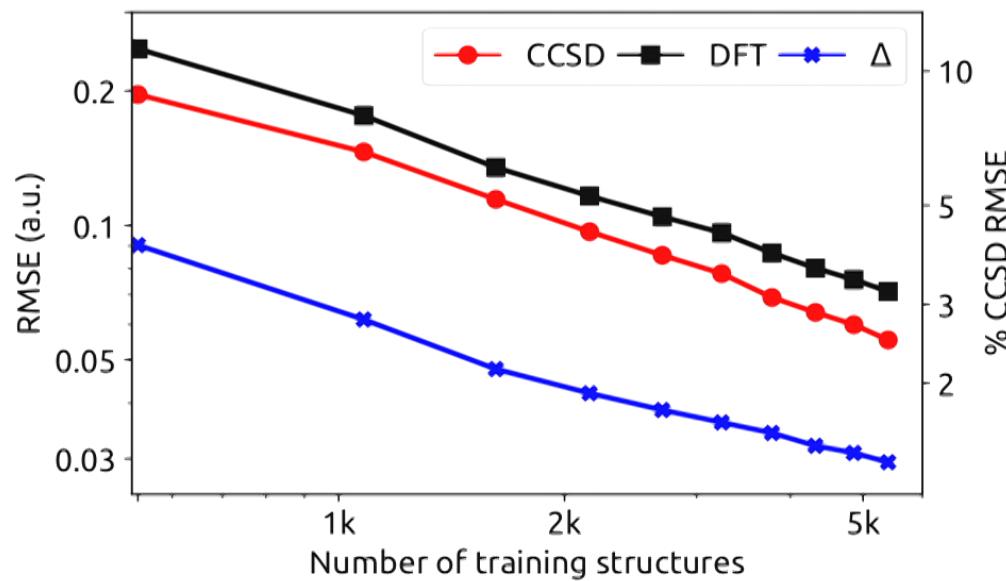
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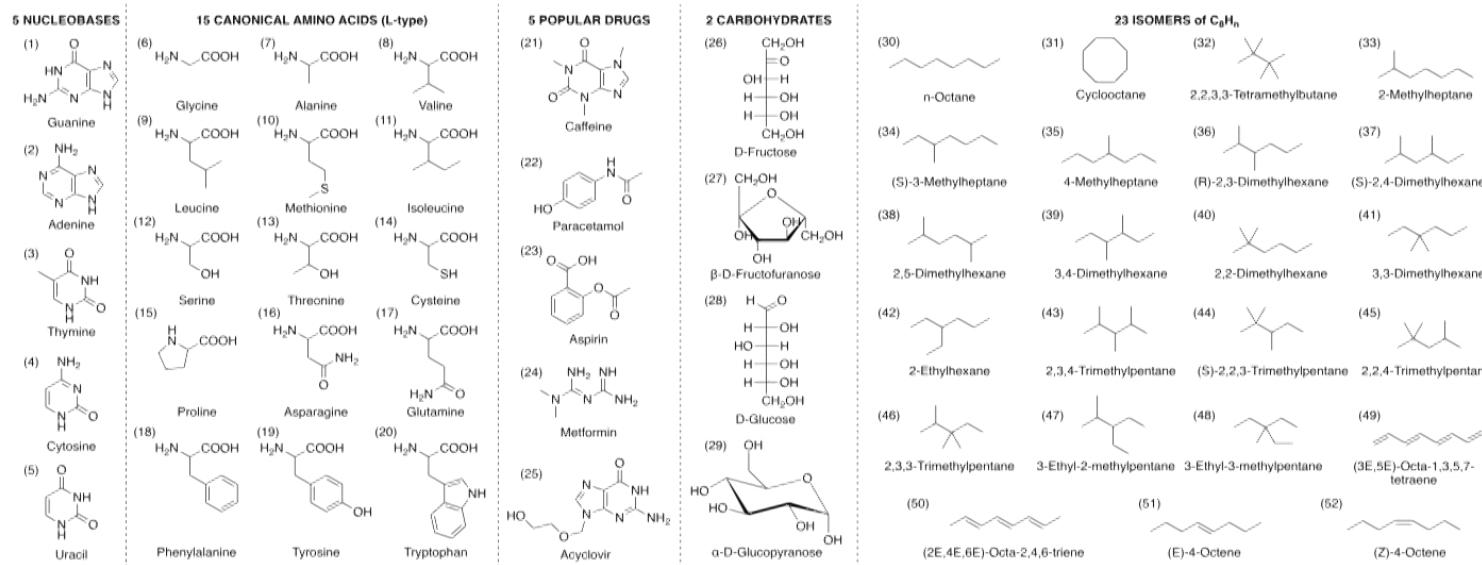
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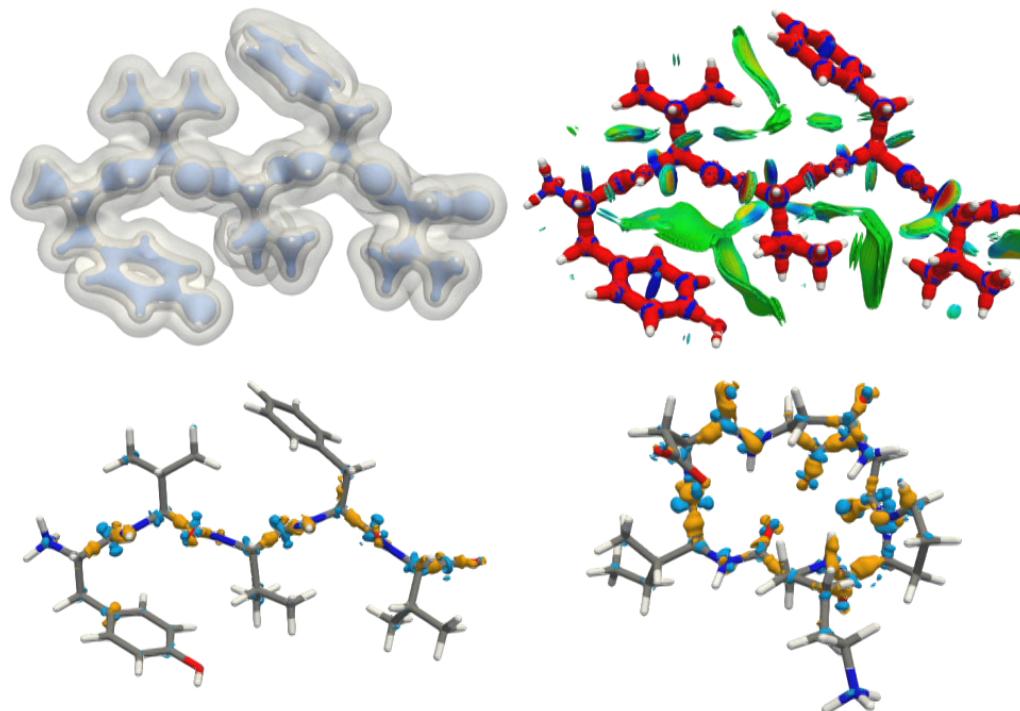
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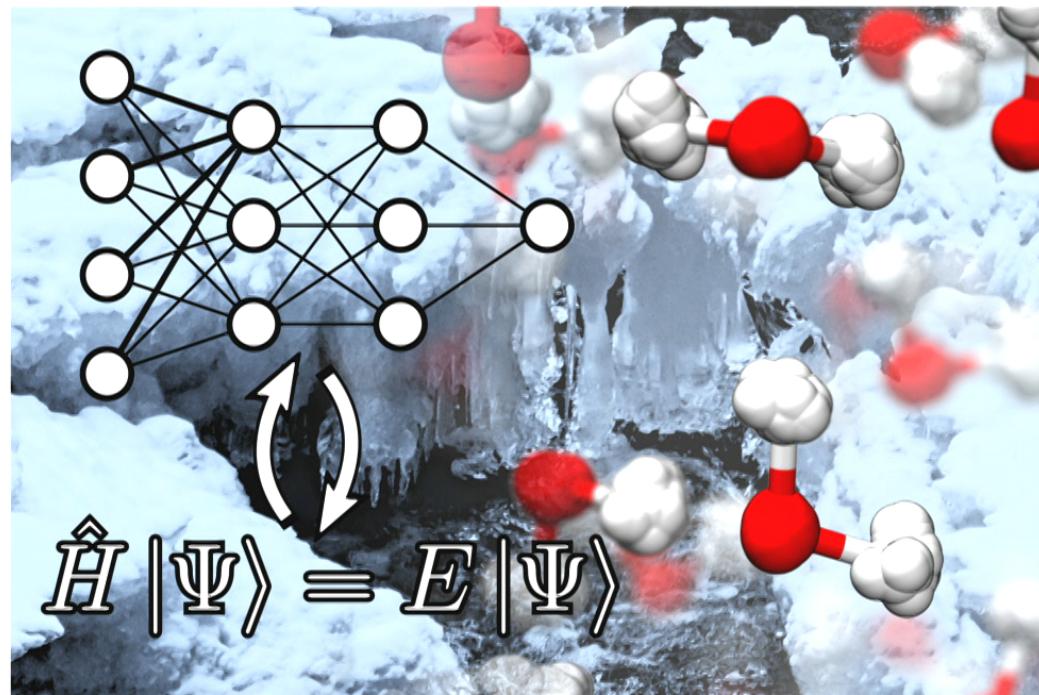


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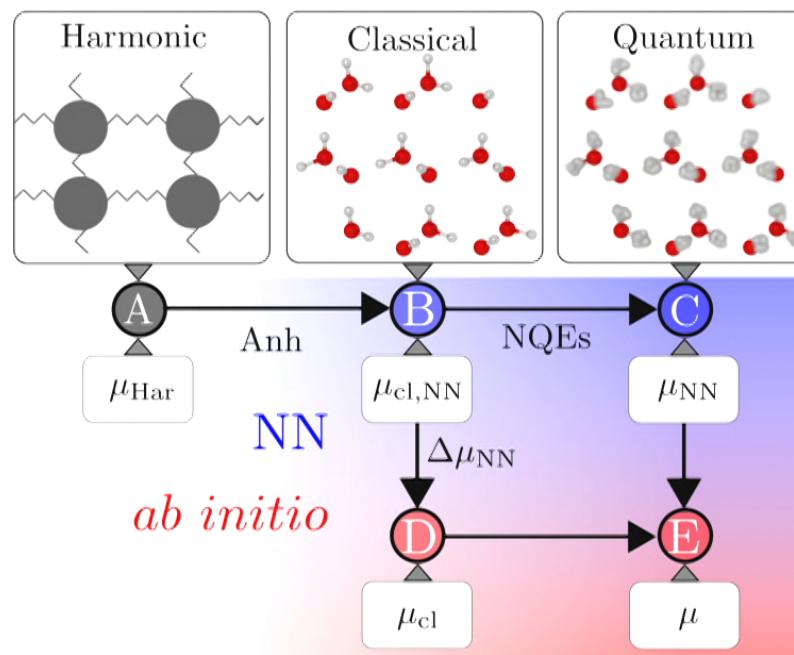
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- Huge challenge: determining the thermodynamics of Ih/Ic polymorphism (and the liquid, as a bonus) at the hybrid DFT+D3 level



Machine learning is key (but not quite enough)

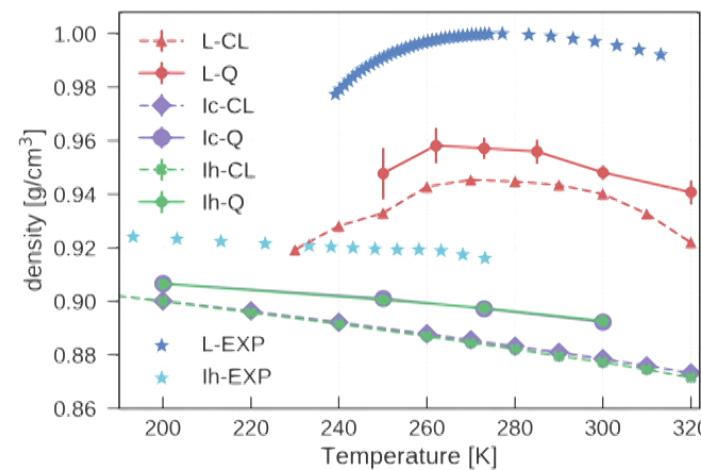
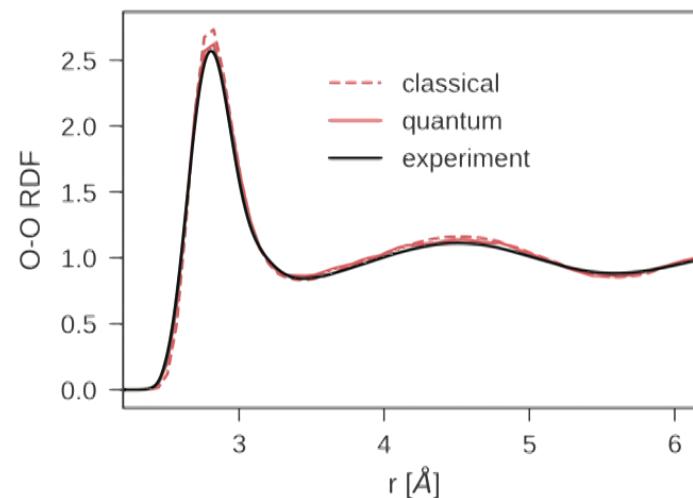
- Use a machine-learned potential (Behler-Parrinello NN) as a stepping stone, for all thermodynamic integration.
- Still missing subtle long-range physics (proton disorder, ...). Sample with NN, and promote to full-DFT level by free-energy perturbation!



Cheng, Engel, Behler, Dellago, **MC**, PNAS (2019)

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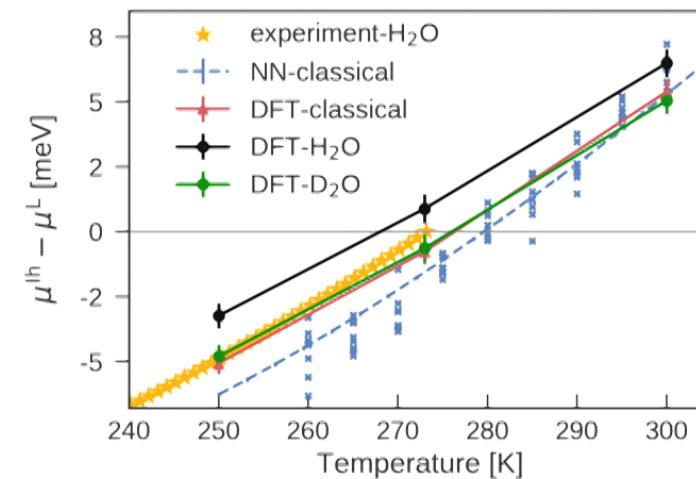
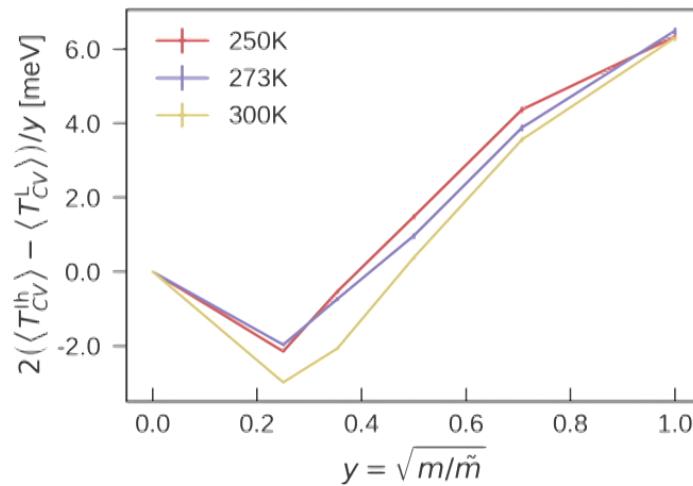
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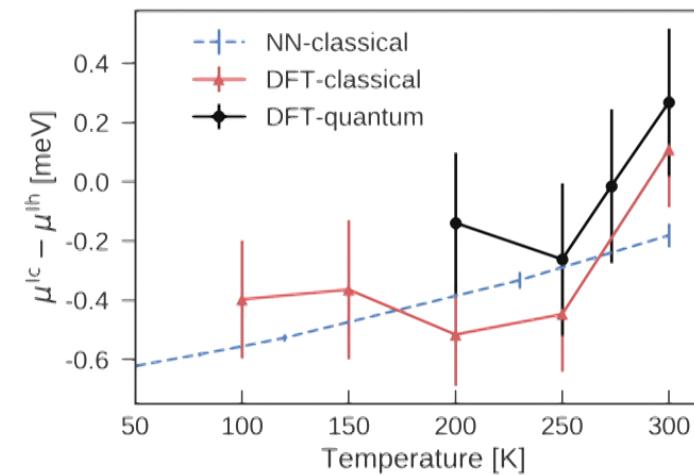
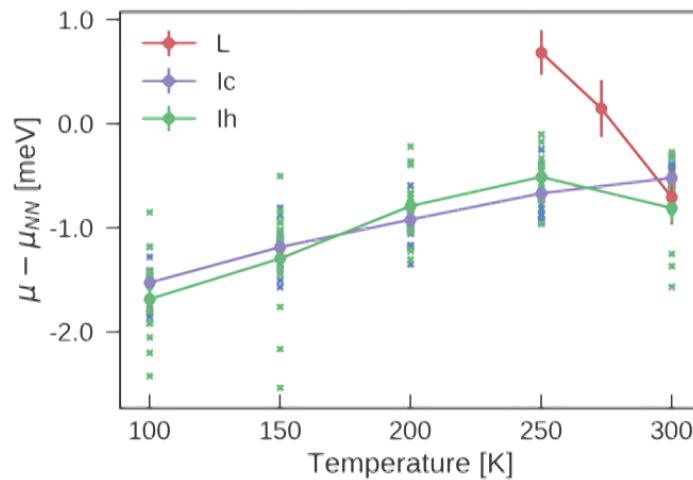
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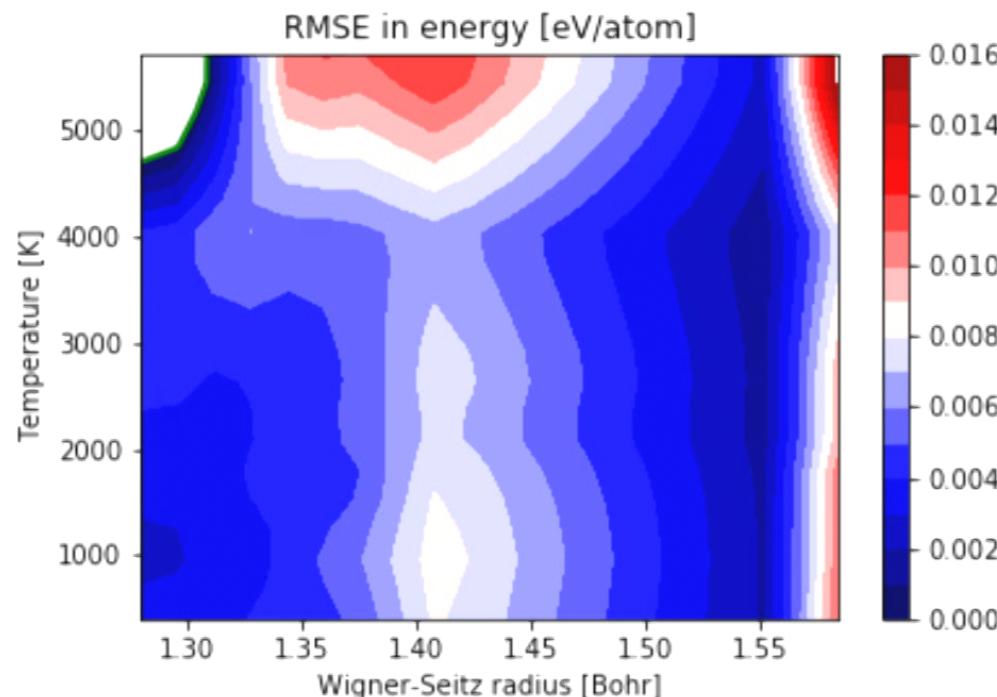


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The phase diagram of high-pressure hydrogen

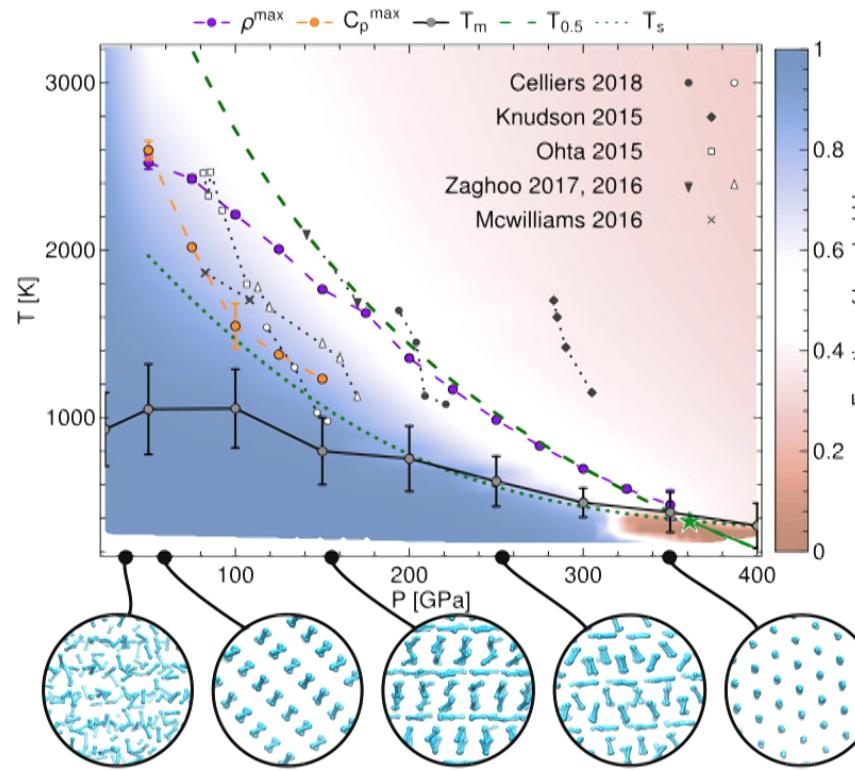
A ML potential for high-pressure H₂

- High-pressure hydrogen has a complex phase diagram that includes polimorphic solid phases, a metallic monoatomic fluid and an insulating diatomic fluid
- One can train a pretty accurate neural-network potential model to electronic-structure calculations



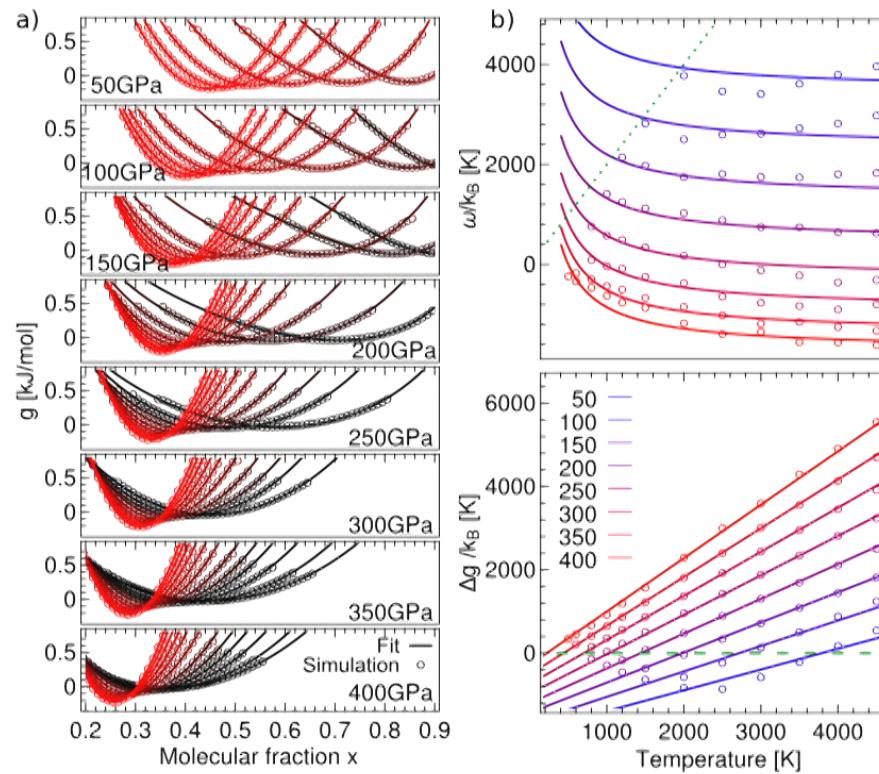
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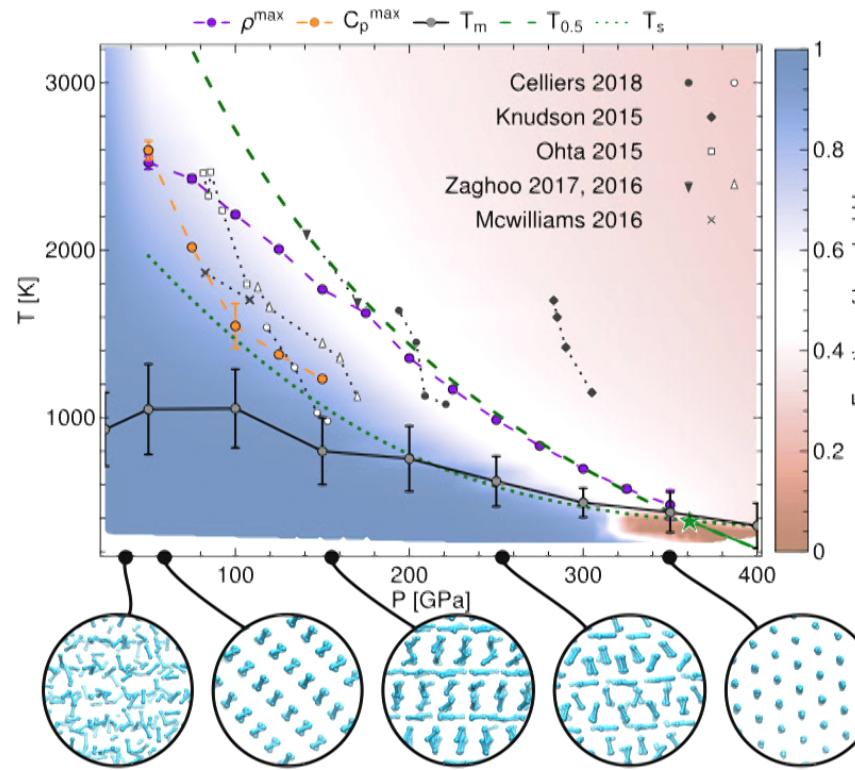
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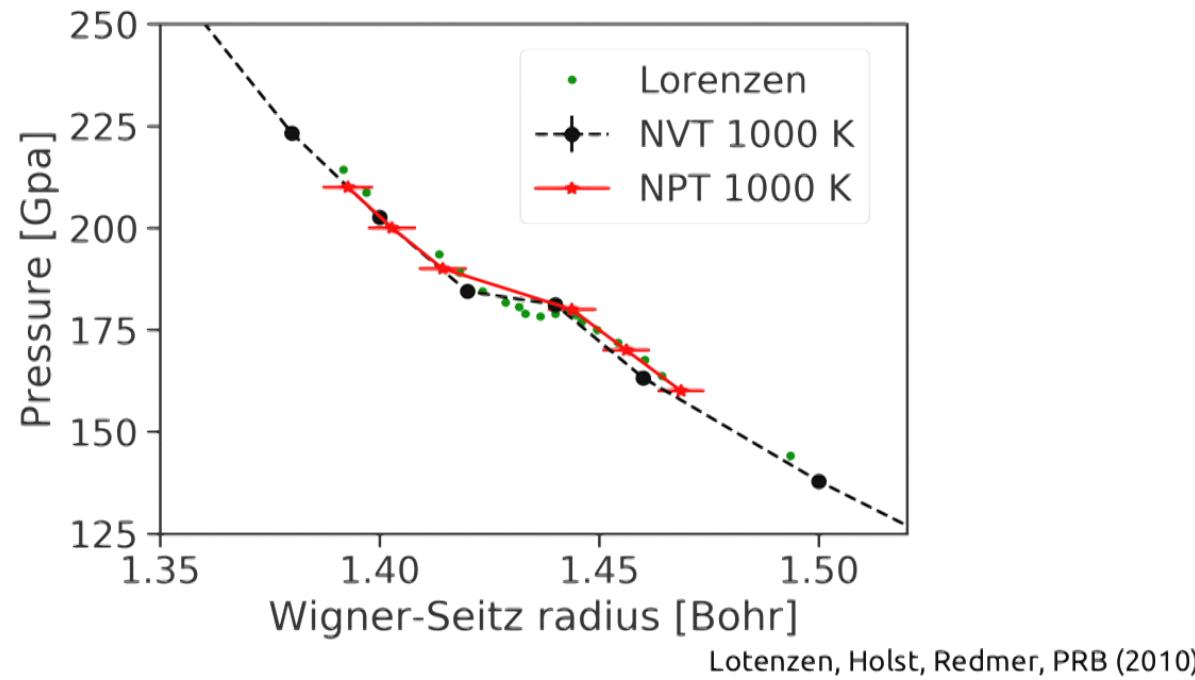
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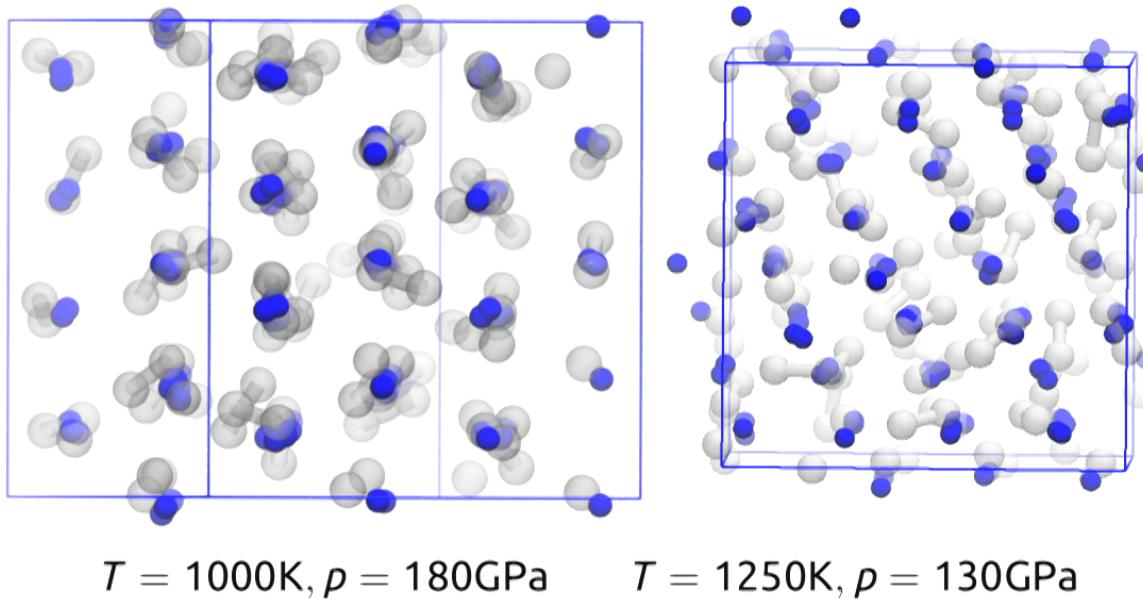
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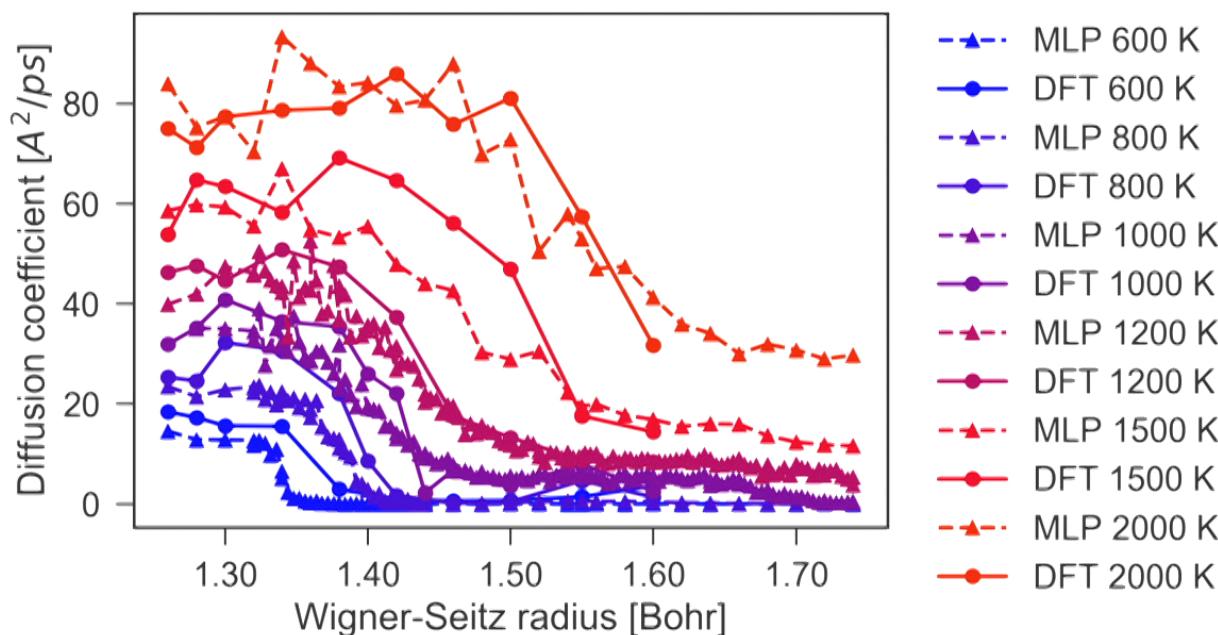
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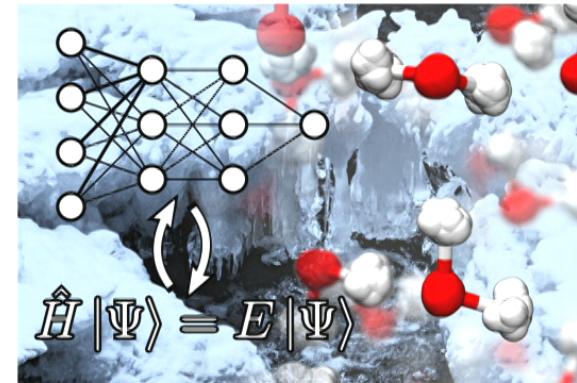
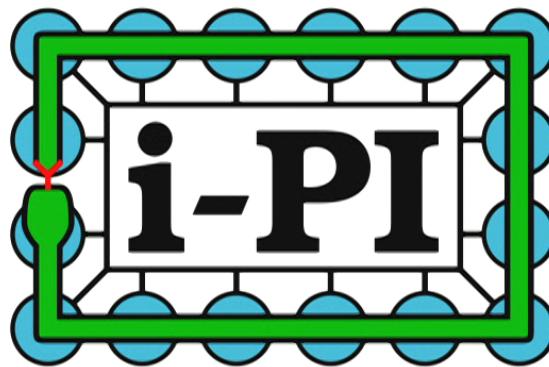
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Conclusions

- Finite-temperature and quantum fluctuations are the new frontier of predictive chemical and materials modeling
- Many recent advances have reduced the computational cost associated with path integral simulations
- Machine learning potentials provide the missing ingredient to achieve first-principles accuracy and thorough statistical sampling



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