# A machine learning approach to study of thermosalient molecular crystals

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### Why we use Machine Learning Interatomic Potentials?

- Computational quantum mechanical modelling methods like DFT and Coupled cluster methods are accurate but scale poorly
- Methods based on classical (empirical) potentials scale linearly but are not as accurate

## Why we use Machine Learning Interatomic Potentials?

- Size scalability
- Resource efficiency
- Can use already existing data



#### **Basics of Machine Learning Interatomic Potentials - MLIPs**

positions & chemical species \_\_\_\_\_\_> energies, forces & stresses



#### **Modern MLIP models**

- Continuous-filter convolutional message passing graph neural networks : Duvenaud et al.<sup>(1)</sup>(2015), Schnet<sup>(2)</sup> (2017)
- E(3)-equivariant MLIPs : NequIP<sup>(3)</sup>(2022), Allegro<sup>(4)</sup>(2023)

- (1) Duvenaud, David, et al. 'Convolutional Networks on Graphs for Learning Molecular Fingerprints'. arXiv, 3 November 2015. <u>http://arxiv.org/abs/1509.09292</u>.
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- (4) Musaelian, Albert, et al. 'Learning Local Equivariant Representations for Large-Scale Atomistic Dynamics'. *Nature Communications* 14, no. 1 (3 February 2023): 579. https://doi.org/10.1038/s41467-023-36329-y.

## E(3)-equivariant MLIPs



better data efficiency + accuracy

\* Figure from a presentation of Albert Musaelian | Learning Local Equivariant Representations for Large-Scale Atomistic Dynamics (https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=-mRI5Uk8IWk)

## (Jumping) Organic molecular crystals

## The system

Reversible Thermosalient Effect with an Immense Negative Compressibility (Jumping phenomenon)





 Lončarić, Ivor, Jasminka Popović, Vito Despoja, Sanja Burazer, Ivan Grgičević, Dean Popović, and Željko Skoko. 'Reversible Thermosalient Effect of N'-2-Propylidene-4-Hydroxybenzohydrazide Accompanied by an Immense Negative Compressibility: Structural and Theoretical Arguments Aiming toward the Elucidation of Jumping Phenomenon'. Crystal Growth & Design 17, no. 8 (2 August 2017): 4445–53. <u>https://doi.org/10.1021/acs.cqd.7b00785</u>.

## **Initial dataset**

Creation of a dataset using Normal Mode Sampling

• Which adds ~700 normal mode structures to dataset





## **NequIP Active Learning**

- Also called optimal experimental design.
- Using a Query by committee<sup>(1)</sup> (QBC) from 6 models to get an uncertainty estimation
- Running a NPT MD at different temperatures (100-400K) to generate new structures
- Energy and forces of structures with the highest uncertainty are calculated using DFT and added to the dataset

<sup>(1)</sup> Christoph Schran, Krystof Brezina, Ondrej Marsalek; Committee neural network potentials control generalization errors and enable active learning. J. Chem. Phys. 14 September 2020; 153 (10): 104105. https://doi.org/10.1063/5.0016004

#### **GEN 0**



Graph of energy and force uncertainty (QBC MAE) of an NPT MD and the selected structures (blue dots) and the set thermostat temperature during the MD (black line)

#### GEN 4



Graph of energy and force uncertainty (QBC MAE) of an NPT MD and the selected structures (blue dots) and the set thermostat temperature during the MD (black line)

#### Phonon and free energy calculations - Harmonic approximation



#### Free energy calculations - Quasi harmonic approximation screening by pressure



## **Comparison with experiment**



#### Experimental values

Calculated with MLIP



Lattice parameters as a function of pressure for phase 1

Figure 17 Lattice parameters of N'-2-propylidene-4-hydroxybenzohydrazide Form I as a function of hydrostatic pressure determined by in-situ high-pressure single crystal diffraction.

## Summary

- MLIPs are accurate, and allow efficient and fast computations
- Possibility for HTC
  - E-V curves require ~40 structure minimisations of 50-1000 steps each
  - Harmonic approximation requires ~150 calculations with supercells (2700 atoms)
  - Workflow can be done in a day on a PC
- Faster feedback loop for methodology development

## Thank you for your attention!