What are the httk and the omdb? And, what can they do for YOU?

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Overview

The High-Throughput ToolKit (httk)

- A toolkit for preparing and running calculations, analyzing the result, store them in a global and/or in a personalized database.
- The primary focus is automatization: run with as little human intervention as possible.
- Crucial for large datasets; convinient for smaller projects!
- Intended to expand beyond atomistic calculations, but those are our primary focus for now.

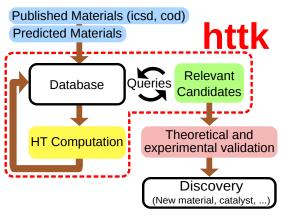
The Open Materials Database (omdb)

- A central collection of computational data where we store our results.
- You can, if you want, submit results there as well.
- Easily interacts with httk; built using httk.



Database-centric High-Throughput

The httk embodies the Database-centric high-throughput metodology pioneered by Ceder et. al., and others.



See: A. Jain, G. Hautier, C. J. Moore, S. P. Ong, C. C. Fischer, T. Mueller, K. A. Persson, G. Ceder, Comp. Mat. Sci. **50**, 2295 (2011).

Overview

Components:

- The httk python library:
 - Handling crystal structures.
 - Prepare calculations to be run.
 - Storage, retrival, search and analysis of data in database.
- The httk execution scripts:
 - Handling large sets of computer runs.
 - Scripting steps in advanced multi-stage runs to be run on clusters with limited walltime.
 - Managing ongoing runs across many supercomputers.

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Why not extend existing libraries (ASE, pymatgen, etc.) instead?

- Different core design choices
 - Database interaction as easy as possible; python objects can be stored, searched, reterived; mixing different databases.
 - Preserves numbers exactly (fractions instead of floating point), helps a lot with crystal geometry and database interaction.
- Different attitude to dependencies
 - No libraries outside standard python needed to get httk up and running. Not even numpy or scipy.
 - Other libraries can be/are called when needed.
 - httk goes out of its way to help you load the library you want from e.g. odd locations (helpful to, e.g., avoid old system-wide version)
- Instead, httk is compatible / interacts with those libraries; i.e., you
 can translate between ASE, pymatgen, etc., and use their fetures
 interchangably.

Examples

A few programming examples for atomistic computation will follow.

Examples: Structures

Very easy to load a cif file, or poscar, etc.:

```
import httk

struct = httk.load("example.cif")

print("Formula:", struct.formula)
print("Volume", float(struct.uc_volume))
print("Assignments", struct.uc_symbols)
print("Counts:", struct.uc_counts)
print("Coords", struct.uc_reduced_coords)
```

Output:

```
('Formula:', 'B02Tl')
('Volume', 509.2421399999984)
('Assignments', ['B', '0', 'Tl'])
('Counts:', [8, 16, 8])
('Coords', FracVector(((1350, 4550, 4250), ..., ,10000)))
```

Examples: Structure

Of course one can also create and modify structures directly in code:

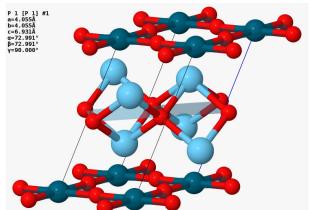
```
from httk.atomistic import Structure
cell = [[1.0, 0.0, 0.0],
        [0.0, 1.0, 0.0],
        [0.0, 0.0, 1.0]]
coordgroups = [[
                  [0.5, 0.5, 0.5]
               1.[
                 [0.0, 0.0, 0.0]
               1.[
                  [0.5, 0.0, 0.0], [0.0, 0.5, 0.0], [0.0, 0.0, 0.5]
              ]]
assignments = ['Pb', 'Ti', '0']
volume = 62.79
struct = Structure.create(uc_cell=cell,
            uc reduced coordgroups=coordgroups,
            assignments=assignments,
            uc volume=volume)
```

Examples: Visualization

Easy visualization using, e.g., jmol

```
import httk
import httk.atomistic.vis

struct = httk.load("POSCAR")
struct.vis.show()
```

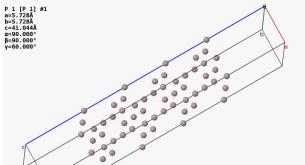


Examples: External libraries

Easy interaction with other useful libraries and software, e.g., ASE: (Presently: ASE, aflow, cif2cell, isotropy, jmol, pymatgen, platon, gulp)

from httk.atomistic import Structure
import httk.atomistic.vis
import httk.external.ase_glue
import ase

slab = ase.lattice.surface.fcc111('Al', size=(2,2,10), vacuum=10.0)
struct2 = Structure.ase.from_Atoms(slab)
struct.vis.show()

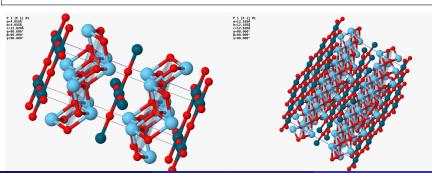


Examples: Supercells

Build supercells, find orthogonal and cubic ones:

```
import httk

struct = httk.load("POSCAR2")
supercell1 = struct.build_supercell([[2,0,0],[0,2,0],[0,0,1]])
struct.vis.show()
supercell2 = struct.build_orthogonal_supercell(tolerance=20)
struct.vis.show()
supercell3 = struct.build_cubic_supercell(tolerance=20)
struct.vis.show()
```



Examples: Database

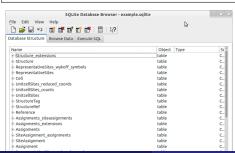
Store data in a local relational database (sqlite):

```
import httk
import httk.db

backend = httk.db.backend.Sqlite('example.sqlite')
store = httk.db.store.SqlStore(backend)

struct = httk.load('example.cif')
store.save(struct)
```

user@computer:> sqlitebrowser example.sqlite



Examples: Database

Search in your local database:

```
import httk
from httk.atomistic import Structure
import httk.db
backend = httk.db.backend.Sqlite('example.sqlite')
store = httk.db.store.SqlStore(backend)
search = store.searcher()
search struct = search.variable(Structure)
search.add( search struct.uc nbr atoms < 40 )</pre>
search.output(search_struct, 'structure')
for header, match in search:
    structure = match[0]
    print("Found:",struct.formula)
```

Output:

```
('Found:','Zn02')
```

Setup a simple vasp calculation to run manually:

```
user@computer:> cd Run
user@computer:> vasp
```

Output:

```
running on 1 nodes
distr: one band on 1 nodes, 1 groups
vasp.5.2.12 11Nov11 complex

POSCAR found type information on POSCAR Ti N
POSCAR found: 2 types and 2 ions
```

Generate a big batch of computations:

```
import httk, httk.task, httk.db
from httk.atomistic import Structure
backend = httk.db.backend.Sqlite('tutorial.sqlite')
store = httk.db.store.SqlStore(backend)
search = store.searcher()
search struct = search.variable(Structure)
search.add_all(search_struct.formula_symbols.is_in('0','Ca','Ti'))
search.output(search struct, 'structure')
for match, header in search:
  struct = match[0]
  httk.task.create_batch_task('Runs','/vasp/batch/relax',
    {"structure":struct})
```

Run the batch of computations on a supercomputer ('kappa'):

```
user@computer:> httk-project-setup example_project
user@computer:> httk-computer-setup kappa
user@computer:> httk-computer-install kappa
```

```
user@computer:> httk-tasks-send-to-computer kappa Runs/user@computer:> httk-tasks-start-taskmanager kappa
```

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user@computer:> httk-tasks-status kappa
```

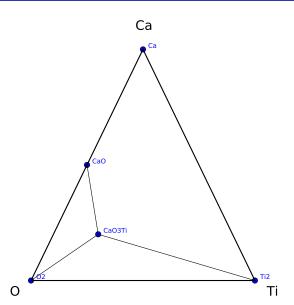
```
user@computer:> httk-tasks-receive-from-computer kappa Runs/
```

Read results back into database

```
import httk, httk.db
from httk.atomistic.results import TotalEnergyResult
backend = httk.db.backend.Sqlite('example.sqlite')
store = httk.db.store.SqlStore(backend)
reader = httk.task.reader('Runs/','Normal VASP total energy run')
for rundir, computation in reader:
    struct = Structure.io.load(os.path.join(rundir, "CONTCAR"))
    outcar = httk.iface.vasp_if.read_outcar(os.path.join(rundir,"
        OUTCAR.cleaned.relax-final"))
    total_energy_result = TotalEnergyResult(computation, struct,
        float(outcar.final energy))
    store.save(total_energy_result)
```

Draw a phase diagram from your stored batch runs

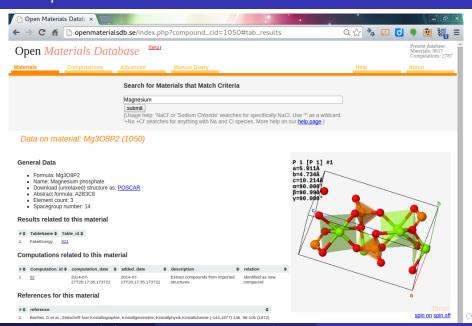
```
import httk, httk.db, httk.atomistic.vis
from httk.atomistic import Structure, StructurePhaseDiagram
from httk.atomistic.results import TotalEnergyResult
backend = httk.db.backend.Sqlite('example.sqlite')
store = httk.db.store.SqlStore(backend)
search = store.searcher()
search_total_energy = search.variable(TotalEnergyResult)
search struct = search.variable(Structure)
search.add(search_total_energy.structure == search_struct)
search.add_all(search_struct.formula_symbols.is_in('0','Ca','Ti'))
search.output(search total energy,'total energy result')
structures, energies = [],[]
for match, header in search:
    total_energy_result = match[0]
    structures += [total_energy_result.structure]
    energies += [total_energy_result.total_energy]
pd = StructurePhaseDiagram.create(structures,energies)
pd.vis.show(debug=True)
```



It is easy to put your own data in the database

```
import httk, httk.db
class StructureIsEdible(httk.HttkObject):
    @httk.httk_typed_init({'structure':Structure,
                           'is edible':bool})
    def __init__(self, structure, is_edible):
        self.structure = structure
        self.is edible = is edible
backend = httk.db.backend.Sqlite('example.sqlite')
store = httk.db.store.SqlStore(backend)
tablesalt = httk.load('NaCl.cif')
arsenic = httk.load('As.cif')
edible = StructureIsEdible(tablesalt.True)
store.save(edible)
edible = StructureIsEdible(arsenic,False)
store.save(edible)
```

the Open Materials Database



Submit results to the global database

Submit to central database

(Not yet implemented, will be soon.)

```
user@computer:> httk-project-submit
```

Note:

- Will ask you very carefully to make sure you wish to submit to the open web database.
- Your files are signed by a private key; you can always be identified as the 'owner' of these files.
- httk-project-setup create a directory ht.project that identifies that one project. You can copy it to everywhere you have files relating to this project. You can then run httk-project-submit in each such directory.

Central database

Operate directly on data in central database:

(Not yet implemented, will be soon.)

```
import httk, httk.db
from httk.atomistic import Structure
store = httk.db.open_materials_database_store
search = store.searcher()
search_struct = search.variable(Structure)
search.add all(search struct.formula symbols.is in('0', 'Ca', 'Ti'))
search.output(search_struct,'structure')
for match, header in search:
  struct = match[0]
  httk.task.create_batch_task('Runs','template',
    {"structure":struct})
```

Installation

Easy to install

(Latest realse not vet on the server, will be soon.)

On Linux:

```
user@computer:> mkdir ~/bin/python
user@computer:> cd ~/bin/python
user@computer:> wget http://httk.openmaterialsdb.se/downloads/httk-
    latest.tgz
user@computer:> tar -zxvf httk-latest.tgz
user@computer:> ls
    httk-1.0.0 httk-latest.tgz
user@computer:> ln -f -s httk-1.0.0 httk-latest
user@computer:> source ~/bin/python/httk-latest/setup_environment
```

Put the last statement in your .bashrc $\ /\$.cshrc to always set the paths up correctly.

(Windows and Mac instructions will follow soon.)



Concluding remarks

- httk is a framework for easy automiatizion of computational projects. It helps with setup, execution, storage and search.
- A framework like this is crucial for projects that work with large datasets, but also convinient for smaller projects.
- For our own calculations, we store them at openmaterialsdb.se; you can also submit your results there if you want (with your papers cited and linked).