

# REPRESENTATIONS FOR (INORGANIC) MATERIALS

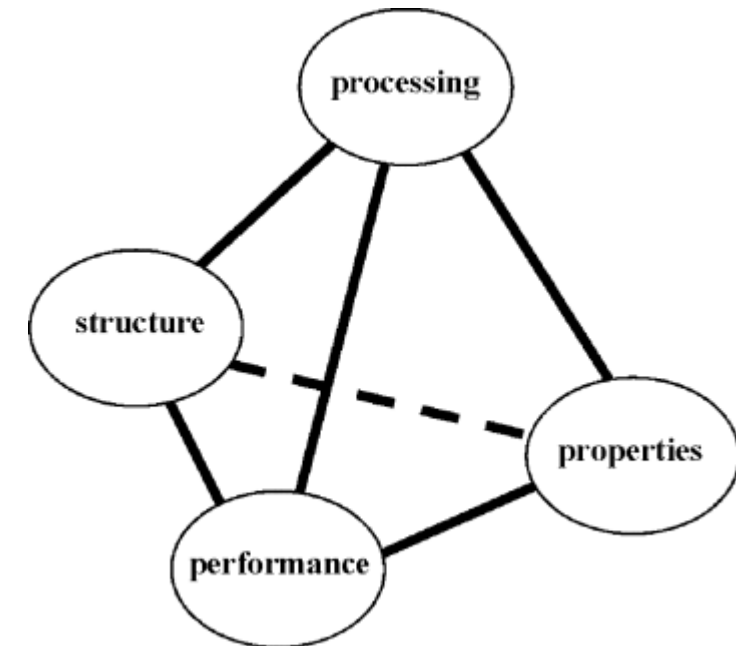
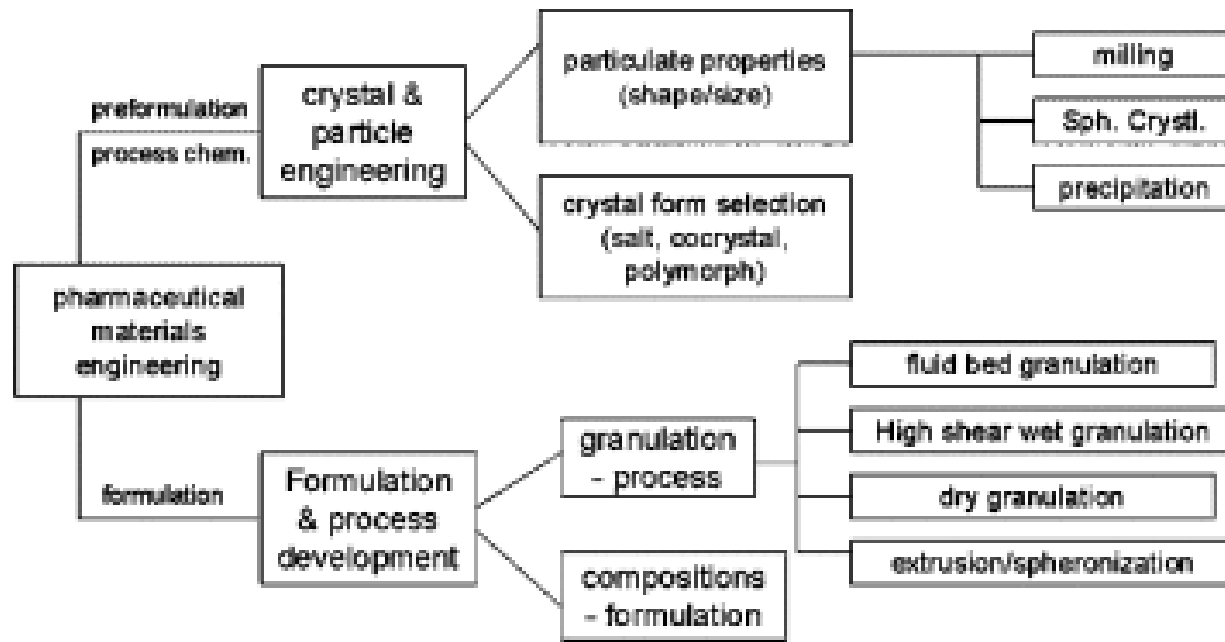
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# What sets “materials” apart?

## Relationships between “processing,” “structure,” and “properties”



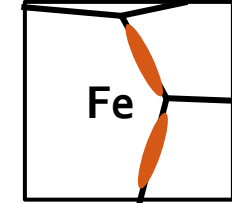
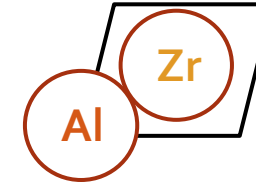
Ref: [Sun. J. Phar. Sci., \(2009\)](#)

# Complication: Materials are multi-scale

Zr

Al<sub>1</sub>Zr

Al<sub>4</sub>Zr



Available Information	Element	Phase Diagram	Composition	Crystal Structure	μ-Structure
	Dilute $\Delta H_{mix}$	# Eutectics	Glass-Forming Ability	$\Delta H_f$	$\sigma_Y$
	Element Property	Elemental Properties	Elemental Properties	Local Environment	n-Body Statistics

# Element-property based features are very common

## Element

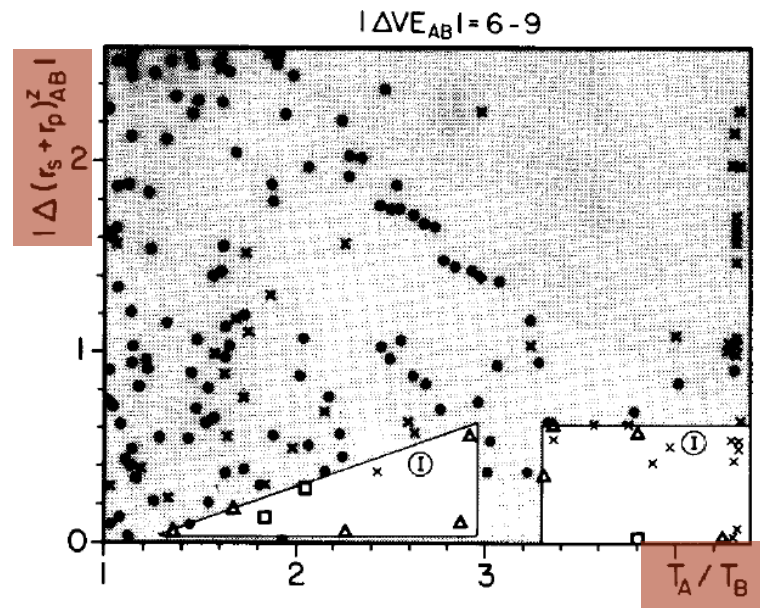
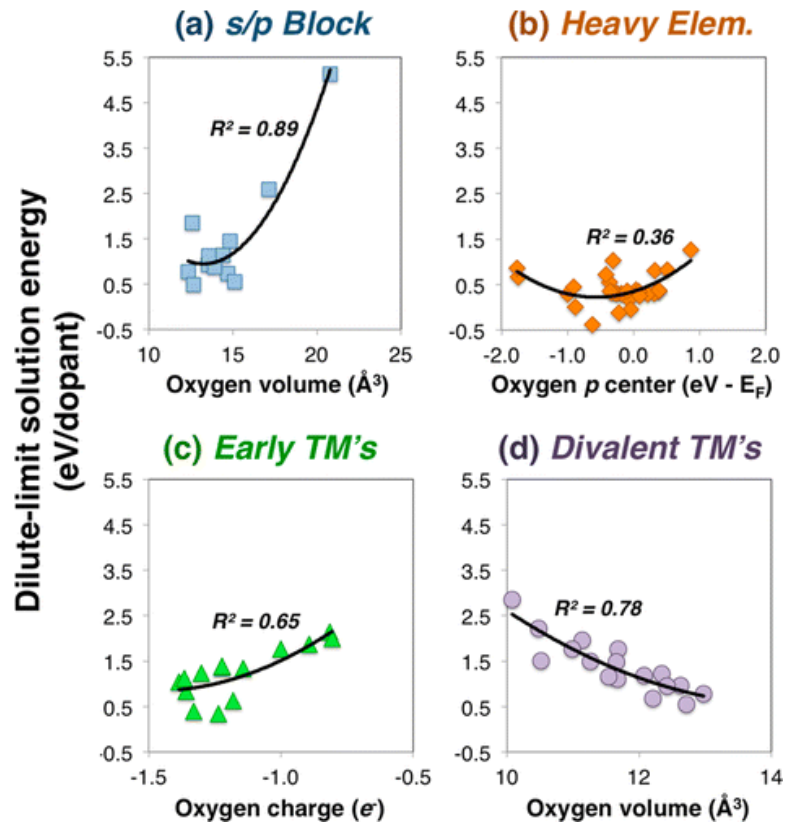
Element Properties

## Phase Diagram

Property Differences

## Composition

Property Statistics



$$x_{\text{avg}} = \frac{1}{\sum_{i=1}^N \alpha_i} \sum_{i=1}^N \alpha_i x_i \quad (5)$$

$$x_{\text{red}} = \frac{1}{(N-1) \sum_{i=1}^N \alpha_i} \sum_{i \neq j}^N (\alpha_i + \alpha_j) \frac{x_i x_j}{x_i + x_j} \quad (6)$$

$$x_{\text{diff}} = \frac{1}{(N-1) \sum_{i=1}^N \alpha_i} \sum_{i \neq j}^N (\alpha_i + \alpha_j) |x_i - x_j| \quad (7)$$

where when considering a compound,  $A_a B_b C_c$ , we define  $\alpha$  as the vector of coefficients  $[a, b, c]$  and  $N$  as the length of  $\alpha$ . For example, for  $\text{CaTiO}_3$ ,  $\alpha = [1, 1, 3]$  and  $N = 3$ .

Ref: [Meredig and Wolverton. Chem. Mat. \(2014\)](#)

Ref: [Villars. JLCM. \(1985\)](#)

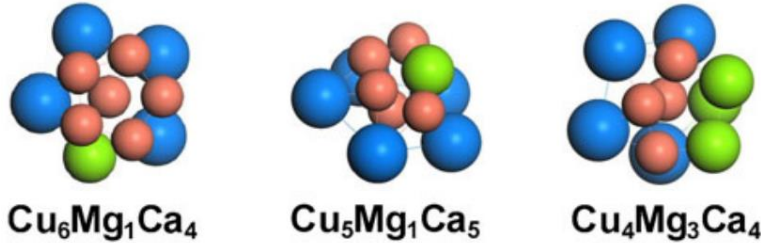
Ref: [Bartel et al. Nat. Comm. \(2018\)](#)

# There is also much room for creativity

## Intuition-based features

(Similar spirit to chemical descriptors)

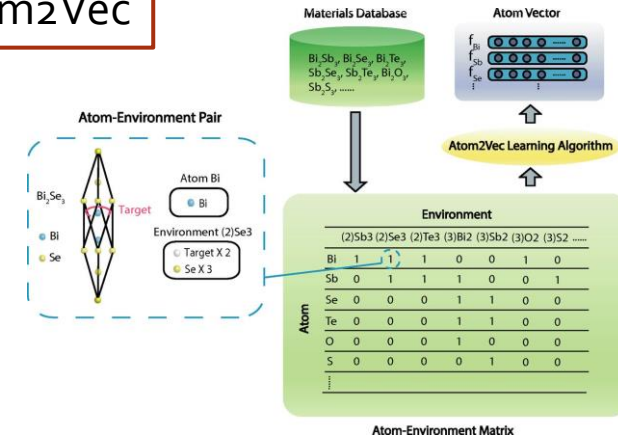
Cluster Packing Efficiencies: [Laws et al. MMTA \(2010\)](#)



Many available in [matminer](#)

## Learning from Data

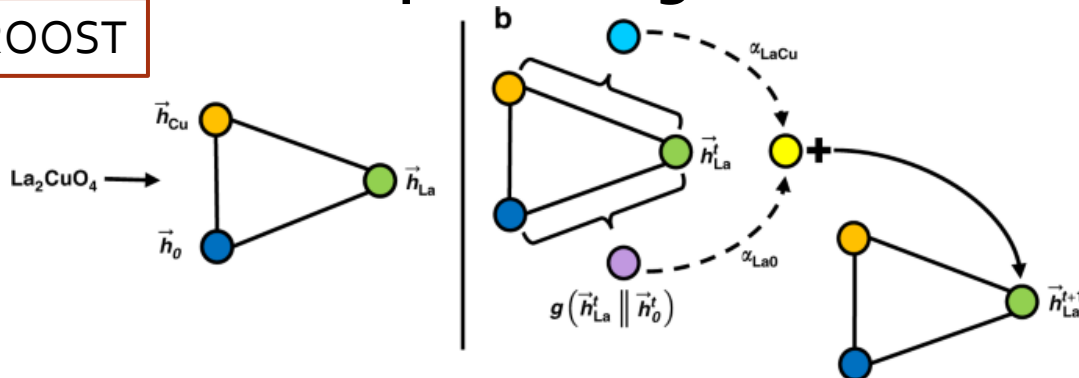
### Atom2Vec



Ref: [Zhou et al. PNAS. \(2018\)](#)

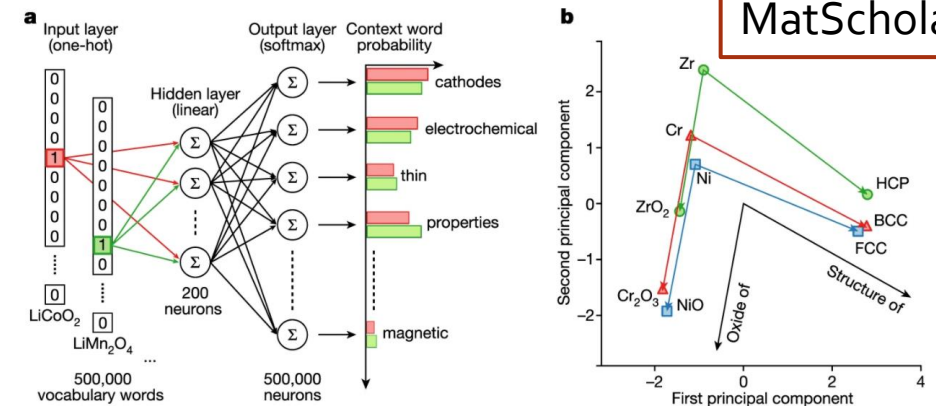
## Creative Deep Learning Architectures

### ROOST



Ref: [Goodall and Lee. Nat Comm. \(2020\)](#)

### MatScholar

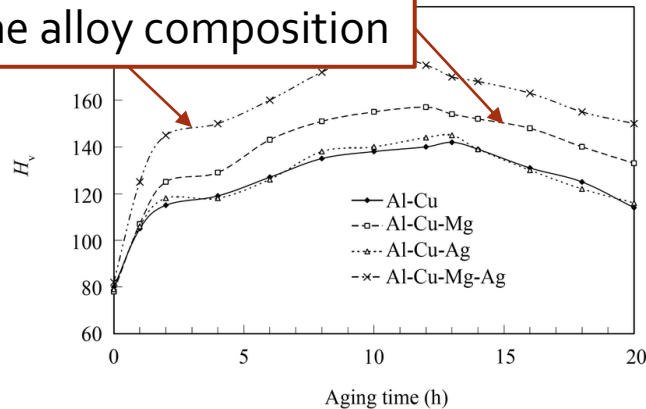


Ref: [Tshitoyan et al. Nature. \(2019\)](#)

# Further complication: Processing and structure

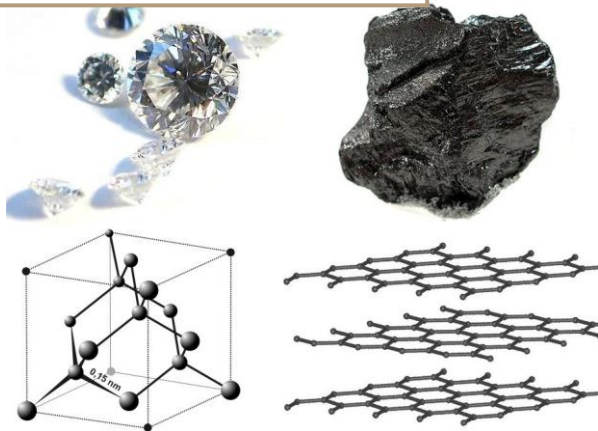
## Other factors beside composition...

All same alloy composition



Ref: [Song and Xiso. Sci. China. E. \(2006\)](#)

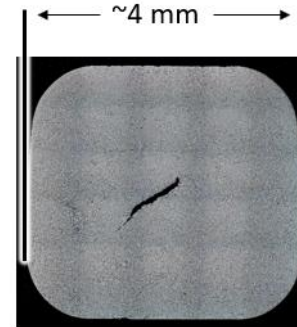
Carbon takes many forms



Ref: [Wikipedia](#)

## ... and you must *consider* them

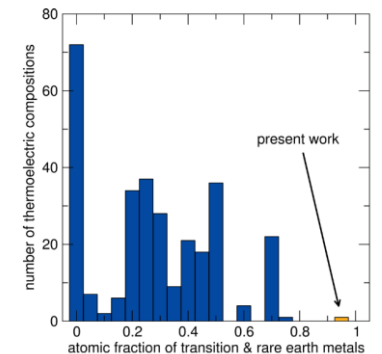
Ignoring processing or structure has given me problems in identifying materials



Ex: not accounting for casting method, alloys fractured on casting

but you can ignore and succeed

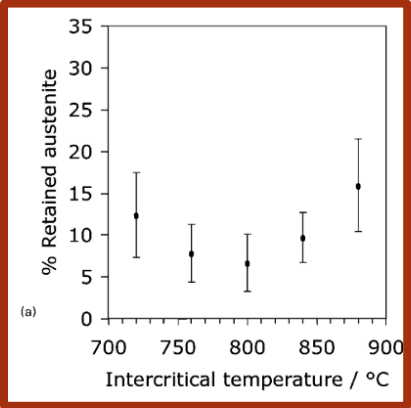
Ex: discovering new thermoelectrics based on material composition



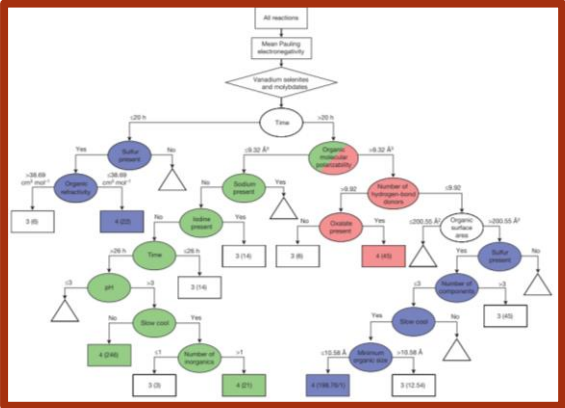
Ref: [Gaultois et al. APL Materials. \(2016\)](#)

# There are ways for accounting for processing

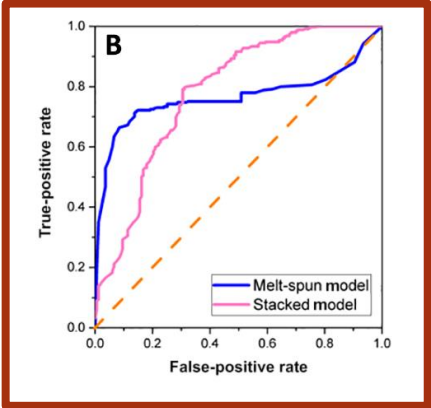
*Processing parameters are easy to add to a model's inputs*



Ref: [Chatterjee \(2010\)](#)

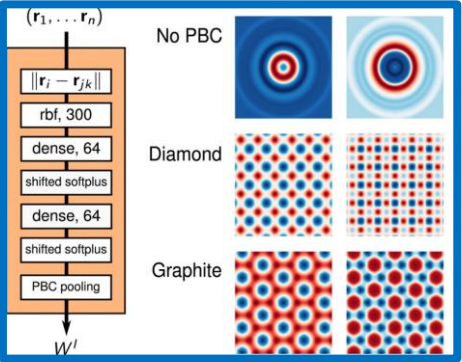


Ref: [Raccuglia \(2016\)](#)

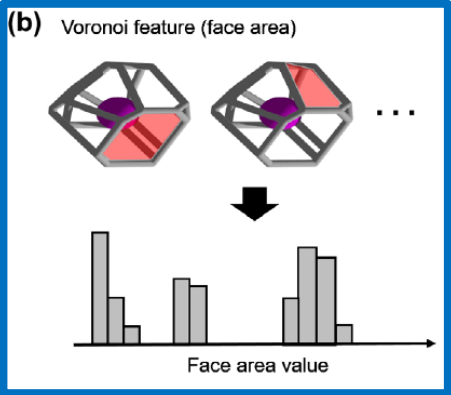


Ref: [Ren \(2018\)](#)

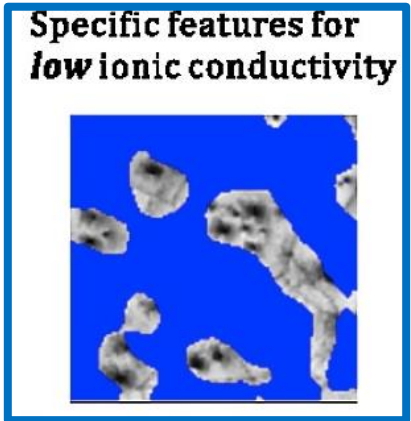
*Many techniques for incorporating structure at different scales*



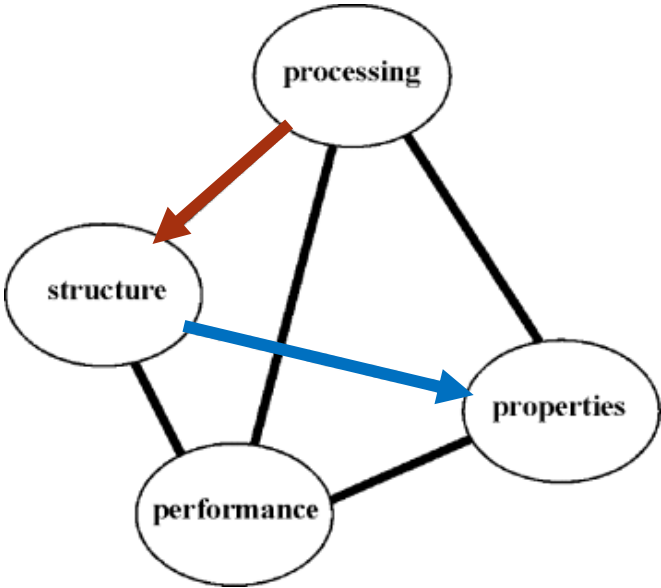
Ref: [Schütt \(2018\)](#)



Ref: [Jalem \(2018\)](#)



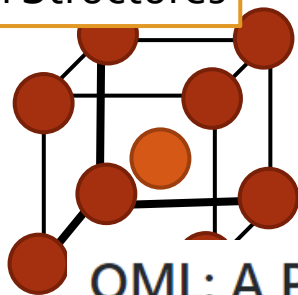
Ref: [Kondo \(2017\)](#)





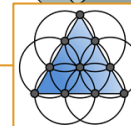
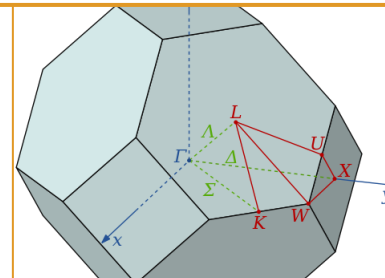
# Still a new field, but already many open codes

Crystal Structures



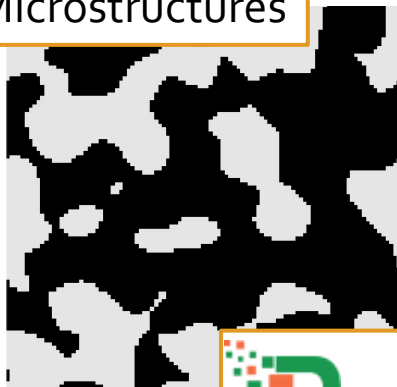
QML: A Python Toolkit

Electronic Structures



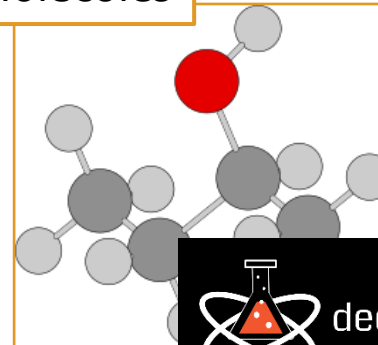
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Microstructures



*There may be a  
code that does  
what you need*

Molecules

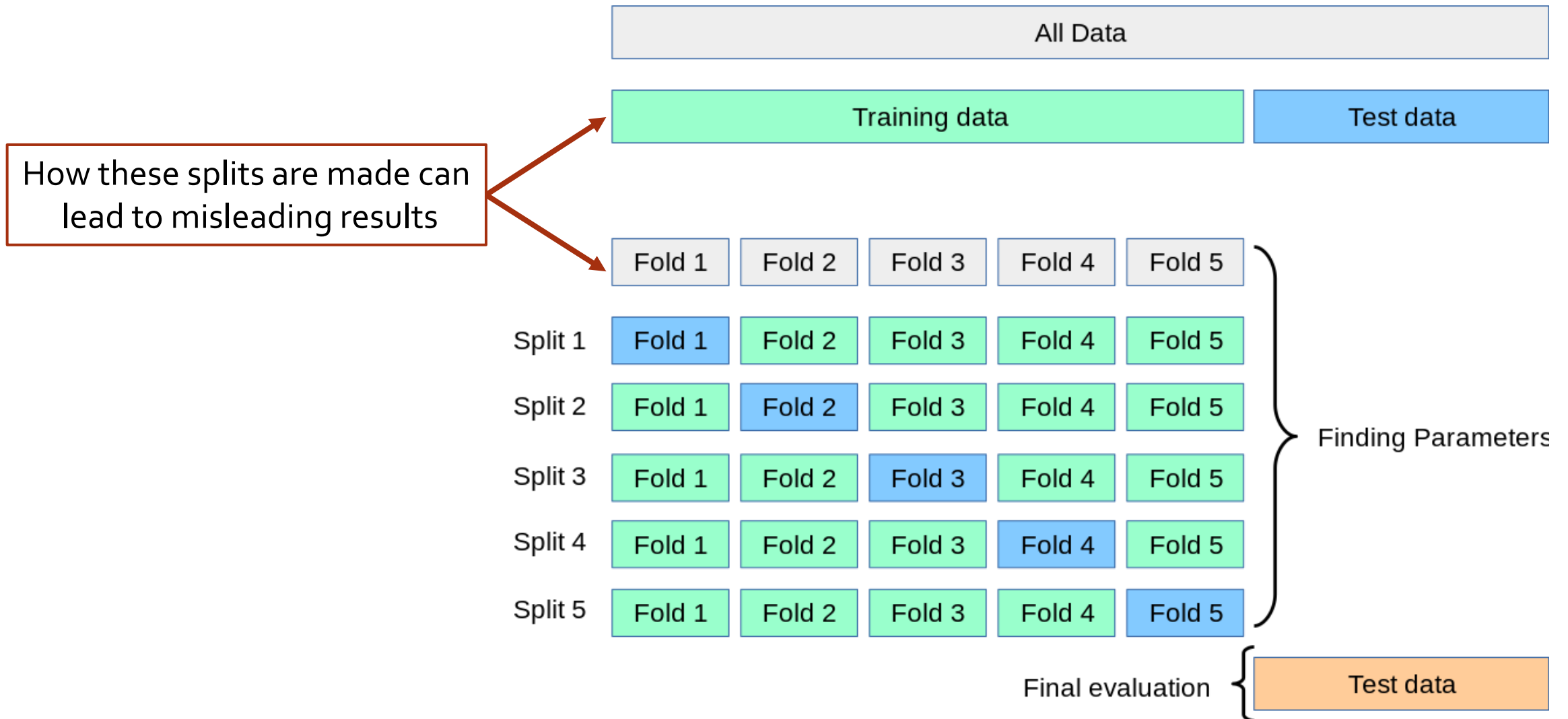




# RELATED CONTENT: TESTING YOUR MODEL ADEQUATELY

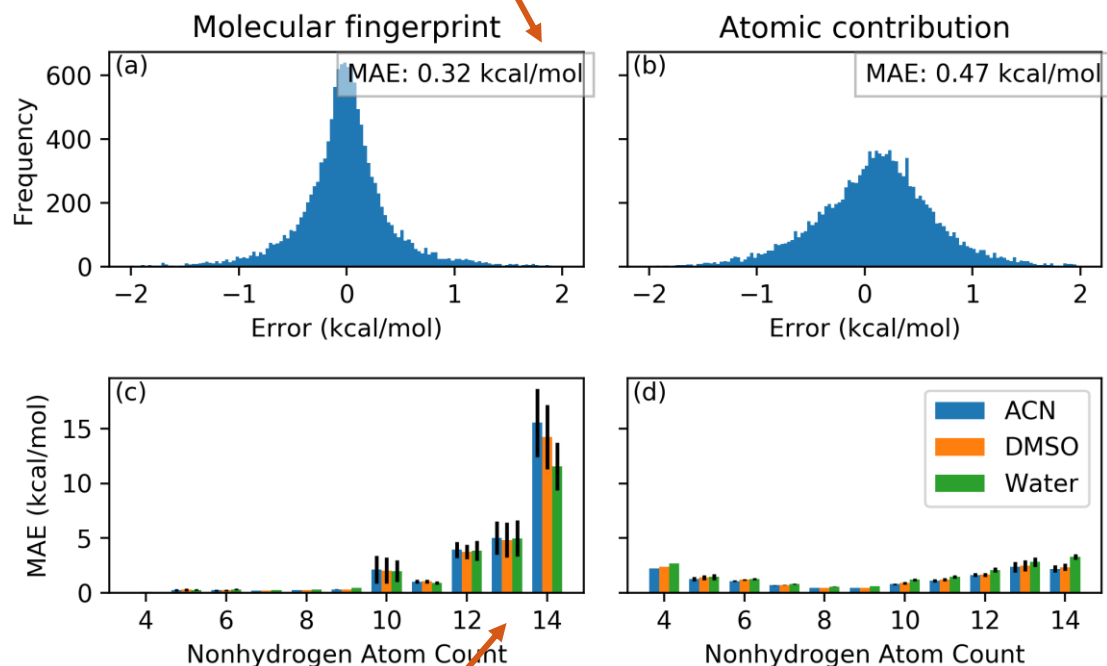
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# The standard approach: Random split cross-validation



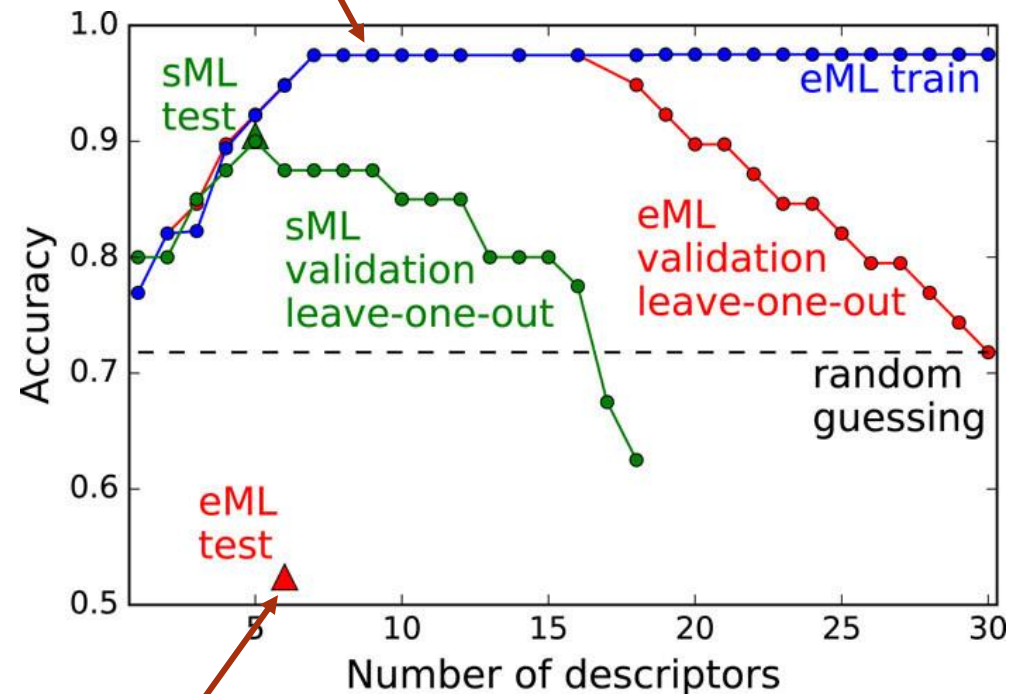
# Randomized cross-validation can be a big problem

Better model on validation set



Giant errors on test set

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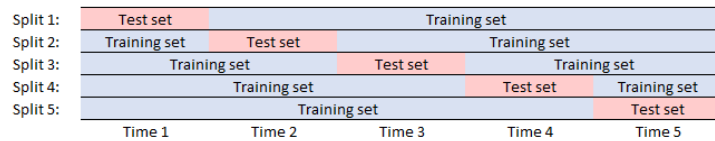


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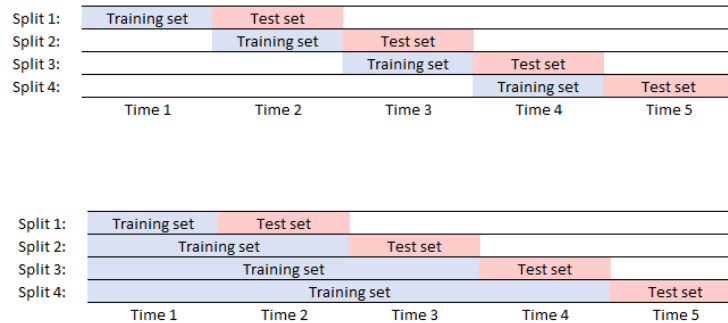
# Designing validation to mimic practice

## Time Series

✗ Predicting past *and* future

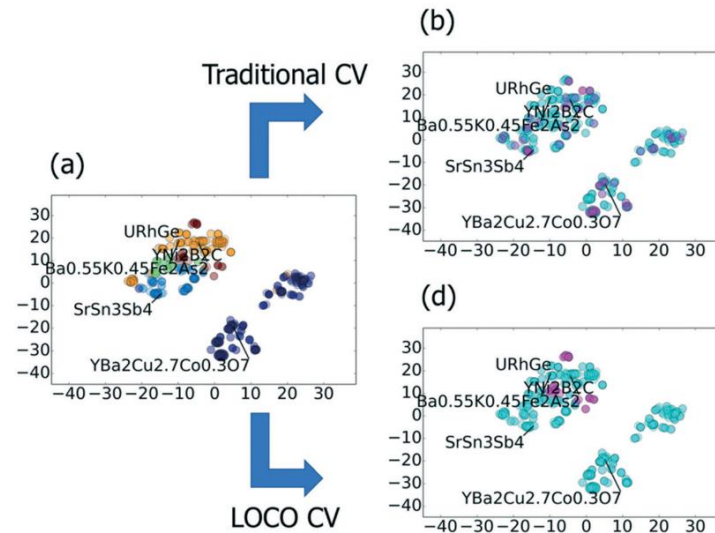


✓ Predict only the future



## Clustered data

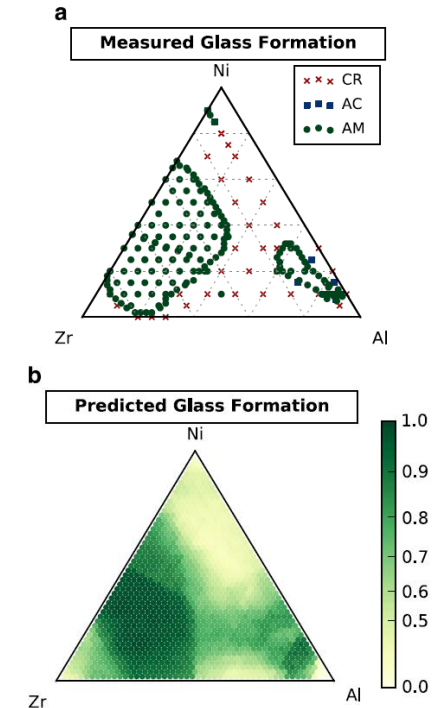
✗ Ignoring clustering in data



✓ Leave out by cluster

## Alloy materials

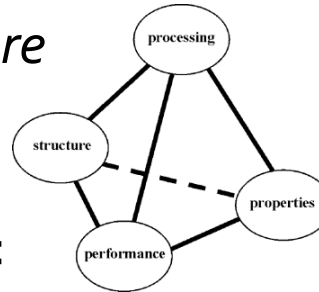
✓ Excluding an alloy system



# Wrap up and take-home points

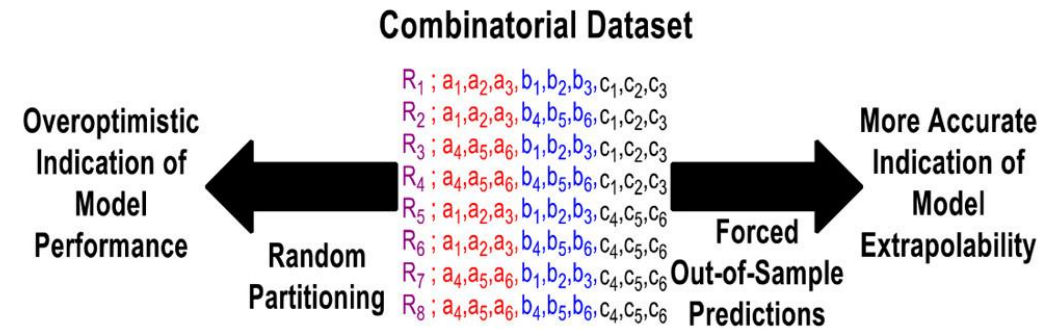
## Main Lecture: Machine learning for materials

- Materials have *processing* and *structure*
- Descriptors for inorganics are similar:
  - Elemental-property-based features for compositions
  - Account for structure and properties if needed (e.g., n-point correlation features)
- Many codes exist!



## Side note: Validate like you mean to use it

Scientific data is often biased.



Ref: [Zahrt et al. ACS Combi. \(2020\)](#)

Consider that bias in your validation

## QML: A Python Toolkit



Practical assignments on GitHub will illustrate both concepts!