COMP3000

Computing Project

2020/2021

Project Title

Molecular Geometry Optimisation Using Machine Learning

Links

Source code: https://github.com/Squidgeypea/SophieCOMP3000

Backlog: https://tasks.office.com/live.plymouth.ac.uk/en-GB/Home/Planner/#/plantaskboard?groupId=94cc8cbf-c90e-473e-a3f2-

7d7d5dee52d9&planId=VmtMkciqc0GG6F--BwFrqpYAESf1

Project Vision

This program is for chemists and physicists who want to estimate and view the structures of molecules without spending hours doing calculations or using a supercomputer. Geopt is a program which uses machine learning to predict the shapes of theoretical molecules.

Risk Plan

| Ref | Risk event | Likelihood 1=low 3=high | Impact 1=low 3=high | Exposure 1=min 9=max | Plan |
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| R1 | Calculations too computationally expensive | 2 | 2 | 4 | Use Python packages for calculations. Choose appropriate methods. Simplify calculations. Try multithreading/GPU options etc. |
| R2 | Evolutionary algorithms take too long | 3 | 2 | 6 | Use fewer iterations. Use different technique, selection criteria etc. Make code simpler. |

| R3 | Programming difficulties/lack of knowledge | 3 | 2 | 6 | Have regular meetings with David. Do lots of research and practice. |
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| R4 | Too much to do/not finish on time | 3 | 3 | 9 | Keep working throughout the year. Adjust plans if necessary. Focus on most important things first. Use Agile. |
| R5 | Unable to get desired results from algorithms | 2 | 1 | 2 | Alter mutations etc. Analyse and test algorithms. Do plenty of research. |

Keywords

Molecular, chemical, atoms, molecules, geometry, energy, optimisation, minimisation, Python, simulation, evolutionary, machine learning.