Molecular Representation

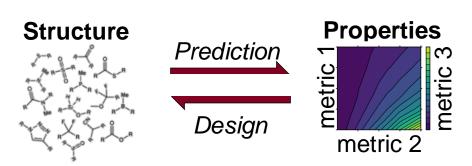
From Lecture 11 (basic deep learning with Keras)

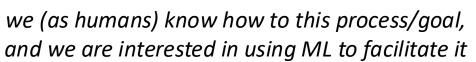
- <u>Keras</u> provides a convenient programming interface for deep learning that allows us to have efficient/verified implementations of many standard procedures/algorithms relevant to deep neural networks
- For simple feed-forward, densely connected neural networks, one may use the <u>Sequential API</u>. For more complicated architectures, the <u>Functional API</u> may be needed.
- The basic procedure is build \rightarrow compile \rightarrow fit \rightarrow predict
- In terms of optimizers, **NAdam** is usually a solid choice, but there are many options available
- In terms of loss functions, there are again many available, but it is easy to define your own should any of those be inadequate

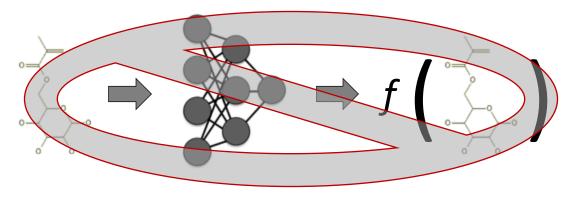
Machine Learning Meets Molecules

A critical task for utilizing machine learning algorithms is data representation

Consider the goal of developing Quantitative (Chemical) Structure Property Relationships....







However, stick drawing or chemical name is a bit of problem for a neural network or other ML algorithm

- Need technical methods to convert molecular structures into machine-readable formats (e.g., numerical vectors) that can be processed as inputs to ML algorithms
- The transformation should carry information that is useful to the prediction task in distinguishing amongst chemical moieties

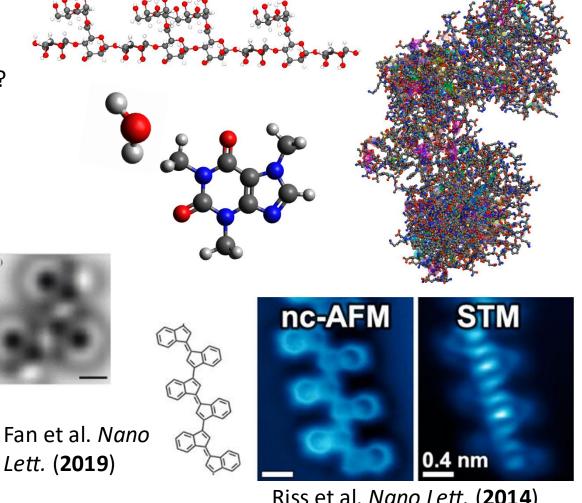
This conversion process is referred to as molecular featurization

What is a molecule?

Before we specifically address how to featurize a molecule, we should settle on what a molecule is since that may dictate the approach

Some possible characteristics of molecules

- Groups of atoms that interact/are joined by physical forces?
- Notion of spatially localized electrons \rightarrow bonds?
- Fundamental units of chemical reactions?
- Typified by specific chemical or physical properties?



Riss et al. Nano Lett. (2014)

What is a molecule?

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Article

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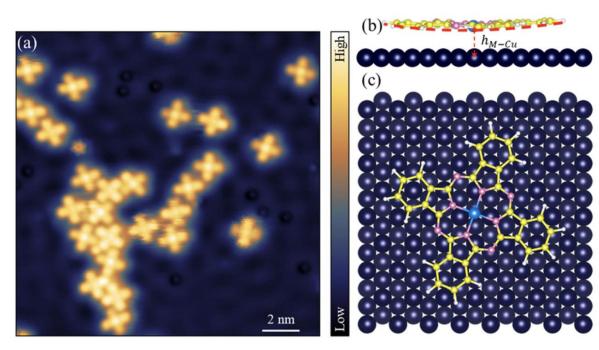
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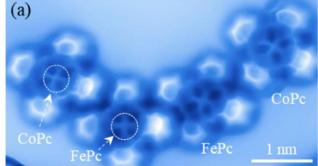
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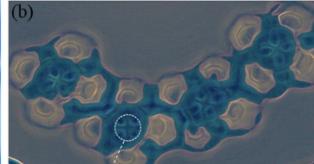
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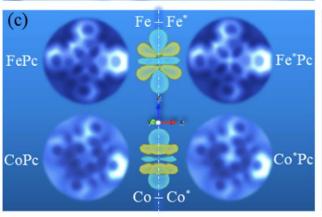
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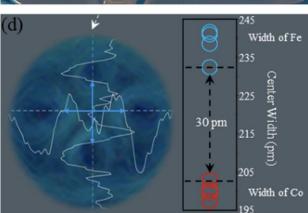
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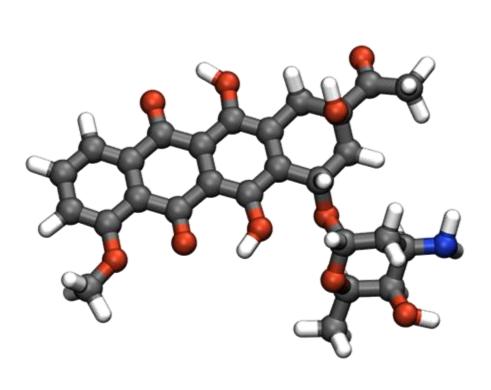








Molecules as particles... or waves

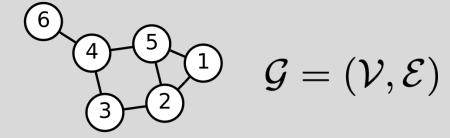


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Mathematical graph



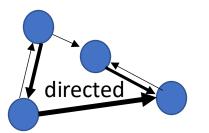
Structure in discrete mathematics that usually demonstrates how some set of objects are related to one another

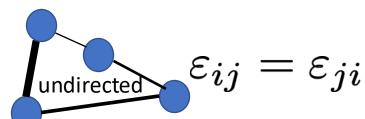
 ${\cal V}$ **Vertices/nodes** – indicates objects

Edges – indicates pairwise relationship amongst objects

graphs may be *directed* or *undirected*

VS.





Graphs can be conveniently represented as matrices

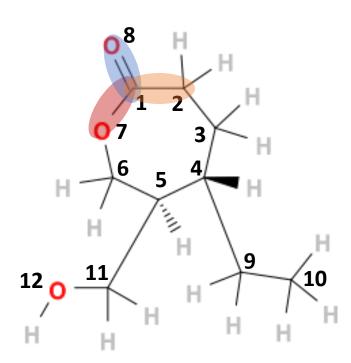
$$G, G_{ij} = \varepsilon_{ij}$$

$$\mathbf{G} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & \varepsilon_{12} & 0 & 0 & \varepsilon_{15} & 0 \\ \varepsilon_{21} & 0 & \varepsilon_{23} & 0 & \varepsilon_{25} & 0 \\ 0 & \varepsilon_{32} & 0 & \varepsilon_{34} & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & \varepsilon_{43} & 0 & \varepsilon_{45} & \varepsilon_{46} \\ \varepsilon_{51} & \varepsilon_{52} & 0 & \varepsilon_{54} & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & \varepsilon_{64} & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

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In a molecular graph



Vertices → Atoms or particles *Edges* → bonds or interactions

1	0	1	0	0	0	0	1	1	0	0	0	$0 \$
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l	0	1	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
l	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0
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*ignoring hydrogens

Here, entries denote presence of a bond (or not) → often referred to as an *Adjacency matrix*, but the premise can easily be encode other bits of information

Nodes can report properties of each atom (element, charge, hybridization state)

Edges can indicate bond (order), distances, electronic properties, etc.

This representation is typically deficient in the description of 3D structure/conformation, chirality, ...

Common starting points for describing molecular graphs are text strings

Such text strings should...

- be human-readable (not necessarily be intuitive)
- have well-defined rules to facilitate disambiguation
- Ideally possess canonicalization procedures

Most popular, pervasive: Simplified Molecular-Input Line Entry System (SMILES)

SMILES, a Chemical Language and Information System. 1. Introduction to Methodology and Encoding Rules

SMILES. 2. Algorithm for Generation of Unique SMILES Notation

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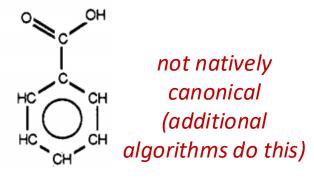
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Basic Rules

- 1. Atoms indicated by atomic symbols (aromatic rings \rightarrow lower case)
- 2. <u>Inorganic</u> elements are enclosed by <u>brackets</u> (as are formal charges)
- 3. <u>Bonds</u> represented by <u>-,=,#, and : (single, double, triple, and aromatic); single and aromatic bonds are conventionally omitted</u>
- 4. <u>Branches</u> are specified by enclosures in <u>parentheses</u>
- 5. <u>Cyclic structures</u> are indicated by breaking one bond in each ring and <u>designating the point of opening/closure with a digit</u>



c1cccc1C(=0)O

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An extension: SMILES Arbitrary Target Specification (SMARTS)

SMARTS is not for representing molecular structures but *chemical patterns*



SMARTS Bond Primitives

Symbol	Atomic property requirements		
-	single bond (aliphatic)		
/	directional bond "up" ¹		
\	directional bond "down" ¹		
/?	directional bond "up or unspecified"		
\?	directional bond "down or unspecified"		
=	double bond		
#	triple bond		
:	aromatic bond		
~	any bond (wildcard)		
@	any ring bond ¹		

SMARTS Logical Operators

Symbol	Expression	Meaning			
exclamation	!e1	not e1			
ampersand	e1&e2 a1 and e2 (high precedenc				
comma	e1,e2	e1 or e2			
semicolon	e1;e2	a1 and e2 (low precedence)			

- → database queries
- → substructure searches (finding a subgraph of the molecular graph)

Decoding Exercise

draw out/describe the substructures from SMARTS

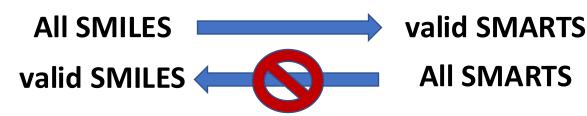
- "cc"
- [c,n;H1]
- "Caa(O)aN"
- "Ca(aO)aaN"

Symbol	Symbol name	Atomic property requirements	Default
*	wildcard	any atom	(no default)
а	aromatic	aromatic	(no default)
A	aliphatic	aliphatic	(no default)
D <n></n>	degree	<n> explicit connections</n>	exactly one
H <n></n>	total-H-count	<n> attached hydrogens</n>	exactly one ¹
h <n></n>	implicit-H-count	<n> implicit hydrogens</n>	at least one
R <n></n>	ring membership	in <n> SSSR rings</n>	any ring atom
r <n></n>	ring size	in smallest SSSR ring of size <n></n>	any ring atom ²
v <n></n>	valence	total bond order <n></n>	exactly one ²
X <n></n>	connectivity	<n> total connections</n>	exactly one ²
x <n></n>	ring connectivity	<n> total ring connections</n>	at least one ²
- <n></n>	negative charge	- <n> charge</n>	-1 charge (is -2, etc)
+ <n></n>	positive charge	+ <n> formal charge</n>	+1 charge (++ is +2, etc)
#n	atomic number	atomic number <n></n>	(no default) ²
@	chirality	anticlockwise	anticlockwise, default class ²
@@	chirality	clockwise	clockwise, default class ²
@ <c><n></n></c>	chirality	chiral class <c> chirality <n></n></c>	(nodefault)
@ <c><n>?</n></c>	chiral or unspec	chirality <c><n> or unspecified</n></c>	(no default)
<n></n>	atomic mass	explicit atomic mass	unspecified mass

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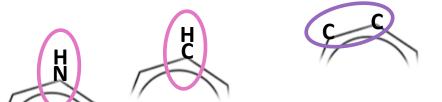
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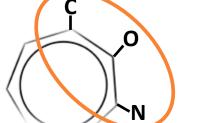
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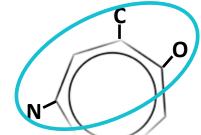


- any pair of bonded aromatic carbons
- "(()"
- [c,n;H1]

either aromatic carbon or nitrogen and exactly one hydrogen

"Caa(O)aN"





- substituent carbon of aromatic ring that is ortho to substituent oxygen and meta to substituent nitrogen
 - same as above but O and N likely para
- "Ca(aO)aaN"

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DeepSMILES was developed to address some syntactic issues in using SMILES for "generative" models. The gist of the problem is that many perturbations to SMILES strings do not result in valid molecules.

SMILES	DeepSMILES
C1CCCC1	CCCCC5
C1CCCCCCCC1	CCCCCCCC%10
C(O)C	co)c
C(OF)C	COF))C
C(F)(F)C	CF)F)C
C(=O)Cl	C=O)Cl
C(OC(=O)CI)I	COC=O)CI)))I
C1CC(OC)CC1	CCCOC))CC5
C1=C/CCCCCC/1	C=C/CCCCC/8
C\1=C/CCCCC1	C=C/CCCCC/8
B(c1cccc1)(O)O	Bcccccc6))))))O)O
Cn1cccc-2nccc12	Cnccccnccc9-5
C1N[C@@]12CO2	CN[C@@]3CO3
[C@@]12(NC1)CO2	[C@@]NC3))CO3
CC1CCCO[C@]21CCCCO2	cccco[c@@]6cccco6
CC1CCCO[C@@]12CCCCO2	CCCCCO[C@@]6CCCCO6
NC[C@]12CCCC1C3CC2CC3	NC[C@]CCCC5CCC8CC5
NC[C@]12CCCC2C3CC1CC3	NC[C@@]CCCC5CCC8CC5

Other string-based representations

Wiswesser line notation
SYBYL Line Notation
IUPAC International Chemical Identifier

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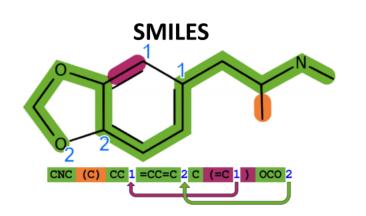
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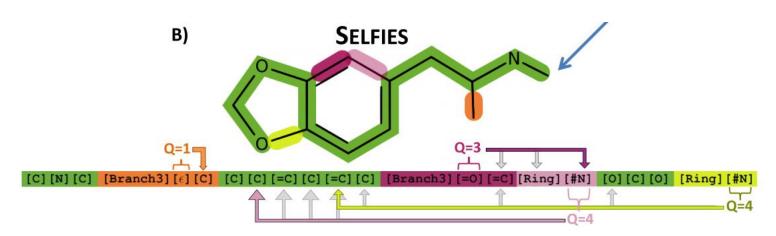
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Self-referencing embedded strings (SELFIES): A 100% robust molecular string representation

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- New kid on the block with growing utility
- developed as a "100% robust" alternative to SMILES:
 - every SELFIES string is a valid molecule
 - every molecule has a SELFIES

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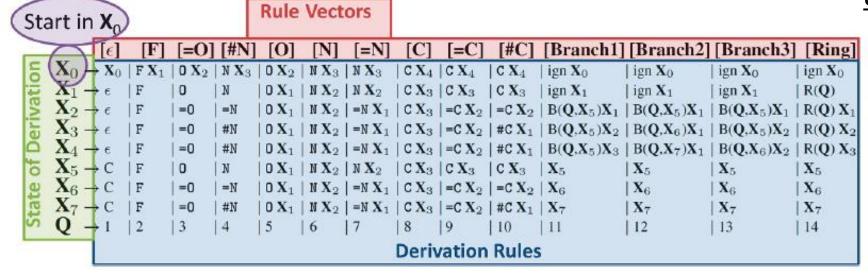
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Formal Grammar Rules



conversion to molecular graph

- 1. Start in $X_0 \rightarrow F X_1$
- 2. $FX_1 \rightarrow FCX_3$
- 3. $F C X_3 \rightarrow F C = C X_2$
- 4. $FC = CX_2 \rightarrow FC = C = N$