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Accelerating the computation of finite temperature properties with Machine-Learning Assisted Canonical Sampling

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In the classical limit, at a temperature T, the average of an observable O can be written as

$$\langle O \rangle = \frac{1}{Z} \int d\mathbf{R} O(\mathbf{R}) e^{-\beta V(\mathbf{R})}$$

In practice, R is high dimensional, so we use a finite number of sample to approximate $\langle O \rangle$

$$\langle O \rangle \approx \sum_n w_n O(\mathbf{R}_n) \quad \text{with} \quad \sum_n w_n = 1$$

Integrate Newton's equations of motion



With a thermostat, it is possible to generate configurations according to the canonical ensemble at a temperature T

$$\langle O \rangle = \sum_n \frac{1}{N_{\text{tot}}} O(\mathbf{R}_n) \quad w_n = \frac{1}{N_{\text{tot}}}$$

Very powerful but **high computational cost**

Needs from 10^4 to 10^5 forces evaluations to compute some properties

⇒ can take up to **months** if forces are computed using DFT
We need methods to accelerate the generation of configurations

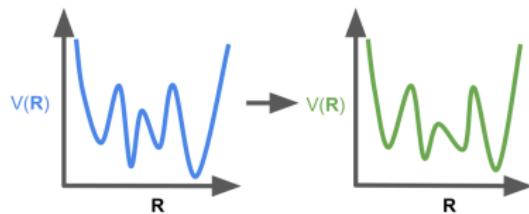
2.1 Machine Learning Interatomic Potential

Recently, progress in Machine-Learning Interatomic Potential (MLIP) allows a drastic acceleration with near-DFT accuracy

- Less expensive than DFT
- Malleable : can describe almost any potential surface
- Data-driven : Needs a careful selection of the training dataset

Generating the training dataset can need AIMD \Rightarrow expensive

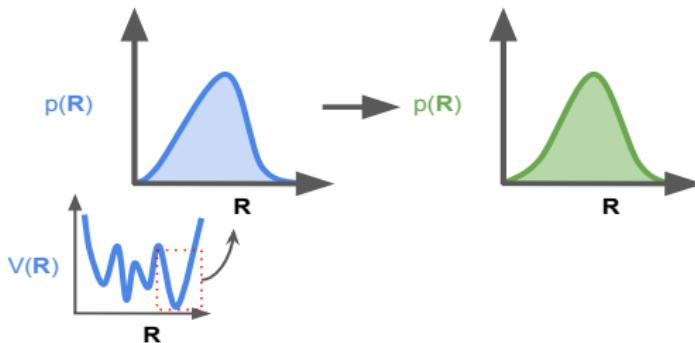
$$V^{\text{DFT}}(\mathbf{R}) \Rightarrow V^{\text{MLIP}}(\mathbf{R})$$



$$\langle O \rangle \approx \sum_n w_n^{\text{DFT}} O^{\text{DFT}}(\mathbf{R}) \Rightarrow \langle O \rangle \approx \sum_n w_n^{\text{MLIP}} O^{\text{MLIP}}(\mathbf{R})$$

We can use the **MLIP potential** as a distribution function

$$\frac{1}{Z} e^{-\beta V^{\text{DFT}}(\mathbf{R})} \Rightarrow \frac{1}{Z} e^{-\beta V^{\text{MLIP}}(\mathbf{R})}$$



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How to obtain the best weights w_n ?

$$p(\mathbf{R}) = \frac{1}{Z} e^{-\beta V(\mathbf{R})} \quad q(\mathbf{R}) = \frac{1}{Z} e^{-\beta V(\mathbf{R})}$$

We can use the Kullback-Leibler divergence to define a measure of the similarity between two distributions

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With a few manipulations, this can be transformed to an equivalent free energy problem

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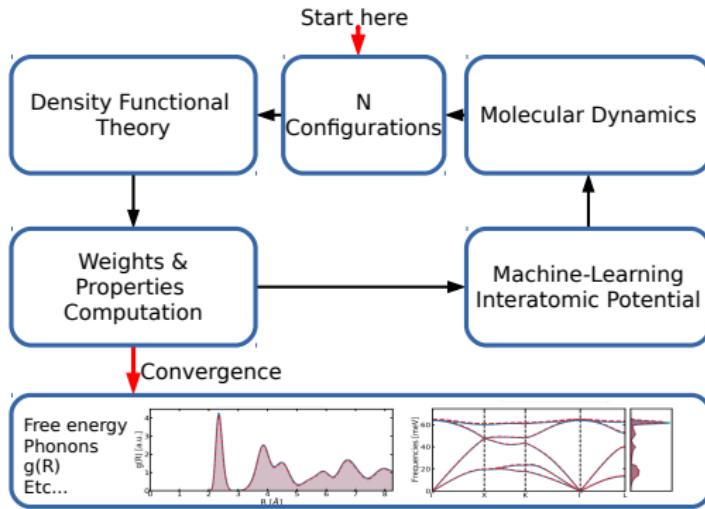
$$\tilde{\mathcal{F}} = \mathcal{F}_0 + \langle V(\mathbf{R}) - V(\mathbf{R}) \rangle \geq \mathcal{F}$$

By minimizing this quantity with respect to the MLIP parameters γ , we assure the best approximation of the DFT distribution and free energy

$$\frac{\partial \tilde{\mathcal{F}}}{\partial \gamma} = 0$$

This can be solved in a self-consistent approach





Two sources of acceleration

- Reduced number of DFT calculations (100 to 200 in total)
- DFT calculations in parallel

- The results are the configurations and the weights
- The properties are computed with DFT observables (energy, forces, electronic properties, ...)
- The studied system is the DFT one, the approximation is made on the weights given to the configurations
- The method can be seen as a replacement of AIMD

- Atomic environment manipulated with manipulation of supercells, MD, etc ...



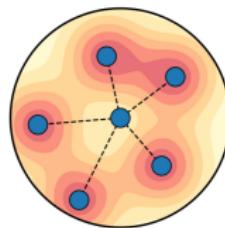
- MLIP computed using The logo for LAMMPS (Large-scale Atomic/Molecular Massively Parallel Simulator) is shown. It consists of the word "LAMMPS" in a yellow, blocky font, all contained within a dark blue rectangular box.

- Weights computed with pymbar

- DFT calculations with



The atomic environment is mapped to a descriptor space



$$[X_1 \dots X_K]$$

A linear dependence is assumed between the descriptor space and the energy

$$V(\mathbf{R}) = \sum_I \underbrace{\sum_k \gamma_k X_k^I}_{V_{\text{SNAP}}^I(\mathbf{R})} + V_{\text{pair}}(\mathbf{R})$$

Fitting by weighted least squares

$$\boldsymbol{\gamma} = (\mathbf{X} \mathbf{W} \mathbf{X})^{-1} \mathbf{X} \mathbf{W} \mathbf{Y}$$

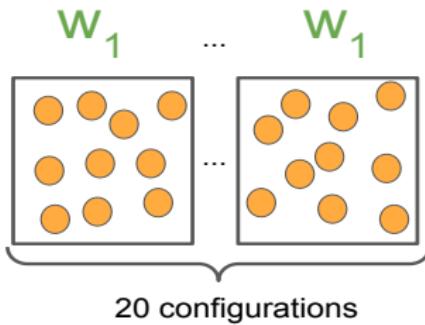
- \mathbf{X} : Descriptor (or derivatives)
- \mathbf{W} : weights
- \mathbf{Y} : DFT Energies, Forces and Stress

Multistate Bennett Acceptance Ratio (MBAR)

A free energy method that allows to compute the weights of all configurations generated during the simulation

We use the pymbar package

Iteration 1

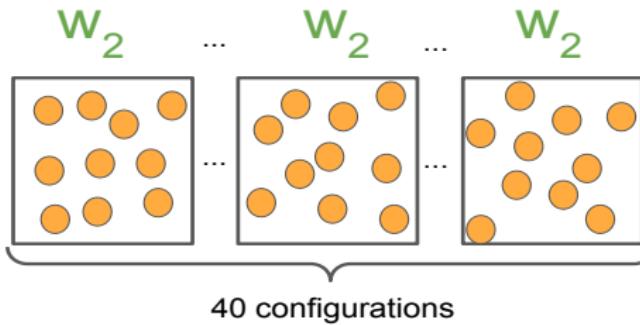


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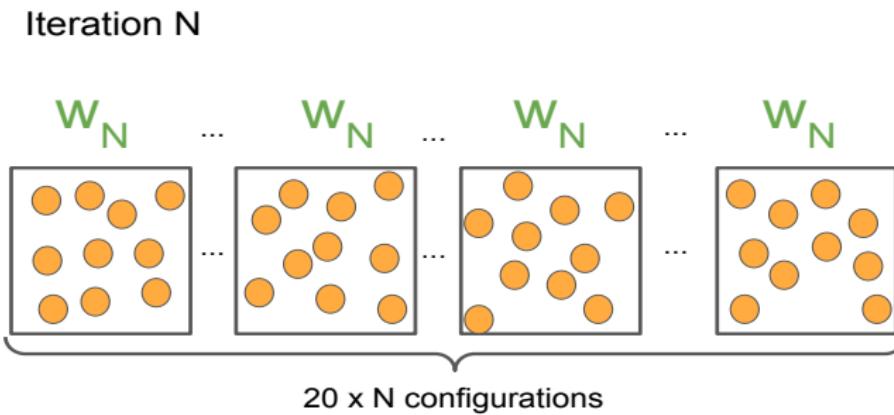
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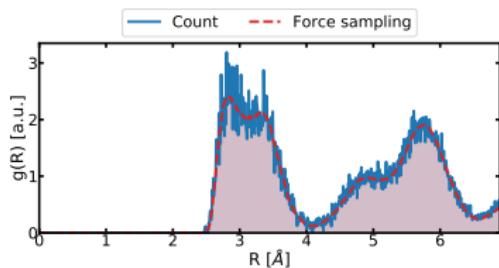


4.4 Property computed

We can compute properties by writing them as canonical averages

PDF $g(R)$: force sampling

$$g(R) = \frac{\beta}{4\pi} \frac{V}{N^2} \left\langle \sum_i \sum_{j \neq i} \frac{1}{2} (\mathbf{F}_i - \mathbf{F}_j) \frac{\mathbf{R}_j - \mathbf{R}_i}{R_{ij}^3} \theta(R - R_{ij}) \right\rangle$$



Finite temperature phonons : TDEP

$$V_{\text{TDEP}}(\mathbf{R}, T) = \frac{1}{2} \sum_{ij} \mathbf{u}_i \Theta_{ij}(T) \mathbf{u}_j$$

$$\Theta_{ij}(T) = \frac{\sum_k \langle \mathbf{F}_i \mathbf{u}_k \rangle}{\sum_k \langle \mathbf{u}_j \mathbf{u}_k \rangle}$$

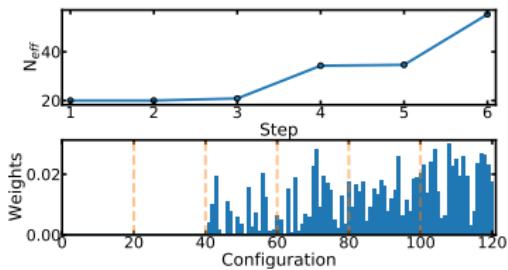
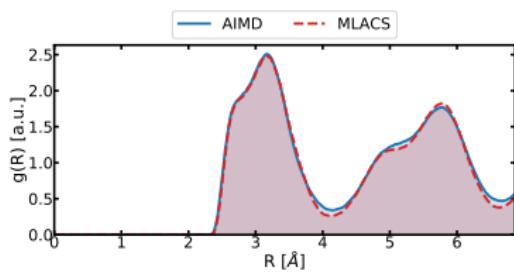
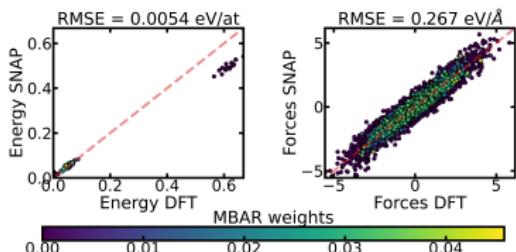
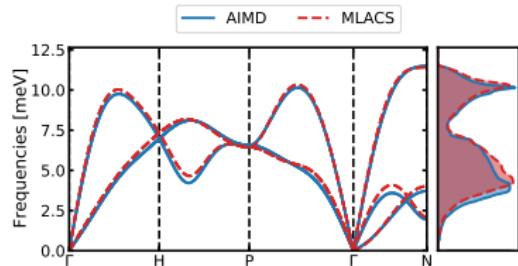
$\Theta(T) \Rightarrow \omega(T)$ **renormalized phonons**

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4.5 Résultats

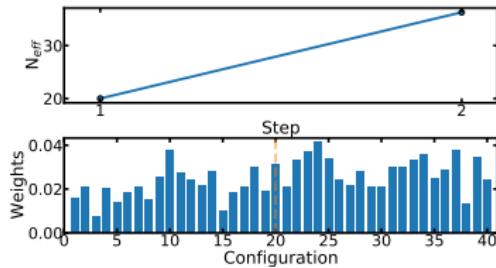
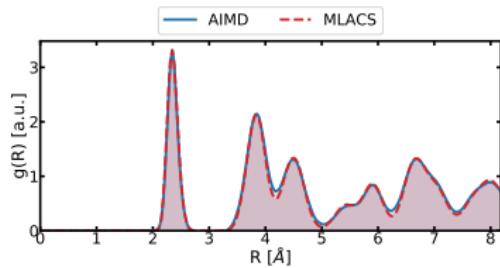
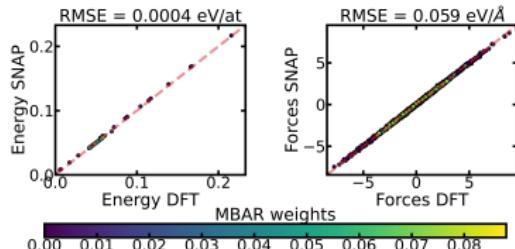
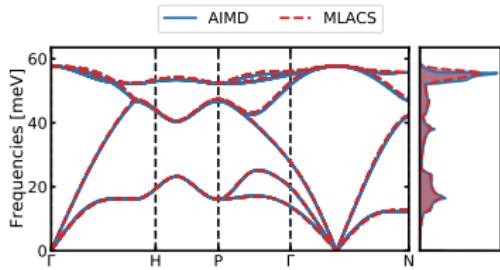
Uranium BCC 1200K - 128 atoms



Number of configurations computed : AIMD 4000 - MLACS 140

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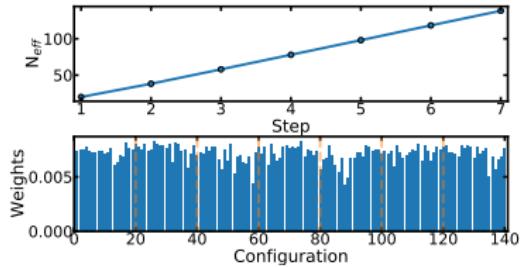
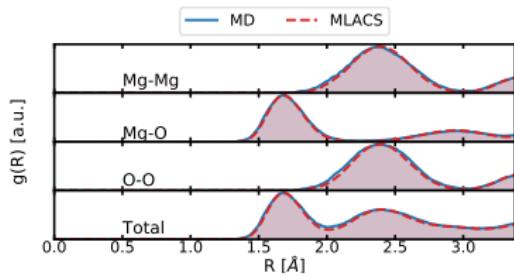
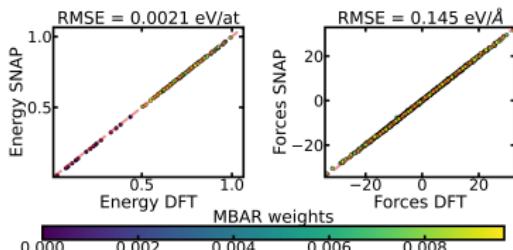
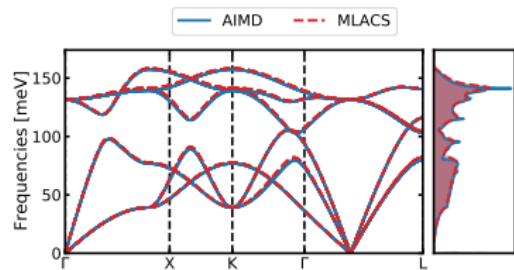
Silicium 900K - 216 atoms



Number of configurations computed : AIMD 4000 - MLACS 60

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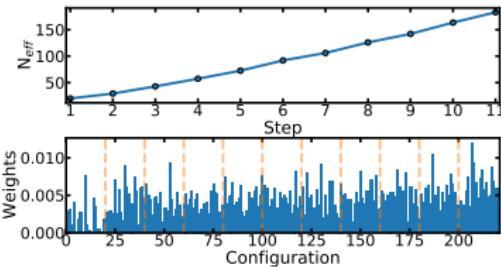
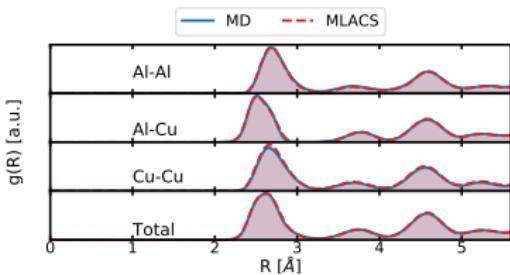
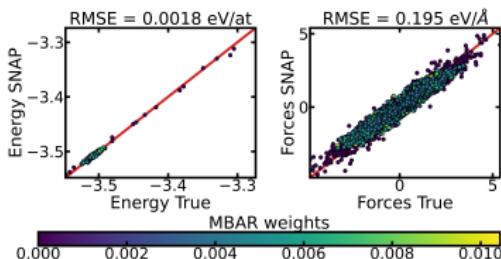
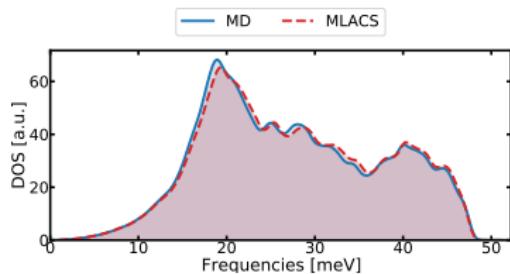
MgO - 400GPa - 8000K - 64 atoms



Number of configurations computed : AIMD 7000 - MLACS 160

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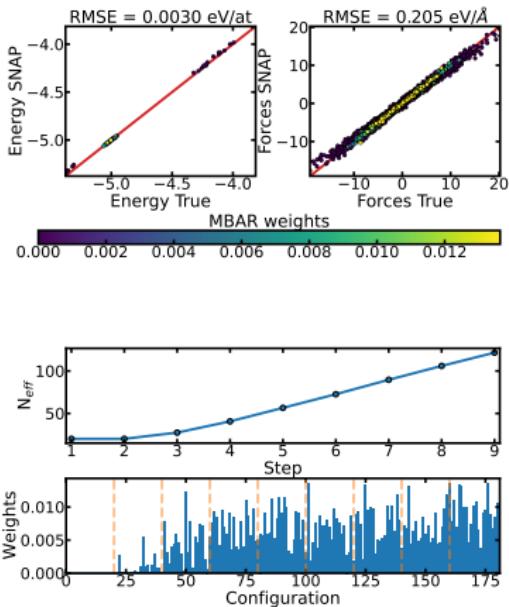
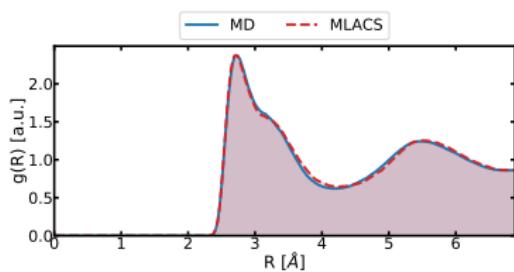
$\text{Al}_{0.50}\text{Cu}_{0.50}$ Bond Order Potential - Solid Solution 600K



Number of configurations computed : MD 6000 - MLACS 240

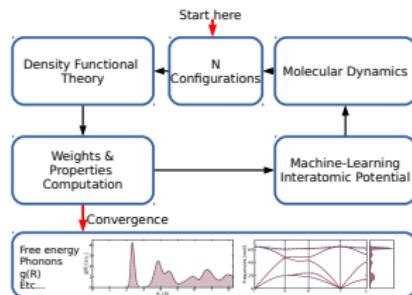
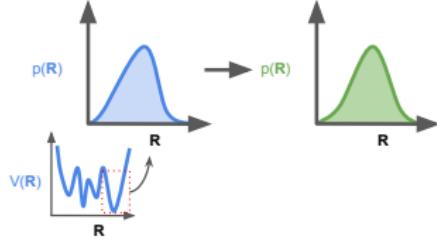
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Uranium MEAM - Liquid 2500K



Number of configurations computed : MD 15000 - MLACS 200

Machine-Learning Assisted Canonical Sampling



- **MLIP is seen as a probability distribution**
- **Self-consistent procedure to sample canonical distribution**
- **Fast and near-DFT accuracy**
- **Allows to compute electronic averages**
- **Allows to compute accurate free energy at the DFT level**



**Thank you for your
attention**

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Gibbs-Bogoliubov free energy

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gradient

$$\frac{\partial \tilde{\mathcal{F}}}{\partial \gamma_k} = \langle V(\mathbf{R}) \times X_k \rangle - \langle V(\mathbf{R}) X_k \rangle - \langle V(\mathbf{R}) \times X_k \rangle + \langle V(\mathbf{R}) X_k \rangle$$

Weighted Least-Squares Property

$$\langle V(\mathbf{R}) \rangle = \langle \bar{V}(\mathbf{R}) \rangle$$

Cumulant expansion of the free energy

$$\mathcal{F} = \mathcal{F}_0 + \langle V(\mathbf{R}) - V(\mathbf{R}) \rangle - \frac{\beta}{2} \left[\langle (V(\mathbf{R}) - V(\mathbf{R}))^2 \rangle - \langle V(\mathbf{R}) - V(\mathbf{R}) \rangle^2 \right] + \dots$$

One can recognise the Gibbs-Bogoliubov free energy

$$\mathcal{F} = \tilde{\mathcal{F}} - \frac{\beta}{2} \left[\langle (V(\mathbf{R}) - V(\mathbf{R}))^2 \rangle - \langle V(\mathbf{R}) - V(\mathbf{R}) \rangle^2 \right] + \dots$$

The second order cumulant of the free energy difference can be used as a measure of the accuracy of the simulation (as well as a correction to the free energy)

$$\Delta\mathcal{F}^{(2)} = -\frac{\beta}{2} \left[\langle (V(\mathbf{R}) - V(\mathbf{R}))^2 \rangle - \langle V(\mathbf{R}) - V(\mathbf{R}) \rangle^2 \right]$$