

Introduction to AiiDA

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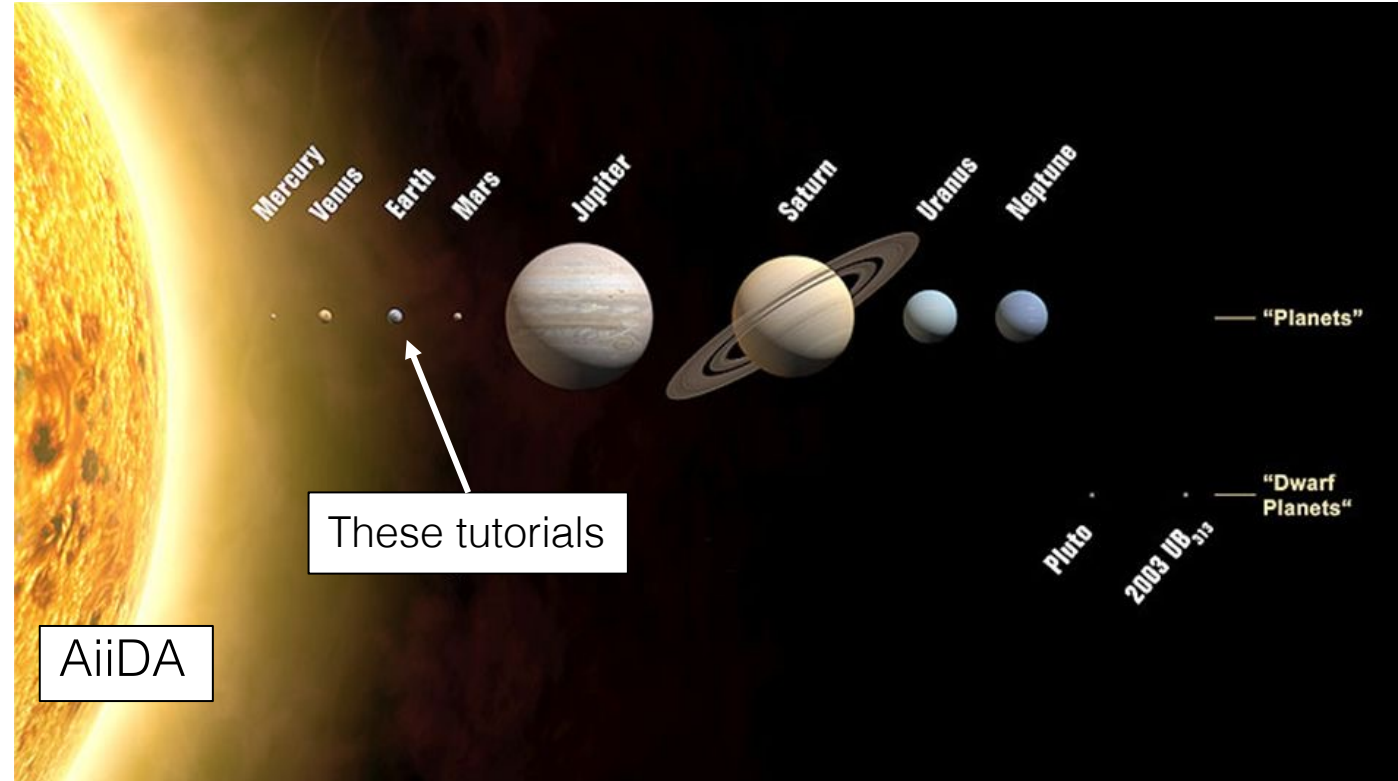
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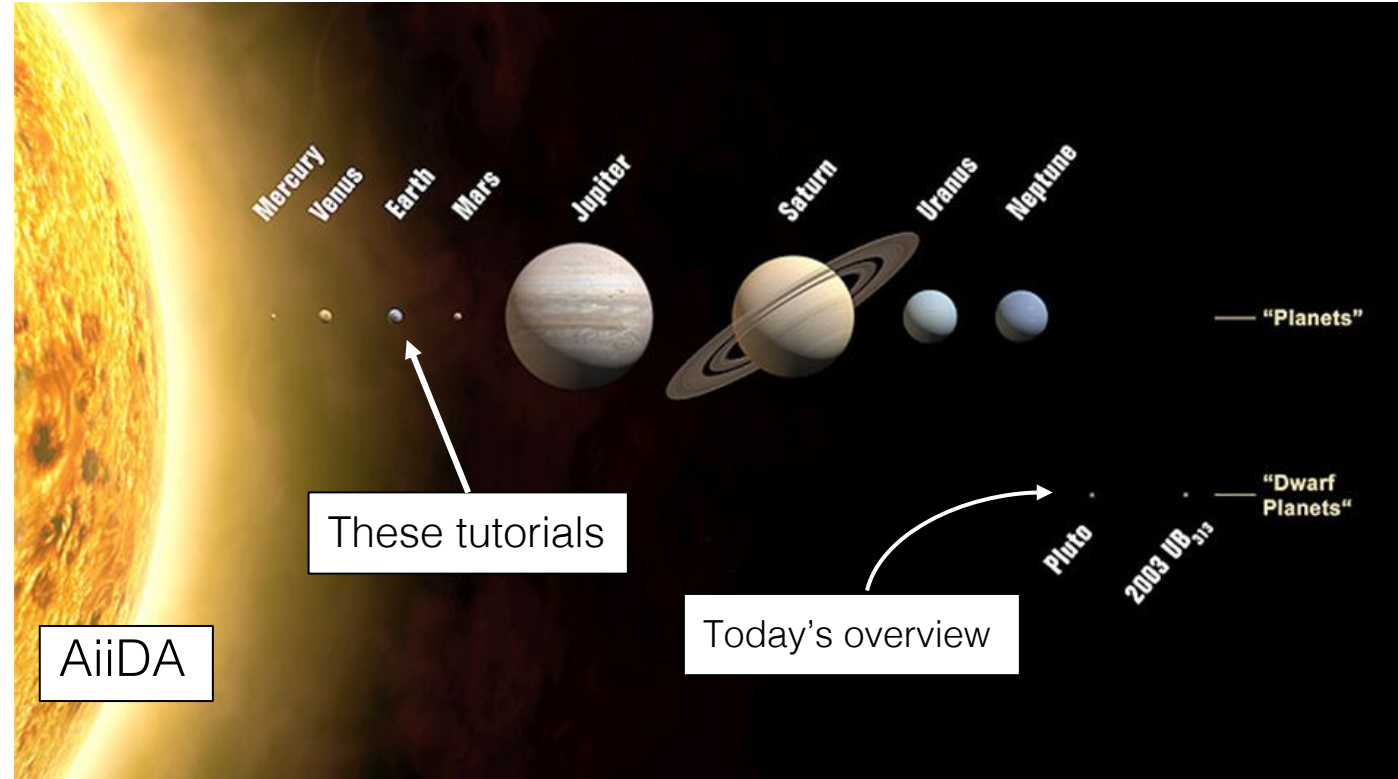
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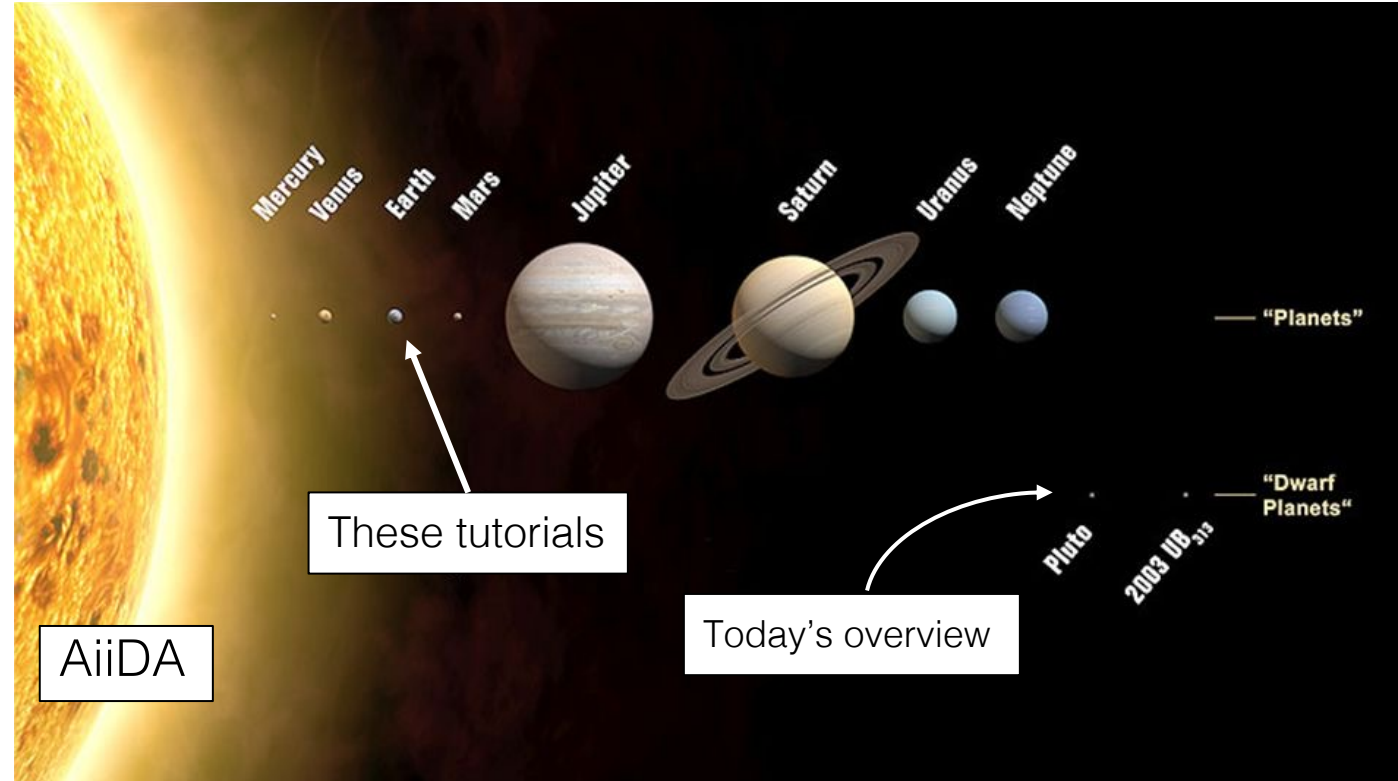
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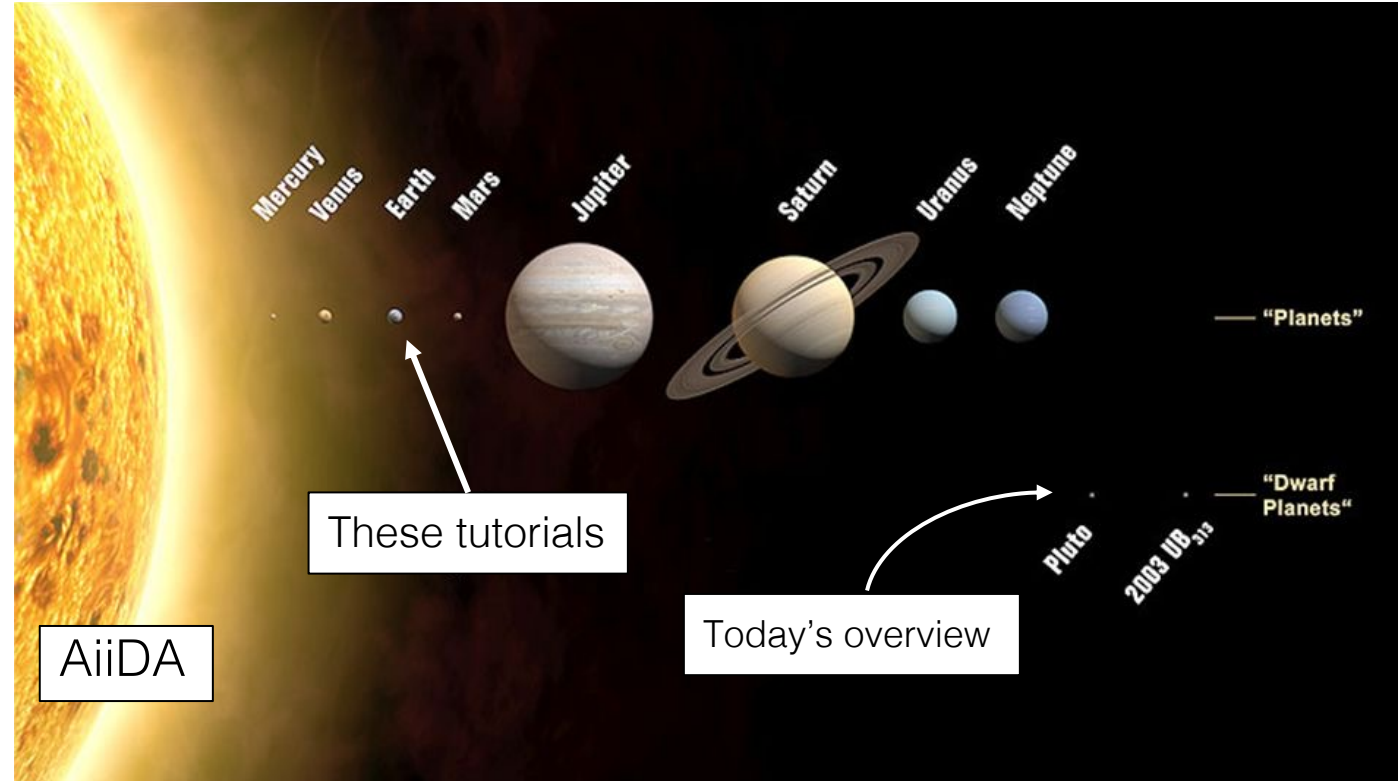
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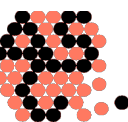


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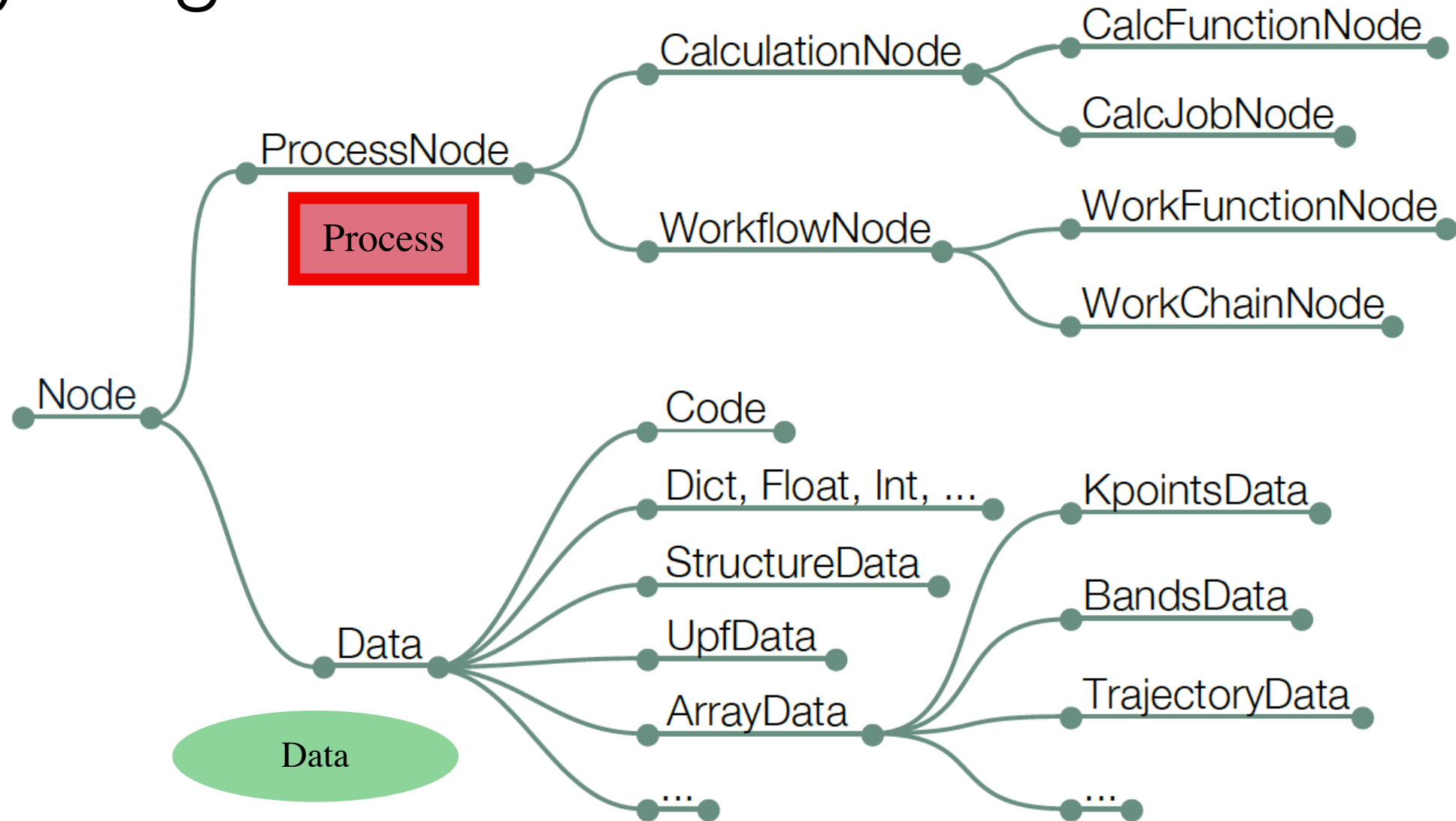
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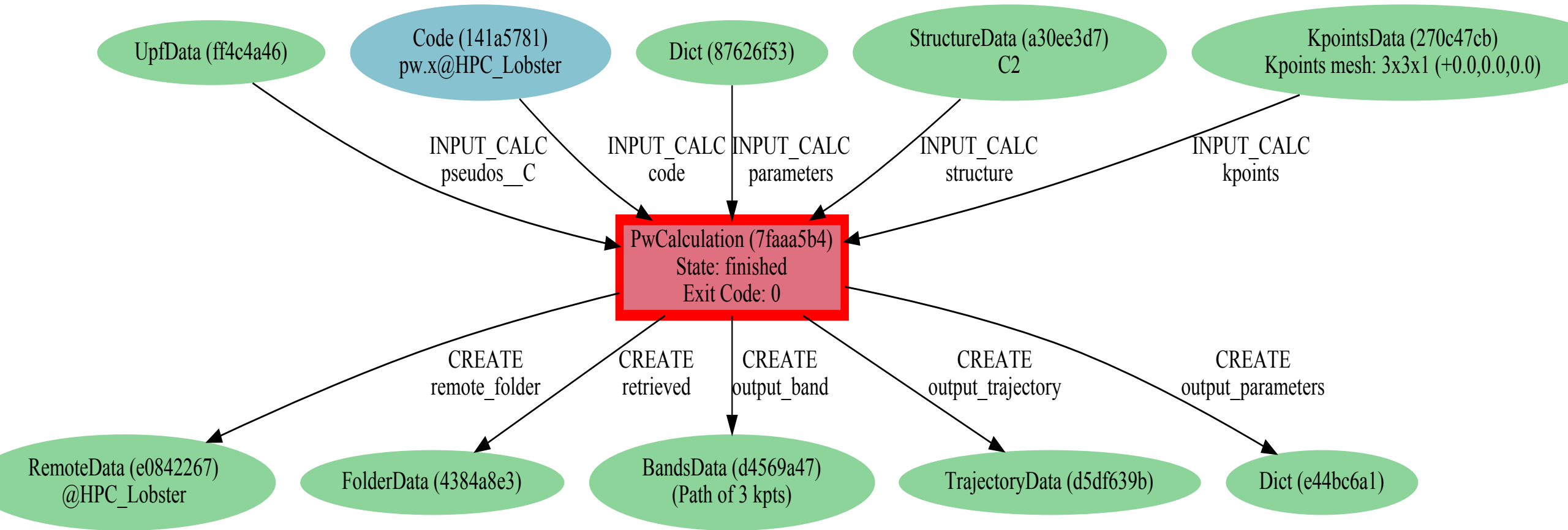
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Everything is a Node



Example – one calculation



Basic benefits of AiiDA

1. Calculation management → [Tutorial 1](#)

2. Workflows → [Tutorial 2](#)

3. Data provenance → [Tutorial 3](#)

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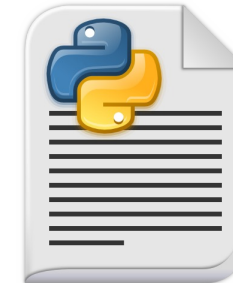


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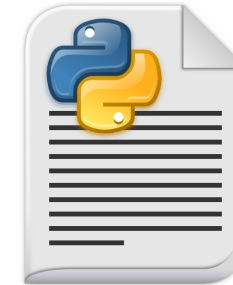


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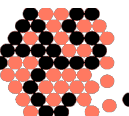
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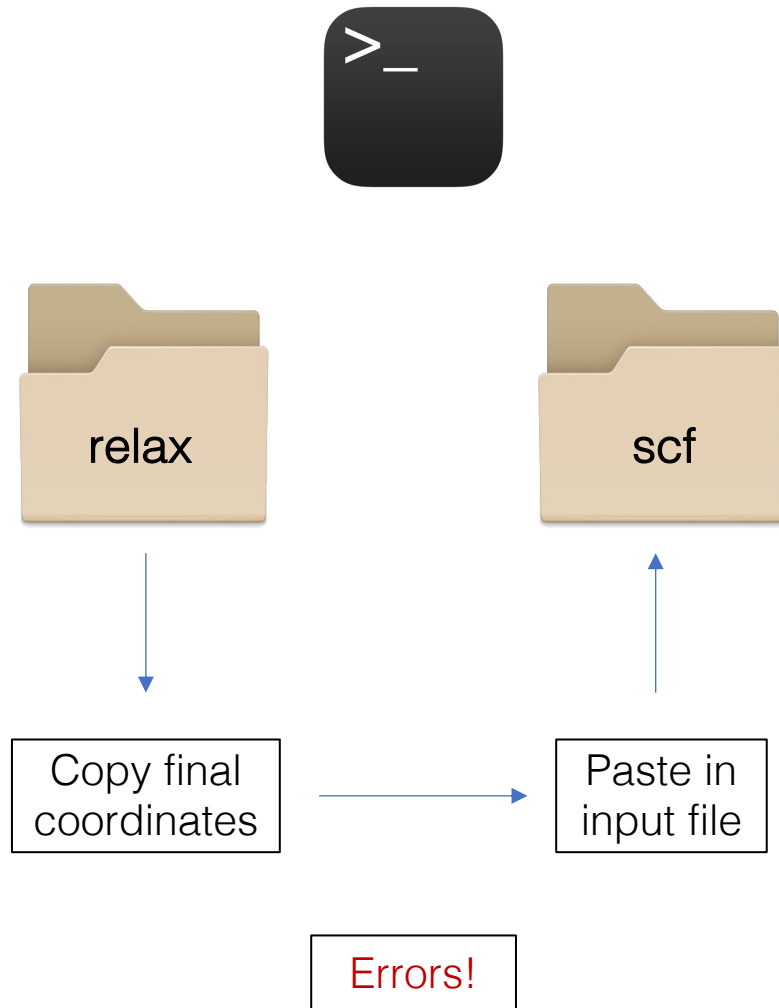
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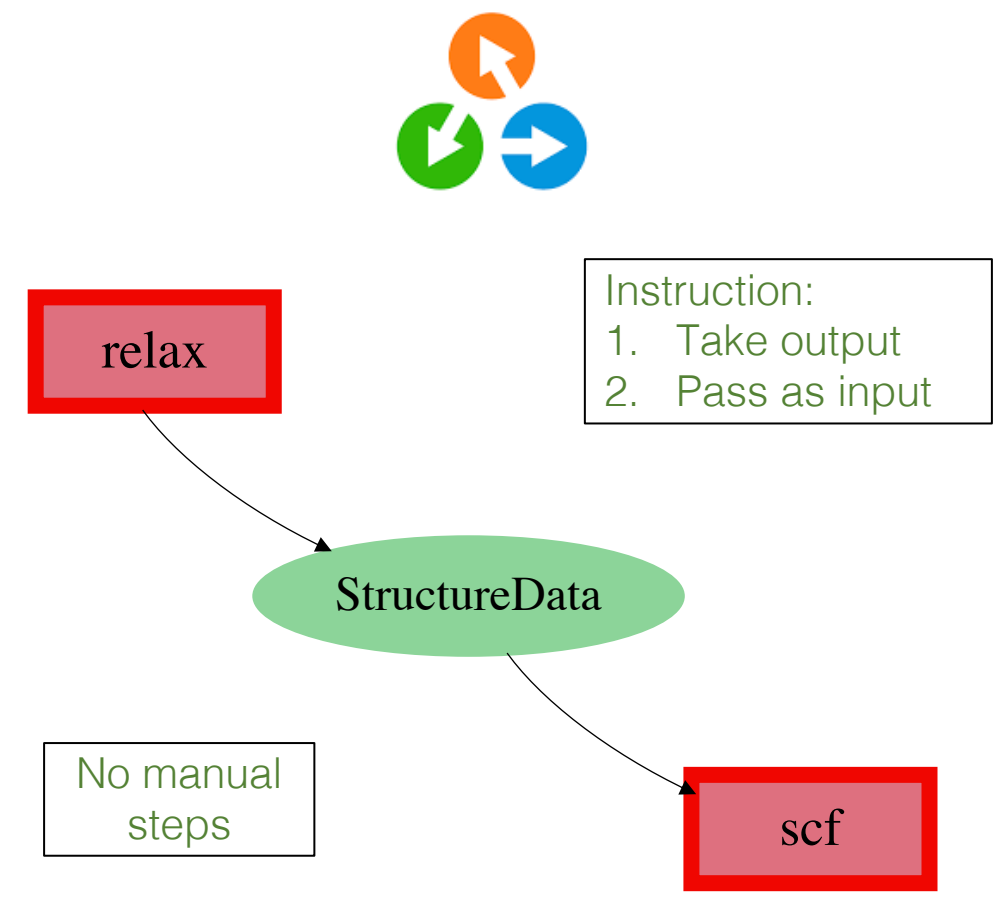
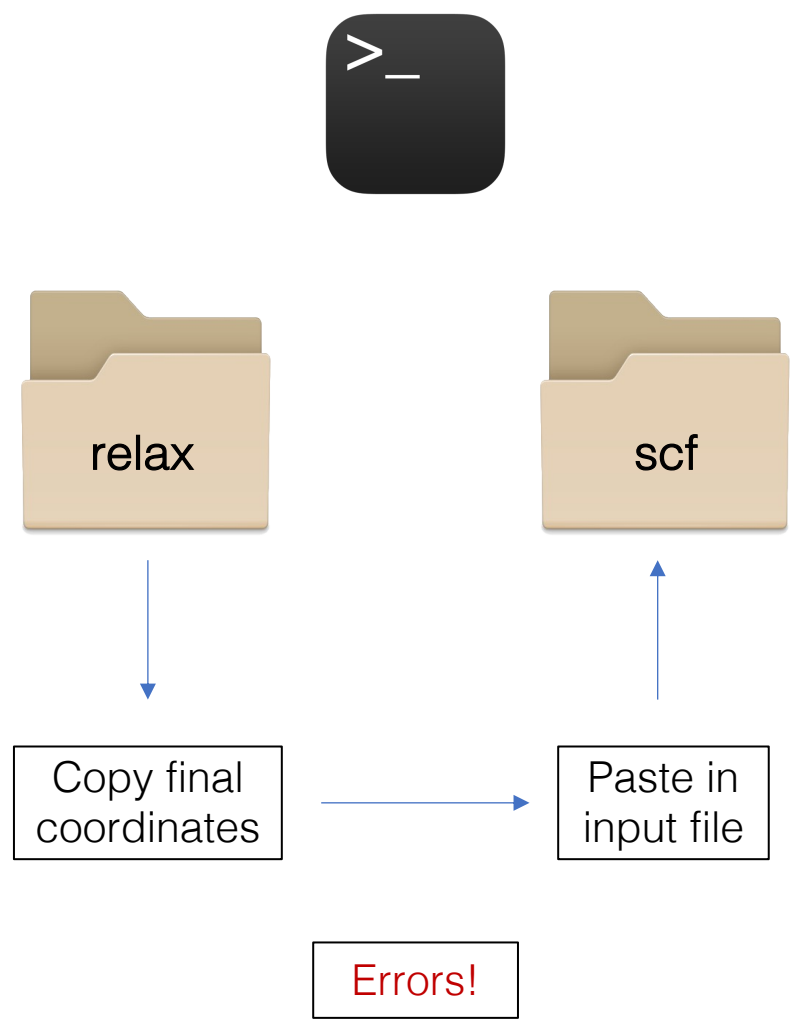
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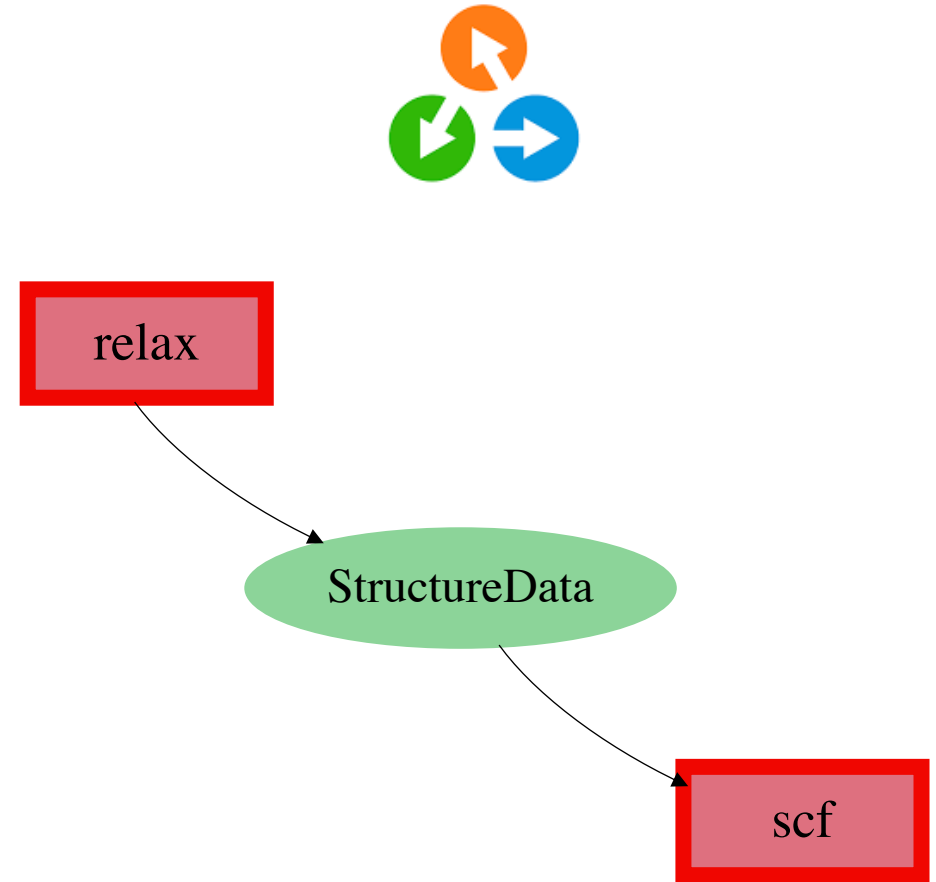
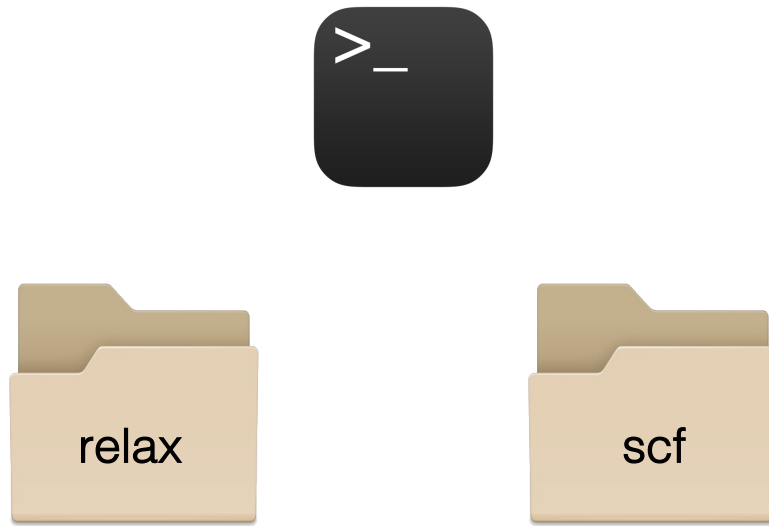
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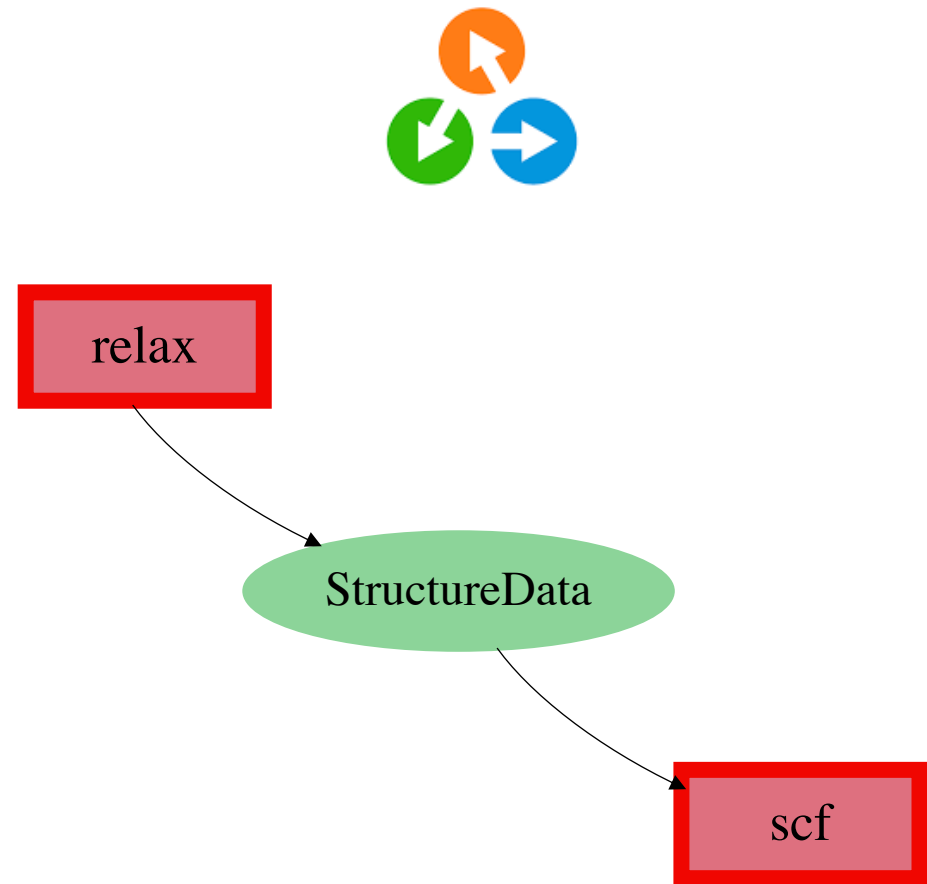
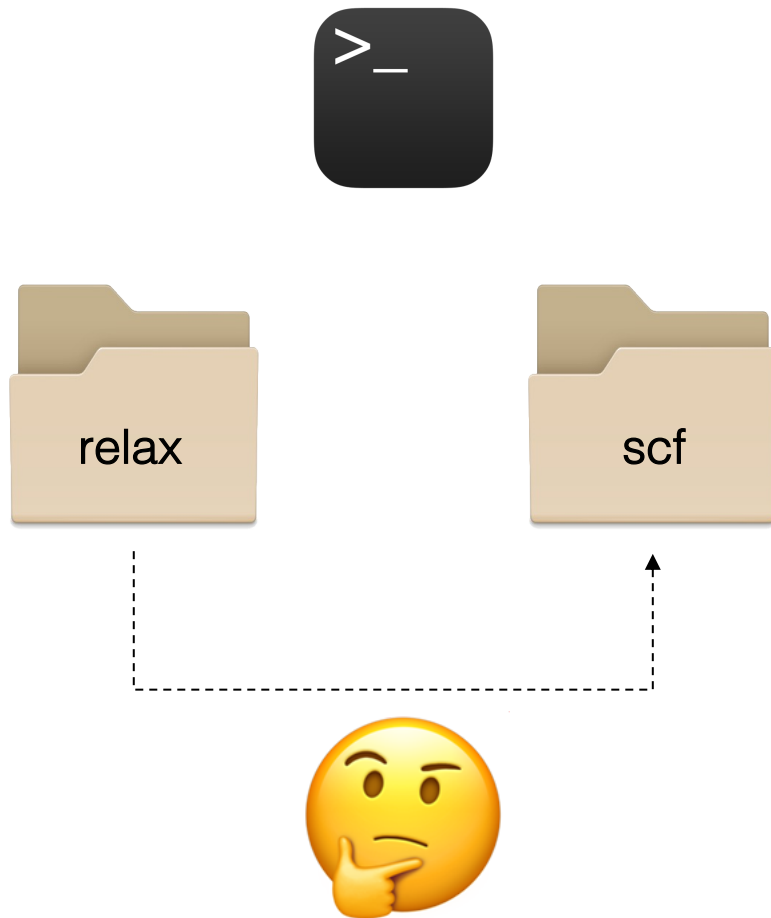
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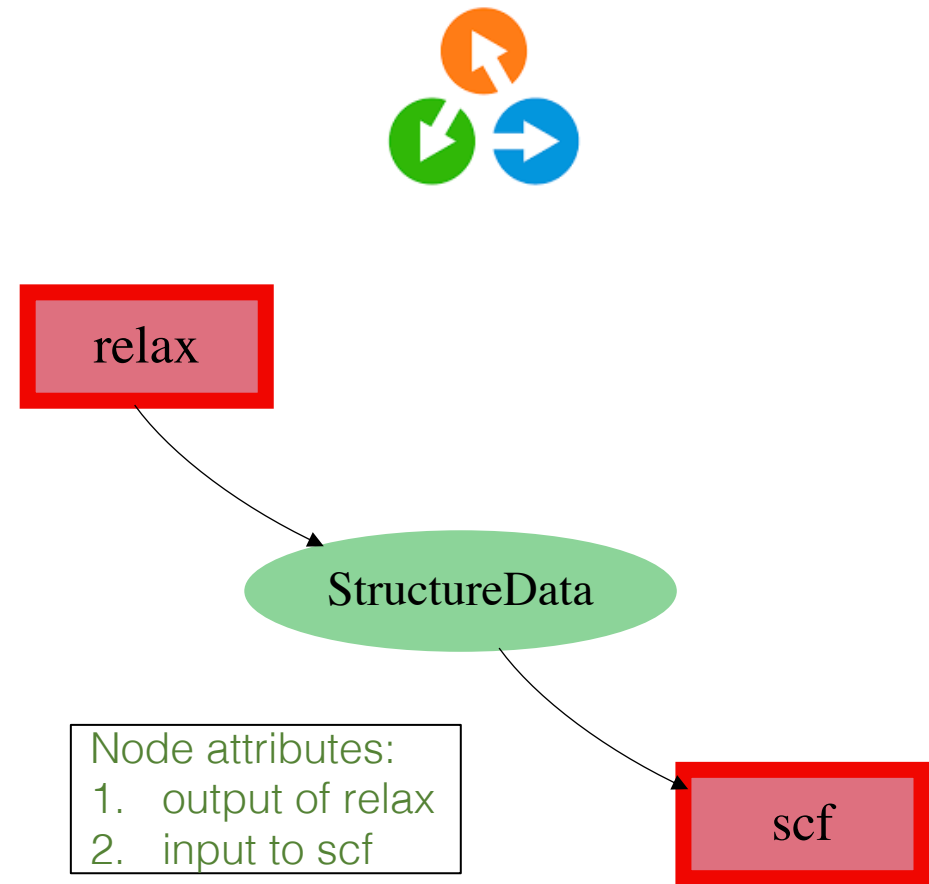
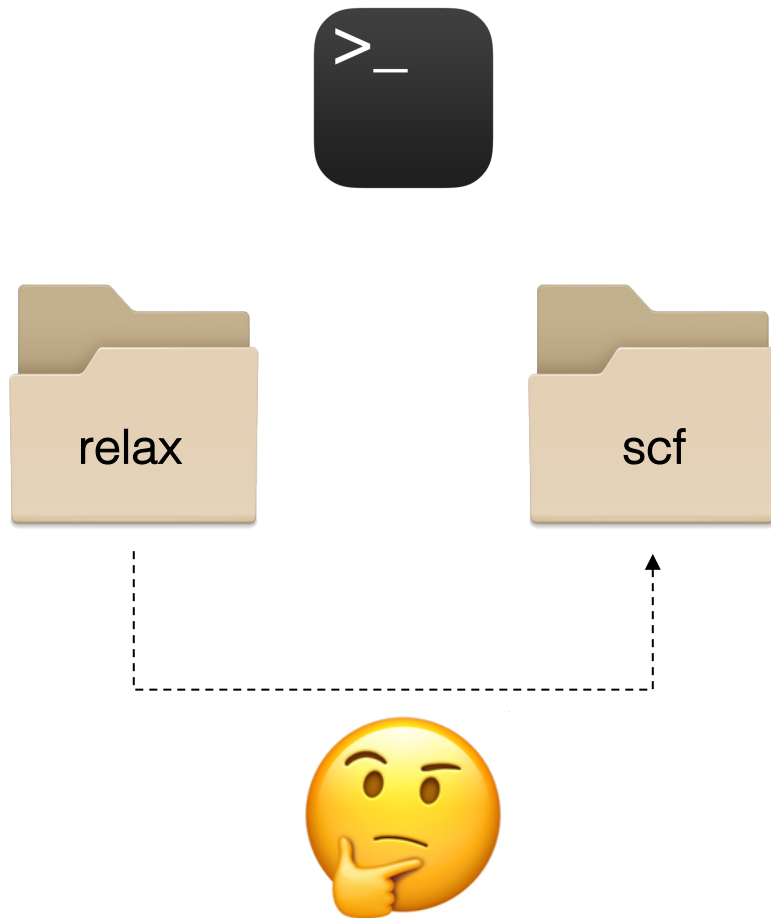
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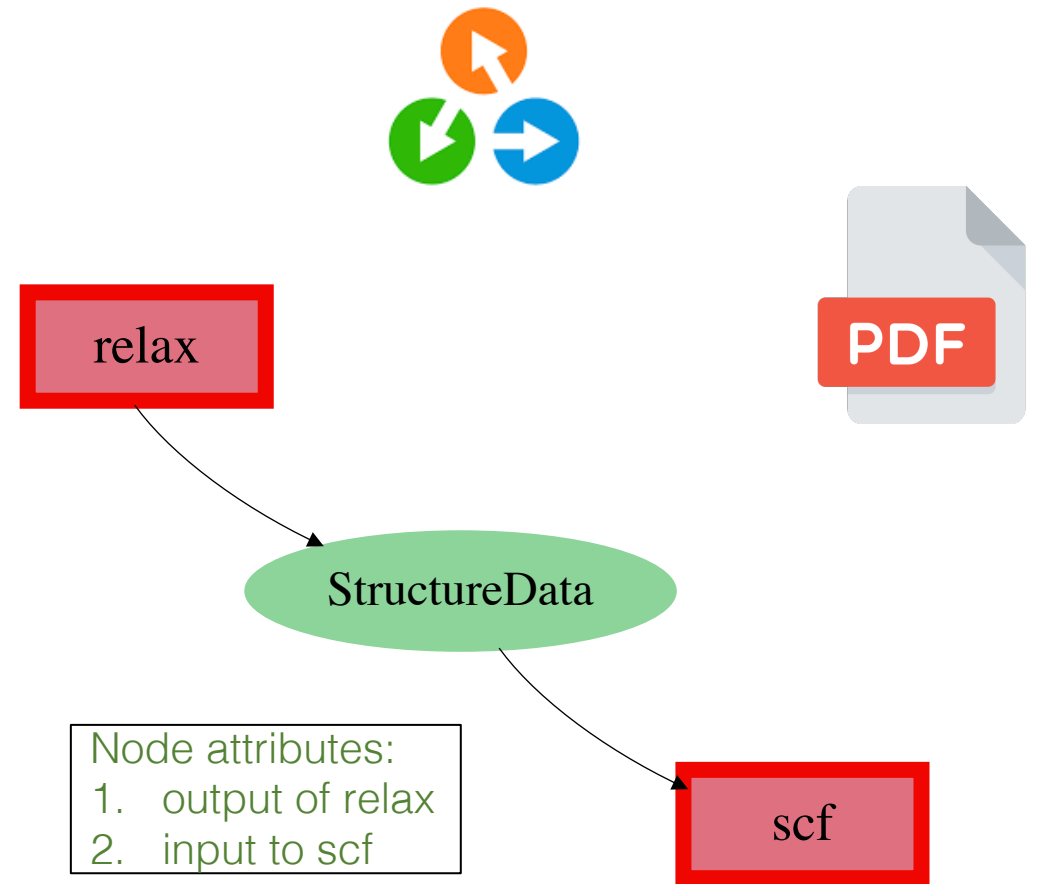
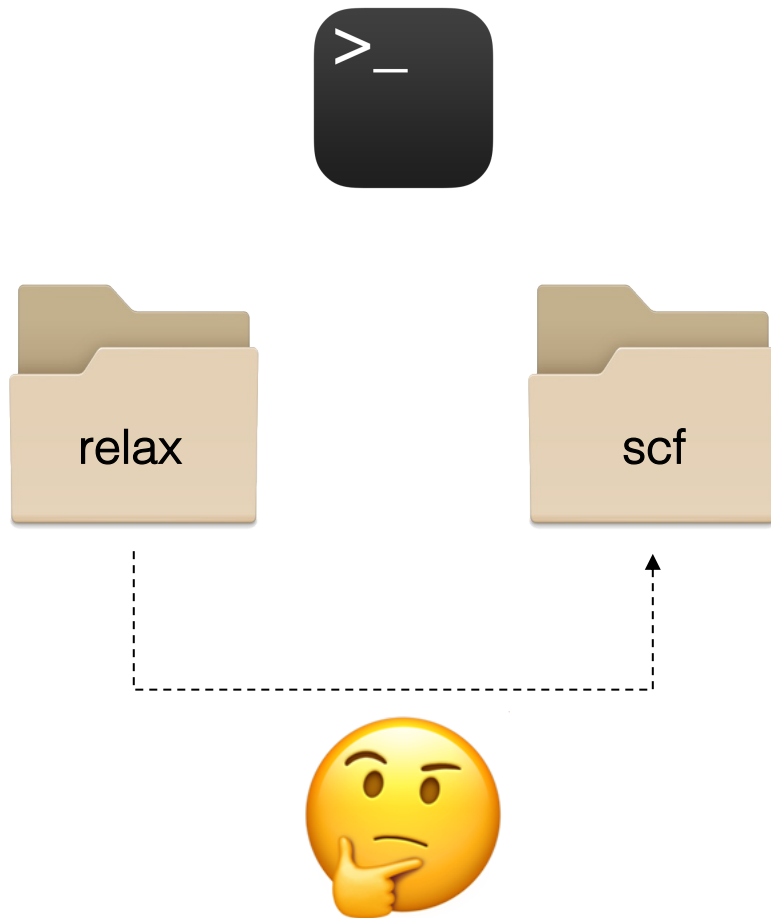
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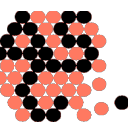
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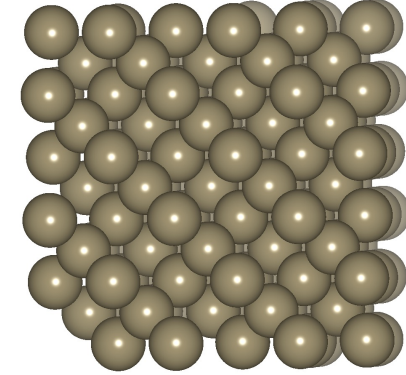


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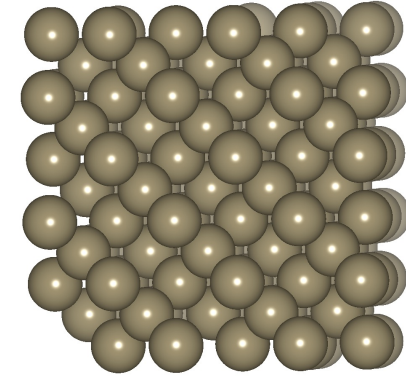
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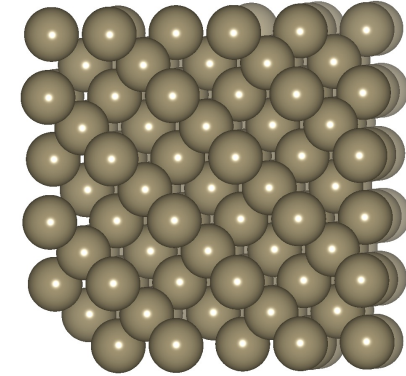
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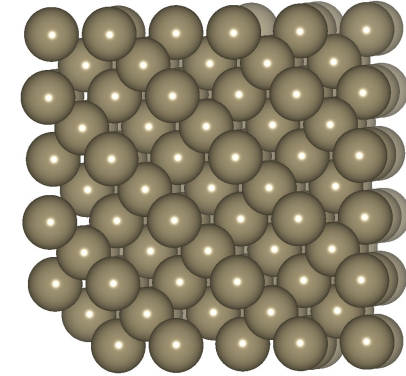
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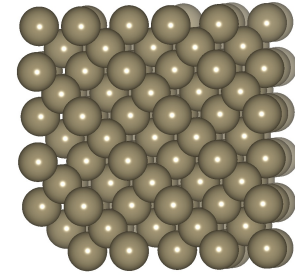


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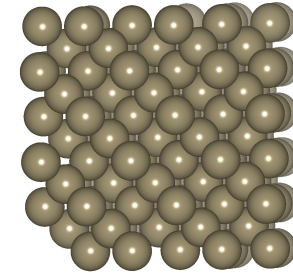


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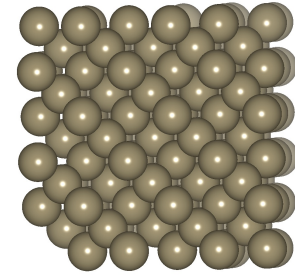
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- Common errors/shortcomings
 - Writing QE input files
 - Parsing QE output files
 - Interfacing with python

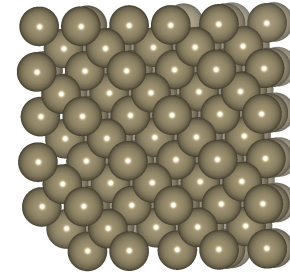
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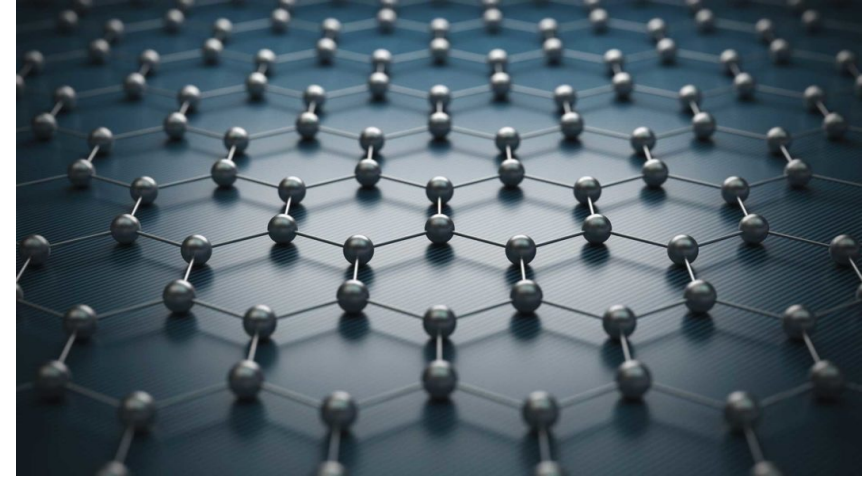
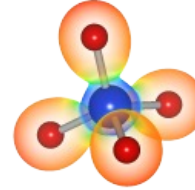
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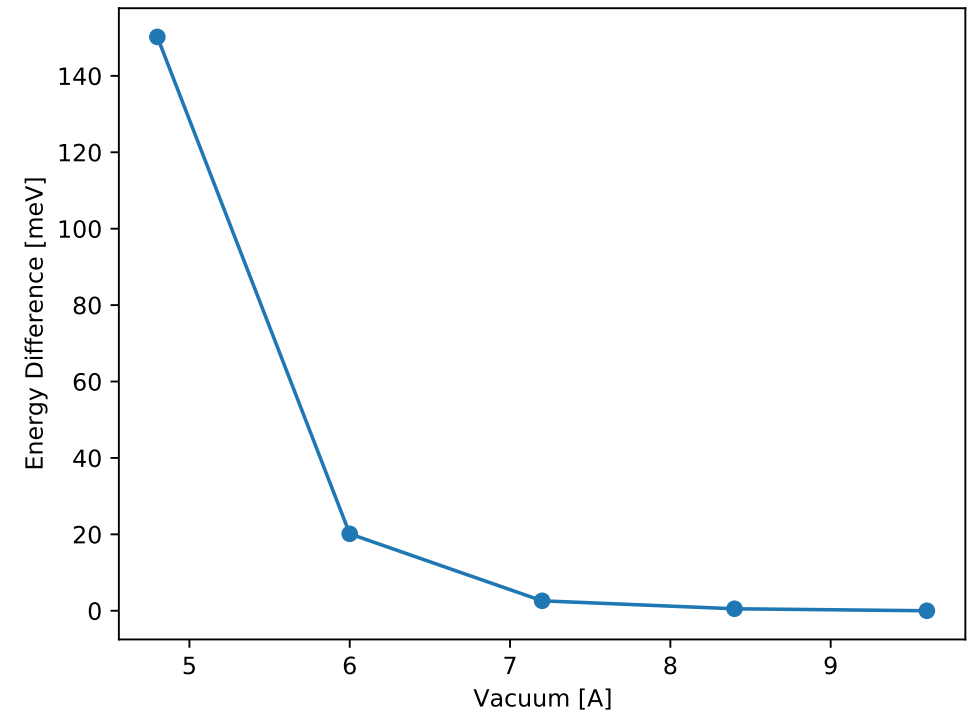
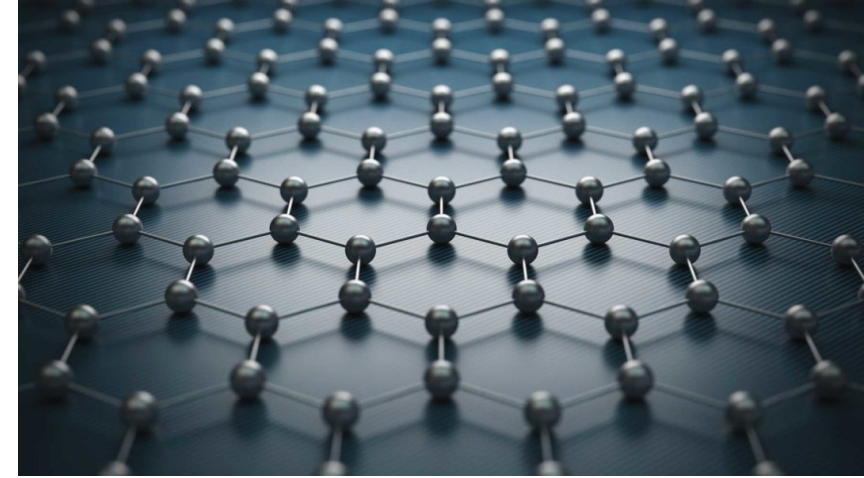
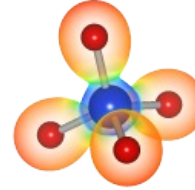
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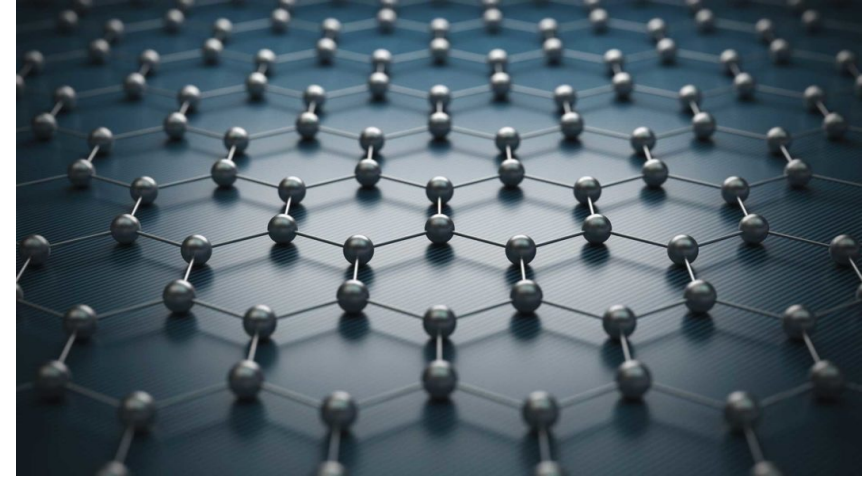
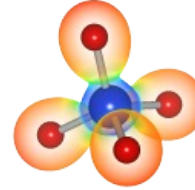
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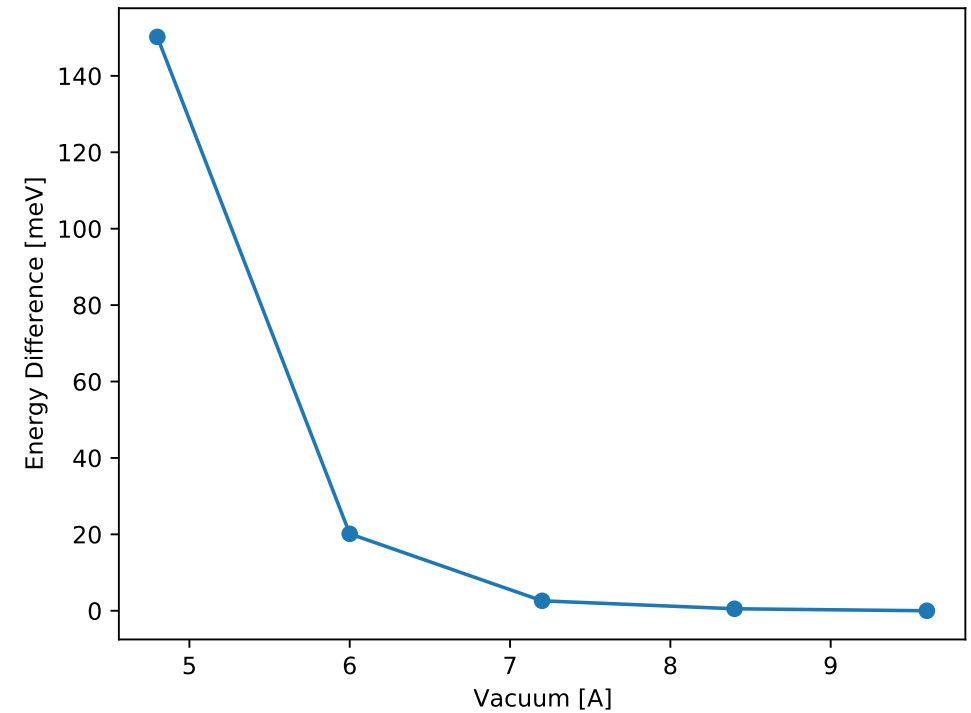


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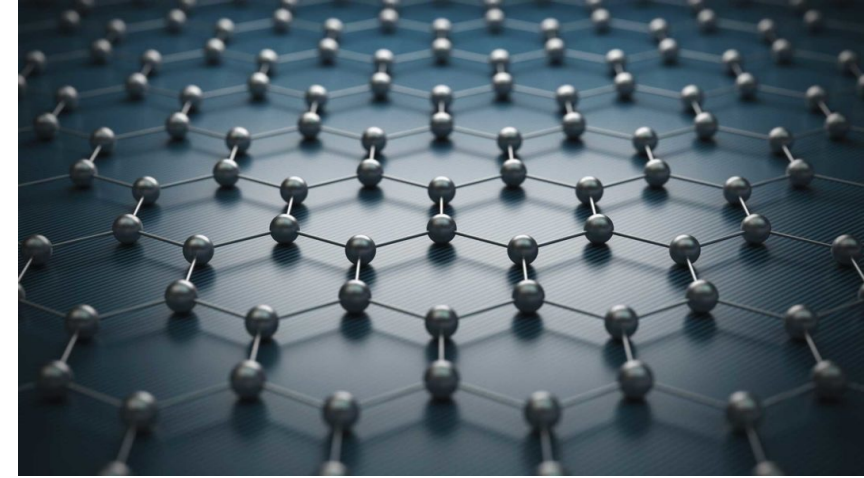
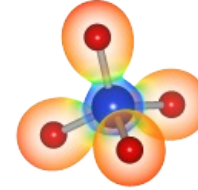


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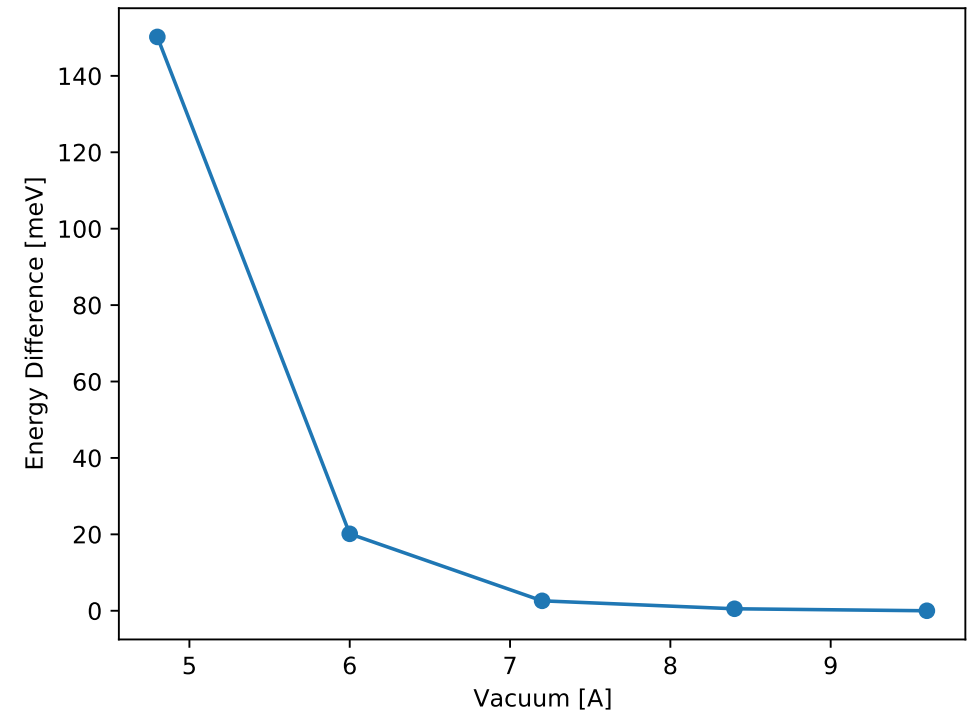
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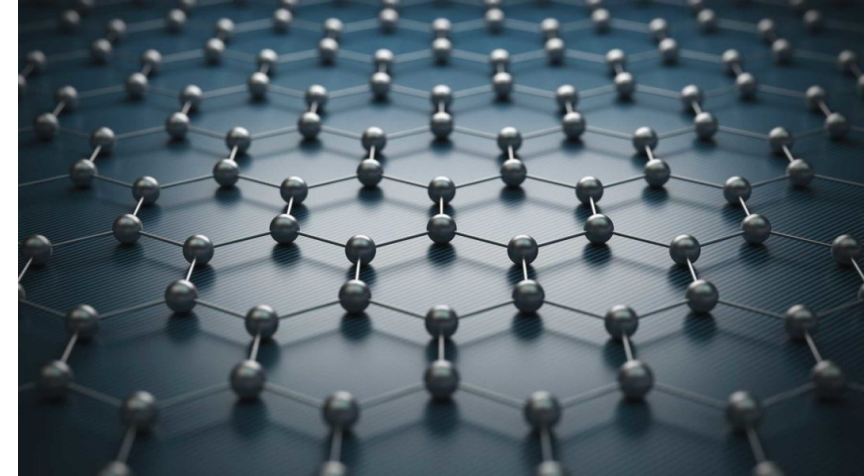
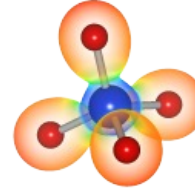
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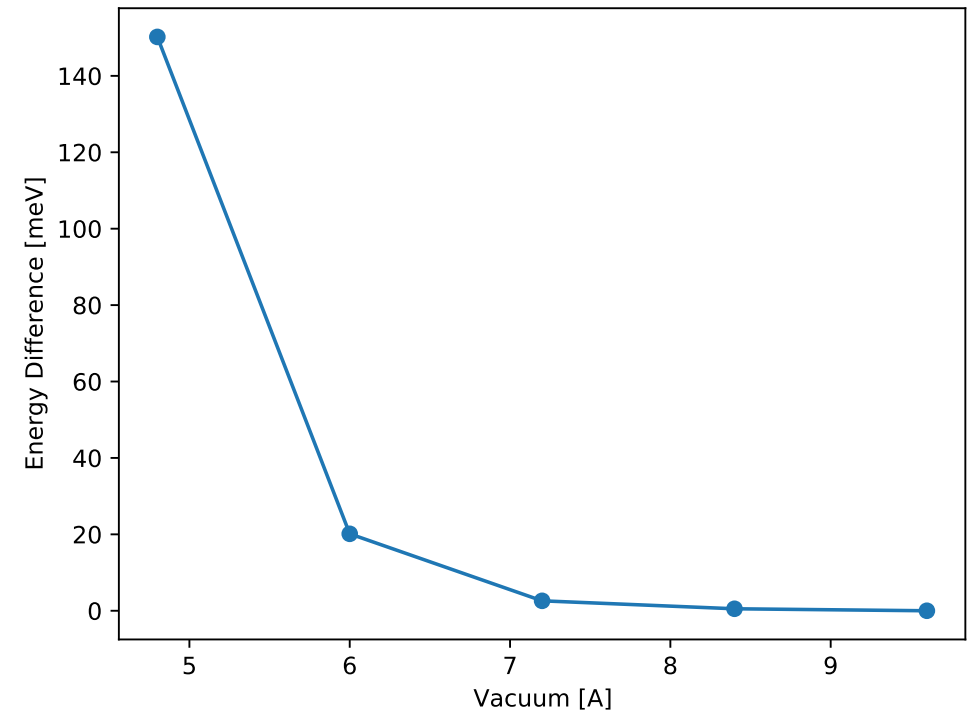
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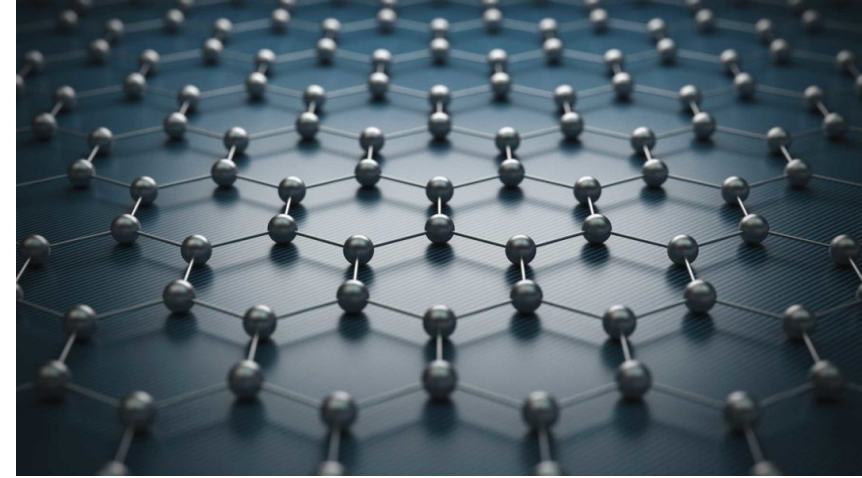
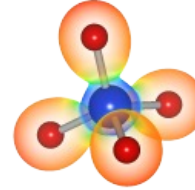
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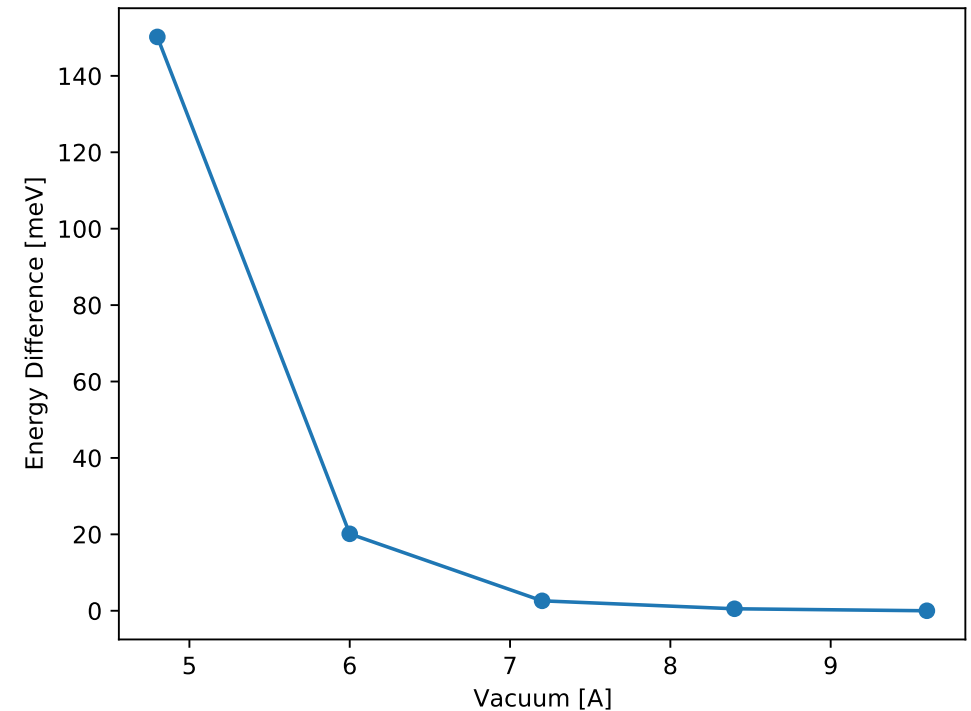
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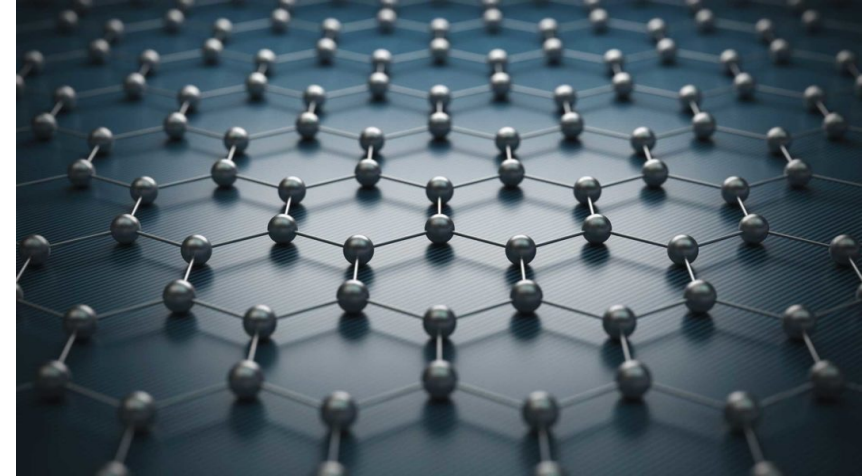
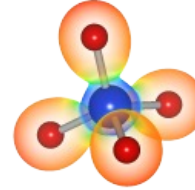
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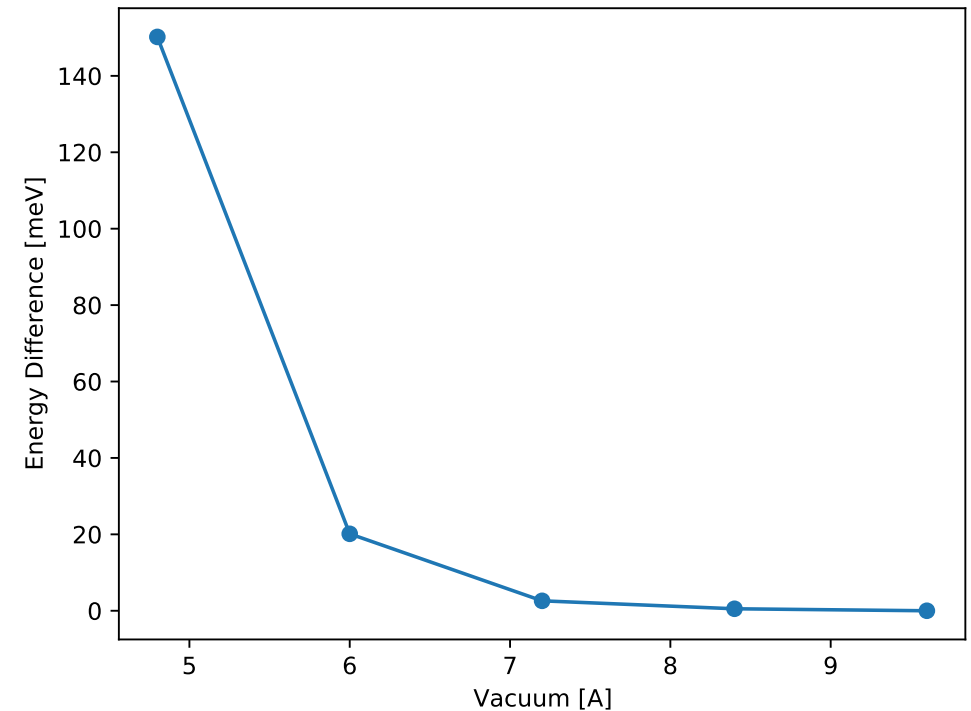
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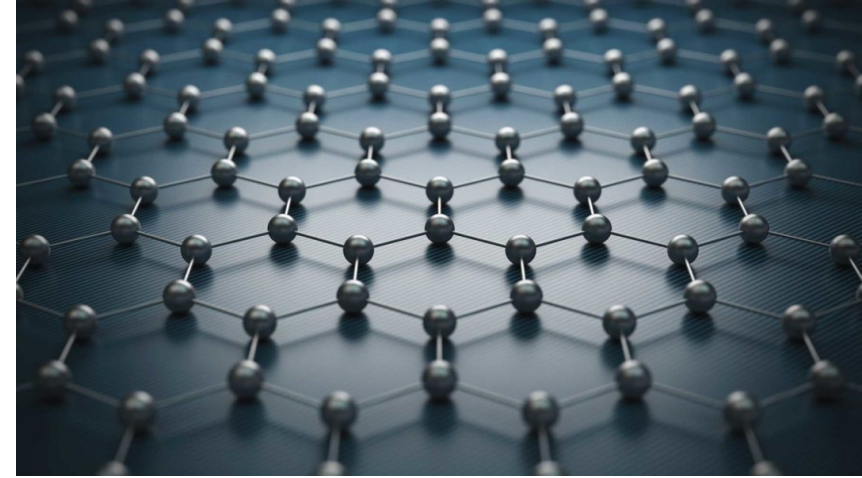
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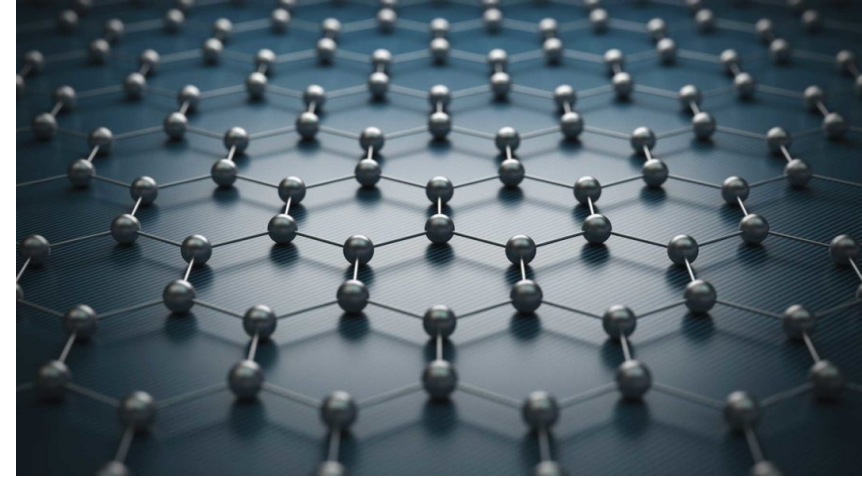


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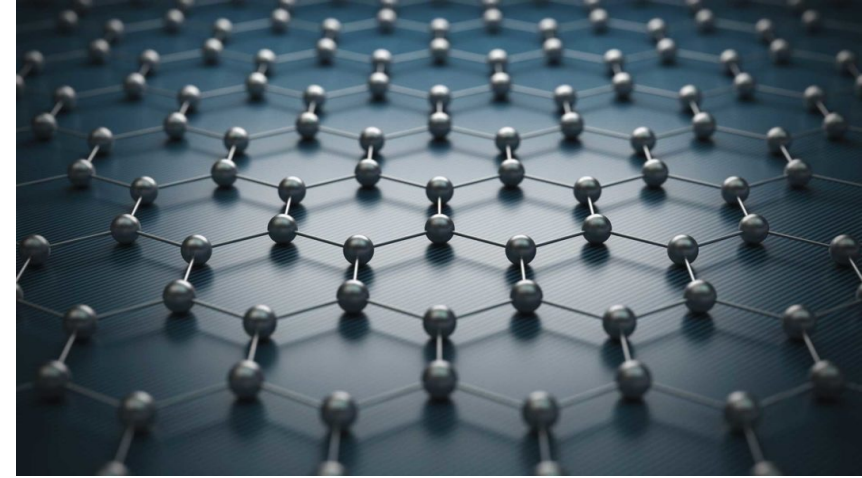
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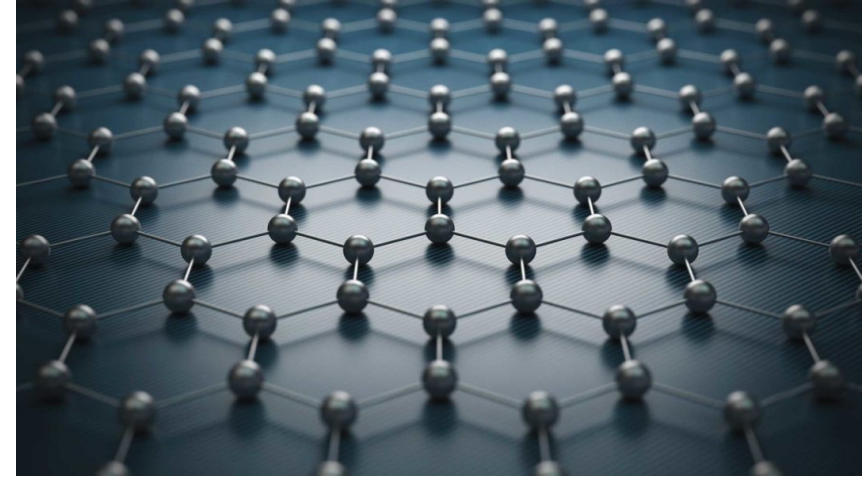
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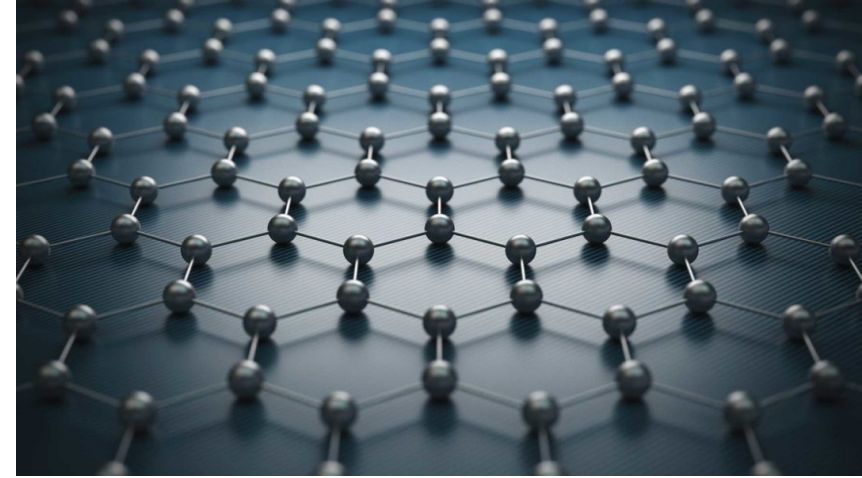
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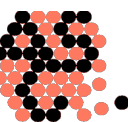
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 - Can be ***submitted***
 - Can use ***To Context***



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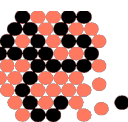


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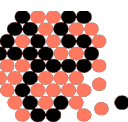
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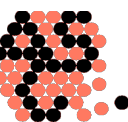
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Outlook – want to use AiiDA?

- Complete these tutorials
- Complete official tutorials www.aiida.net
- Read official documentation www.aiida.net
- Find the plugin of your code
 - Use its WorkChains
 - Write new WorkChains

Thank you

