

User Guide for GTS

GTS: A Python toolkit for building Gibbs thermodynamic surface with
application to obtain high-pressure melting data

Version: 1.0.4

Overview

GTS: Gibbs Thermodynamic Surface is an automated toolkit designed for efficiently obtaining high-pressure melting data, including melting points and thermodynamic potentials of materials. By constructing the Gibbs thermodynamic surface using a geometrical method, it provides fast and accurate calculations for both solid and liquid phases.

Features

- **Automated surface generation:** Builds thermodynamic surfaces for solid and liquid phases.
- **Melting data:** Obtaining melting data for solid and liquid phases based on user-defined pressure conditions. With the *ab initio* molecular dynamics (AIMD) simulation data in the NVT (N, number of atoms; V, volume; T, temperature) ensemble and the reference point, GTS is able to rapidly present melting data, including volume, pressure, temperature, and thermodynamic potentials
- **A reference point:** Comparing the traditionally-used Clausius-Clapeyron integration (CCI) method with our GTS approach, the same thing is that a reference melting point is needed.

Installation

From PyPI

You can install GTS directly from PyPI: `pip install GibbsTS`

From Source

1. Clone the repository:

```
git clone https://github.com/computation-mineral-physics-group/GTS.git
```

2. Install dependencies:

```
pip install -r requirements.txt
```

3. Install GTS:

```
pip install .
```

Run

GTS provides two primary functions: **building the Gibbs thermodynamic surface** and **calculating melting data**. These functionalities can be accessed via a command-line interface.

Input Files

It is of great importance to prepare two files before running: **{name}_solid_input.txt**, **{name}_liquid_input.txt**.

Command For Running

| Argument | Type | Default | Description |
|---------------------------------|--------|----------|---|
| n, --name | str | None | Name of the material |
| -s, --surface | bool | False | Build thermodynamic surface and store its data in [name].json |
| -mtr, -- melt_temp_refer | float | 0 | The reference melting temperature (in K) |
| -mpr, -- melt_pressure_refer | float | 0 | The reference melting pressure (in GPa) |
| -p, --pressure | float | 0 | The target pressure for a melting point (in GPa) |
| -i, --image | bool | False | Save the G-T plot indicating the melting point |
| -u, --unit | str | internal | Units for the output (e.g., vasp or internal) |
| -min, --minpressure | float | 0 | Lower limit of the pressure range (in GPa) |
| -max, --maxpressure | float | 0 | Upper limit of the pressure range (in GPa) |
| -num, --number | int | 6 | Number of the melting points |
| -d, --debug | bool | False | Enable debug mode |
| -v, --version | Action | - | Show the program's version. |
| -n, --name | Action | - | Show the help message |

Command line

1. Generate Thermodynamic Surface

Run the following command to generate the Gibbs thermodynamic surface for the target material and store the data in **[name].json**:

```
GTS -n [name] -s -mtr [value] -mpr [value]
```

2. Obtain Melting Data

This command will output the user-defined melting point and its thermodynamic potentials for the two phases (solid phase and liquid phase) in the terminal.

```
GTS -n [name] -p [value] -u [type] -i
```

This command will output the diagrams of thermodynamic potentials over the user-defined pressure range.

```
GTS -n [name] -min [value] -max [value]
```

3. Debug Model

In step I, GTS retains the original data for building primitive surfaces in two directories: **{name}_solid** and **{name}_liquid**. After entropy calibration, derived surface data is stored in **twophase**.

In step II, for a single user-defined pressure value, the fitting data is kept in the directory: **{name}_{pressure_value}_melting_data**, during obtaining melting data. For a user-defined pressure range, the fitting data is kept in the directory: **{name}_{min}_{max}_melting_data**.

Example

Here, we presented an example execution for periclase MgO. The input files and output surface data (JSON file) are presented in the directory: `.\doc\example`.

Step I

At the working directory which contain the two input files of GTS, execute the command line: **GTS -s -n MgO -mtr 5915 -mpr 52** (Fig. 1).

```
(base) zhaoxuan@DESKTOP-QQS359Q:~/GTS/test/MgO/example$ ls
MgO_liquid_input.txt  MgO_solid_input.txt
(base) zhaoxuan@DESKTOP-QQS359Q:~/GTS/test/MgO/example$ GTS -s -n MgO -mtr 5915 -mpr 52
```

Figure 1

Then GTS starts to build the thermodynamic surface (Fig. 2).

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Reading NVT data from inputs...done

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Building primitive surface of solid phase...done

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Building primitive surface of liquid phase...done

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Building derived surface for two phases...done

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```

Figure 2

In debug mode, the fitting data will be stored in current working directory (Fig. 3 &4).

```

(base) zhaoxuan@DESKTOP-QQS359Q:~/GTS/test/MgO/example$ GTS -s -n MgO -mtr 5915 -mpr 52 -d
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Debug mode is enabled

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Reading NVT data from inputs...done

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Building primitive surface of solid phase...done

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Building primitive surface of liquid phase...done

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Building derived surface for two phases...done

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Figure 3

```
(base) zhaoxuan@DESKTOP-QQS359Q:~/GTS/test/MgO/example$ ls -l
total 1700
-rw-r--r-- 1 zhaoxuan zhaoxuan 1717353 Jul  2 16:41 MgO.json
drwxr-xr-x 2 zhaoxuan zhaoxuan  4096 Jul  2 16:39 MgO_liquid
-rw-r--r-- 1 zhaoxuan zhaoxuan  2397 Dec 18 2024 MgO_liquid_input.txt
drwxr-xr-x 2 zhaoxuan zhaoxuan  4096 Jul  2 16:39 MgO_solid
-rw-r--r-- 1 zhaoxuan zhaoxuan  1564 Dec 18 2024 MgO_solid_input.txt
drwxr-xr-x 3 zhaoxuan zhaoxuan  4096 Jul  2 16:41 twophase
```

Figure 4

Step II

If the user defined a single pressure value which is 110 GPa, execute the command line:
GTS -n MgO -p 110 -i (Fig. 5). GTS will store the G-T plot (Fig. 6).

```
(base) zhaoxuan@DESKTOP-QQS359Q:~/GTS/test/MgO/example$ GTS -n MgO -p 110 -i

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Obtaining the melting data...done

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material_name      = MgO
melting_pressure   = 110.000 GPa
melting_temperature = 7451.2 K
####  #solid#  #liquid#  #units#
G      1.463    1.460    1.0e-19 J/atom
A     -6.482   -6.925    1.0e-19 J/atom
H      0.746    2.201    1.0e-19 J/atom
U     -7.199   -6.184    1.0e-19 J/atom
S     -0.096    0.099    1.0e-22 J/K/atom
V      0.722    0.762    1.0e-29 m**3/atom
Image saved at /home/zhaoxuan/GTS/test/MgO/example

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```

Figure 5

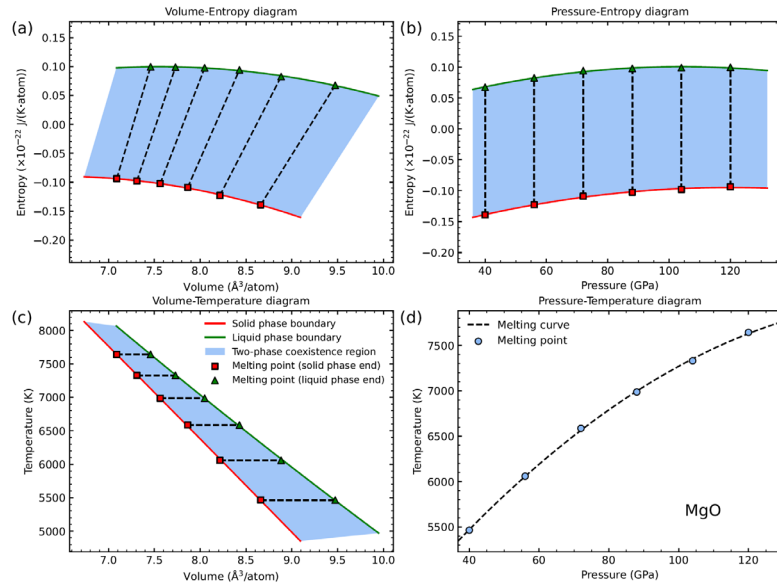


Figure 8

The user can define the step size within the pressure range, execute the command line:
GTS -n MgO -min 40 -max 120 -num 10 (Fig. 9&10).

```
(base) zhaoxuan@DESKTOP-QQS359Q:~/GTS/test/MgO/example$ GTS -n MgO -min 40 -max 120 -num 10

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Obtaining melting points over the specified pressure range...done

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Generating the plot of melting data over the pressure range...done
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```

Figure 9

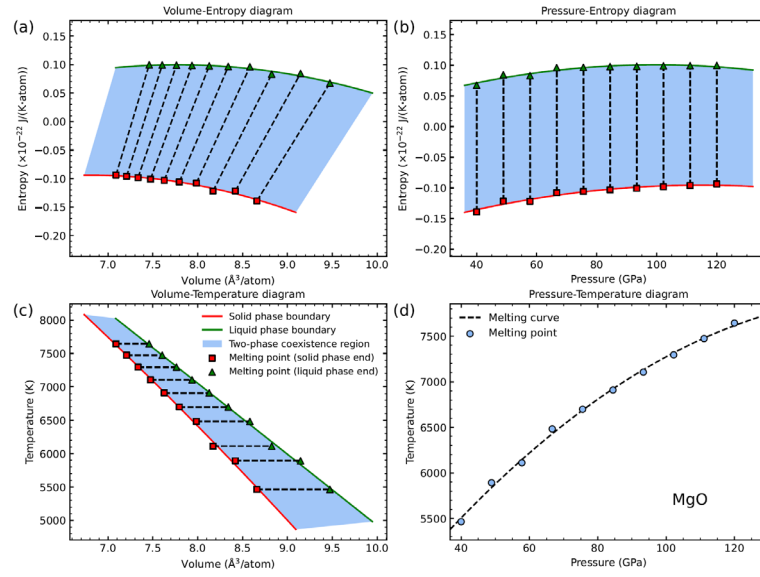


Figure 10

The debug mode for step II. For a single pressure value, GTS will store the fitting data in `MgO_110.0_melting_data` (Fig. 11). For a pressure range, GTS will store the fitting data in `MgO_40.0_120.0_melting_data` (Fig. 12).

```
(base) zhaoxuan@DESKTOP-QQS359Q:~/GTS/test/MgO/example/MgO_110.0_melting_data$ ls -l
total 1740
-rw-r--r-- 1 zhaoxuan zhaoxuan 1717353 Jul  2 17:05 MgO.json
-rw-r--r-- 1 zhaoxuan zhaoxuan 20517 Jul  2 17:05 MgO_pressure_110.000_internal.pdf
-rw-r--r-- 1 zhaoxuan zhaoxuan 20526 Jul  2 17:05 MgO_pressure_110.000_vasp.pdf
-rw-r--r-- 1 zhaoxuan zhaoxuan 40 Jul  2 17:05 cross_point_110.000.txt
-rw-r--r-- 1 zhaoxuan zhaoxuan 2285 Jul  2 17:05 liquid_pressure_110.000.txt
-rw-r--r-- 1 zhaoxuan zhaoxuan 1470 Jul  2 17:05 solid_pressure_110.000.txt
```

Figure 11

```
(base) zhaoxuan@DESKTOP-QQS359Q:~/GTS/test/MgO/example/MgO_40.0_120.0_melting_data$ ls -l
total 2056
-rw-r--r-- 1 zhaoxuan zhaoxuan 1717353 Jul  2 17:12 MgO.json
-rw-r--r-- 1 zhaoxuan zhaoxuan 36918 Jul  2 17:12 MgO_40.0_120.0_melting_data.pdf
-rw-r--r-- 1 zhaoxuan zhaoxuan 20745 Jul  2 17:12 MgO_pressure_104.000_internal.pdf
-rw-r--r-- 1 zhaoxuan zhaoxuan 20679 Jul  2 17:12 MgO_pressure_104.000_vasp.pdf
-rw-r--r-- 1 zhaoxuan zhaoxuan 21724 Jul  2 17:12 MgO_pressure_120.000_internal.pdf
-rw-r--r-- 1 zhaoxuan zhaoxuan 20960 Jul  2 17:12 MgO_pressure_120.000_vasp.pdf
-rw-r--r-- 1 zhaoxuan zhaoxuan 21454 Jul  2 17:12 MgO_pressure_40.000_internal.pdf
-rw-r--r-- 1 zhaoxuan zhaoxuan 20690 Jul  2 17:12 MgO_pressure_40.000_vasp.pdf
-rw-r--r-- 1 zhaoxuan zhaoxuan 21650 Jul  2 17:12 MgO_pressure_56.000_internal.pdf
-rw-r--r-- 1 zhaoxuan zhaoxuan 20856 Jul  2 17:12 MgO_pressure_56.000_vasp.pdf
-rw-r--r-- 1 zhaoxuan zhaoxuan 21569 Jul  2 17:12 MgO_pressure_72.000_internal.pdf
-rw-r--r-- 1 zhaoxuan zhaoxuan 20808 Jul  2 17:12 MgO_pressure_72.000_vasp.pdf
-rw-r--r-- 1 zhaoxuan zhaoxuan 21816 Jul  2 17:12 MgO_pressure_88.000_internal.pdf
-rw-r--r-- 1 zhaoxuan zhaoxuan 20364 Jul  2 17:12 MgO_pressure_88.000_vasp.pdf
-rw-r--r-- 1 zhaoxuan zhaoxuan 98 Jul  2 17:12 cross_point_MgO.txt
-rw-r--r-- 1 zhaoxuan zhaoxuan 2492 Jul  2 17:12 liquid_pressure_104.000.txt
-rw-r--r-- 1 zhaoxuan zhaoxuan 1936 Jul  2 17:12 liquid_pressure_120.000.txt
-rw-r--r-- 1 zhaoxuan zhaoxuan 2516 Jul  2 17:12 liquid_pressure_40.000.txt
-rw-r--r-- 1 zhaoxuan zhaoxuan 2889 Jul  2 17:12 liquid_pressure_56.000.txt
-rw-r--r-- 1 zhaoxuan zhaoxuan 2564 Jul  2 17:12 liquid_pressure_72.000.txt
-rw-r--r-- 1 zhaoxuan zhaoxuan 2520 Jul  2 17:12 liquid_pressure_88.000.txt
-rw-r--r-- 1 zhaoxuan zhaoxuan 1655 Jul  2 17:12 solid_pressure_104.000.txt
-rw-r--r-- 1 zhaoxuan zhaoxuan 973 Jul  2 17:12 solid_pressure_120.000.txt
-rw-r--r-- 1 zhaoxuan zhaoxuan 2552 Jul  2 17:12 solid_pressure_40.000.txt
-rw-r--r-- 1 zhaoxuan zhaoxuan 2595 Jul  2 17:12 solid_pressure_56.000.txt
-rw-r--r-- 1 zhaoxuan zhaoxuan 2603 Jul  2 17:12 solid_pressure_72.000.txt
-rw-r--r-- 1 zhaoxuan zhaoxuan 2284 Jul  2 17:12 solid_pressure_88.000.txt
```

Figure 12

Requirements

Python version: 3.11.4 or higher

Dependencies: Listed in requirements.txt

Contribution

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