### Advances in Machine Learning for Molecules

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## Part III: Bayesian Optimization of Molecules

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A generative model on SMILES is obtained using a seq2seq VAE.



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#### Nearby latent representations decode into similar molecules:



Average distance between ZINC molecules latent space(19.66)

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## HOW WELL DOES THIS WORK?

Method	% Reconstruct	% Prior Valid
GVAE	53.7	7.2
CVAE	44.6	0.70

Reconstruction accuracy and sample validity results.

Results finding best molecule

Method	Frac. valid	Avg. score
GVAE	0.31±0.07	-9.57 ±1.77
CVAE	$0.17{\pm}0.05$	$-54.66 {\pm} 2.66$

#### Test Log-likelihood (LL) and RMSE

for predictions from latent space

Objective	Method	Molecules
11	GVAE	$-1.739 \pm 0.004$
LL	CVAE	$-1.812 \pm 0.004$
DMSE	GVAE	$\textbf{1.404} \pm \textbf{0.006}$
NNISE	CVAE	$1.504{\pm}0.006$







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## A lot of work going on this area...

#### Adding semantic constraints into GVAE:

• Dai, Tian, Dai, Skiena, and Song, 2018.

#### Generative models of graphs:

- Li, Vinyals, Dyer, Pascanu and Battaglia, 2018.
- Liu, Allamanis, Brockschmidt and Gaunt, 2018.
- Jin, Barzilay and Jaakkola, 2018.

#### Semi-supervised generative models:

• Kang and Cho, 2018.

#### Using GANs insead of VAEs:

- Guimaraes, Sanchez-Lengeling, Outeiral, Farias and Aspuru-Guzik, 2017.
- De Cao and Kipf, 2018.

#### and many more!

## Part IV: Predicting Electron Paths

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#### Why predict electron paths?

- **Easy to interpret**: if the model makes a mistake, its easy to see where, and maybe even why.
- **Sparse**: typically reactions only affect 3-7 atoms out of 10-50. Modeling an electron path enforces this sparsity.
- **Chemically consistent**: easy to incorporate chemical constraints directly into a model for predicting electron paths.
- **Generalizable**: as electron paths exhibit regularities across different reactions, we naturally generalize to new inputs.

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# **Training data**

USPTO: 480K chemical reactions extracted from the US patent database.

Atoms have unique ID to easy match them before and after the reaction.

Approximate electron paths obtained for 73% of USPTO by using simple rules.



## Results

**Beam search** to find top-K predictions for the electron path.

Multiple electron paths can result in same product (harder prediction task).

LITE variant ignores reagent information.

Electron path prediction					Product prediction				
	Accuracies (%)					Accuracies (%)			
Model Name	Top-1	Top-2	Top-3	Top-5	Model Name	Top-1	Top-2	Top-3	Top-5
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Bonus: interpretable explanation for product prediction task.

## **Qualitative analysis**

#### Easy to identify what went wrong!

First choice in green is incorrect, but "chemically reasonable".

Second choice in magenta is correct.



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