

# 1. RDKit descriptors

## 1.1 Basic phys-chem / size

Descriptor(s)	Family	What it means
MolWt, HeavyAtomMolWt, ExactMolWt	Mass / composition	Total molecular weight, only heavy atoms, exact isotopic mass.
NumValenceElectrons, NumRadicalElectrons	Electronic composition	Total count of valence and radical electrons.
MolLogP	Lipophilicity	cLogP (octanol/water). Hydrophobicity and indirectly electron distribution.
MolMR	Molar refractivity	Approximate <b>polarizability</b> of the electron cloud.
qed	Drug-likeness	Composite drug-likeness score (Lipinski-like).
SPS, Phi	Size/shape scores	Simple global shape/flexibility measures.

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## 1.2 Topological / structural indices

Descriptor(s)	Family	What it means
BalabanJ	Topological index	Graph-based index with low degeneracy; encodes branching/connectivity.
BertzCT	Complexity	Increases with size, heteroatoms, branching; a “complexity” score.
Ipc, AvgIpc	Information content	Info-theoretic measure of diversity of degrees in the molecular graph.
Chi0-Chi4	Connectivity ( $\chi$ )	Path-based indices using atom degree (topology only).
Chi0n-Chi4n	Normalized $\chi$	Size-normalized variants of $\chi$ indices.
Chi0v-Chi4v	<b>Valence connectivity</b>	$\chi$ indices weighted by <b>valence</b> : this is your <i>valentnost</i> / <i>valencia</i> coverage.
HallKierAlpha	HK alpha	Branching + electronic environment (used in logP/QSAR).
Kappa1-Kappa3	Kier kappa shape	Shape/branching indices, sensitive to rings and linearity.

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## 1.3 Surface & polar / electronic distribution

Descriptor(s)	Family	What it means
LabuteASA	Solvent-accessible surface	Approximate SASA ( $\text{\AA}^2$ ); how much surface a molecule presents to solvent.
TPSA	Topological polar surface area	Sum of polar fragments; correlates with permeability, H-bonding.
PEOE_VSA1-14	<b>Charge <math>\times</math> VSA</b>	Van der Waals surface area binned by <b>Gasteiger partial charge</b> ; where positive/negative charge is on the surface.
SMR_VSA1-10	<b>MR <math>\times</math> VSA</b>	VSA binned by <b>molar refractivity</b> (polarizability-related).

Descriptor(s)	Family	What it means
SlogP_VSA1-12	$\log P \times \text{VSA}$	VSA binned by fragment logP (hydrophobic/hydrophilic surface regions).
EState_VSA1-11	$\text{E-state} \times \text{VSA}$	VSA bins weighted by <b>electrotopological state</b> .
VSA_EState1-10	$\text{VSA} \times \text{E-state}$	Complementary combination of VSA and E-state (slightly different aggregation).

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## 1.4 E-state (electrotopological) indices

Descriptor(s)	Family	What it means
MaxEStateIndex, MinEStateIndex	E-state extremes	Max/min atomic electrotopological state in the molecule.
MaxAbsEStateIndex, MinAbsEStateIndex	Absolute extremes	Same, but based on absolute values (very strong donors/acceptors).

E-state = intrinsic electronic character of an atom + correction for its topological environment.

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## 1.5 Atomic / ring / H-bond counts

Descriptor(s)	Family	What it means
HeavyAtomCount, RingCount	Size / rings	Number of heavy atoms and total ring systems.
NumHAcceptors, NumHDonors	H-bonding	Hydrogen bond acceptor and donor counts (your “atomic descriptors” from article).
NHOHCount, NOCount	Polar atoms	Count of N/O or NH/OH moieties.
NumHeteroatoms	Heteroatom count	Total N, O, S, halogens, etc.
NumRotatableBonds	Flexibility	Number of rotatable single bonds.
NumAliphaticCarbocycles, NumAromaticCarbocycles, NumSaturatedCarbocycles	Carbocycles	Counts of carbon-only rings (aliphatic/aromatic/saturated).
NumAliphaticHeterocycles, NumAromaticHeterocycles, NumSaturatedHeterocycles	Heterocycles	Heteroatom-containing rings by type.
NumAromaticRings, NumSaturatedRings	Ring type	Total aromatic vs saturated ring systems.
NumHeterocycles	Heterocycle count	Number of heterocyclic ring systems.
NumSpiroAtoms, NumBridgeheadAtoms	Special ring atoms	Ring junction complexity.
NumAtomStereoCenters, NumUnspecifiedAtomStereoCenters	Chirality	Count of defined/undefined chiral centers.

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## 1.6 Fragment (functional group) descriptors fr\_\*

**Pattern:** fr\_XXX

**Family:** Fragment / functional group counts

**Examples & meaning:**

- fr\_C00, fr\_C002, fr\_ester, fr\_lactone → carboxylic/ester functionalities.
- fr\_NH0, fr\_NH1, fr\_NH2, fr\_N\_O, fr\_Nhpyrrole, fr\_guanido, fr\_amide, fr\_amidine, fr\_priamide → N-containing groups.
- fr\_halogen, fr\_sulfide, fr\_sulfone, fr\_sulfonamd, fr\_phos\_acid, fr\_phos\_ester → heteroatom/acid/sulfur/phosphorus groups.
- fr\_nitro, fr\_nitrile, fr\_azide, fr\_azo, fr\_diazo, fr\_nitro\_arom, fr\_nitro\_arom\_nonortho, fr\_nitroso → strong EWG / special electronic motifs.
- Aromatic fragments: fr\_benzene, fr\_benzodiazepine, fr\_furan, fr\_oxazole, fr\_thiophene, fr\_pyridine, fr\_tetrazole, etc.

These encode **chemically meaningful patterns** important for reactivity and drug-likeness.

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## 2. ChemDes – extra *electronic* descriptors

### 2.1 Quantum frontier orbital descriptors

Descriptor(s)	Family	What it means
HOMO_eV	Frontier orbital	Energy (eV) of the highest occupied MO → electron donating ability.
LUMO_eV	Frontier orbital	Energy (eV) of the lowest unoccupied MO → electron accepting ability.
HL_Gap_eV	Reactivity / hardness	HOMO–LUMO energy gap: small gap → softer/more reactive.

These are true **quantum** descriptors (ChemDes uses MOPAC or similar under the hood).

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### 2.2 Global charge / electronegativity descriptors (Q\*)

Example names	Family	What they mean
Qmax, Qmin	Global charge	Maximum and minimum atomic partial charges in the molecule.
Qindex, Qass	Charge indices	Global indices summarizing charge asymmetry / spread.
QCmax, QCmin, QCss	Carbon charge	Max/min/sum/spread of charges over carbon atoms.
QOmax, QOmin, QOss	Oxygen charge	Same, but only for O atoms.
QHmax, QHmin,	Hydrogen	Charge statistics over hydrogens.

Example names	Family	What they mean
QHSS	charge	
QNmin, QNSS	Nitrogen charge	Charge statistics over nitrogens.
QHmax, QHmin (again)	H extremes	Most positive/negative H charges.
In words: <b>how charge is distributed globally and per element</b> – more detailed than RDKit's Max/Min partial charge.		

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## 2.3 Charge/valence-weighted connectivity (Chi\* / Chiv\* variants)

We have  $\chi_0$ – $\chi_4$  and  $\chi_v0$ – $\chi_v4$  in RDKit. ChemDes adds **longer path and charge/polar variants** like:

Example names	Family	What they mean
Chi3ch, Chi4ch, Chi5ch, Chi6ch	Charge-weighted $\chi$	Connectivity indices including <b>charge correction</b> (Ch = charged). Longer paths (3–6) than RDKit.
Chi3c, Chi4c, Chi8, Chi9, Chi10	Higher-order $\chi$	High-order path/chains; more global connectivity.
Chi4pc	Polar-corrected $\chi$	$\chi$ index with <b>polar correction</b> (pc), emphasising electronegative atoms.
Chiv3c, Chiv4c	Valence/normalized $\chi$	Chiv = valence/normalized $\chi$ variant; encoded with additional normalization or valence weighting.
Chiv3ch, Chiv4pc, Chiv5ch, Chiv6ch	Charge/valence $\chi$	Combined valence + charge/polar corrections over longer path lengths.
mChi1	Mean/modified $\chi$	Average/modified connectivity index (variant of $\chi_1$ ).

These are **advanced “valentnost’ + electronic” topological descriptors**, extending RDKit's shorter  $\chi$  set.

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## 2.4 Topological autocorrelation descriptors (ATS / MATS / GATS)

These are the big “global electron distribution” families.

### 2.4.1 ATS (Broto–Moreau autocorrelation)

- Names like: ATSe1–ATSe8, ATSV1–ATSV8, ATSp1–ATSp8

Pattern	Property	Meaning
ATSe*	e = electronegativity/intrinsic state	Autocorrelation of <b>electronegativity / intrinsic state</b> over topological distances.
ATSV*	v = van der Waals volume	Autocorrelation of atomic volumes (related to electronic size).
ATSp*	p = polarizability	Autocorrelation of <b>polarizability</b> – how deformable electron cloud is along the graph.
Number (1–8) = <b>topological lag</b> (approx. number of bonds between correlated atoms).		

### 2.4.2 MATS (Moran autocorrelation)

- Names like: MATSe\*, MATSv\*, MATSp\*

Same properties as ATS, different statistical formula (Moran's I):

Pattern	Property	Meaning
MATSe*	electronegativity	Moran autocorrelation of EN along the graph.
MATSv*	volume	Moran autocorrelation of atomic volume.
MATSp*	polarizability	Moran autocorrelation of polarizability.

### 2.4.3 GATS (Geary autocorrelation)

- Names like: GATSe\*, GATSv\*, GATSp\*

Pattern	Property	Meaning
GATSe*	electronegativity	Geary autocorrelation of EN.
GATSv*	volume	Geary autocorrelation of atomic volume.
GATSp*	polarizability	Geary autocorrelation of polarizability.

#### Intuition:

These ATS/MATS/GATS families encode **how similar or different electronic properties are between atoms at various distances across the graph** → “global electron distribution” view.

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## 2.5 VSA / surface electronic descriptors (if you kept them)

Pattern	Family	What it means
PEOE_VSA*	PEOE charge × VSA	Like RDKit PEOE_VSA*, but ChemDes' implementation/parameters.
slogP_VSA*	logP × VSA	Like RDKit SlogP_VSA*, but alternative binning.
VSAEstate*, Estate_VSA*	E-state × VSA	Similar to RDKit EState_VSA* / VSA_EState*.

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## 2.6 Other single electronic scalar(s)

Descriptor	Family	What it means
Pol	Polarizability	Global polarizability estimate (similar idea to MO LMR, but different method).

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# 3. Legend

## 3.1 Property letters in ATS/MATS/GATS and similar

- v → **van der Waals volume** (atomic volume / size)
- e → **electronegativity / intrinsic state** (often Sanderson EN or E-state-derived)
- p → **polarizability** (how easily the electron cloud is distorted)

So for example:

- MATSe3 = Moran autocorrelation of **electronegativity** at topological distance 3.
- GATSV6 = Geary autocorrelation of **atomic volume** at distance 6.
- ATSp2 = Broto–Moreau autocorrelation of **polarizability** at distance 2.

### 3.2 Other common tokens

- VSA → Van der Waals **Surface Area** (Å<sup>2</sup>).
- PEOE → **Partial Equalization of Orbital Electronegativities** (Gasteiger charges).
- EState → **Electrotopological state**.
- BCUT → Burden eigenvalue descriptors (eigenvalues of weighted adjacency matrix).
- ATS → Broto–Moreau **AutoTopological Structure** autocorrelation.
- MATS → **Moran AutoTopological Structure** autocorrelation.
- GATS → **Geary AutoTopological Structure** autocorrelation.
- Chi / Chiv → Connectivity indices (valence versions = v, charge-corrected = ch, polar-corrected = pc).