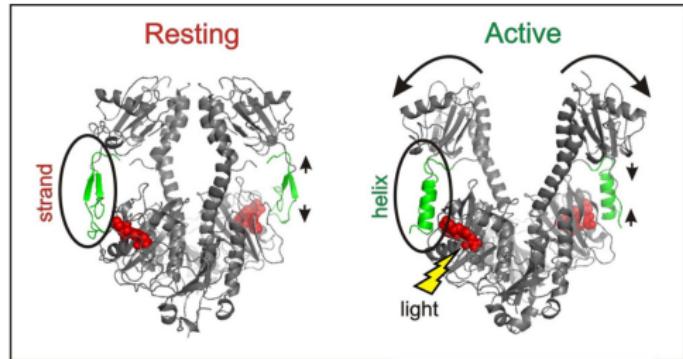
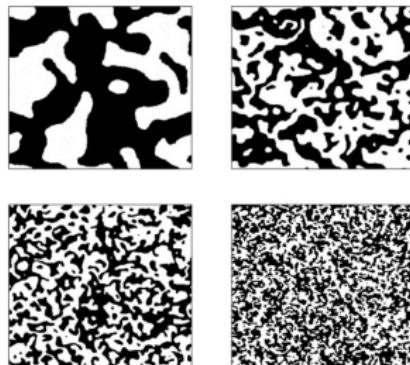


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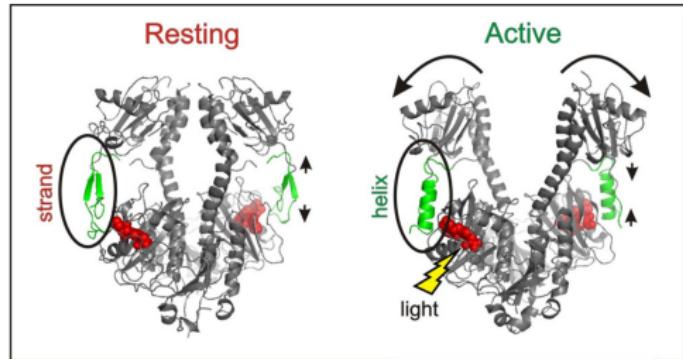
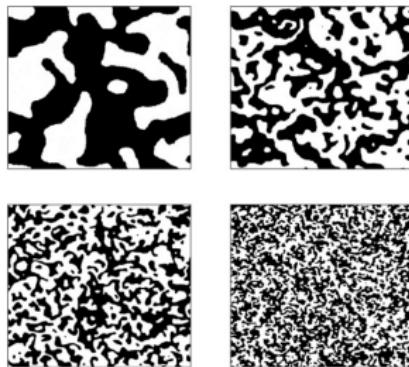


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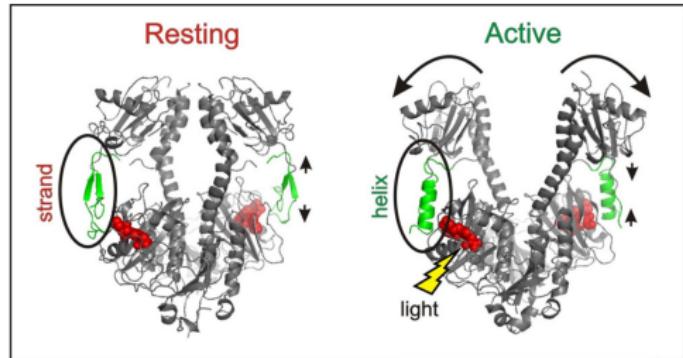
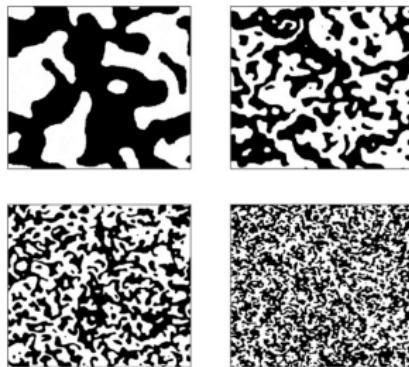


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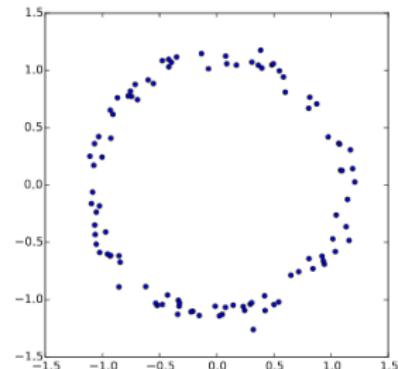
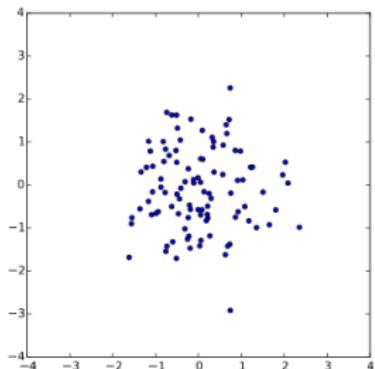
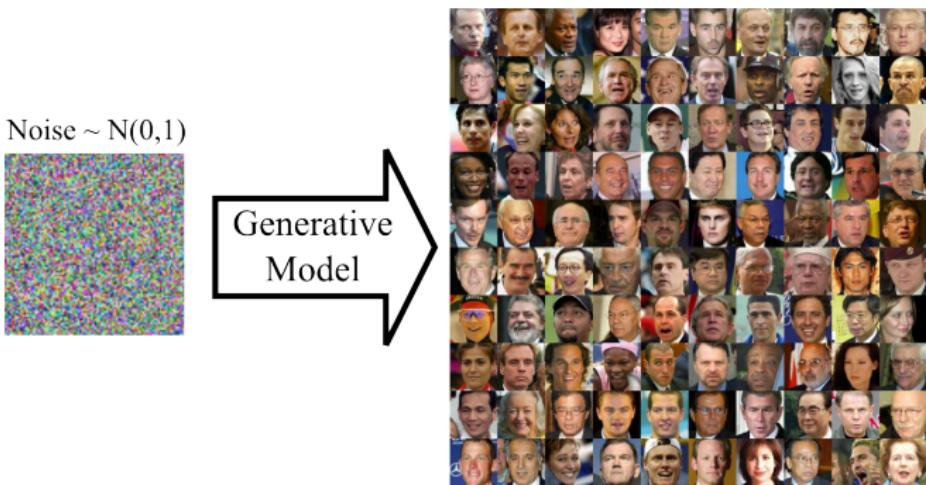


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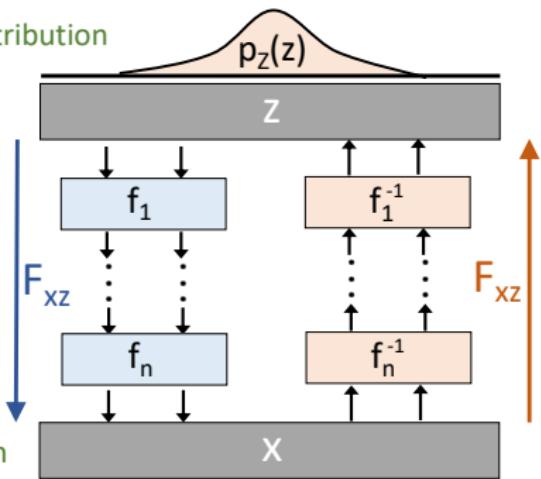
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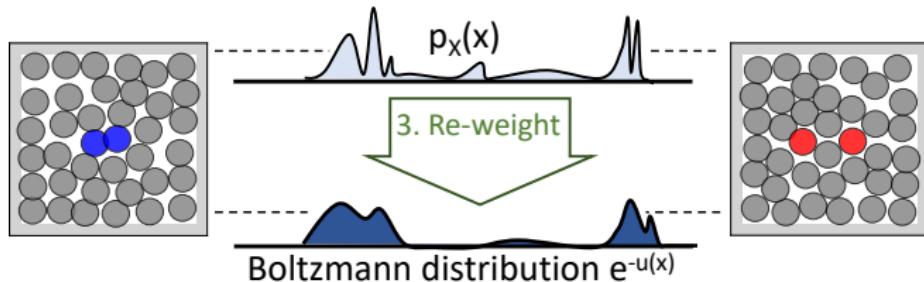


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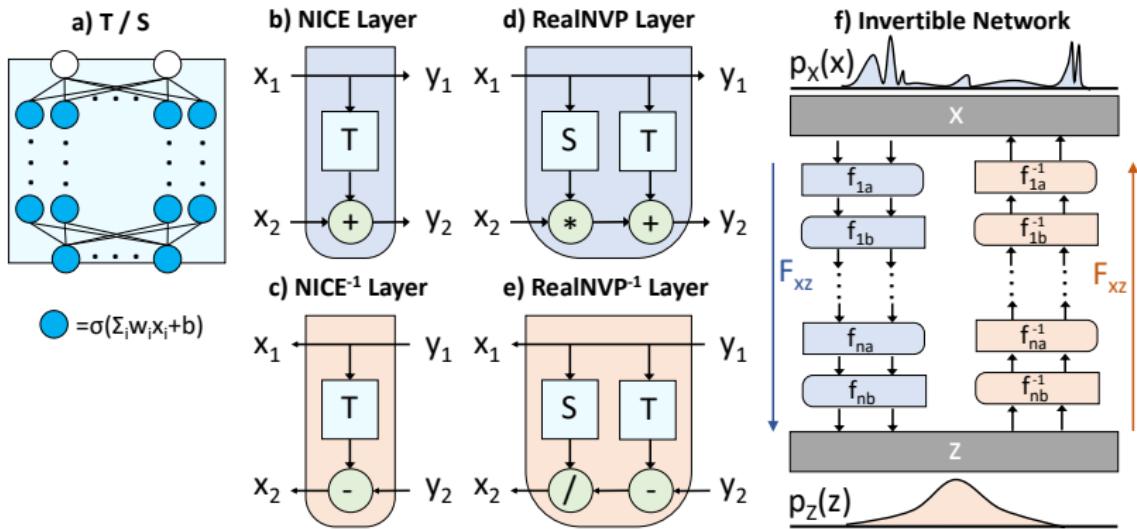
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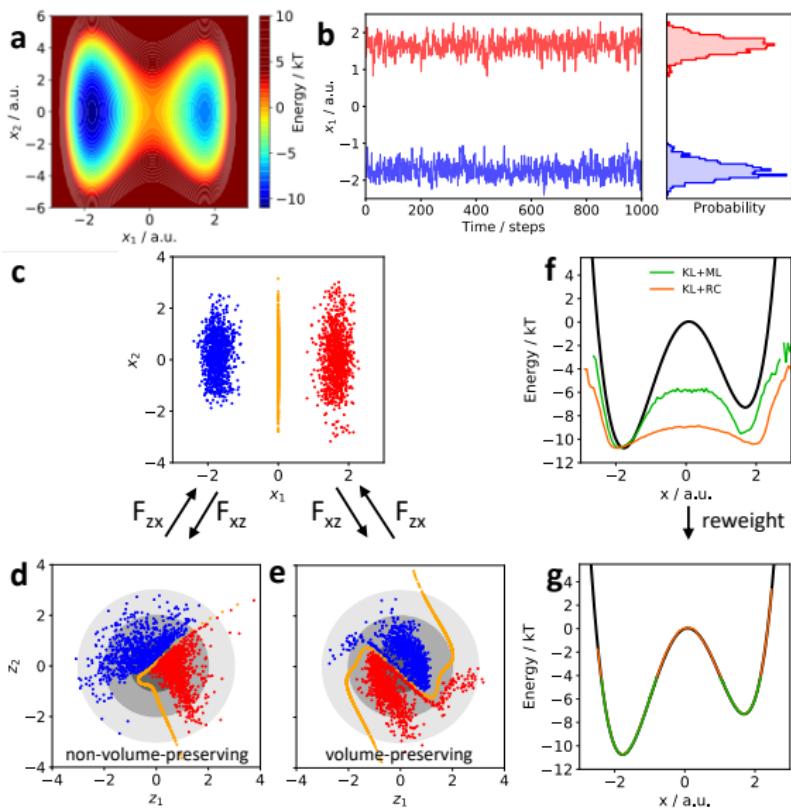
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- Min and max bounds are given
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# Boltzmann Generator - 1D Example



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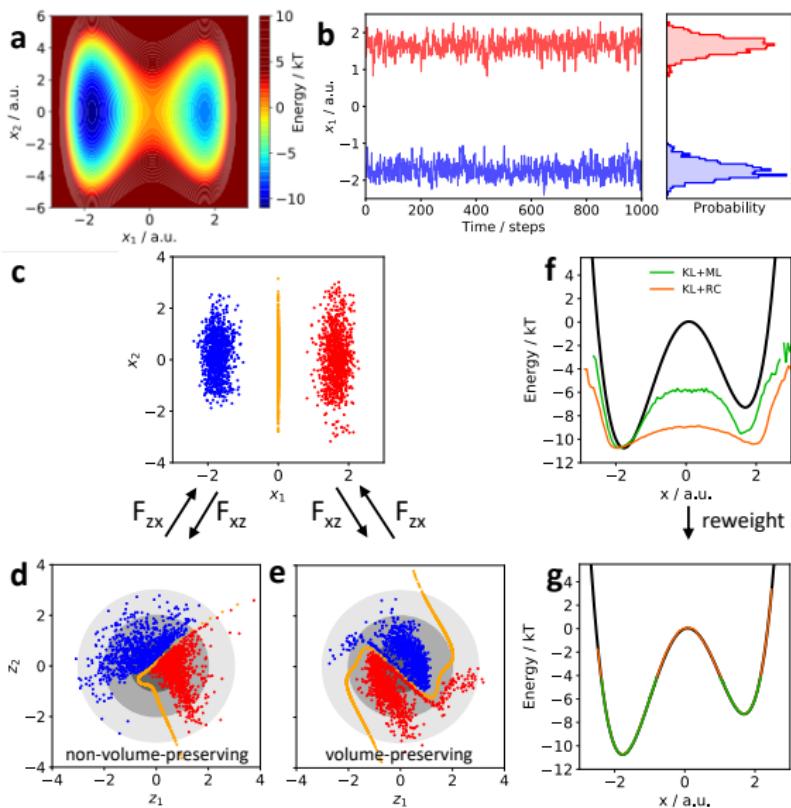
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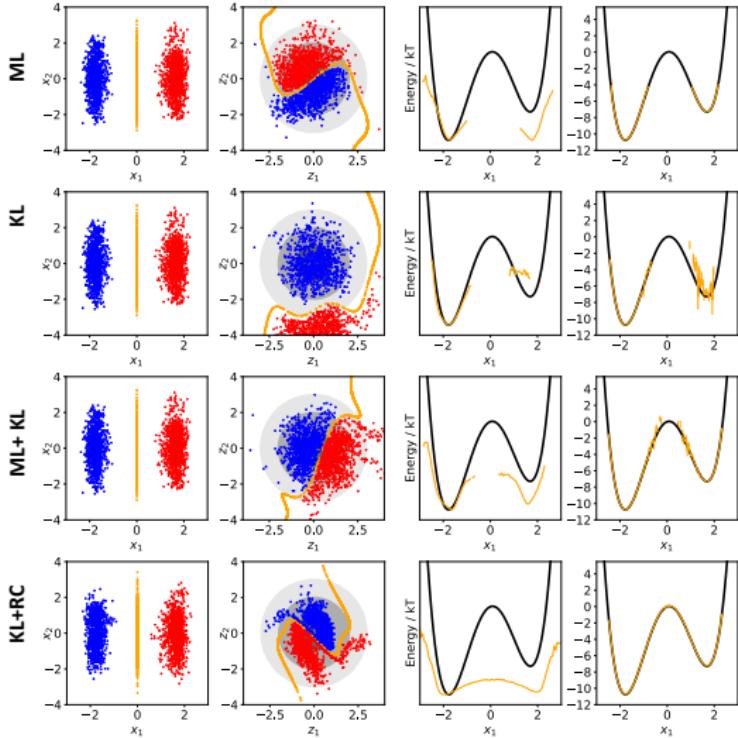
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# Different training methods

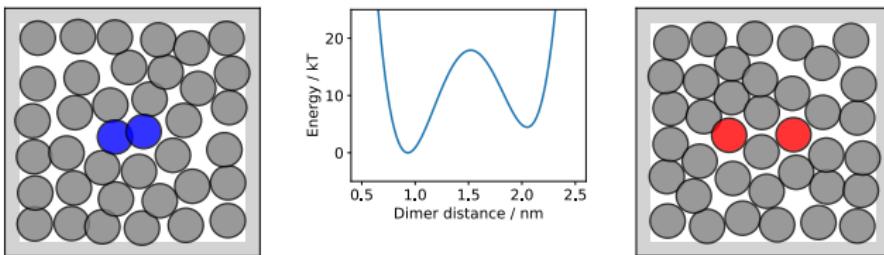


Architecture N<sub>10</sub>S,  $n_{layers} = 2$ ,  $n_{hidden} = 100$ ,  $\sigma = \tanh$

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# Boltzmann Generator - Particle dimer

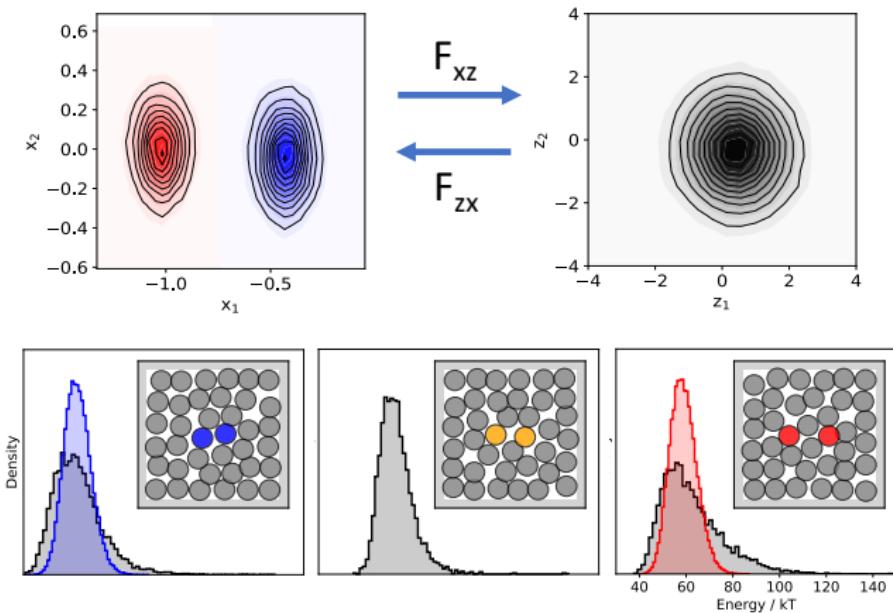


- Configuration:  $\mathbf{x} = [\mathbf{x}_{1x}, \mathbf{x}_{1y}, \mathbf{x}_{2x}, \mathbf{x}_{2y}, \dots, \mathbf{x}_{(n_s+2)x}, \mathbf{x}_{(n_s+2)y}]$
- Dimer distance  $d = \|\mathbf{x}_1 - \mathbf{x}_2\|$ , **potential energy**:

$$U(\mathbf{x}) = \frac{1}{4}a(d - d_0)^4 - \frac{1}{2}b(d - d_0)^2 + c(d - d_0)^4 + \varepsilon \sum_{i=1}^{n+1} \sum_{j=i+1, j \neq 2}^{n+2} \left( \frac{\sigma}{\|\mathbf{x}_i - \mathbf{x}_j\|} \right)^{12} + \text{box potential}$$

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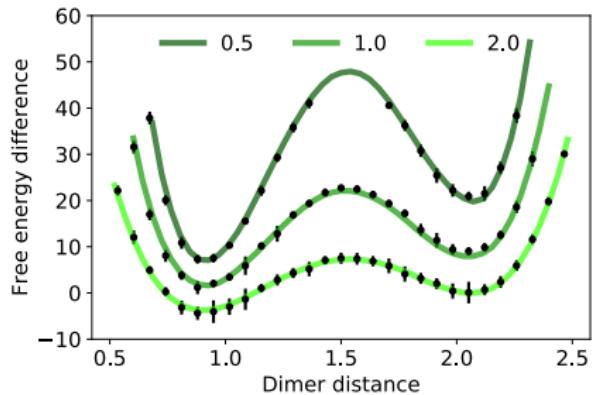
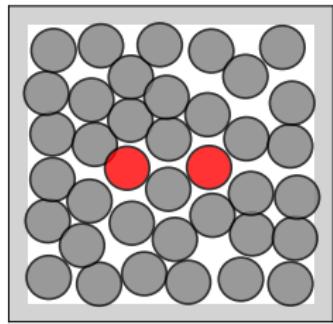
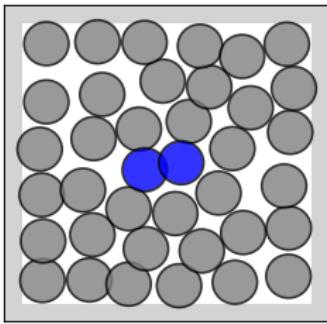
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Architecture R<sub>8</sub>,  $n_{layers} = 3$ ,  $n_{hidden} = 200$ ,  $\sigma = \tanh$ ,  $w_{KL} = 1$ ,  
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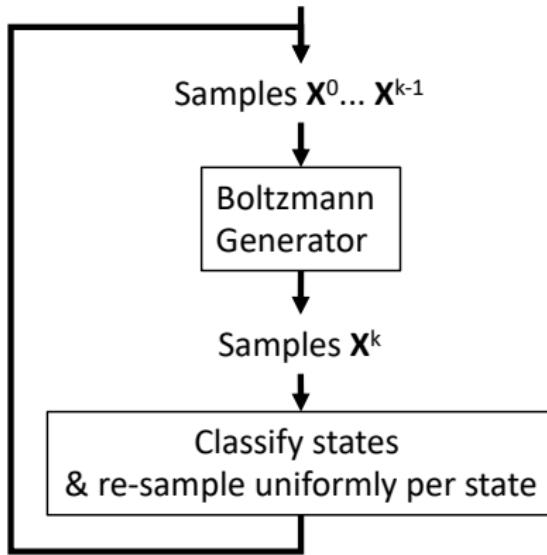


**7 orders of magnitude speedup compared to MD**

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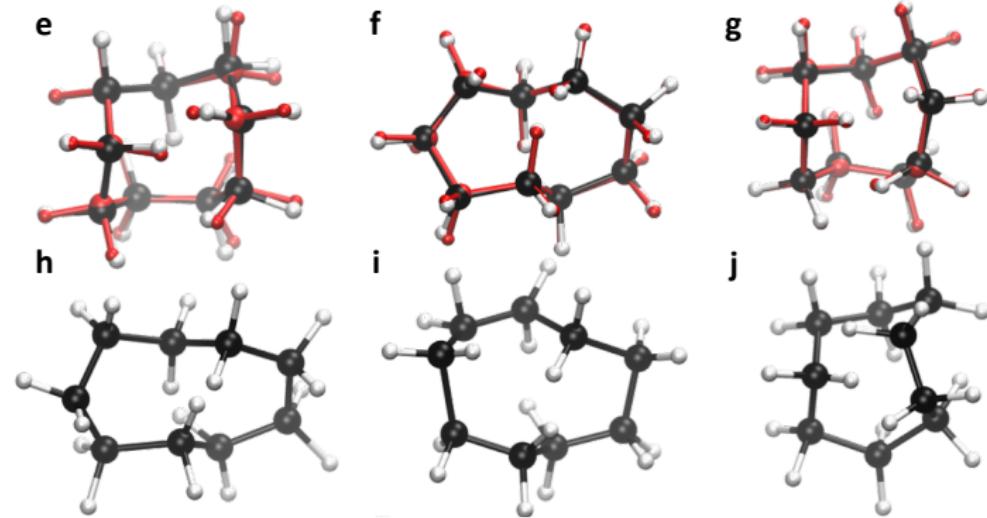
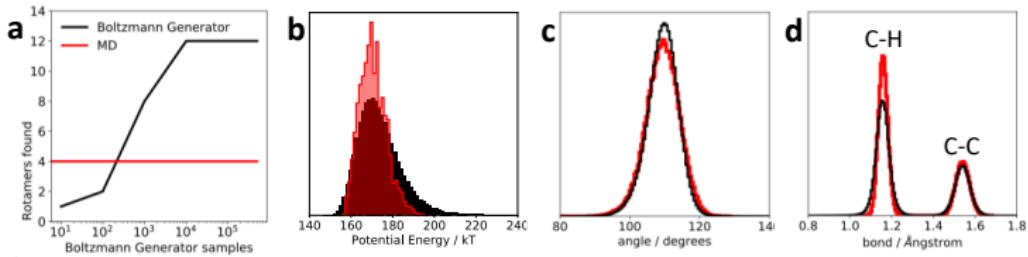
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# Iterative exploration



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# Boltzmann Generator - Hydrocarbons

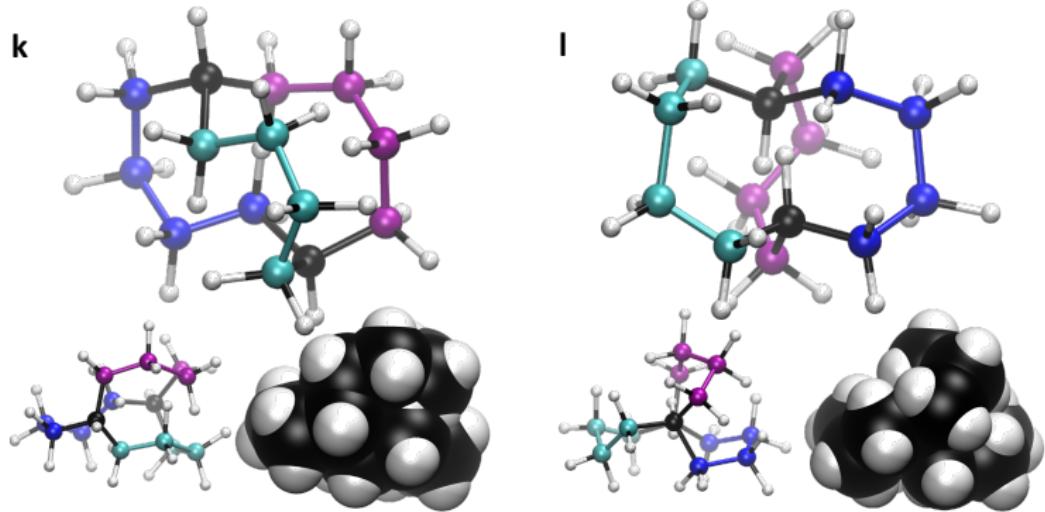


$$R_4, nl_{layers} = 2, nl_{hidden} = 100, \sigma = \tanh, w_{KL} = 0.01, w_{ML} = 1$$

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