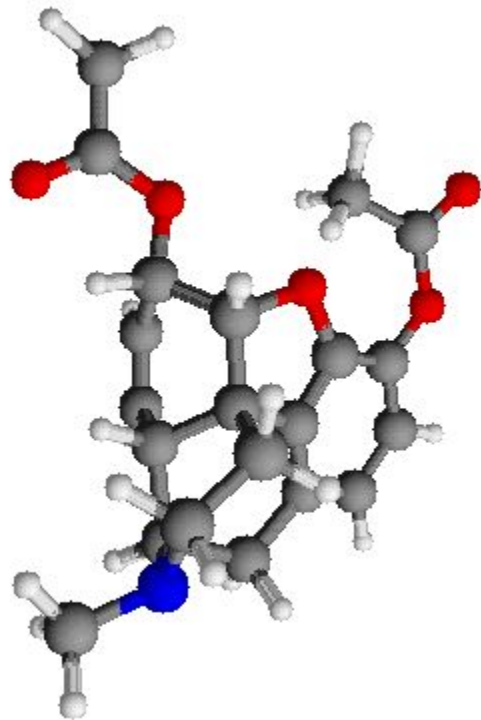


# Automated Bond Relaxation

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# Problem Statement

- Compound/molecular structure given (PT3 O6 C6 Zn)
- Its structure is not ideal -> apply advanced techniques to manipulate atomic interactions within these structures to achieve a “better” structure
- This not only makes **more stable compounds**, but also can unlock new possibilities in material science

**Current technique:** DFT simulation

**Proposed solution:** GNN as surrogate model

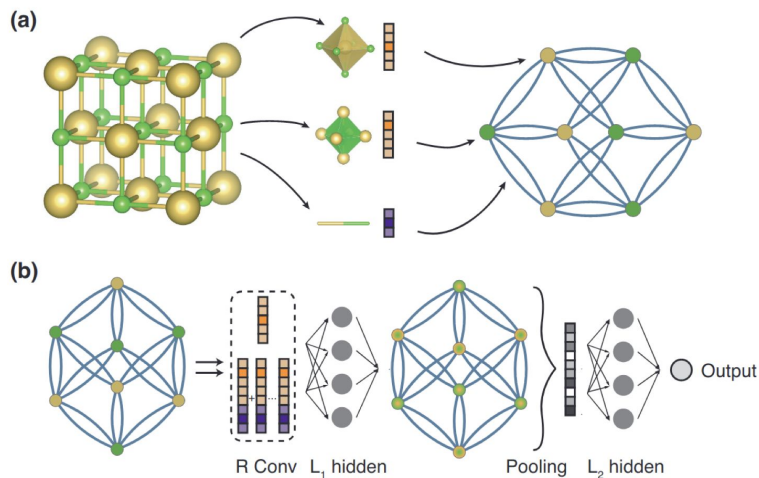
# What is a non-ideal structure?

- Molecular configuration that is not at its **lowest energy state** or most stable form
- Non-ideal structures are often of interest because they can provide insights into **reaction mechanisms** and **molecular behavior under different conditions**

# Why is DFT simulation so expensive?

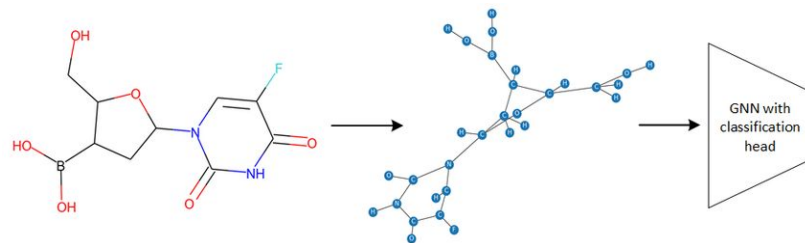
- Density Functional Theory (DFT)
  - Helps in predicting how molecular structures will behave when their bonds are relaxed, as well as calculating the energy of the system in different configurations
    - Provides insights into the most stable configurations of atoms and the electronic properties of the resulting structures
  - Typically  $\mathcal{O}(n^3)$ , computationally expensive and time consuming, especially for large systems or complex

# Using ML for bond relaxation



**Figure 13** Transforming a crystal structure to a graph (CGCNN-paper).

- Idea: Use **GNN as a surrogate model** for DFT
- GNN is used to approximate the results you would get from a DFT simulation but in a **fraction of the time and computational cost**
- GNN must be trained on a dataset of DFT-computed properties of various molecular structures.



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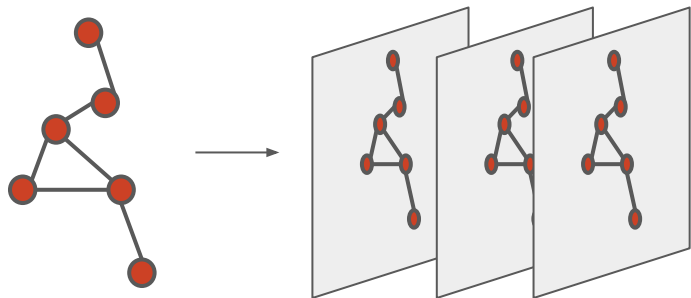


Fig 2. MPNN : at each state parameters in  $\Phi$  are updated to fit the data

- Message passing neural network

$$\mathbf{x}_i^{(k)} = \gamma^{(k)} \left( \mathbf{x}_i^{(k-1)}, \bigoplus_{j \in \mathcal{N}(i)} \phi^{(k)} \left( \mathbf{x}_i^{(k-1)}, \mathbf{x}_j^{(k-1)}, \mathbf{e}_{j,i} \right) \right),$$

- Edge convolution

$$\mathbf{x}_i^{(k)} = \max_{j \in \mathcal{N}(i)} h_{\Theta} \left( \mathbf{x}_i^{(k-1)}, \mathbf{x}_j^{(k-1)} - \mathbf{x}_i^{(k-1)} \right),$$

- GNN architecture: **Message Passing Neural Network (MPNN) with edge convolution**
- **Coulomb matrix** in edge features can be interpreted as distance matrix
- Aim: predict Coulomb matrix (or interatomic distance) in next DFT iteration

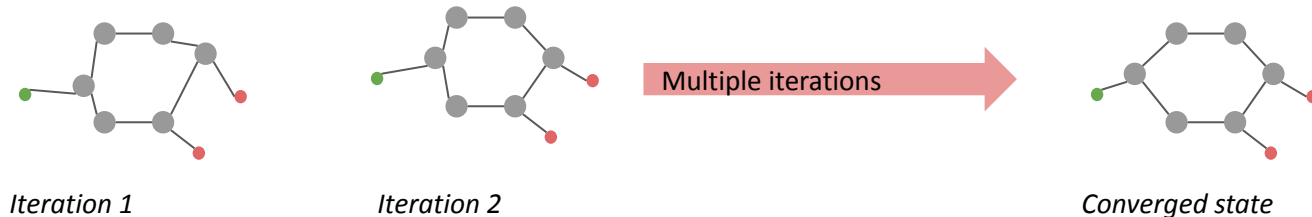
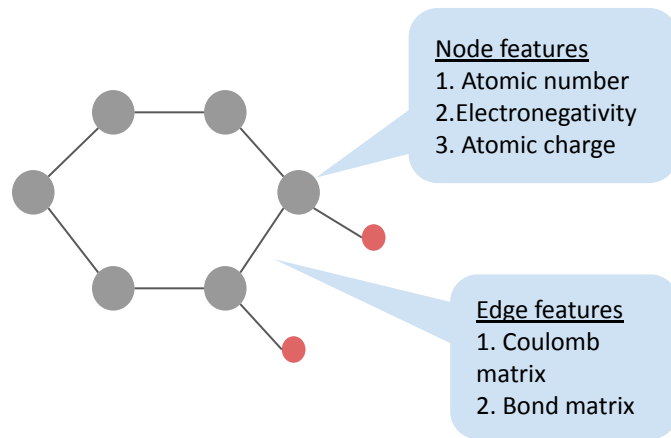
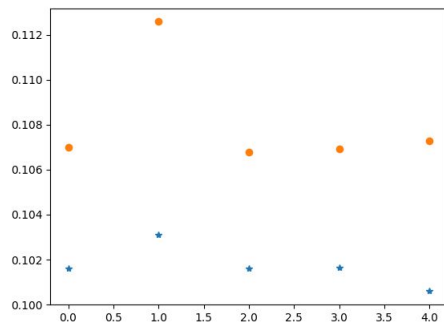
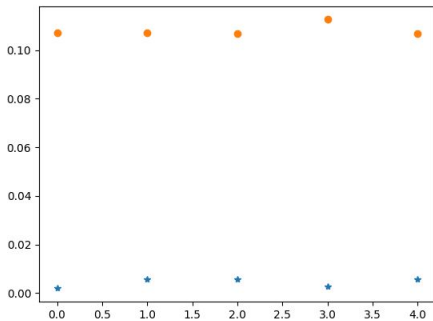
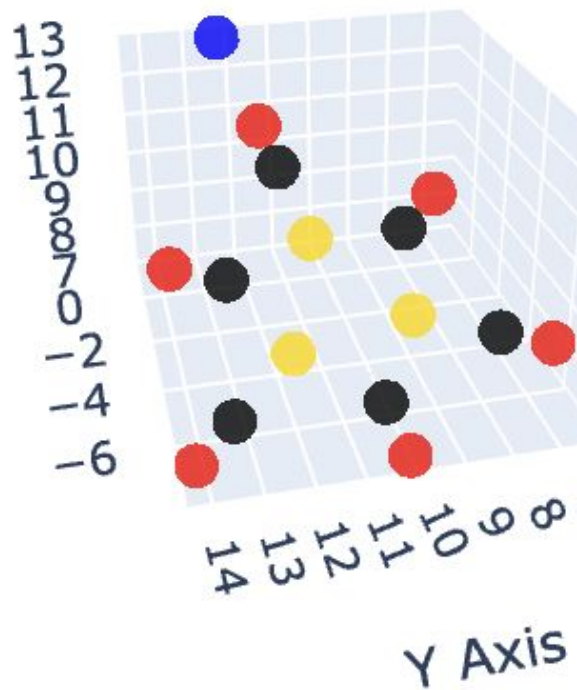


Fig . Convergence of DFT simulation through multiple iterations



# Results



Transformers?

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