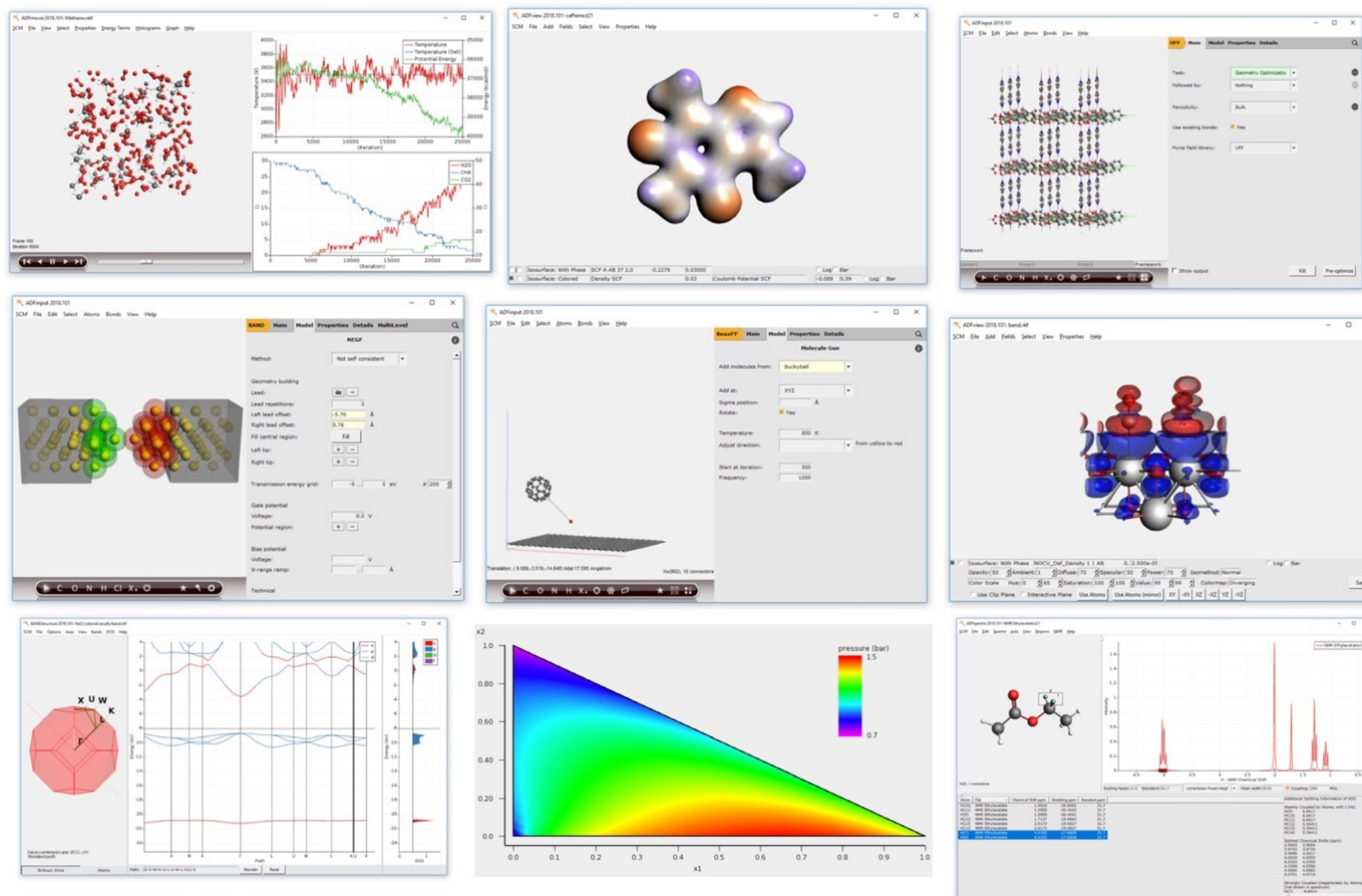


# Hands-on workshop: Chemistry & Materials with the Amsterdam Modeling Suite



School of Chemistry, Glasgow University, hands-on workshop, 19 Jun 2023

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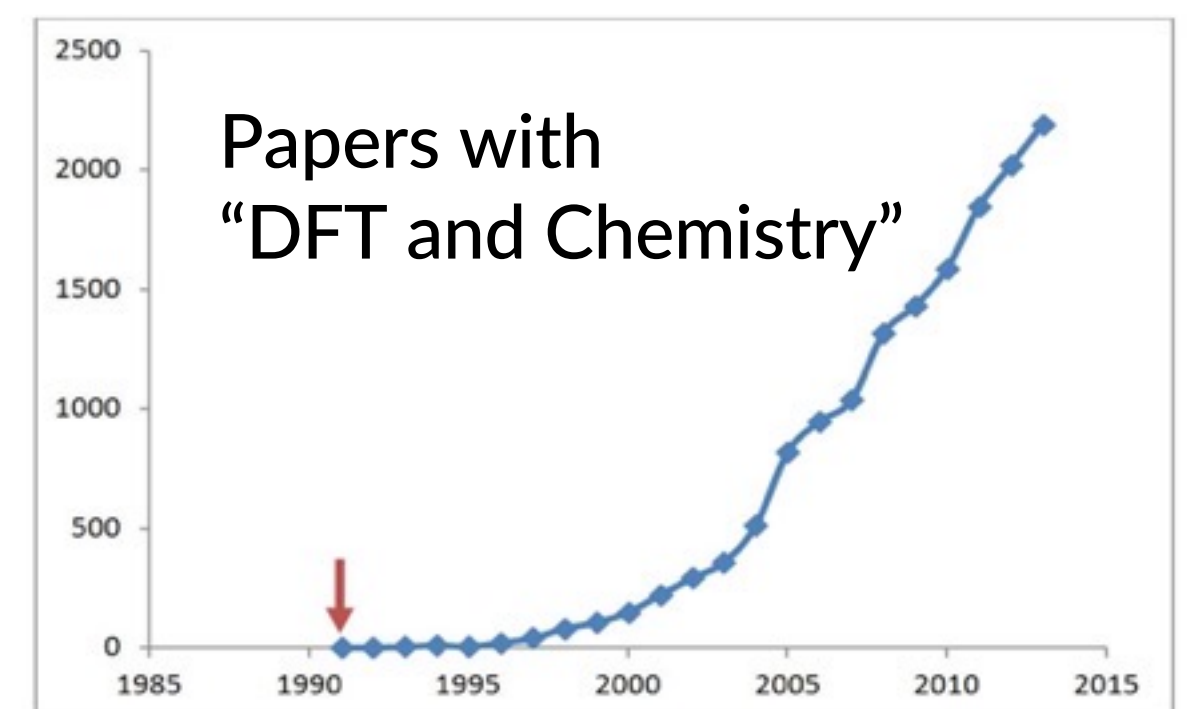
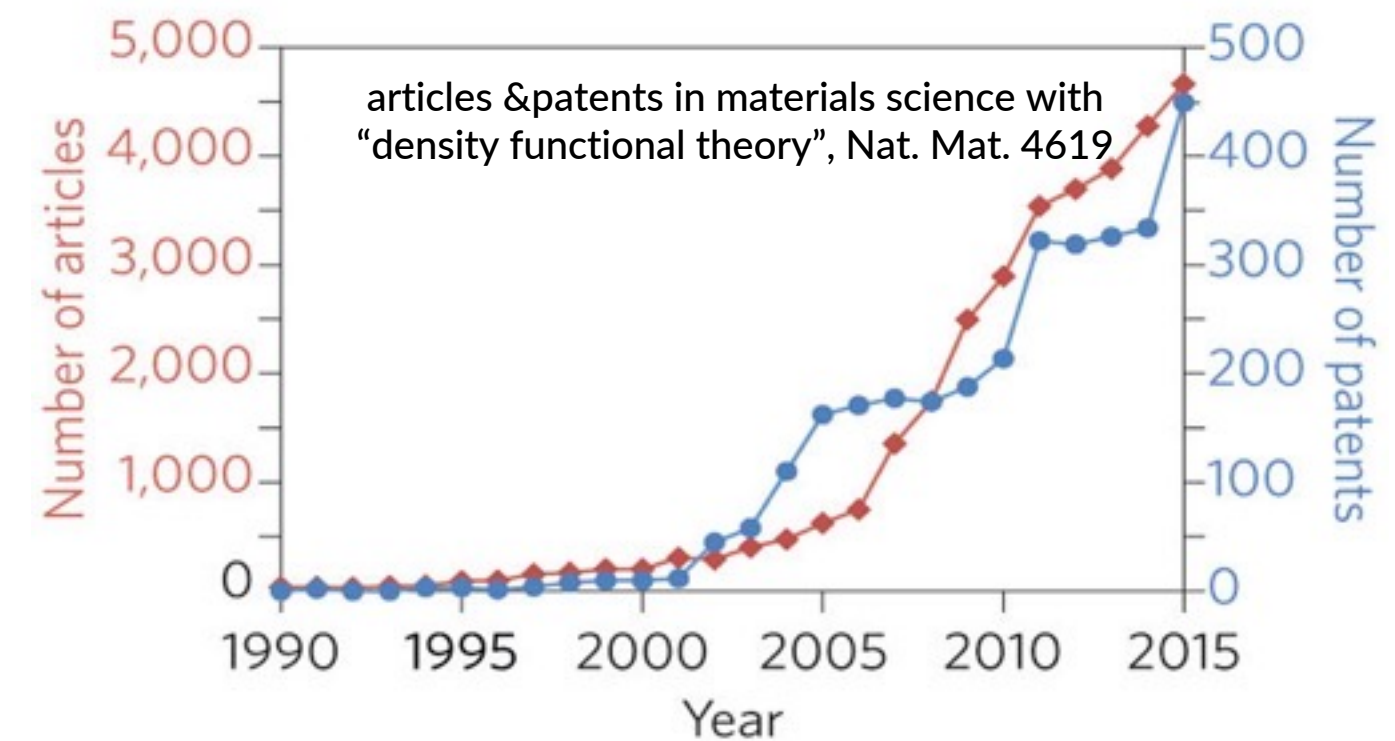
SCM support: [support@scm.com](mailto:support@scm.com)

# Program

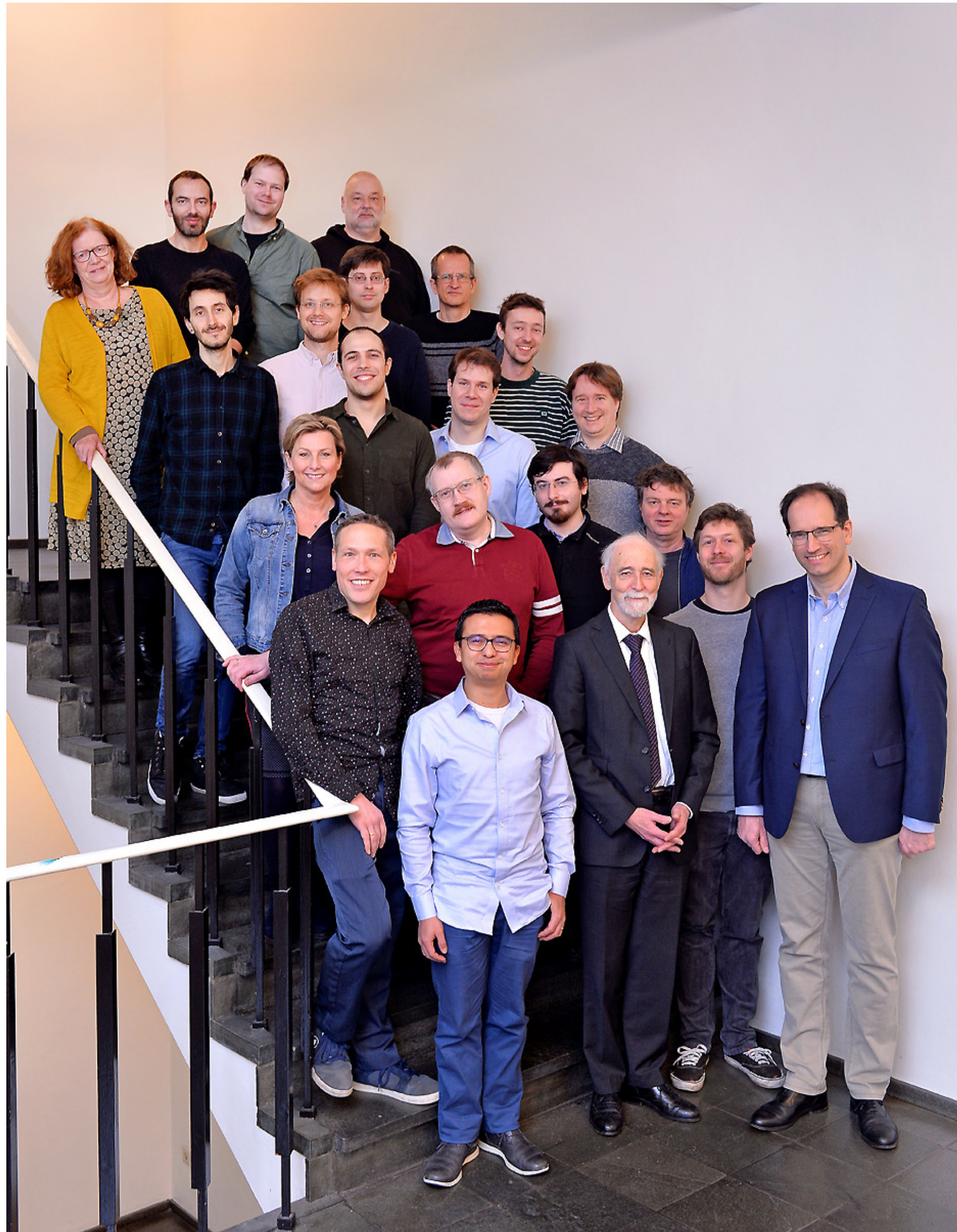
- Brief introduction Amsterdam Modeling Suite
- Hands on:
  - <https://www.scm.com/about-us/news-agenda/adf-hands-on-workshops/>
- Q&A
- NOTE: we'll be using AMS2023 (released in April)
- [www.scm.com/doc2023](http://www.scm.com/doc2023)
- [www.scm.com/bin2023](http://www.scm.com/bin2023)
- Slides: [www.scm.com/news/19-june-2023-1-day-ams-workshop-in-glasgow/](http://www.scm.com/news/19-june-2023-1-day-ams-workshop-in-glasgow/)

# Background: SCM, ADF & AMS

- ADF = first DFT code for chemistry (1970s)  
Baerends@VU (>'73), Ziegler@Calgary<sup>(+)</sup> (>'75)
  - 80s: support industrial users Mitsui, Shell, Akzo, Unilever
- SCM: Spin-off company 1995
- 24 people (17 senior PhD's) + 3 EU fellows
- Many academic collaborators / EU networks
  - ~160 authors
  - New functionality
  - Academia, government & industry users worldwide
- SCM: development, debug, port, optimize, docs & support



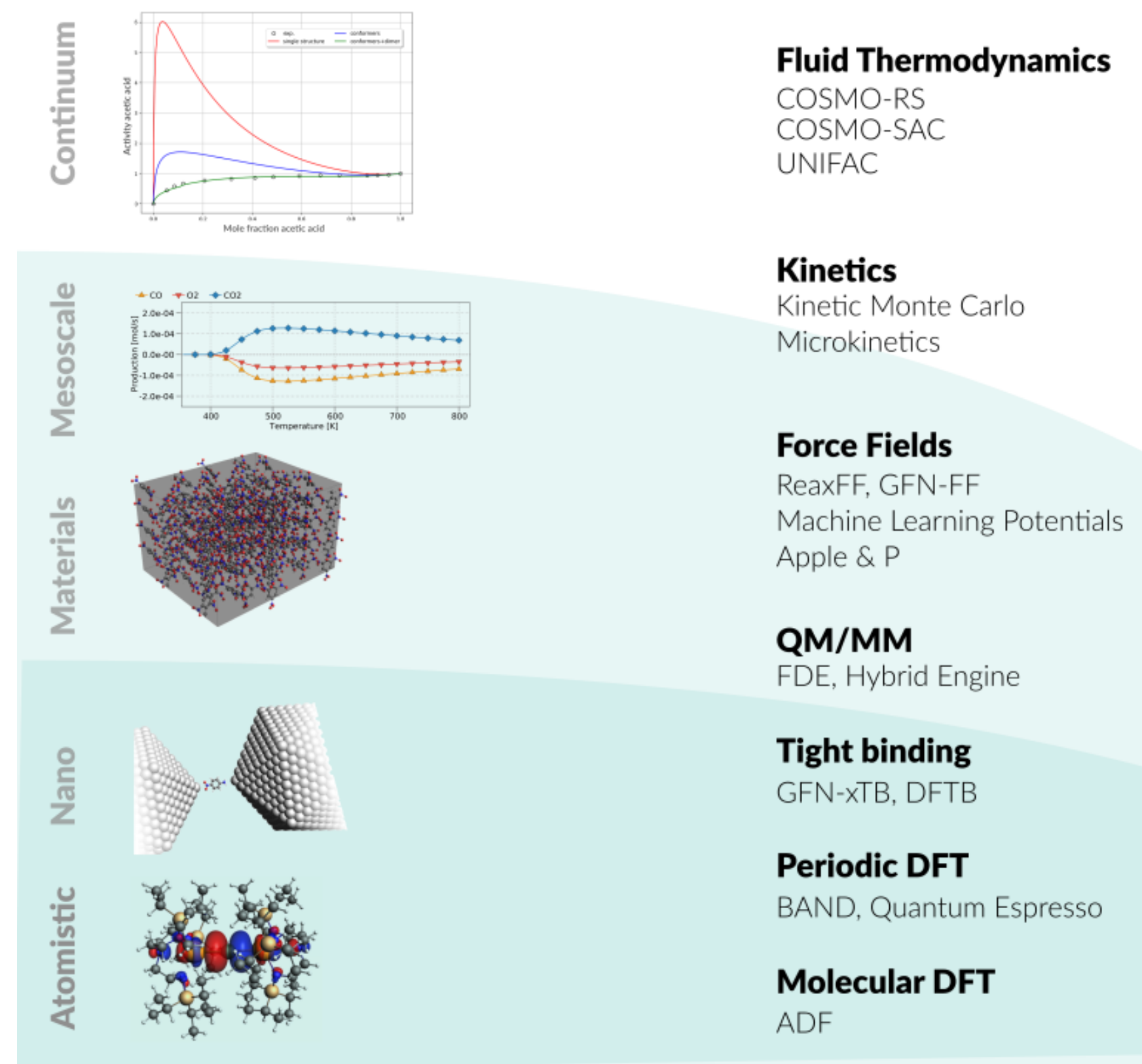
# The SCM team in Amsterdam



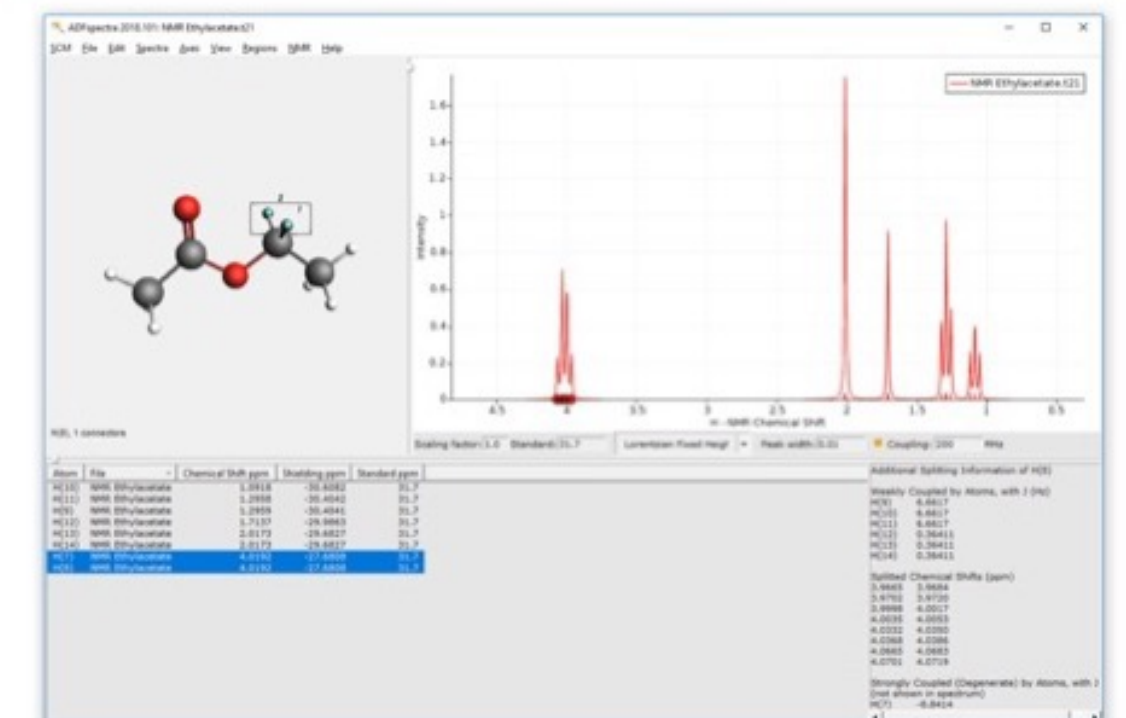
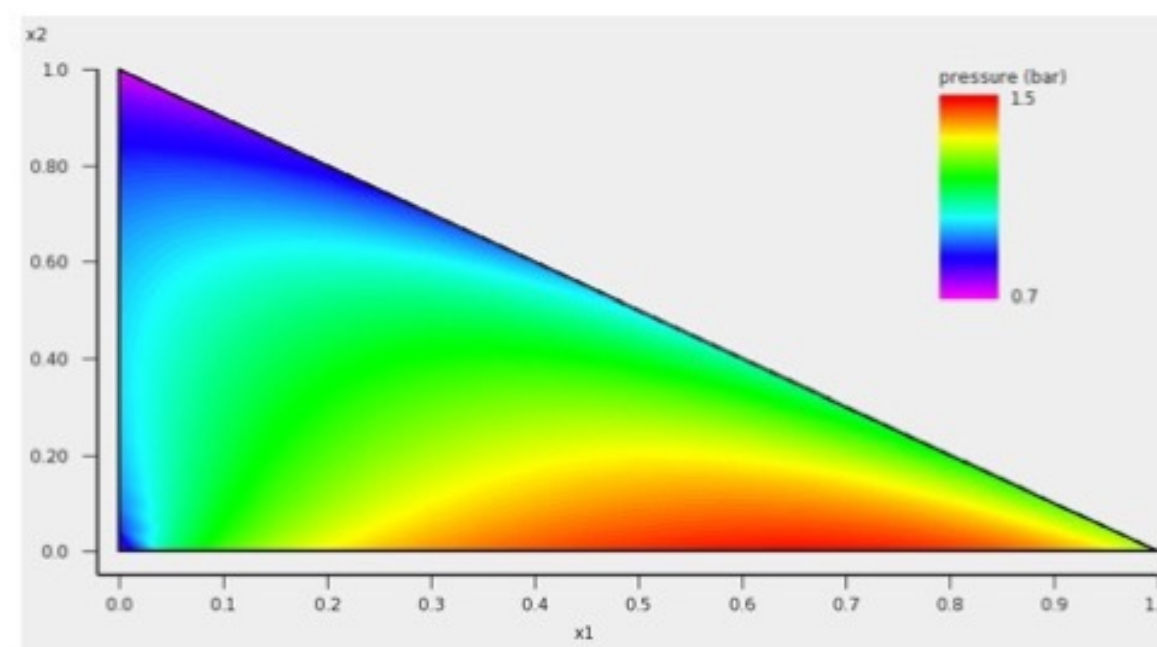
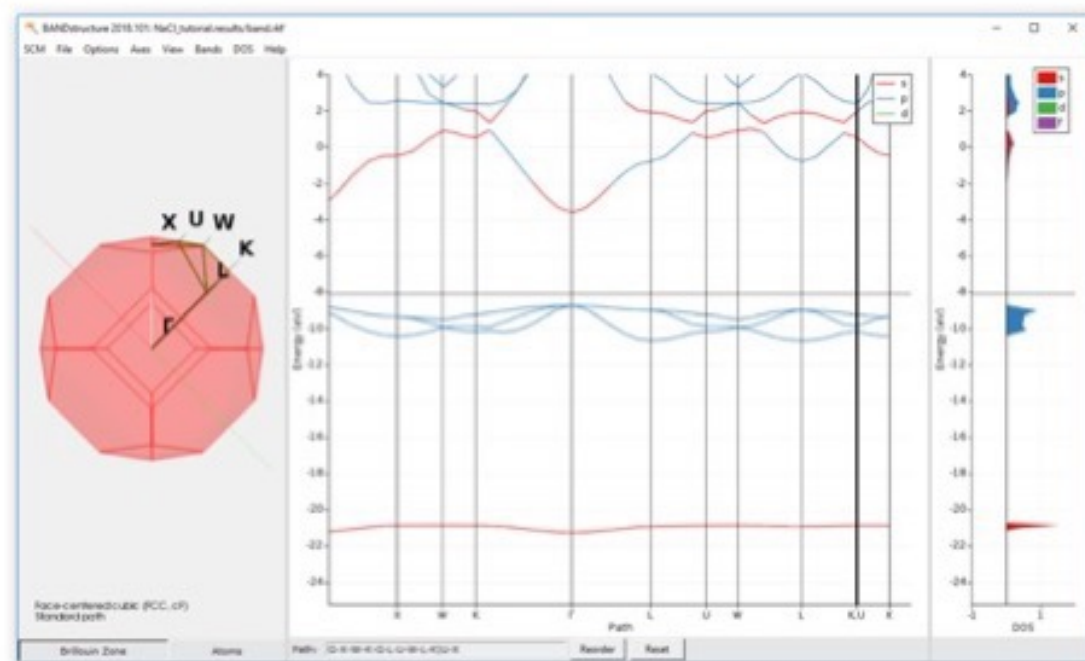
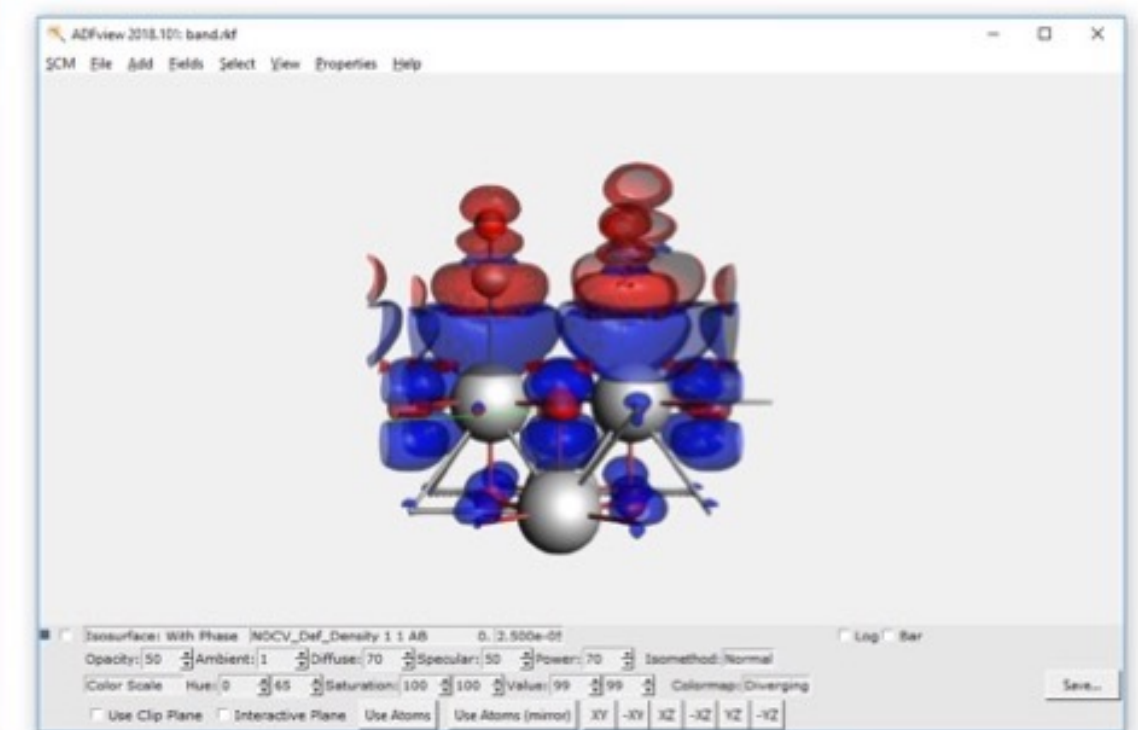
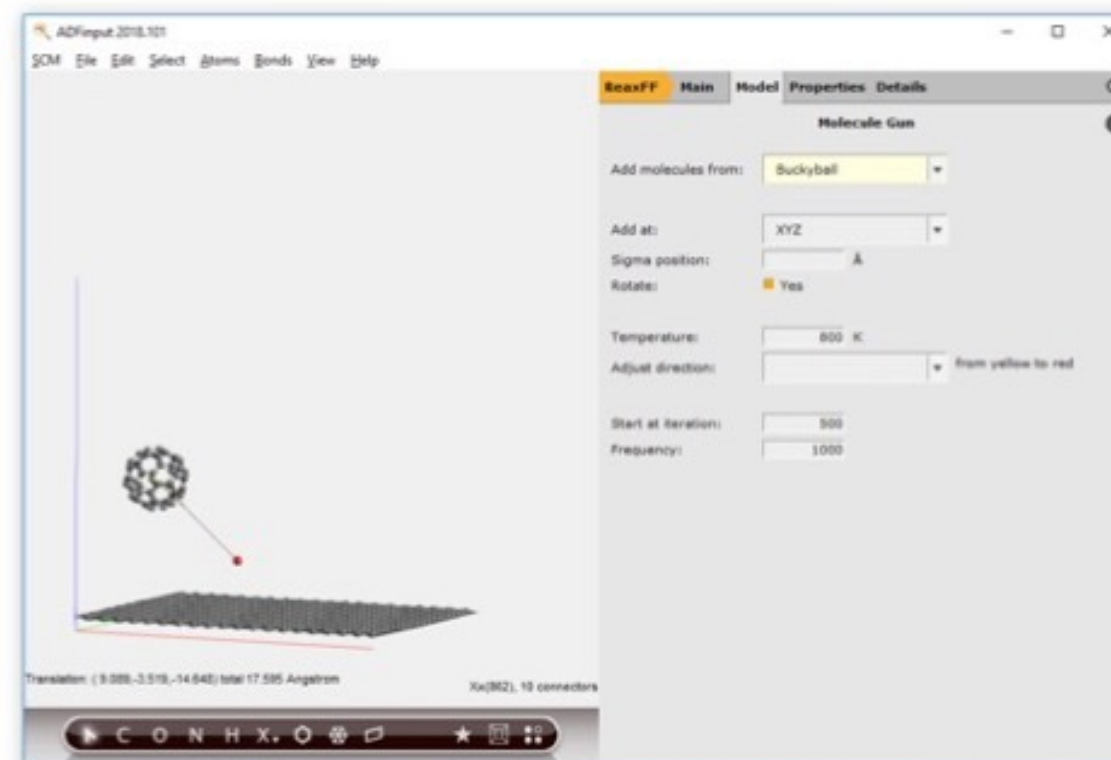
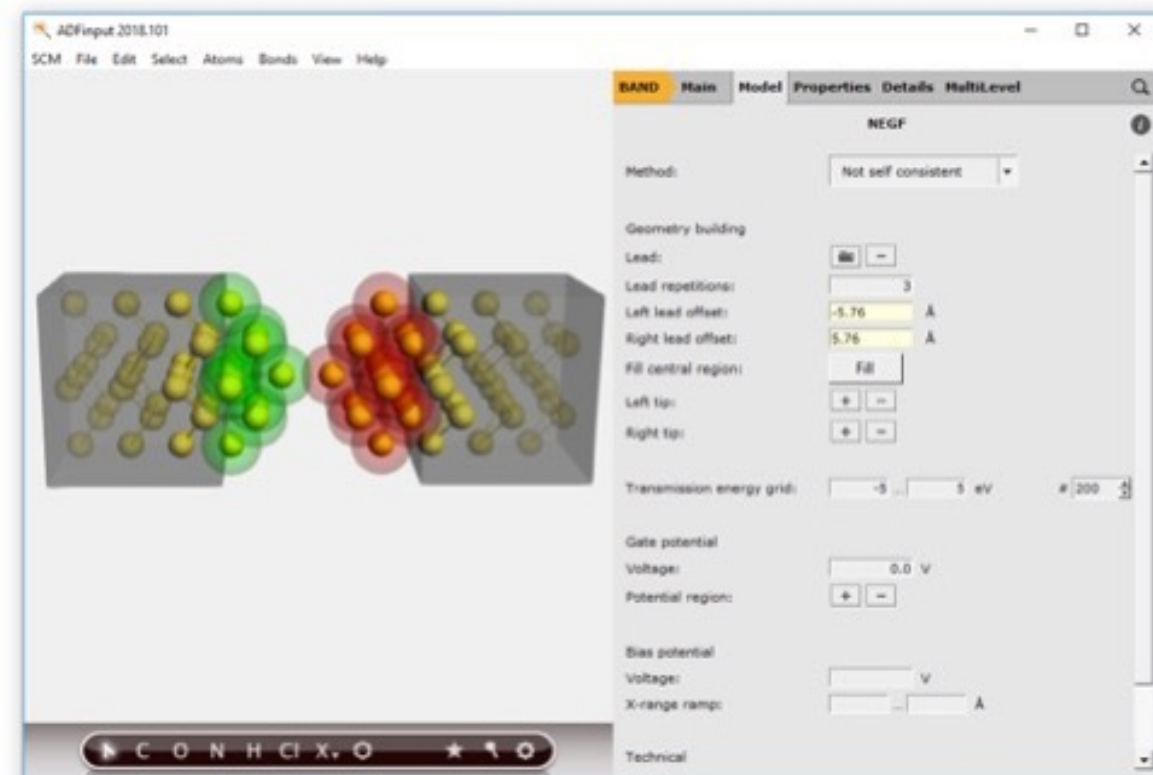
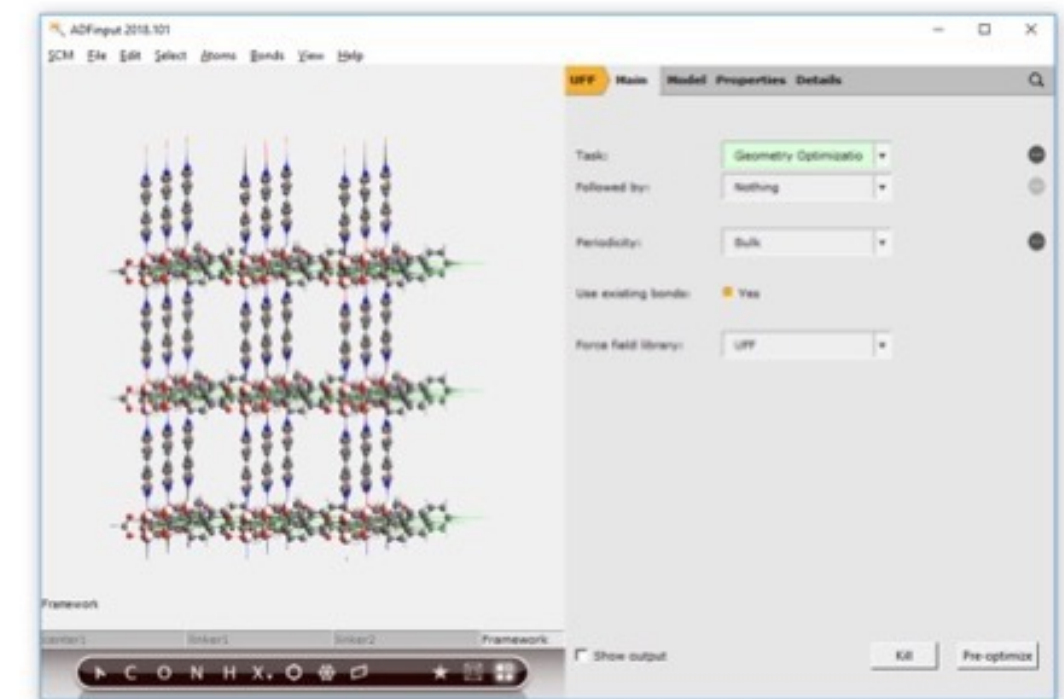
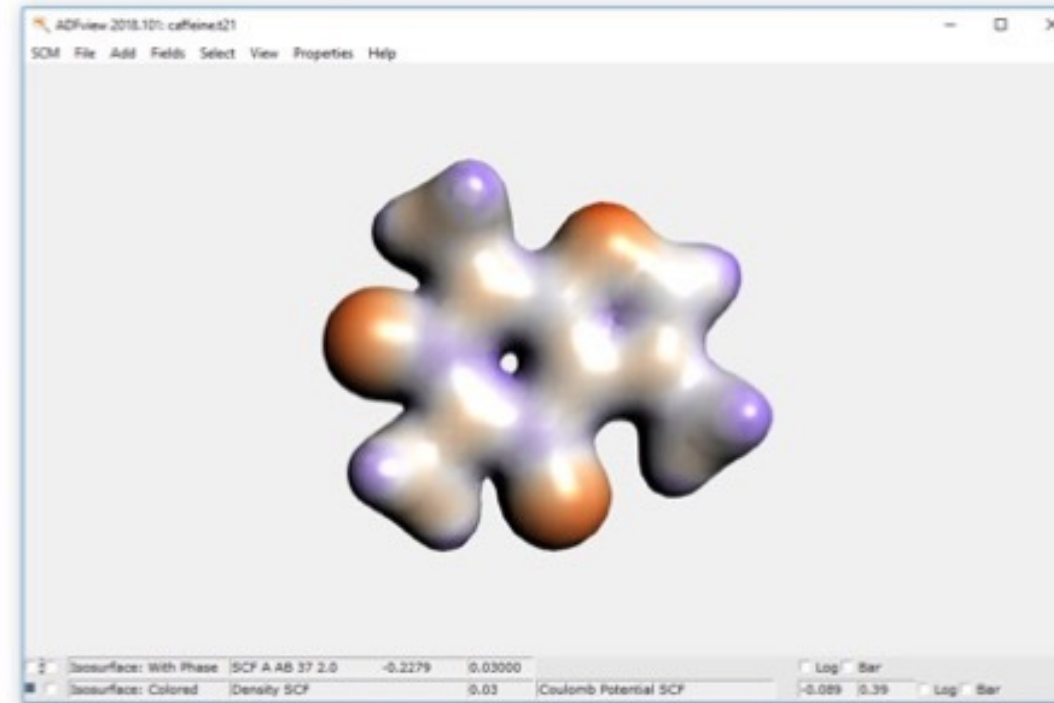
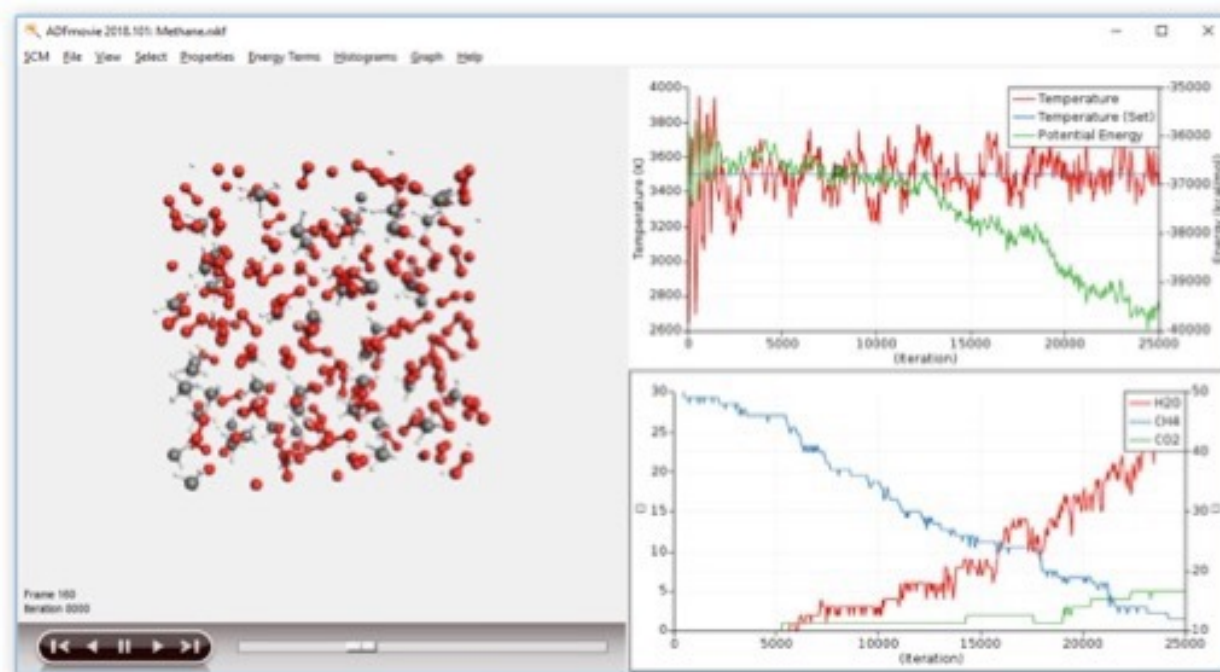
- 17 developers
- 4 support scientists
- 3 office / business
- 3 PhD students (EU)

# Amsterdam Modeling Suite

- **ADF: powerful molecular DFT**
  - Reactivity, spectroscopy
  - Spectroscopy: NMR, EPR, VCD, UV, XAS
- **BAND: periodic DFT**
  - (2D) Materials, spectroscopy, analysis
  - Interface with QE, VASP
- **DFTB & MOPAC: fast electronic structure**
- **ReaxFF: Reactive MD**
  - Dynamics of large complicated systems
- **MLPotential**
  - Several backends, ANI-2x, M3GNet
- **COSMO-RS: fluid thermodynamics**
  - VLE, LLE, logP, solubility
- **AMSdriver: PES exploration, MD, MC**
  - Hybrid: multi-layer, QM/MM, QM/QM'
- **Integrated GUI, python scripting (workflows), ParAMS: parametrize ReaxFF & xTB**

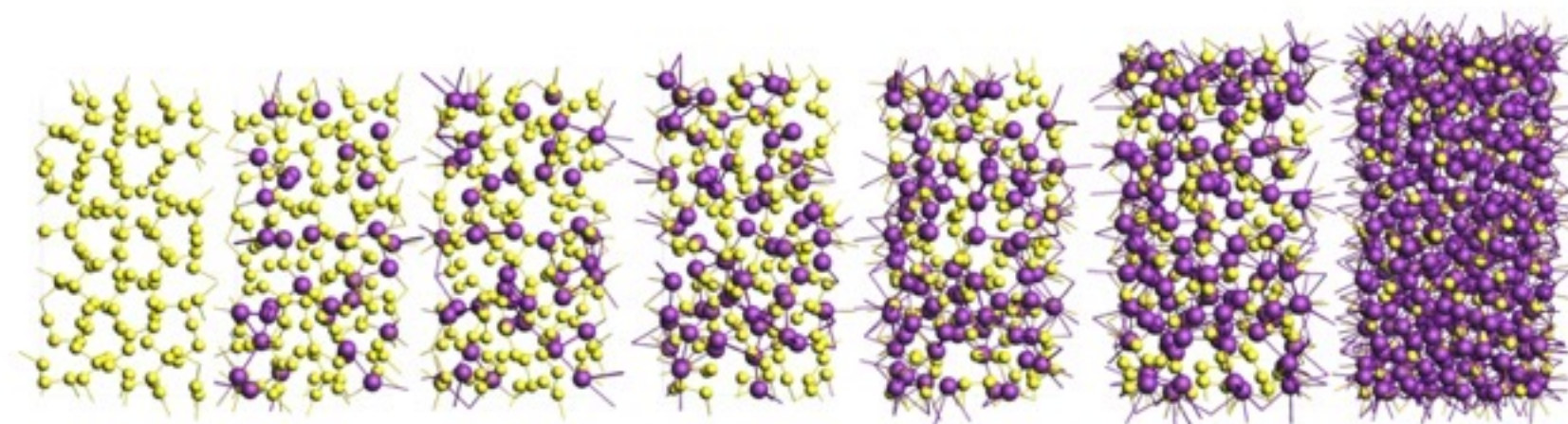
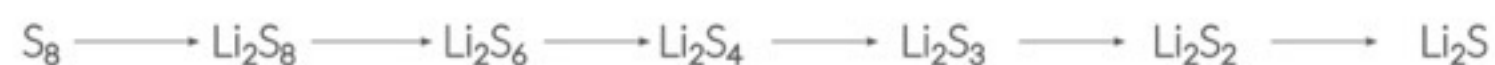
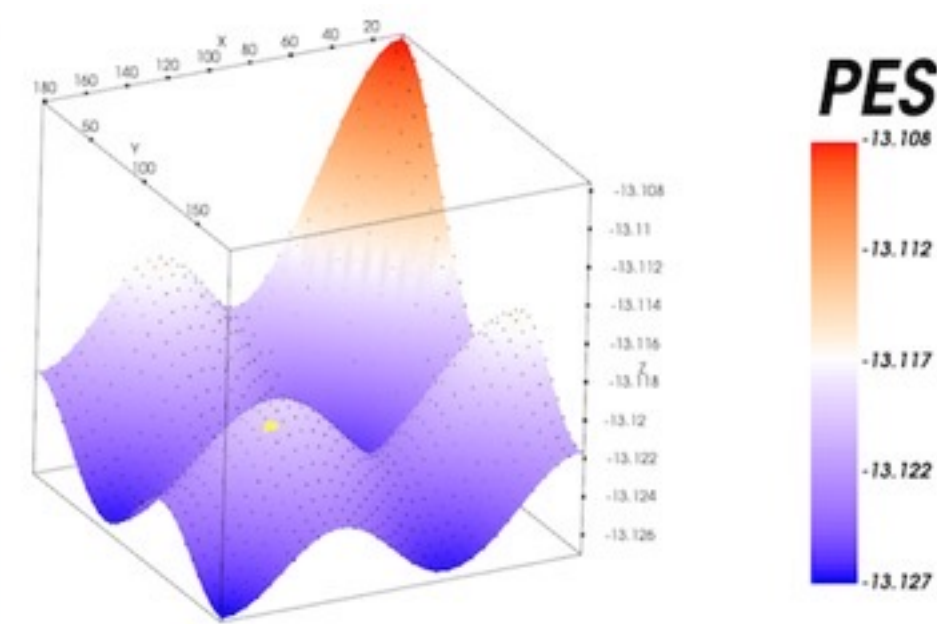
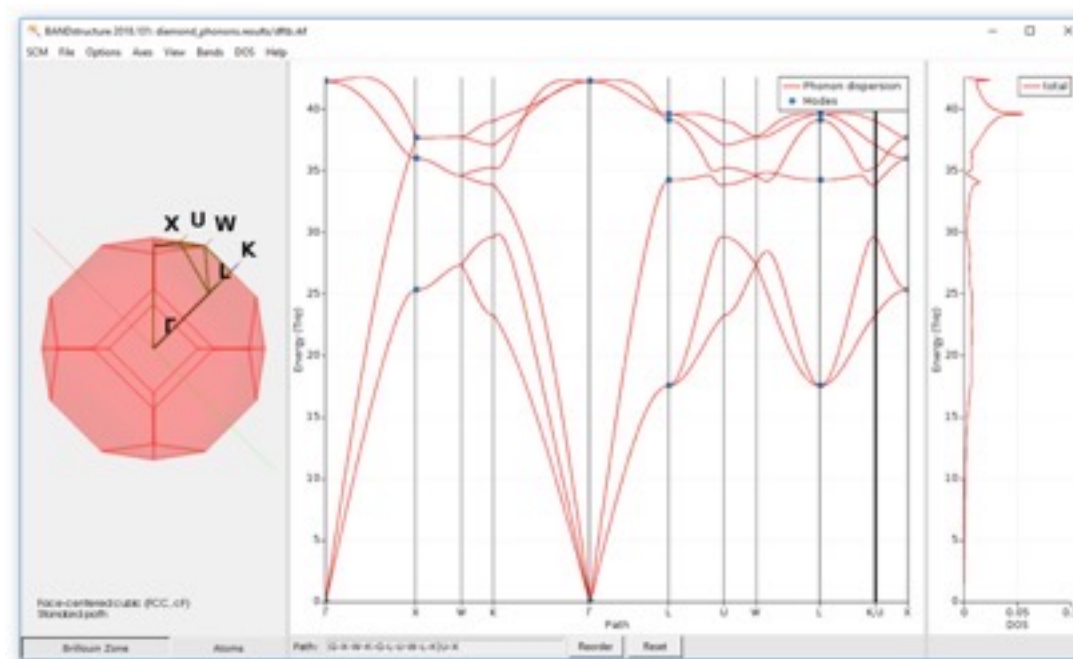


# 1 GUI: build, run & analyze

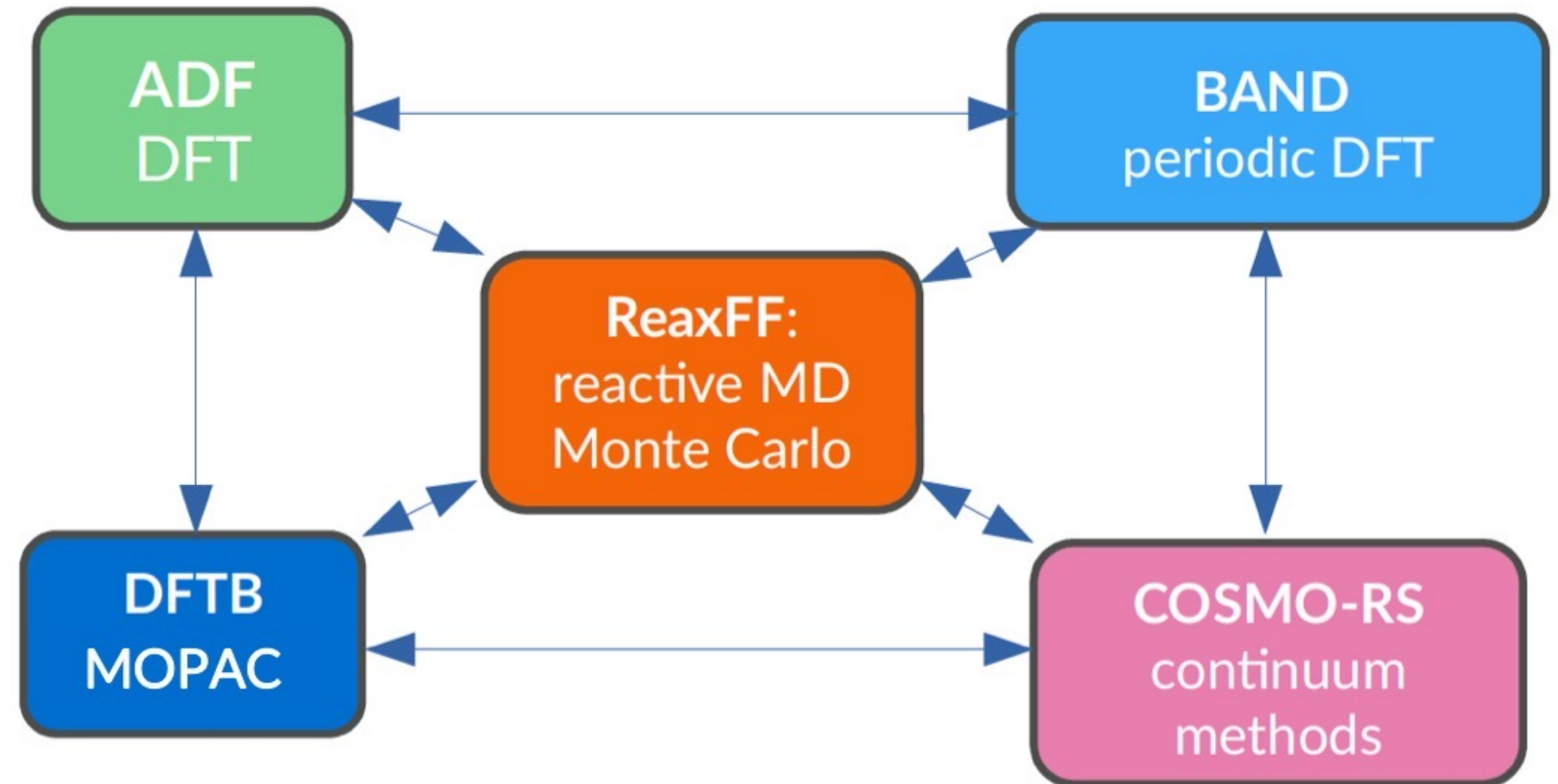
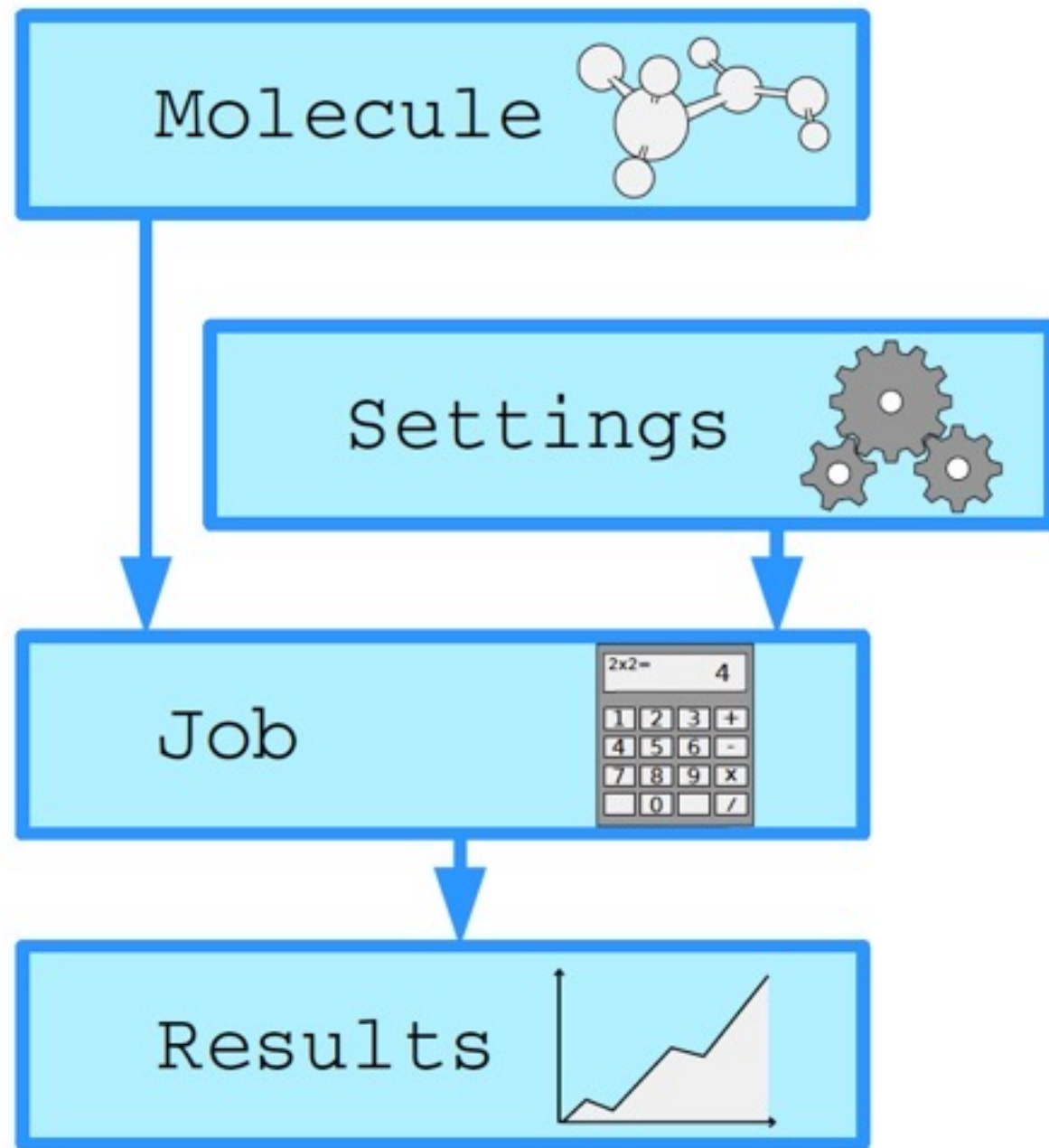


# The AMS driver: decouple from Engine

- Frequencies (+ analysis) & phonons
- Stress & elastic tensors
- Scan (multiple) coords, any periodicity
- Geometries, TS, IRC
- Advanced Molecular Dynamics
- (Grand Canonical) Monte Carlo



# PLAMS: python scripting



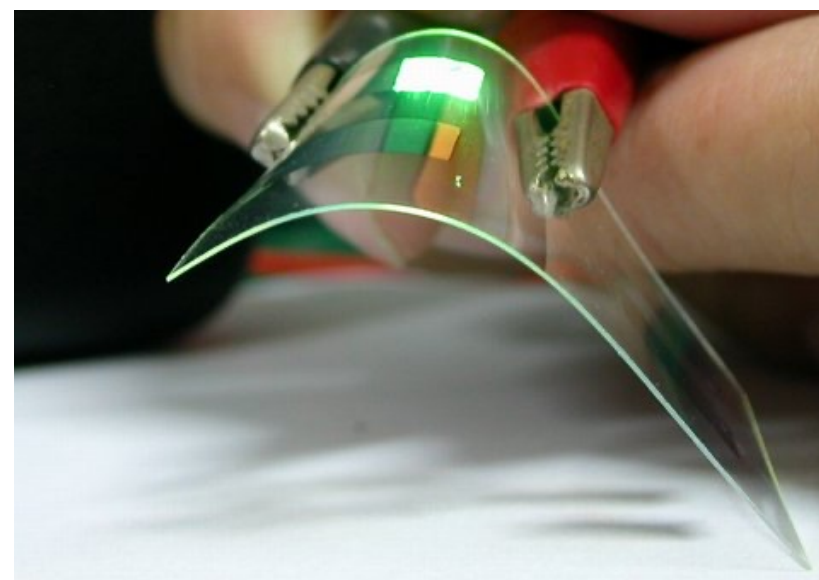
Links all modules + various tools  
→ workflows & [screening](#)  
→ (custom) post-processing  
→ rapid prototyping



# ADF: Molecular DFT

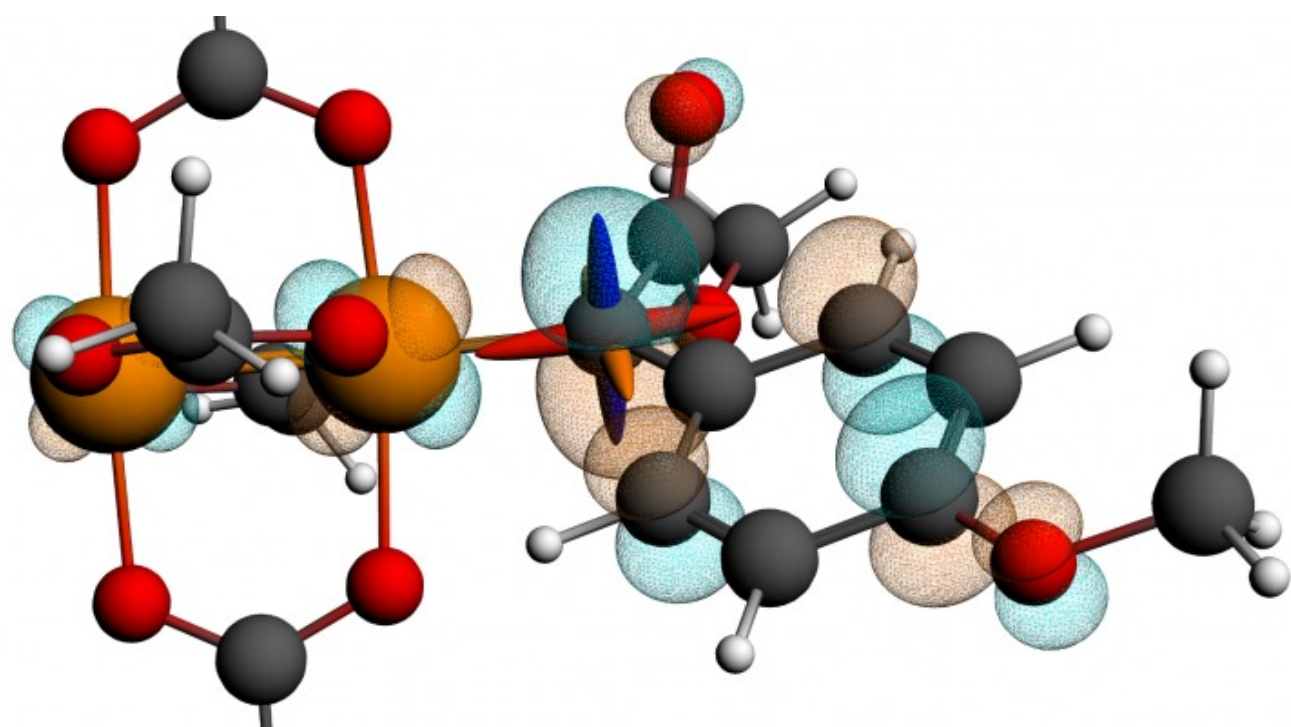


Organic electronics



## Strong & unique points

- All-electron Slaters, H-Og
- Relativity: ZORA (SR, SOC)
- Spectroscopy
  - EPR, NMR, IR (VCD), UVVIS, XAS
  - qsGW+BSE
  - Phosphorescence
- Bonding analysis:
  - Fragment-based approach
  - ETS-NOCV, QTAIM, MO diagrams, NCI, ....
  - Transfer integrals (charge mobility)
- Environments
  - Subsystem DFT (FDE), DIM/QM, QM/MM, QM/FQ, 3D-RISM, COSMO, SM12

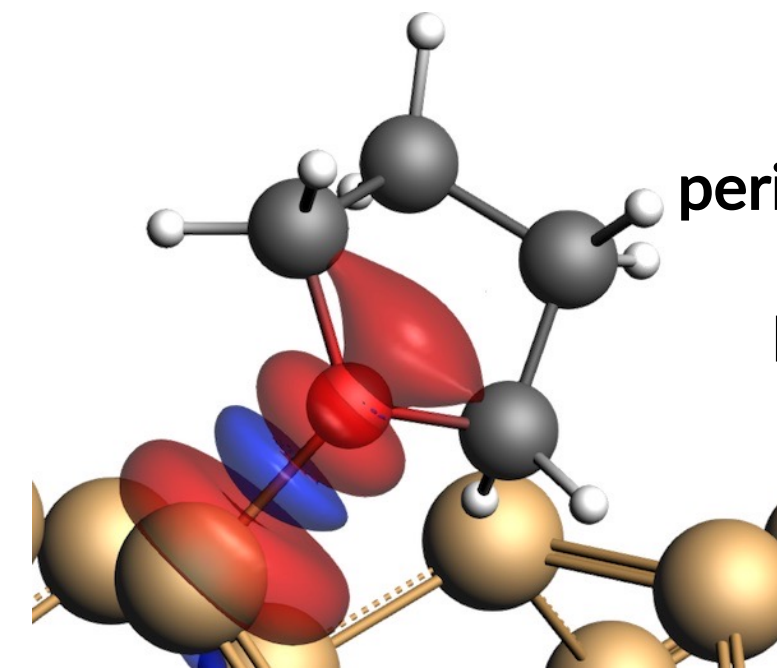


NMR calculations locate  $^{13}\text{C}$  di-Rh carbene catalyst intermediate, [Science, 342, 351 \(2013\)](#)

# Periodic DFT: BAND vs Plane Waves

- Atom centered basis functions, STO or NAO

- Compare cluster with periodic
- No pseudopotentials, all elements
- Core spectroscopy (core holes)
- Easy orbital analysis: pDOS, COOP, EDA
- Fast for empty (1D, 2D, porous)
- xc: r2SCAN, MN15-L, HSE06, GLLB-sc, D3(BJ), D4, DFT-1/2
- Self-consistent NEGF
  - Gate & bias potential
  - Spin transport

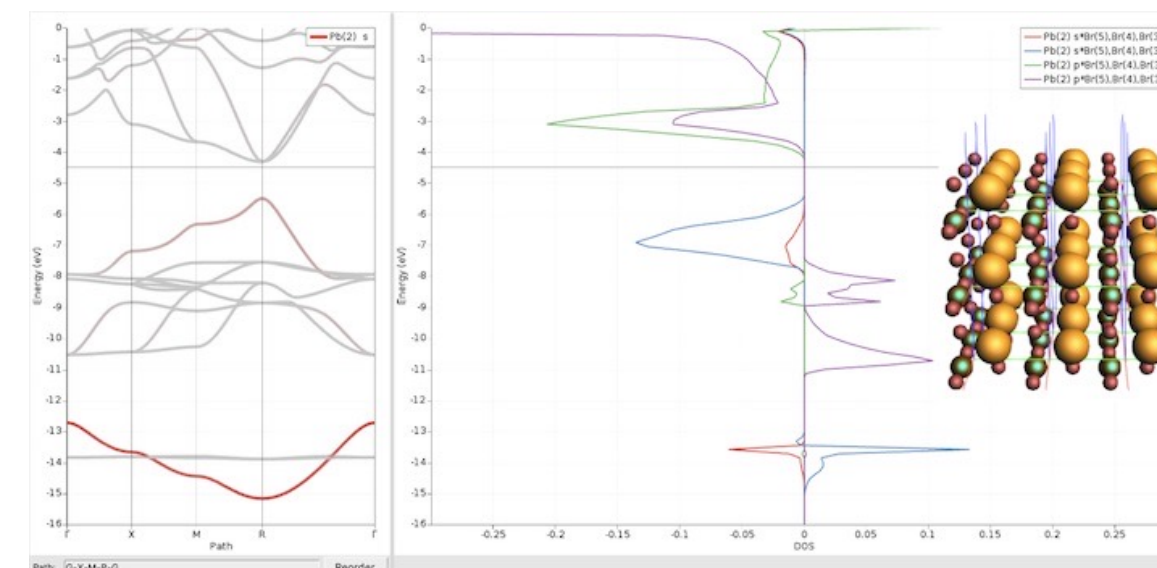


periodic energy decomposition analysis ([tutorial](#))

L. Pecher and R. Tonner  
[WIREs CMS, \(2018\)](#)

- True 2D surfaces, 1D polymers

- Het. catalysis: polarization, COSMO, SM12
- 2D electronics (homogeneous E field)
- Nanotubes
- QM/MM and QM/QM' for 2D

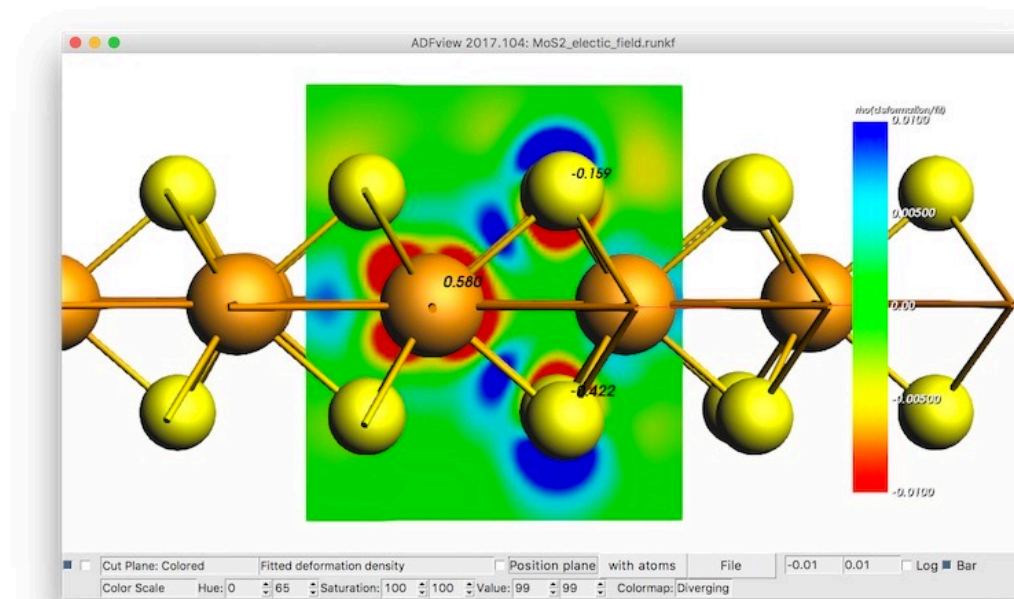


COOP in perovskites ([tutorial](#))

Goesten & Hoffmann  
[JACS \(2018\)](#)

- Integrated Graphical Interface:

- Easy set up & analysis
- Switch: ADF, BAND & [Quantum Espresso](#), [VASP](#)



Polarizing 2D semiconductor ([tutorial](#))

N. Zibouche et al.  
[PCCP \(2014\)](#)

# DFTB: 'fast DFT' for molecules & periodic

## Approximated DFT

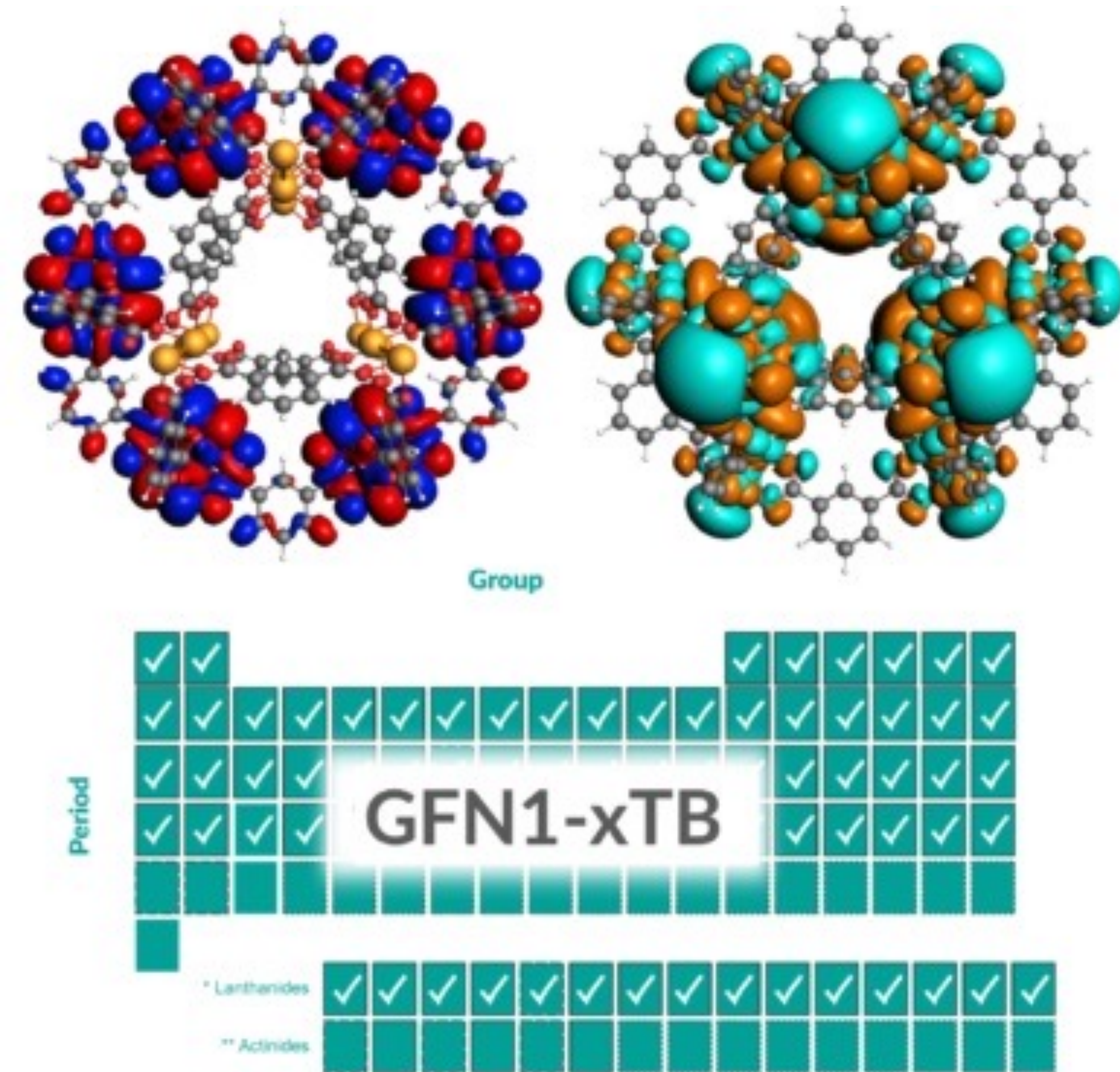
- Nearest neighbor & minimal basis
- Tabulated elec & rep. parameters:
  - Grimme GFN-xTB (Z = 1-86)
  - QuasiNaN0 & DFTB.org

## Capabilities & Features

- UV/VIS (fast!)
- MOs, band structures, DOS

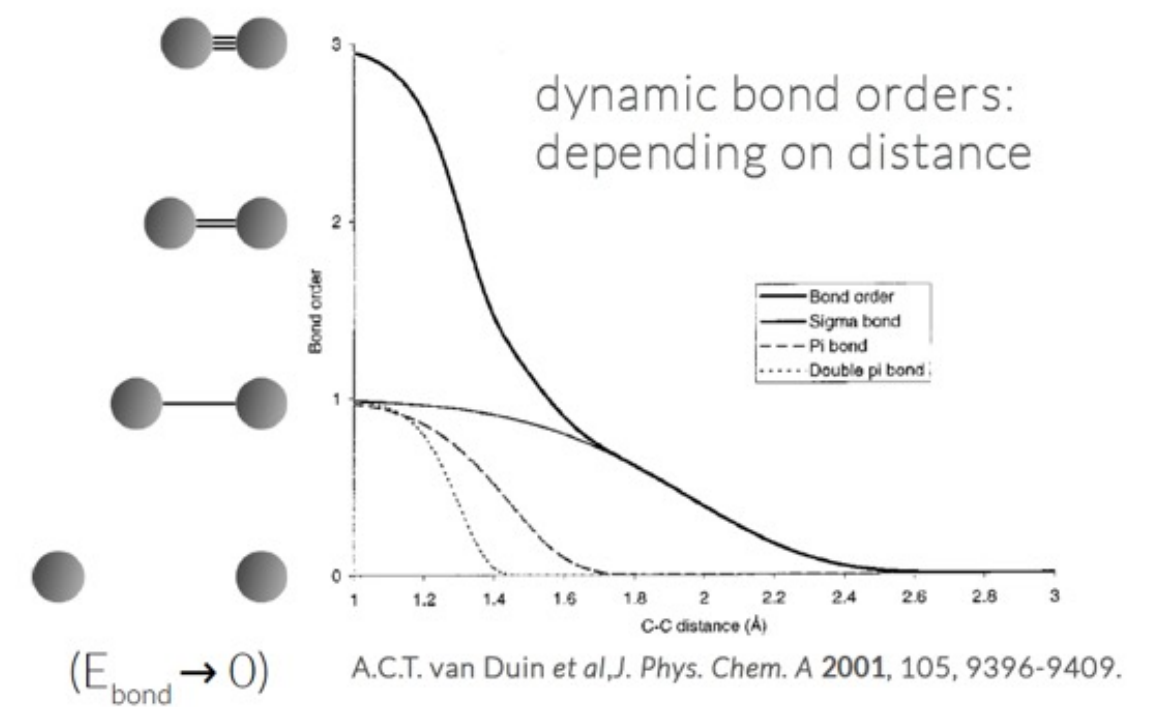
## Through AMS

- Geometries, frequencies, phonons
- Stress tensors (optimize under p)
- Advanced MD, PES scans
- GCMC, molecule gun
- Multi-layer, QM/MM, QM/QM'
- [Reparametrize xTB](#)

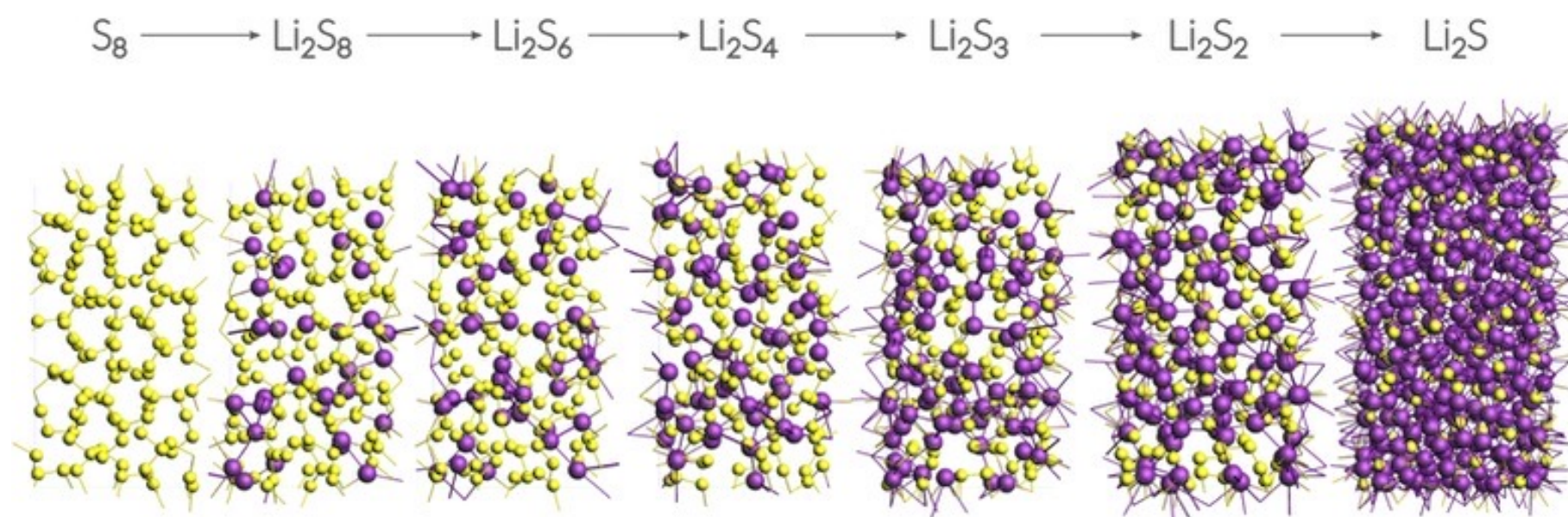


# ReaxFF – reactive molecular dynamics

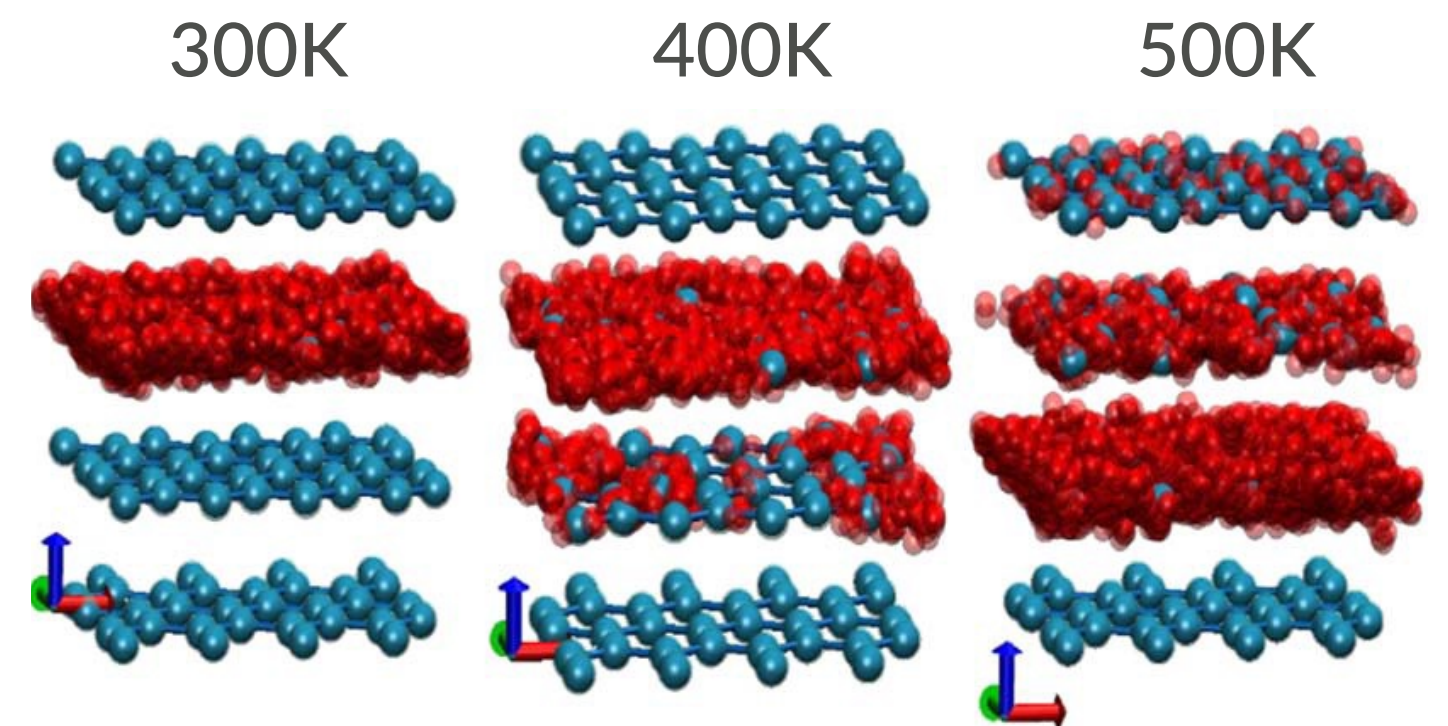
- No discontinuities in energy or forces
- No pre-defined reaction sites or types
  - Dynamic bond orders, charge equilibration
  - Only 1 atom type per element



$$E_{\text{system}} = E_{\text{bond}} + E_{\text{lp}} + E_{\text{over}} + E_{\text{under}} + E_{\text{val}} + E_{\text{pen}} + E_{\text{coa}} + E_{\text{C}_2} + E_{\text{tors}} + E_{\text{conj}} + E_{\text{H-bond}} + E_{\text{vdWaals}} + E_{\text{Coulomb}}$$



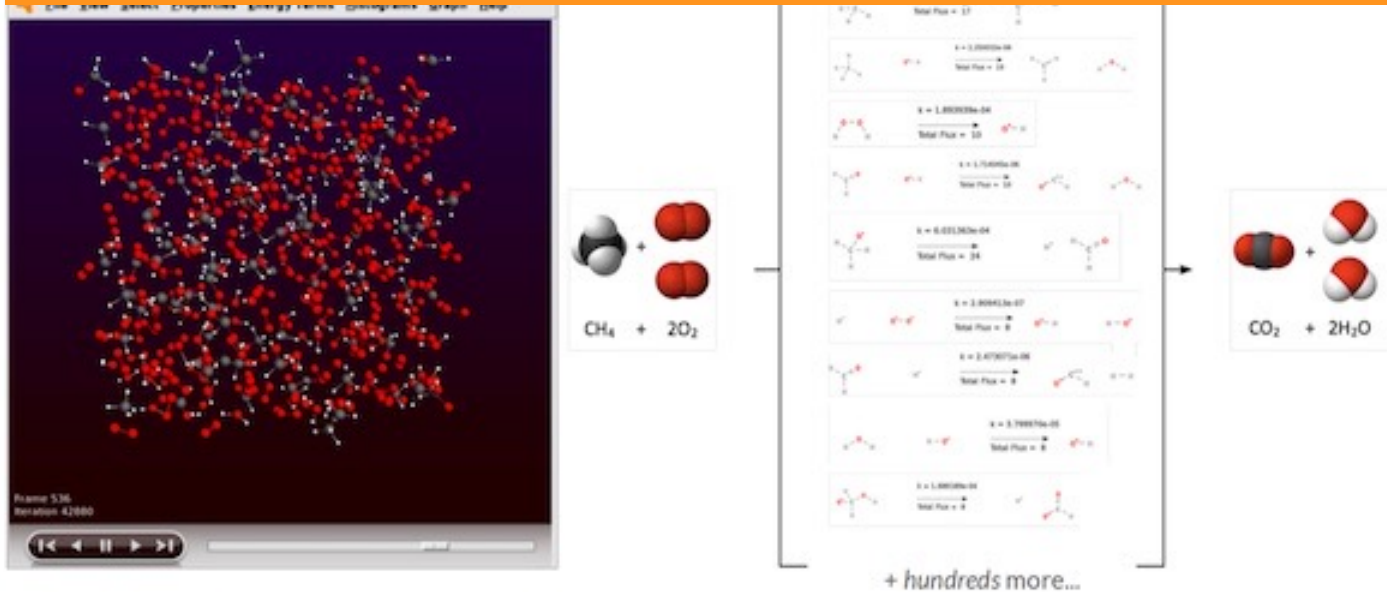
Li battery discharge: *J. Electrochem. Soc.* **161**, E3009 (2014); *PCCP*, **17**, 3383 (2015), [tutorial](#)



[eReaxFF to study electron mobility & Li ion reduction](#), explicit electrons & electric field, *J. Electrochem. Soc.* **169**, 110540 (2022)

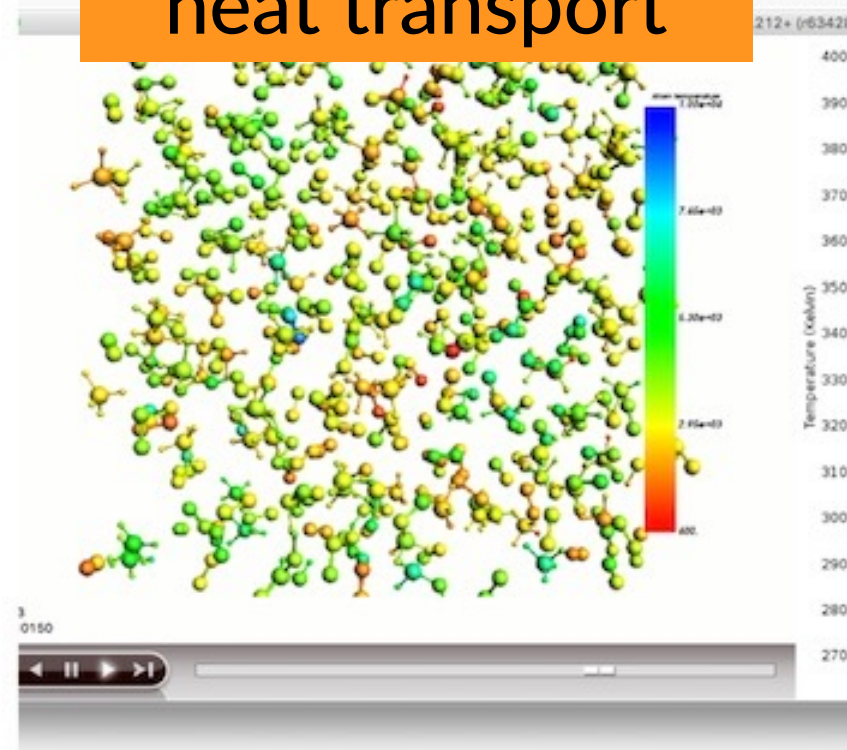
# Reactive MD tools Amsterdam Modeling Suite

**ChemTraYzer: Automated rates & pathways**  
**New: Analyze surface reactions**

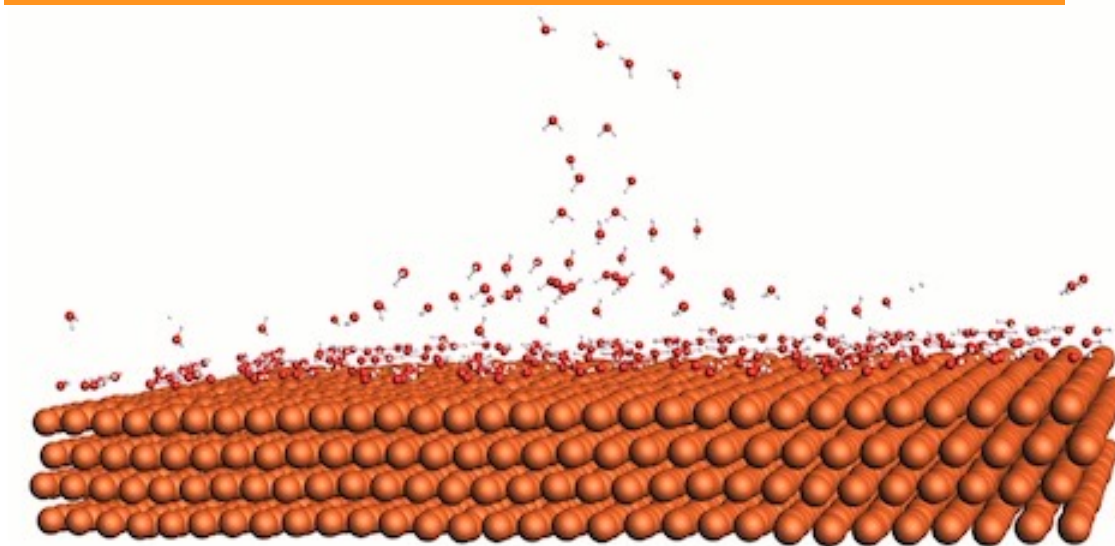


Tools += complete reaction networks  
 elementary reactions, rate constants, fluxes, timeline

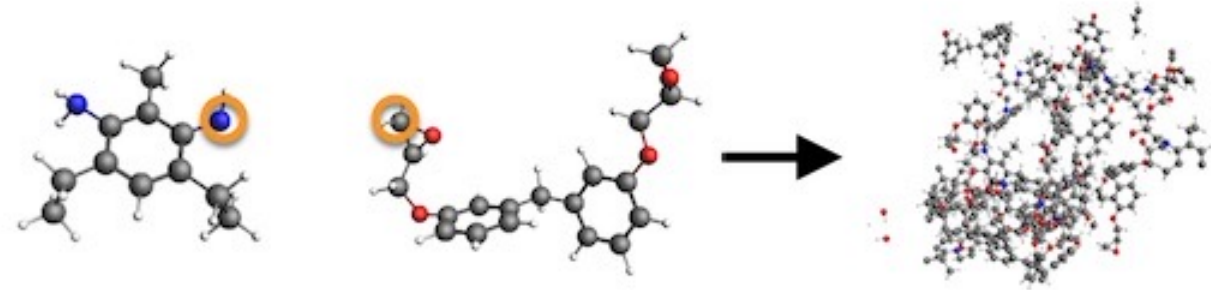
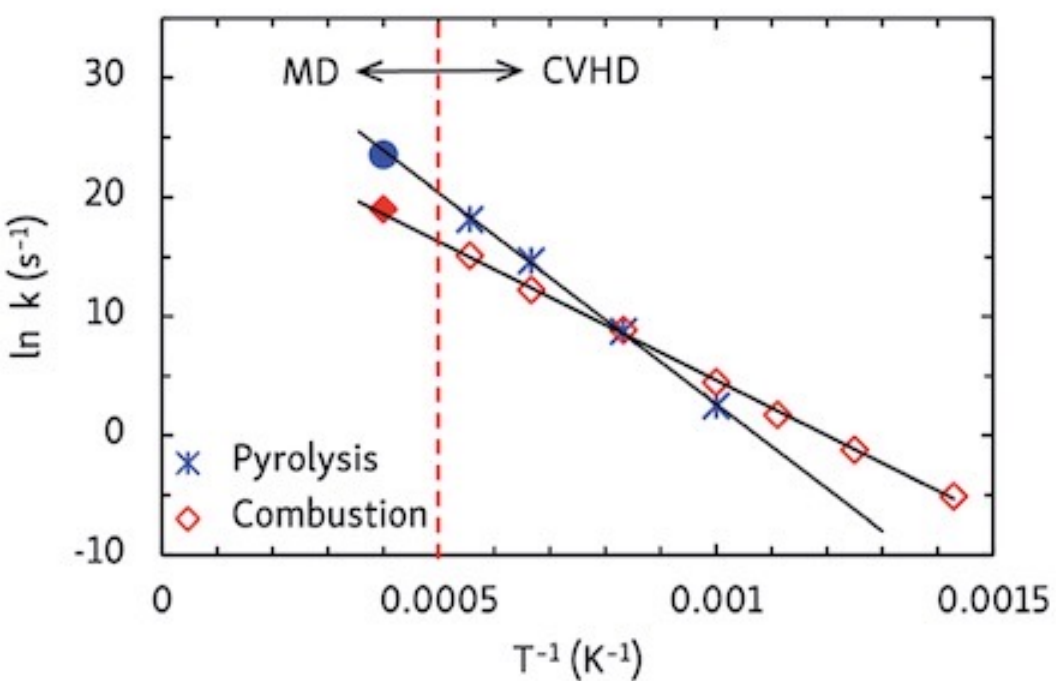
**T-NEMD, local T:**  
**heat transport**



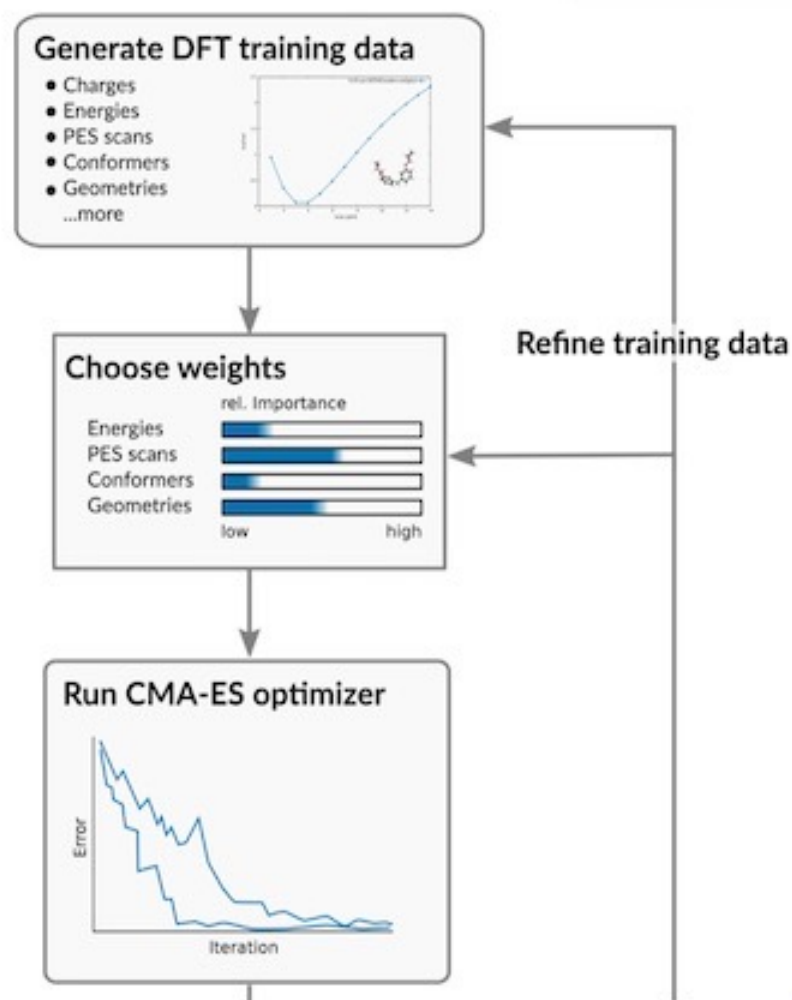
**Molecule gun: depositing**  
**molecules on surfaces**



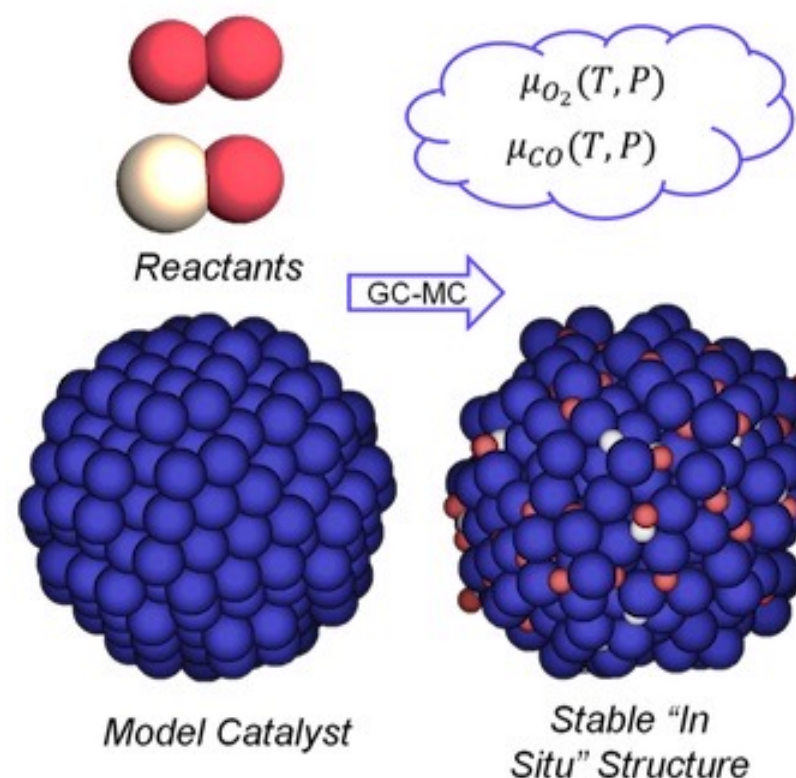
**fbMC, CVHD, PRD:**  
**speed up kinetics**



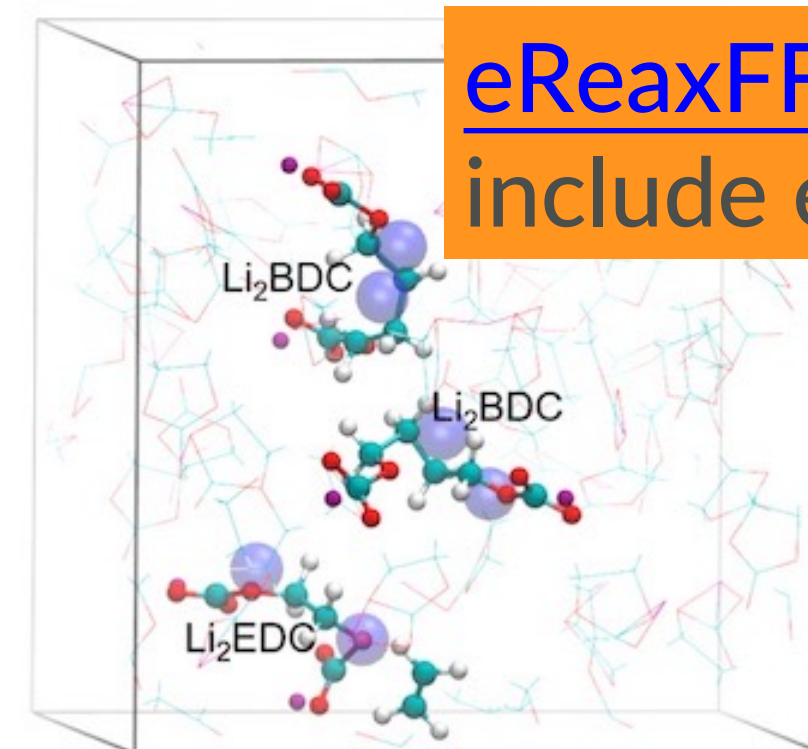
**bond boost**  
**build polymers**



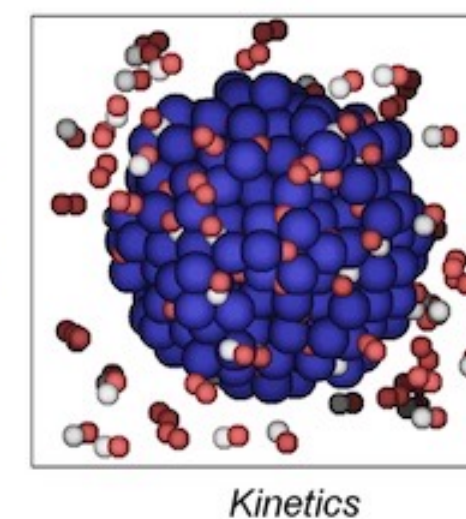
**ParAMS - easy**  
**ReaxFF & DFTB**  
**(re)parameterization**



**eReaxFF:**  
**include e-**

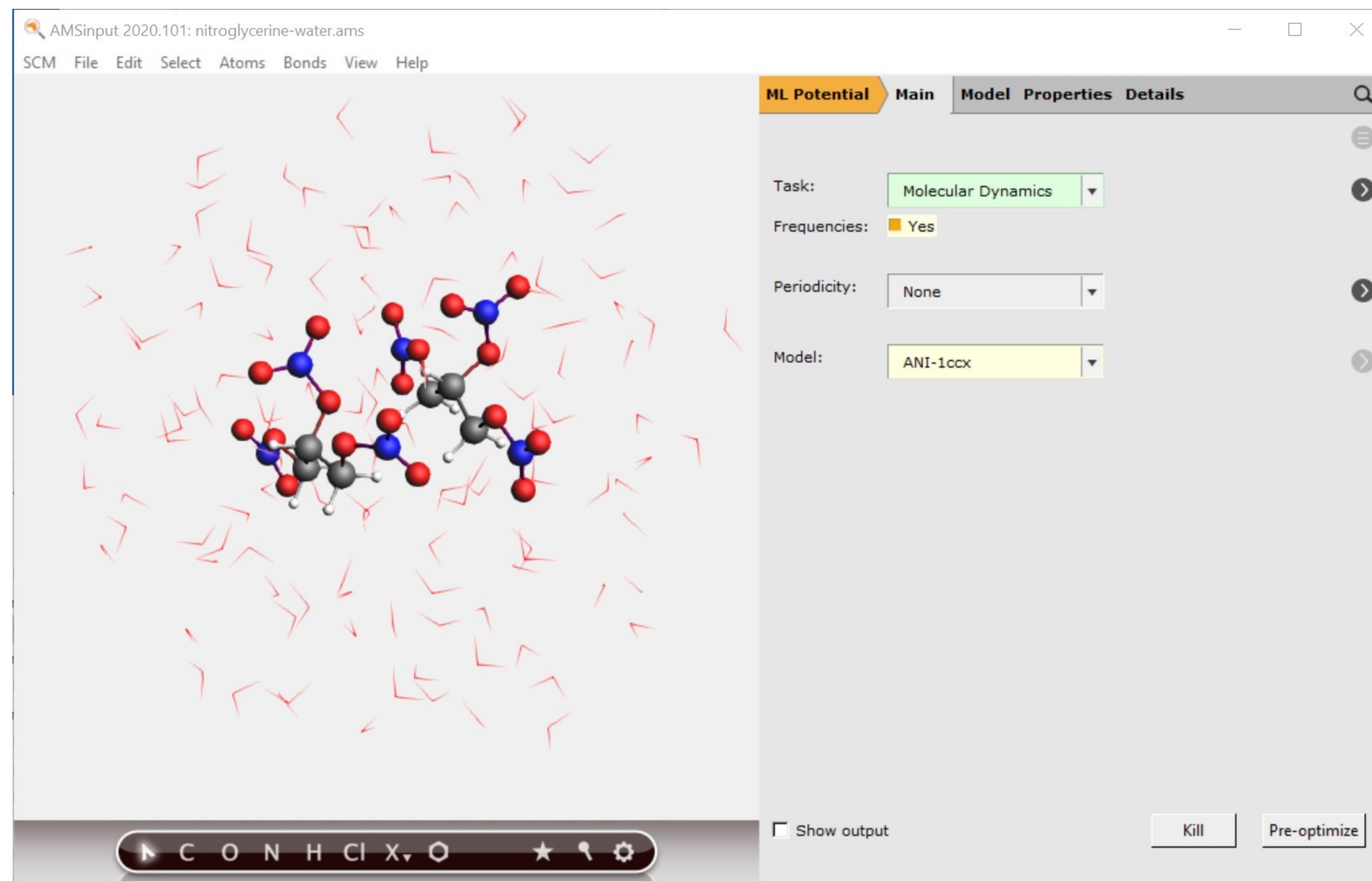


**GCMC:** speed  
**up thermo**



# Machine Learned Potentials

- Use machine learning potentials with AMS driver
  - PES scans, conformers, MD, reaction energies, ...
  - Also with Hybrid engine (multi-layer)
- Automatically install popular ML Backends
  - SchNetPack, sGDML, PiNN, TorchANI
  - Pre-parametrized neural network potentials ANI-1ccx, ANI-2x, **M3GNet-UP(2022)**
  - CUDA-enabled PyTorch and Tensorflow can be used



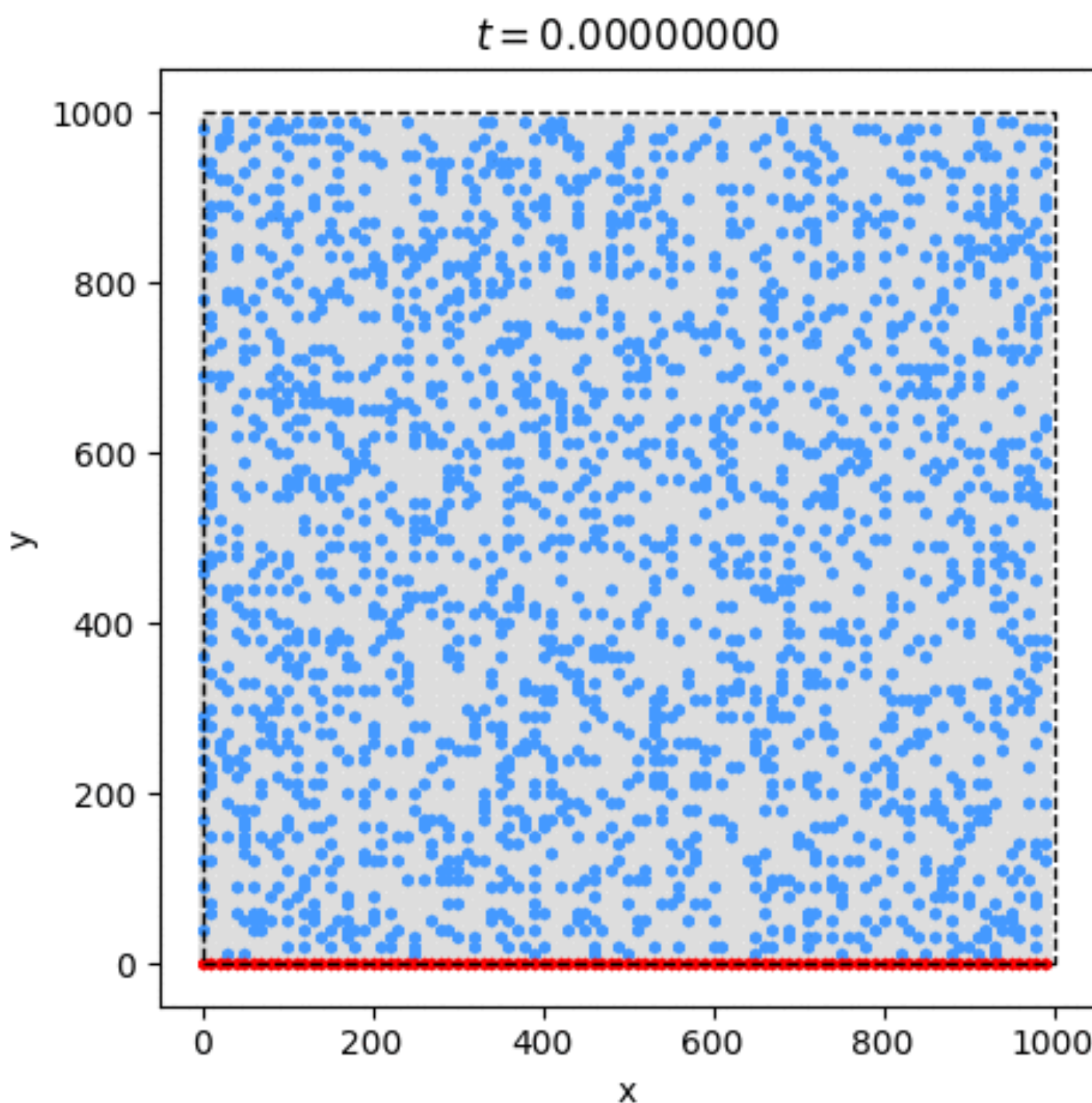
[Demo video](#)

# Kinetic Monte Carlo: SEI dendrite formation

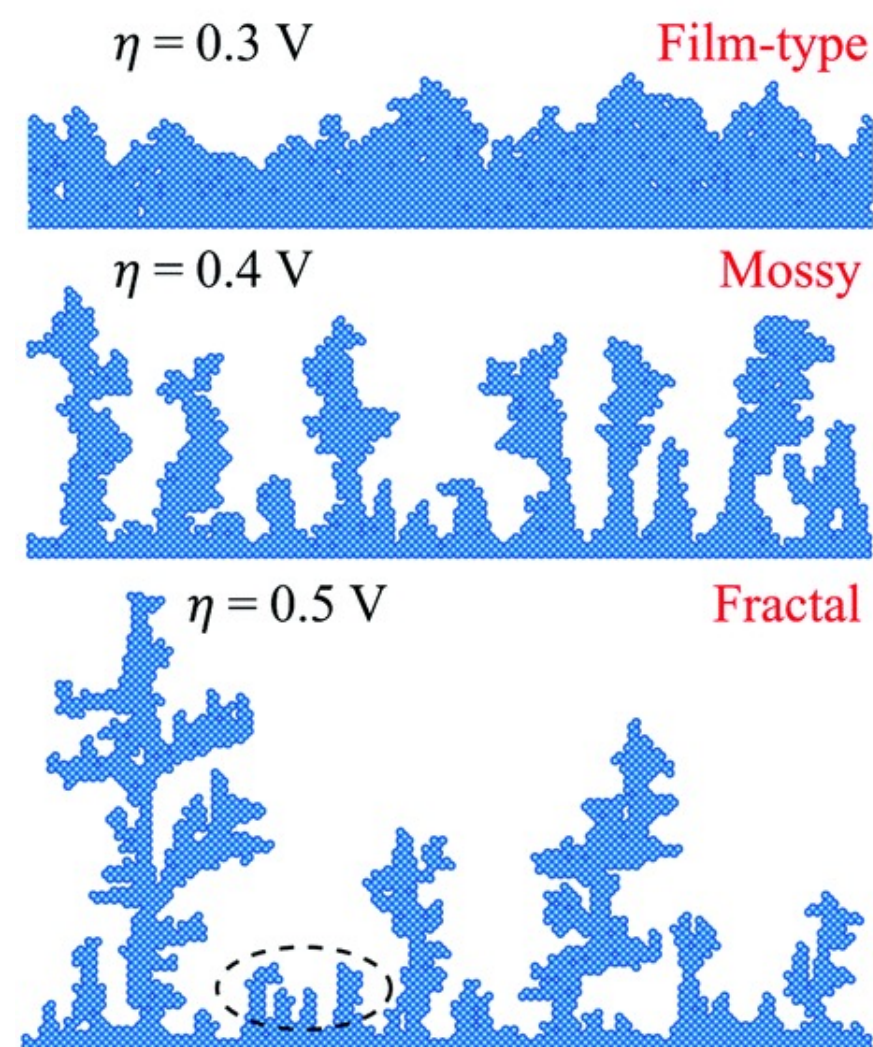
Modified (py)[Zacros kMC](#) to study dendrite formation

3 Processes (rates can be computed with AMS):

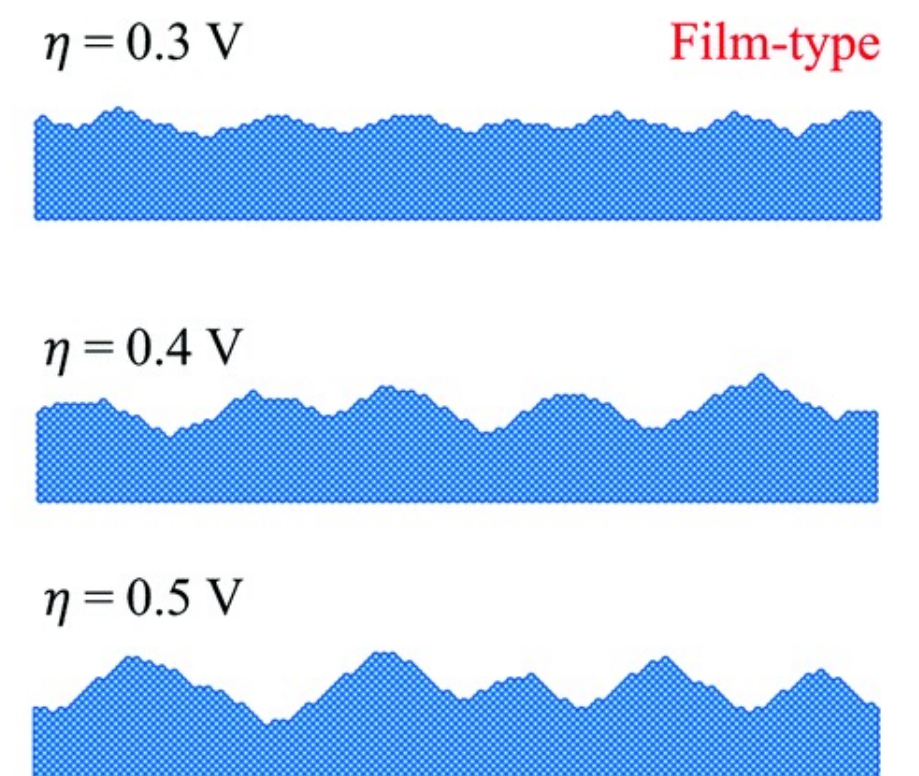
- 1) Metal ion ( $M^{z+}$ ) transport across electrolyte
- 2) Reduction at the solid-electrolyte interface ( $M^{z+} \rightarrow M$ )
- 3) Diffusion of the metal ( $M$ ) over the electrode surface



no step diffusion



no terrace diffusion



Inspired by Surface diffusion manifestation in electrodeposition of metal anodes, [PCCP 2020 \(22\), 11286](#)

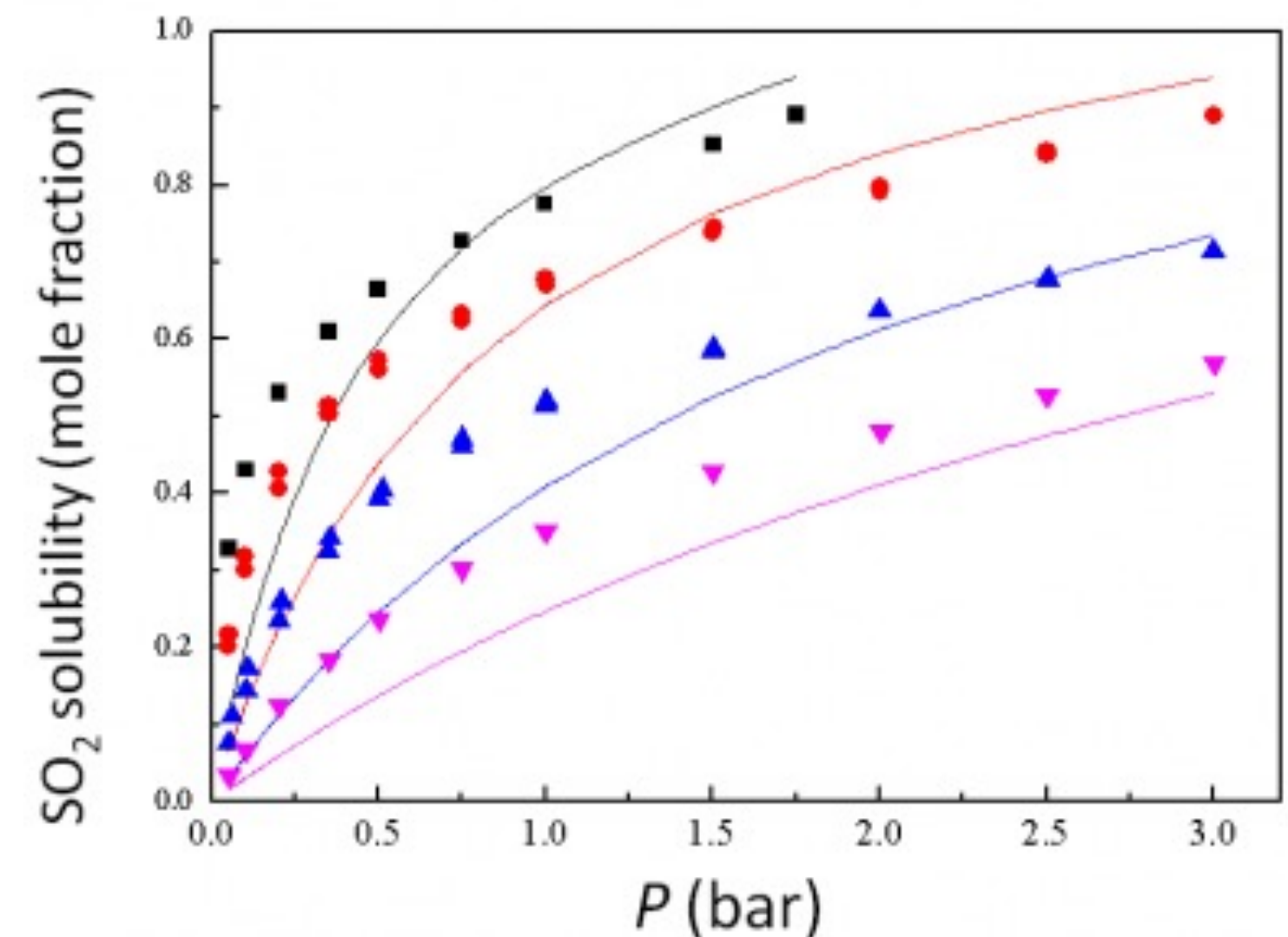
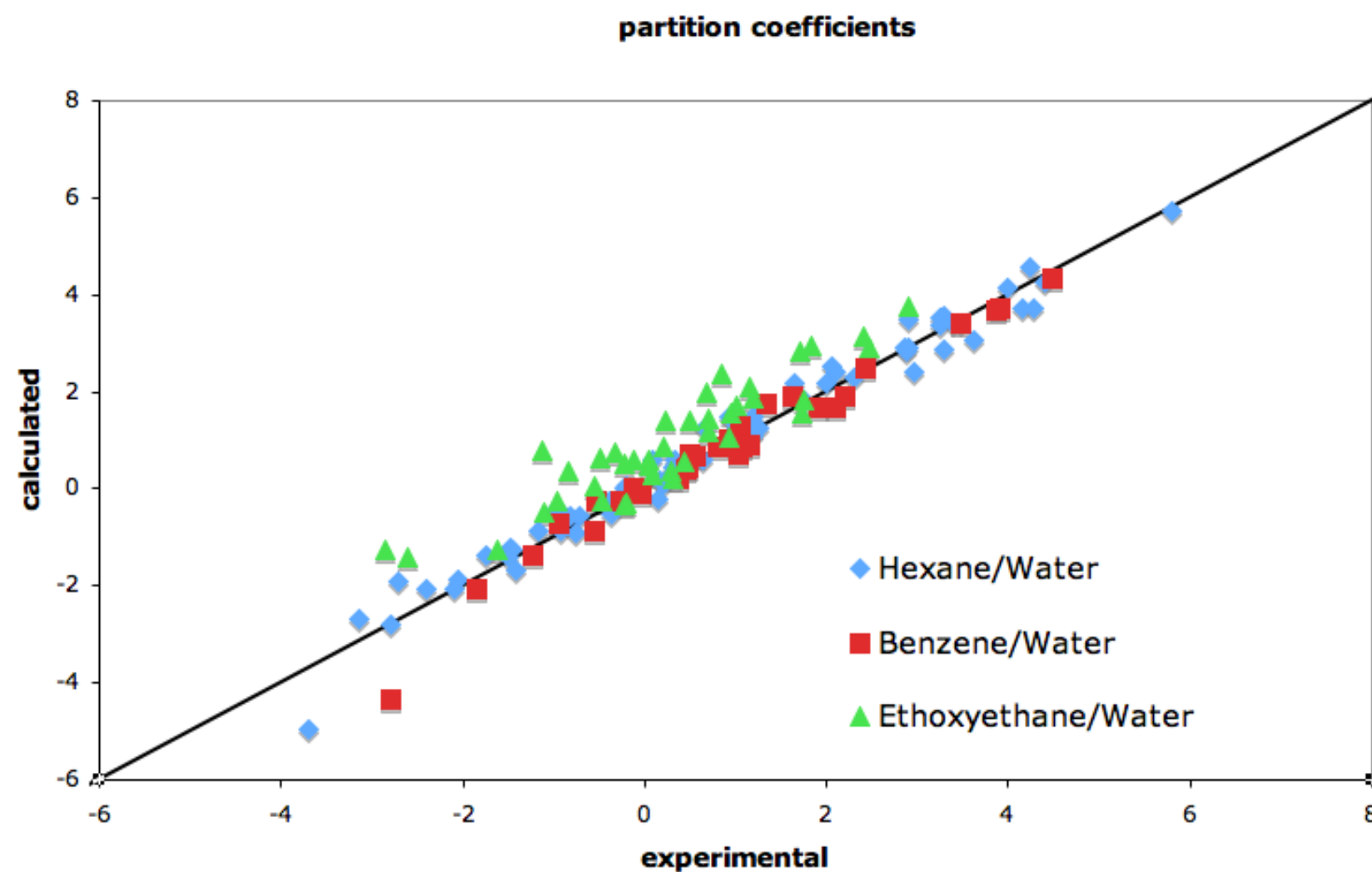
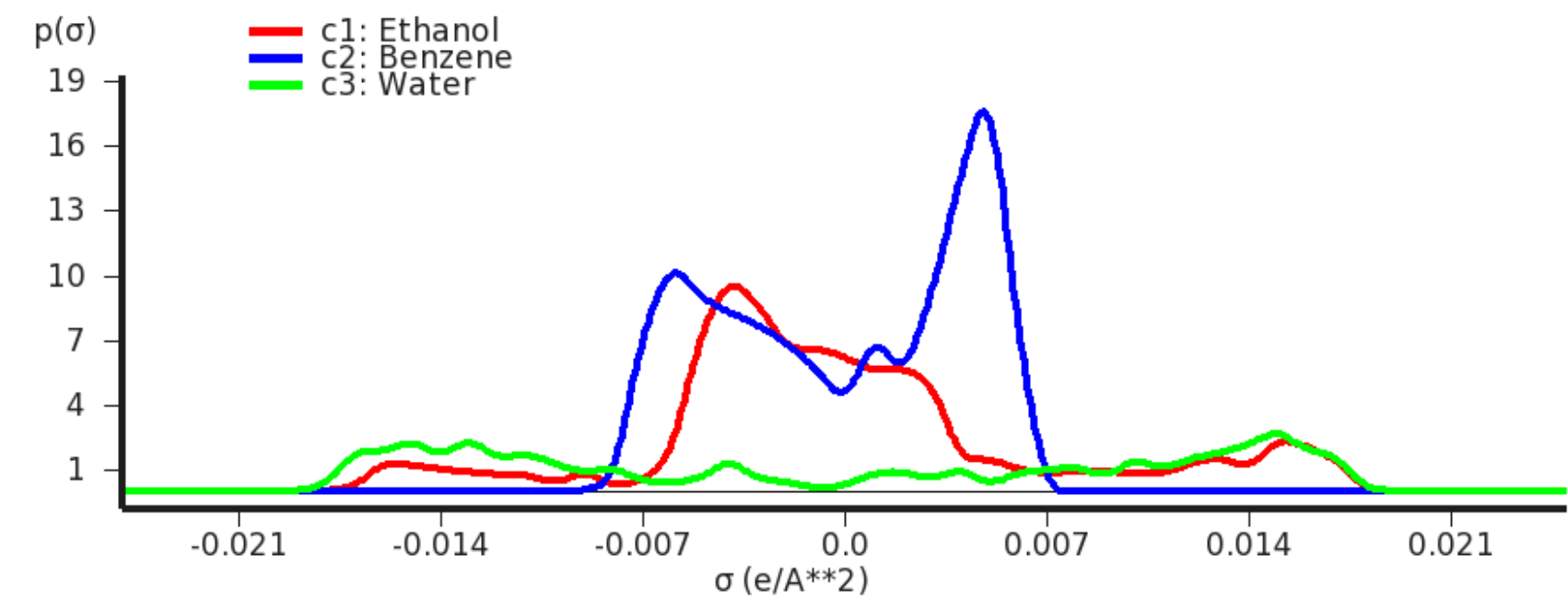
# COSMO-RS/SAC: thermodynamic properties of fluids

## Quantum Chemistry & QSPR for quick property predictions

COntinuum Solvation MOdel + RS (Klamt), SAC (Sandler)

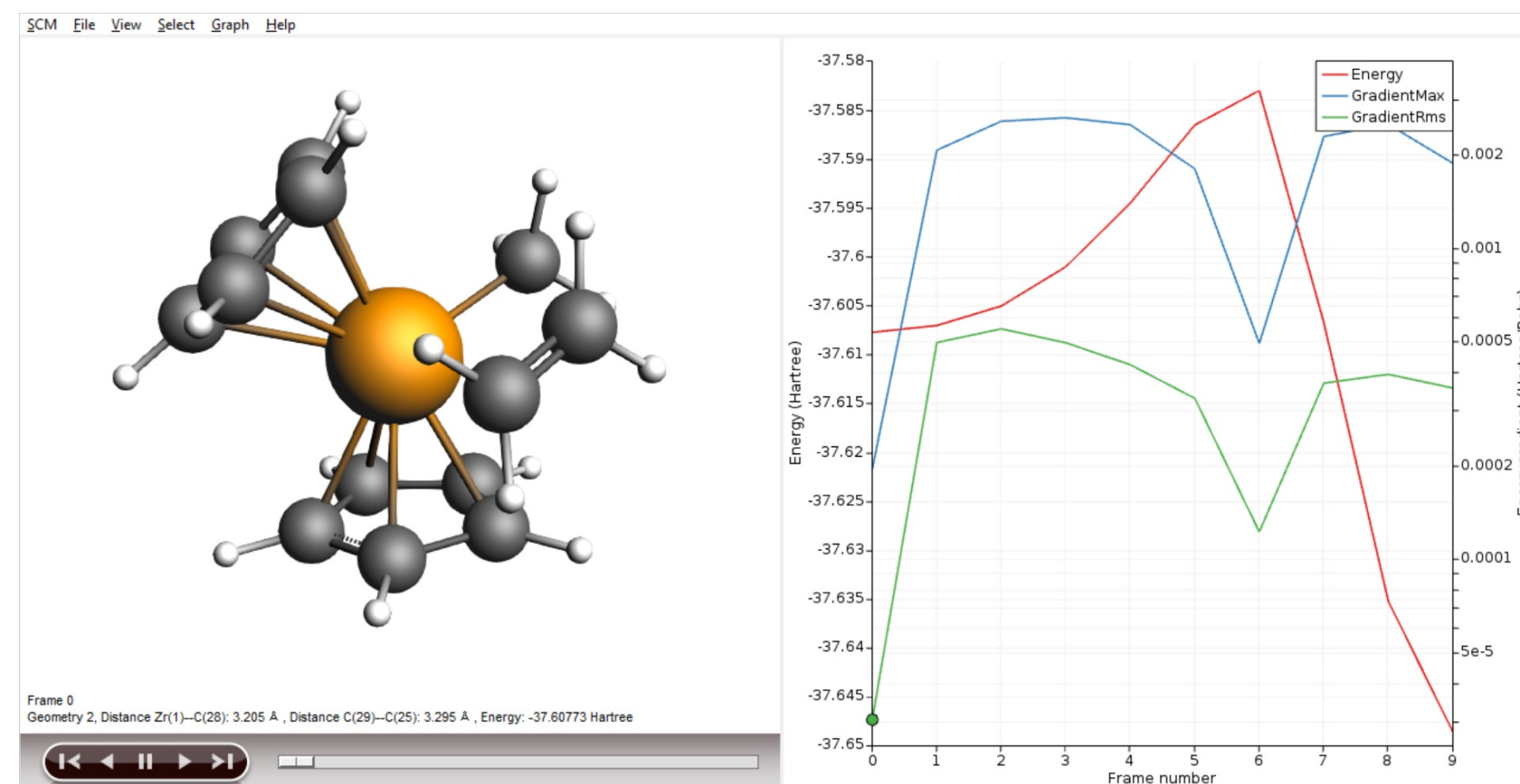
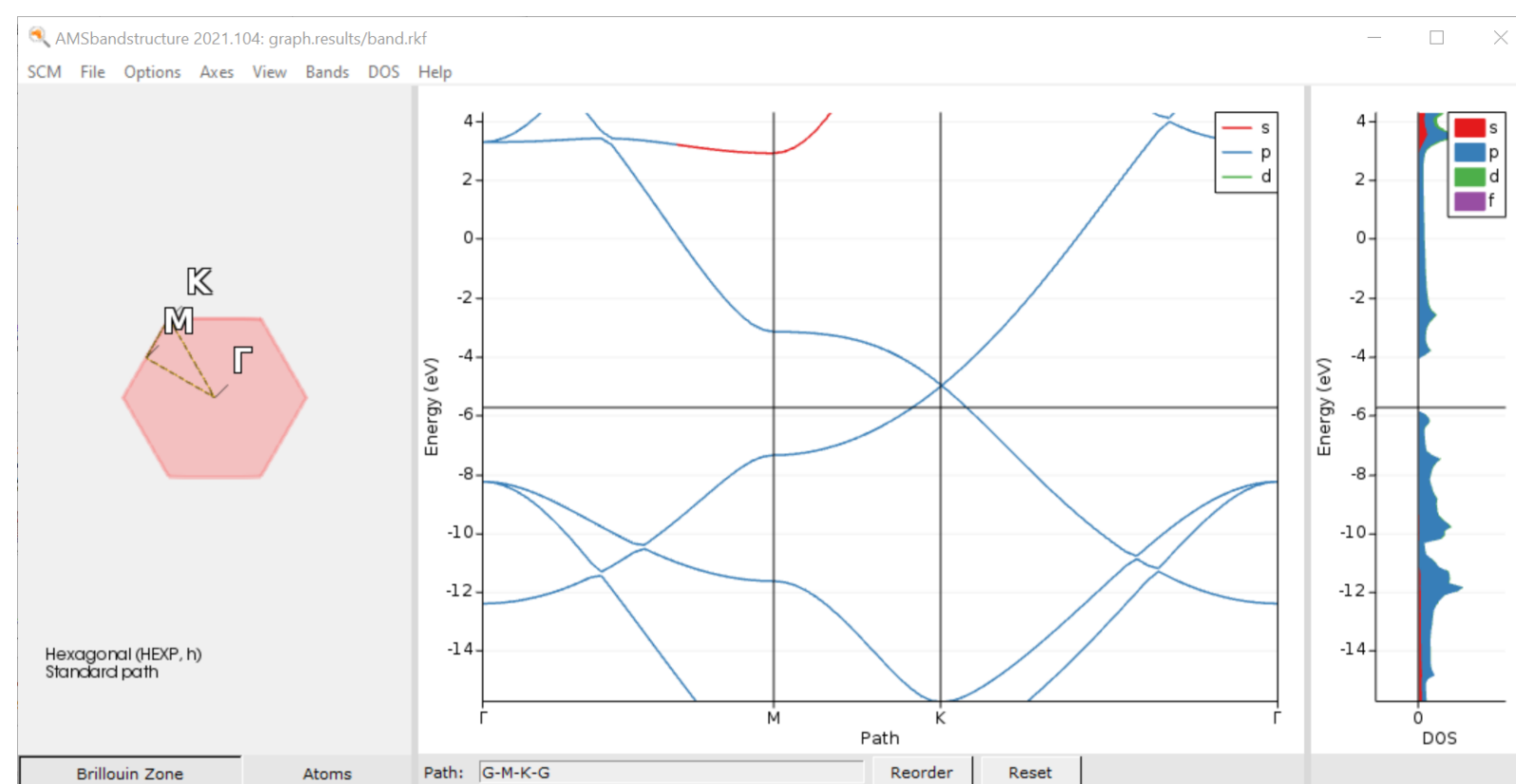
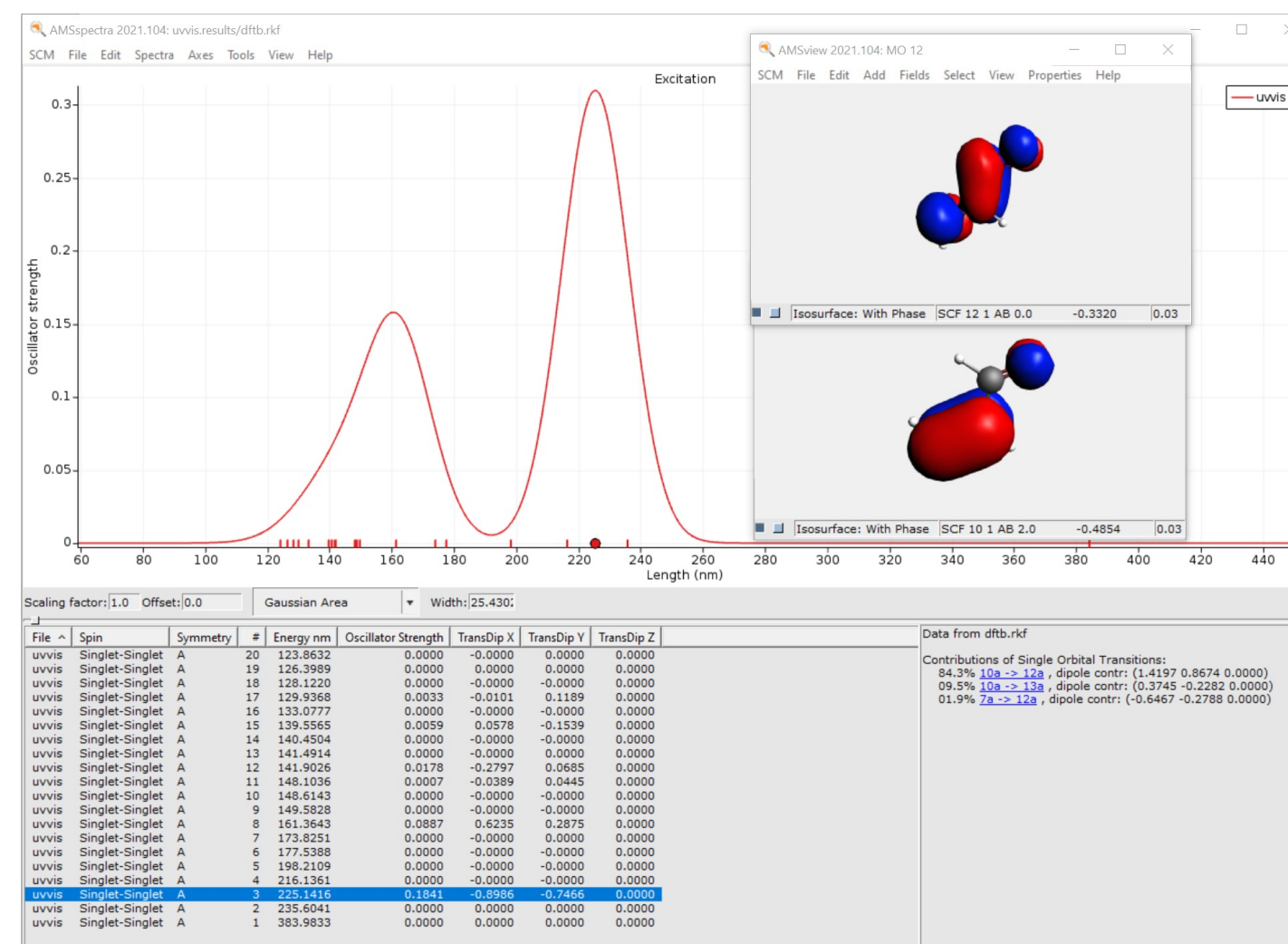
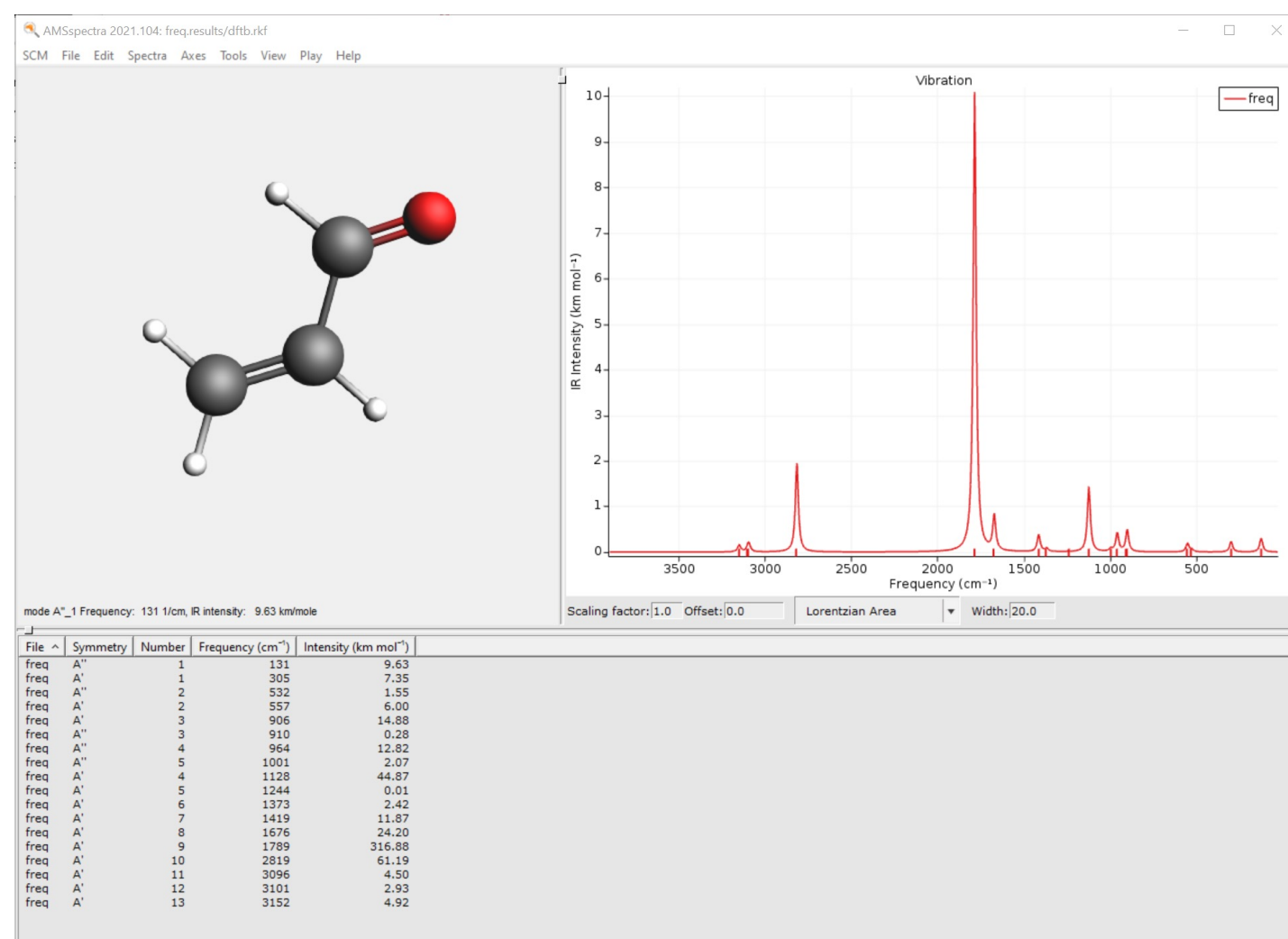
chemical potential => activity coefficients => instantaneous properties

- Solvation & excess energies, pKa
- Solubilities, LLE, VLE, boiling points
- Optimize mixtures: solubility, LLE
- Polymers: Flory-Huggins X





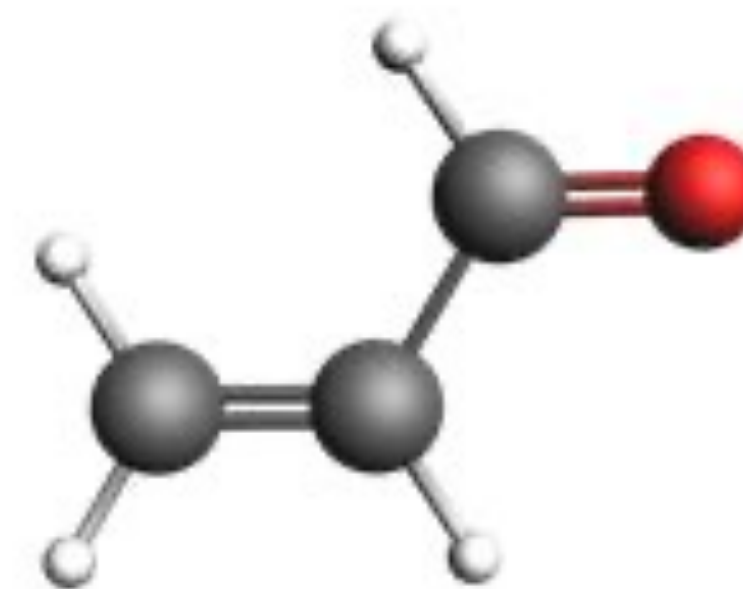
# Hands on + self-learning



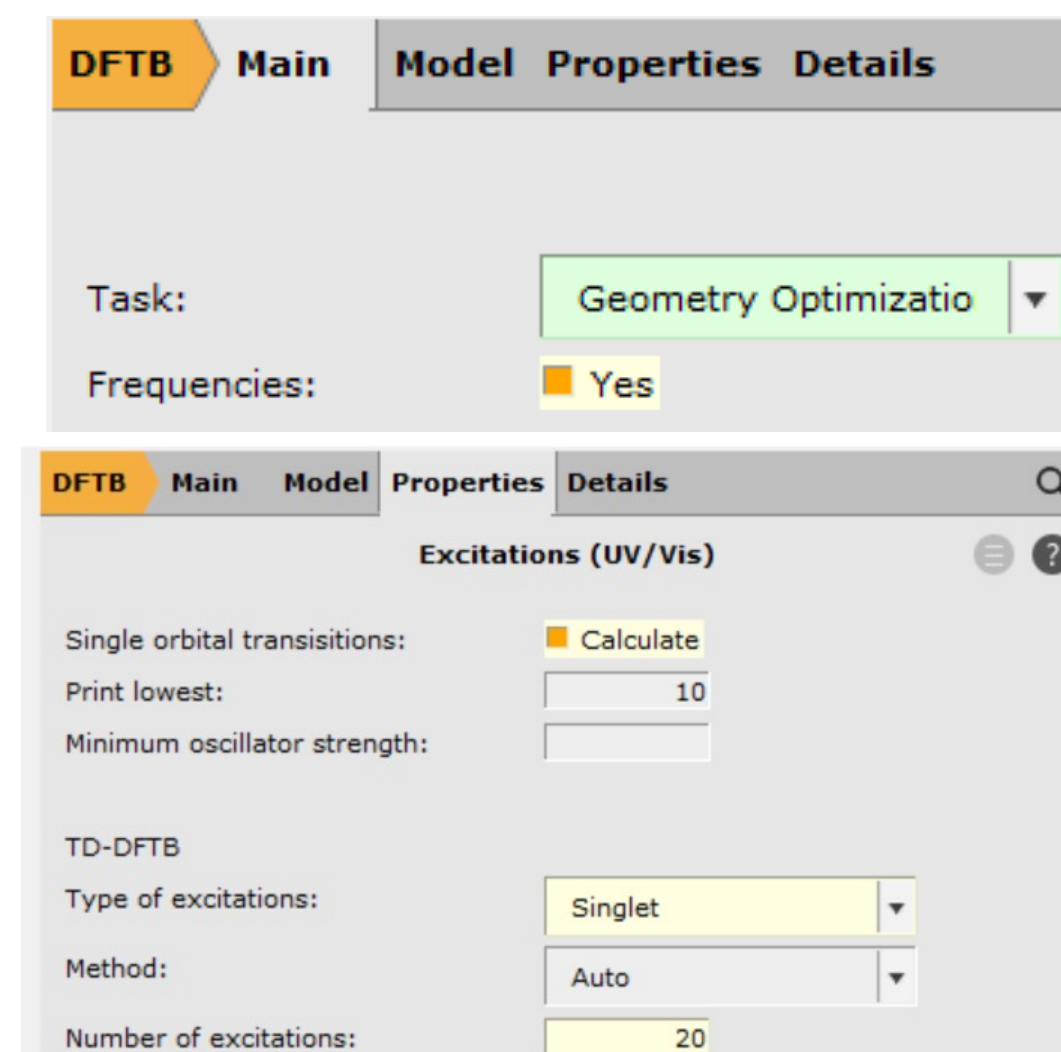
# Building molecules, spectra

[www.scm.com/doc/Tutorials/GUI\\_overview/Building\\_Molecules.html](http://www.scm.com/doc/Tutorials/GUI_overview/Building_Molecules.html)

- Search molecules
- Import: InChI, SMILES, xyz, cif, pdb, ...
- Included library + building



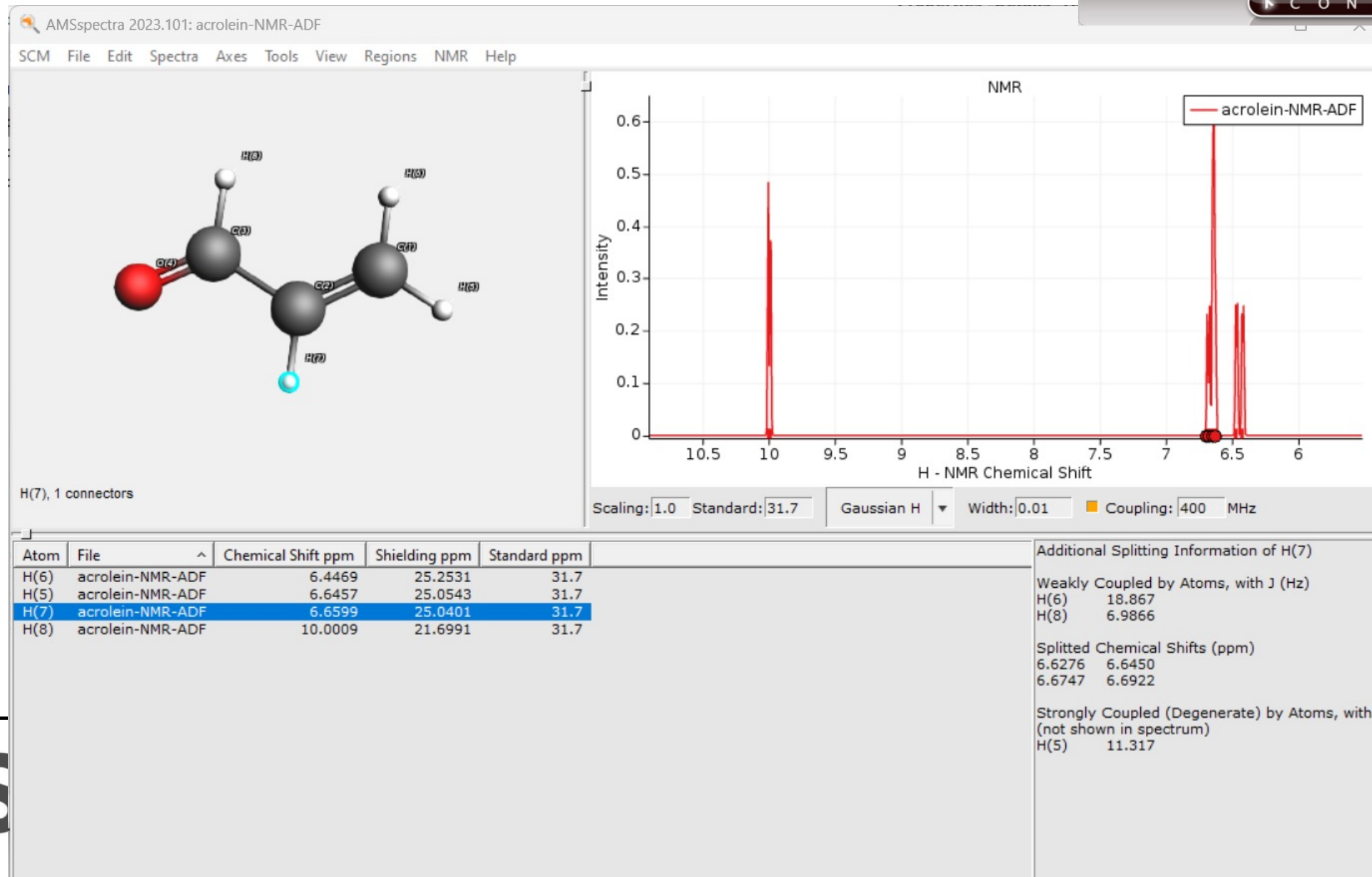
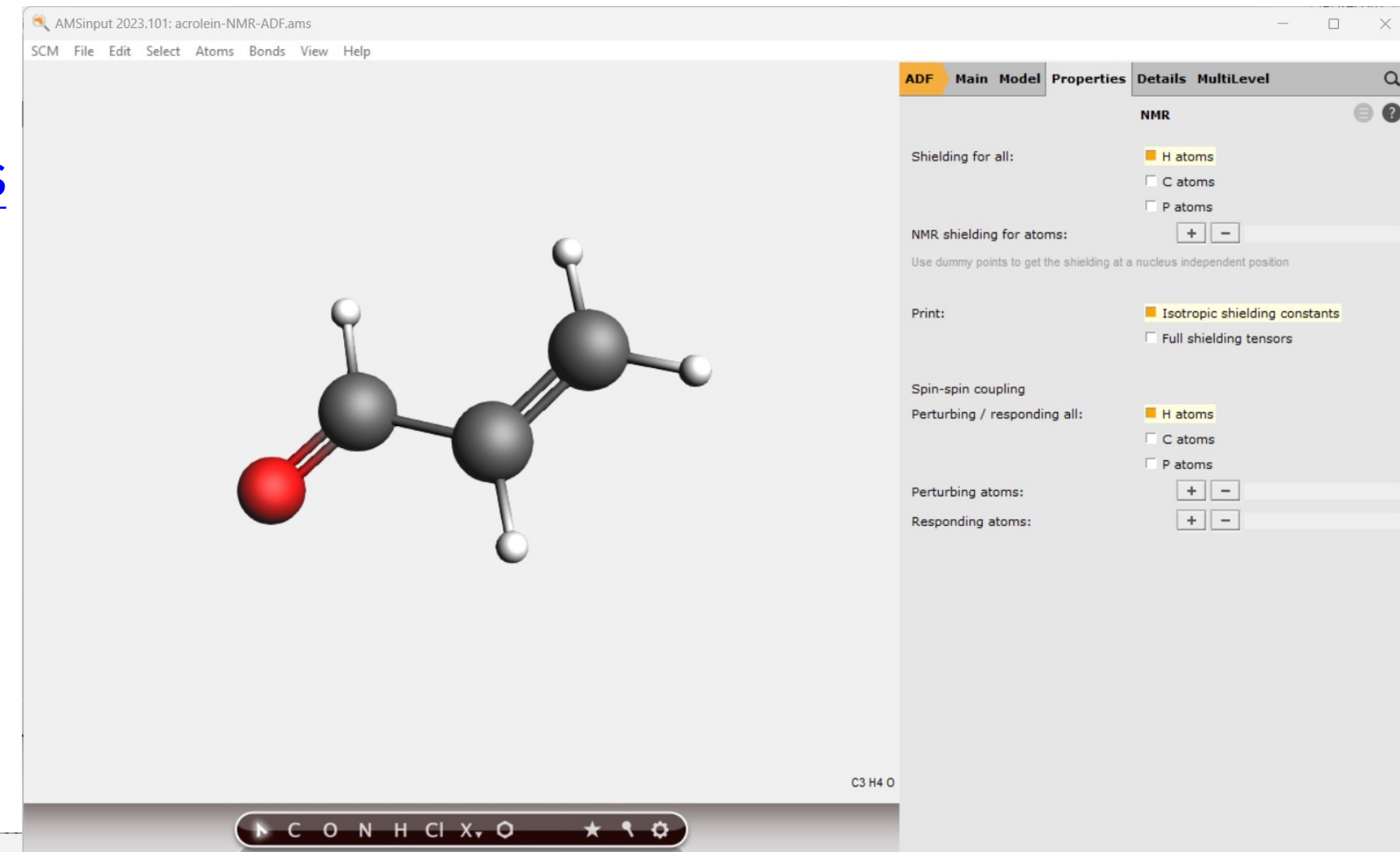
- IR frequencies ([tutorial](#))
  - Geometry needs to be optimized at same level as frequency calc.
  - Try ADF, DFTB, MOPAC, MLPot, ...
  - SCM -> Spectra
- [UV/VIS FAQ](#) for tips + links to tutorials
  - ADF: (s)TDDFT, (s)TDA, TD-DFT+TB
  - Visualize MOs Single Orbital Transition (ADF: also NTOs)
  - Compare to [NIST](#) (IR), [NIST](#) (UV/VIS)



# Spectra: NMR

- Exercise:

- See also [NMR FAQ for tips + advanced tutorials](#)
- Use PBE0 + TZP, Scalar, no core
- Select Properties -> NMR
  - select shielding & coupling for all H
- Set 400 MHz and tick coupling, [compare](#)
- Note the internal ref. uses different settings!
  - Recalculate TMS with same set up



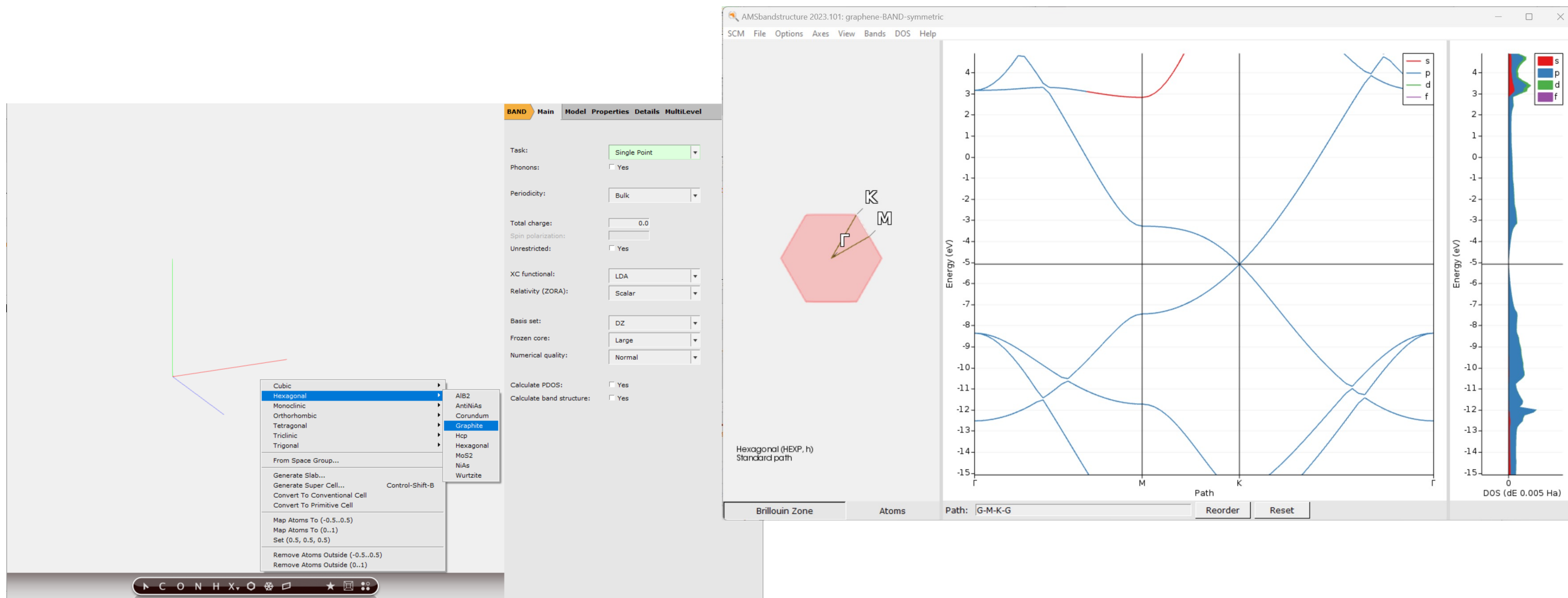
# Quick thermodynamic properties

- Open SCM -> COSMO-RS (no need to install database)
- In the SMILES input, put C=CC=O and Add
- Properties -> Pure compound
- Compare some properties (density, boiling point, flash point) (e.g. [Wikipedia](#))
- Try COSMO-RS Properties -> Boiling point pure compound

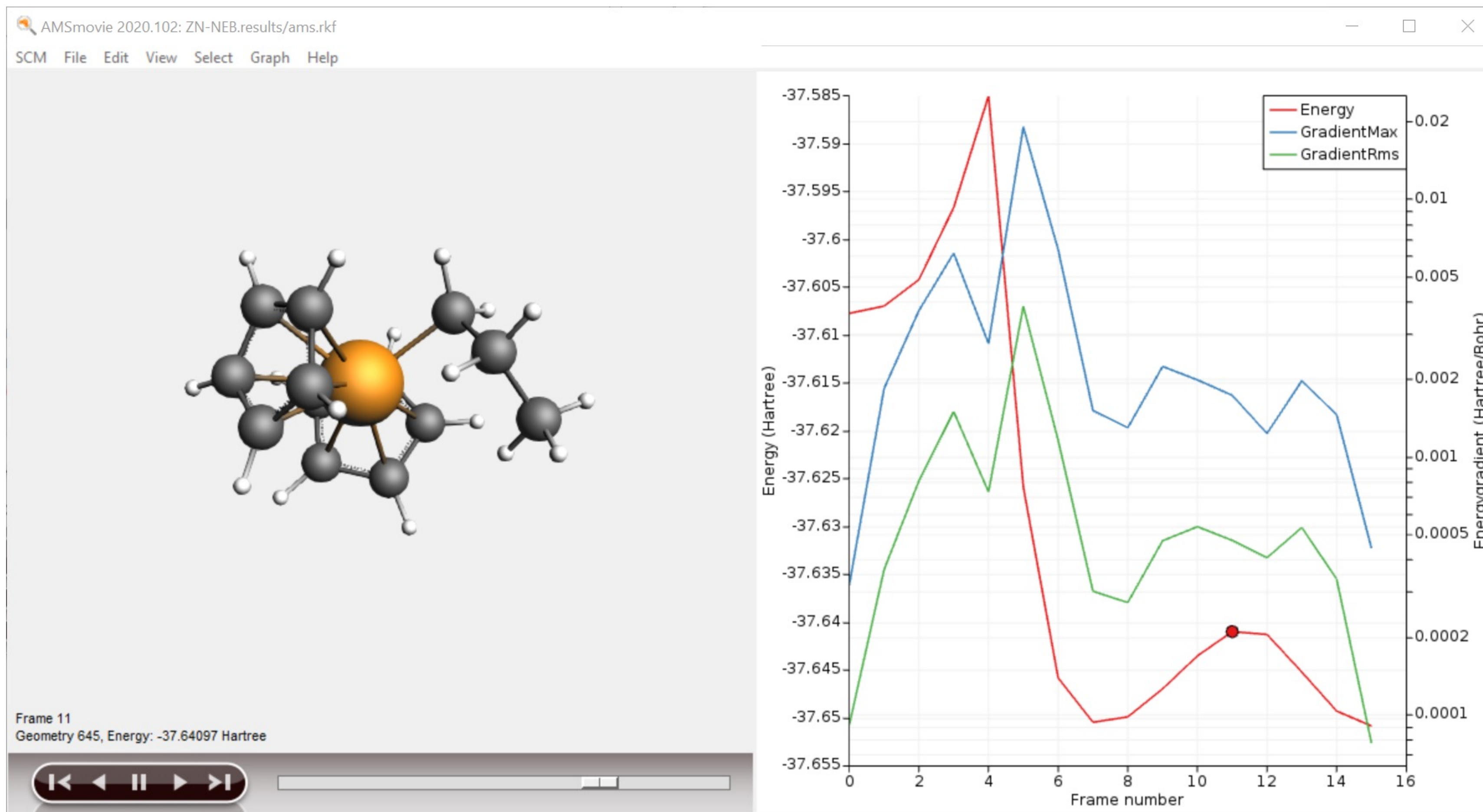
Property		Unit
Boiling point	346.746	K
Critical pressure	51.21	bar
Critical temperature	524.603	K
Critical volume	0.195	L/mol
Liquid density	0.816	kg/L
Dielectric constant	10.985	
Absolute entropy (ideal gas)	309.848	J/(mol K)
Flash point	270.523	K
Gibbs energy of formation (ideal gas)	-111.468	kJ/mol
Net enthalpy of combustion	-1652.692	kJ/mol
Std. state enthalpy of formation	-188.906	kJ/mol
Enthalpy of fusion	17.129	kJ/mol
Enthalpy of formation (ideal gas)	-157.71	kJ/mol
Enthalpy of sublimation	49.534	kJ/mol
Melting point	213.82	K
Liquid molar volume	0.069	L/mol
Parachor	161.085	
Solubility parameter	10.098	$\sqrt{(\text{MPa})}$
Triple point temperature	213.778	K
Van der Waals area	91.576	$\text{\AA}^2$
Van der Waals volume	63.229	$\text{\AA}^3$

# Periodic DFT(B) calculations

- Import cif, periodic pdb/xyz, use structure builder
- Run graphene 2D with BAND and DFTB
  - To get the Dirac point, right use a symmetric k-grid in BAND
  - 3D with QE (think about z lattice vector, and reorder the visualization path!)



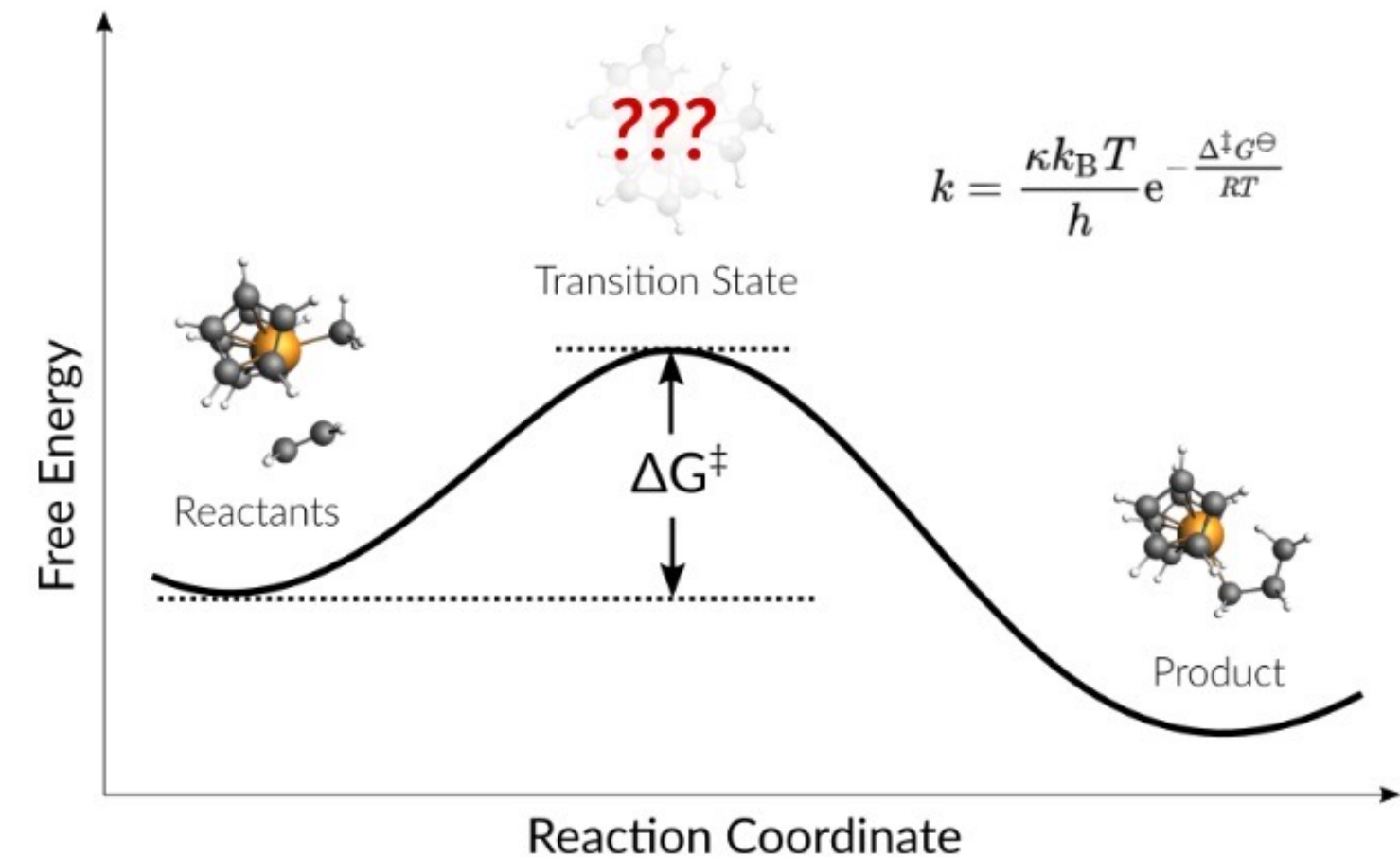
# Transition States: Tips & Tricks



# Pointers & ideas for TS search

## 1. Good starting point (geometry close to TS)

- First explore reactant and product
- (Initially) use low convergence criteria
- Scan the PES with MOPAC or GFNx-TB
  - Sometimes scanning from product side is easier
  - Can use complex composite scan coordinates
- Use CI-NEB ([tutorial](#))
  - Always a good idea to explore Reactants
- Pass on coordinates (+Hessian) to ADF
- Previous TS 'similar' system
- Consider first doing constrained/partial optimization



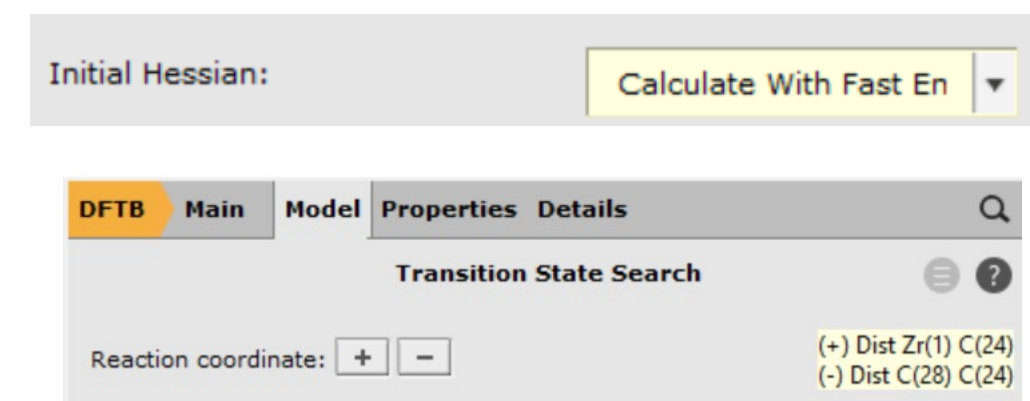
## 2. Good description of the curvature: lowest Hessian eigenmode(s)

- Partial Hessian
- Low-level Hessian from previous, ADF choose 'Calculate With Fast Engine'
- TSRC: define (complex) reaction coordinate
- Consider 'TS point characterization' to check only 1 negative eigenmode

## 3. Automated reaction path search ([tutorial](#))



## 4. Accuracy?

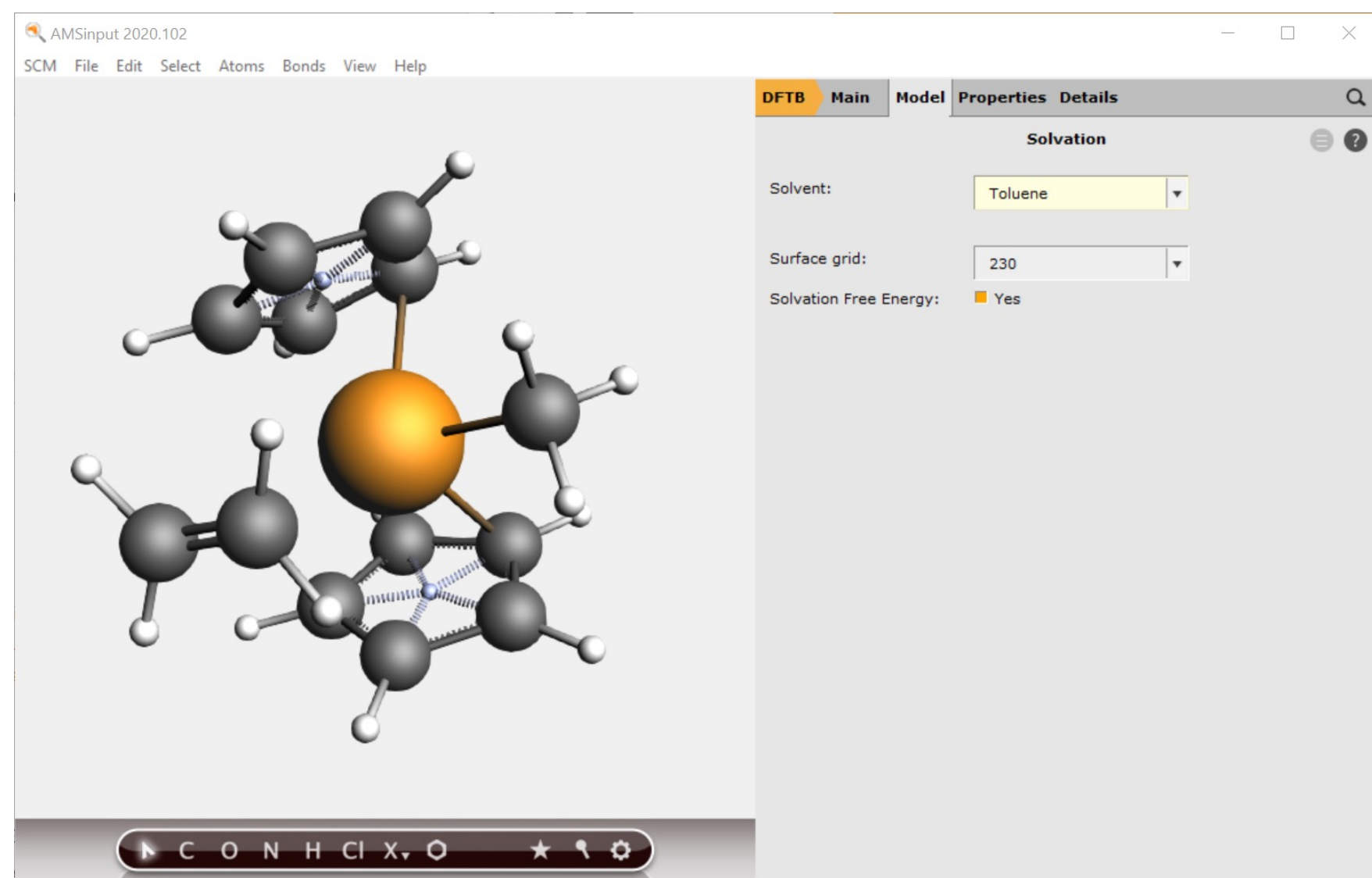
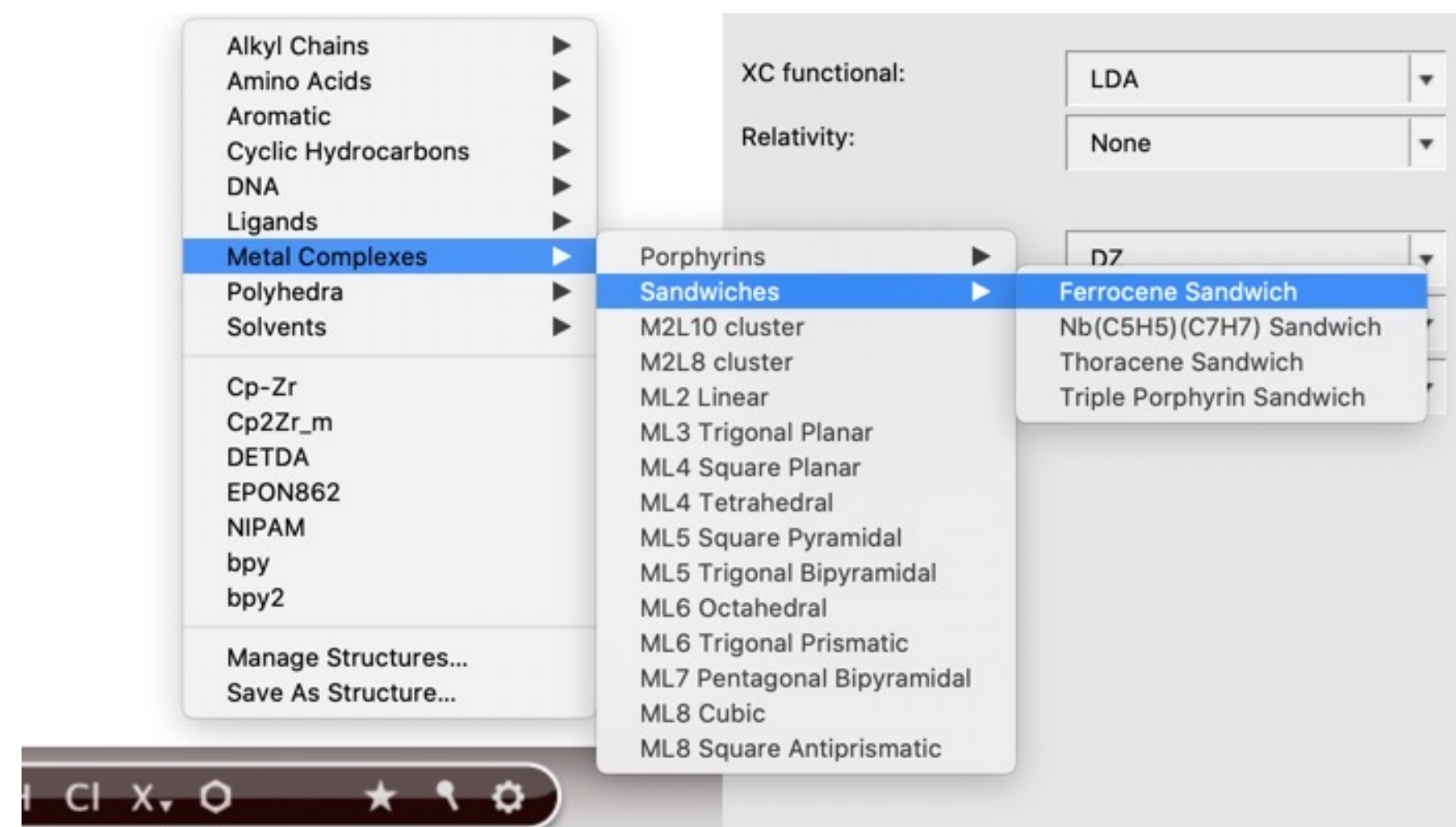
- Solvent effects: COSMO and/or SM12 (single point only), COSMO-RS
- metaGGA? TZP/DZP? Good numerical quality?
- Double hybrids (single point)
- Low-eigenmode corrections to frequencies
- Sometime spurious 2<sup>nd</sup> imaginary modes are hard to get rid of -> ScanFreq



[Video](#)

# Transition State through PES scan

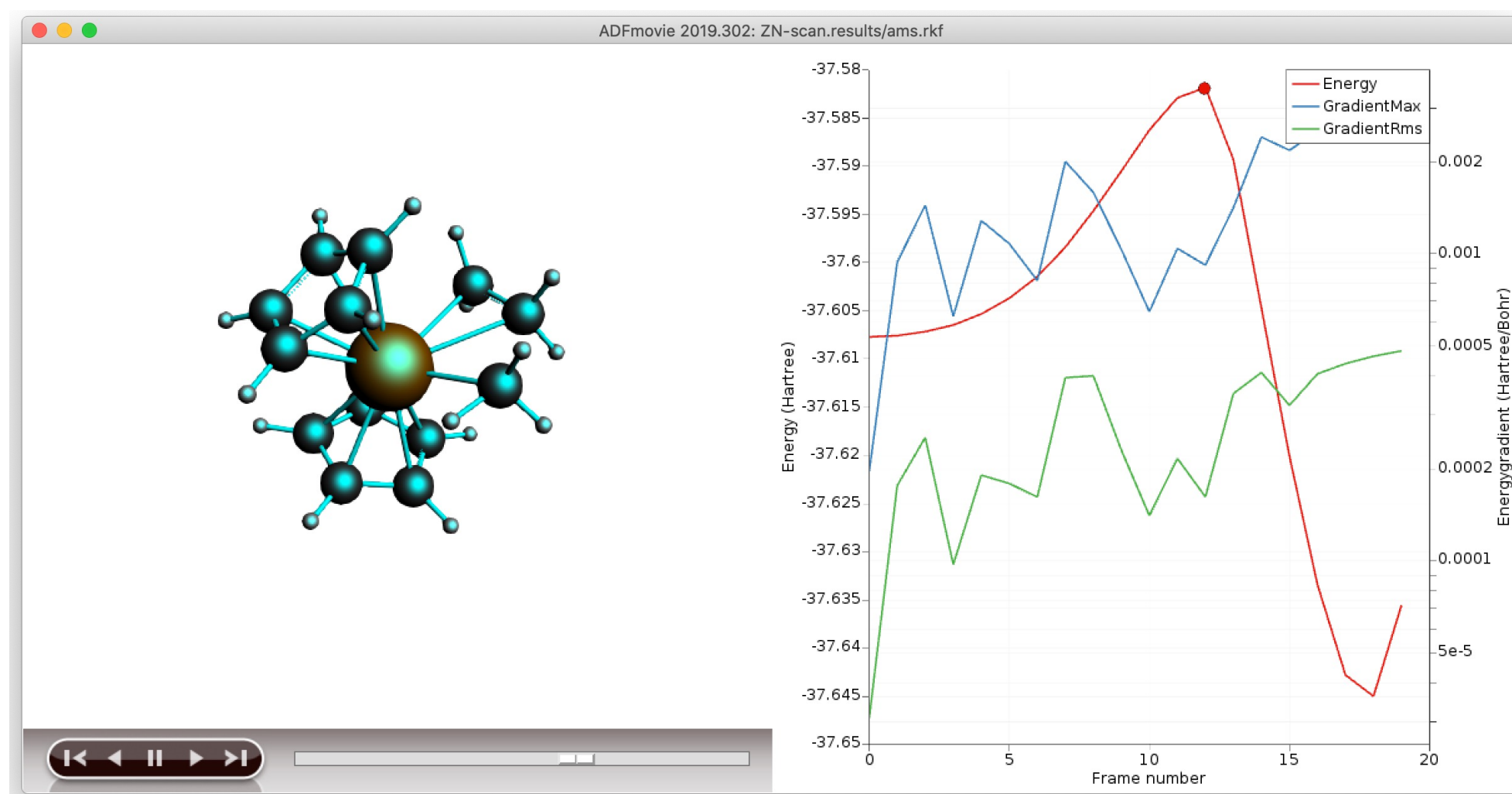
- Exercise (Ziegler-Natta [tutorial](#)):
  - New DFTB input
  - Build  $\text{Cp}_2\text{ZrMe}^+$ 
    - structure tool  => ferrocene
    - Right-click Fe -> Element -> Zr
    - Add C and replace by methyl
    - (Use dummies to change CpMCp angle)
    - Model -> Solvent -> Toluene
    - Add charge and optimize
  - Add ethene (use the )
    - Manipulate it in position
    - Right-click + drag = translate
    - Left-click + drag = rotate
    - Ctrl+M = select molecule
    - Remove dummies
    - Optimize





# Transition State through PES scan

- Set up a PES scan, using 1 combined scan coordinate
  - Zr-C to 2.4 & C-C to 1.55
- Details -> Geometry Optimization:
  - Loosen the Convergence criteria by a factor of 5
- Run, and when finished, open AMSMovie



DFTB Main Model Properties Details

Geometry Constraints and PES Scan

Convergence details

Restrains

Number of scan points for coordinate SC-1: 10

Results for all PES points:  Save

- C(29) Zr(1)	3.188	2.4	Å	SC-1
- C(28) C(24)	3.290	1.55	Å	SC-1

Gradient convergence: 0.005 Hartree/Å

Energy convergence: 5e-05 Hartree

Step convergence: 0.05 Å

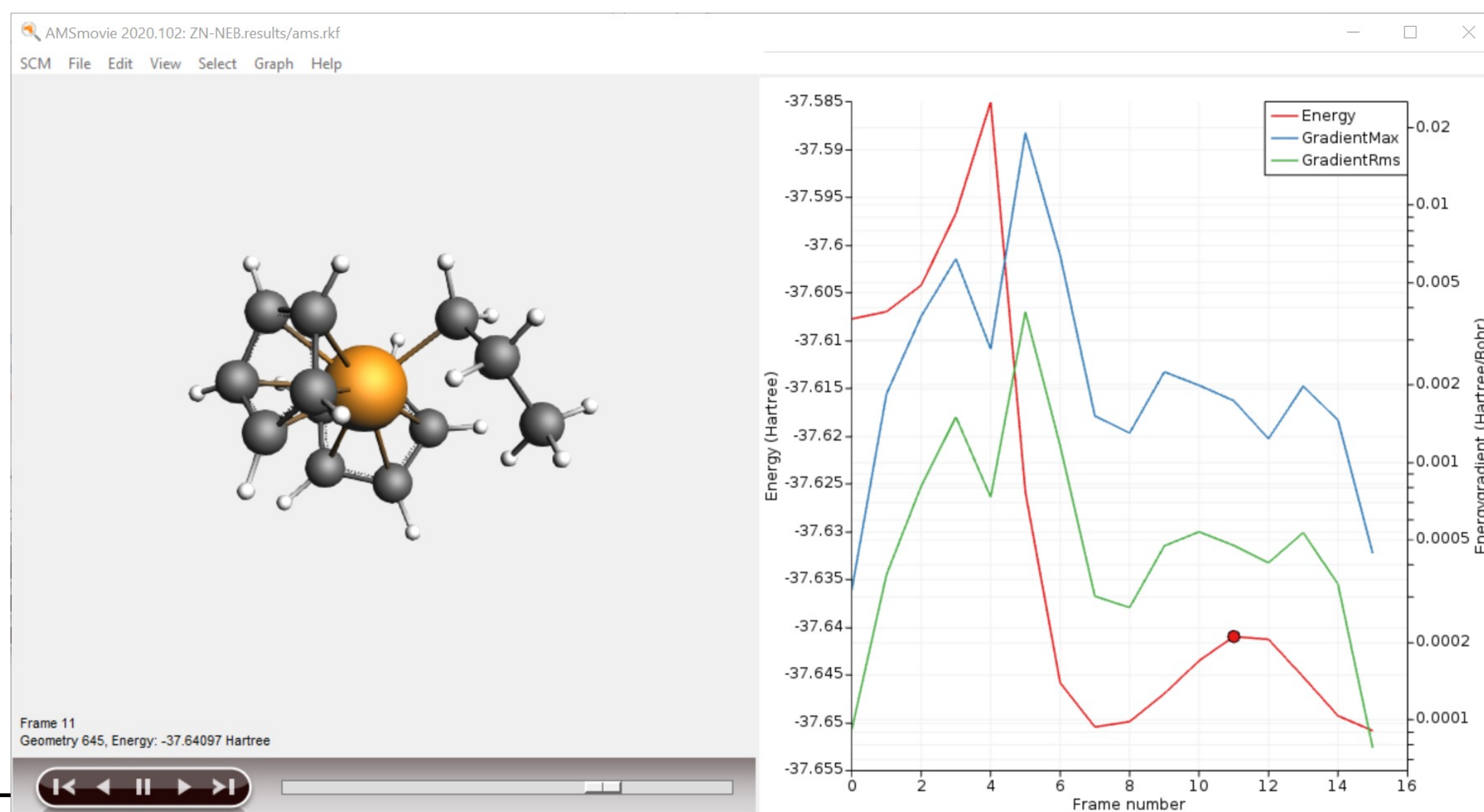
- Copy the highest energy structure (e.g. Ctrl+U), or save as structure
- Set up a TS run (ideally make a new input)
  - make sure there are no constraints, and regular convergence
  - use a calculate Hessian as initial guess and calculate frequencies

# Transition State, start with NEB (Ziegler-Natta)

## • Exercise:

- Optimize reactant & product from the last PES scan points
- Rotate the Zr-C-C-H dihedral to  $\sim 0$  (metallacycle Zr-C-C-H) & optimize => alpha-agostic
- Set up a climbing nudged elastic band calculation Task: NEB
- Choose this structure as final, the other product as intermediate, and R as initial (import structures from results/ams.rkf) and choose 14 points
- Don't optimize R&P, relax convergence by factor 5
- Open AMSMovie when finished
  - Which is the rate-determining step?

Tip: use CI-NEB to get close enough to TS, use Hessian-based optimization to find it



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<Jan20-2021> <13:58:17> Numerical nuclear derivatives calculation complete.
<Jan20-2021> <13:58:17> Scanning mode: 7
<Jan20-2021> <13:58:18> PES point character: Geometry corresponds to a transition state.
<Jan20-2021> <13:58:18> TS barrier height from the left      0.02270445 Hartree
<Jan20-2021> <13:58:18>                               14.247 kcal/mol
<Jan20-2021> <13:58:18>                               59.611 kJ/mol
<Jan20-2021> <13:58:18> TS barrier height from the right
<Jan20-2021> <13:58:18>                               0.06580135 Hartree
<Jan20-2021> <13:58:18>                               41.291 kcal/mol
<Jan20-2021> <13:58:18>                               172.761 kJ/mol
<Jan20-2021> <13:58:18> NORMAL TERMINATION
Job ZN-NEB has finished
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# Transition States: Further considerations

- Reaction rates:

- Calculate  $\Delta G^\ddagger$ : include  $H_{\text{vib}}$ ,  $S$  (AMSooutput -> Other Properties -> Statistical Thermal Analysis)

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Temp
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298.15  Entropy (cal/mol-K):          42.601   31.288   52.371   126.261
        Nuclear Internal Energy (kcal/mol):  0.889   0.889   160.907  162.684
        Constant Volume Heat Capacity (cal/mol-K): 2.981   2.981   56.260   62.222
        (c) Constant Volume Heat Capacity (cal/mol-K): 2.981   2.981   52.800   58.761

Summary of energy terms
                    hartree          eV          kcal/mol          kJ/mol
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Energy from Engine:  -37.585024915182686  -1022.7406  -23584.96  -98679.47
Nuclear Internal Energy:  0.259253970109237    7.0547    162.68    680.67
(c) Nuclear Internal Energy:  0.257445594179003    7.0055    161.55    675.92
Internal Energy U:  -37.325770945073451 -1015.6859  -23422.28  -97998.80
pV/n = RT:          0.000944186013486    0.0257     0.59     2.48
Enthalpy H:         -37.324826759059967  -1015.6602  -23421.68  -97996.32
-T*S:               -0.059990510871653   -1.6324    -37.64    -157.51
(c) -T*S:           -0.058176671371776   -1.5831    -36.51    -152.74
Gibbs free energy:  -37.384817269931617  -1017.2926  -23459.33  -98153.82

(c) The properties marked with this symbol have been corrected using 'low vibrational frequency free rotor
interpolation corrections'. For those terms all positive frequencies are used (also ones below 20 1/cm),
but the contribution to the partition function of small vibrational frequencies is modified as described
in the following paper:
S. Grimme, 'Supramolecular Binding Thermodynamics by Dispersion-Corrected Density Functional Theory'
(Chem. Eur. J. 2012, 18, 9955-9964)
Configuration: Dampener Frequency      : 100.000 1/cm
                Dampener Alpha         : 4.000
                Averaging Moment of Inertia : 1.000E-44 kg m2
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- hTST as first approximation:  $k \sim \exp(-G^\ddagger/RT)$ , Low-level frequencies: [Grimme corrections](#)
- Could also try [mircokinetics](#). More underway ([ReaxPro](#))

- **Suggestions & troubleshooting**

1. get close to TS: NEB, PES Scan, constrained opt, previous TS + change ligands (PLAMS script!), ...
2. get a good curvature (Hessian): pre-calc with GFN-xTB, MOPAC; partial Hessian
3. check final curvature / path: Frequency calculation, PES point characterization, [IRC](#)
4. Spurious imag. Freq.: displace along that mode (AMSSpectra, Ctrl+8 \*5) & retry

# TS for periodic systems

- How to get good TS geometry guess?
  - Literature or previous results:
    - similar TS + constrained optimization
  - Quick (?) NEB (you want to find R & P anyway)
  - PES scan (can you use ReaxFF, MOPAC, GFN-xTB? Otherwise: cheaper DFT?) ([video](#))
  - Maybe you can get away with periodic DFT/DFTB ([video](#)) or DFT/MM ?
- How to get good guess for lowest few Hessian eigenmodes?
  - Could try MOPAC or DFTB Hessian
    - Inspect modes first?
  - Define reaction coordinate (TSRC)
  - Use a partial Hessian ('active' region)

[Video](#)

