



# Committee neural network potentials control generalization errors and enable active learning

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# Water in Complex Environments

## Interfacial Water and Water under Confinement



### Relevance

- ◆ Nano filtration<sup>[1]</sup>
- ◆ Osmotic energy conversion<sup>[2]</sup>
- ◆ Desalination<sup>[3]</sup>

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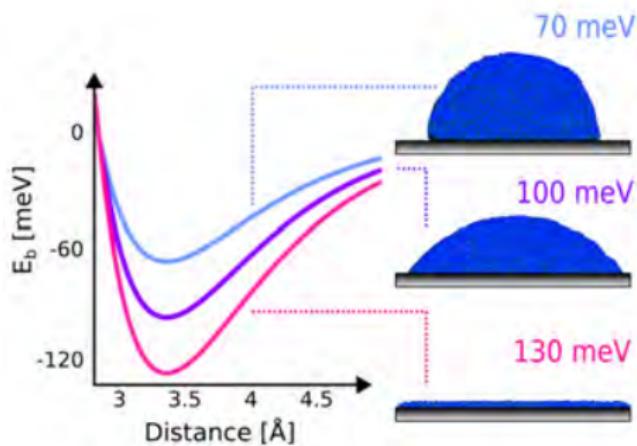
### Open Questions

- ◆ Water mobility and reactivity
- ◆ Material dependence
- ◆ Confinement effect



# Simulation of Water in Complex Environments

We can't afford to make errors...



Complex materials need...

- ◆ high accuracy (sensitive properties)
- ◆ large system sizes and long simulation time

## *Ab initio* methods

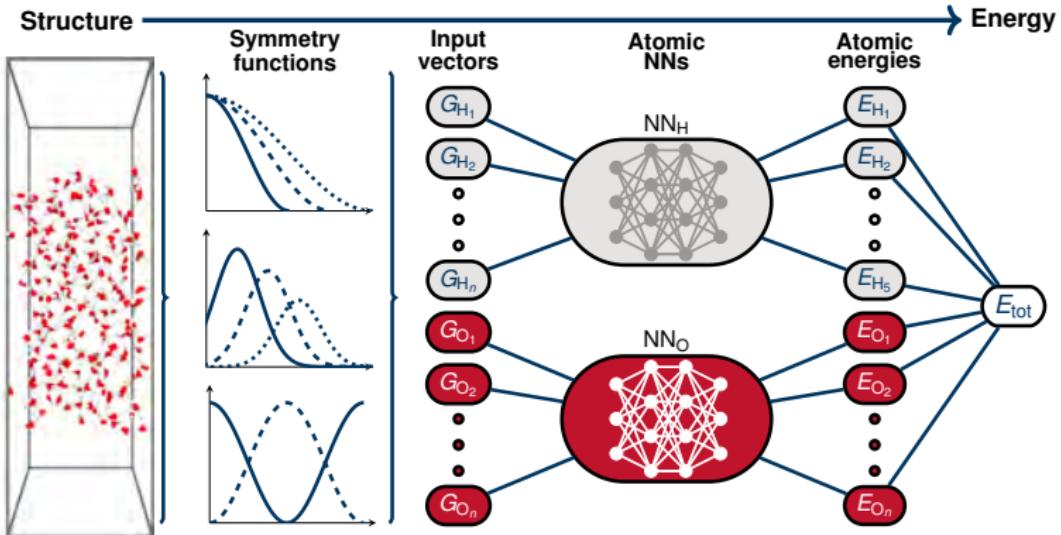
- + High accuracy
- Expensive / slow

→ Use machine learning to get the best of both worlds:  
High accuracy + fast evaluation

## Force field methods

- + Large system sizes
- Not accurate enough

# High-dimensional Neural Network Potentials



- ◆ Analytical structure–energy relation<sup>[1][2]</sup>
- ◆ Transform structure via atom centered symmetry functions<sup>[3]</sup>
- ◆ Use in simulations: CP2K and Lammps

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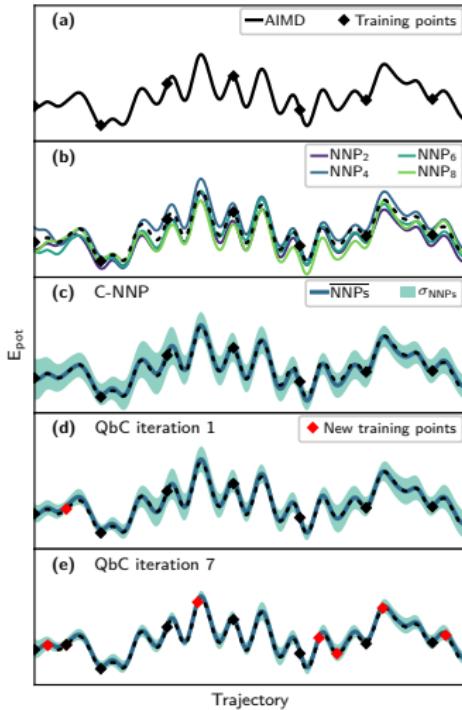
# Committee Neural Network Potentials

## Simple but Powerful Extension

$$E^{\text{C-NNP}} = \frac{1}{n_{\text{NNP}}} \sum_{i=1}^{n_{\text{NNP}}} E_i^{\text{NNP}}$$
$$\vec{F}^{\text{C-NNP}} = \frac{1}{n_{\text{NNP}}} \sum_{i=1}^{n_{\text{NNP}}} \vec{F}_i^{\text{NNP}}$$

Advantages<sup>[1][2][3][4]</sup>:

- ◆ More accurate prediction
- ◆ Estimation of uncertainty
- ◆ Reduced overfitting
- ◆ Active learning via QbC
- ◆ Efficient with shared descriptors



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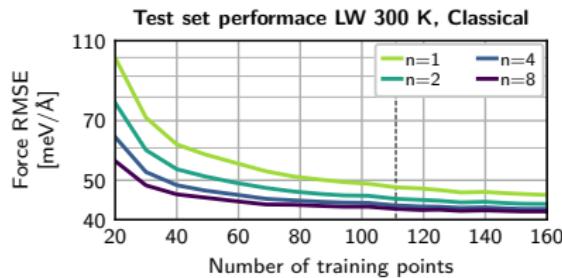
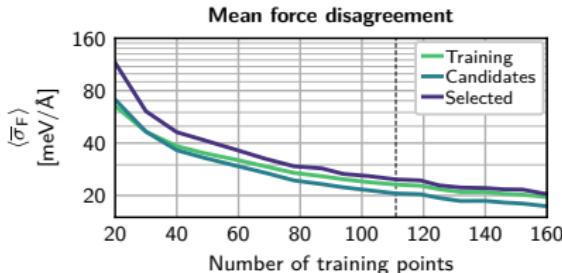
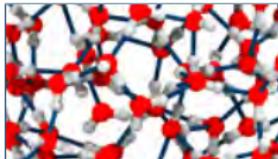


# Active Learning for Water

## Query by Committee

Starting point: AIMD water  
(revPBE0-D3) at 300K

- ◆ Start with 20 random structures
- ◆ Use force disagreement to select new training points
- ◆ 10 new points per iteration
- Committee average is much better predictor
- Convergence is reached after roughly 100 points



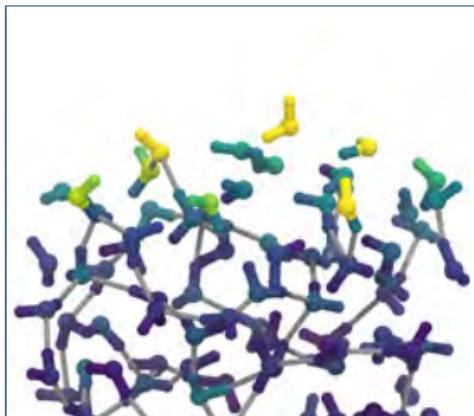
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# C-NNPs: Robust and Accurate Tests on First Generation

Bulk water model trained to 100 points can:

- ◆ Treat higher T up to 500 K
- ◆ Simulate ice, gas phase clusters and interfaces
- ➡ Committee disagreement shows weakness of model
- ◆ Disagreement is directly related to error<sup>[1]</sup>



Force disagreement at the water-air interface

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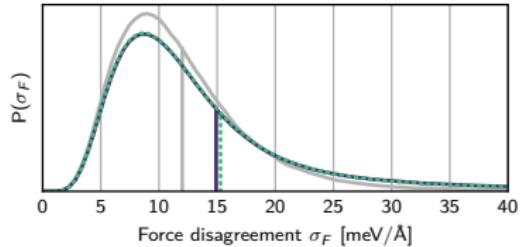
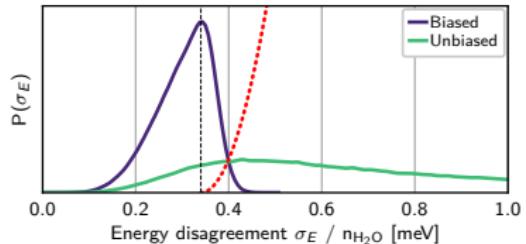
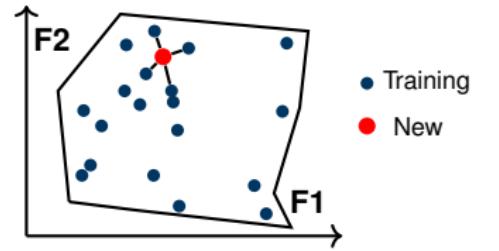


# C-NNPs: Controlling the Stability Biasing the Disagreement

Small disagreement = stable and accurate model

- ◆ Define simple biasing potential acting on energy disagreement
- Erect barrier around area with small error
- ◆ Force disagreement not perturbed
- Mild influence on dynamics

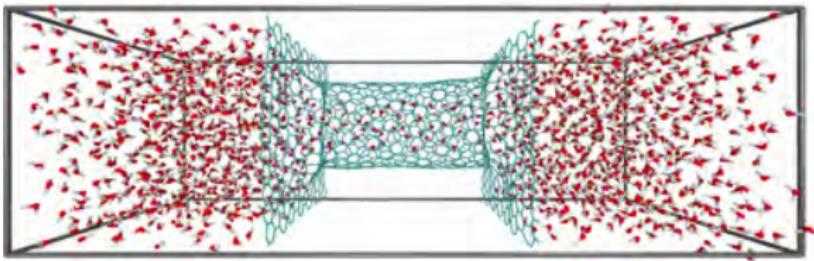
$$E^{(b)} = \theta(\sigma_E - \sigma_0) \frac{1}{2} k^{(b)} (\sigma_E - \sigma_0)^2$$



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# Rapid development of MLPs for complex aqueous systems



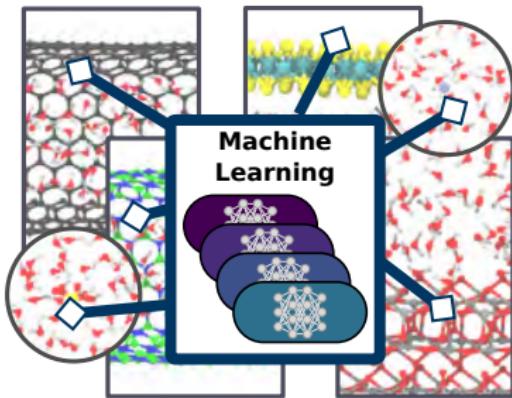


# Machine Learning Potentials Made Simple

Build end-to-end framework for complex systems in simple manner.

## Conceptual Idea

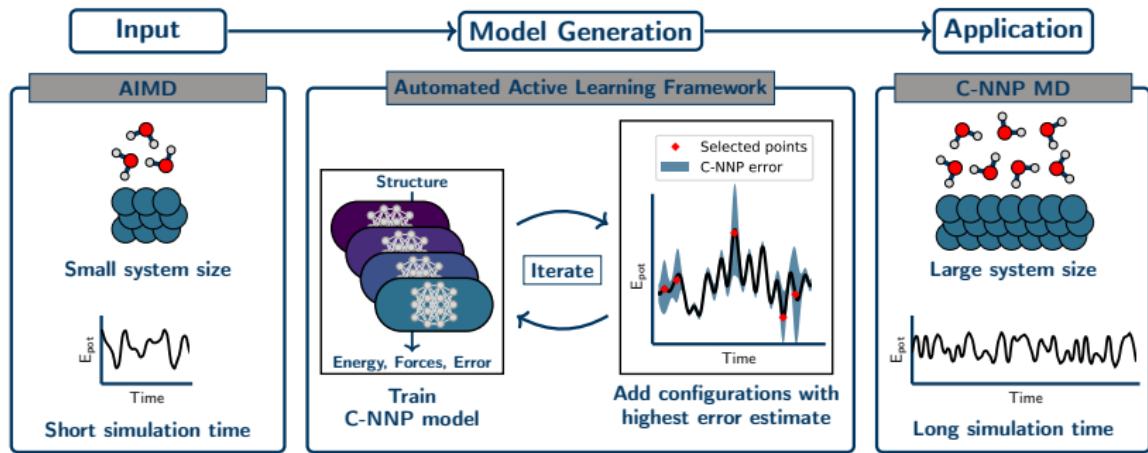
- ◆ Concentrate on specific thermodynamic condition
  - ◆ Remove as much user input as possible
  - ◆ Automate most of the development steps
  - ◆ Establish automated validation scheme
- ➡ Training and simulation codes are open source + machine learning framework is made available



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# Machine Learning Potentials made simple



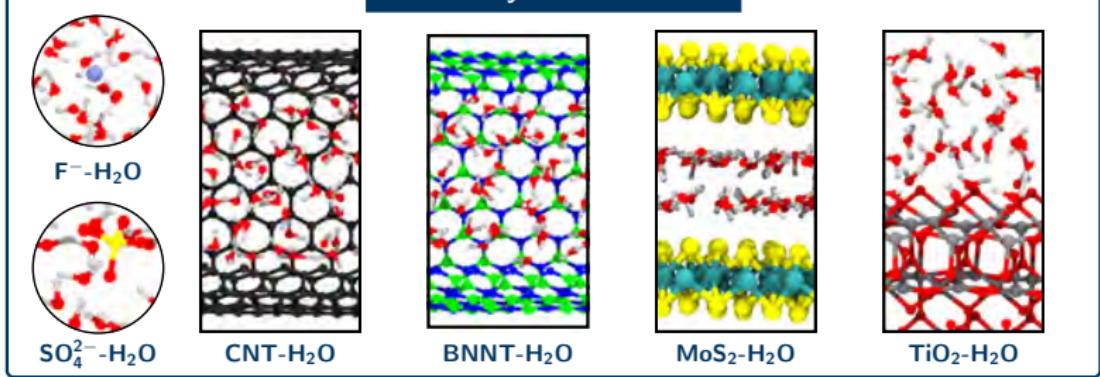
## Rapid Development

- ◆ Use small scale AIMD trajectory (30 ps)
- ◆ Perform active learning
- ◆ Apply model for large scale C-NNP simulations



# C-NNPs for Water in Complex Environments

Selected Systems of Interest



→ C-NNP models for all 6 systems by identifying  $\approx 300$  structures from AIMD simulations



# Validation of the Models

## How to validate >6 models?

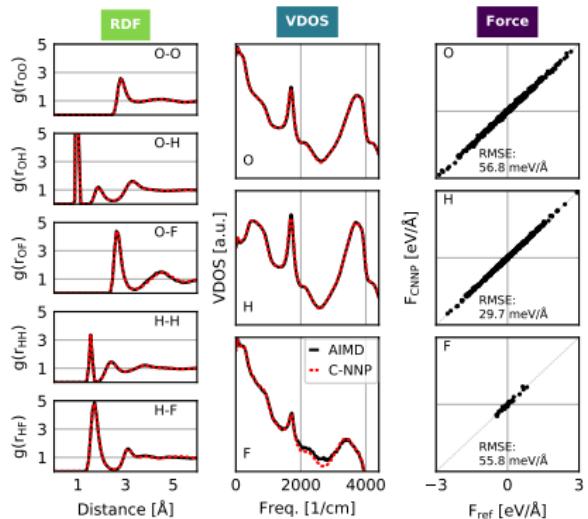
Automated testing:

- 1 Structural properties: RDFs
- 2 Dynamical properties: VDOS
- 3 ML properties: Force RMSE

Reduce to score (0-100%)

Scoring for RDFs and VDOS compared to AIMD:

$$d = \frac{\int_{-\infty}^{+\infty} |\rho_P(x) - \rho(x)| dx}{\int_{-\infty}^{+\infty} \rho_P(x) dx + \int_{-\infty}^{+\infty} \rho(x) dx}$$

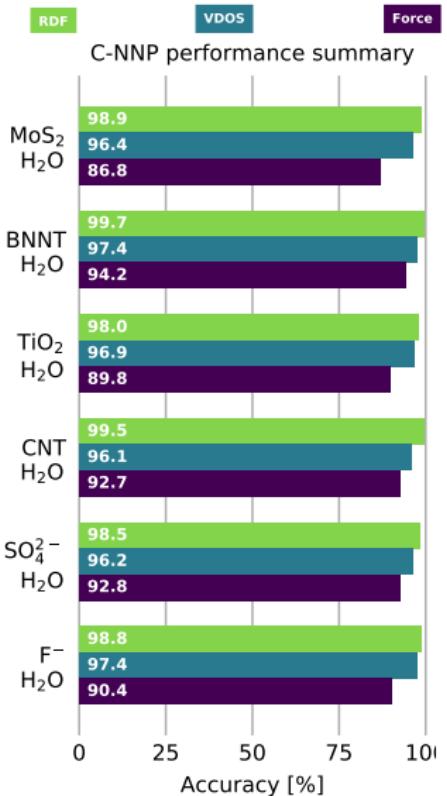




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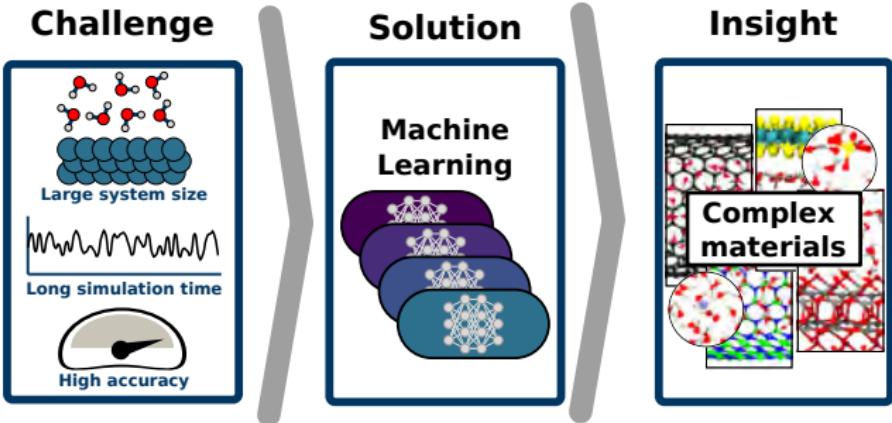
## Accuracy overview

- ◆ All properties are reproduced very accurately
- ◆ Similar accuracy for all diverse systems
- ◆ Other properties (Hbonding, density profiles, water orientation) are also in very good agreement with reference





# Summary



## MLPs made simple

- ◆ Accurate and efficient description
- ◆ Data-driven and automated generation

→ Open-source development including tutorials:

<https://github.com/Marsalek-Group/aml>

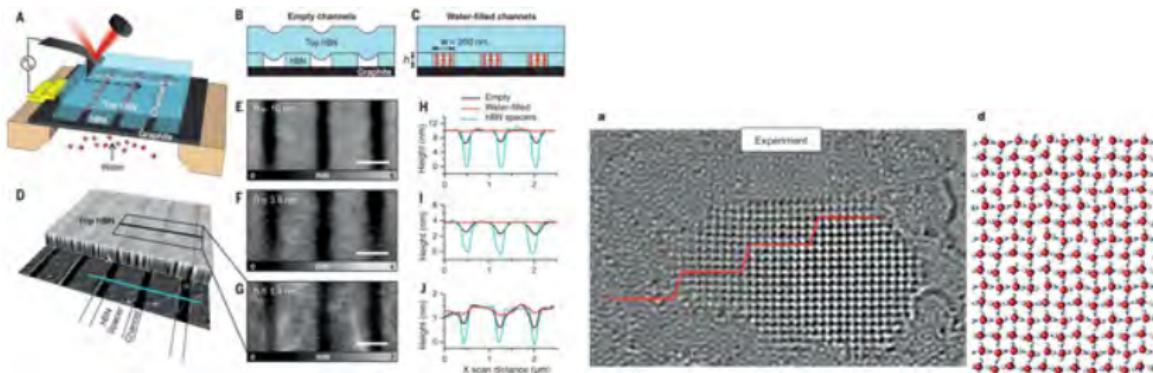
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# Application: Phase behavior of monolayer confined water

# Motivation

## Experimental fabrication of hydrophobic capillaries with nanoscale dimensions



Measurement of anonymously low dielectric constant of nanoconfined water<sup>[1]</sup>

Possible existence of a square ice phase<sup>[2]</sup>

- Remarkably different properties of nanoscale water
- Provide molecular level understanding as foundation for technological application

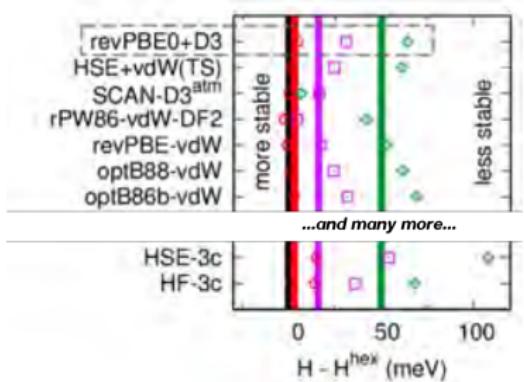
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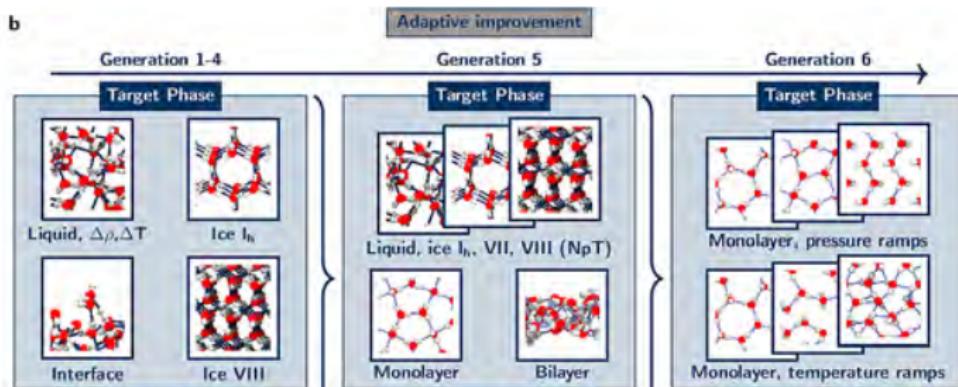


# Development of a Mono-layer Water Model

## Quantum Monte Carlo guided MLP



- 1 Use QMC to select DFT functional
- 2 Train MLP to DFT
- 3 RSS for all metastable phases
- 4 Free energy methods for phase diagram

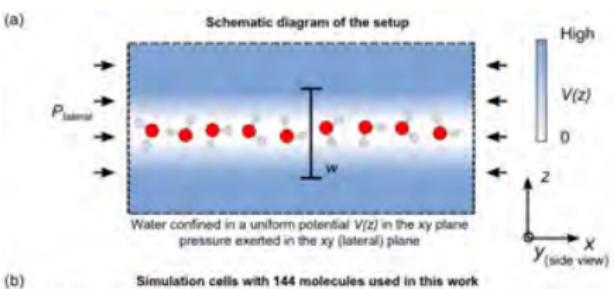




# Simulations of Monolayer confined water

## Setup

- ◆ Lennard-Jones confinement potential fitted to QMC data
- ◆ Lateral pressure
- ◆ 144 molecules per unit cell



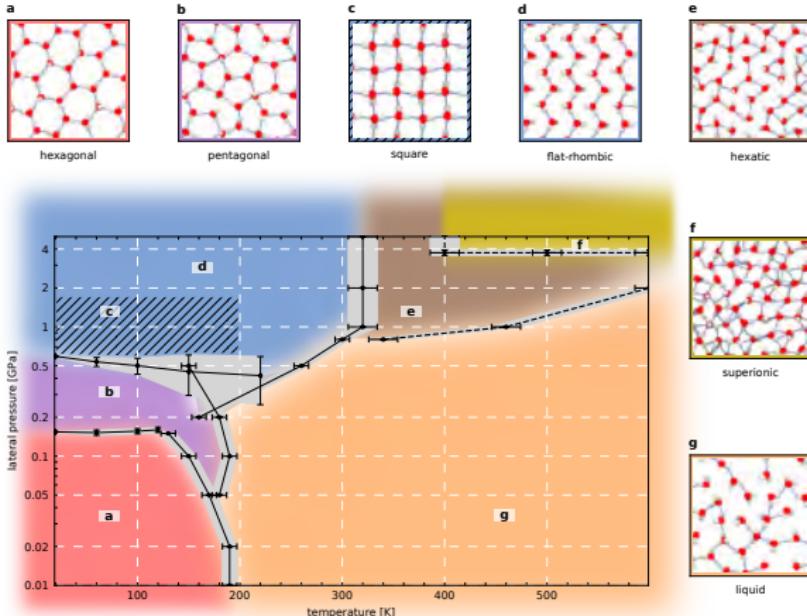
## Simulation techniques

- ◆ Random structure search to find stable ordered phases
- ◆ Thermodynamic integration to compute free energy
- ◆ Coexistence simulations to locate solid-liquid boundaries



# Phase Diagram of Monolayer Confined Water

## Rich phase behavior and unique properties



- ◆ Unique “hexatic” phase which is neither liquid nor solid
- ◆ Superionic behavior beyond 4 GPa and 400 K

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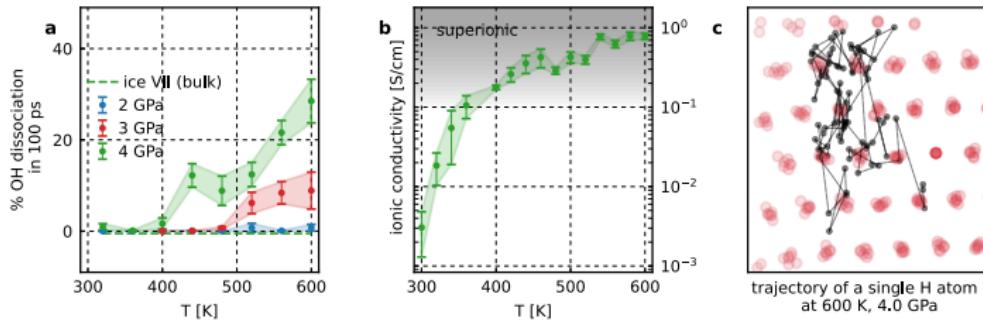
## Neither liquid, nor solid

- ◆ No translational long range order
- ◆ Hexagonal orientational short range order
- ◆ Resemblance with free rotor phase of H<sub>2</sub>

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# Phase Diagram of Monolayer Confined Water

## Superionic phase



- ◆ Pressure increases OH dissociation significantly
- ◆ Threshold for superionic conductivity reached at 400 K for 2 GPa
- ◆ Fixed lattice of oxygen atoms, diffusing hydrogen atoms

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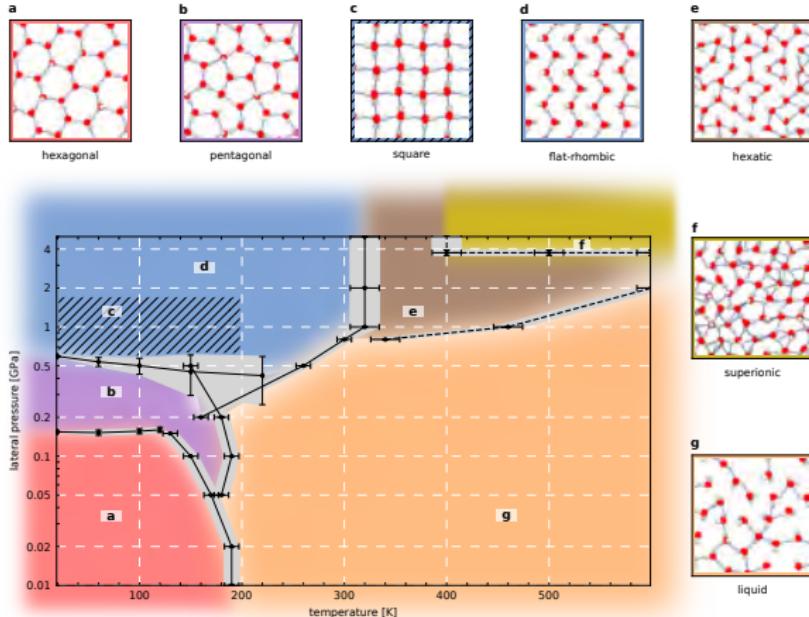
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- ◆ Facile proton diffusion through fixed oxygen lattice
- ◆ No adsorption of protons on explicit carbon validated via AIMD

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# Summary



- ◆ Unique “hexatic” phase which is neither liquid nor solid
- ◆ Superionic behavior beyond 4 GPa and 400 K
- ➡ **Enabled by error control via committee NNPs**



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