

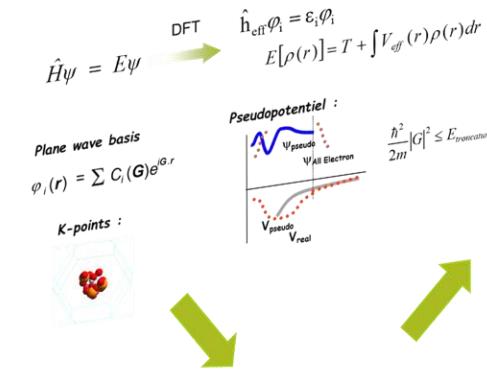
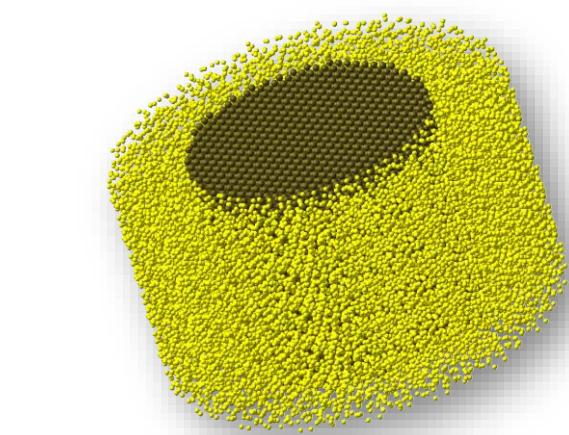
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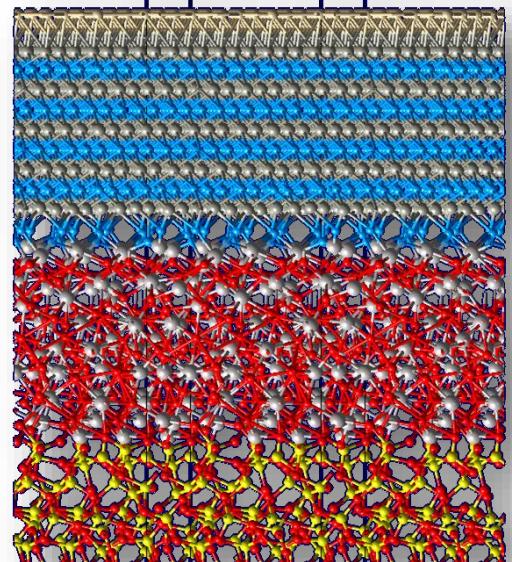
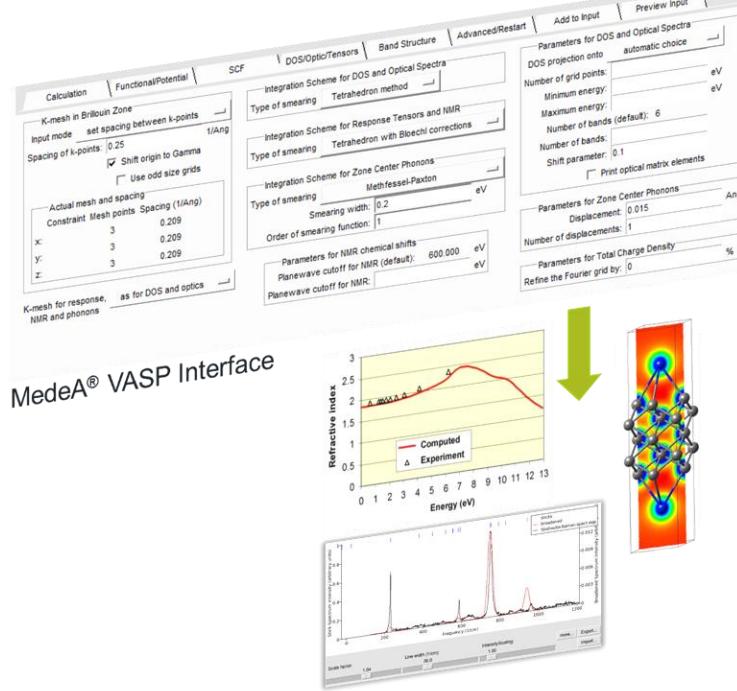
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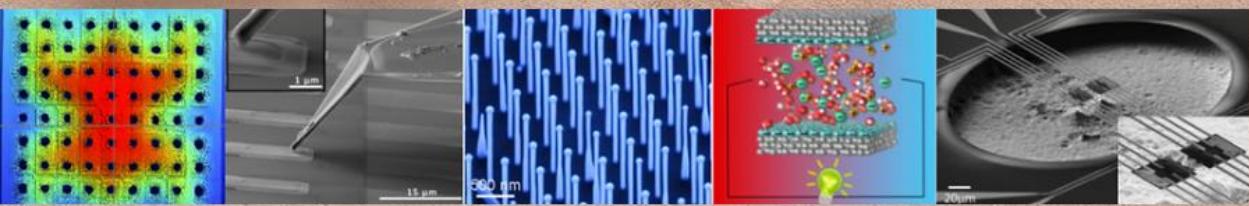


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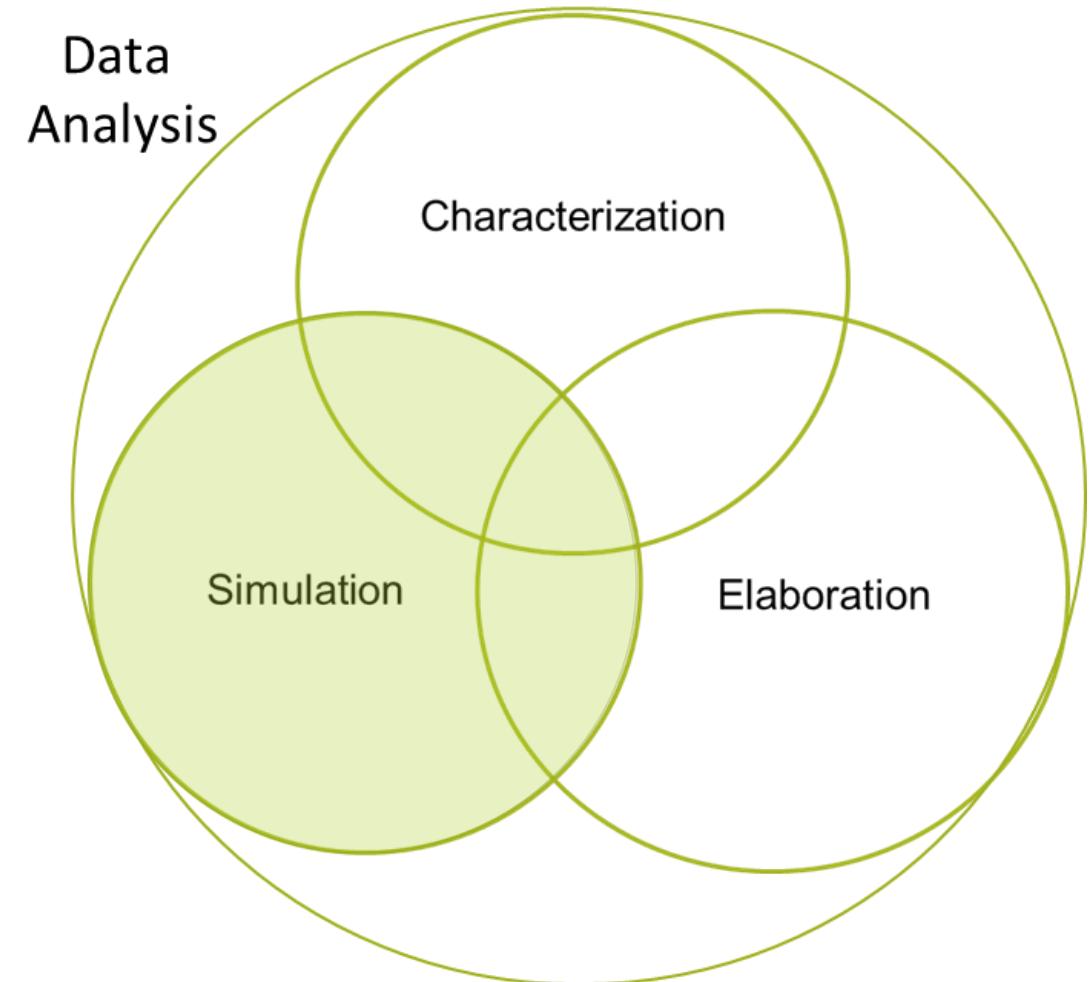


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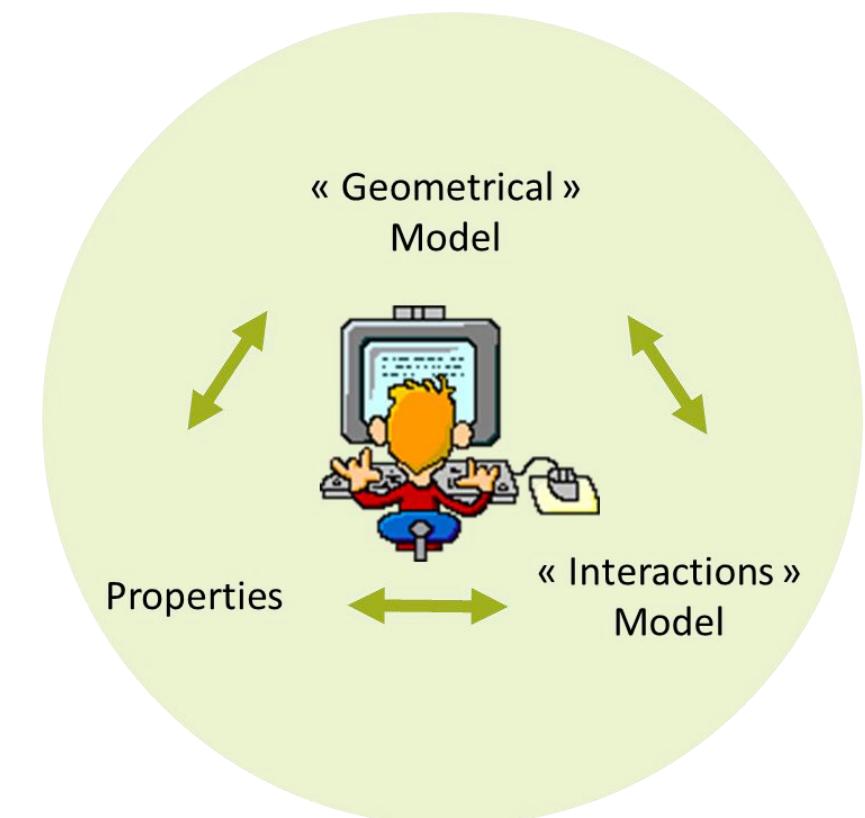
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*International Conference on Multiscale Approches for Process Innovation 2012*

« One will have to train students and people to be expert at all scales ? »

*C. CHIZALLET (IFPEN), Oil & Gas Sci. Tech. 68, 110-1113, 2013*



« If I need brain surgery I will not apply to a foot doctor »

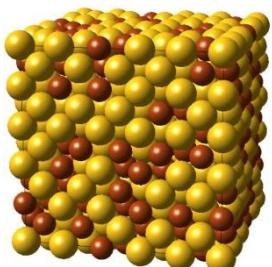
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« ...promote a rather wide training and then on this broad training you need to build specialization »

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« ...it is more important to teach the skills to use computational tools rather than the programming skills required to develop such tools. »

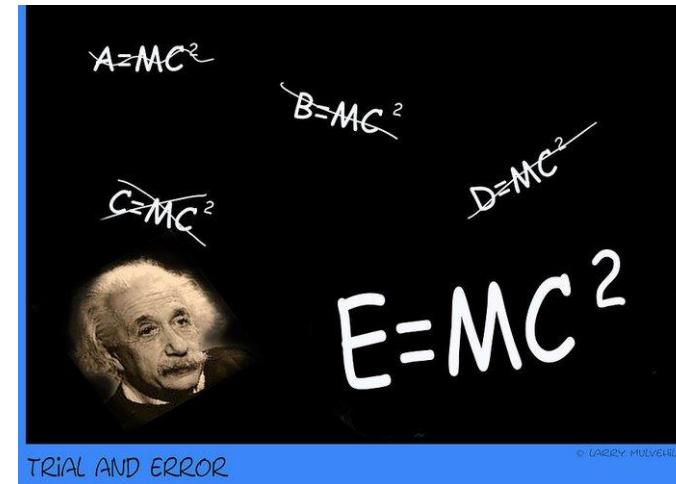
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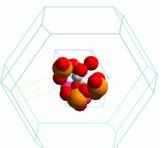
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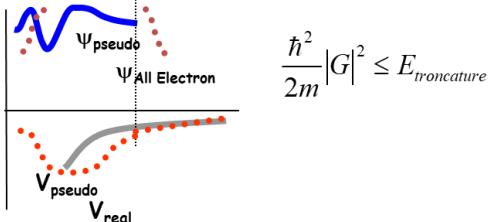
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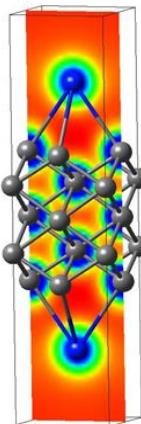
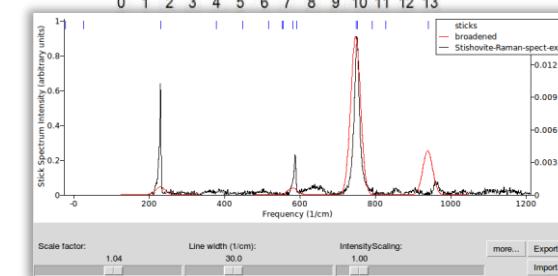
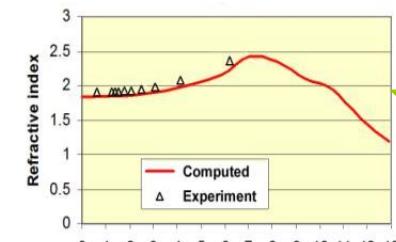
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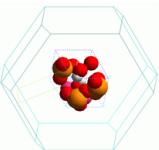
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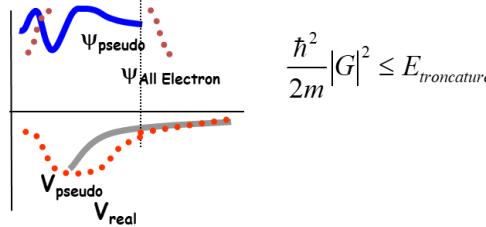
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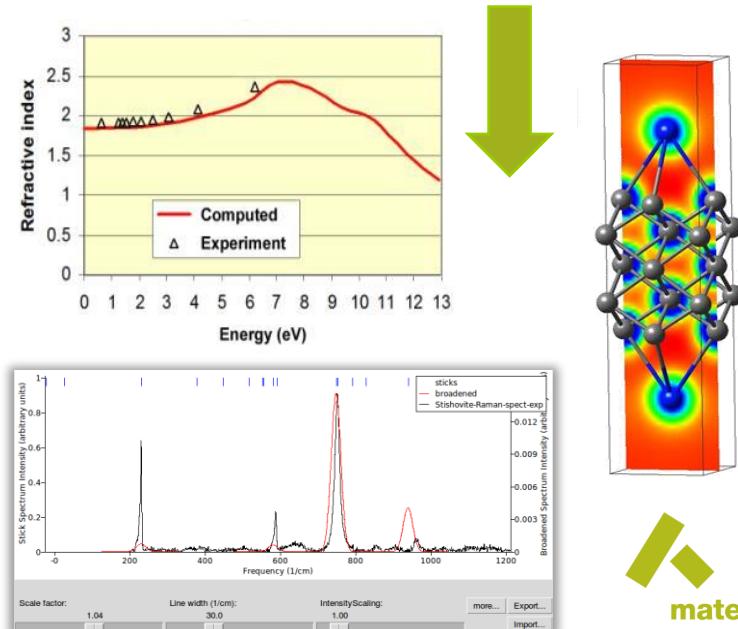


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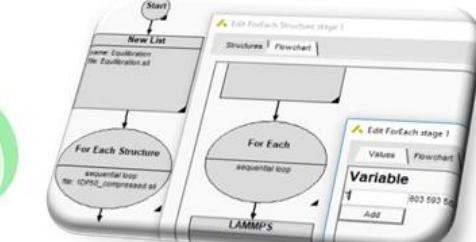
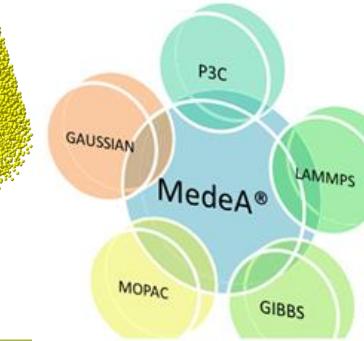
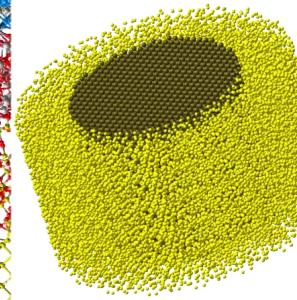
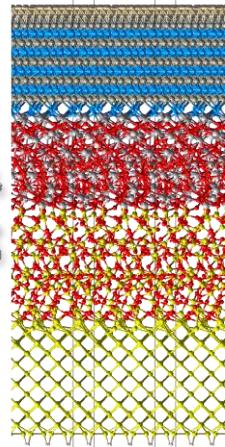
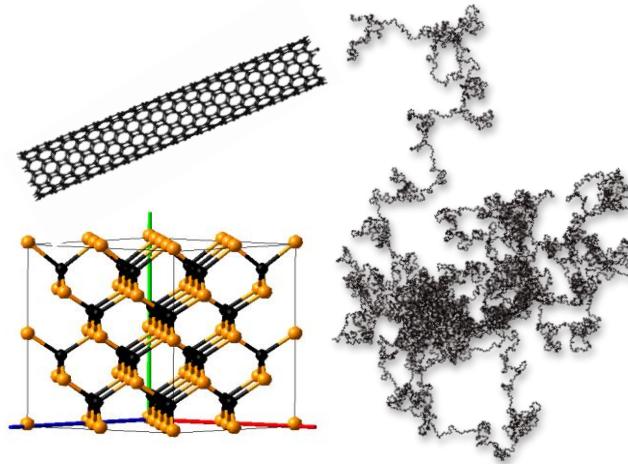
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-Ryoji Asahi

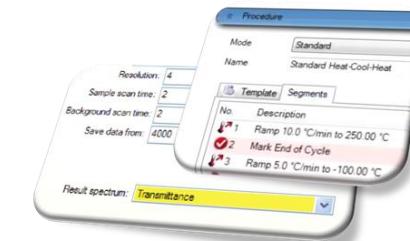
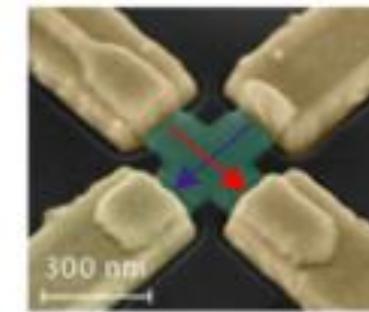
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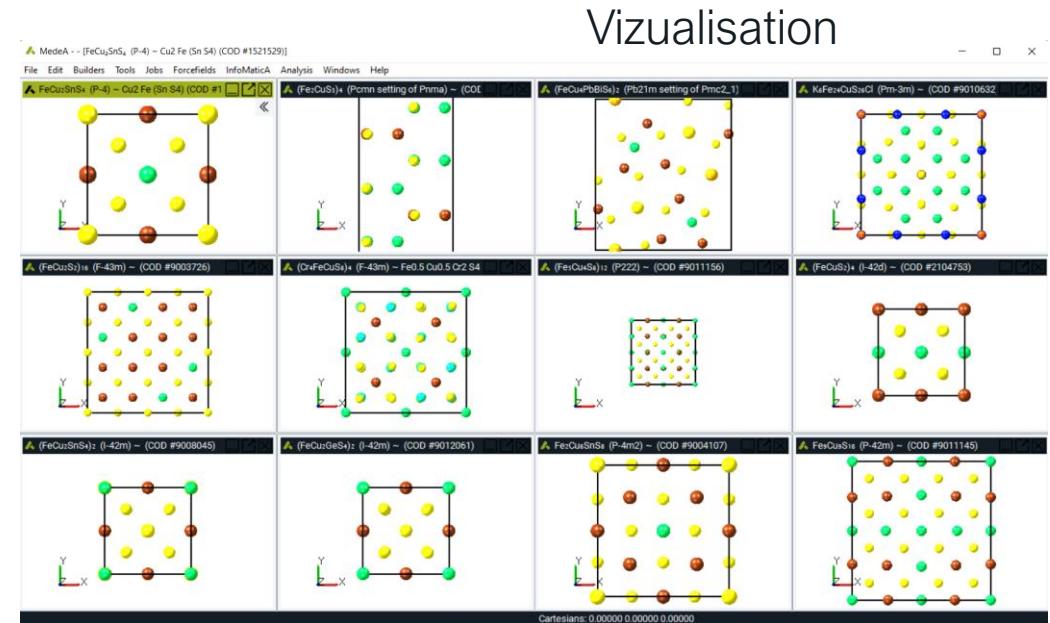
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MedeA: structure list editor

File Add structure(s) Display Properties QT: QSAR Toolbox

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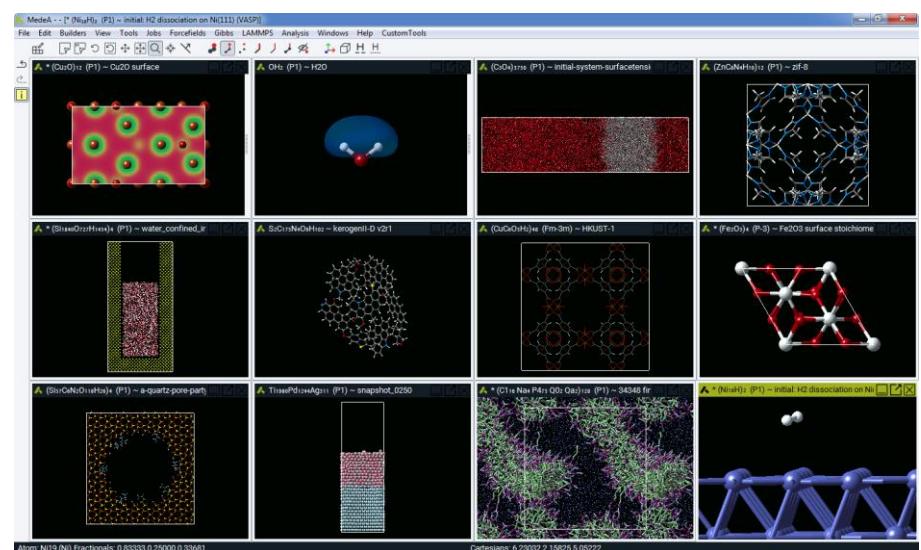
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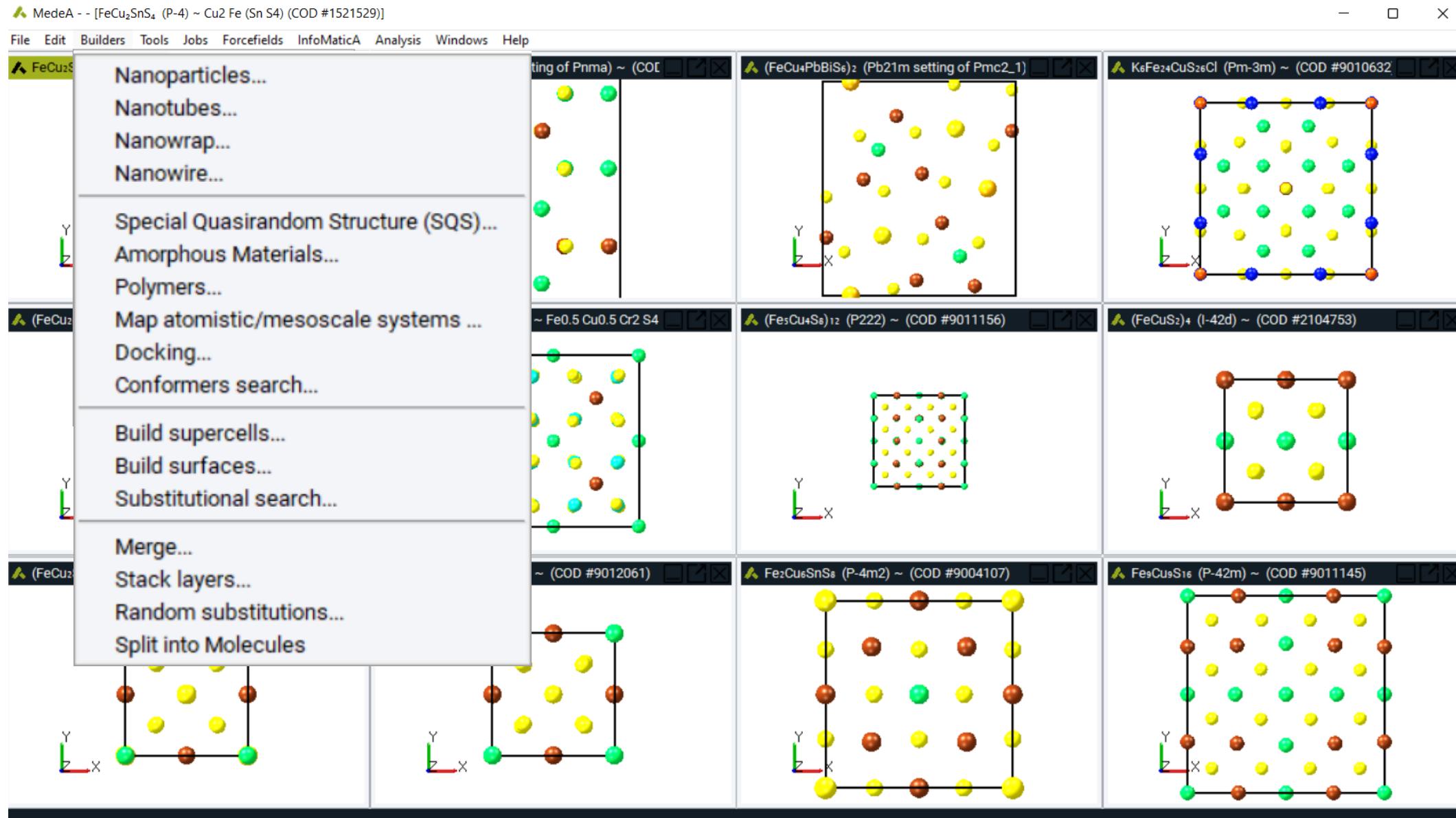


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# Random substitution

MedeA - - [FeCu<sub>2</sub>SnS<sub>4</sub>]

MedeA: random substitutions

Random substitutions

You can add several substitution rules that will consecutively apply to the result of previous rules, following the top down order they appear. If for one of the rules no matching atoms are found you can choose to ignore it, or dismiss the whole substitution, i.e. no structure will be created. You can ask for several draws resulting in several new random structures.

Create 1 random structure(s)  Stop on unmatched rules

For microporous materials, obey Lowenstein's rule, if possible (requires bonds)

Create new structures as new windows  Append to structure list

Substitute   atoms of Cu with atoms of Si isotope: Average mass

atoms of: all, exactly, percent of

atoms of: all, atoms whose name, atoms whose subset, atoms from group, atoms from period, alkali metals, alkaline earths, halogens, transition metals, lanthanides

atoms of: vacancies

isotope: Average mass, Natural mix, 28, 29, 30

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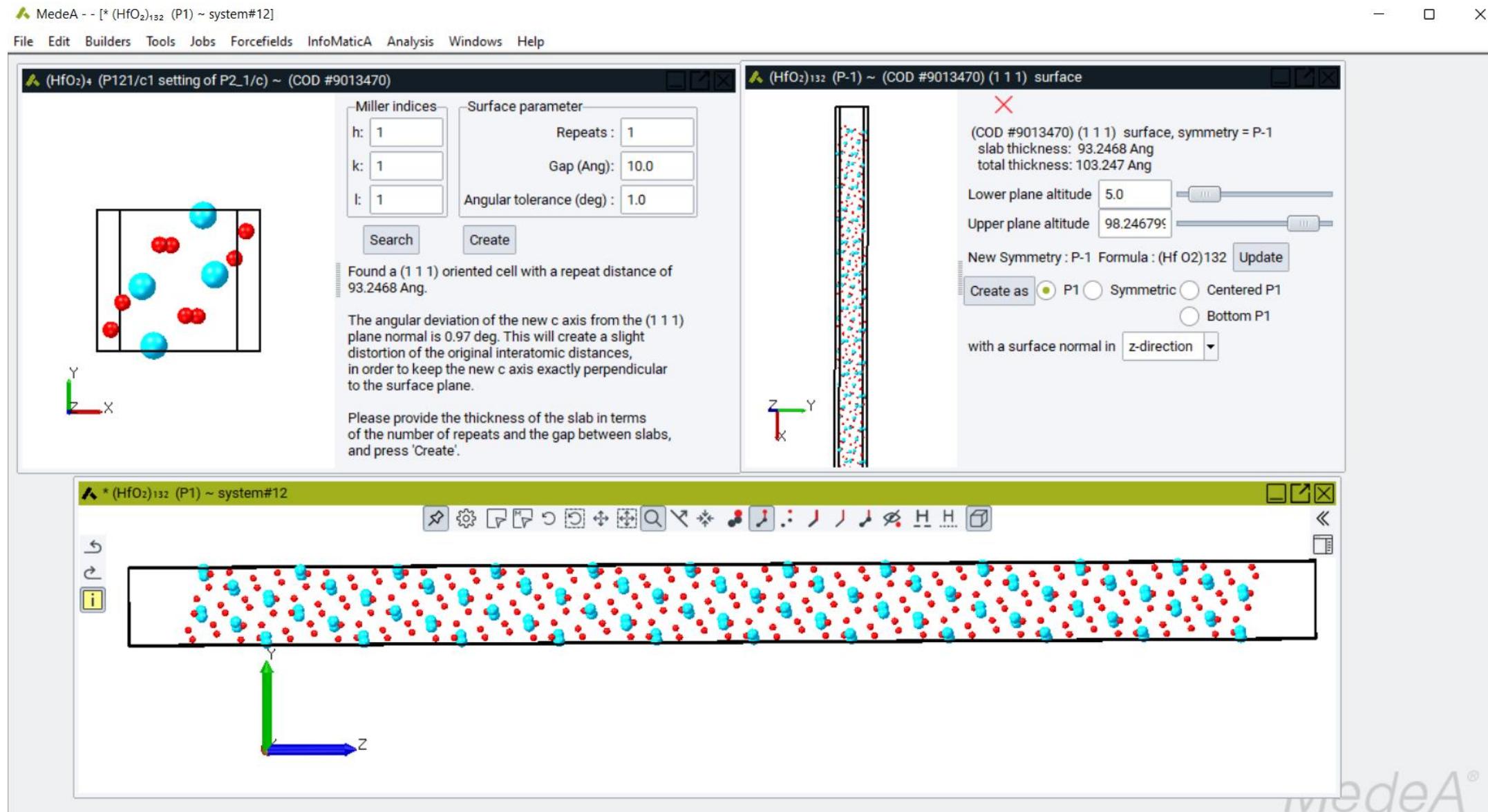
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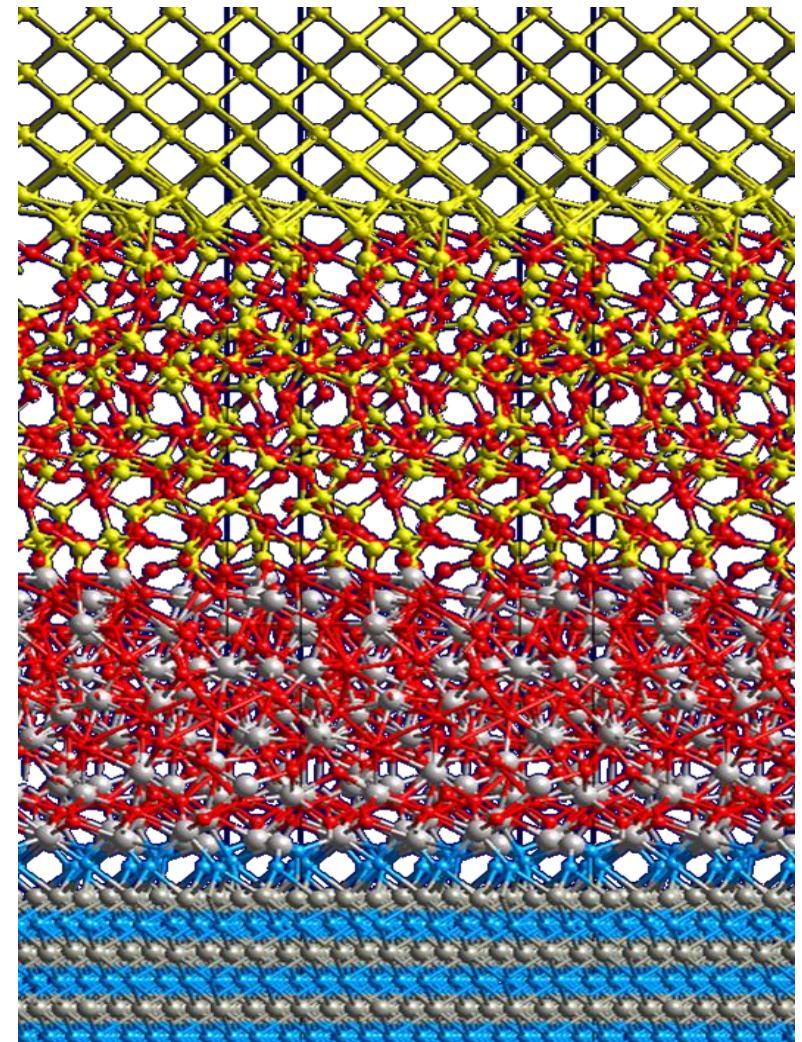
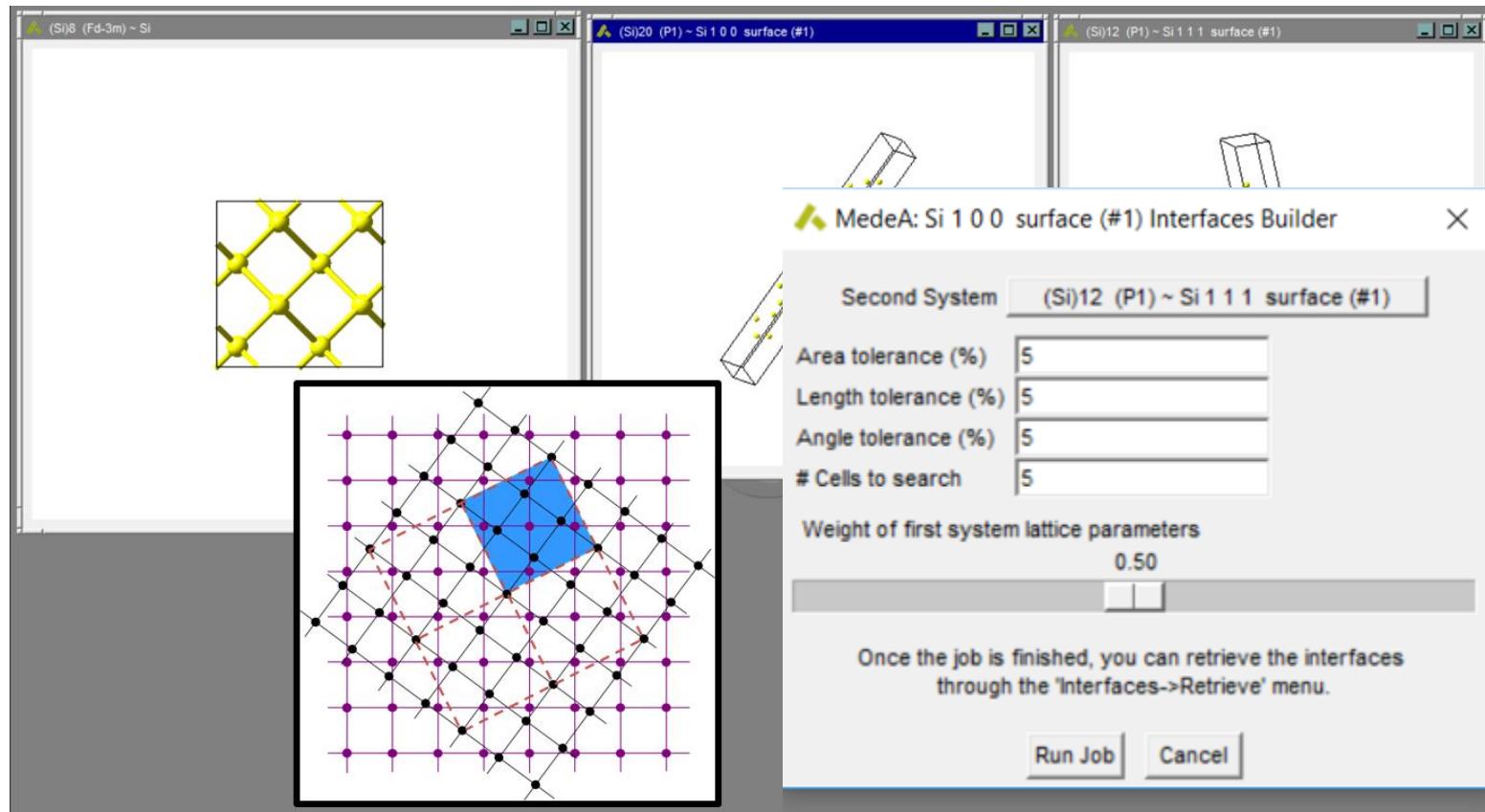
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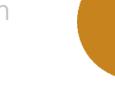
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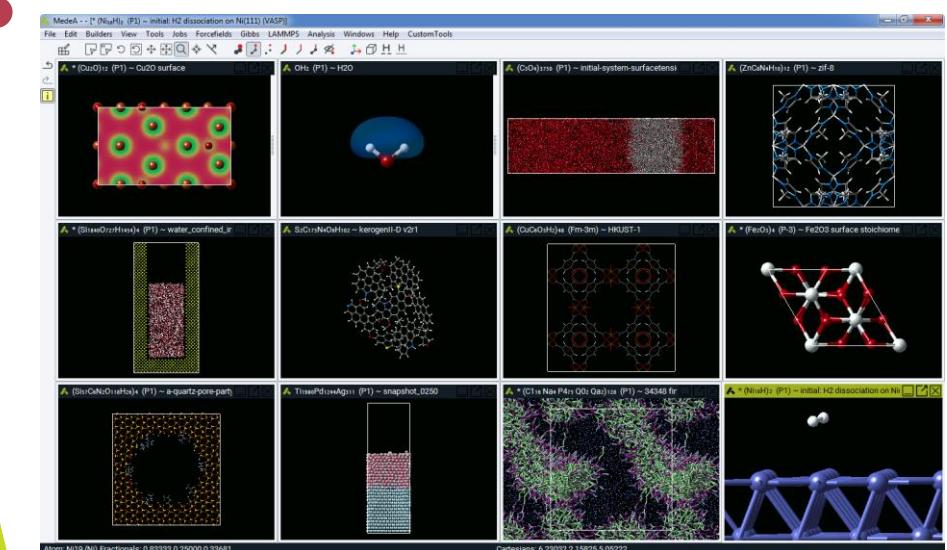


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# MedeA® VASP GUI

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Type of calculation **Single Point**

- Single Point**
- Structure Optimization
- Molecular Dynamics
- Optical Spectra via Time Evolution
- Time-dependent Hybrid / DFT
- Quasiparticle Spectra (GW)
- Quasiparticle Spectra (Low Scaling GW)
- Accurate Energy (MP2)
- Accurate Energy (ACFDT-RPA)
- Accurate Forces (Low Scaling ACFDT-RPA)
- Electron-phonon Coupling
- MT -- Elastic Properties

**Properties**

- (Pseudo, difference, spin) charge density
- (Total, valence) charge density, Bader analysis
- Total local potential
- Band structure
- Electron localization function
- Density of states
- Wave functions
- Optical spectra
- Electric field gradients
- Elastic constants
- Hyperfine parameters
- Zone center phonons
- Work function (surfaces only)
- Response tensors
- NMR: chemical shifts
- Energy of formation

**Interaction**

Functional **Density functional**

DFT exchange-correlation **GGA-PBE**

Van der Waals **None**

Magnetism **Defined by model**  
to be non-magnetic

**General Setup**

Precision **Normal**

Increase planewave cutoff (cell optimizations)

Planewave cutoff (default): 229.943 eV

Planewave cutoff:  eV

Projection **Reciprocal space**

Title: (Au)4 (Fm-3m) ~ (COD #9011612) (VASP)

Run Close Write input files Restore defaults Restore from job



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**K-mesh in Brillouin Zone**

Input mode: set spacing between k-points

Spacing of k-points: 0.25 1/Ång

Shift origin to Gamma  Use odd size grids

**Actual mesh and spacing**

Constraint Mesh points Spacing (1/Ång)

x:	11	0.243	
y:	= x	11	0.243
z:	= x	11	0.243

**K-mesh for response, NMR, elastic constants, phonons** as for DOS and optics

**Integration Scheme for DOS and Optical Spectra**

Type of smearing: Tetrahedron method

**Integration Scheme for Response Tensors and NMR**

Type of smearing: Tetrahedron with Bloechl corrections

**Integration Scheme for Phonons and Elastic Tensors**

Type of smearing: Methfessel-Paxton

Smearing width: 0.2 eV

Order of smearing function: 1

**Parameters for DOS and Optical Spectra**

DOS projection onto: automatic choice

Number of grid points: 3000

Minimum energy: eV

Maximum energy: eV

Number of bands (default): 9

Number of bands:

Shift parameter: 0.1

Print optical matrix elements

**Parameters for NMR chemical shifts**

Planewave cutoff for NMR (default): 344.915 eV

Planewave cutoff for NMR: eV

**Parameters for Zone Center Phonons**

Displacement: 0.015 Ång

Number of displacements: 1

**Parameters for Total Charge Density**

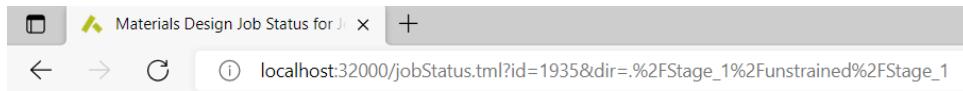
Refine the Fourier grid by: 0 %

Title: (Au)4 (Fm-3m) ~ (COD #9011612) (VASP)

Run Close Write input files Restore defaults Restore from job



# MedeA® VASP Output



Materials Design Job Status for Job 1935

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- Trajectory

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<a href="#">VASP.out</a>	2.2 kB	<a href="#">as plain text</a>

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VASP 6 CALCULATION PROTOCOL:

1. Geometry optimization (atom positions)

VASP parameters

This is a calculation based on density functional theory and the GGA-PBE exchange-correlation functional for describing the interactions.

Since no magnetic moments are in the model, this is a non-magnetic calculation using 'normal' precision and a default planewave cutoff energy of 295.446 eV.

The electronic iterations convergence is 1.00E-005 eV using the Normal (blocked Davidson) algorithm and reciprocal space projection operators.

The requested k-spacing is 0.5 per Angstrom, which leads to a 5x5x4 mesh. This corresponds to actual k-spacings of 0.449 x 0.449 x 0.428 per Angstrom. The k-mesh is forced to be centered on the gamma point.

Using first order Methfessel-Paxton smearing with a width of 0.2 eV.

Using version 4.0 GGA-PBE / PAW potentials:

Au	PAW_PBE Au 04Oct2007
Cu	PAW_PBE Cu 22Jun2005

There are 18 symmetry-unique k-points  
The plane wave cutoff is 295.45 eV

VASP energy: -7.145475 eV for AuCu cell

Initial VASP energy: -7.145475 eV for AuCu cell  
Relaxation energy: 0.000000 eV gained after 1 optimization steps.

Electronic contributions:

	Empirical Formula	Cell
	AuCu	AuCu
VASP Energy	-7.145475	-7.145475 eV
=	-689.433	-689.433 kJ/mol

Cell parameters:

Parameter	Value
a	2.800000
b	2.800000
c	3.670000
alpha	90.000000
beta	90.000000
gamma	90.000000

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- Introduction to MedeA VASP: Learn how to set up and run VASP first principles calculations with MedeA
- Introduction to MedeA MT: Elastic Properties of TaN: Learn how to calculate the mechanical properties of crystals with MedeA MT and MedeA VASP
- Introduction to MedeA Phonon: Vibrational Properties of Silicon: Learn how to calculate the vibrational spectrum of silicon using MedeA Phonon with VASP and LAMMPS
- Introduction to MedeA UNCLE: Cluster expansion calculation of Au/Cu alloy: Learn how to set up cluster expansion calculations with MedeA UNCLE for Au/Cu alloy
- Introduction to MedeA FFO: Optimizing Buckingham Forcefield for LiNbO<sub>3</sub>: Learn how to optimize a Buckingham forcefield for LiNbO<sub>3</sub> with MedeA Forcefield Optimizer
- Thermoelectrics: Seebeck Coefficient of Bismuth Chalcogenides: This tutorial describes how to calculate the Seebeck coefficient of the material Bi<sub>2</sub>Te<sub>3</sub> with MedeA Electronics and MedeA VASP
- Calculate the Color of Cadmium Selenide and Cadmium Sulfide: Learn how to calculate the optical properties, such as color, of materials using an ab initio approach with MedeA VASP
- Electron-Phonon Coupling: Phonon Induced Change of the GaAs Band Gap as a Function of Temperature: Learn how to use the single displacement approach by Zacharias and Giustino to calculate the phonon-induced temperature-dependent change of the GaAs band gap with MedeA VASP 6
- Obtain Accurate Heat of Formation for SiC with ACFDT RPA: Learn how to calculate the heat of formation of silicon carbide using ACFDT RPA with MedeA VASP 6
- Thermal Expansion of ZnO: Learn how to calculate the thermal expansion of materials with MedeA

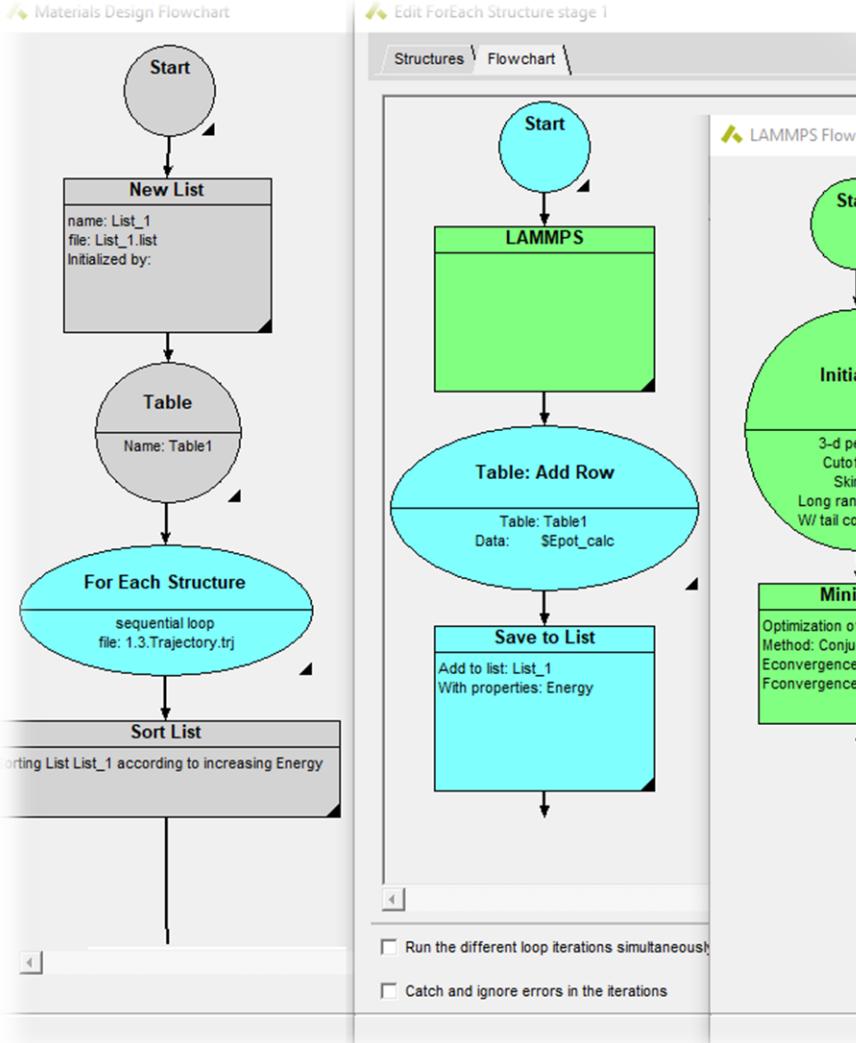
## ► Webinars:

- VASP in MedeA: A Fast Way- From Models to Reliable Results: <http://my.materialsdesign.com/webinar-31>
- The Color of Materials: Value from Computed Optical Properties: <http://my.materialsdesign.com/webinar-25>
- Atomistic Simulations as a Driver of Industrial Innovation: <http://my.materialsdesign.com/webinar-18>
- Predicting Elastic Properties Using Ab Initio and Forcefield Based Simulations: <http://my.materialsdesign.com/webinar-15>

and more..



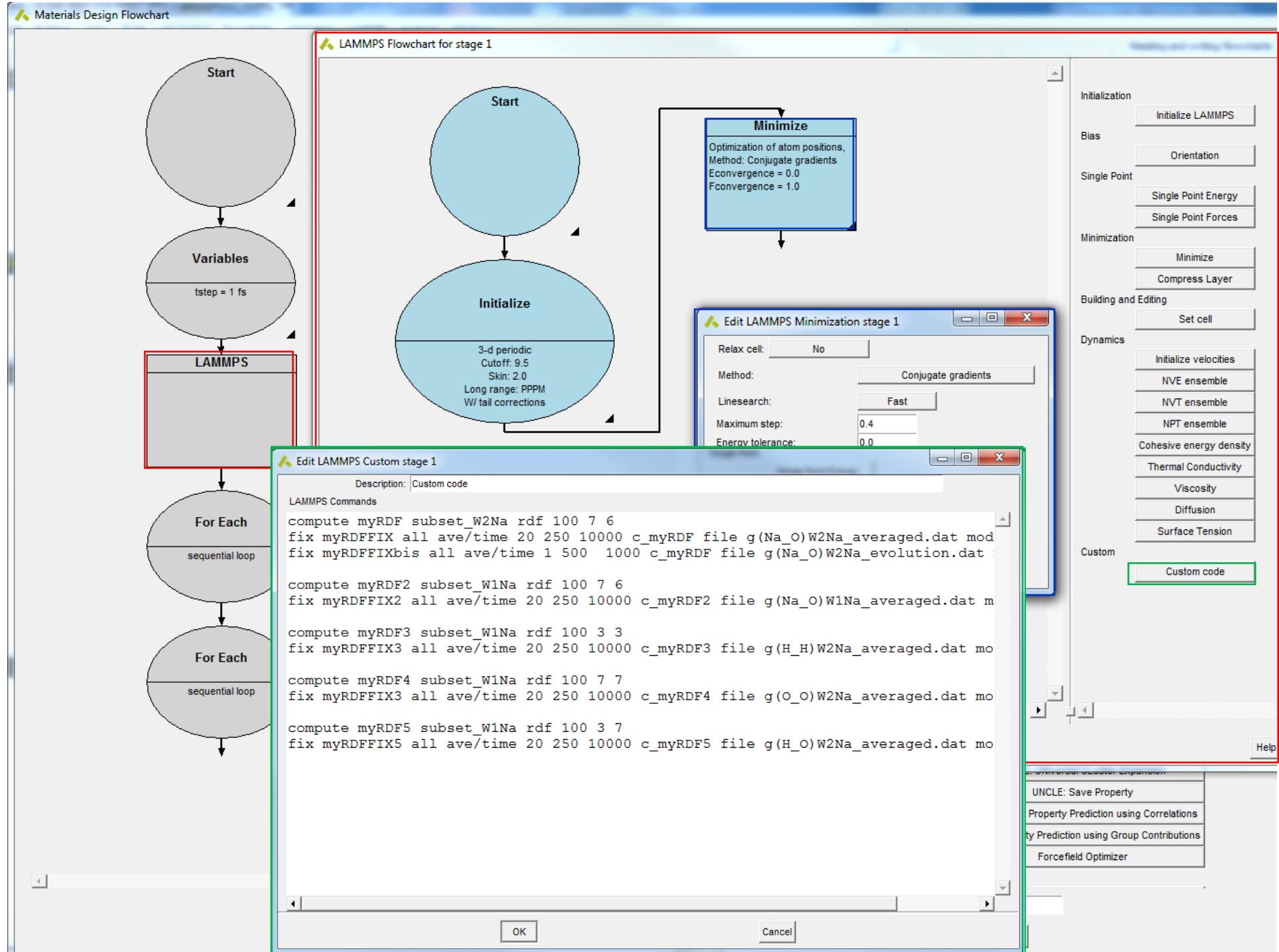
# LAMMPS GUI and Flowcharts

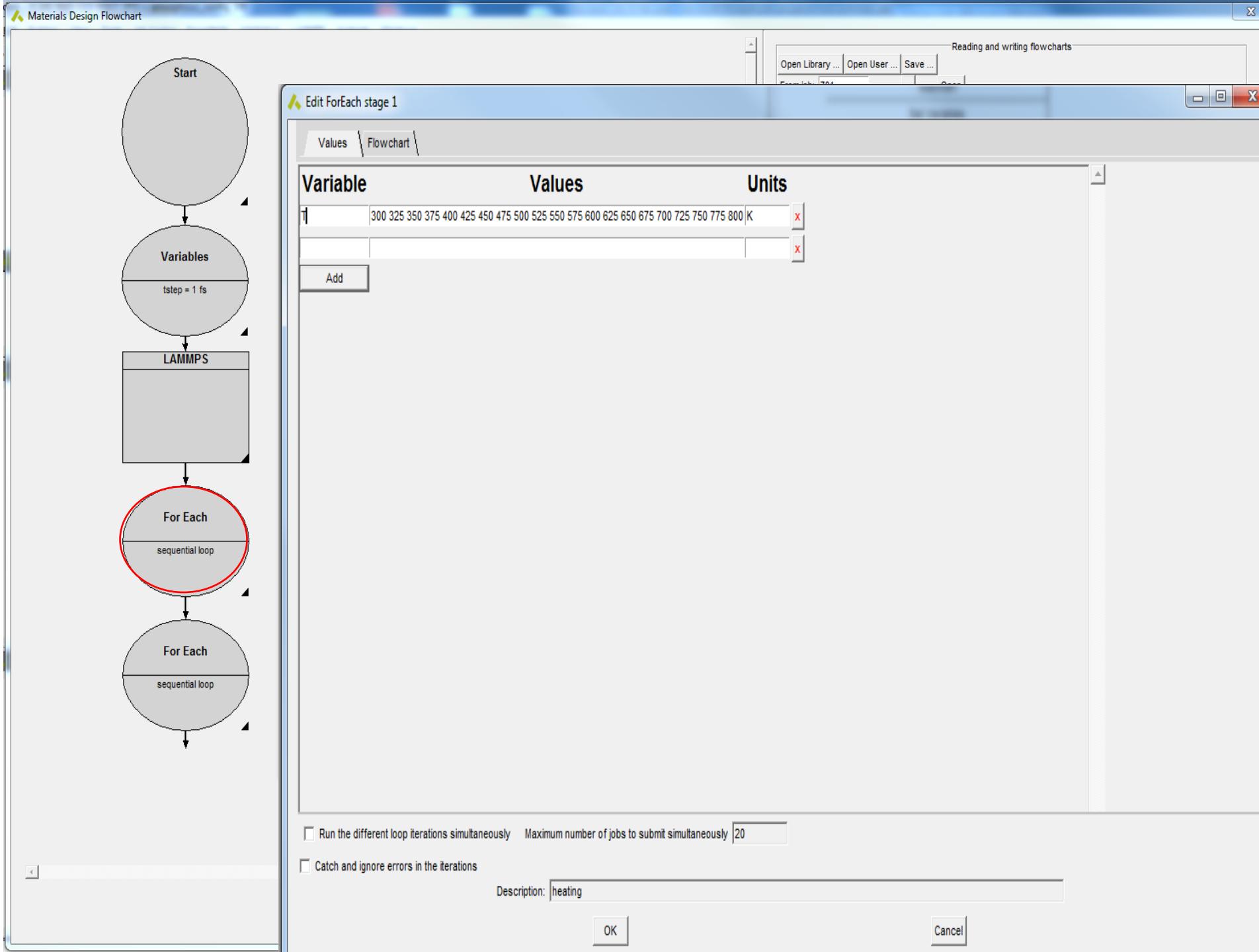


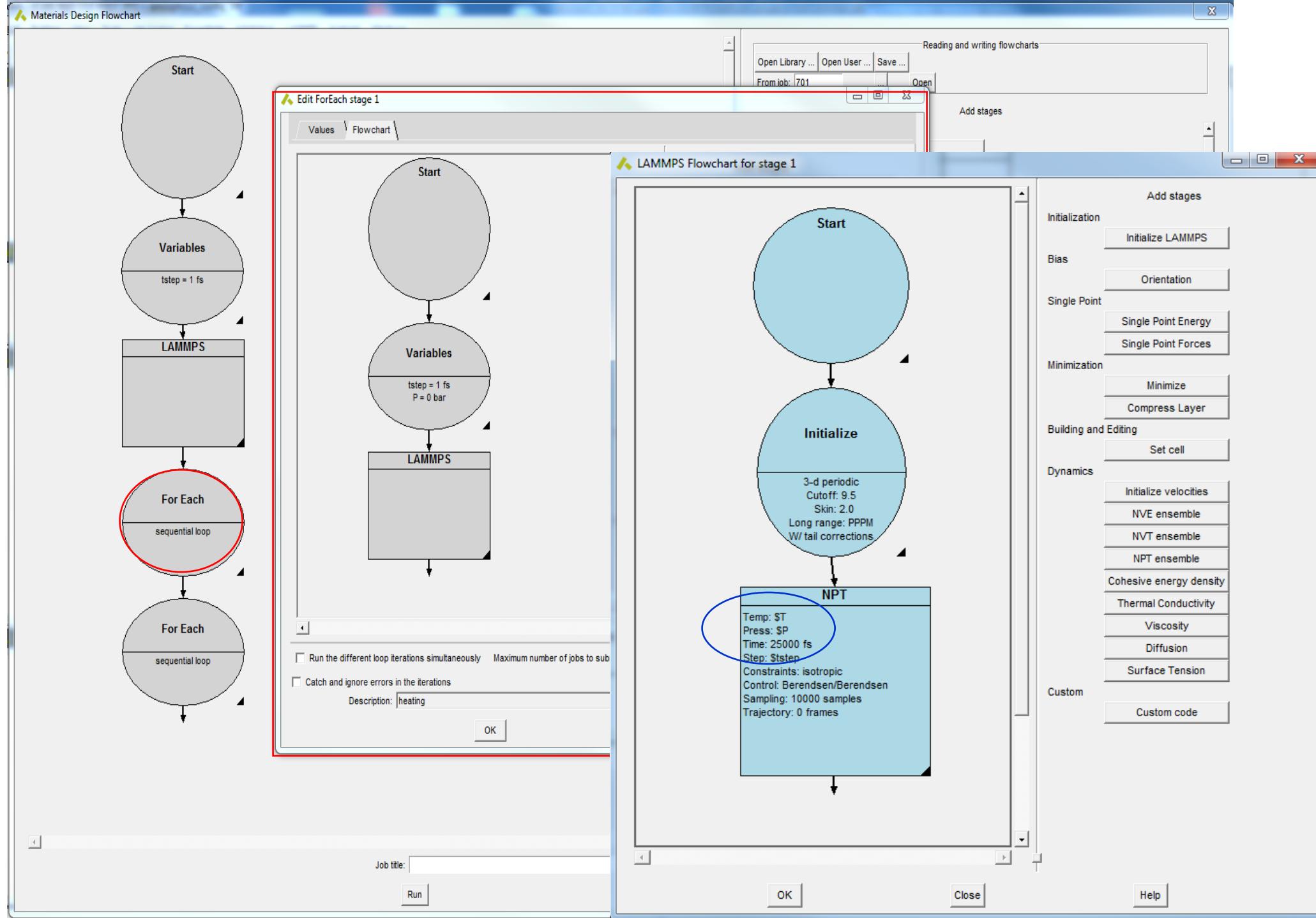
- Powerful flowchart interface lets you easily set up complex calculations by connecting stages
  - A stage can be a computation, e.g. energy minimization, NVT and NPT dynamics, as well as an operation such as setting the density to that computed by a previous stage, or building a larger simulation box
- Any number of stages can be chained together to perform a detailed, reproducible calculation.
- Flowcharts from any previous calculation can be edited and run again, even on different molecules
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Custom Stage  
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users









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- Deposition of O<sub>2</sub> on a Si Surface with Reactive Potentials: Learn how to perform deposition simulation with reactive potentials using MedeA Deposition
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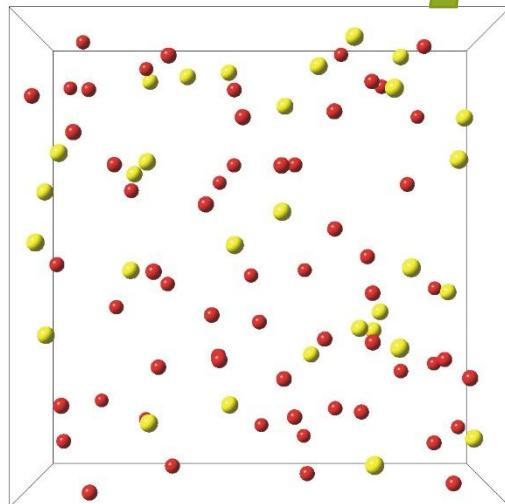
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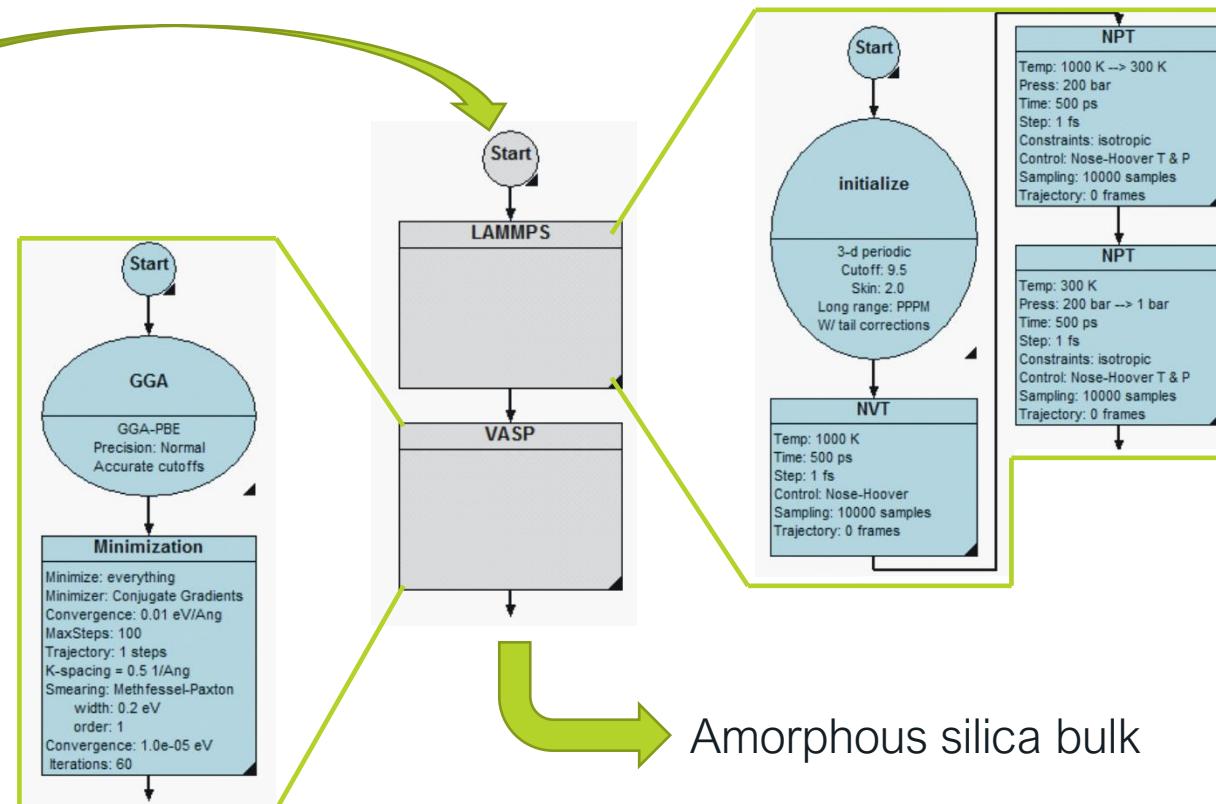


# Interoperability

1. Create 30(Si O<sub>2</sub>) cell at low density with Amorphous Builder – Forcefield is cvff\_aug

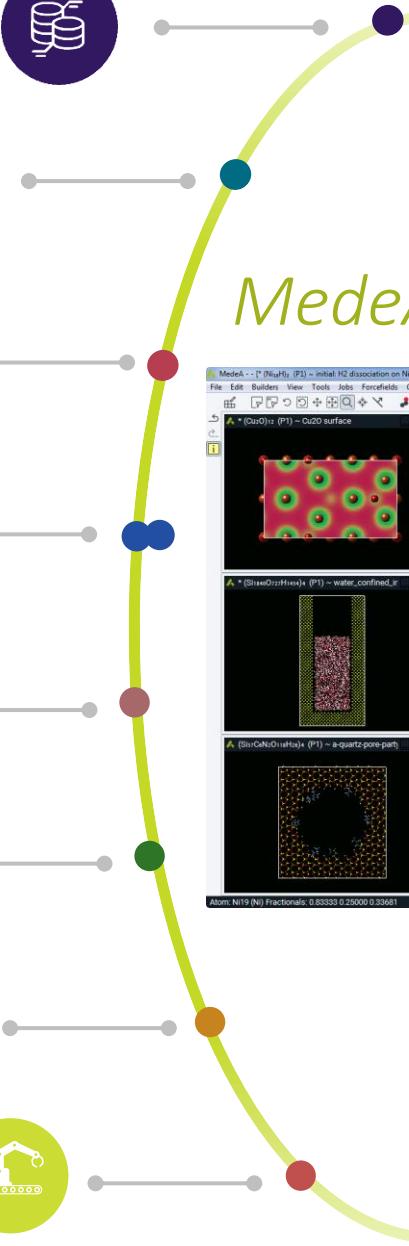


2. NVT dynamic annealing with LAMMPS followed by NPT equilibration and VASP geometry optimization

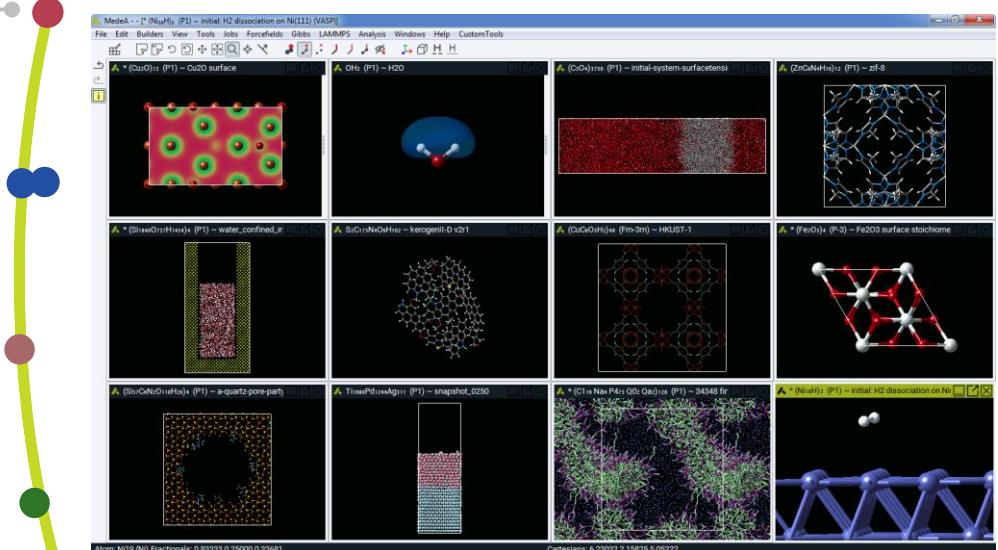


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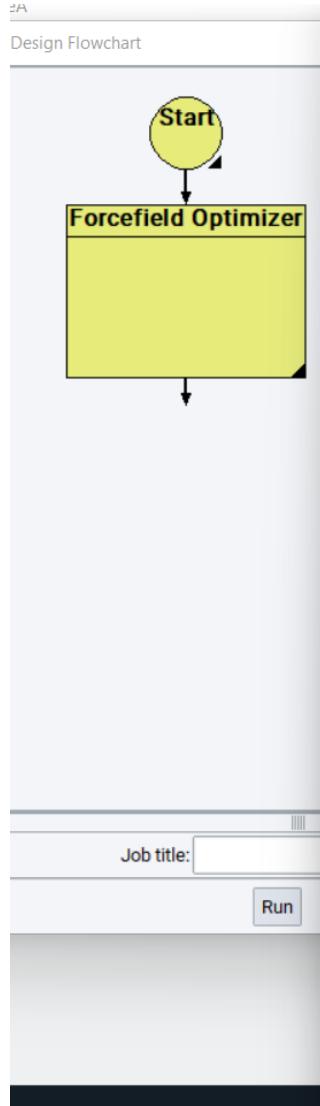
# Potentials - Forcefields



- ▶ Metallic forcefields:
  - EAM
    - All LAMMPS eam, eam/fs...
  - MEAM
- ▶ Inorganic forcefields:
  - Buckingham
  - BKS
  - Clay-FF
  - CVFF\_aug
- ▶ Semiconductor forcefields:
  - Tersoff
  - Stillinger-Weber
- ▶ Organic (valence) forcefields:
  - PCFF/PCFF+\*
  - Compass/Compass+
  - OPLS-AA/OPLS-AA+\*
  - AUA/AUA+ \*
  - Trappe+ \*
- ▶ Reactive forcefields
  - COMB3
  - ReaxFF
- ▶ Mesoscale
  - Martini
  - Shinoda

- Increased simulation coverage and accuracy from the state of art forcefields for molecular dynamics and Monte Carlo
- **Automatic assignment of atom types and charges**
- **Customizable forcefields:** safely add and change parameters when needed, changes are kept separate and not overwritten by updates; version tracking to keep all modifications accessible for evaluation and comparison
- Materials Design's experts provide industrial level support of forcefields shipped
- The complexities of developing and tuning forcefields requires a reliable and powerful computing platform. MedeA's architecture with the JobServer/TaskServer is the right environment to get things done.

# Forcefield Optimizer



Edit Forcefield Optimizer stage 1

Optimizing forcefield Zhou\_2004

Fitting Data Forcefield Optimization Options Flowchart

Fitting systems and properties to be fit have to be imported from a structure list file (or a trajectory). If imported structures have already correctly assigned atom types with respect to the current forcefield, these types will be used. Atoms without forcefield types will be assigned automatically.

Import

Fitting properties

E  include Weight

Forces  include Weight

Stress  include Weight

Energy fitting

Direct energy fit

Energy shift(s) in eV per atom types:

Fe

Fit energy difference with first structure

104 fitting structures. All defined as training set

Name	Used as	Weight	Formula	# atoms	E (eV)
Fe-1m-3m-CCMR74117-min_3x3x3_2	Training	1.0	Fe54	54	-443.882
Fe-1m-3m-CCMR74117-min_3x3x3	Training	1.0	Fe54	54	-428.897
Fe-1m-3m-CCMR74117-min_3x3x3_2	Training	1.0	Fe54	54	-441.614
Fe-1m-3m-CCMR74117-min_3x3x3	Training	1.0	Fe54	54	-441.614
Fe-1m-3m-CCMR74117-min_3x3x3_2	Training	1.0	Fe54	54	-441.614
Fe-1m-3m-CCMR74117-min_3x3x3	Training	1.0	Fe54	54	-437.87
Fe-1m-3m-CCMR74117-min_3x3x3_2	Training	1.0	Fe54	54	-442.952
Fe-1m-3m-CCMR74117-min_3x3x3	Training	1.0	Fe54	54	-442.952
Fe-1m-3m-CCMR74117-min_3x3x3_2	Training	1.0	Fe54	54	-442.952
Fe-1m-3m-CCMR74117-min_3x3x3	Training	1.0	Fe54	54	-442.558
Fe-1m-3m-CCMR74117-min_3x3x3_2	Training	1.0	Fe54	54	-443.68
Fe-1m-3m-CCMR74117-min_3x3x3	Training	1.0	Fe54	54	-443.68
Fe-1m-3m-CCMR74117-min_3x3x3_2	Training	1.0	Fe54	54	-443.68
Fe-1m-3m-CCMR74117-min_3x3x3	Training	1.0	Fe54	54	-442.707

OK

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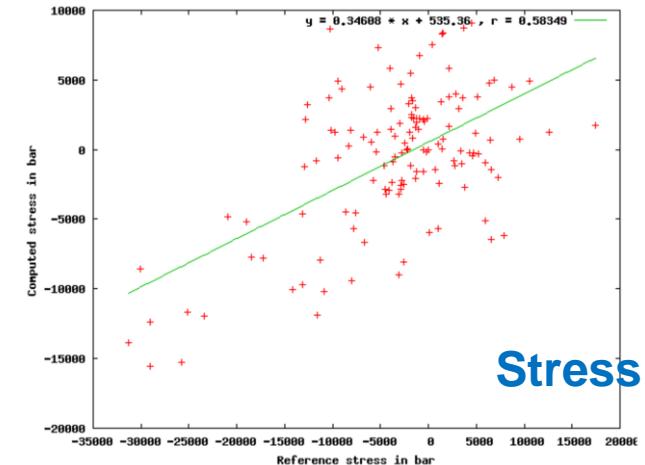
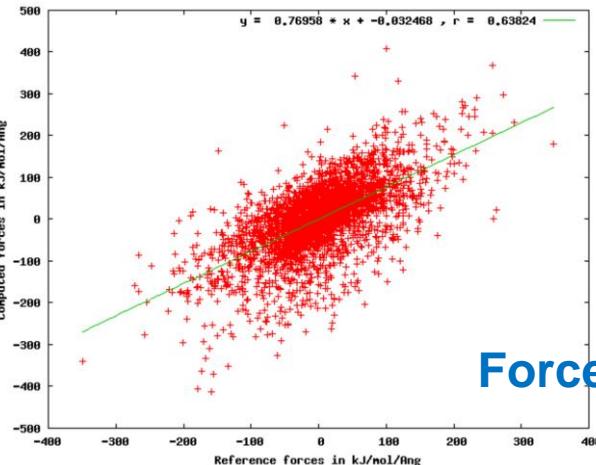
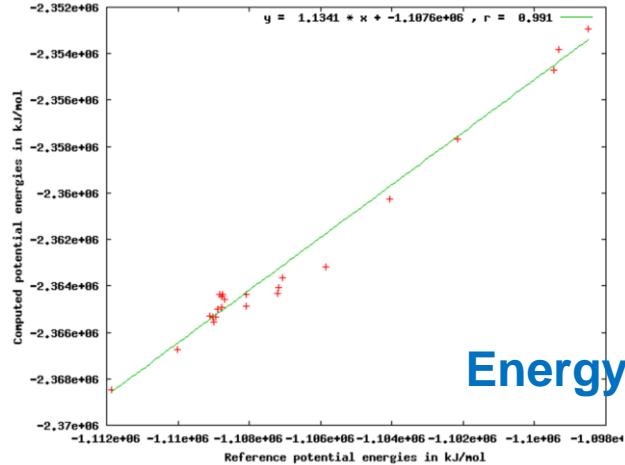
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	pe		20.04146	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	0.02	200
	ps		20.04146	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	0.02	200
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	b		5.236411	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	0.005	50
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	Fn3		-2.282322	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	-20	-0.002
	F0		-2.54	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	-30	-0.003
	F1		0	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	0	1
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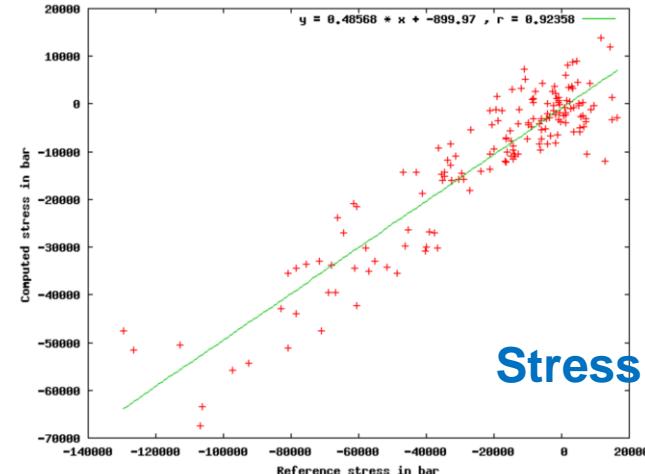
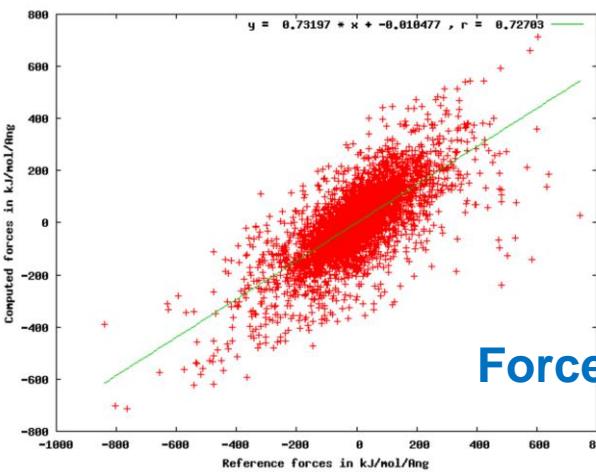
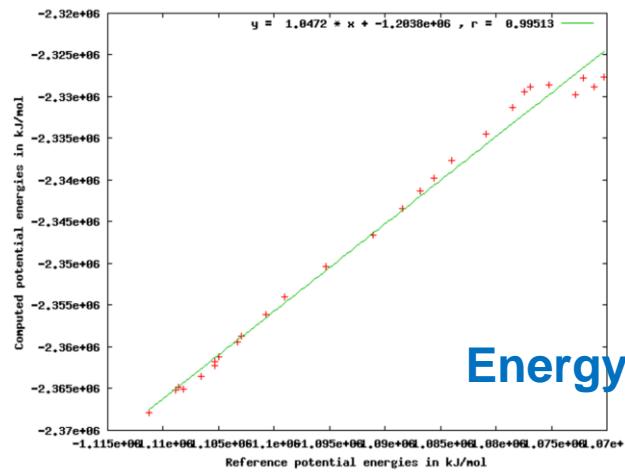
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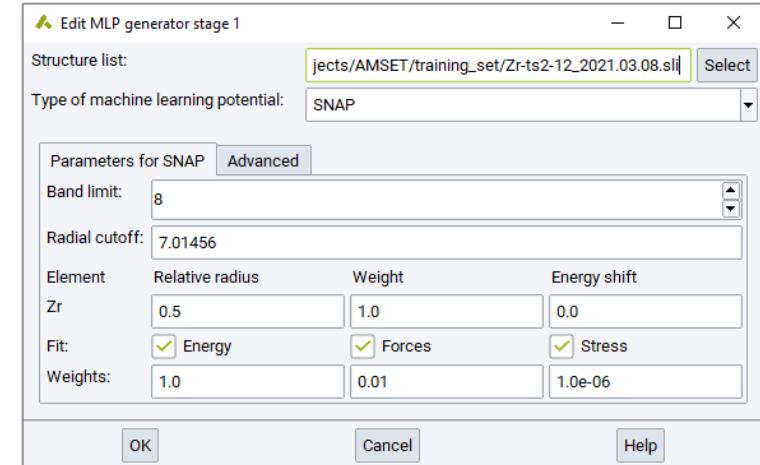
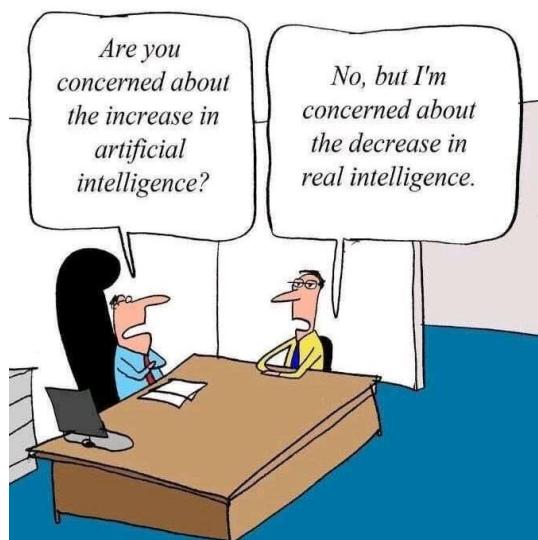


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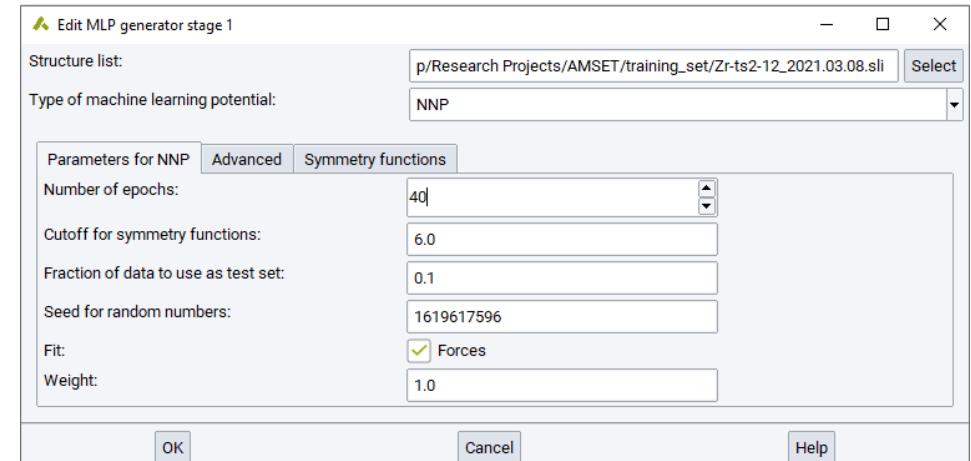
Build a model

Use VASP to run an ab initio MD simulation

Use the MD trajectory to train a SNAP MLP



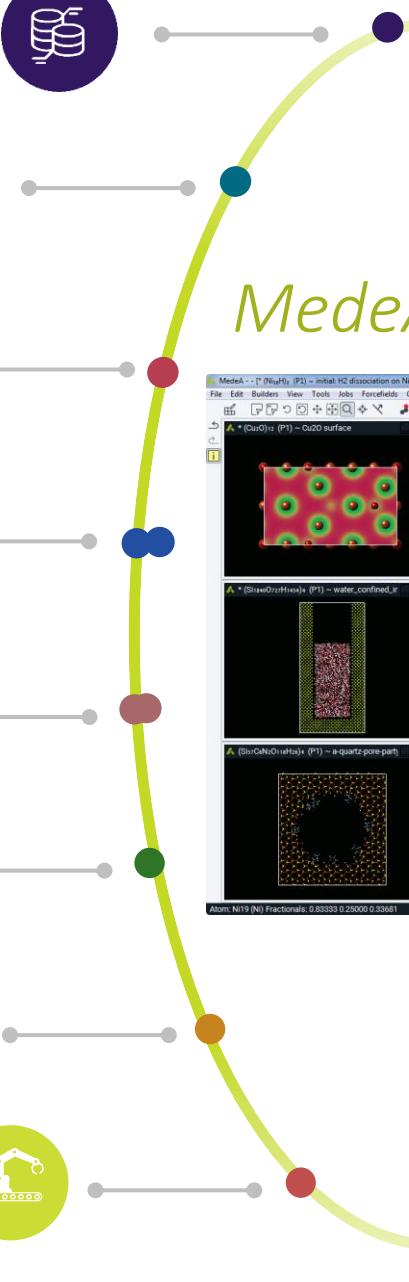
► Spectral Neighbor Analysis Potential (SNAP)



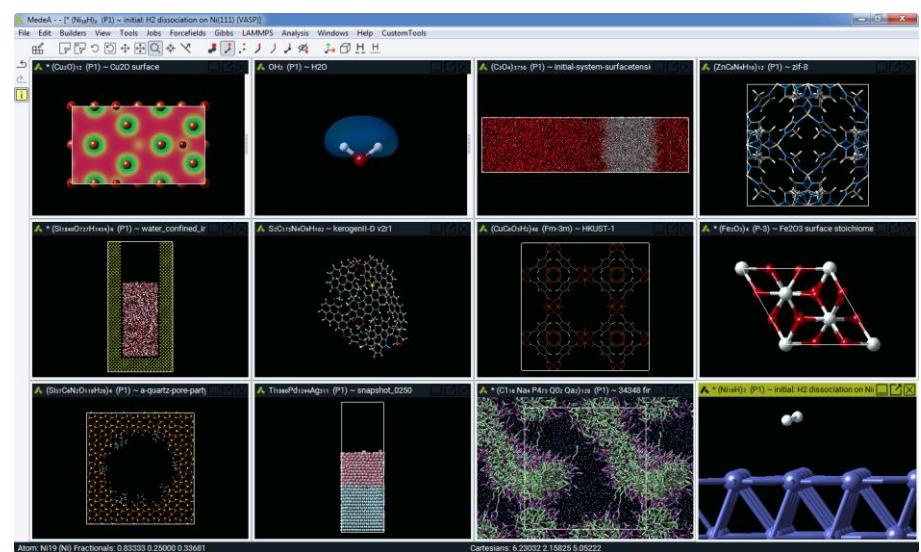
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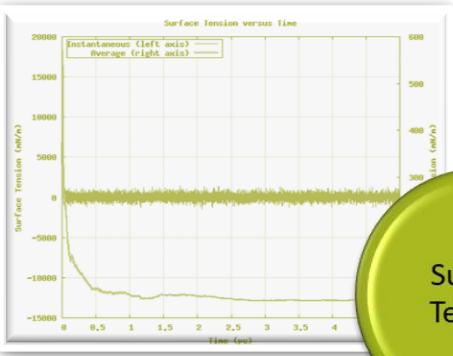


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Surface Tension

Cohesive energy density

Diffusion

Viscosity

Mechanical properties

Hill Wallpole bounds

Thermal conductivity

Elastic constant matrix (GPa):

	1	2
1	1.4464	0.9012
2	0.9012	1.7473
3	0.7857	0.9324
4	-0.0129	-0.0615
5	0.0818	0.0515
6	0.0050	

Elastic compliance:

	1
1	1113.098
2	-419.5328
3	-286.3090
4	-42.6500
5	-91.4295
6	-10.2147

Direct Integral

lambda x 0.01712 +/- 0.000  
lambda y 0.006323 +/- 4.3e-05  
lambda z 0.002736 +/- 3.3e-05  
lambda average 0.00772 +/- 0.0002

Property Direct Integral Fit RMS

Property	Direct Integral	Fit	RMS
$\eta_x$	0.010428 +/- 9.1e-05	0.010714	0.000132
$\eta_y$	0.004432 +/- 9.1e-05	0.002375	4.2e-05

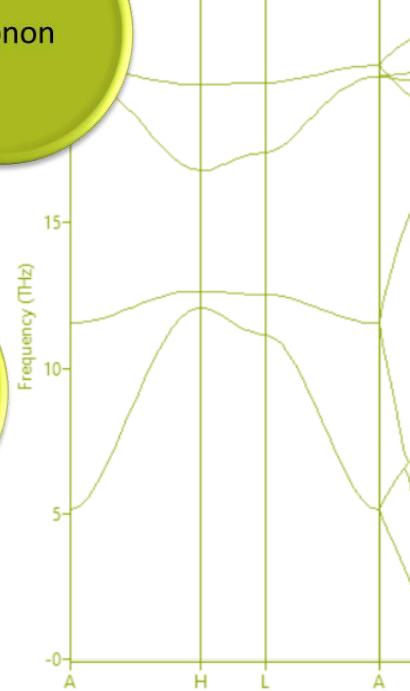
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MedeA®  
VASP

Phonon

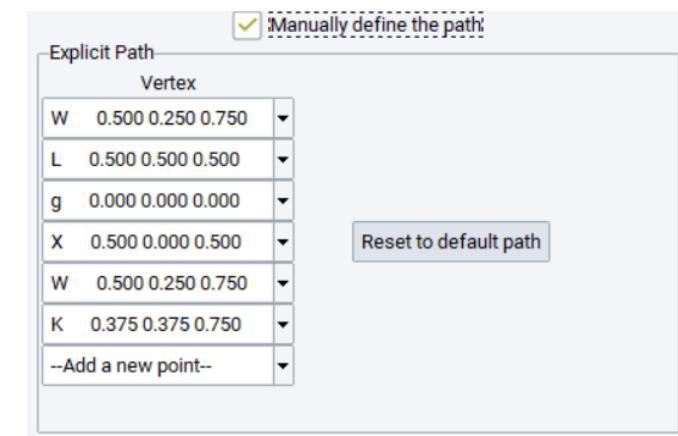
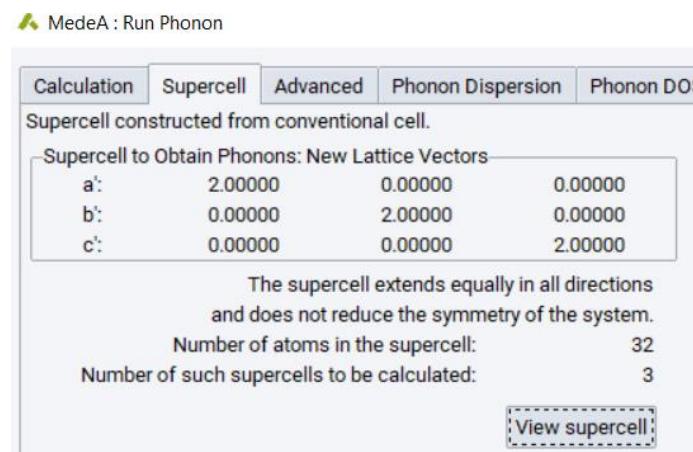
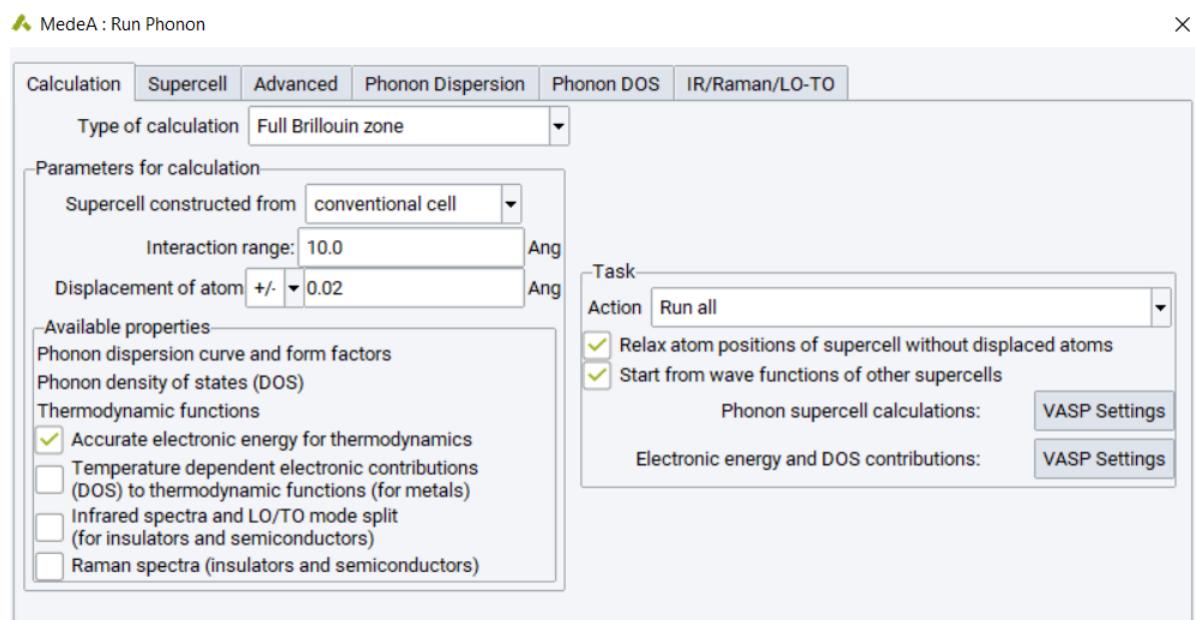
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Electronics



# Phonon Module

- MedeA Phonon is based on the PHONON program authored by Prof. Krzysztof Parlinski<sup>2,3</sup>
- Automatic detection and use of the space-group symmetry of the phase
- Fully automatic determination of supercell and the necessary atomic displacements
- Fully automated setup, execution, and processing of VASP jobs
- Uses forces computed with VASP, MOPAC, and LAMMPS.
- The use of Phonons with VASP includes the ability to utilize GGA+U, meta-GGA, van der Waals, hybrid functionals, spin-polarization, and fully relativistic Hamiltonians
- Partial freezing of atoms possible.
- Applicable to transition state geometries
- Restart capabilities in case of hardware or communication failures.



# Phonon module

## Available Results

- PhononDensityOfStates
- PhononDispersion
- ThermodynamicFunctions

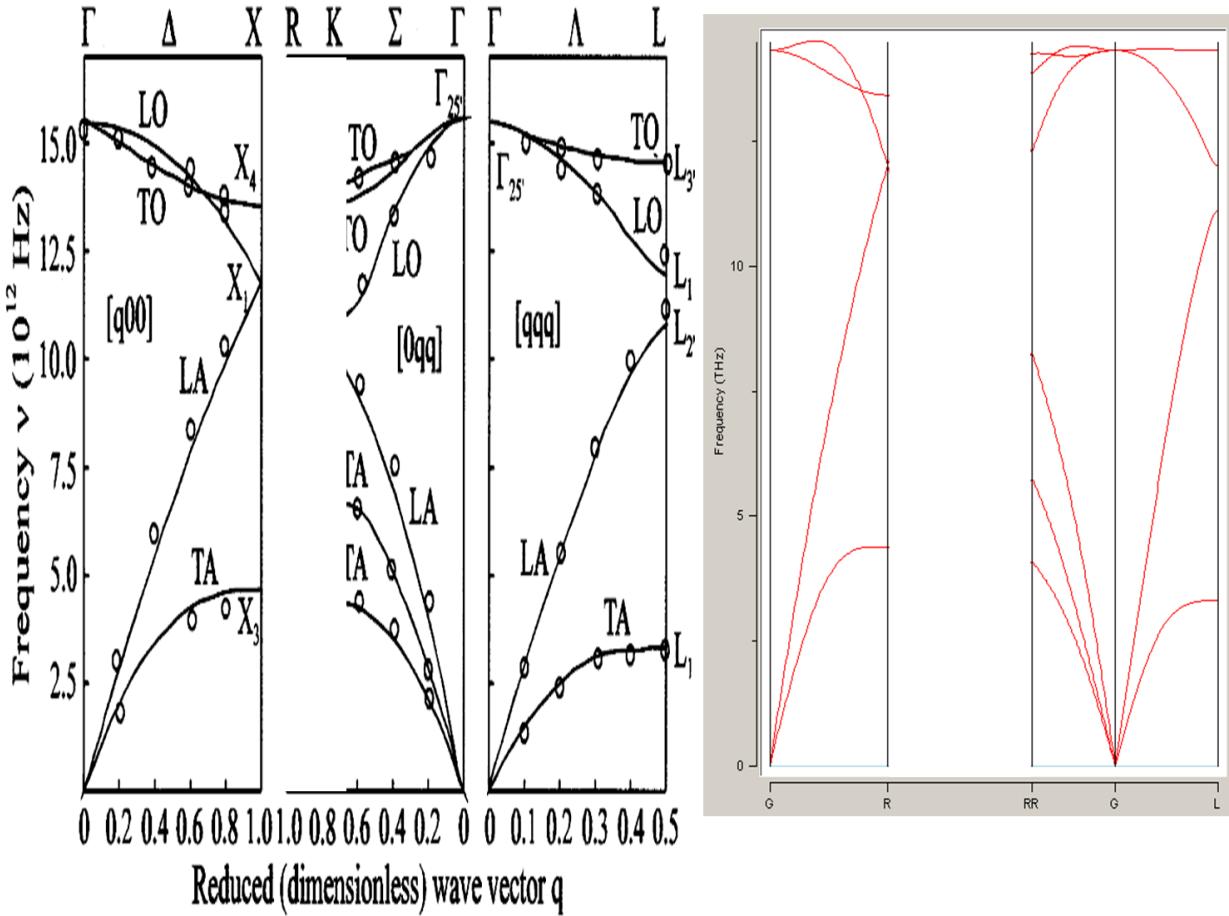
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*.d22	atomic positions used by viewer to show supercell (format as VASP POSCAR).
*.d23	POSCAR file containing positions of particles in the supercell. It can be used directly by the VASP software . POSCAR is generated if VASP POSCAR is selected at <b>Supercell for Atoms</b> .
*.d24	content of <b>Comments Editor</b> .
*.d25	data of cummulant total and partial phonon density of states selected by <b>Plot Partial DOS</b> .
*.d26	file <b>Plot Internal Energy</b> as a function of temperature.
*.d27	file <b>Plot Free Energy</b> as a function of temperature.
*.d28	file <b>Plot Entropy</b> as a function of temperature.
*.d29	file <b>Plot Heat Capacity</b> as a function of temperature.
*.d30	file <b>Plot Thermal Displacements</b> $\langle U^2 \rangle$ as a function of temperature. One column format.
*.d32	thermal displacements $\langle U^2 \rangle$ : XX, XY,XZ,YX,YY,YZ,ZX,ZY,ZZ as a function of temperature. Six columns format. Input.
*.d33	thermal displacements $\langle U^2 \rangle$ : XX,YY,ZZ,YZ,ZX,XY as a function of temperature. One column format. Output.
*.d34	diagonal and off-diagonal density of states for neutron and x-rays scattering.
*.d37	data for incoherent inelastic neutron scattering on monocrystal.
*.d38	incoherent inelastic neutron scattering on monocrystal. Total and cummulant contributions.
*.d39	x-ray nuclear inelastic scattering on monocrystals. Total and cummulant contributions.
*.d40	incoherent inelastic neutron scattering on polycrystal. Total and cummulant contributions.
*.d44	DISCAR file which contains required displacements to calculate Hellmann-Feynman forces. It can be used to generate sequence of POSCAR's files for VASP.

# Phonon module



The following thermodynamic functions are obtained from the phonon density of states within the harmonic approximation. The results are meaningful only below the melting point, which lies well below 3000 K for most materials.

#### Definitions:

$C_v$  : vibrational heat capacity at constant volume  
 $E_{vib}(T) = E(T) - E(0)$  : the change in vibrational internal energy from 0 K, where  
 $E(0) = E_{elec} + ZPE$  is the electronic energy of formation  $E_{elec}$  plus the zero point energy ZPE  
 $S(T)$  : the vibrational entropy at temperature T  
 $-(A(T) - E(0))$  : the change in the vibrational Helmholtz free energy from 0 K  
 $E(T)$  : the electronic energy of formation plus the vibrational internal energy, so this term is  
 $E_{elec} + ZPE + E_{vib}(T)$   
 $A(T)$  : the electronic plus vibrational Helmholtz free energy,  
 $E(T) - T.S(T)$

Note that the electronic energy, which is part of the enthalpy and free energies, is set to zero because the reference energies of the elements in their standard state are unavailable.

Electronic energy = 0.00 kJ/mol (set to zero since reference energies are unavailable)

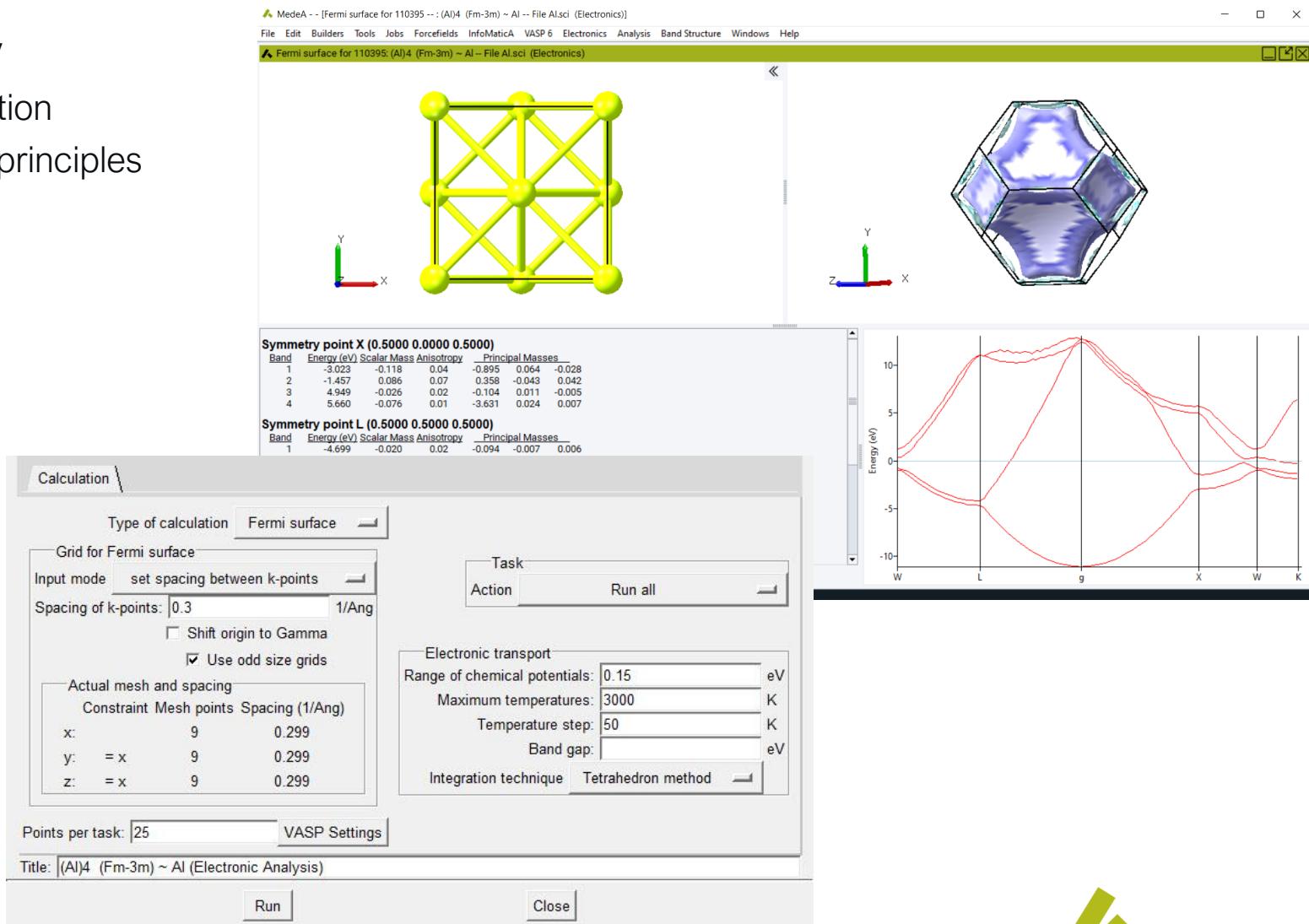
PV term = 0.35 kJ/mol

Zero-point energy = 13.52 kJ/mol

T K	$C_v$ J/K/mol	$E(T) - E(0)$ kJ/mol	$S(T)$ J/K/mol	$-(A(T) - E(0))$ kJ/mol	$E(T)$ kJ/mol	$A(T)$ kJ/mol
0	0.0000	0.0000	0.0000	-0.0000	13.5163	13.5163
1	0.0000	0.0000	0.0000	-0.0000	13.5163	13.5163
2	0.0000	0.0000	0.0000	-0.0000	13.5163	13.5163
3	0.0000	0.0000	0.0000	-0.0000	13.5163	13.5163
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15	0.0320	0.0001	0.0103	0.0000	13.5164	13.5163
20	0.0716	0.0004	0.0245	0.0001	13.5167	13.5162
30	0.2312	0.0018	0.0791	0.0006	13.5181	13.5157
40	0.5855	0.0056	0.1880	0.0019	13.5220	13.5144
50	1.2480	0.0145	0.3834	0.0047	13.5308	13.5117
60	2.2771	0.0318	0.6962	0.0099	13.5481	13.5064
70	3.6651	0.0613	1.1471	0.0190	13.5776	13.4973
80	5.3605	0.1062	1.7441	0.0334	13.6225	13.4829
90	7.2889	0.1692	2.4850	0.0544	13.6856	13.4619
100	9.3709	0.2524	3.3597	0.0835	13.7688	13.4328
125	14.7935	0.5544	6.0326	0.1996	14.0707	13.3167
150	19.9395	0.9897	9.1925	0.3892	14.5060	13.1271
175	24.4535	1.5461	12.6142	0.6614	15.0624	12.8549
200	28.2614	2.2064	16.1358	1.0207	15.7227	12.4956
225	31.4170	2.9527	19.6507	1.4697	16.4700	12.0481

# Electronics module

- Boltzmann theory: semiclassical theory
  - electrons follow classical equations of motion
  - electron velocity/effective mass from first principles
  - results depend on relaxation time
- calculated properties
  - electrical conductivity
  - thermopower (Seebeck coefficient)
  - thermal conductivity (electronic part)
  - electronic specific heat
  - Pauli paramagnetic susceptibility
  - Hall conductivity
- ▶ results vs. temperature or doping



# Electronics Module

- Three-dimensional isosurfaces of electronic energies (Fermi surfaces) in k-space
- Interactive analysis of effective masses for each band at any point in k-space
- Interpolated electronic band structure displayed for orientation
- Highly accurate effective mass tensors for selected electron or hole bands at requested points in k-space
- Electrical conductivity, thermal conductivity
- Thermoelectric power (Seebeck coefficient)
- Electronic specific heat
- Pauli paramagnetic susceptibility
- Hall coefficient



# Examples

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## Direct probe of the nuclear modes limiting charge mobility in molecular semiconductors<sup>†</sup>

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Full Length Article

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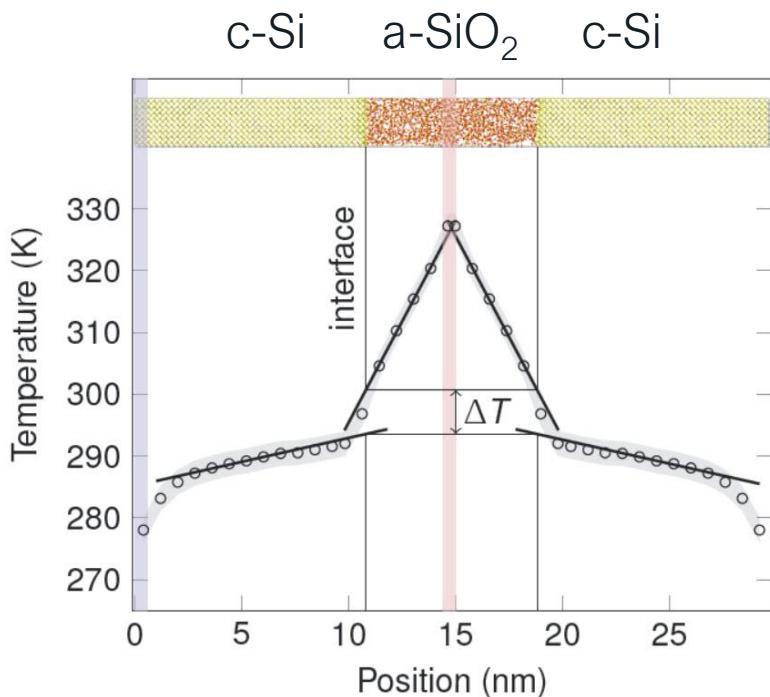
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# Thermal Conductivity

## Reverse non-equilibrium molecular dynamics

Sharp interface between crystalline Si and amorphous  $\text{SiO}_2$



A. France-Lanord, P. Soukiassian, C. Glattli, and E. Wimmer,  
J. Chem. Phys. **144**, 104705 (2016)

## Green-Kubo Approach

To examine isotope effects, 300K thermal conductivities for isotopically pure and 'natural' isotopic mixtures of pure Si and Ge were calculated (units:  $\text{Wm}^{-1}\text{K}^{-1}$ )

	Isotopically Pure	Isotopic Mixture	Expt(*)
Si	272	128	130
Ge	98	37	58

\* <http://www.ioffe.rssi.ru/SVA/NSM/Semicond/SiGe/thermal.htm>

# Example

THE JOURNAL OF CHEMICAL PHYSICS **144**, 104705 (2016)

## ***Ab initio* parameterization of a charge optimized many-body forcefield for Si–SiO<sub>2</sub>: Validation and thermal transport in nanostructures**

Arthur France-Lanord,<sup>1,2,a)</sup> Patrick Soukiassian,<sup>2</sup> Christian Glattli,<sup>2</sup> and Erich Wimmer<sup>1</sup>

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## **Thermal conductivity of nanostructured Si<sub>x</sub>Ge<sub>1-x</sub> in amorphous limit by molecular dynamics simulation**

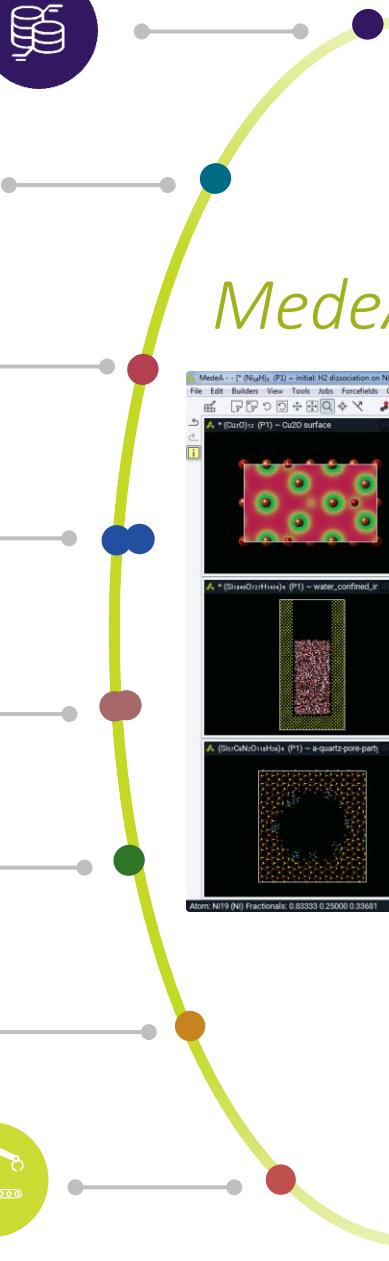
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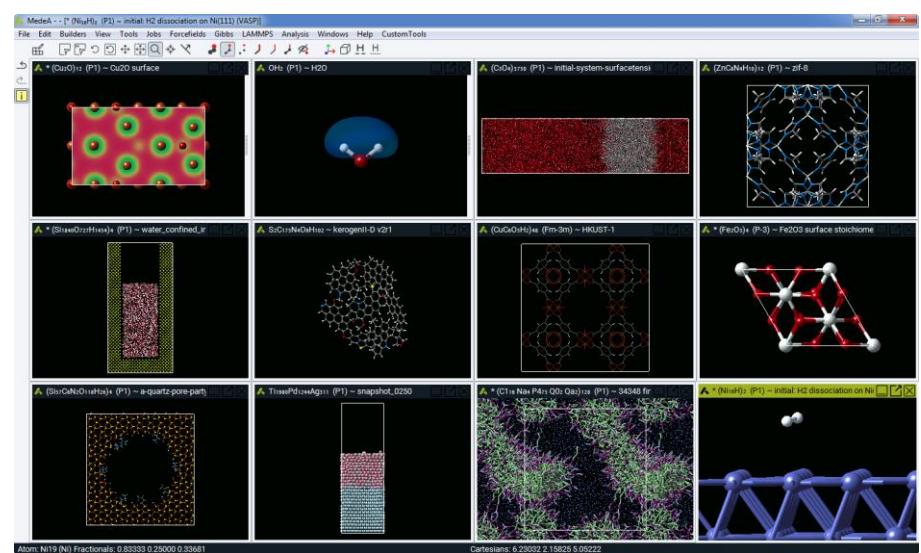
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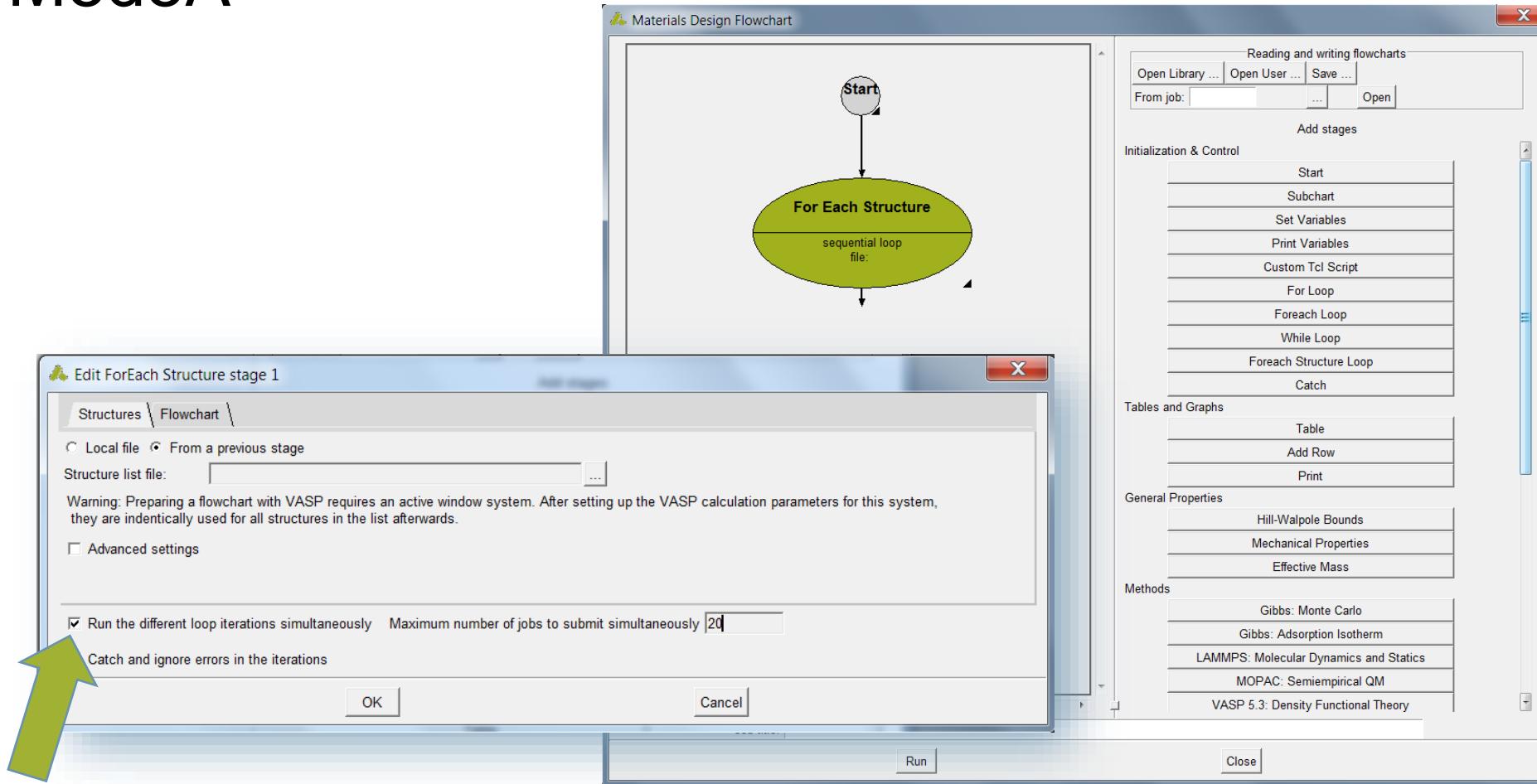
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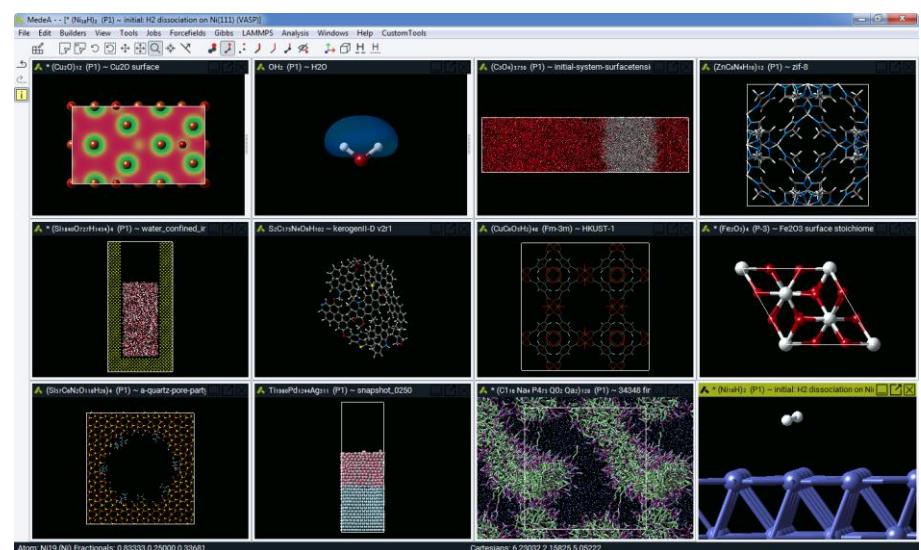


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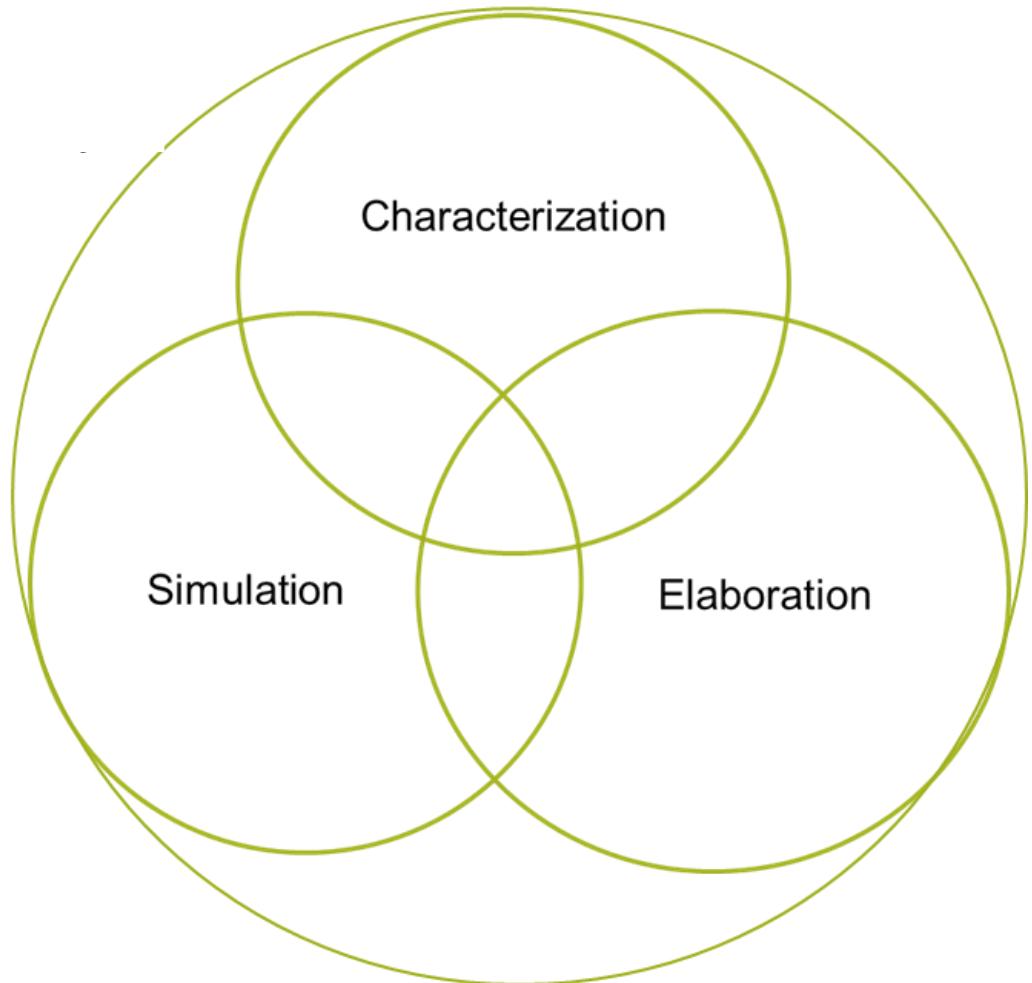
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- MedeA's **three-tier architecture** lets you submit compute jobs to local or remote compute resources.
- Parallel task processing and MedeA's high-throughput job control guarantee optimal performance on workstations and HPC platforms under Windows and Linux alike.
- Submit your workflow, turn off your workstation or laptop and take a break! – Or join a meeting!
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- Workflows may include multiple stages involving several solvers, intermediate analysis and building, and even on-the-fly graphical analysis. - Though you still need to write the report or paper yourself. ☺



The JobServer interprets the flowchart...  
...and automates the process.

# Conclusion



MedeA helps focus on key objectives such as materials screening, design of experiment and scientific analysis, rather than dealing with shell programming, file formats, command lines and syntax issues.

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-Michael L. Zerkle, Ph.D.  
Senior Advisor, Reactor Physics Methods Development,  
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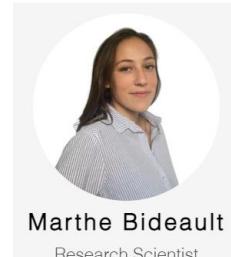
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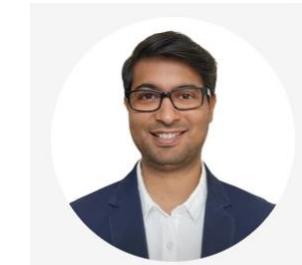
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