

# Many-body electronic structure theory: Is Quantum Monte-Carlo affordable for molecular crystals?

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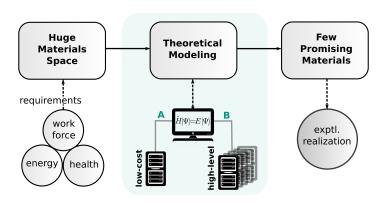
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# Materials discovery can employ computational models





A: approximate models & local computer cluster

B: high-level models & world leading computational facility

# Exact simulation of extended systems computationally very demanding

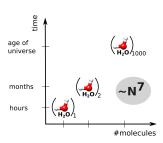


Paul Adrian Maurice Dirac (1902-1984)



"The underlying physical laws (...) of a large part of physics and the **whole of chemistry** are thus completely known,

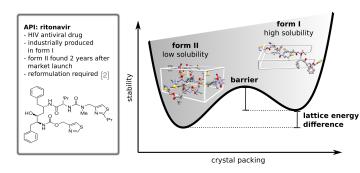
and the difficulty is only that the exact application of these laws leads to equations much too complicated to be soluble"<sup>[1]</sup>



<sup>[1]</sup>P. A. M. Dirac, *Proc. Roy. Soc. Ser. A* 123, 714 (1929)

# Academic and industrial interest in molecular materials





- tools to predict possible polymorphs would be valuable<sup>[3]</sup>
  - → Currently no high-level method applicable

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## Multilevel methodologies: Finding the right compromise



	task/property	example method
accurate QM	single-point energy	DLPNO-CCSD(T) DMC, RPA+SE
cheap QM	optimization	metaGGA (SCAN-D3 $^{[4]}$ ) HSE-3c $^{[5,6]}$
very cheap QM	optimization/Hessians conformations	semi-empirical HF-3c <sup>[7,8]</sup> , DFTB3-D3 <sup>[9]</sup>
force field	dynamics conformational sampling	transferable or molecule specific (QM derived) FF

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## **Quantum Monte-Carlo in a nutshell:**



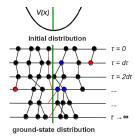
## A scalable high-level method

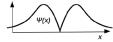
#### Fixed-node diffusion Monte-Carlo

- 1) Enforce nodal surface of Fermions  $\Gamma = \{ \mathbf{R}; |\Psi_T\rangle = 0 \}$
- 2) Walkers in configuration space  $|\Psi_T(\mathbf{R}, \tau)\rangle = \text{hist} \left[\sum \delta(\mathbf{R} \mathbf{R_i}(\tau))\right]$
- 3) Diffusion in imaginary time

$$\partial_{ au} |\Psi_{T}(\mathbf{R}, au) 
angle = \left[ \frac{1}{2} \nabla_{\mathbf{R}}^{2} - (V - E_{T}) \right] |\Psi_{T}(\mathbf{R}, au) 
angle$$

4) Projection to exact ground state  $|\Psi_0(\mathbf{R})\rangle = \lim_{ au o \infty} \exp\left[- au(\hat{H} - E_T)\right] |\Psi_T(\mathbf{R}, au)\rangle$ 





- low-scaling (N³) with system size
- scalable to high-performance computing facilities

[10] M. Ďubecký, L. Mitas, P. Jurečkaâ, Chem. Rev. 116, 5188 (2016)

# New QMC algorithm leads to substantial speed up



{non-published data}

- new size-consistent implementation reduces  $\Delta \tau$  error drastically<sup>[11]</sup>
- Model periodic Coulomb for finite size correction [12]

[12] L. M. Fraser, W. M. C. Foulkes, G. Rajagopal, R. J. Needs, S. D. Kenny, A. J. Williamson, *Phys. Rev. B* 53, 1814 (1996).

<sup>[11]</sup> A. Zen, S. Sorella, M. J. Gillan, A. Michaelides, D. Alfé, *Phys. Rev. B* 93, 241118(R) (2016).

# Scheme for performing DMC calculations



5 step procedure to assess lattice energy of a molecular crystal

- (i) GeometriesDFT-D geometries at experimental density
- (ii) Independent particle finite size error (IPFSE) For a Ixmxn MP grid:  $IPFSE_{lmn}^{DFT} = E_{crys}^{DFT,lmn} E_{crys}^{DFT,\infty}$
- (iii) Jastrow optimization Optimize Jastrow factor of the QMC wavefunction on a small cell, test its reliability on molecular dimers.
- (iv) DMC time step Check the time step dependence either on the cell used in step (iii) or on the molecular dimer.
- (v) Final DMC calculation of E<sub>latt</sub>
   Use cell with IPFSE<sup>DFT</sup><sub>Imn</sub> < 10 kJ/mol, perform DMC simulation for this crystal using MPC, add IPFSE to result.</li>

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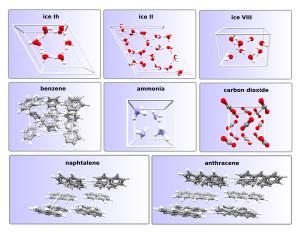
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### Diverse interactions in test cases





- strong H-bonds, vdW of saturated and unsaturated molecules
- problematic for all readily applicable methods (DFT-D, MP2)

## Close agreement between CCSD(T) and DMC on dimers



- dimers extracted from crystal structure
- CCSD(T)-F12 / cc-pV(T,Q)Z-F12for CO<sub>2</sub> and NH<sub>3</sub>
- L-DLPNO-CCSD(T) / cc-pV(T,Q)Z (tight settings for rest)[13]

{non-published data}

- largest deviation of 0.5 kJ/mol
  - → good agreement between different high-level methods

[14] Y. S. Al-Hamdani, M. Rossi, D. Alfè, T. Tsatsoulis, B. Ramberger, JGB, A. Zen, G. Kresse, A. Grüneis, A. Tkatchenko, A. Michaelides J. Chem. Phys. 147, 044710 (2017).

<sup>[13]</sup> C. Riplinger, B. Sandhoefer, A. Hansen, F. Neese, J. Chem. Phys. 139, 134101 (2013).

# QMC delivers (sub-) chemical accuracy for all tested systems



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- excellent agreement with experiment and CCSD(T)<sup>[14]</sup>
- uncertainty in  $H_{\text{sub}}^{\text{exp}}$  probably larger than DMC errors

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# QMC is feasible within one day on standard computer cluster



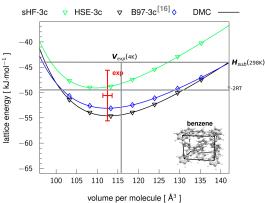
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 up to three orders of magnitude speed-up compared to best DMC practice two years ago<sup>[15]</sup>

[15] A. Zen, JGB, J. Klimeš, A. Tkatchenko, D. Alfè, A. Michaelides, submitted

## Substantial uncertainty in measured sublimation enthalpies





- zero-point and thermal effects crucial for comparing to measurement
- uncertainty of  $\propto$  4 kJ/mol for semi-experimental lattice energy

[16] JGB, C. Bannwarth, A. Hansen, S. Grimme, submitted.

# Close agreement with reference for equation of state of solid benzene



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- new references valuable for testing approximate methods
- find hierarchy sHF-3c ightarrow HSE-3c ightarrow B97-3c

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## **Summary**



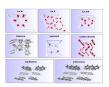
#### **Conclusions**

- DMC delivers (sub-) chemical accuracy
- DMC for molecular crystals is feasible on standard computer cluster
- references valuable for approximate QM methods

### **Outlook**

- explore systems like APIs, OLEDs, MOFs, where high-level accuracy is needed
  - ightarrow ritonavir polymorphs running





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