

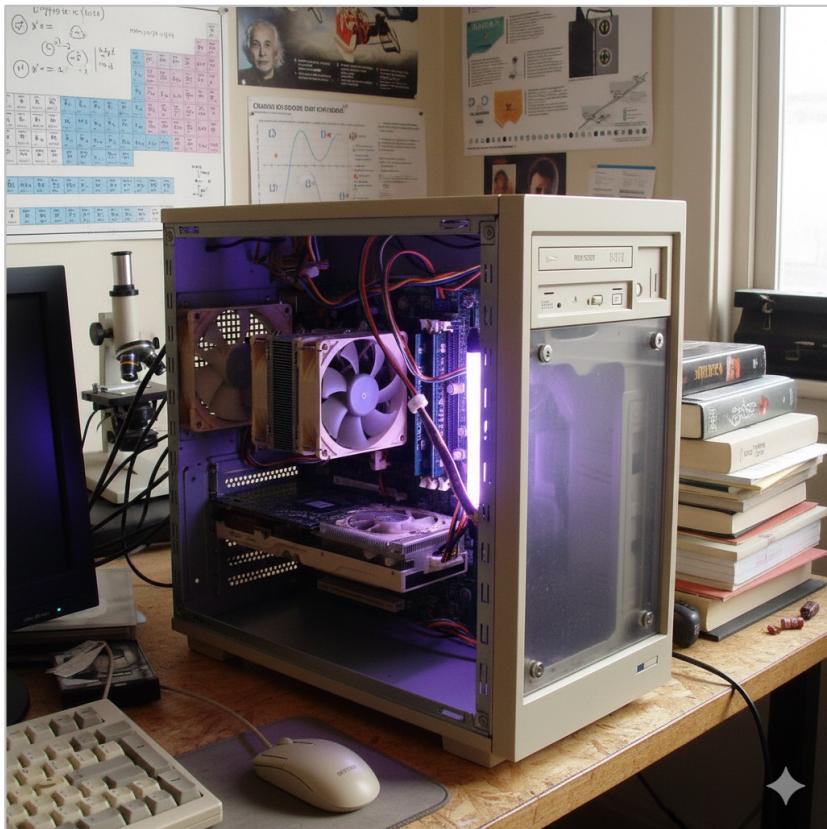
# Quantum Simulations and Machine Learning for Future Materials Technologies

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2003 - High field transport phenomena in wide bandgap semiconductors.



Pentium 4 – 2GHz  
512 MB RAM  
Red Hat Linux

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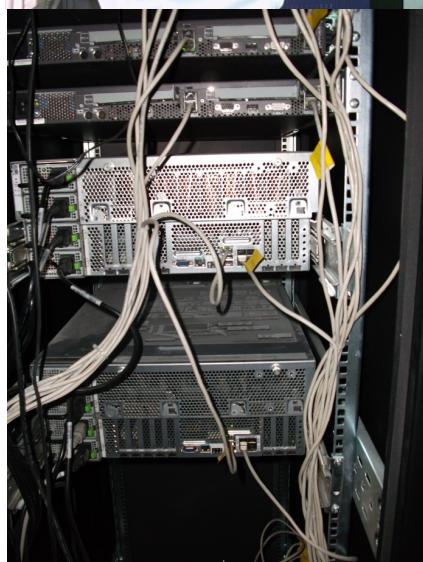
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Pentium 4 – 3.4 GHz  
1 GB RAM  
GB Ethernet Connected  
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5 Nodes

AMD Opteron 2 x dual-core

1 Node

AMD Opteron 4 x dual-core

8 GB

GB Ethernet Connected

Fedora

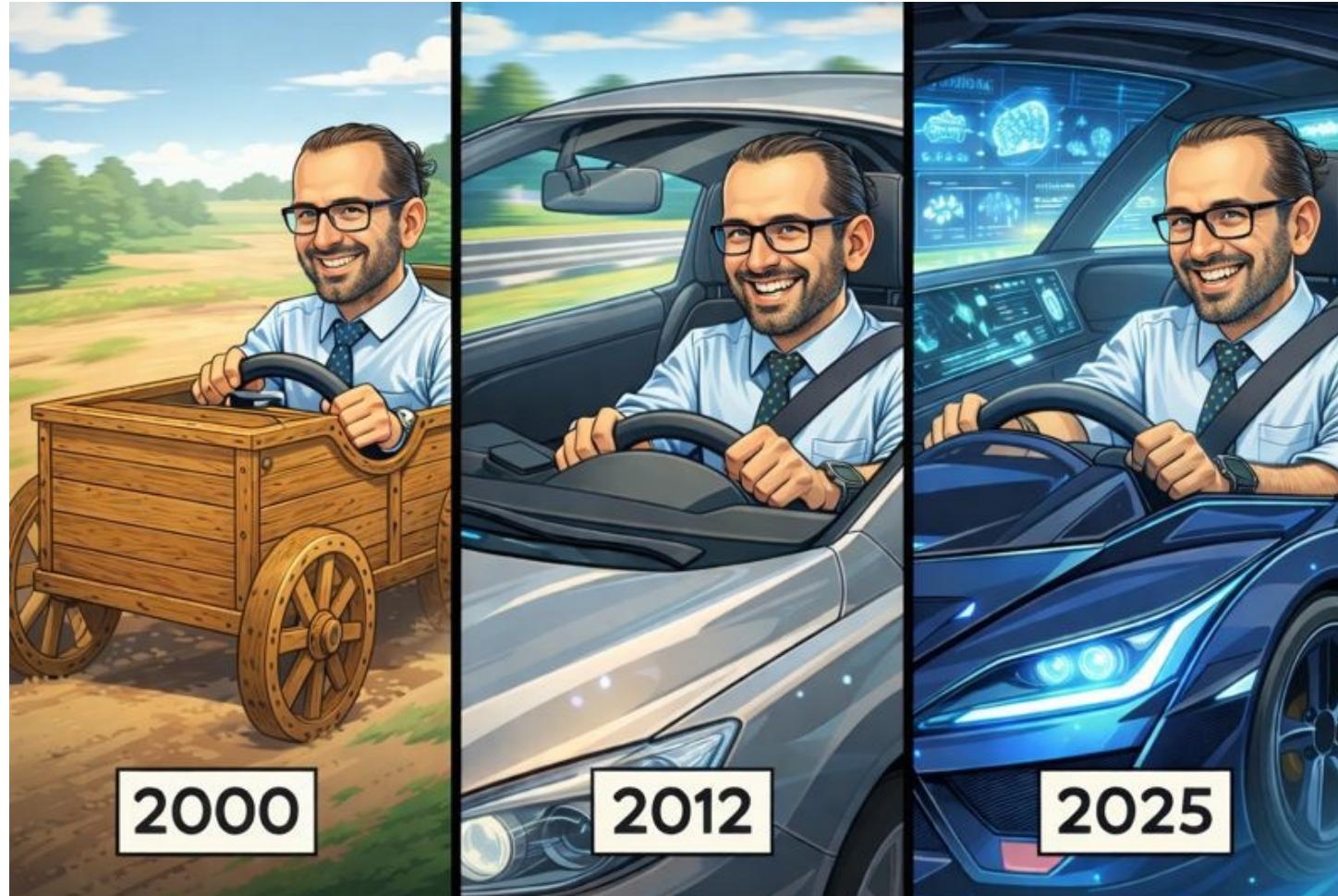
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2012 – Electronic and thermal transport properties of 2D materials

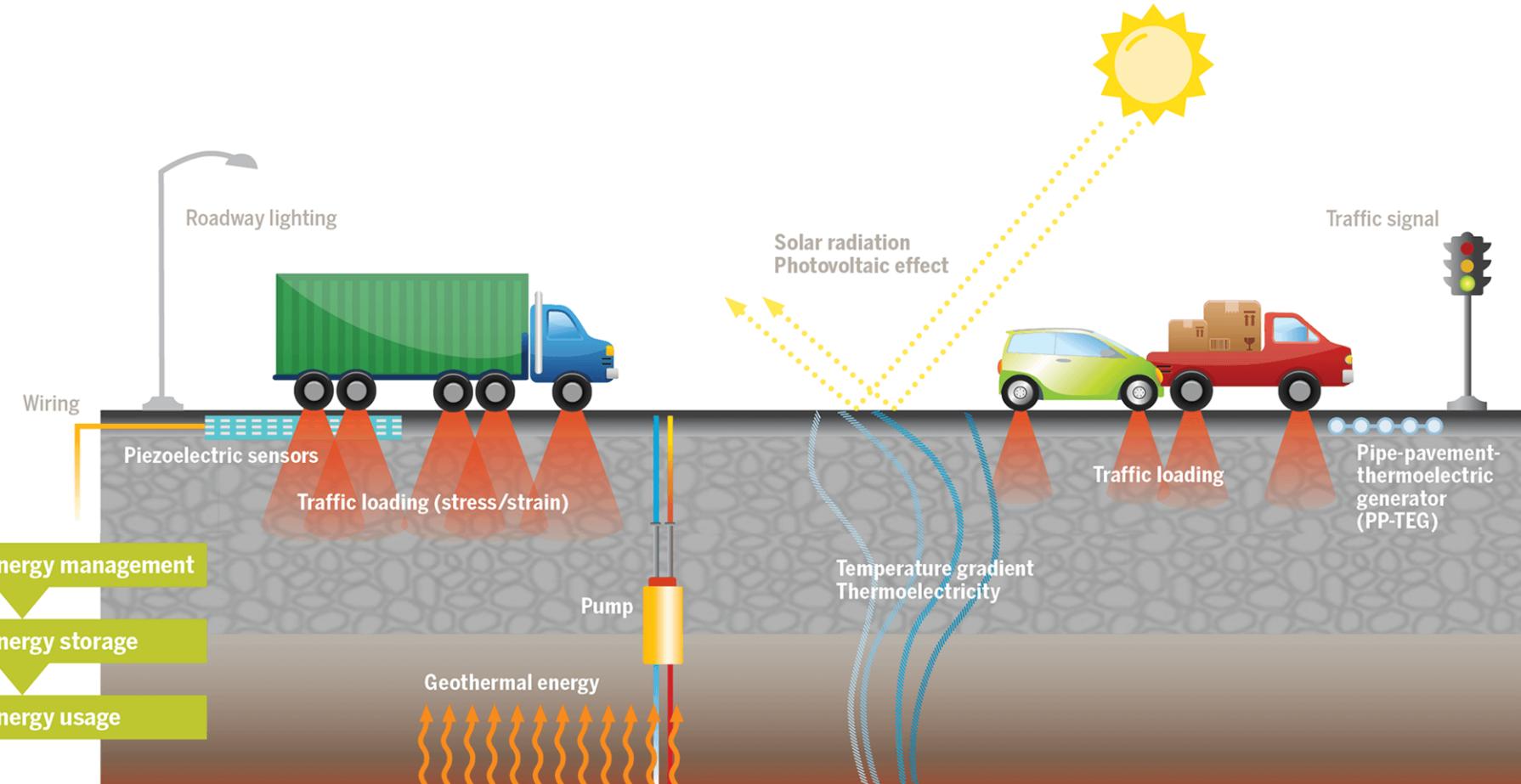


15 Nodes  
2 Intel Xenon E5 8 cores  
64 GB  
InfiniBand connected  
Rock Cluster

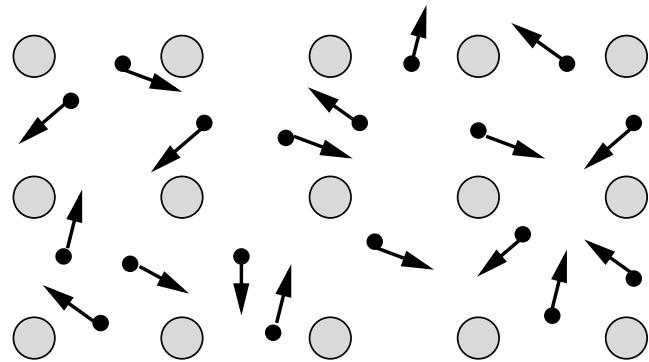
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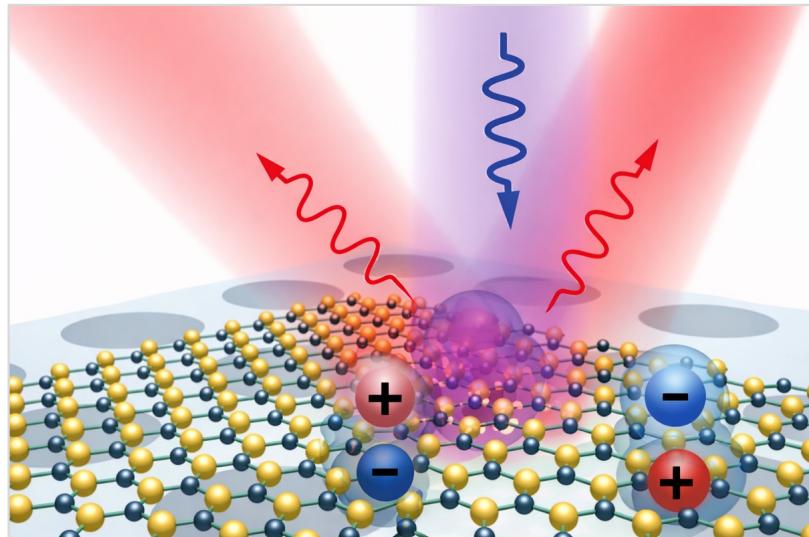
$$\hat{H}_e = \sum_i \frac{\hat{\mathbf{p}}_i^2}{2m} + \frac{1}{2} \sum_{i \neq i'} \frac{e^2}{|\mathbf{r}_i - \mathbf{r}_{i'}|},$$

$$\hat{H}_n = \sum_j \frac{\hat{\mathbf{P}}_j^2}{2M_j} + \frac{1}{2} \sum_{j \neq j'} \frac{Z_j Z_{j'} e^2}{|\mathbf{R}_j - \mathbf{R}_{j'}|},$$

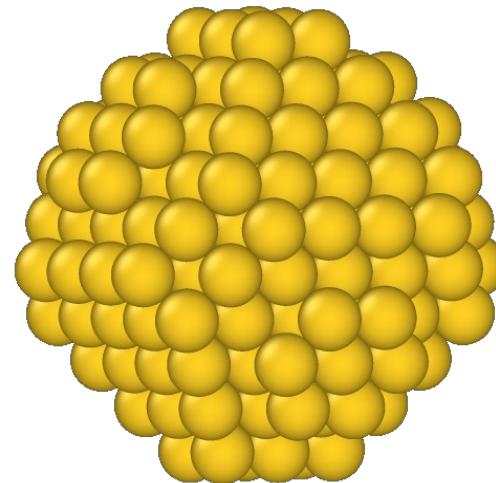
$$\hat{H}_{n-e} = - \sum_{i,j} \frac{Z_j e^2}{|\mathbf{r}_i - \mathbf{R}_j|},$$

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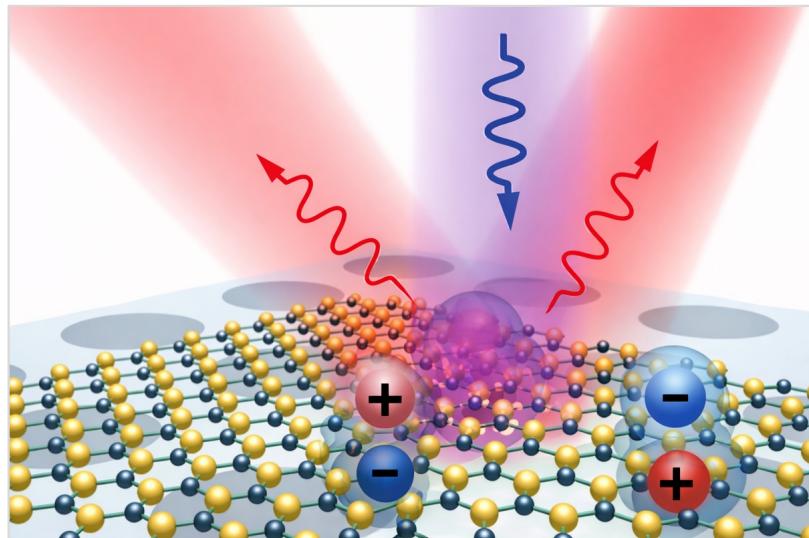


## Machine Learning Interatomic Potentials for Materials



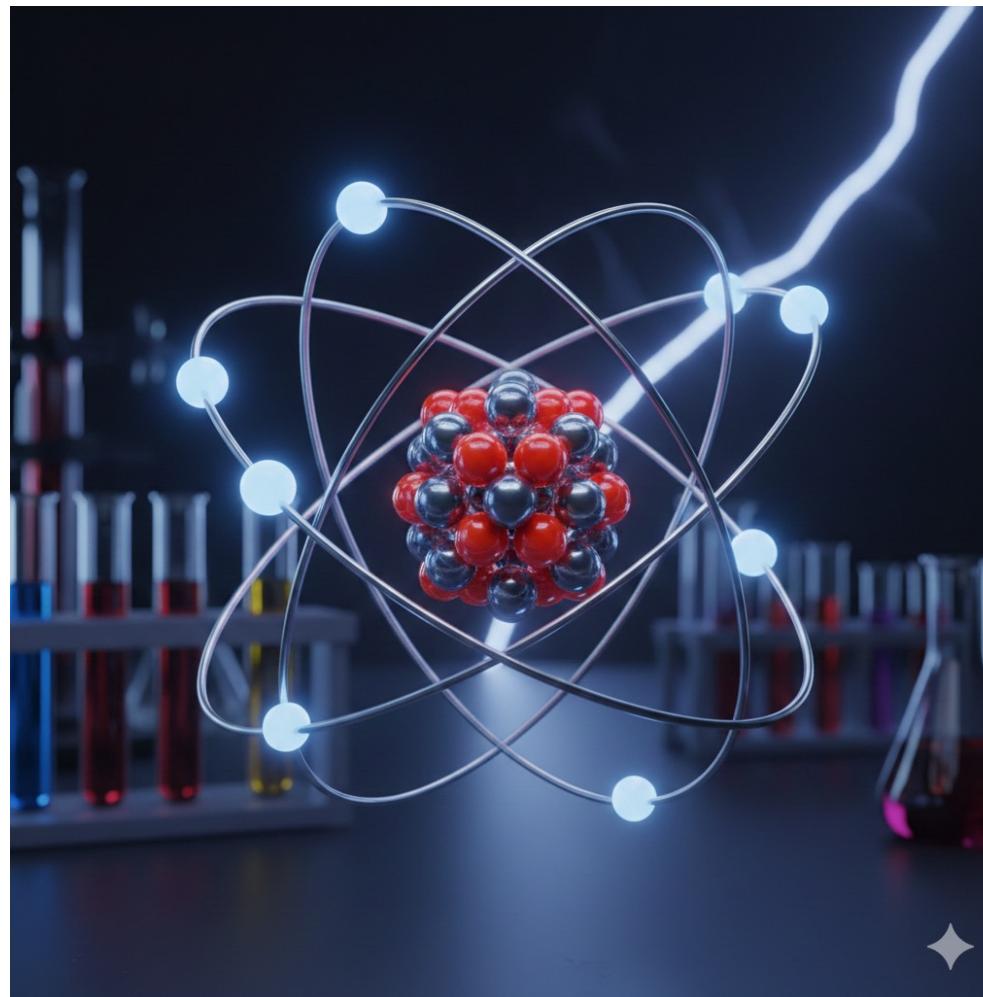
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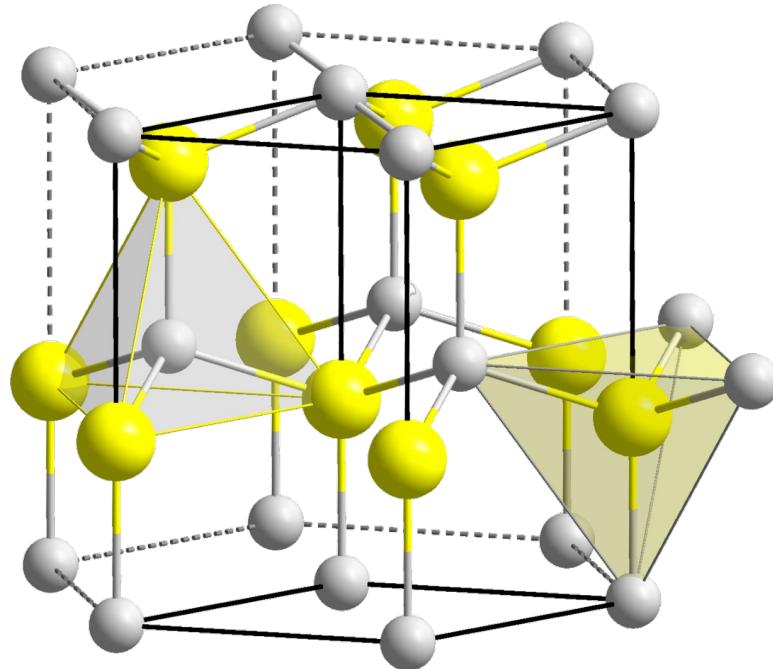
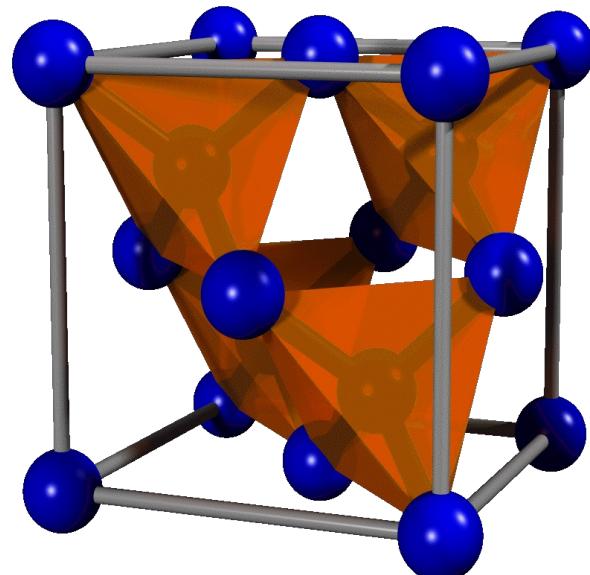


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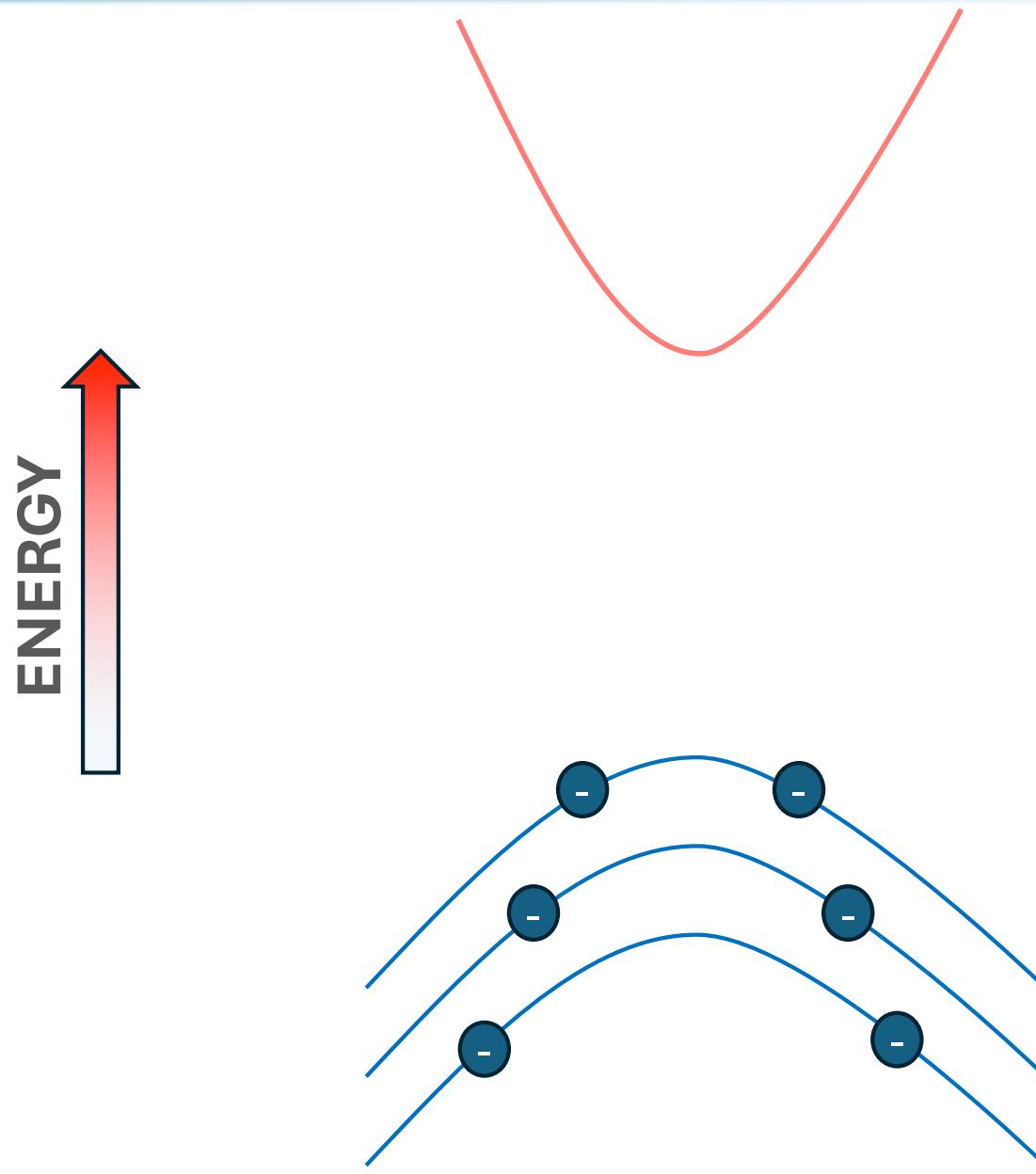
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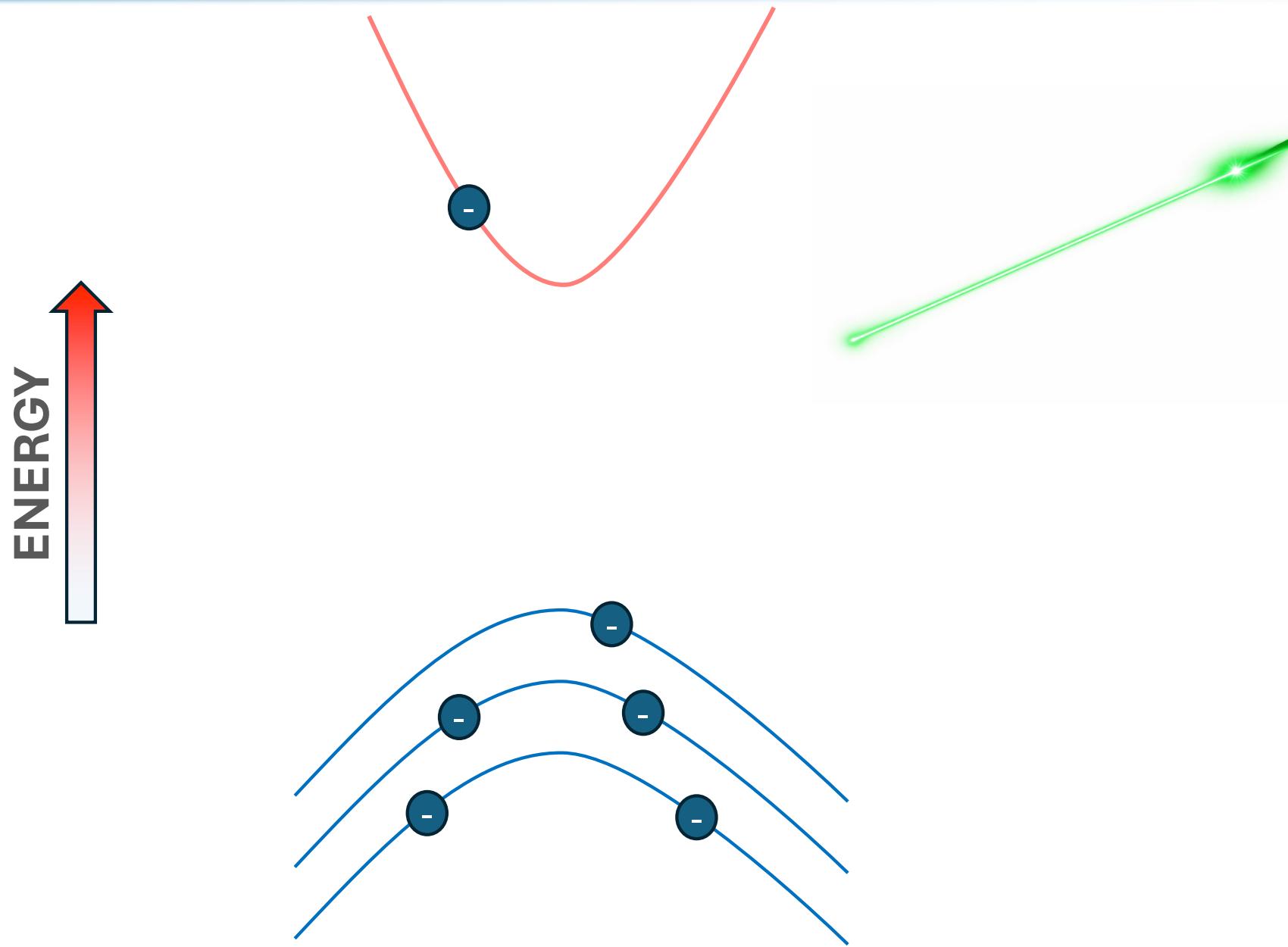
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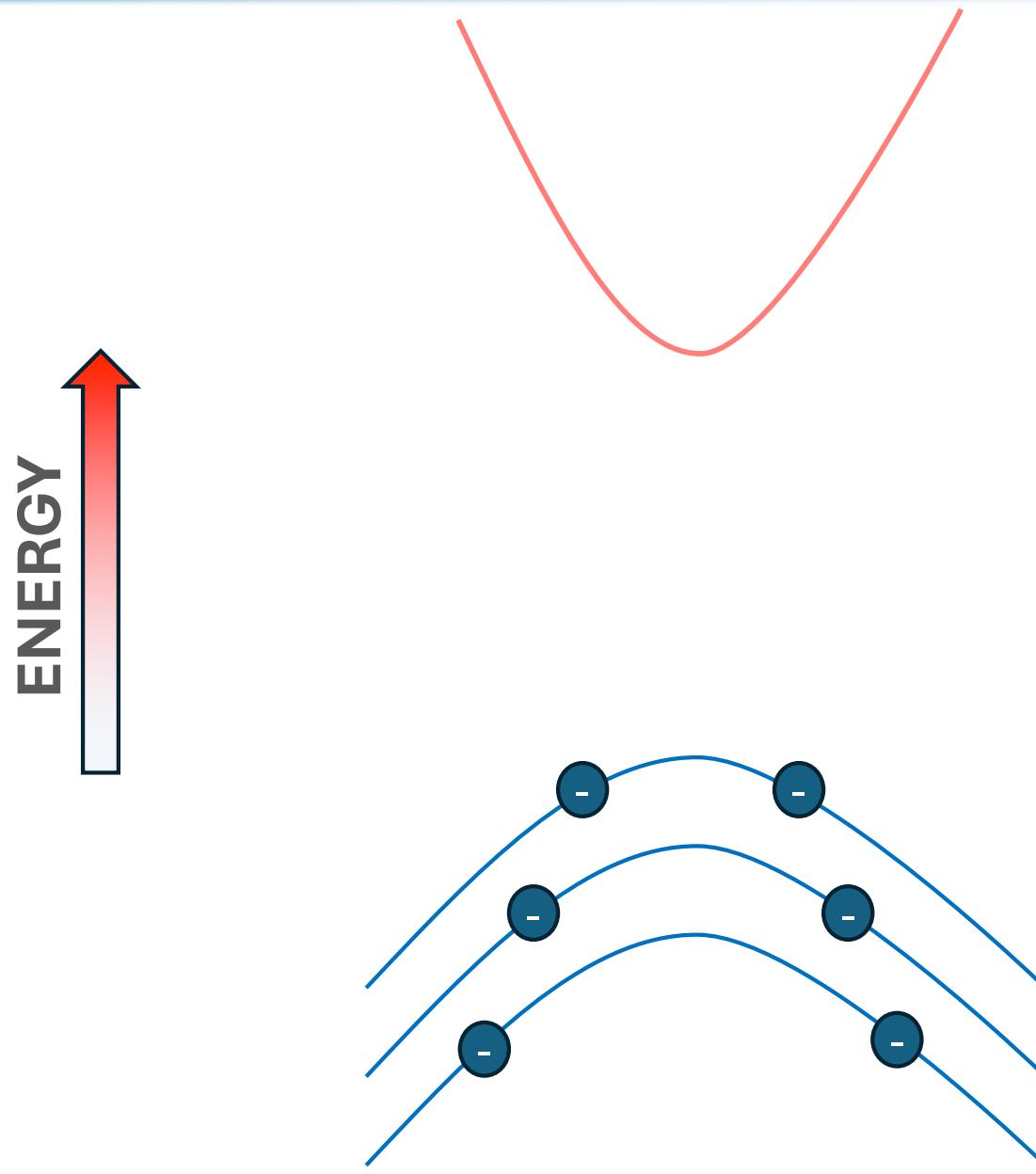
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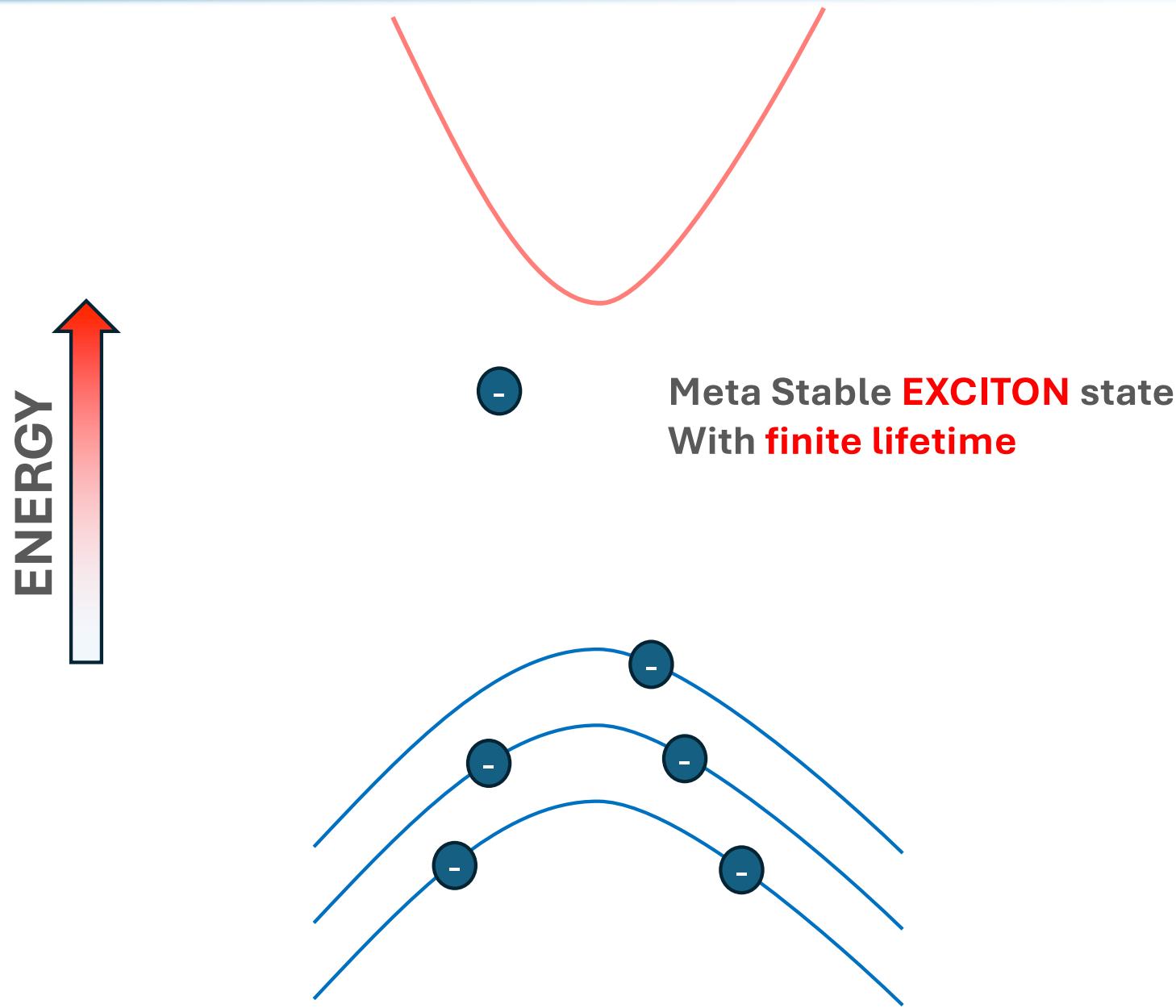
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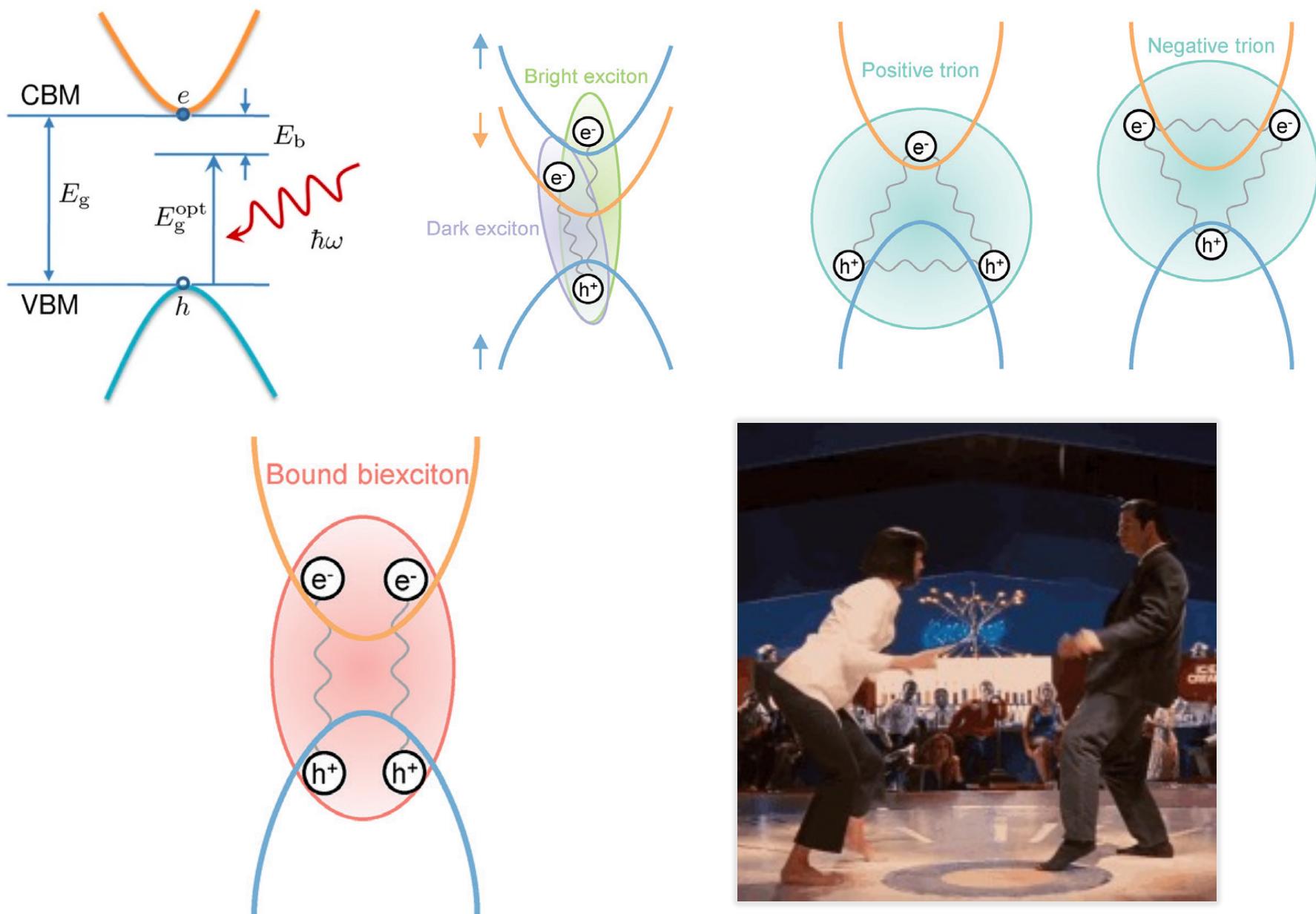
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## Conduction

## Band gap is wrong

## Valence

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## Exchange

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## Excitons in mesoscopically reconstructed moiré heterostructures

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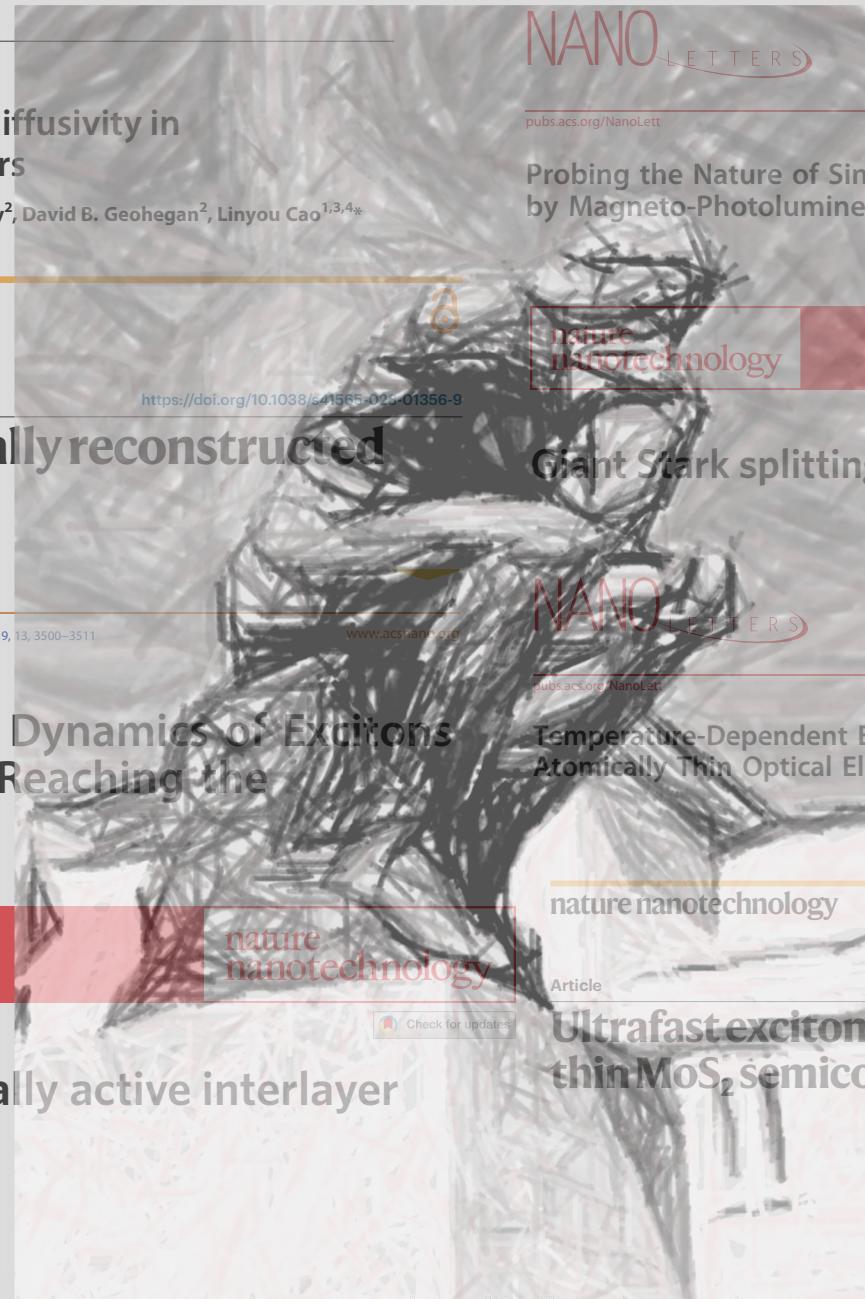
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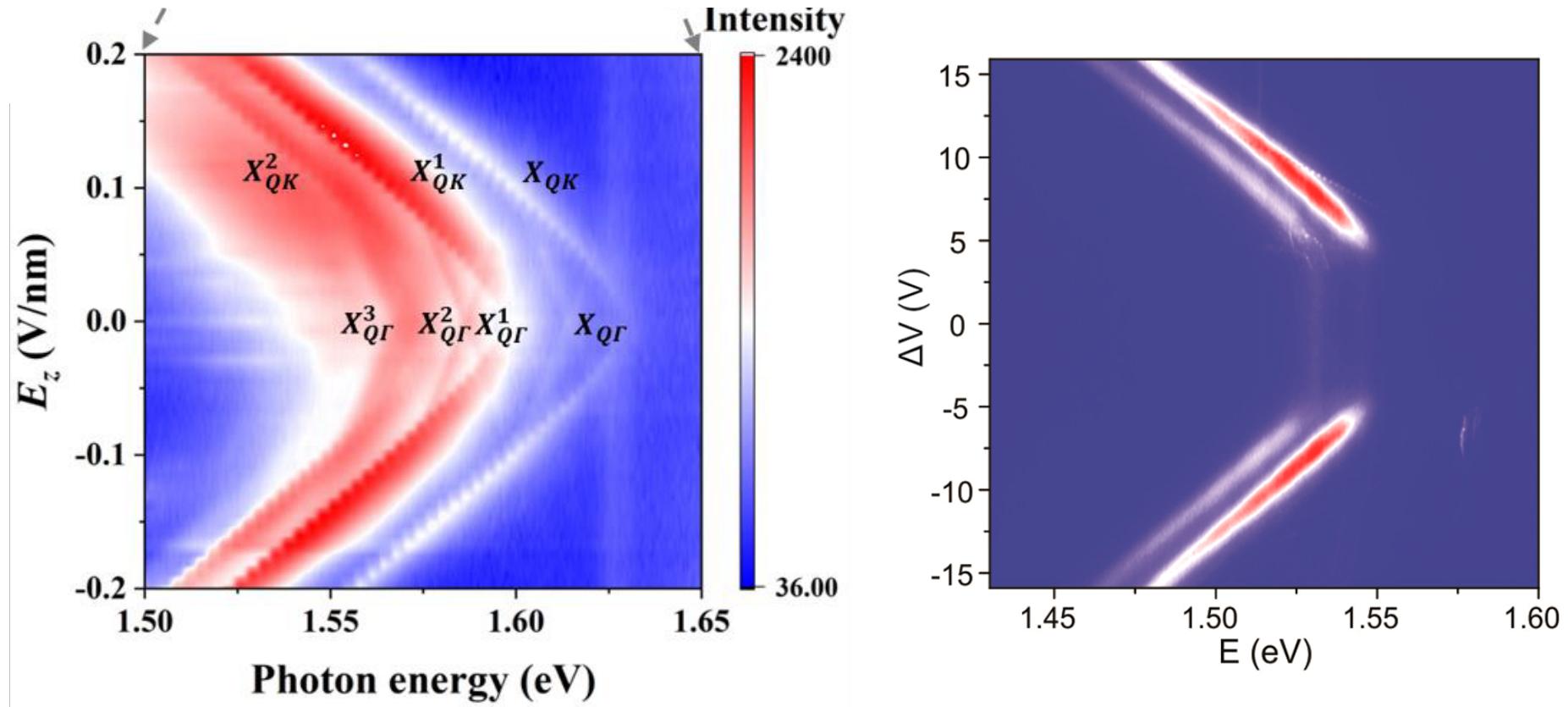
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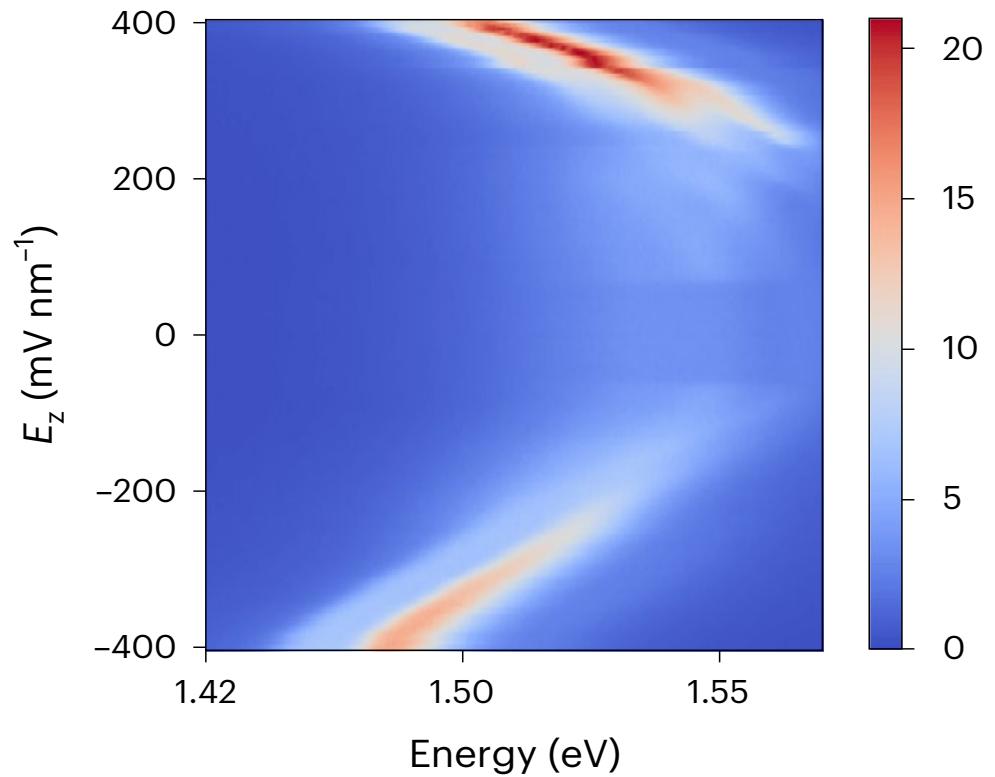
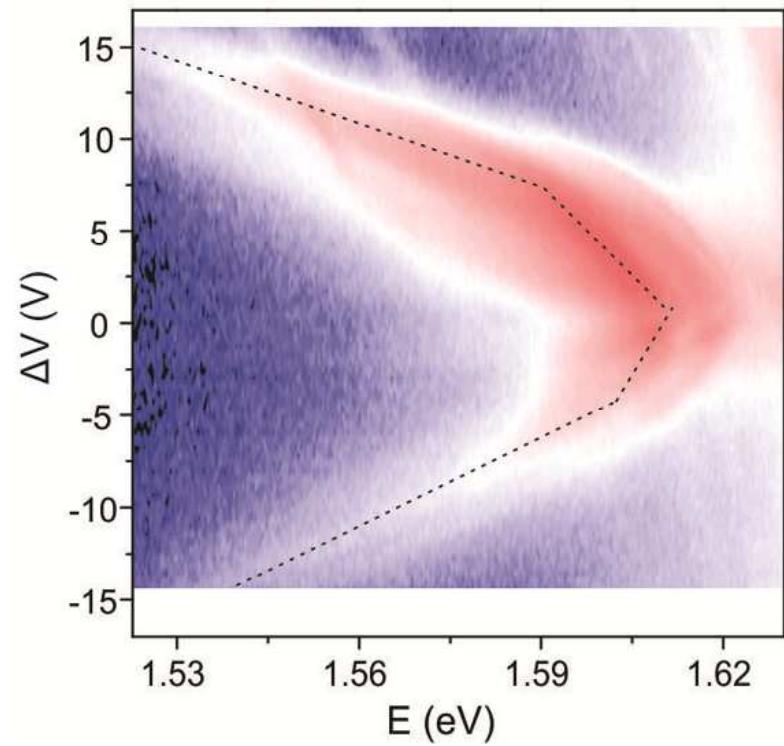
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20 h/case in 2 Tier-1 nodes

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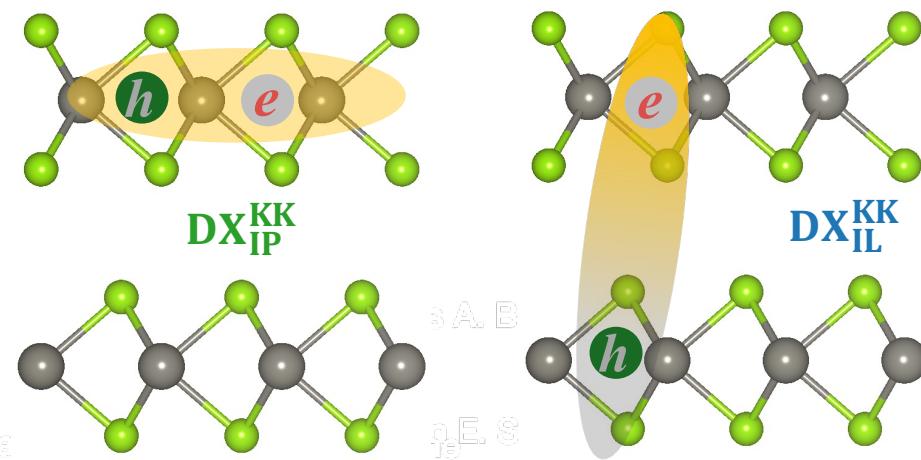
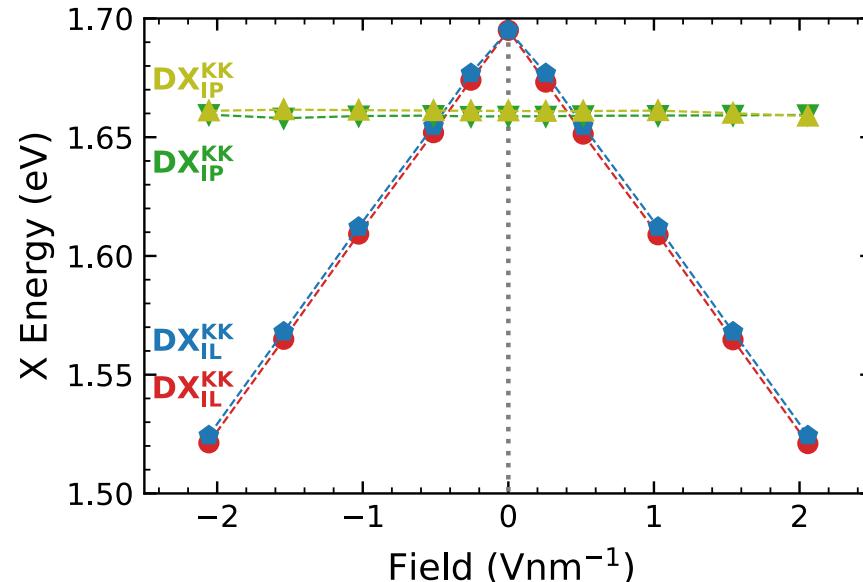
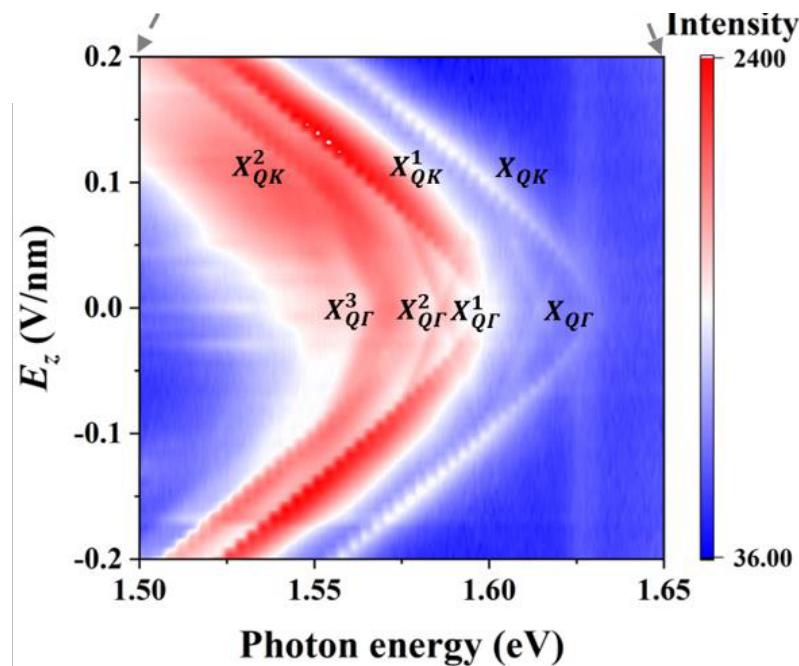
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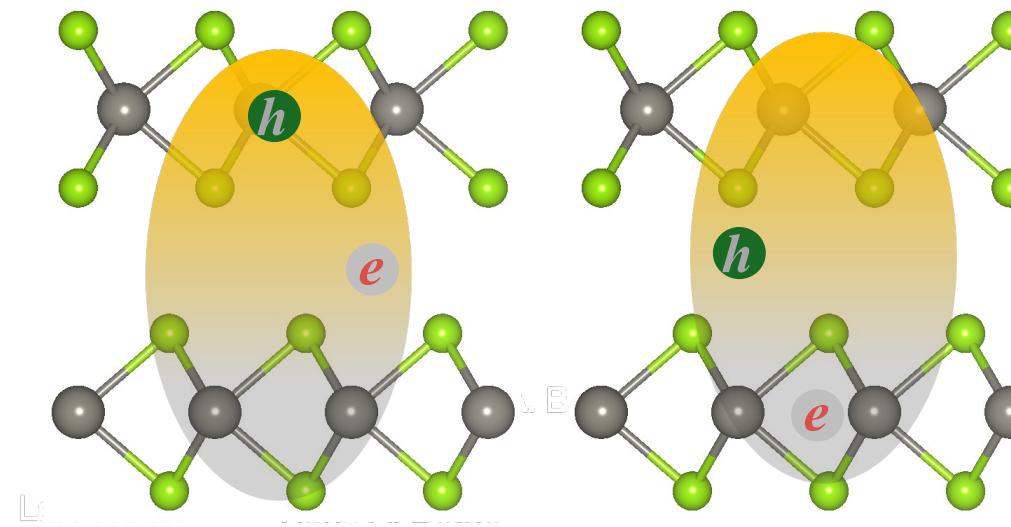
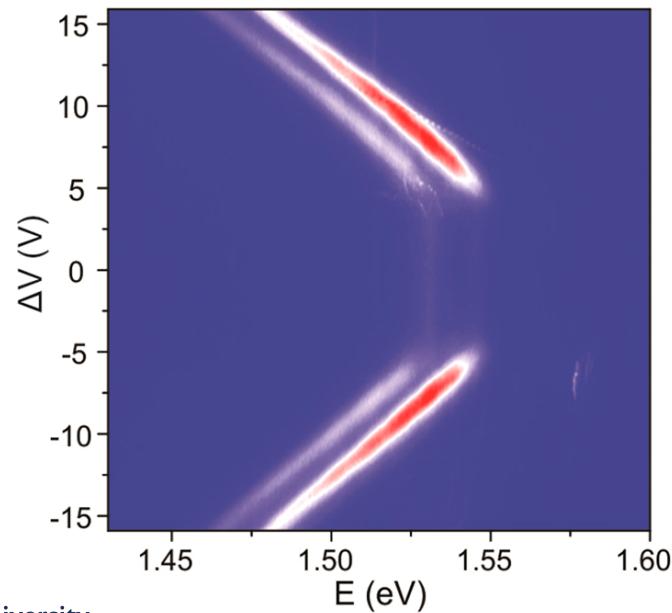
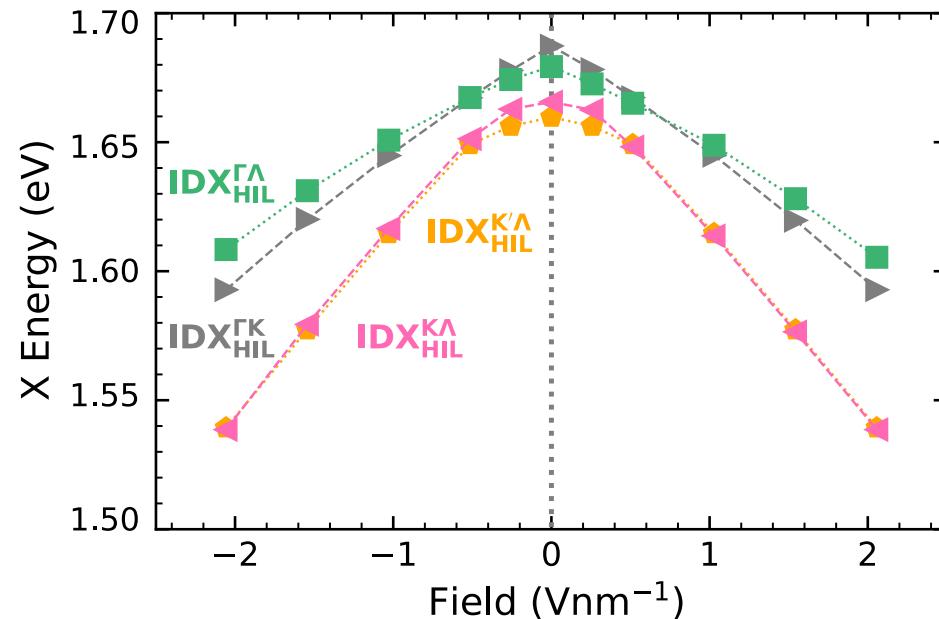
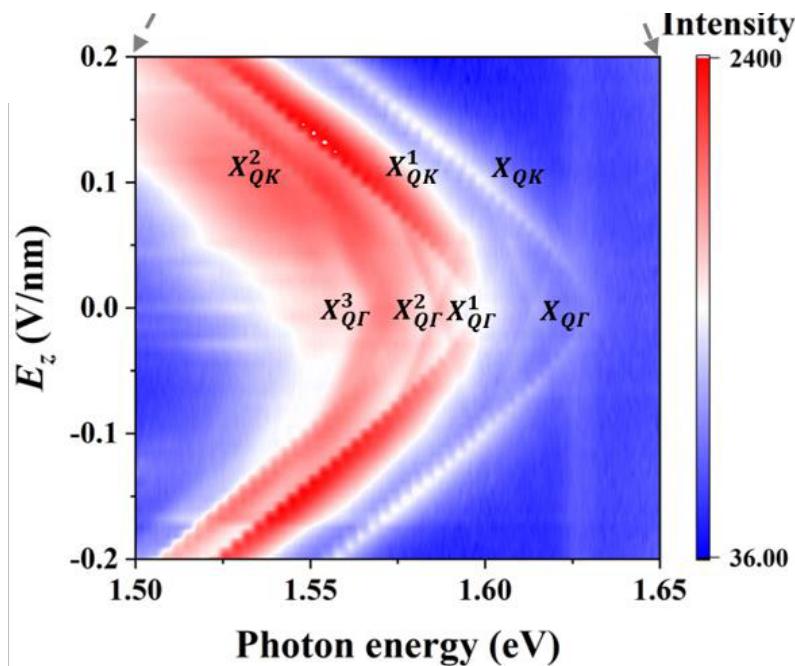
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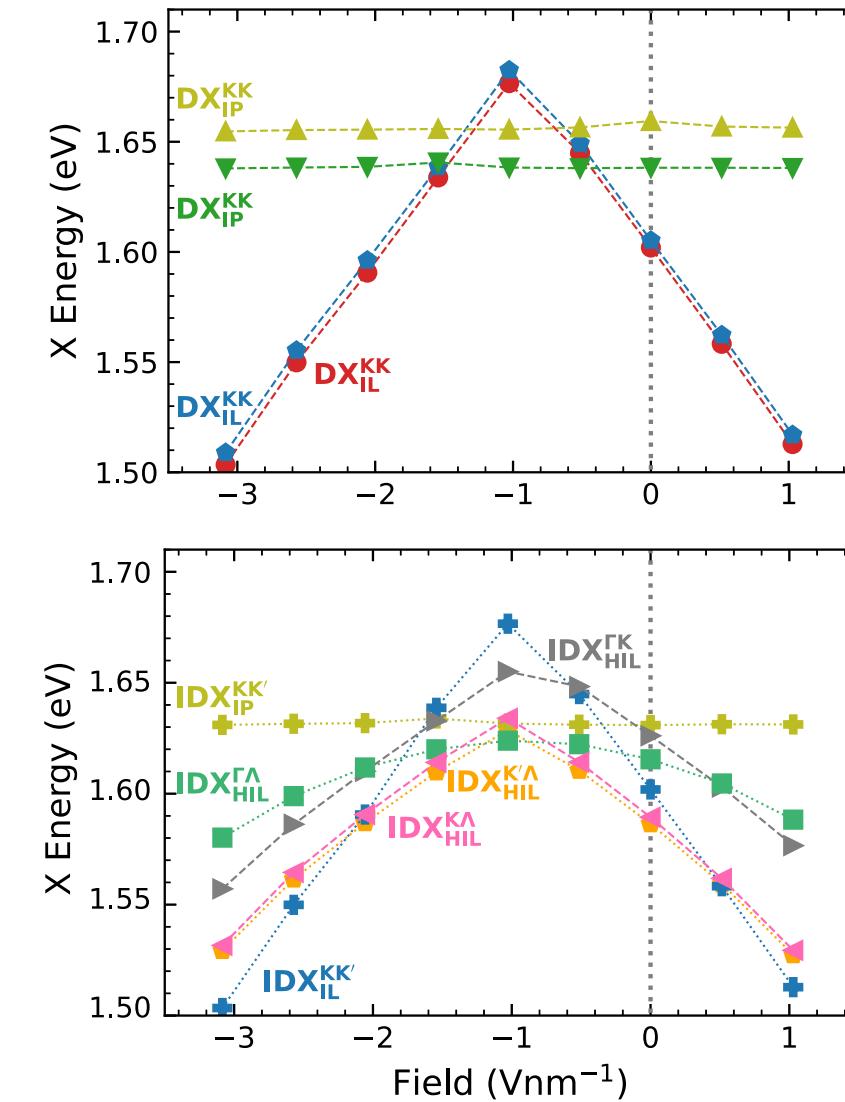
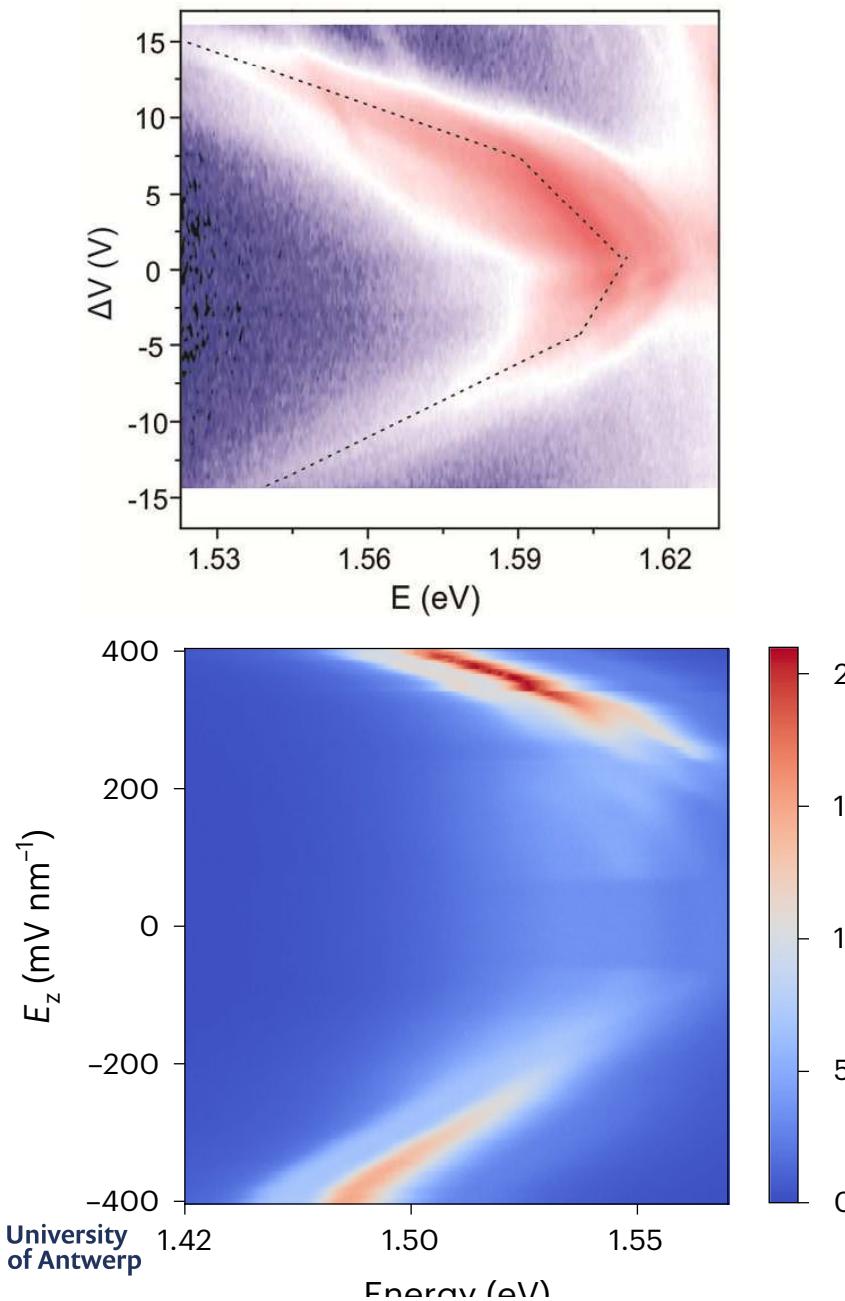


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## AB band structure



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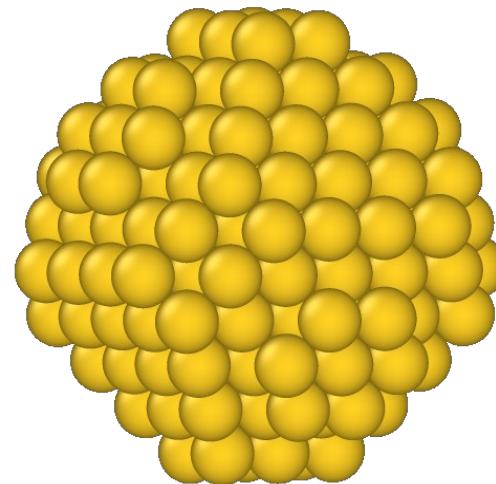
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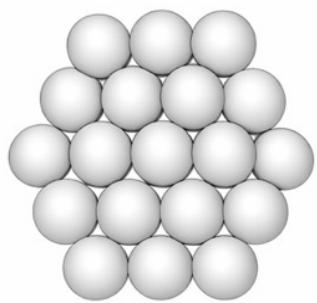
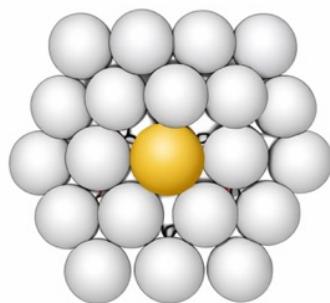
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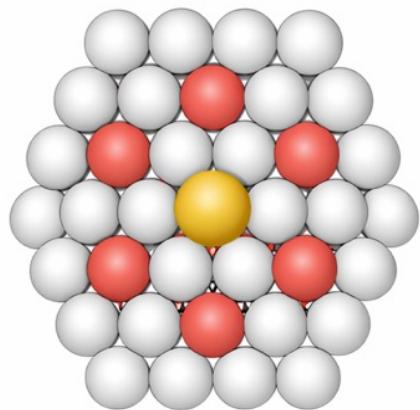
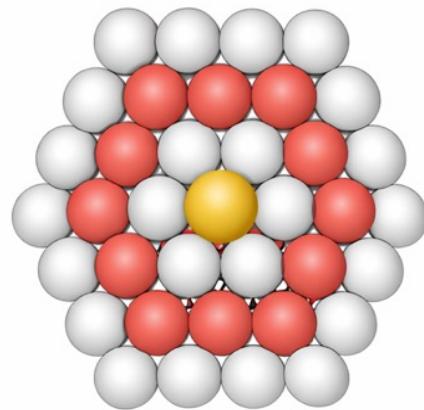


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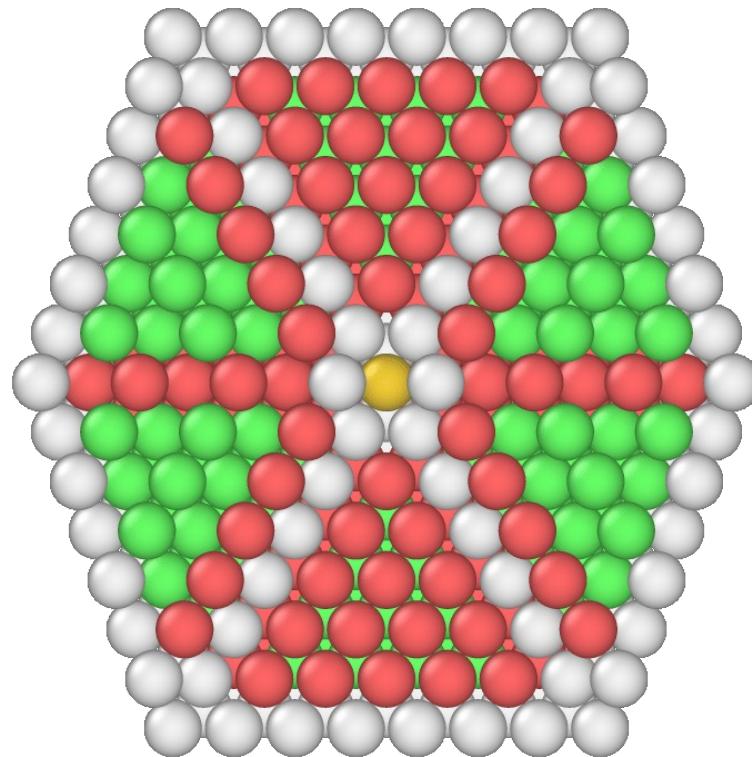
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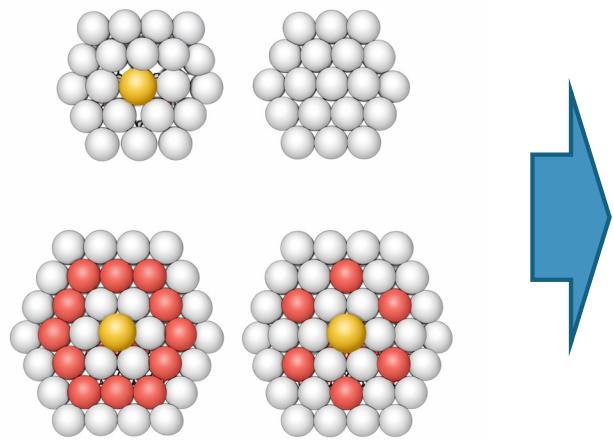
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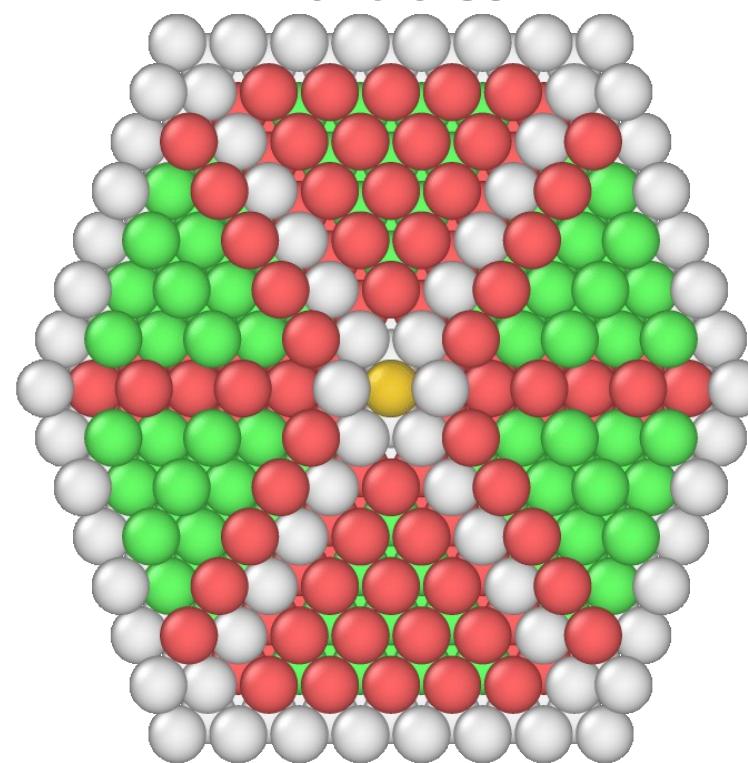


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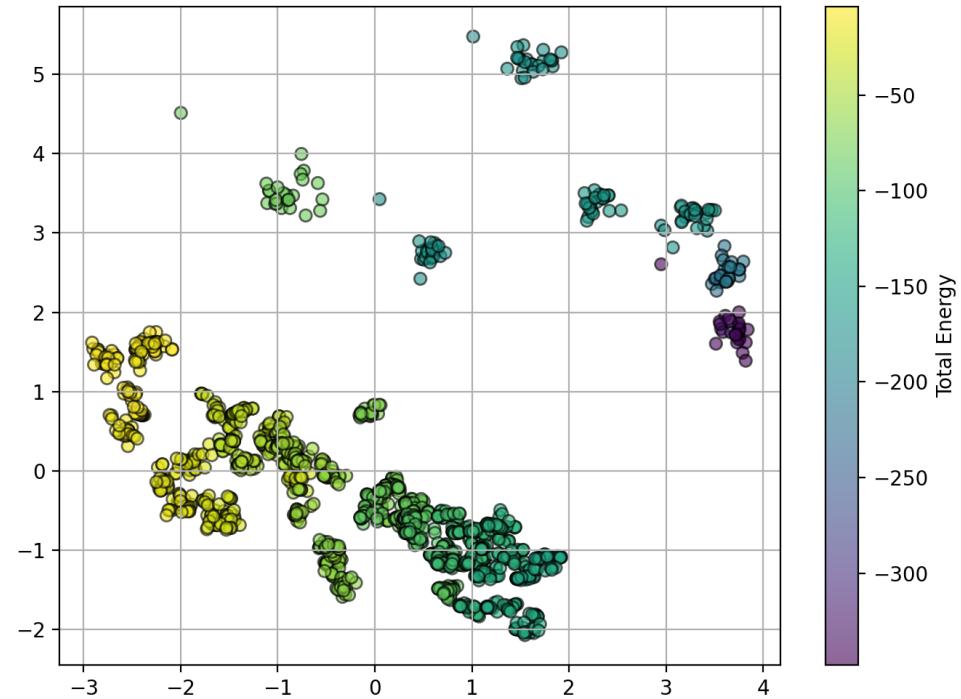
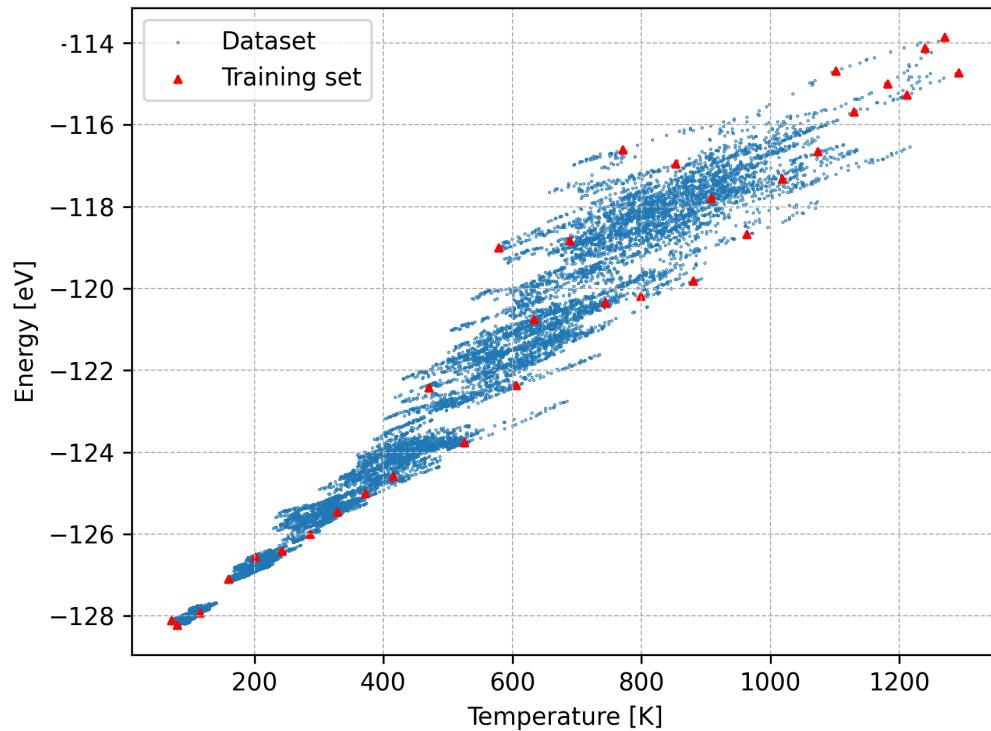
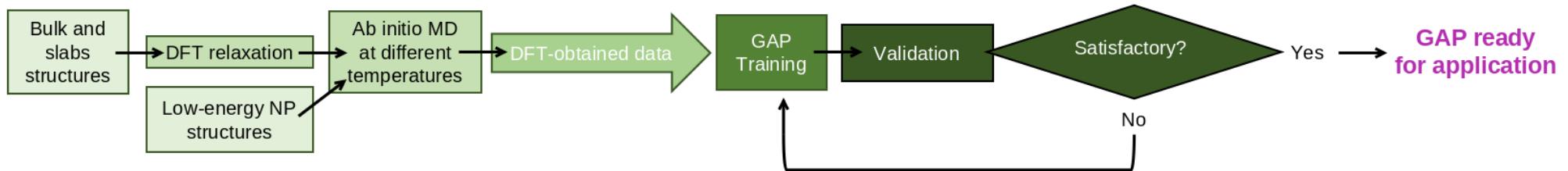
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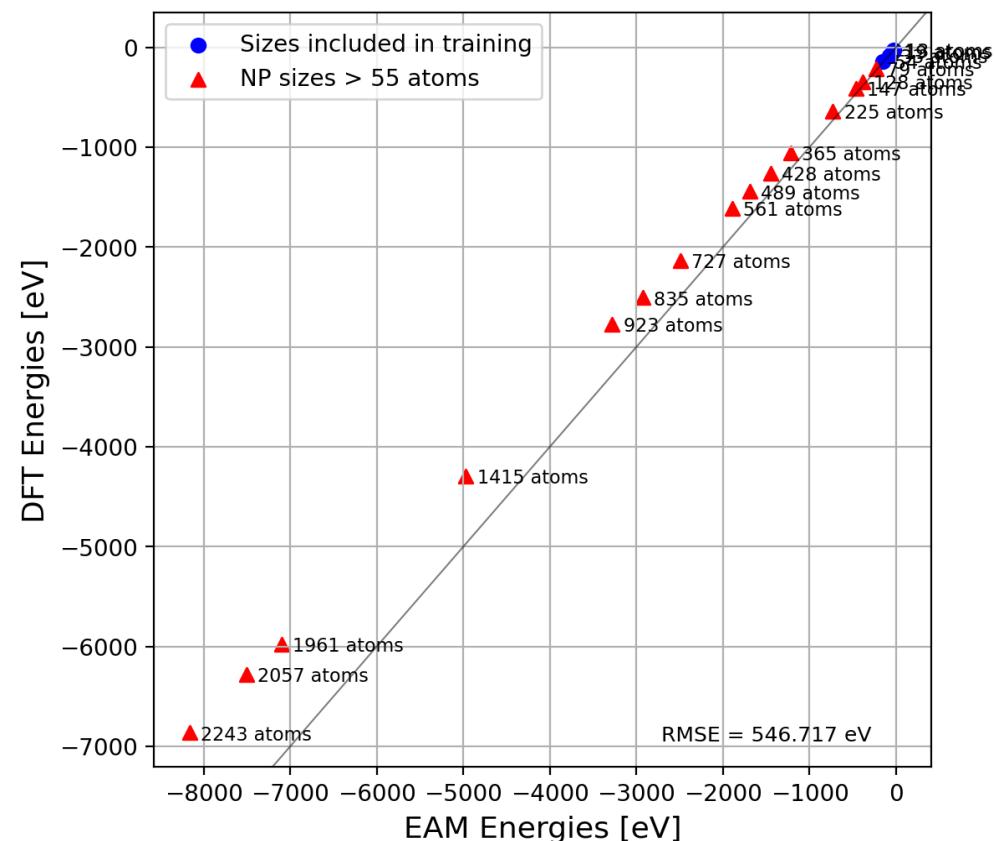
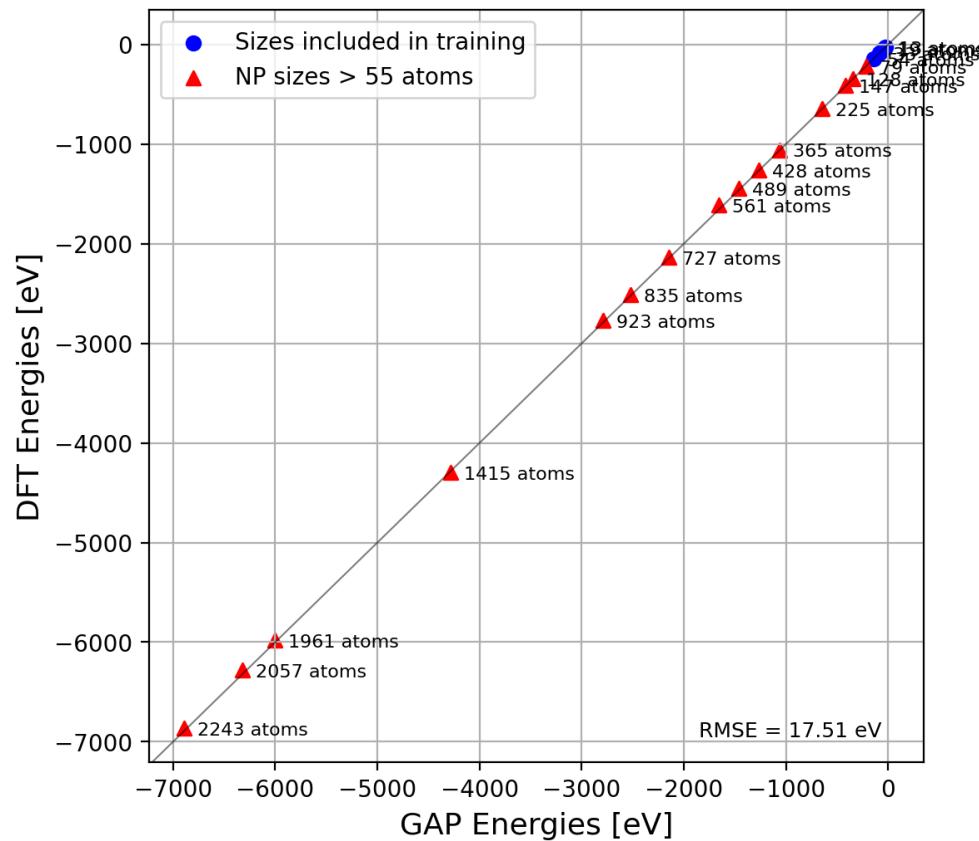
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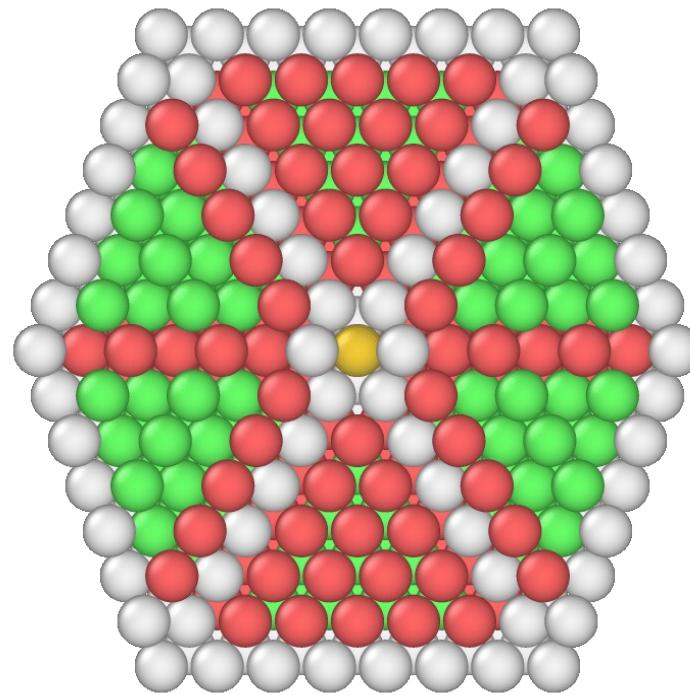
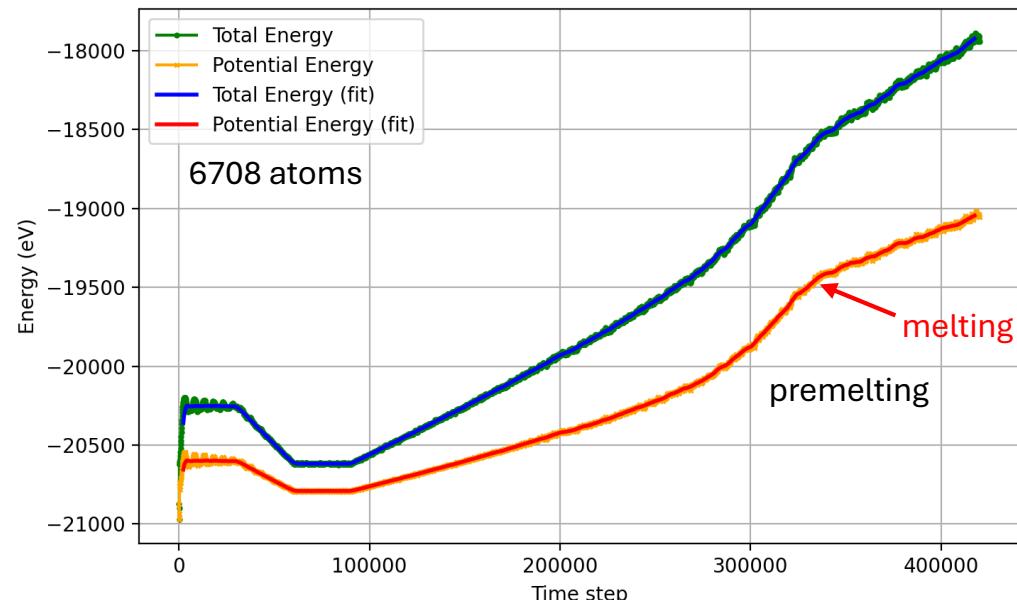
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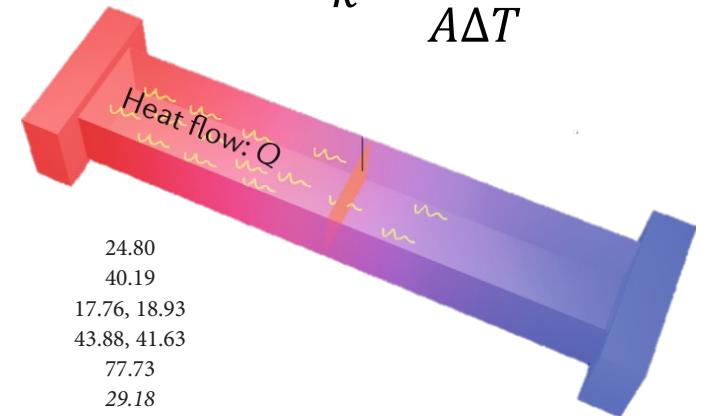


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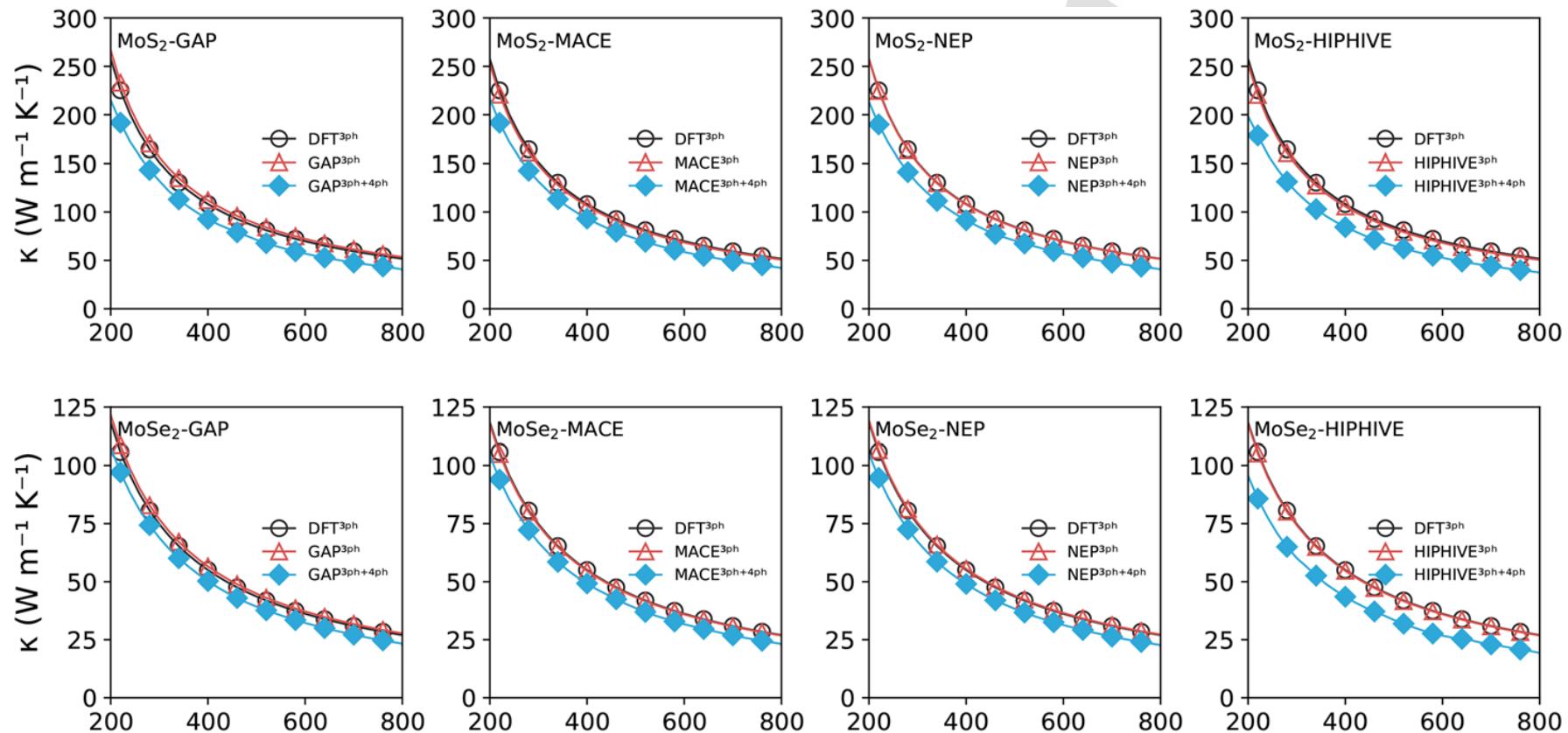
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First-principles			
MoS <sub>2</sub>		MoSe <sub>2</sub>	
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DFT-BTE <sup>60</sup>	135.20	DFT-BTE <sup>61</sup>	~ 70
DFT-BTE <sup>62</sup>	130.20	DFT-BTE <sup>63</sup>	~ 60
DFT-BTE <sup>64</sup>	130.00	DFT-BTE <sup>65</sup>	54
DFT-BTE <sup>65</sup>	103.00	DFT-BTE <sup>66</sup>	46.2
DFT-BTE <sup>67</sup>	81.42	DFT-DFPT-Slack Model <sup>68</sup>	17.6
DFT-BTE <sup>59</sup>	89.56		
DFT-DFPT-NEGF <sup>69</sup>	24.52		
DFT-BTE (3 <sup>ph</sup> , 3 <sup>ph</sup> +4 <sup>ph</sup> ) <sup>70</sup>	133.5, 27.7		
DFT-BTE <sup>66</sup>	82.2		
DFT-BTE <sup>63</sup>	~ 75		
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<i>Molecular Dynamics</i>			
REBO-LJ-HNEMD <sup>24</sup>	123.66	SW-NEMD <sup>25</sup>	24.80
(SW13, SW13E, SW16)-HNEMD <sup>24</sup>	535.85, 203.98, 290.65	SW-EMD-Green-Kubo <sup>19</sup>	40.19
TB-(EMD-NEMD) <sup>20</sup>	0.97, 1.22	SW-NEMD-(AC, ZZ) <sup>21</sup>	17.76, 18.93
SW-NEMD <sup>25</sup>	32.89	SW-NEMD-(AC, ZZ) <sup>16</sup>	43.88, 41.63
SW-RNEMD-(AC, ZZ) <sup>23</sup>	32.95, 53.91	MLFF-NEP-HNEMD <sup>17</sup>	77.73
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CVD-RTD <sup>73</sup>	30		
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CVD-Opt. Mod. <sup>74</sup>	19.8		
CVD-LHD <sup>60</sup>	13.3		
CVD-MJH <sup>12</sup>	24–100		

$$\kappa = \frac{\Delta Q}{A \Delta T}$$



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## Tier – 1

- PWSCF
- YAMBO
- VASP
- ABINIT

- ML

Ghent (CPU)

Ghent (GPU)

## Tier – 2

- PWSCF
- YAMBO
- VASP
- ABINIT

## GPU

- PWSCF
- YAMBO
- BSE (Limited)

## CPU

- PWSCF
- YAMBO

## GPU

- PWSCF
- YAMBO
- Screening
- GW

# HPC

VLAAMS  
SUPERCOMPUTER  
CENTRUM



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Ghent (CPU)

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12 MONTHS



## GPU

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BSE (Limited)

12 MONTHS

LUMI

## CPU

- PWSCF

- YAMBO

## GPU

- PWSCF

- YAMBO

Screening

GW

12 MONTHS

# THANK YOU

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