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# Minima-preserving neural network (MP-NN) for potential energy surface approximation

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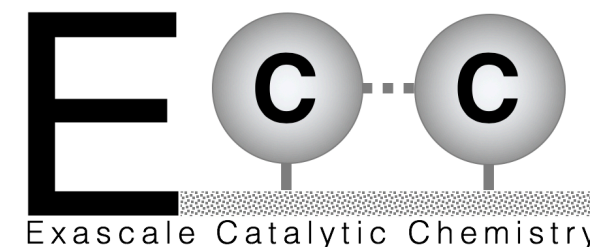
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# Accurate adsorbate thermochemistry is essential for microkinetic mechanisms

To calculate equilibrium constants:

$$\frac{k_f}{k_r} = K_{eq} = \exp\left(\frac{-\Delta G_{rxn}^\circ(T)}{RT}\right) = \exp\left(\frac{\Delta S_{rxn}^\circ(T)}{R}\right) \exp\left(\frac{-\Delta H_{rxn}^\circ(T)}{RT}\right)$$

Obtaining the reverse rate constant  $k_r$  from  $k_f$  and  $K_{eq}$  ensures thermodynamic consistency

The free energies cannot be measured experimentally

→ Need reliable theoretical methods

→ Comes down to evaluating the adsorbate partition function  $Q_{ads}$

Helmholtz

$$F_{ads} = -k_B T \ln(Q_{ads})$$

Gibbs

$$G_{ads} = F_{ads} - TS_{ads}$$

$$S_{ads} = -k_B \ln(Q_{ads}) + k_B T \left( \frac{\partial \ln(Q_{ads})}{\partial T} \right)$$

$$dH_{ads} = k_B T^2 \left( \frac{\partial \ln(Q_{ads})}{\partial T} \right)$$

$$C_{p,ads} = k_B T^2 \left( \frac{\partial^2 \ln(Q_{ads})}{\partial T^2} \right) + 2k_B T \left( \frac{\partial \ln(Q_{ads})}{\partial T} \right)$$

# A phase space integration approach captures mode coupling and anharmonicity

Inspired by another project<sup>1</sup> in the Goldsmith group  
-implementing VRC-TST for barrierless gas-phase reactions<sup>2</sup>.

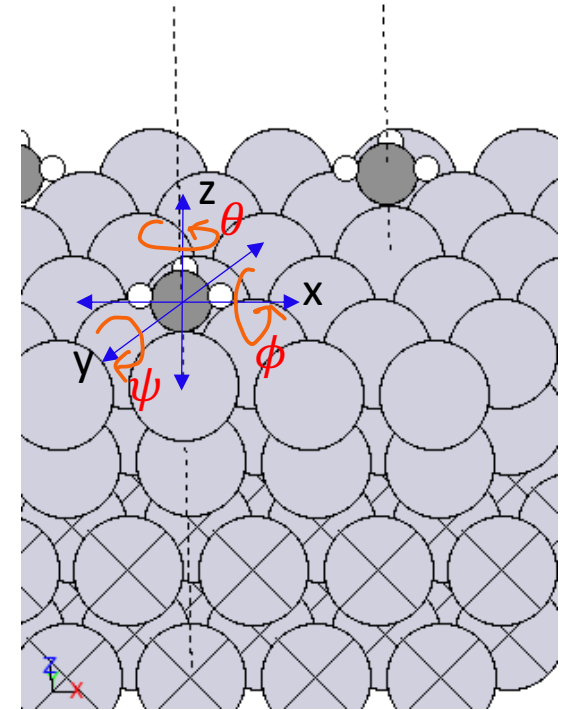
According to classical phase space theory:

$$Q_{class} \sim \int \dots \int \exp(-\beta H(p, q)) dpdq$$

For a non-linear adsorbate:

$$Q_{6D} = \frac{\text{kinetic factor}}{h^6} \int_{6D} \exp(-\beta E(q)) dx dy dz d\theta d\phi d\psi$$

$$Q_{ads} = Q_{6D} \prod_i^{3N-6} Q_i^{H.O.}$$



<sup>1</sup>X. Chen. (2019). *PhD thesis*, Brown University

<sup>2</sup>S. J. Klippenstein. (1992). *J. Chem. Phys.*, 92, 367-371

# Partition function calculated via phase space integration

- Choose random configurations within a uniformly sampled domain

$$\int_{\Omega} \exp(-\beta E(\mathbf{x})) dx \approx \frac{\Omega}{M} \sum_{i=1}^M \exp(-\beta E(\mathbf{x}_i))$$

- **Computationally extremely intensive**

- Monte-Carlo requires large  $M$  for reasonable accuracy
- Can require over  $M = 10,000$  to  $100,000$  configurations (i.e. DFT calculations)

- **Solution: replace energy  $E(\mathbf{x})$  with a pre-constructed surrogate  $E_s(\mathbf{x})$**

- Given a feasible number of configurations, built an approximation  $E(\mathbf{x}) \approx E_s(\mathbf{x})$
- Use the surrogate in the Monte-Carlo integral
- Can afford large  $M$ , if the surrogate is cheap

$$\int_{\Omega} \exp(-\beta E(\mathbf{x})) dx \approx \frac{\Omega}{M} \sum_{i=1}^M \exp(-\beta E_s(\mathbf{x}_i))$$

# Surrogate construction is a supervised Machine Learning problem

$$E(\mathbf{x}) \approx E_S(\mathbf{x})$$

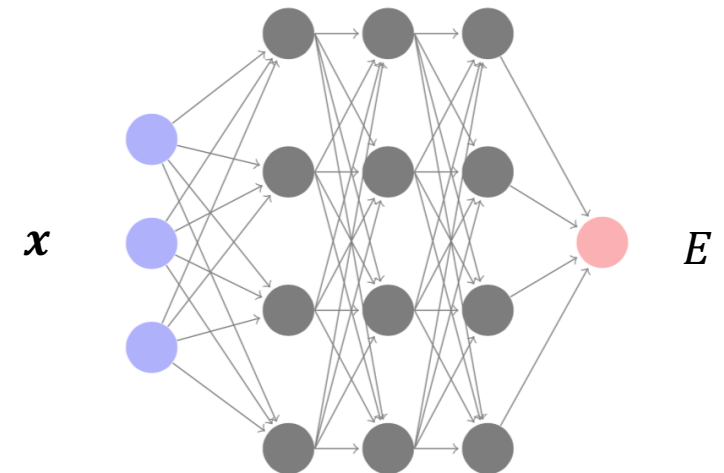
Given a set of *training* configurations

$$(\mathbf{x}_1, E(\mathbf{x}_1)), (\mathbf{x}_2, E(\mathbf{x}_2)), \dots, (\mathbf{x}_N, E(\mathbf{x}_N))$$

Find a (parametrized) form; i.e. optimize for  $\mathbf{w}$

$$E(\mathbf{x}) \approx E_S(\mathbf{x}; \mathbf{w})$$

e.g. Polynomial expansion  
Gaussian process  
Neural network (NN)



# MP-NN: Approximation of PES should focus on accuracy near minima (if the goal is partition function evaluation)

Small errors near minima in energy

$$E(\mathbf{x}) \approx E_s(\mathbf{x})$$

can lead to large errors in partition function integrand

$$e^{-E(\mathbf{x})/(kT)} \approx e^{-E_s(\mathbf{x})/(kT)}$$

- General flexible form (NN or otherwise) surrogate does not preserve the minima information
- We employ handcrafted surrogate form inspired by the quadratic approximation near the PES minimum
- In the case of a single minimum with known Hessian  $H(\mathbf{x}_0)$ :

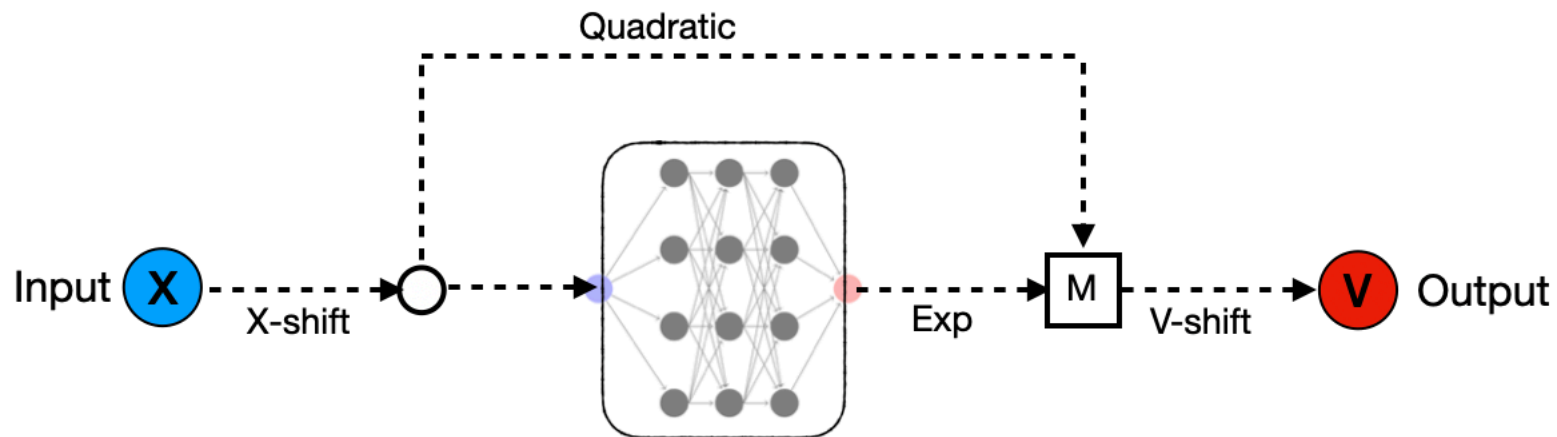
$$E_s(\mathbf{x}) = E(\mathbf{x}_0) + \frac{1}{2} (\mathbf{x} - \mathbf{x}_0)^T H(\mathbf{x}_0) (\mathbf{x} - \mathbf{x}_0) e^{NN(\mathbf{x}-\mathbf{x}_0)}$$

NN serves as a multiplicative correction to a quadratic

# MP-NN: Special NN architecture that is accurate near minima by construction

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# MP-NN: Multiple minima case is handled by distance-based linear combination

- Define weights according to distances from minima

$$w_1(x) = e^{-\frac{\|x-x_1\|}{\epsilon}}$$

$$w_2(x) = e^{-\frac{\|x-x_2\|}{\epsilon}}$$

$\epsilon$  is a smoothing factor

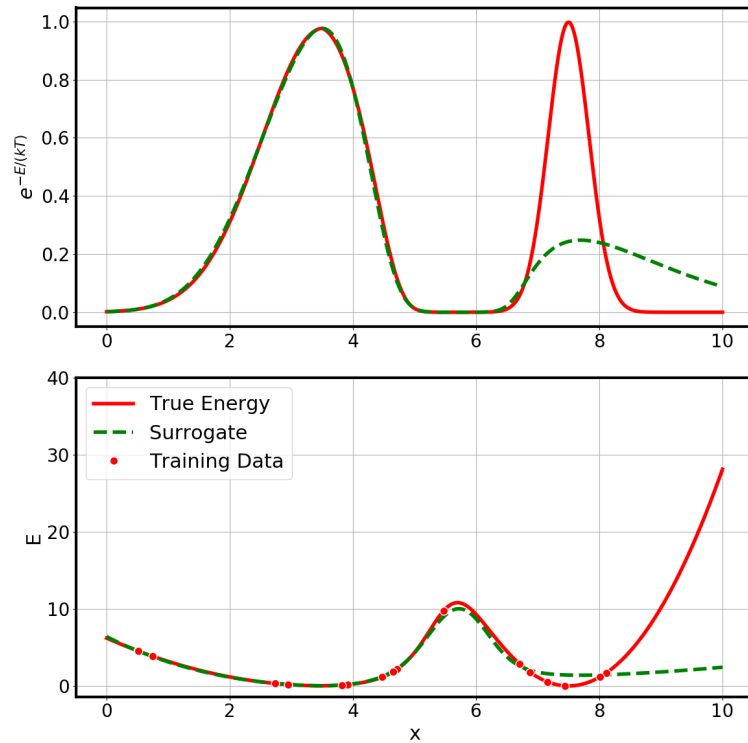
- Linear combination of energy surrogates, each doing well near one minimum

$$E_S(x) = \frac{w_1(x)E_1(x) + w_2(x)E_2(x)}{w_1(x) + w_2(x)}$$



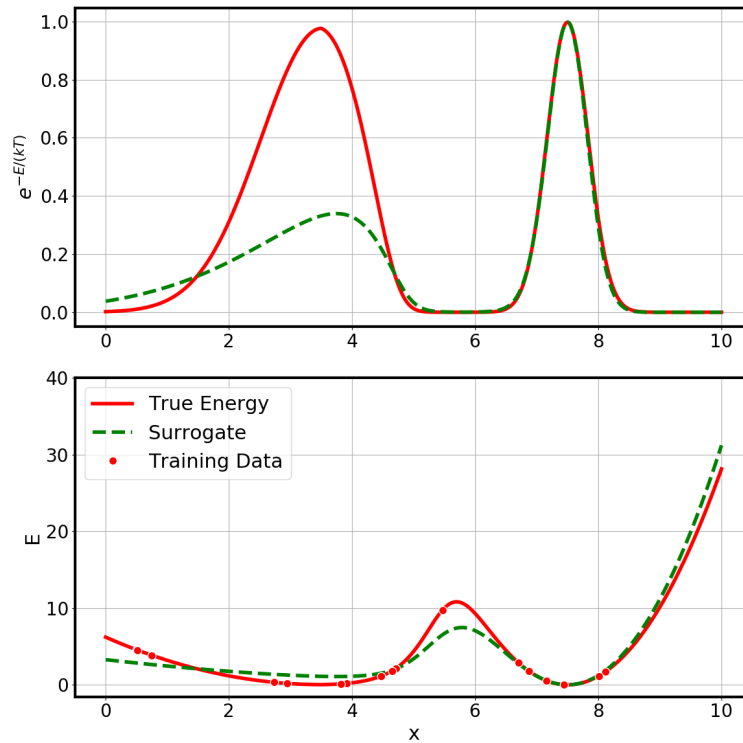
# MP-NN: linear combination demo

$$E_S(x) = E_1(x)$$



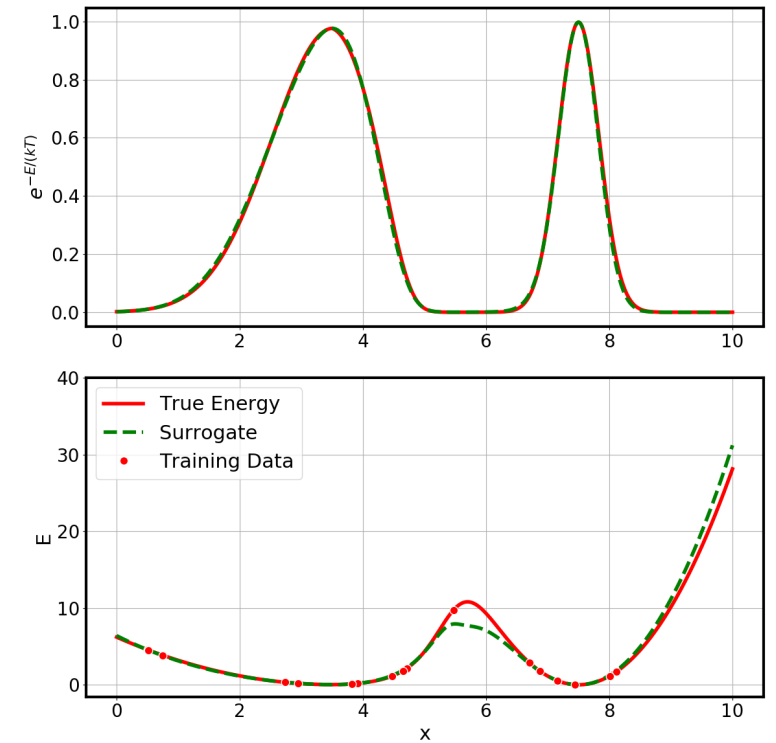
Accurate near the left minimum

$$E_S(x) = E_2(x)$$



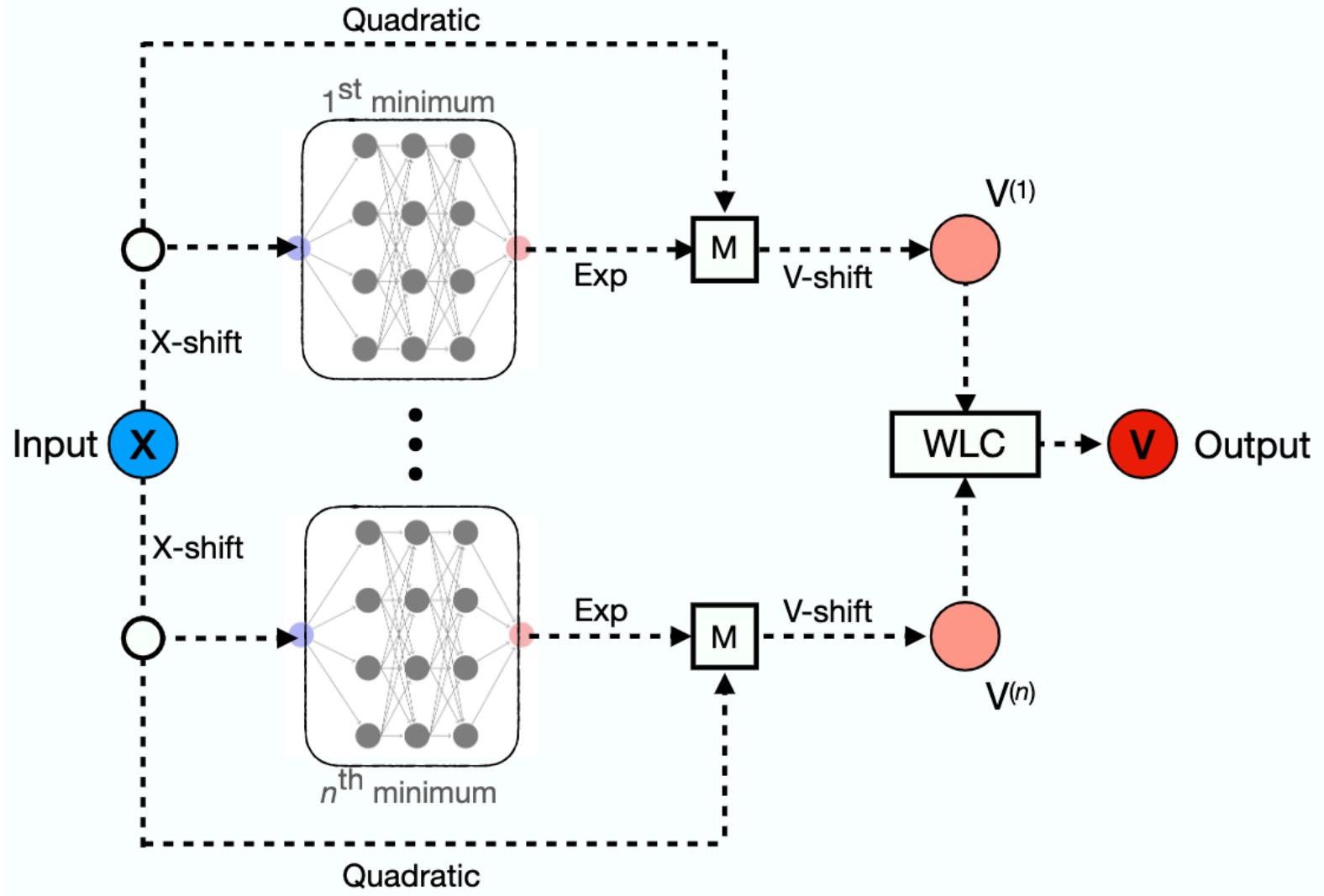
Accurate near the right minimum

$$E_S(x) = \frac{w_1(x)E_1(x) + w_2(x)E_2(x)}{w_1(x) + w_2(x)}$$



Accurate near both minima

# Handcrafted NN architecture that is accurate near *multiple* minima



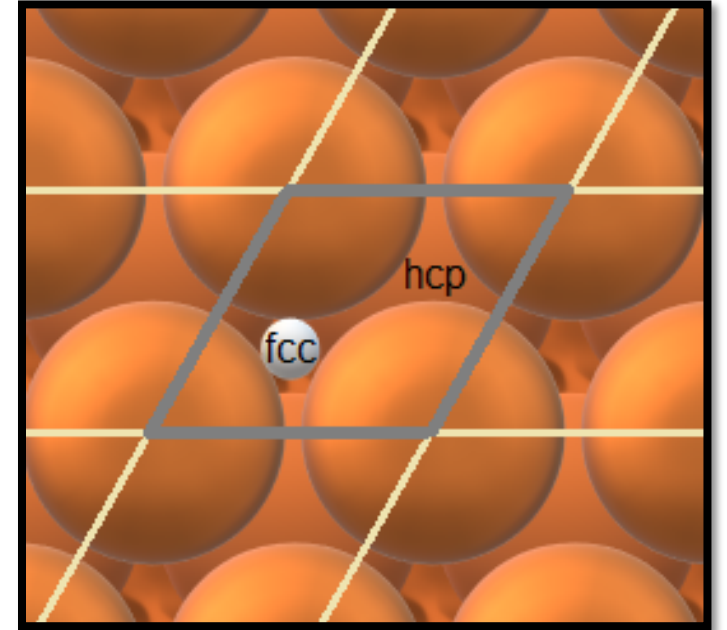
# Test case: 3D translation of a H atom on Cu(111)

We utilized the periodicity of the Cu(111) surface by only looking at the area translations of H in a single primitive Cu(111) unit cell.

We generated DFT training data points for a total of

- 14,935 geometries in the case of PBE-D3(ABC)  
Training focused around fcc binding site
- 9,382 geometries in the case of BEEF-vdW  
Training focused around both the fcc and the hcp binding site

Both sets include quasi-random Sobol and multivariate Gaussian distributed points.



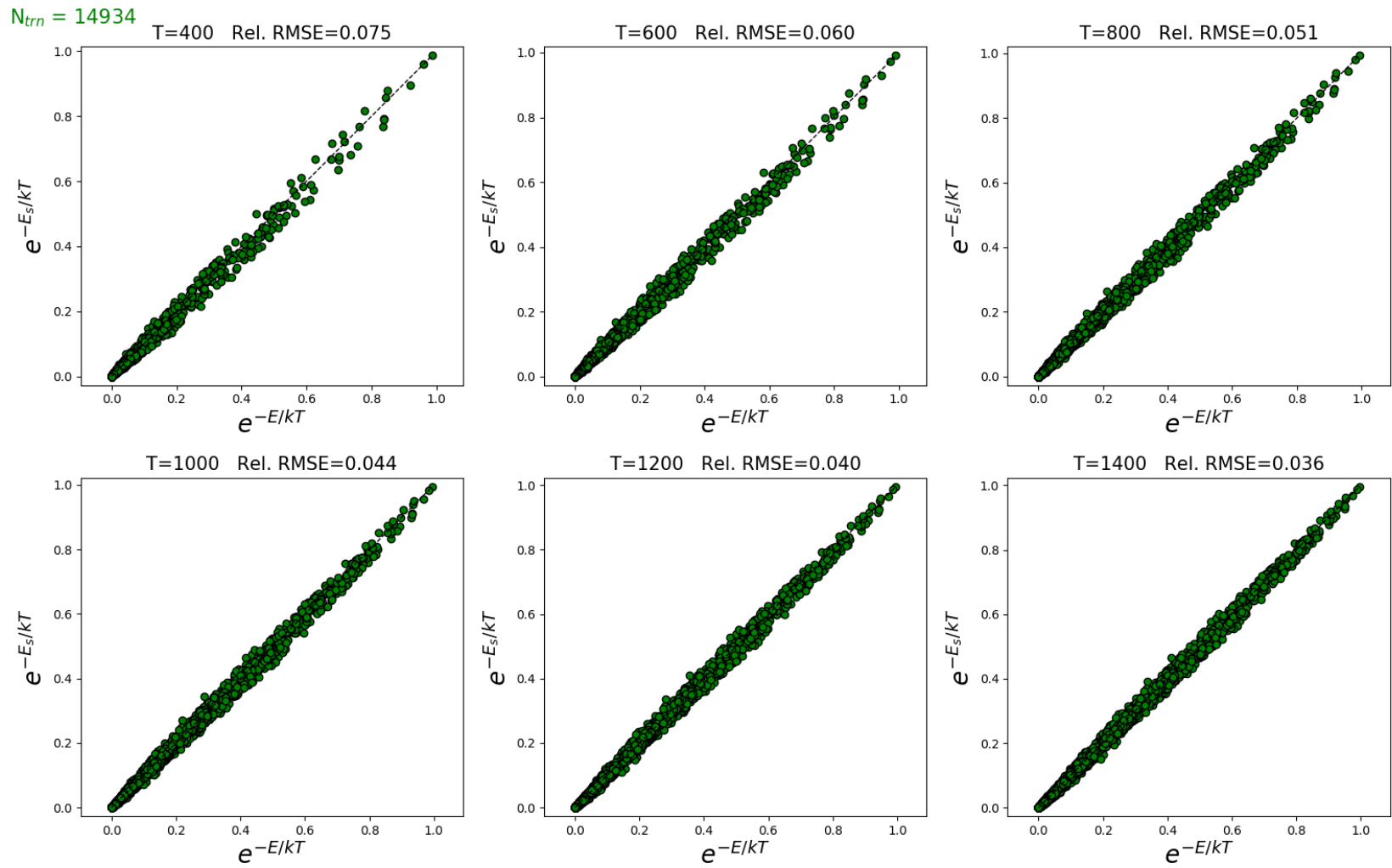
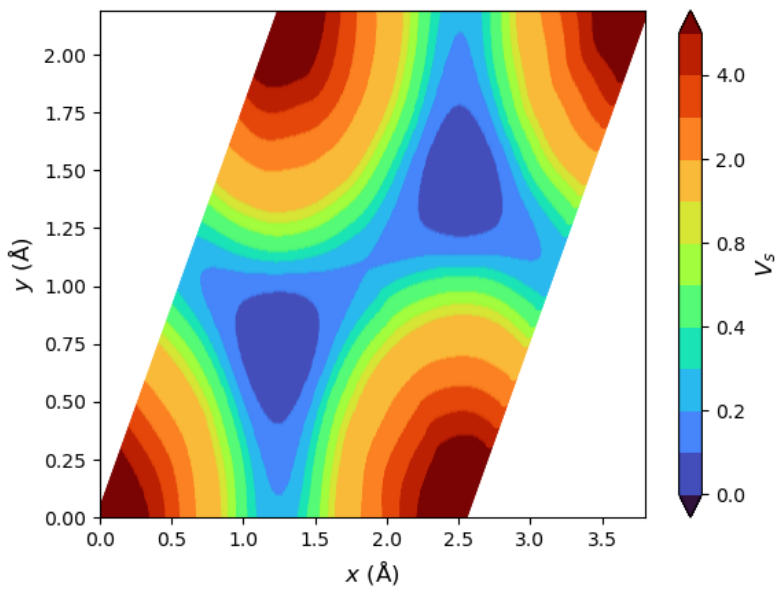
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Fixed surface atoms

DFT functionals: PBE-D3(ABC)  
BEEF-vdW

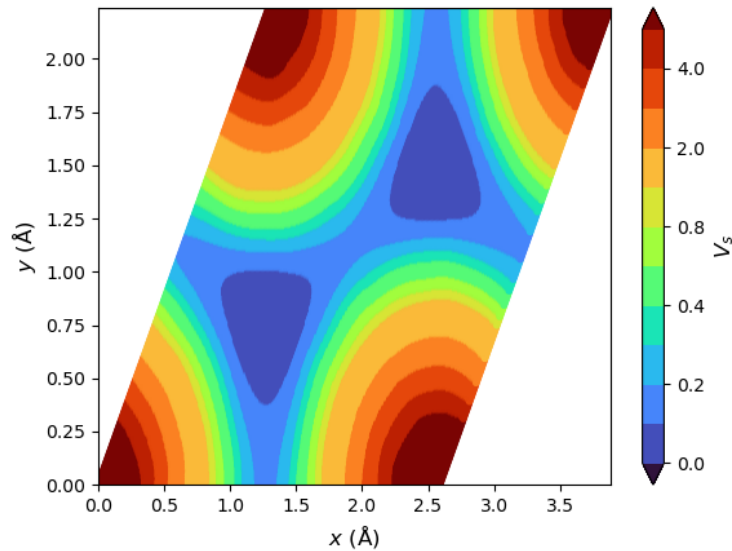
# MP-NN surrogate construction results for H on Cu111

PBE-D3(ABC) result:



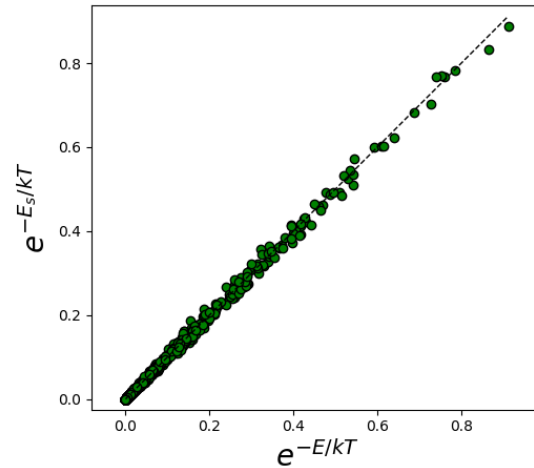
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BEEF-vdW result:

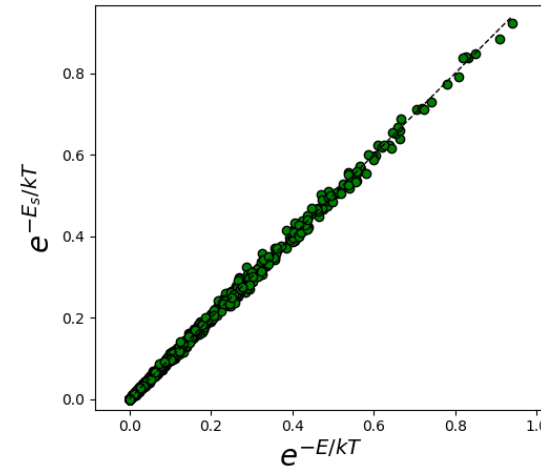


$N_{\text{trn}} = 9380$

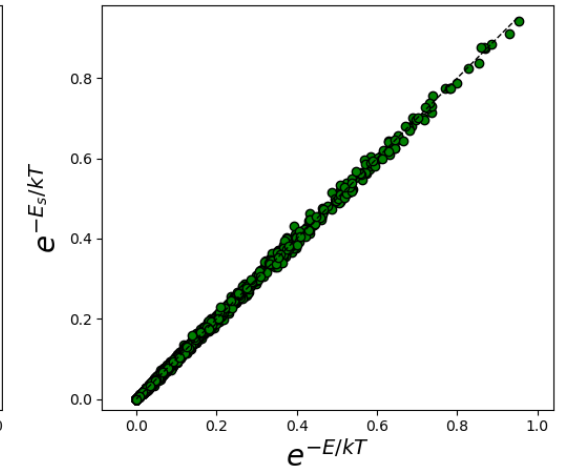
T=400 Rel. RMSE=0.041



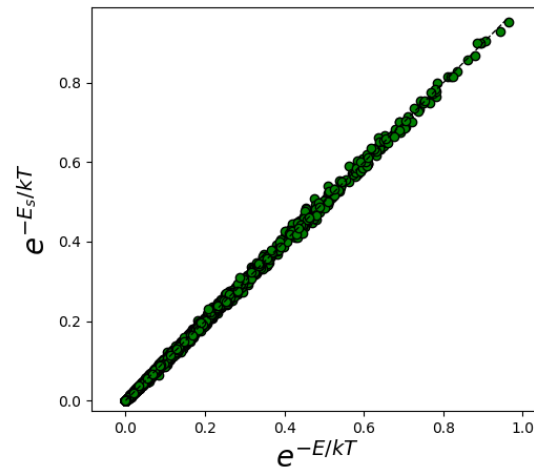
T=600 Rel. RMSE=0.032



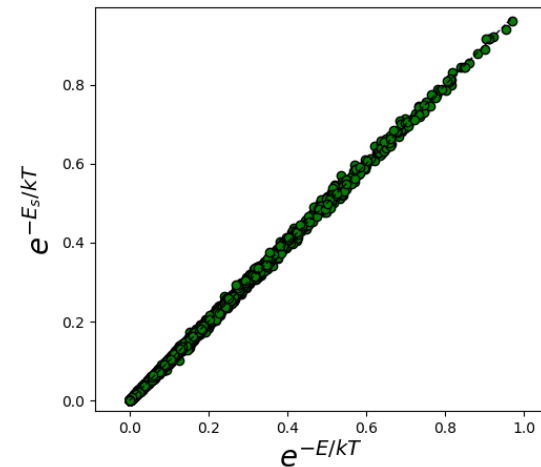
T=800 Rel. RMSE=0.027



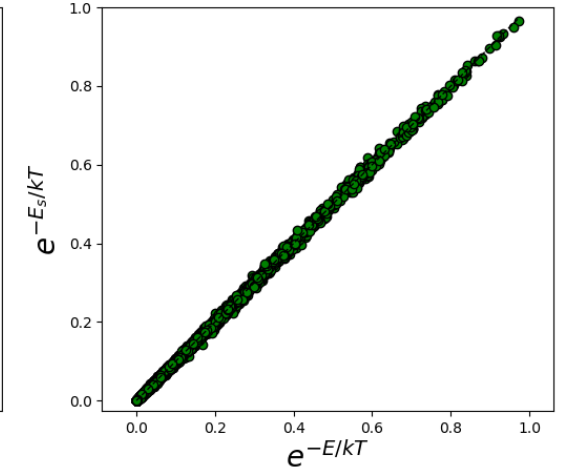
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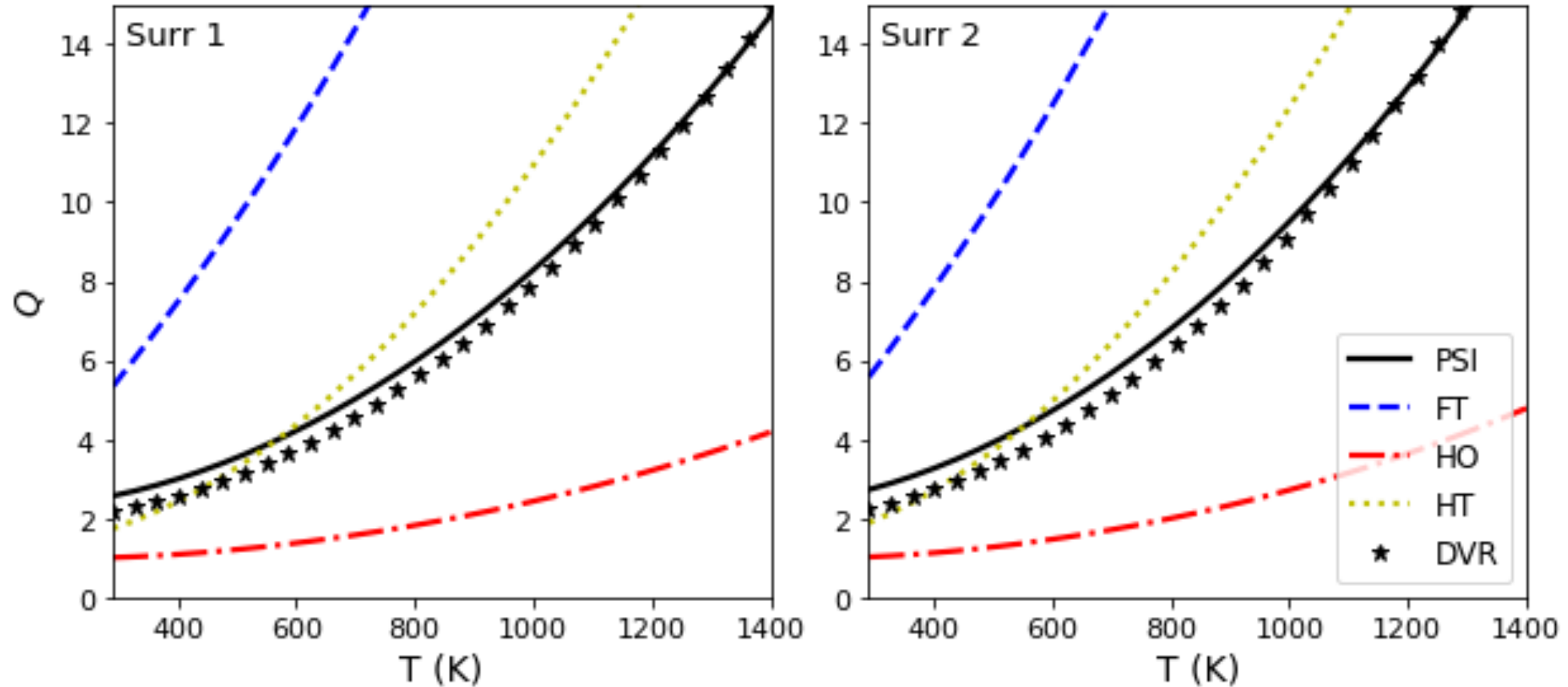
T=1200 Rel. RMSE=0.021



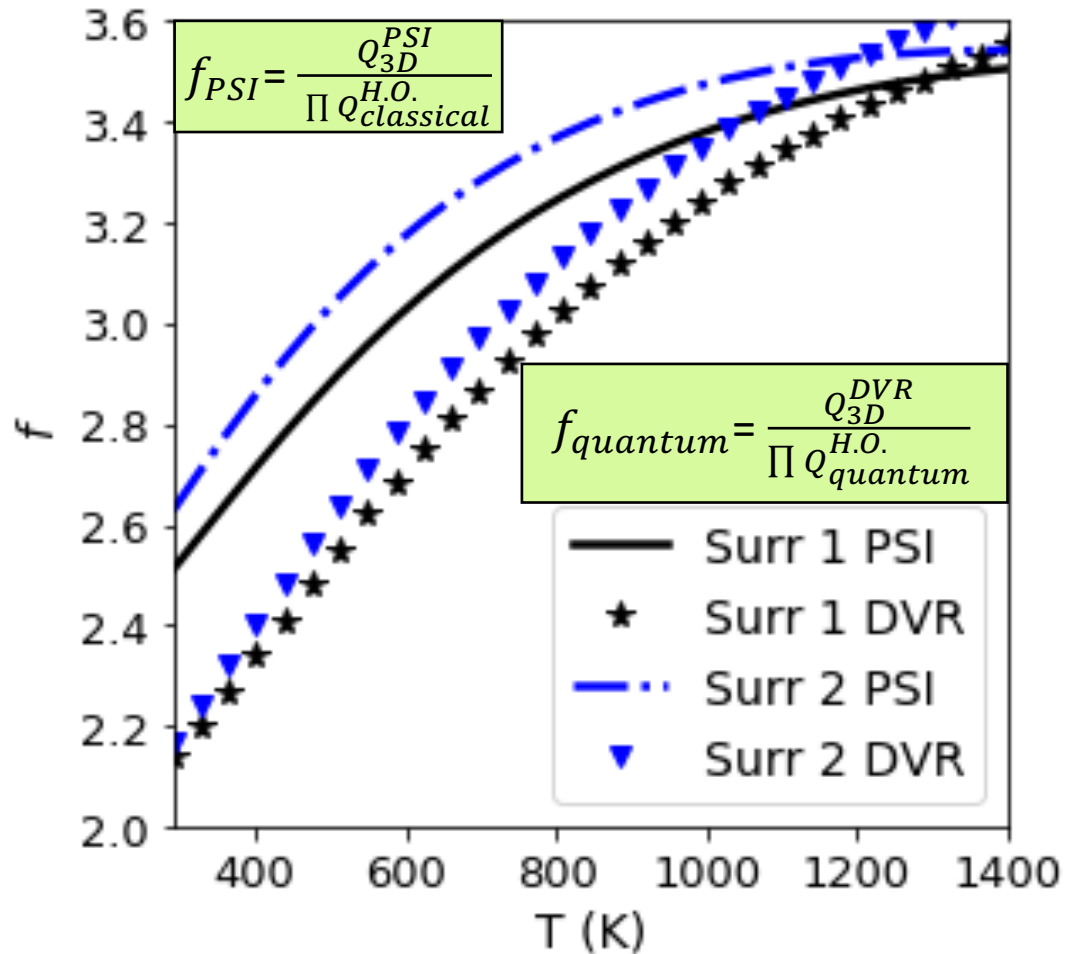
T=1400 Rel. RMSE=0.019



# The partition function becomes increasingly anharmonic at higher temperatures



The anharmonic correction factor  $f$  shows that the PSI results are in good agreement with direct anharmonic state counting results



### Quantum mechanical method:

Discrete variable representation (DVR) calculations carried out on the 2D-PES of a single invariant xy grid and on the 1D z coordinate. The 3D partition function is the product of the direct summations of the eigenstates of the xy degrees of freedom and the z degree of freedom.<sup>1</sup>

The normalization is based on the wavenumbers of H in the MP-NN surrogate fcc position.

$$\begin{aligned} \nu_x &= 880.9 \text{ cm}^{-1} \\ \nu_y &= 881.1 \text{ cm}^{-1} \\ \nu_z &= 1084.8 \text{ cm}^{-1} \end{aligned}$$

<sup>1</sup>Work of Dr. David H. Bross at Argonne National Laboratory

# We obtained the thermodynamic properties by deriving them directly from the partition function

We use analytical expressions<sup>1</sup> to obtain the derivatives of the partition function:

$$Q_{T(C)} = \frac{(2\pi m k_B T)^{n/2}}{h^n} \underbrace{I_0}_{\int_{q_1} \int_{q_2} \dots \int_{q_n} e^{-\beta V(q_1, q_2, \dots, q_n)} dq_1 dq_2 \dots dq_n}$$

$$\frac{[H_T - H_0](C)}{RT} = \frac{n}{2} + \frac{I_1}{I_0}$$

$$I_1 = \int_{q_1} \int_{q_2} \dots \int_{q_n} \beta V(q_1, q_2, \dots, q_n) e^{-\beta V(q_1, q_2, \dots, q_n)} dq_1 dq_2 \dots dq_n$$

Integrals  $I_0$ ,  $I_1$ , and  $I_2$  are all included in the integration routine

$$\frac{S_{T(C)}}{R} = \frac{n}{2} + \frac{I_1}{I_0} + \ln \left[ \frac{(2\pi m k_B T)^{n/2}}{h^n} I_0 \right]$$

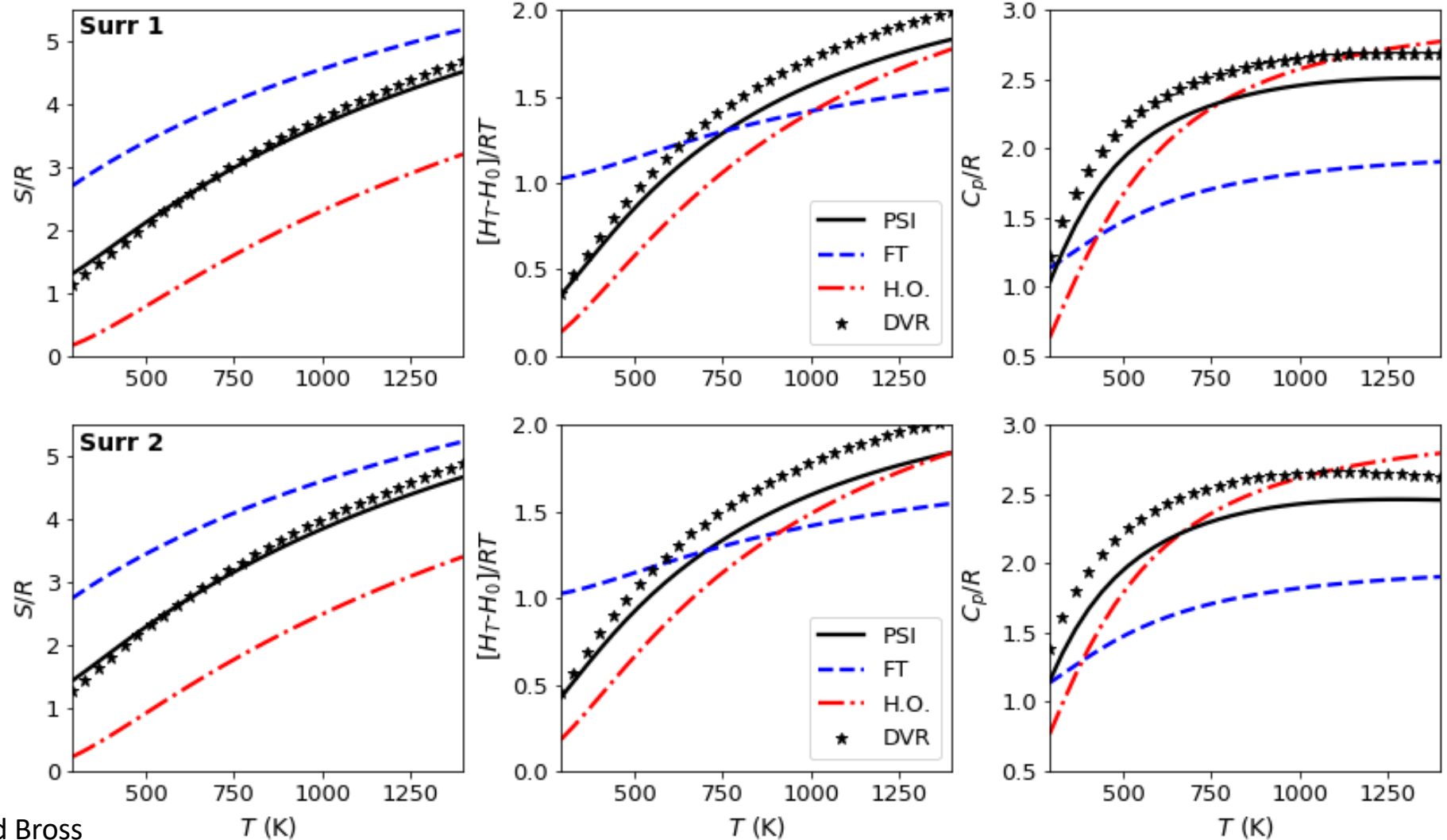
$$I_2 = \int_{q_1} \int_{q_2} \dots \int_{q_n} [\beta V(q_1, q_2, \dots, q_n)]^2 e^{-\beta V(q_1, q_2, \dots, q_n)} dq_1 dq_2 \dots dq_n$$

$$\frac{C_{p,T(C)}}{R} = \frac{n}{2} + \frac{I_2}{I_0} - \left( \frac{I_1}{I_0} \right)^2$$

<sup>1</sup>B. Ruscic, D. H. Bross (2019). *Computer-Aided Chemical Engineering*, 45, 3-114

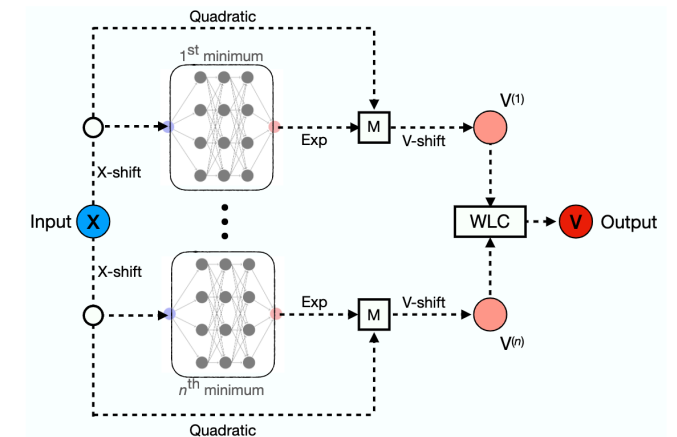


# The thermophysical quantities obtained with PSI are substantially different from those predicted by the standard models



# Summary: ML

- Hessian-informed DFT sampling
- Minima-preserving neural network (MP-NN) architecture
- Smoothing factor in linear combination of surrogates provides a knob for a trade-off between local accuracy and global smoothness



## Next:

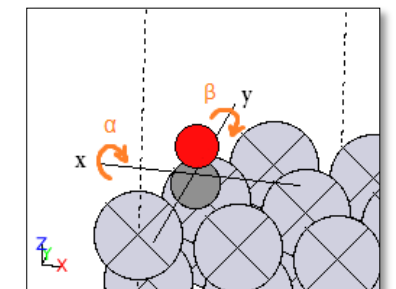
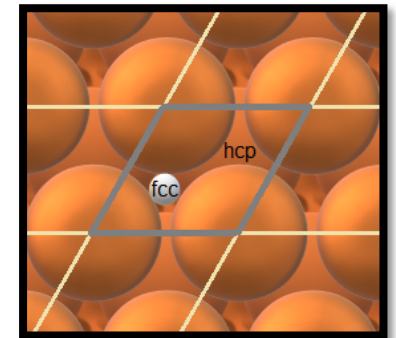
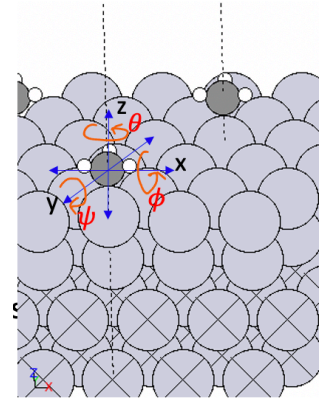
- Apply to more than two minima
- Formulate a 'single-shot' NN training
- Generalize the approach to incorporate saddle points
- Incorporate forces in the training of the handcrafted surrogate form

# Summary: Chem

- Applied MP-NN for the partition function calculation for the H on CU(111) case
- Provides approximation with a fraction of the cost
- Excellent agreement with DVR over entire temperature range
- Paper submitted to JPC

## Next:

- Develop into standalone robust methodology
  - To obtain anharmonic partition functions for adsorbate-surface systems
  - Open-source code: AdTherm
- Incorporate rotational degrees of freedom
  - Complete 5D case: CO on Pt(111)
  - Complete 6D case: CH<sub>3</sub>OH on Cu(111)
- Extend into transition states for surface reactions
- Get coverage dependent partition functions



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