

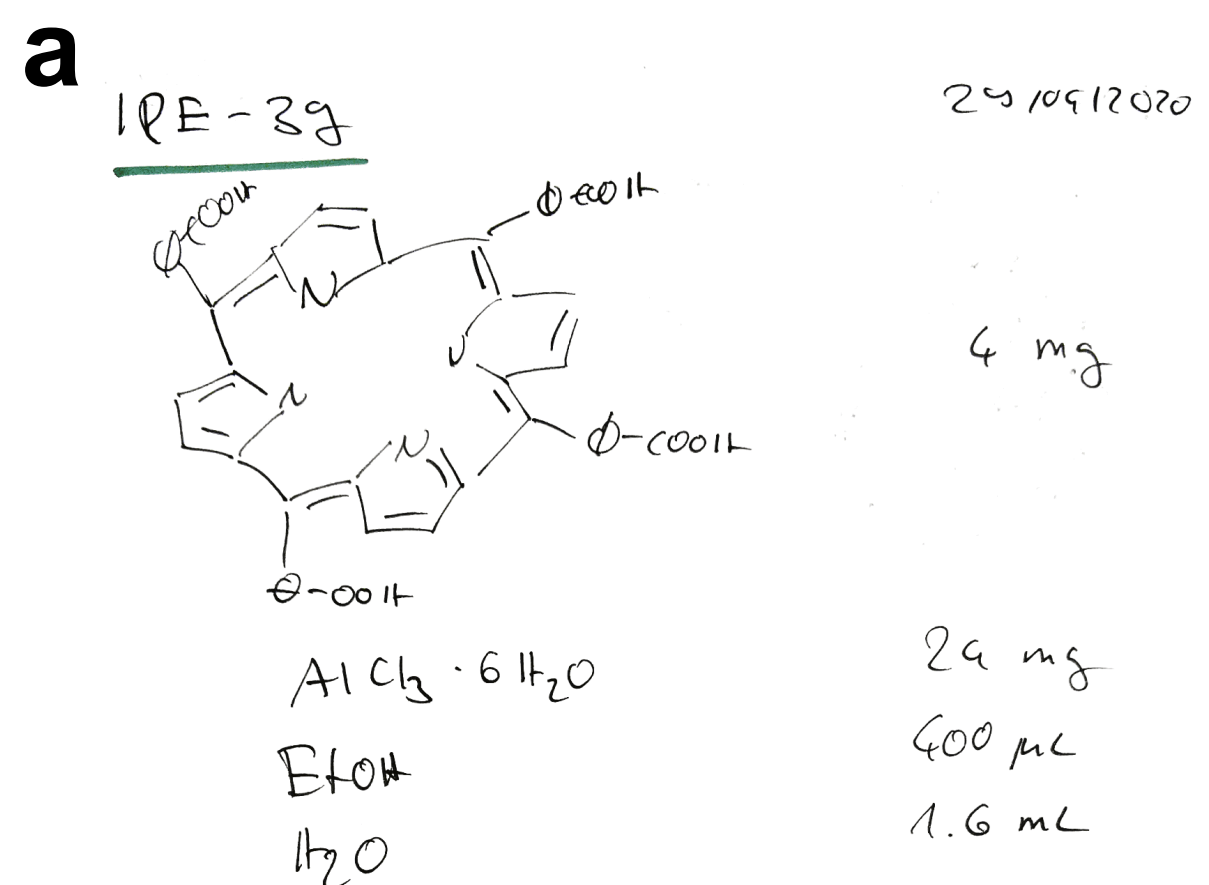
Chemical Data Is Context-Dependent

*Processing history of materials,
synthesis procedure,*

Too flexible for tabular data



Much of Chemical Data Is in Fuzzy Form



- Porph + AlCl₃ in vial. EtOH + H₂O added. 10 min sonication → deep red/purple.
- 250 W, 195 °C for 60 min, cooled for 8 min to 40 °C
- Centrifuge 4000 rpm, 40 min in DMF
- Wash x5 40 mL DMF in 50 mL tubes at 4000 rpm for 30 min. Then x2 30 mL acetone in 50 mL tubes at 4000 rpm for 30 min
- Dry in tube at RT overnight

b

Reaction code: KJ-145

2020-11-09

Synthesis on the AIPMOF

code	name	mf	mw	purity	density	g	ml	mmoles	equiv.	Kind	C
1463642	5,10,15,20-tet...	C ₂₀ H ₁₂ N ₄ O ₄	360.38	100%		0.00000		0.00000	0.36384	starting material	
7732185	water	H ₂ O	18.015	100%	1	1.6000	1.6000	88.813	638.62	solvent	
64175	ethanol	C ₂ H ₅ O	46.069	100%	0.79	0.31600	0.40000	6.6593	46.338	solvent	
68122	N,N-dimethyl...	C ₄ H ₉ NO	73.094	100%	0.945	0.7600	0.9000	0.1714	0.7197	wash solvent	
67641	acetone	C ₃ H ₆ O	58.078	100%	0.79	0.1600	0.2000	0.0135	0.0135	wash solvent	

batch	code	mf	mw	purity	g	mmoles	equiv.	yield	theoretical (g)
1	KJ-145	Al ₂ (OH) ₄ (C ₂₀ H ₁₂ N ₄ O ₄) ₂	876.76	100%	0.040000	0.040000	1.0000	32.74%	0.12217

Linked: ☒ 1 eq. = 139.0 µmoles

Information about products

MF	mw	Theoretical yield

Predefined sentences - double click to insert

Key	Text
was	The reaction was quenched with a diluted solution of sodium hydroxide. The organic pha...
fil	The crude sample was purified by flash chromatography.
son	The sample was sonicated for X min.
mw	The reaction was placed in a microwave, and heated at a power of X.W to X °C for X minutes.
centr	The material was washed by centrifugation (SOLVENT) in X mL size centrifuge tubes at X rpm.
wash	The material was washed (SOLV-NI) in X mL size centrifuge tubes at X rpm for X min.
dry	The solvent was removed from the centrifuge tube, and the material was then allowed to dry.

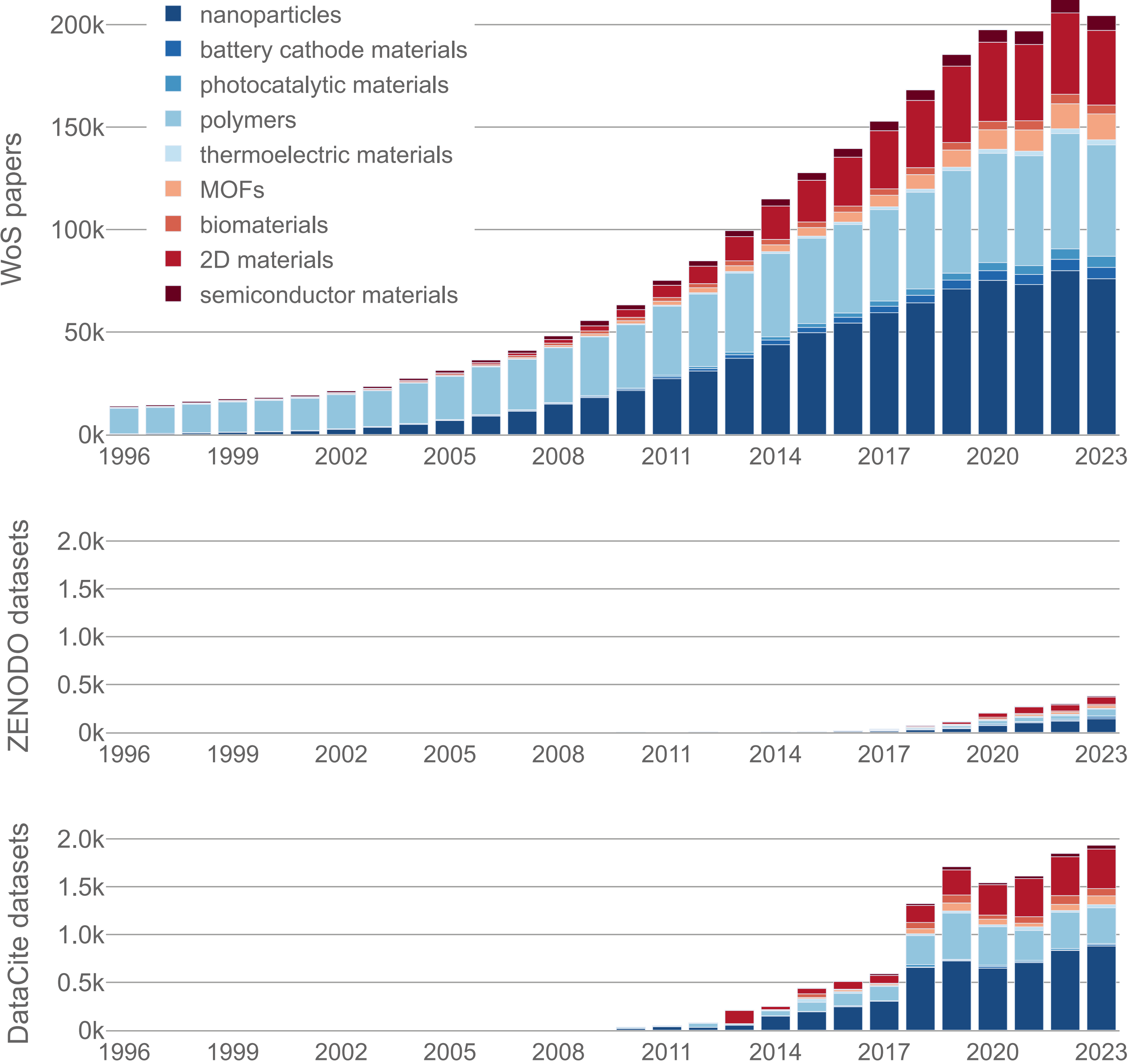
Samples

batch	mf	NMR	IR	MS	GC	V...	1H	13C	gc

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*We Need To
Care About
This Fuzzy
Data*



Finding the Best Pancake Recipe in the Conventional Way

Correlating descriptors with ratings

Machine learning models can correlate descriptors of our recipes to ratings

In this way, we could score new recipes

Time 🕒	Banana 🍌	Milk 🥛	Egg 🥚	Rating 🌟
30	1	100	0	4
10	0	129	0,5	5
5	2	140	1	3,4
12	2	80	2	2

Making pancakes: *Generalized Learning on Scale*

Large-language models can answer natural language queries.

It can do *without being explicitly trained to do so*.

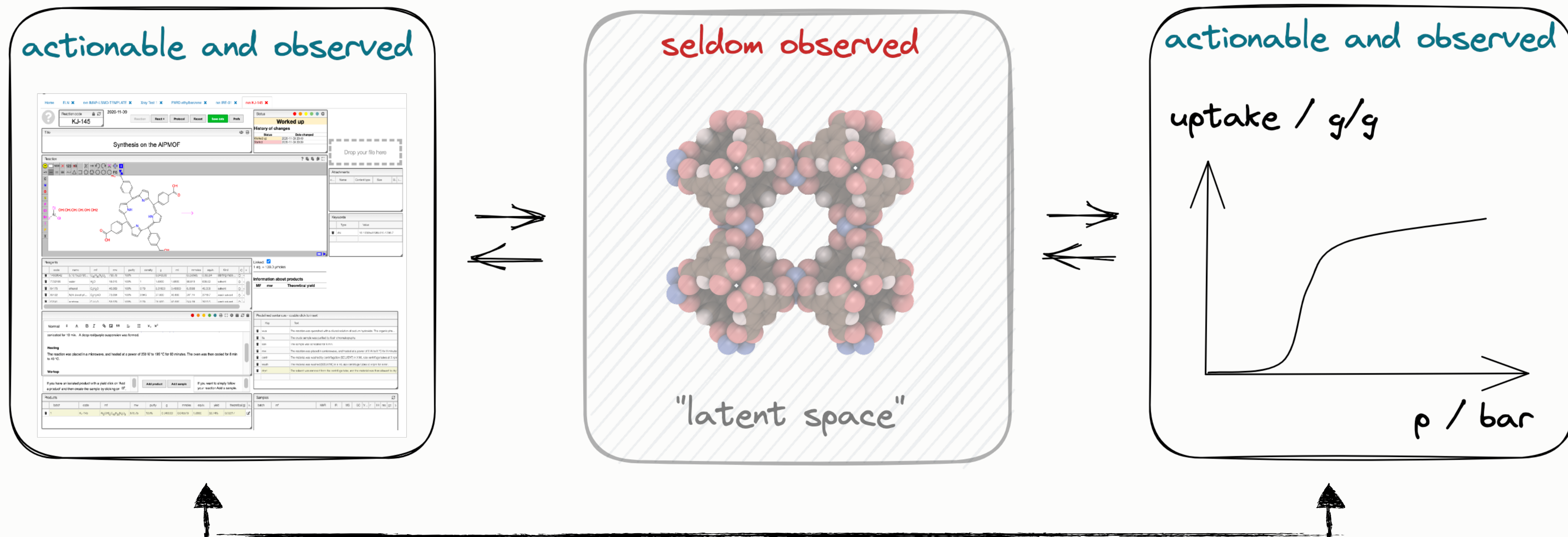


What are a couple of meals I can make with this?

Based on the items visible in the fridge, here are a couple of meal ideas:

- 1) Yogurt parfait: Layer yogurt, strawberries, and blueberries in a bowl or jar. Top with honey or nuts for added texture and flavor.
- 2) Carrot and hummus wrap: Spread hummus on a tortilla or wrap. Top with shredded carrots and any other desired veggies. Roll up and enjoy!

Actionable Machine Learning Powered By Large Language Models



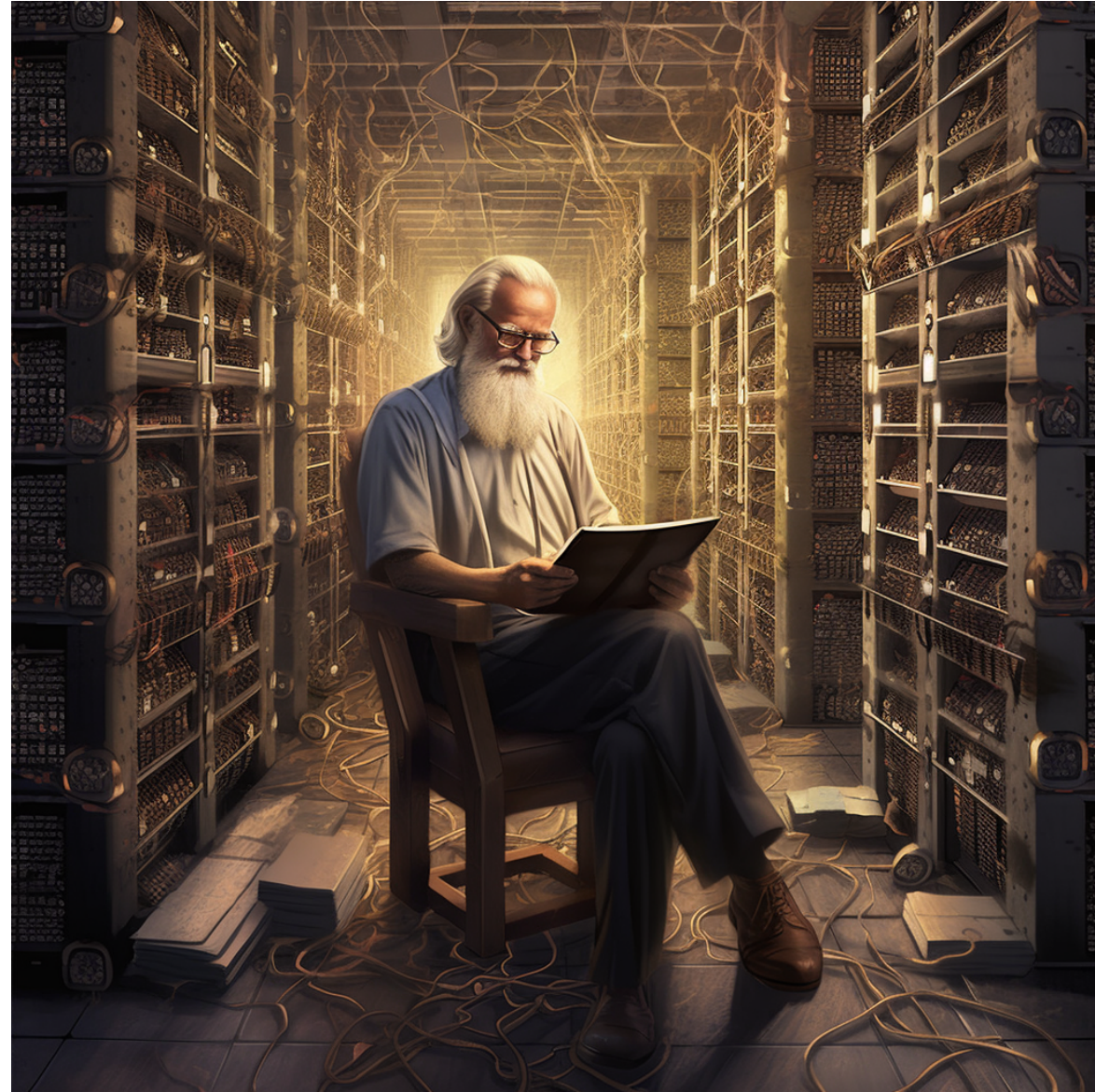
“Conventional” ML works on data we have little direct control over.

A Transformer robot, resembling Optimus Prime, is depicted in a chemistry laboratory setting. The robot is holding a round-bottom flask containing a yellow liquid. The lab is filled with various glassware, including beakers and test tubes, some containing colored liquids. A chalkboard with chemical structures is visible in the background.

Transforming Chemistry With Transformers

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LLMs Can Play Many Roles



Storage of fuzzy knowledge

Making experience and knowledge accessible



Director

Orchestrating tools and creating novel interfaces



Curator

Extracting structured data

Predictions as Text-Completion

1. Tabular dataset with string representation of system

2. Transform into sentences

3. Fine-Tune LLM (e.g. , GPT-3) to complete prompts

4. Query LLM to complete prompt

prompt	completion
What is the phase of Co ₁ Cu ₁ Fe ₁ Ni ₁ V ₂ ?	multi-phase
What is the phase of Co _{0.5} Cu _{0.5} Fe _{0.5} Ni _{0.5} V ₁ ?	multi-phase
What is the phase of Pu _{0.75} Zr _{0.25} ?	single-phase
What is the phase of BeFe?	multi-phase
What is the phase of LiTa?	multi-phase
What is the phase of Nb _{0.5} Ta _{0.5} ?	single-phase
What is the phase of Al _{0.1} W _{0.9} ?	single-phase
What is the phase of Cr _{0.5} Fe _{0.5} ?	single-phase
What is the phase of Al ₁ Co ₁ Cr ₁ Cu ₁ Fe ₁ Ni ₁ Pi ₁ ?	multi-phase
What is the phase of Cu _{0.5} Mn _{0.5} ?	single-phase
What is the phase of OsU@ @ @ @	multi-phase

Outperforms the State-of-the-Art

Domain-specific model (RF)

Tree-based model with hand-tuned features on about 1000 points

npj Computational Materials **2020**, 6 (1).

Automatminer

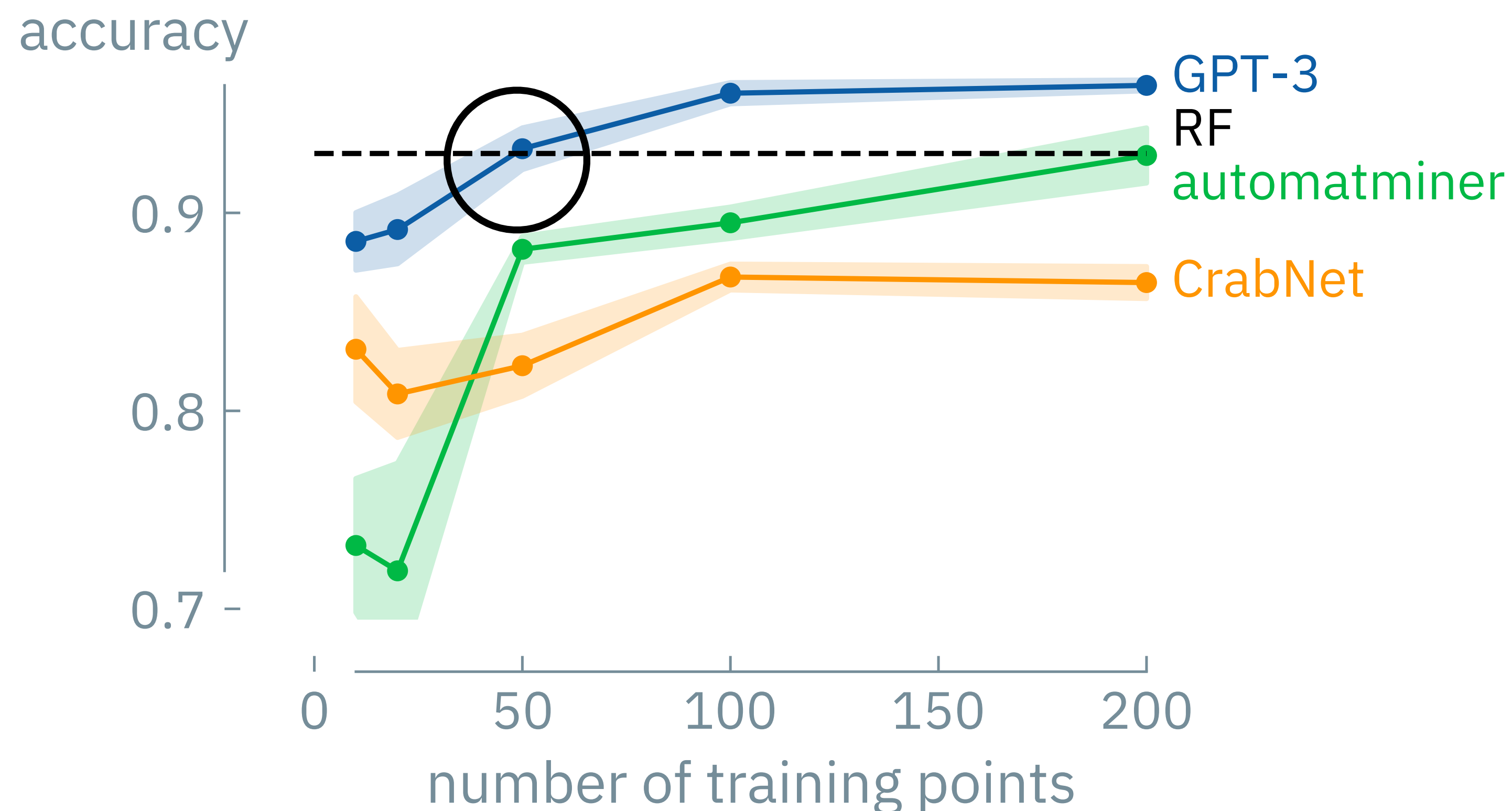
Automatic machine learning that optimizes featurizers and models

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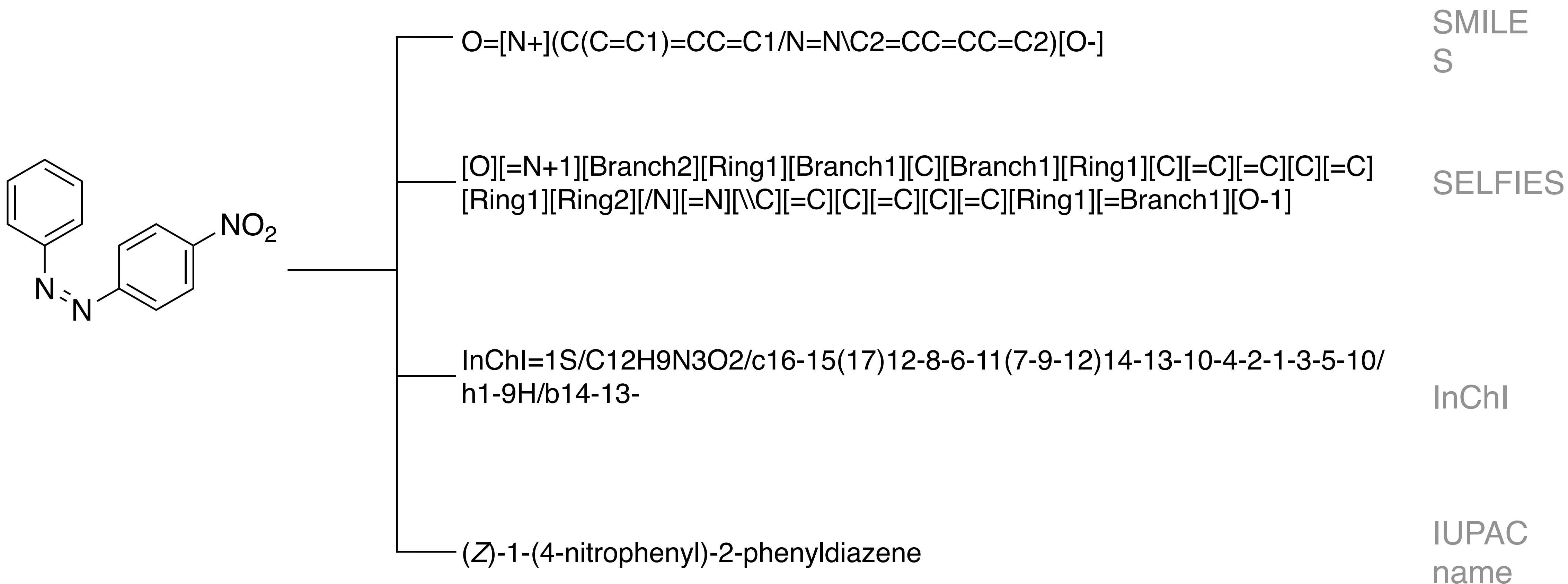
CrabNet

Composition-based transformer model

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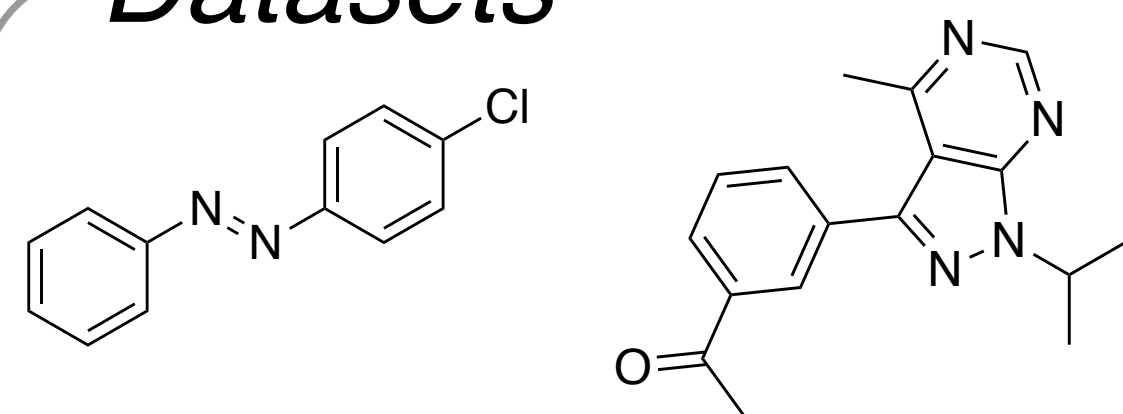


Works for Different Representations

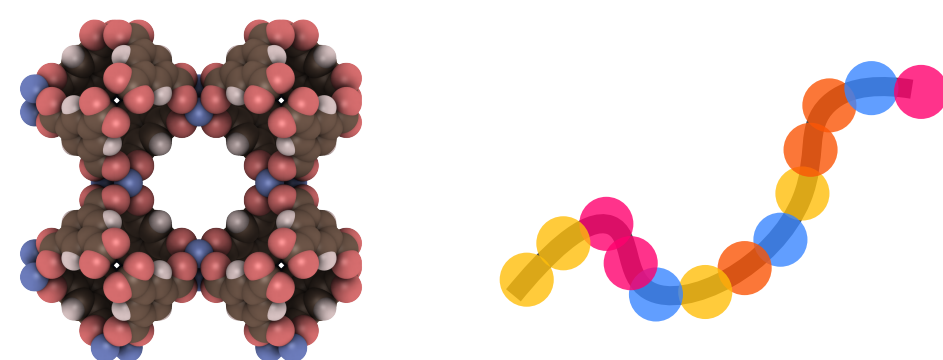


Across Chemical Space

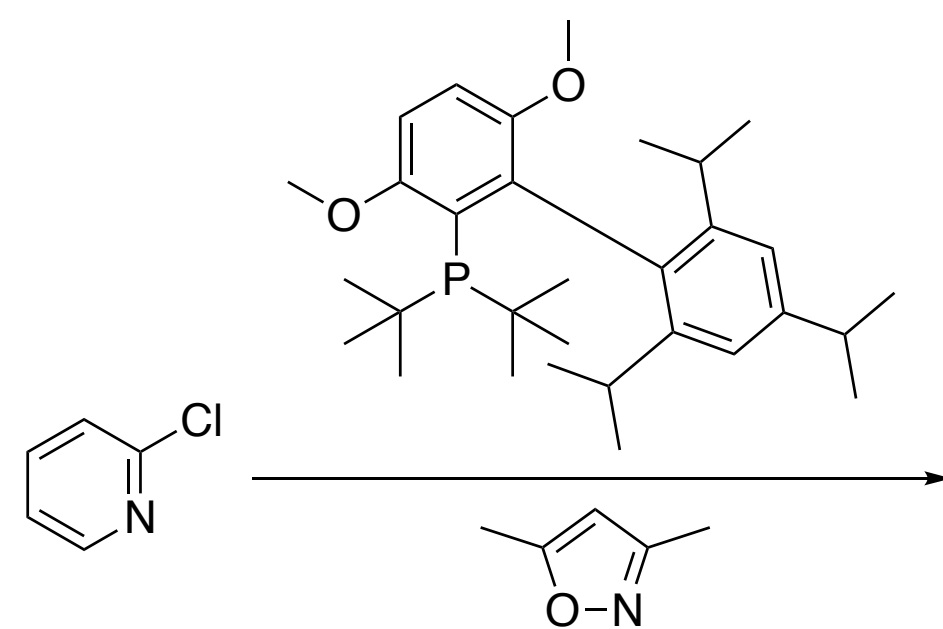
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Molecules



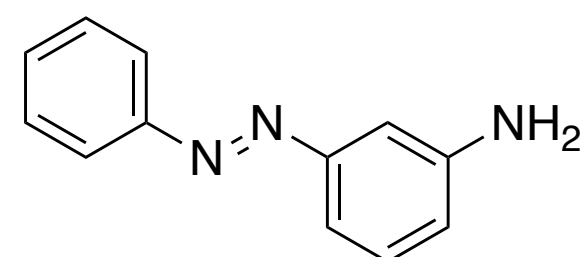
Materials



Reactions

Tasks

"What is the transition wavelength of 2-phenyldiazenylaniline"

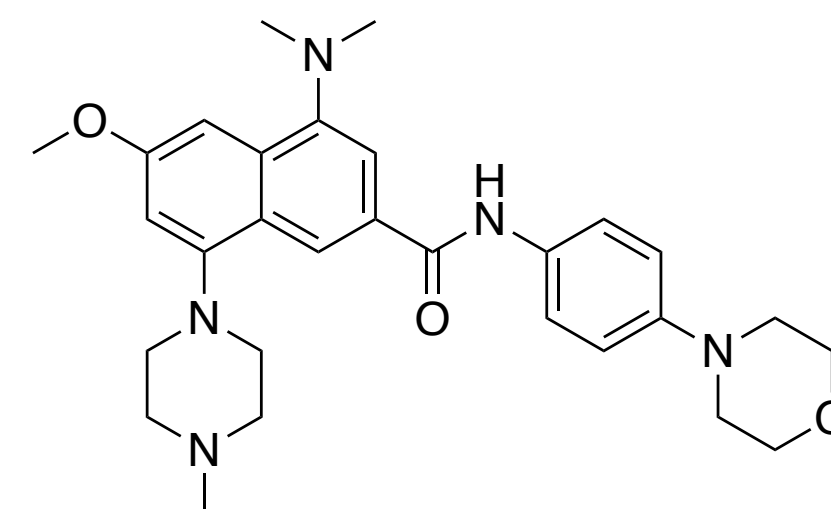


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GPT -3
↓

"low"

Classification

"What is the lipophilicity of C0c1cc(N2CCN(C)CC2)c3nc(cc(N(C)C)c3c1)C(=O)Nc4ccc(cc4)N5CCOCC5?"

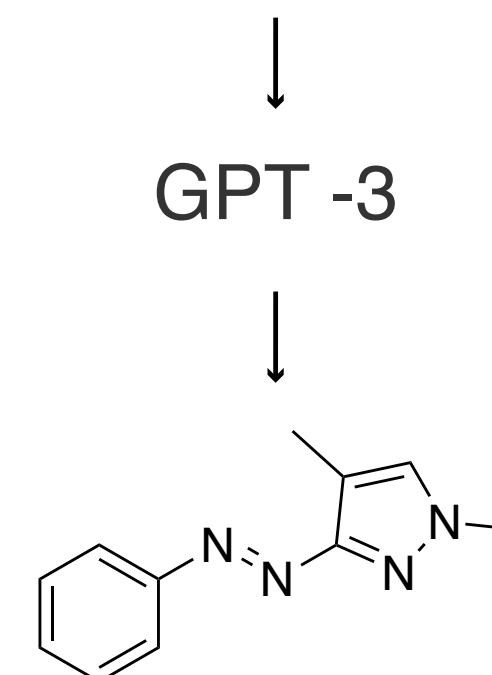


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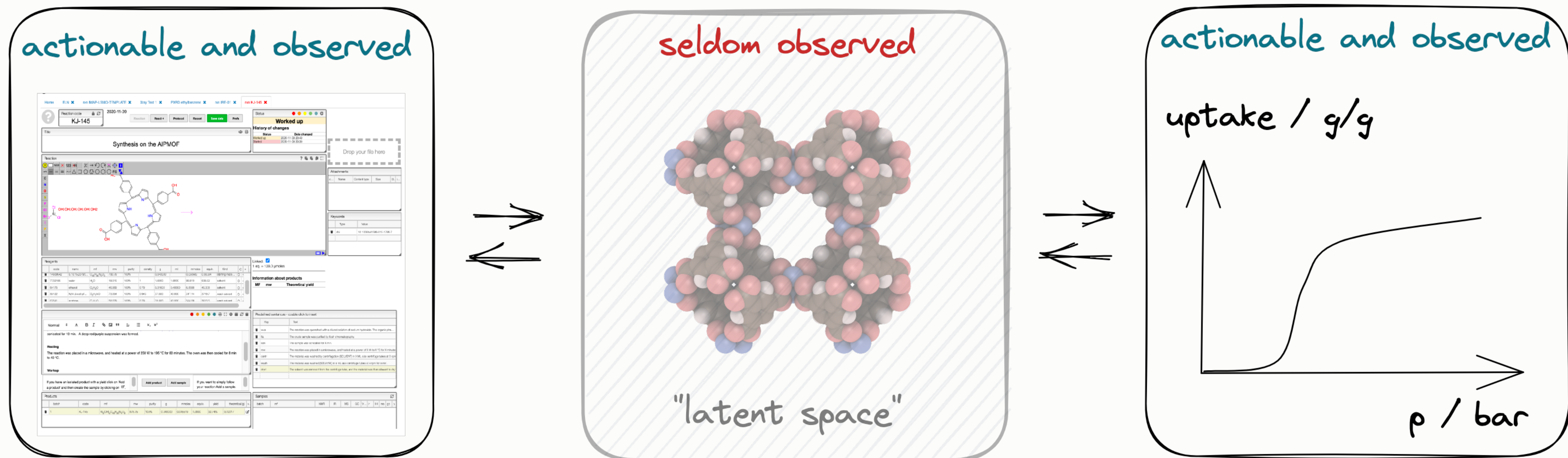
Regression

"What is a molecule with E isomer transition wavelength of 325 nm, Z isomer transition wavelength of 286 nm?"



Inverse Design

Actionable Machine Learning Powered By Large Language Models

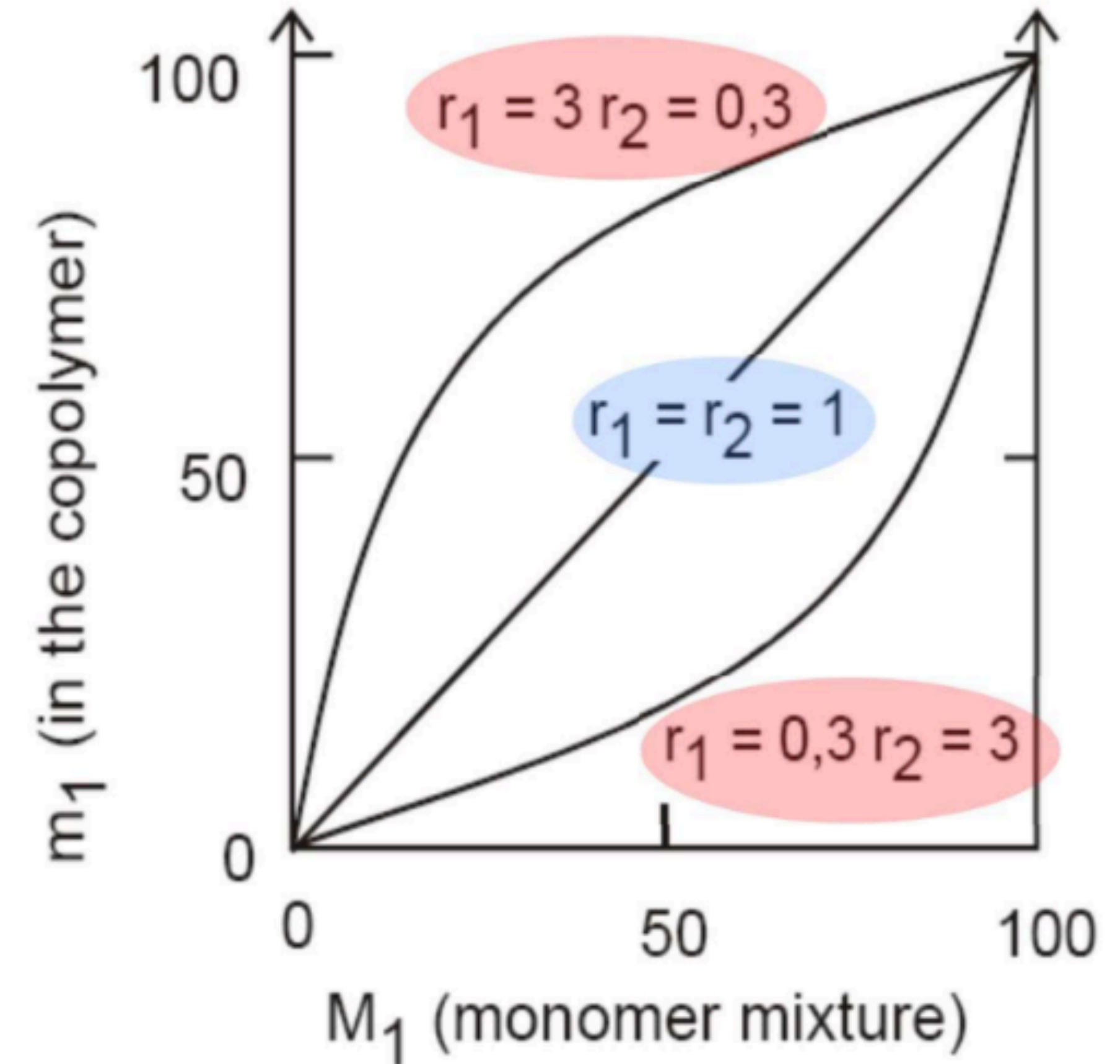
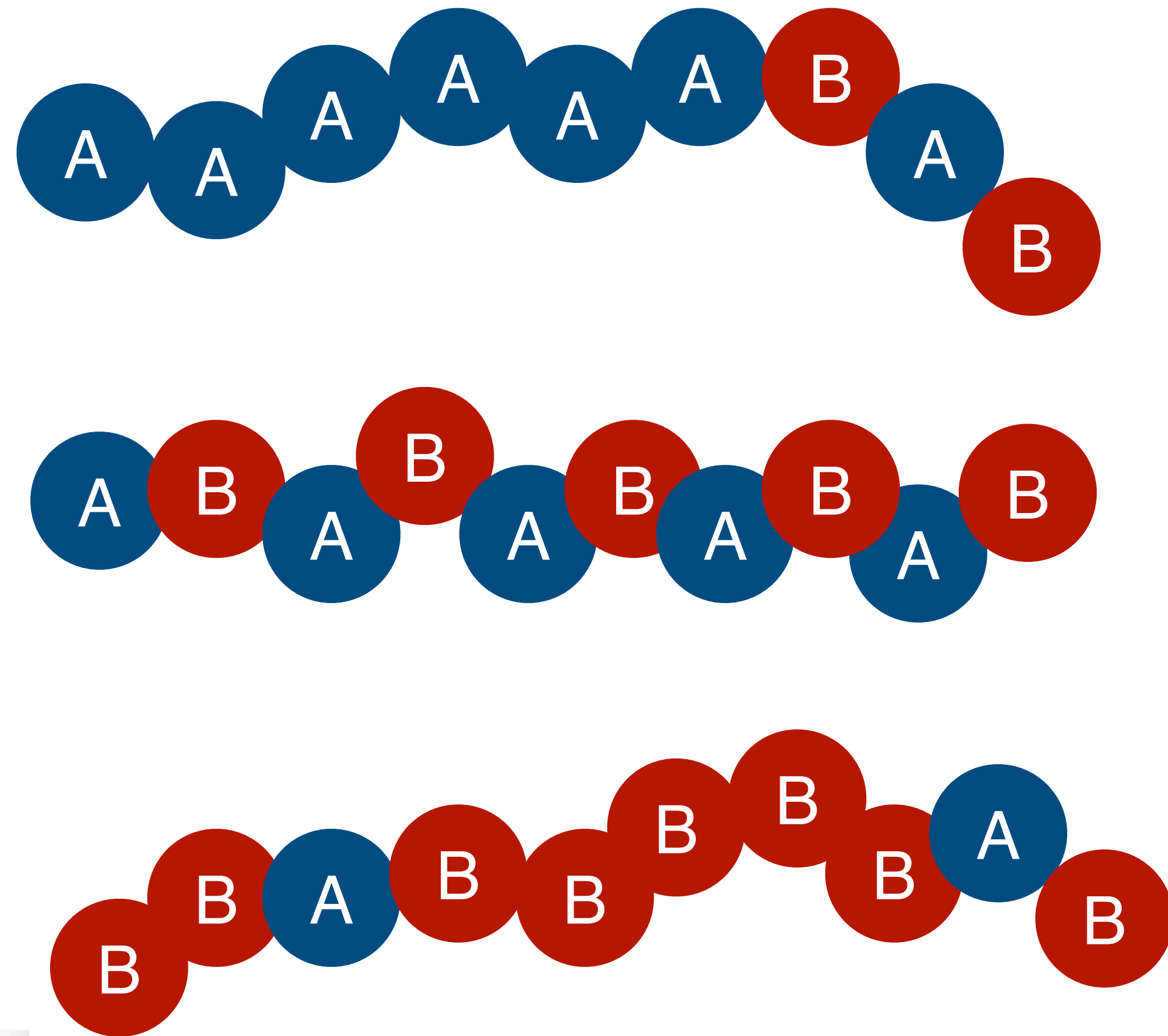
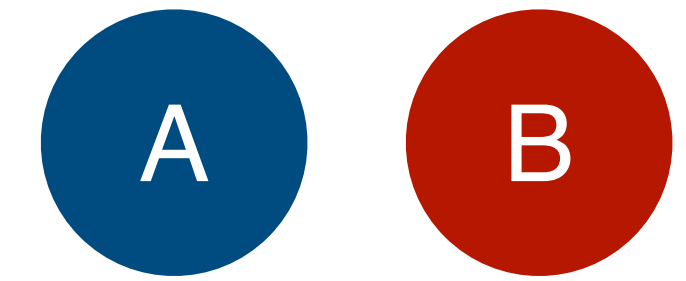


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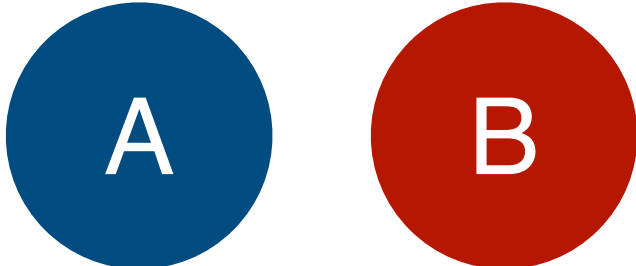
Curator
*Extracting
structured
data*

Reactivity Ratio Determines Co-Polymer Architecture



Mara Schilling-
Wilhelmi

Structured Data Extraction for Copolymerization Reactions



Depends on
copolymerization
mechanism

Depends on solvent

Table 1 Apparent reactivity ratios for STY/MMA as calculated with the EVM method from data by San Roman *et al.*³ and distribution coefficients *K* calculated according to equations (10) and (11)

Solvent	r_M	r_S	$r_M r_S$	K (from t_M)	K (from r_S)
Benzene	0.44 ^a (0.43) ^b	0.51 (0.51)	0.23 (0.22)	0.97 (0.95)	0.92 (0.93)
Chlorobenzene	0.47 (0.49)	0.43 (0.47)	0.20 (0.23)	1.04 (1.09)	1.10 (1.00)
Benzonitrile	0.65 (0.62)	0.47 (0.38)	0.31 (0.24)	1.44 (1.36)	1.00 (1.24)
Bulk ¹³	0.45	0.47	0.21	1.00	1.00

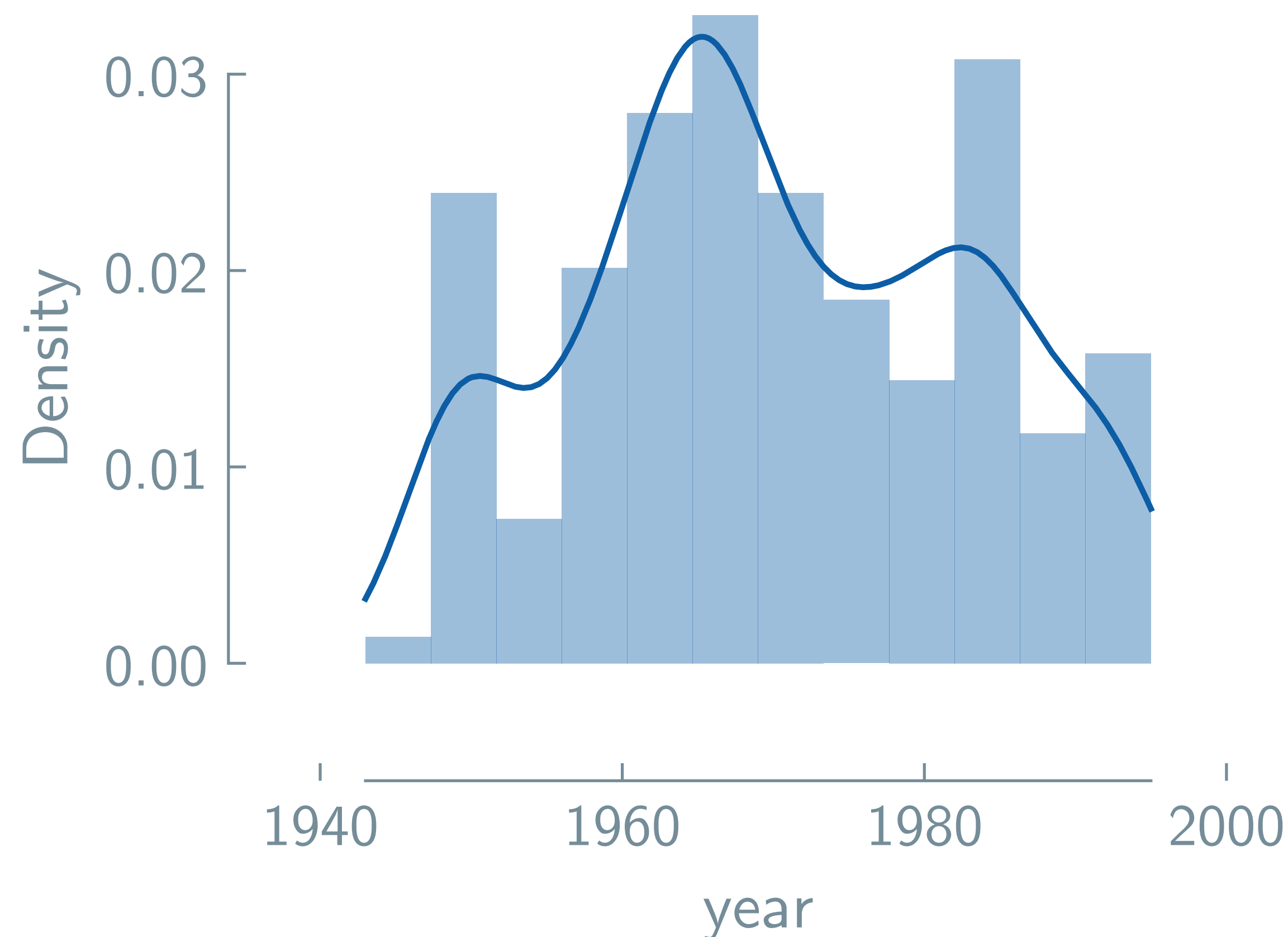
^a Polymer composition determined by n.m.r.

^b Polymer composition determined by carbon analysis

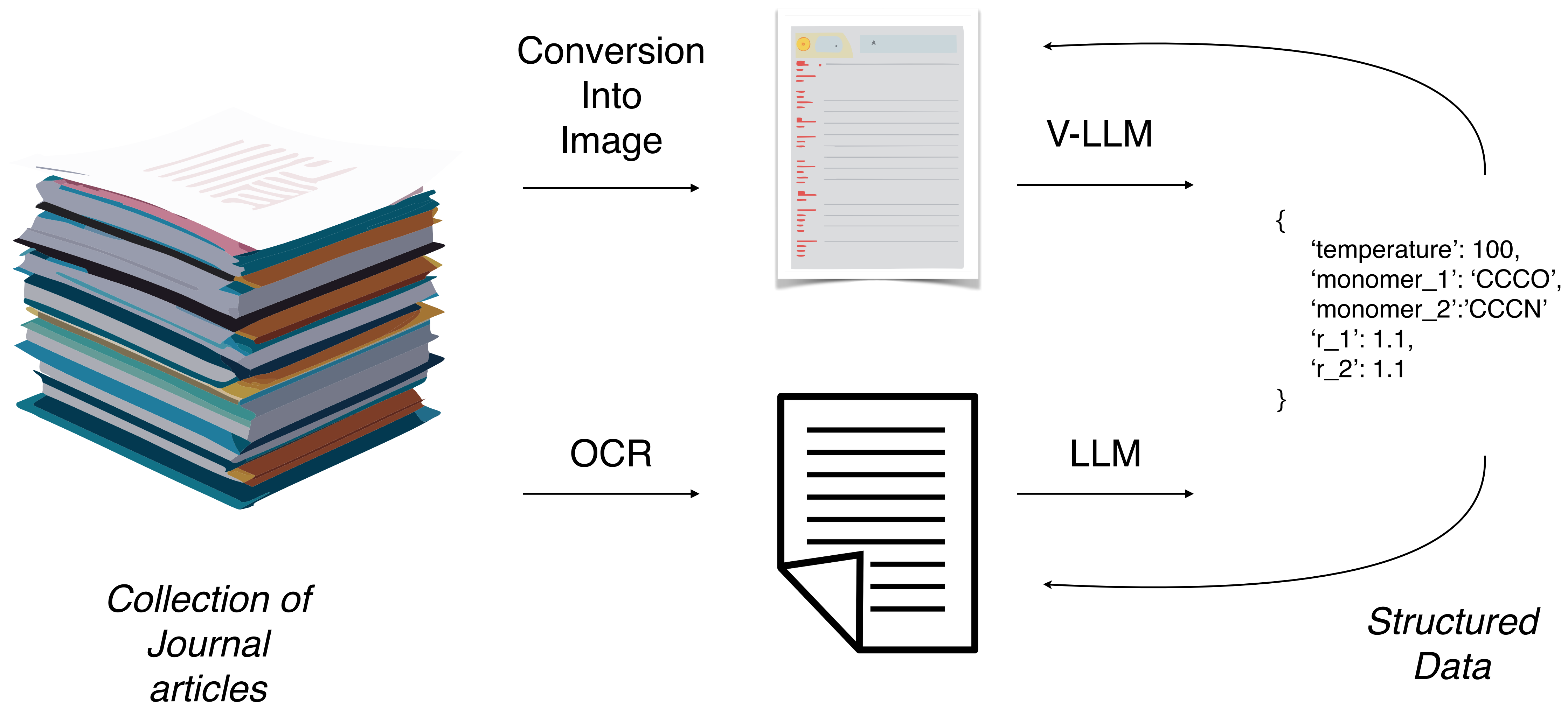
Structured Data Extraction for Copolymerization Reactions

Have to deal with
old papers

Have to deal with
rotated pages, ...

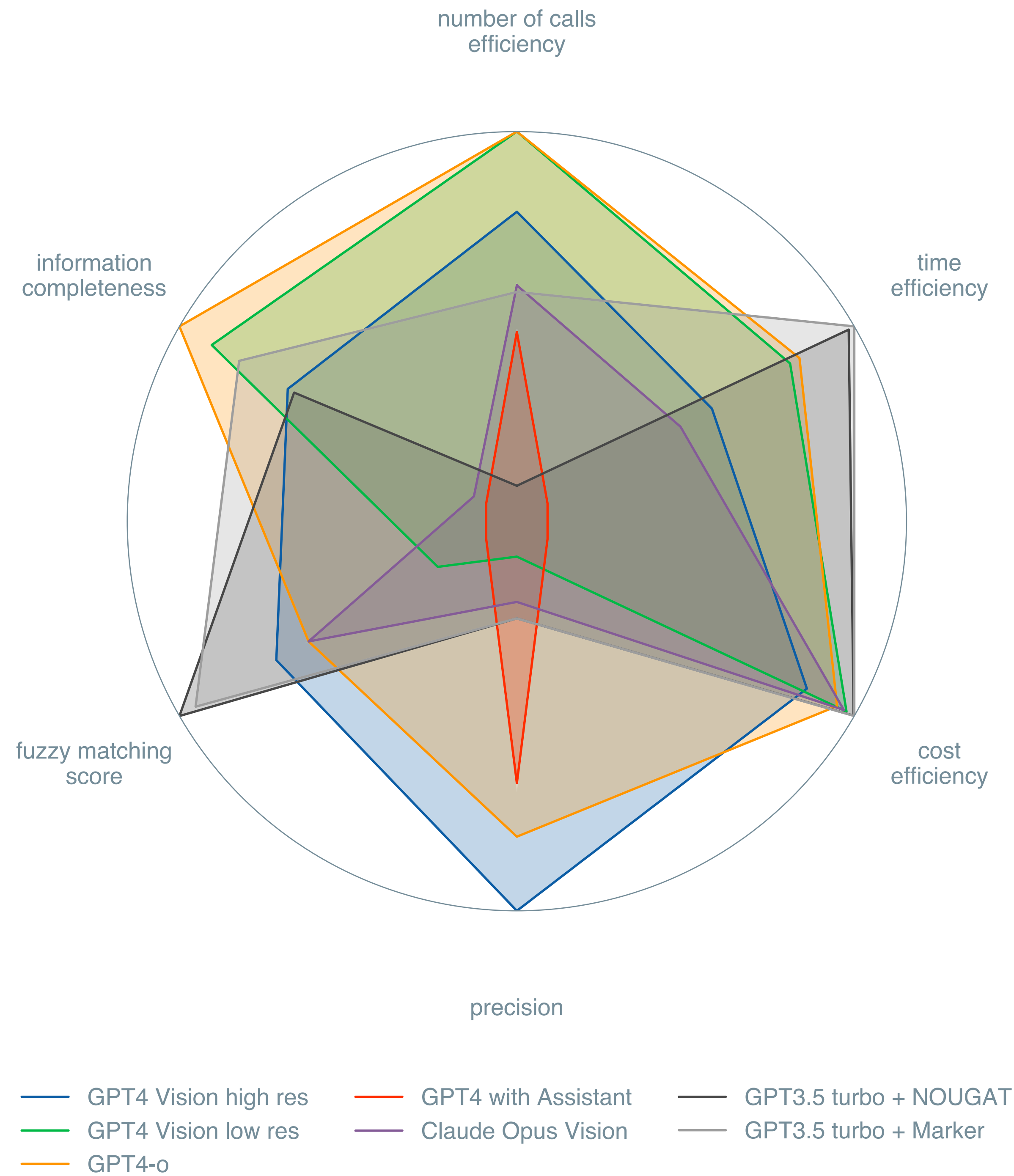


Comparing VLMs and LLMs



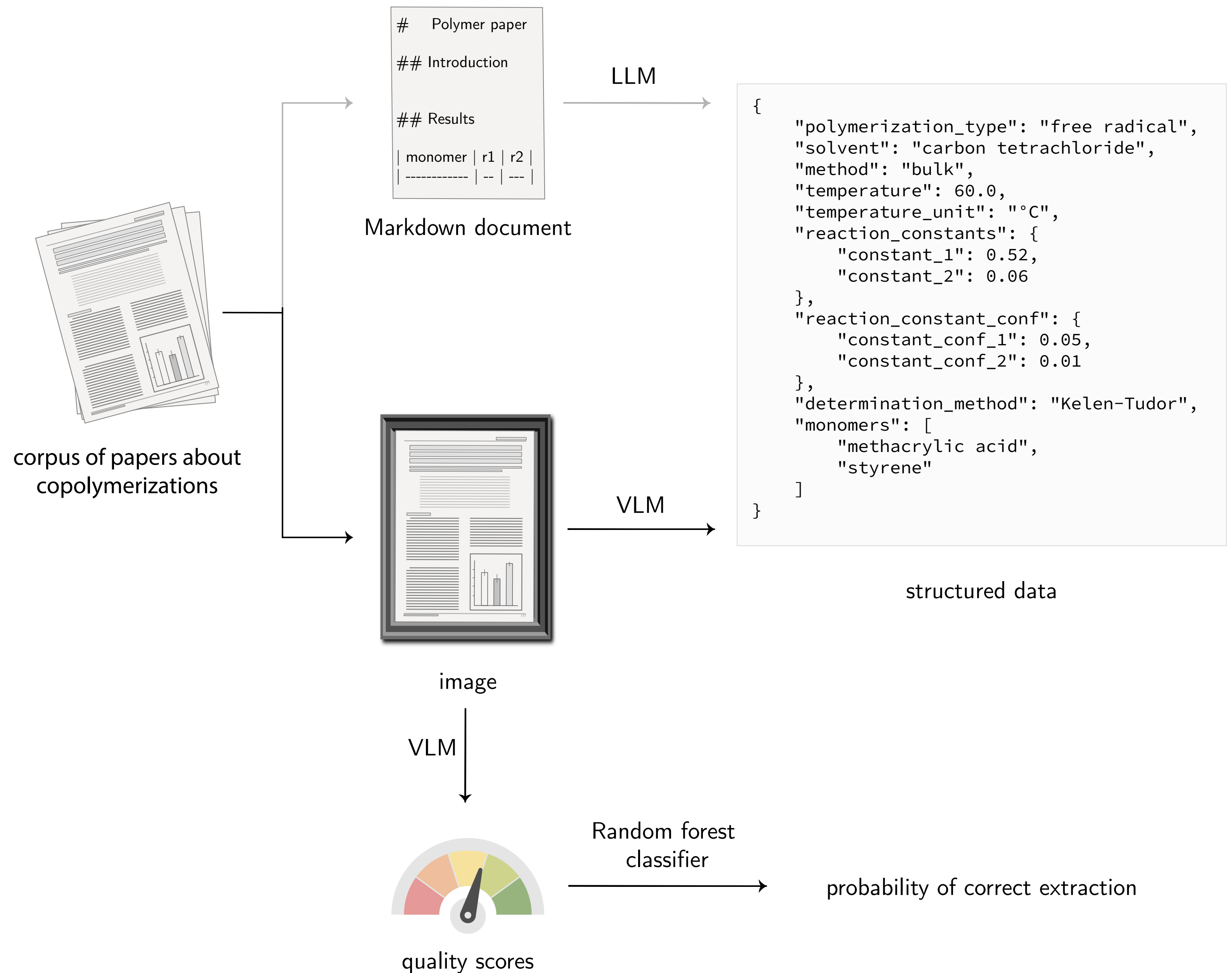
Comparing VLMs and LLMs


Only the vision models have acceptable performance



Quality Classifier Can Further Boost Performance

Boost from 77%
accuracy to 94%





Q Search

From Text to Insight: Large Language Models for Chemical Data Extraction

Introduction and background

Overview of the working principles of LLMs

A. Structured Extraction Workflow

1. Obtaining data

2. Cleaning

3. Strategies to tackle context window limitations

4. Choosing the learning paradigm

5. Beyond text

6. Agents

7. Constrained generation to guarantee syntactic correctness

8. Evaluations

B. Case Studies

9. Research articles vs datasets in chemistry and materials science

10. Collecting data on the synthesis procedures of bio-based adsorbents

11. Retrieving data from chacolgenide perovskites

12. Validation case study: Matching NMR spectra to composition of the molecule

13. Collecting data for reactions procedures

From Text to Insight: Large Language Models for Chemical Data Extraction

About this book

Structured data is at the heart of machine learning. LLMs offer a convenient way to generate structured data based on unstructured inputs. This book gives hands-on examples of the different steps in the extraction workflow using LLMs.

You can find more background on the topics covered in this book in our [review article](#).

How to use this book?

This book is based on Jupyter notebooks. That is, beyond simply reading along, you can also run the notebooks yourself. You have different options to do so.

Running it on your own machine

If you have a reasonably modern computer you will be able to run many of the notebooks on your own hardware. Note, however, that certain notebooks will need to be run on GPUs. Those notebooks have a note about this on the top of the notebook.

In addition to hardware, you will also need some software. All relevant dependencies can be installed via the package for this online book.

Overall, you will need to run through the following steps. Note that we currently only support Linux and Mac. If you want to run the notebooks on Windows, we recommend that you [install WSL](#) and then run the notebooks from the Linux environment.

0. Use Python 3.11 (the code might also work on other versions, but we only tested 3.11)

1. Clone the repository

`git clone https://github.com/lamalab-org/matextract-book.git`

Then, go into the folder

`cd matextract-book`

2. (Optional, but recommended) Create a [virtual environment](#):

`python3 -m venv .venv`

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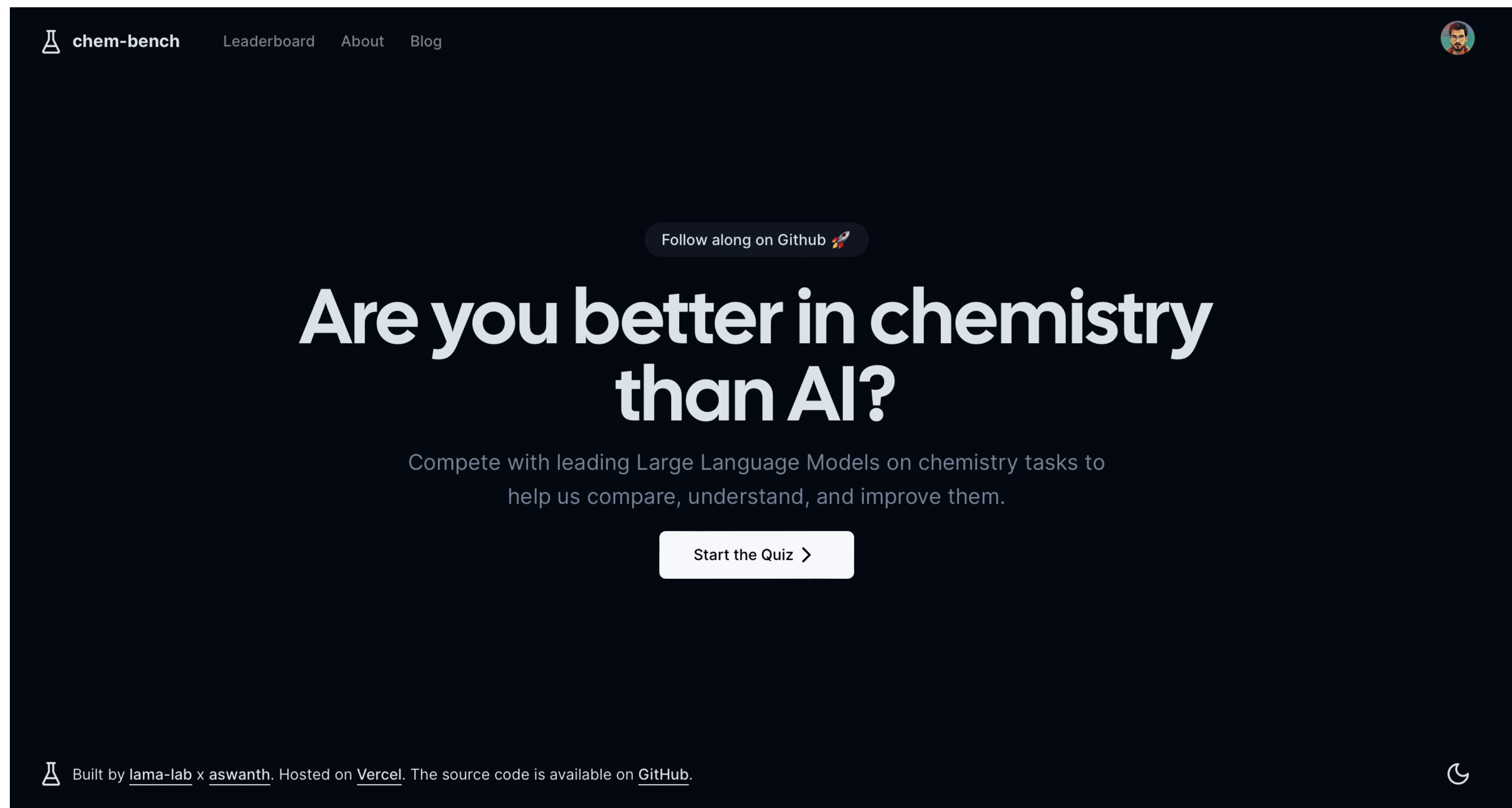
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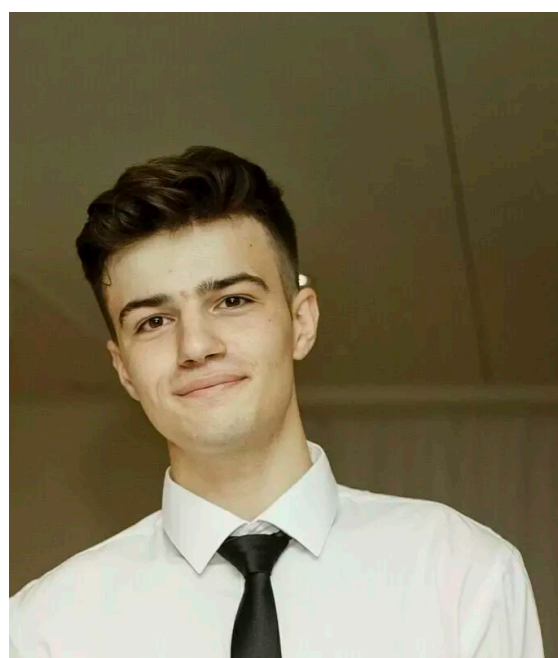
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How Good Are Current Models Compared to Experts?



Test yourself at chembench.org



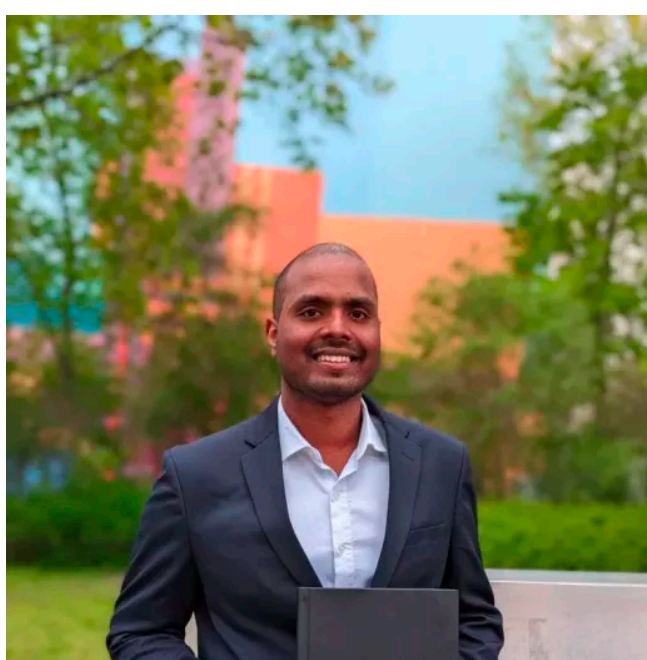
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Are large language models superhuman chemists?

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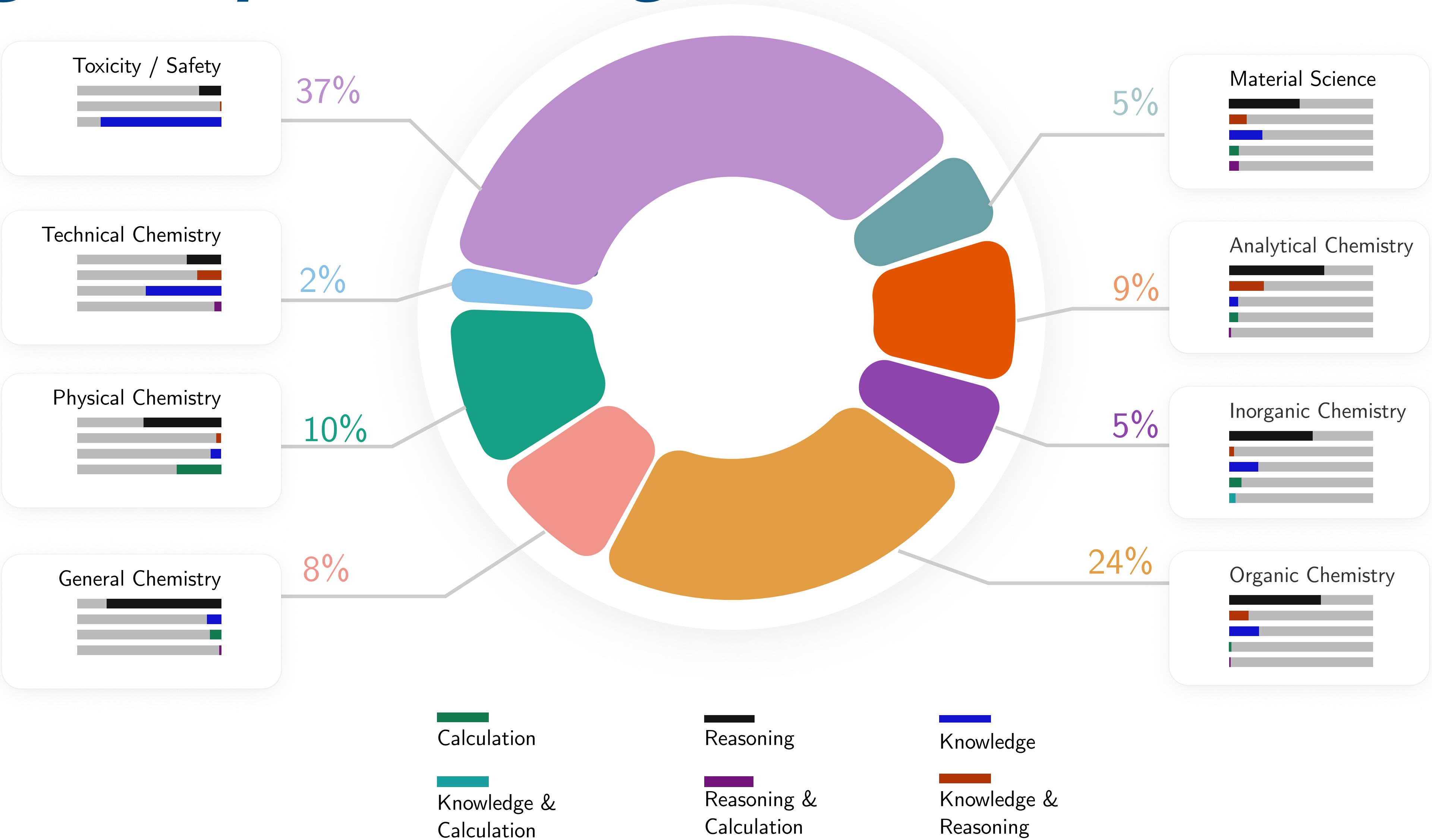
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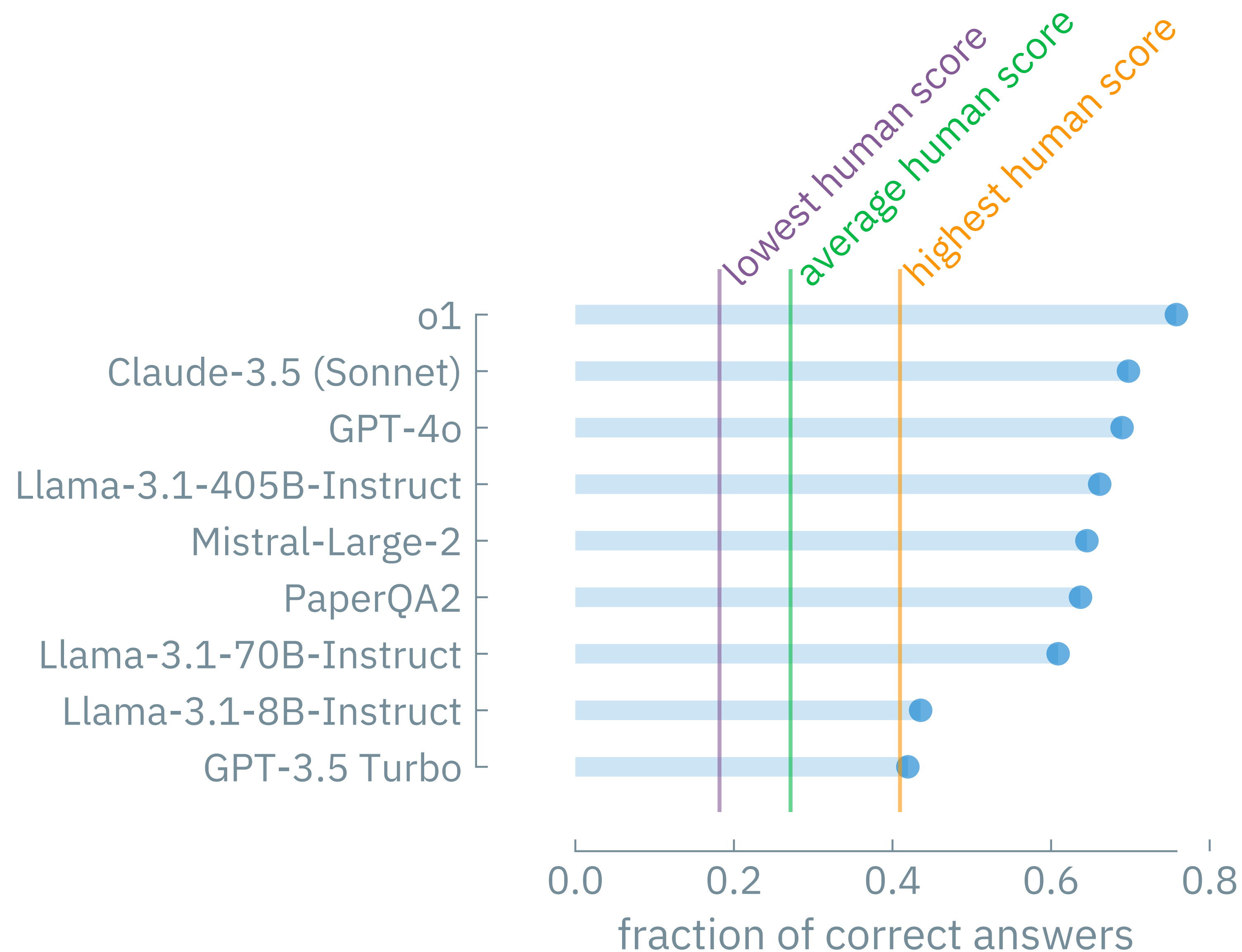
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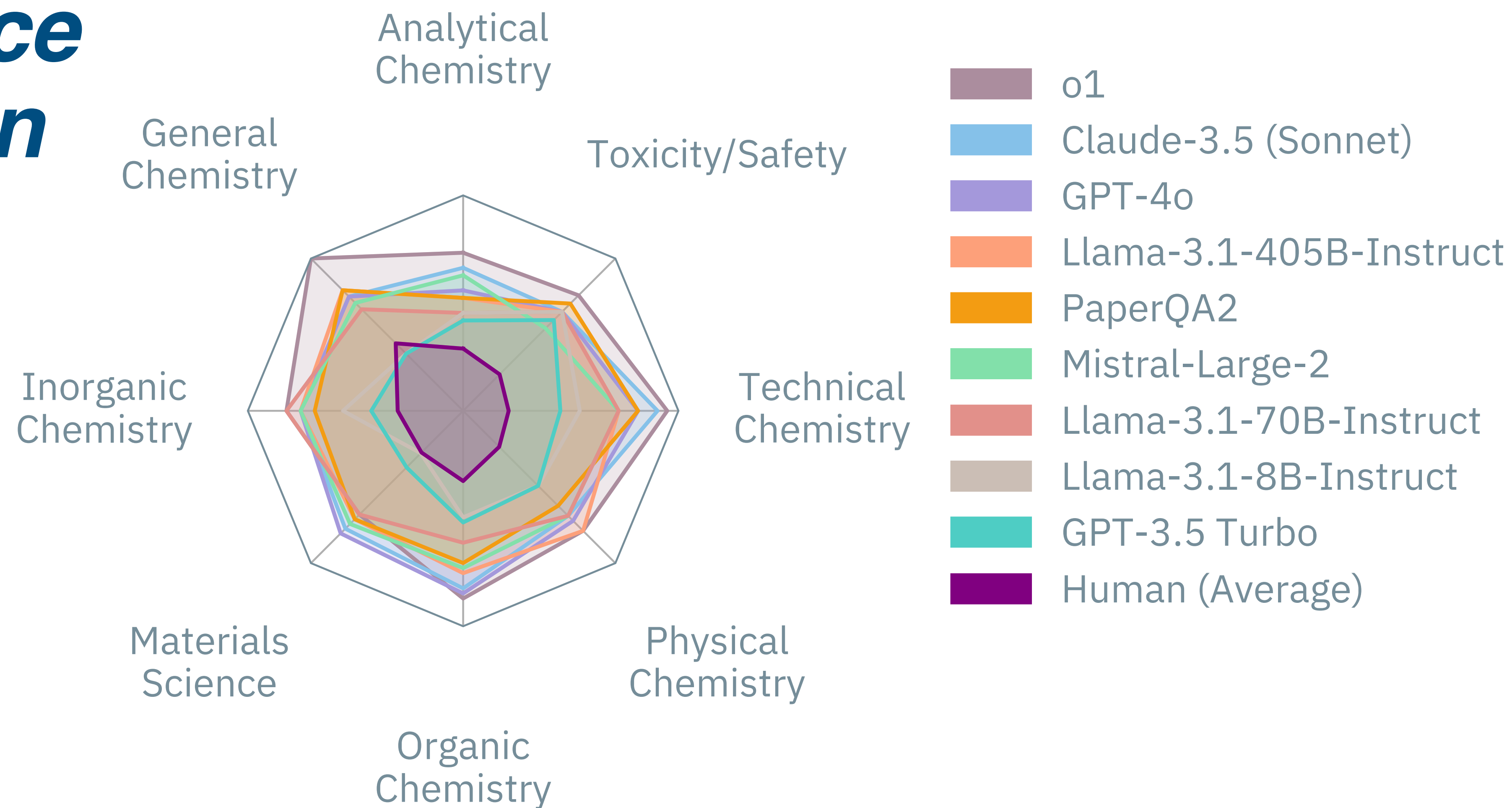
Large Corpus Testing Diverse Skills



On Average: Superhuman Performance



But Performance Depends on Topic



Connecting Tools

**Conventional user interfaces are rigid
chemistry is flexible**

LLMs can do semantic search

LLMs can dynamically create
interface components

LLMs can reason about the data

ChemAssist

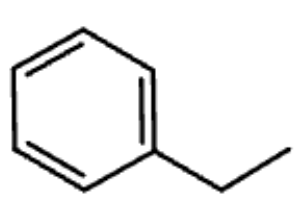
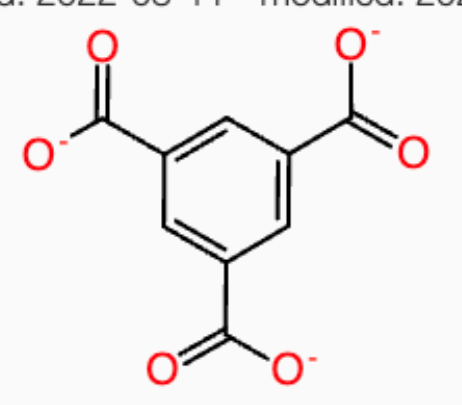
Ask me a question and I'll do my best to find an answer

Enter your question

Query

[Add sample](#)Group: **Mine**Modified: **Last month****If you are using those tools please don't forget to cite us !**

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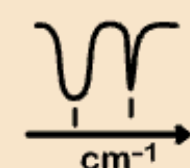
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General

Number of samples

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Samples

IR spectra

IR

Differential scanning calorimetry

DSC

Powder XRD

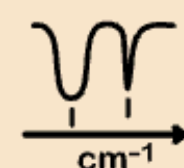
PXRD

NMR

Electronic Notebook



ELN

IR prediction

IR

Thermogravimetric analysis

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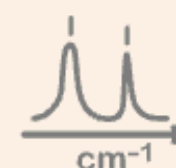
Xray structure

Xray

Structure search



Structure search

Raman spectra

Raman

Differential Sedimentation

DCS

Image analysis

IA

Mass & EA

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X-ray photoelectron spectroscopy (XPS)

XPS

3D model

3D

Lipinski



Lipinski

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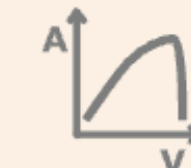
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Cheminformatics**IV curves**

IV

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Chatting With Your Data



LLM Chat Block with contextual data (powered by GPT-3.5-turbo)



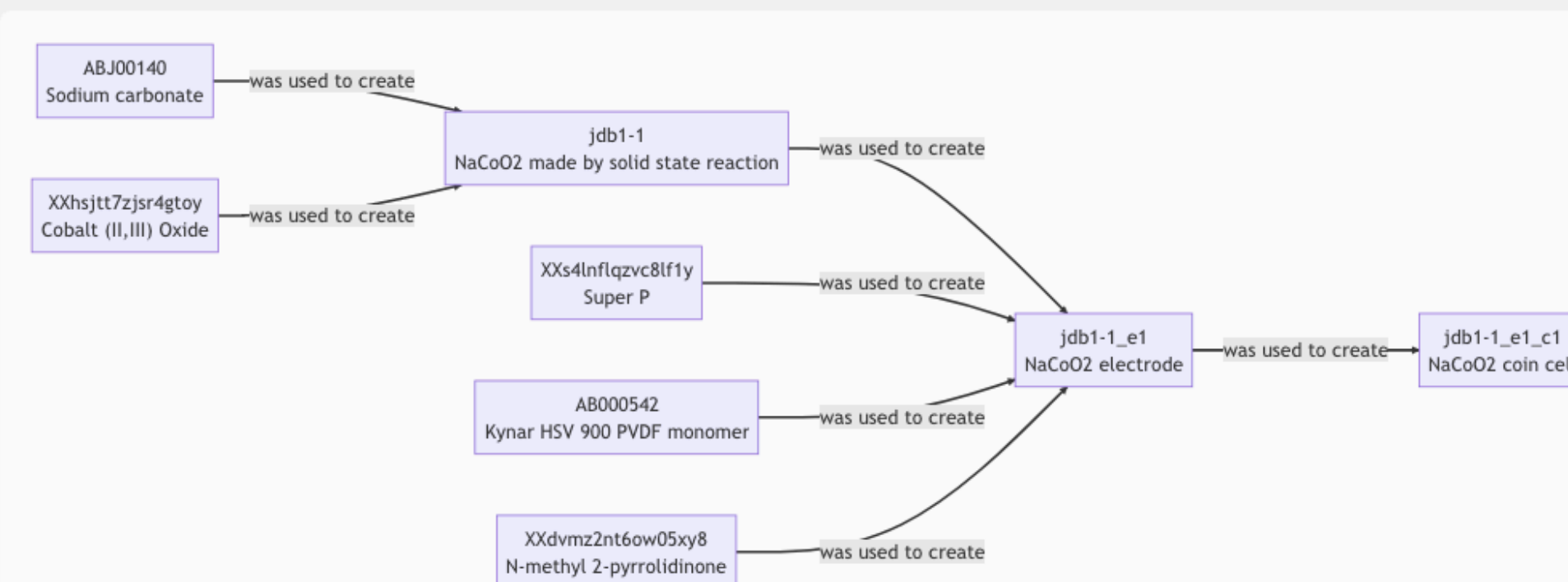
Hello! I am your virtual assistant and I am here to help you manage your experimental data. What can I help you with today?

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Please make me a mermaid flowchat showing how this cell was made from other items in the database

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Certainly! Here is a Mermaid flowchart that shows how the cell with item_id jdb1-1_e1_c1 was made from other items in the database:

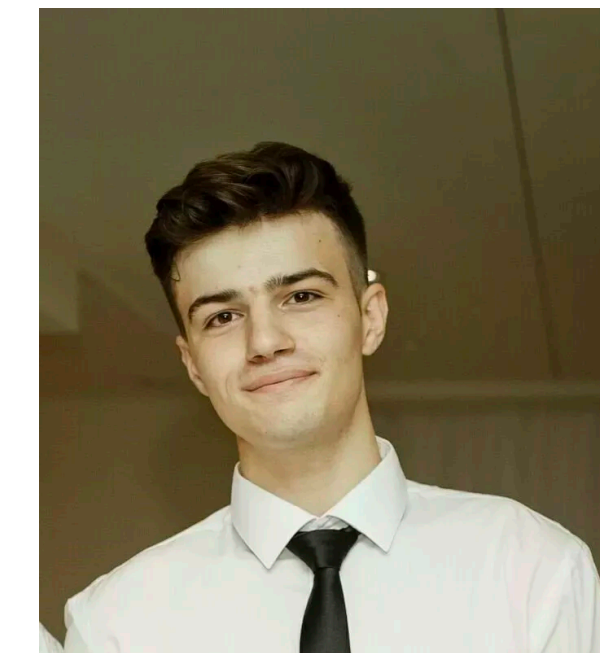


In this flowchart, each rectangular box represents an item in the database, and the arrows between the boxes represent the relationships between the items. For example, SM1 and SM2 were used to create sample JDB1-1, which was then used to create sample E1, which was finally used to create the cell C1.

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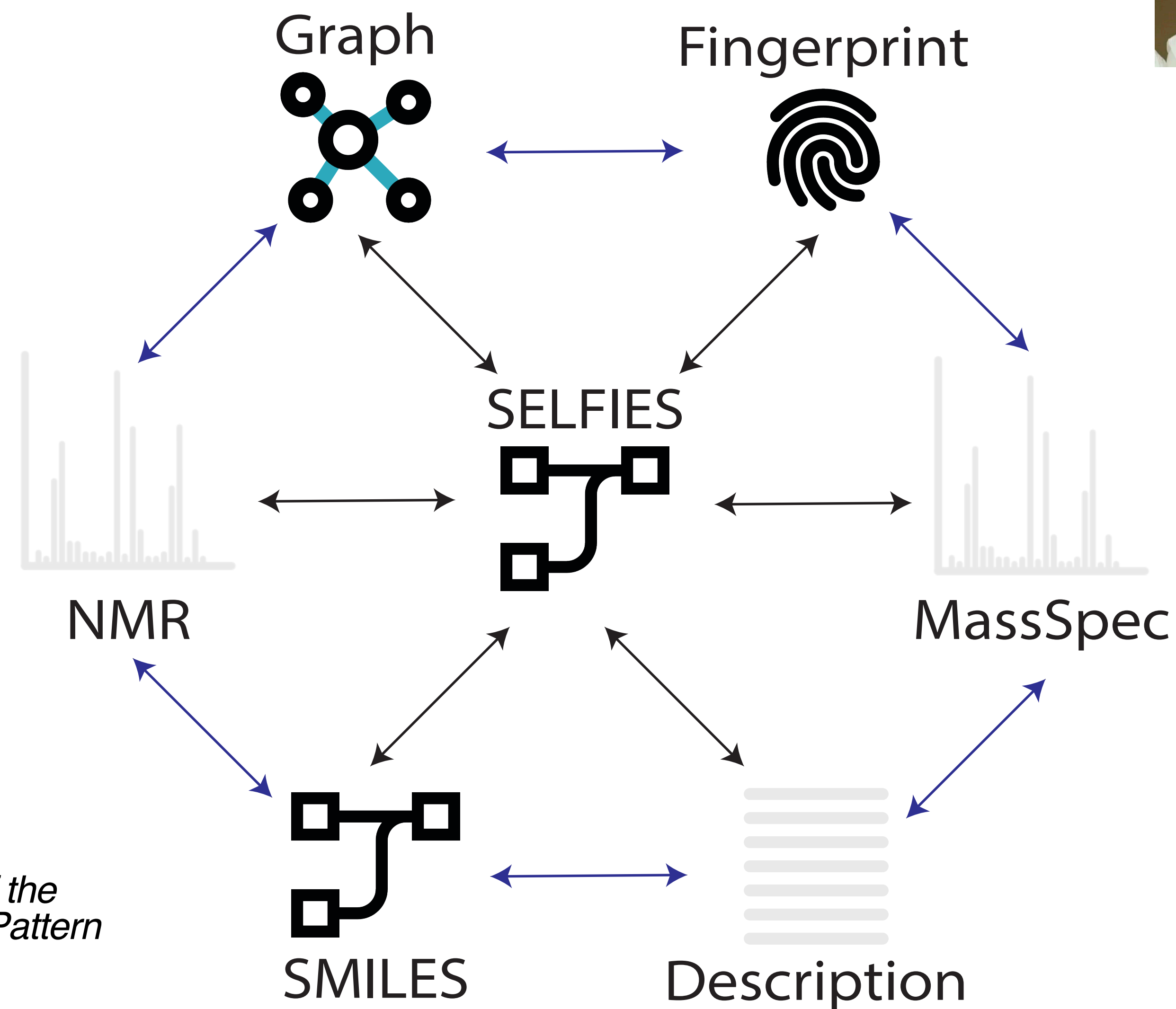
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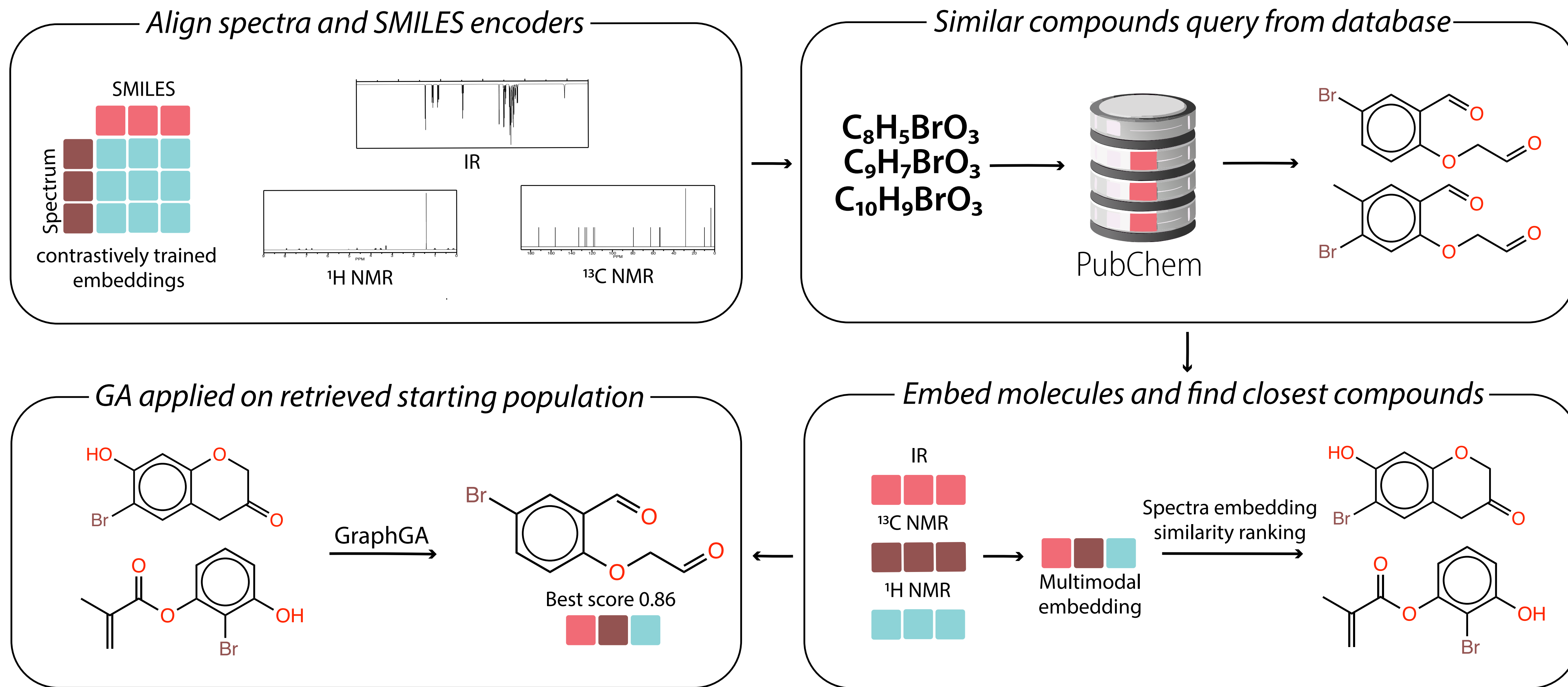
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What if you can find the procedure that best matches the spectrum you want to see?

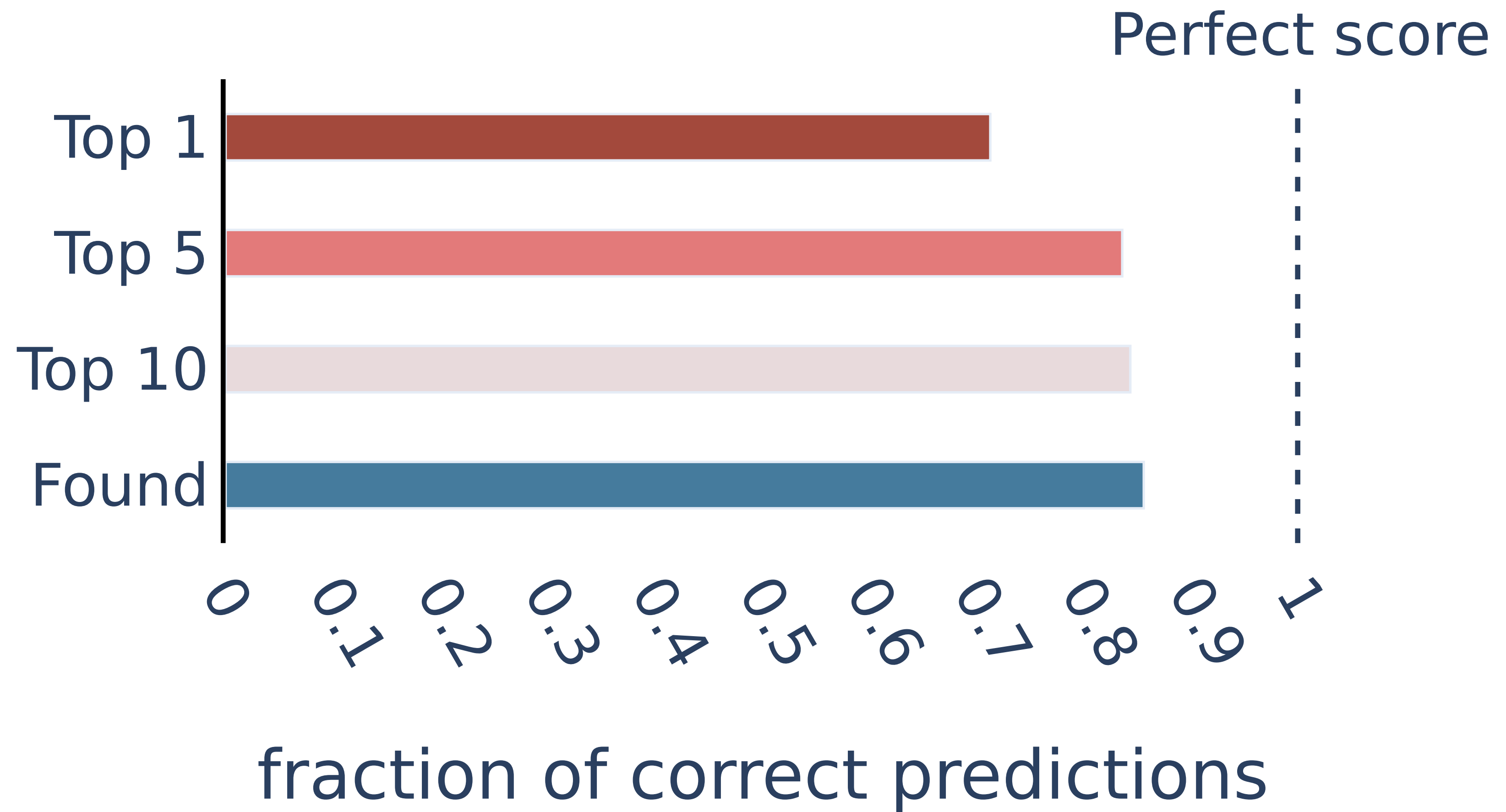


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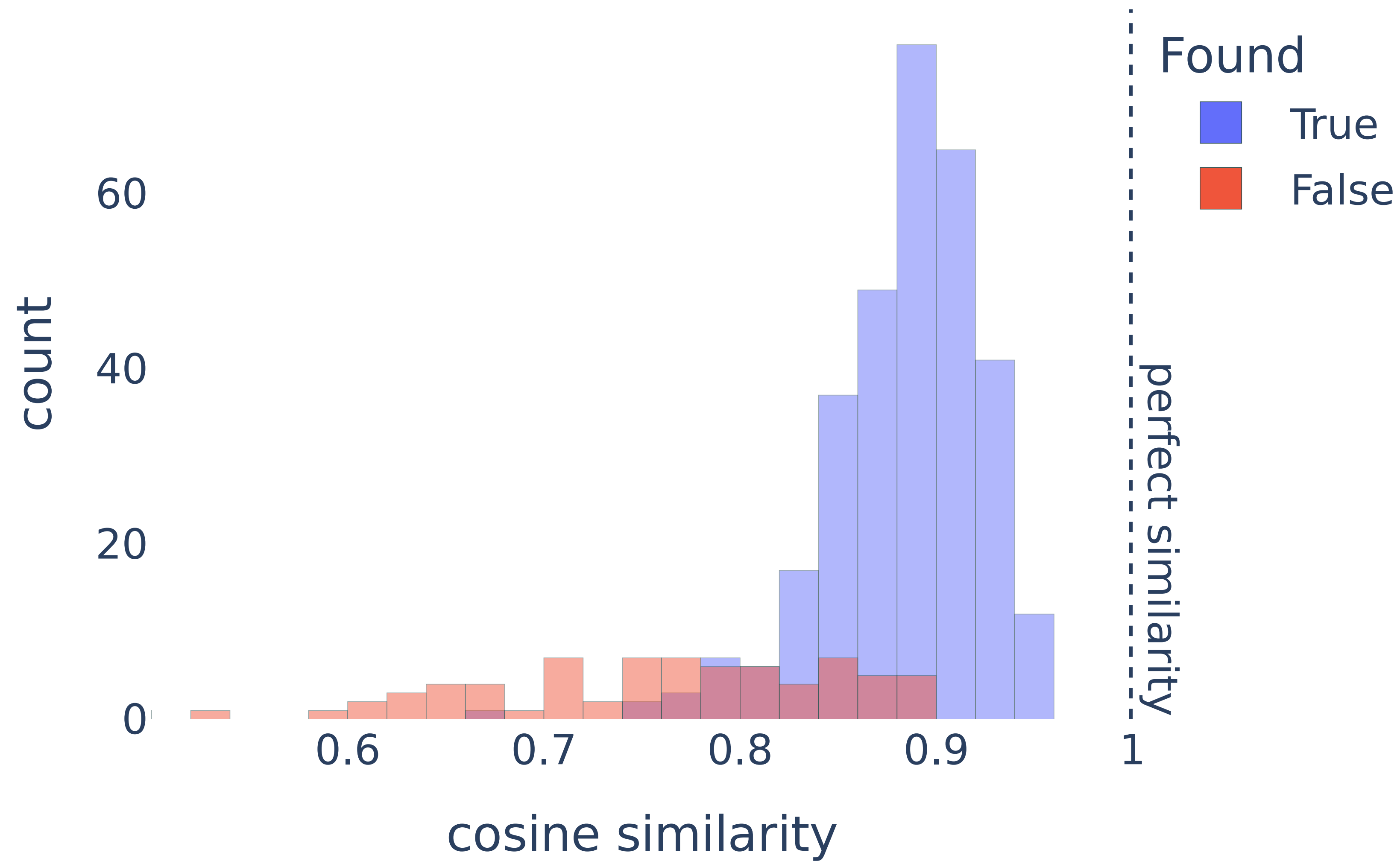
Building Matching Structures That Match Spectra



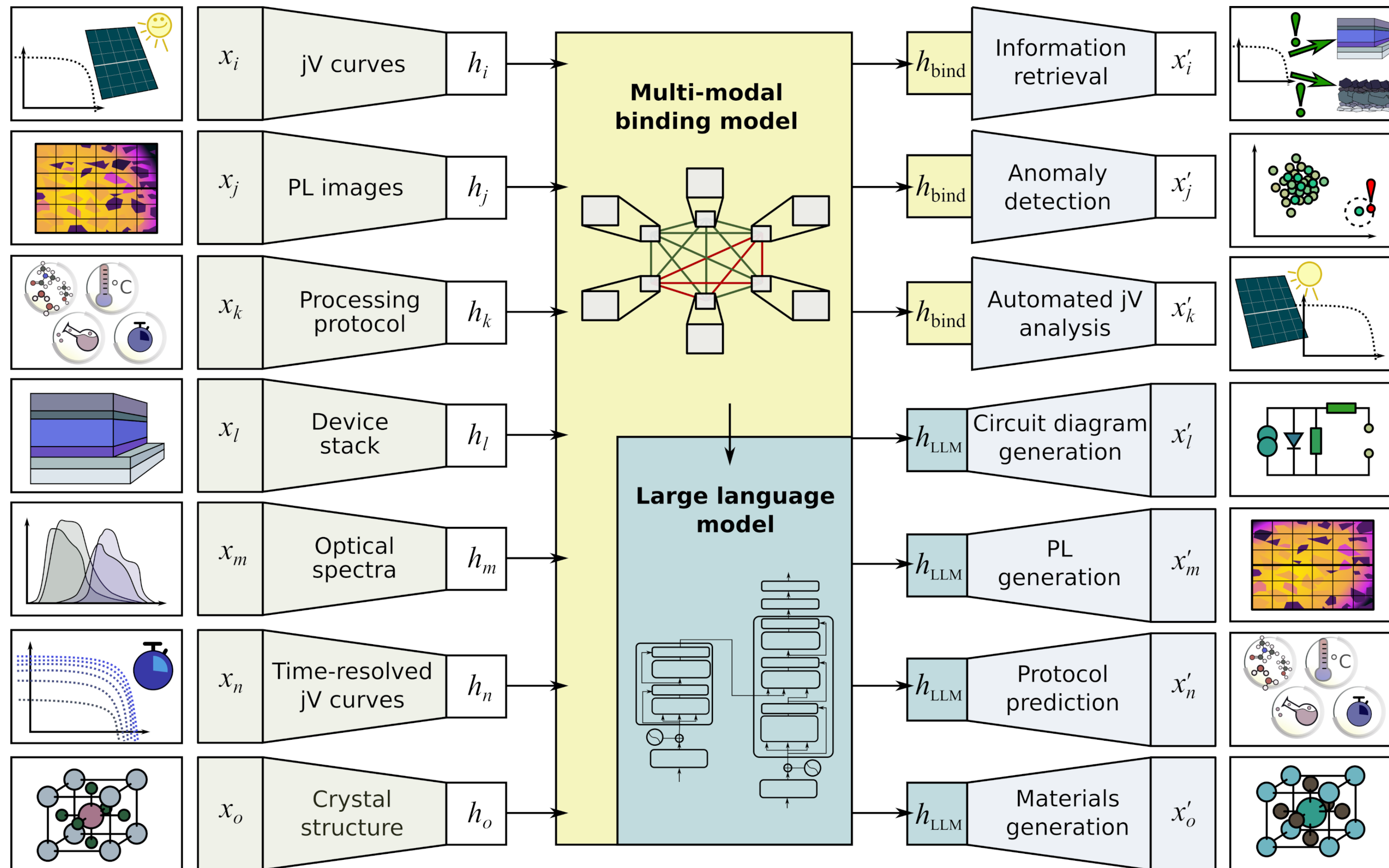
Spectrum To Structure



Spectrum To Structure



Multimodal Embeddings for Photovoltaics



SOL-AI (Helmholtz Foundation model initiative)

Testing the Limitations of Multimodal Models: MaCBench



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Lab scenarios

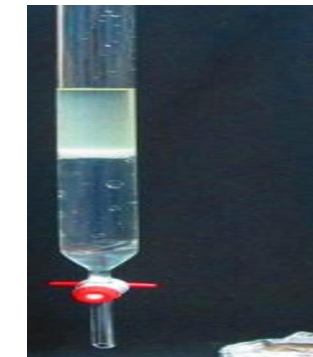


This is a photograph from a chemistry lab. The apparatus is in operation. What is the safety issue here?

Options:

- a) The setup should be placed perpendicular to the ground
- b) There is risk of the apparatus falling down
- c) The round bottom flask is not touching the oil bath
- d) Everything is correct, no safety risk

Glassware identification



In this photograph, what do you see?

Options:

- a) Funnel
- b) Separatory Funnel
- c) Chromatography Column
- d) Burette

Table understanding

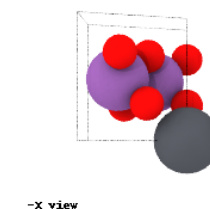
GAS	T g (degC)	T x (degC)	T p (degC)	S (K)
Ge0.05As0.34S0.61	221	575	604	20.8
Ge0.1As0.28S0.62	240	589	609	13.6
Ge0.15As0.22S0.63	267	600	620	12.3
Ge0.2As0.16S0.64	296	564	613	23.0
Ge0.25As0.11S0.65	346	549	636	28.5
Ge0.3As0.04S0.66	420	578	618	9.1
(1 - 2x)[Ge 0.25 As 0.1 S 0.65]-xGaS 3/2-xCsBr				
x=0.05	296	502	541	14.1
x=0.1	295	474	523	15.4
x=0.15	245	575	600	15.9
x=0.2	208	590	612	15.9

Does this table contain any material composition?

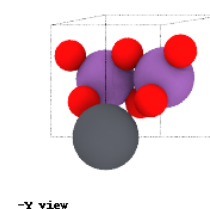
Do all the material compositions present in the table add up?

Reasoning about crystal structures

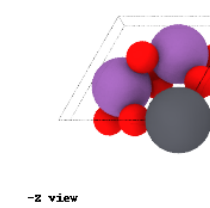
Lattice parameters:
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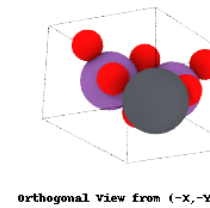
-X view



-Y view



-Z view

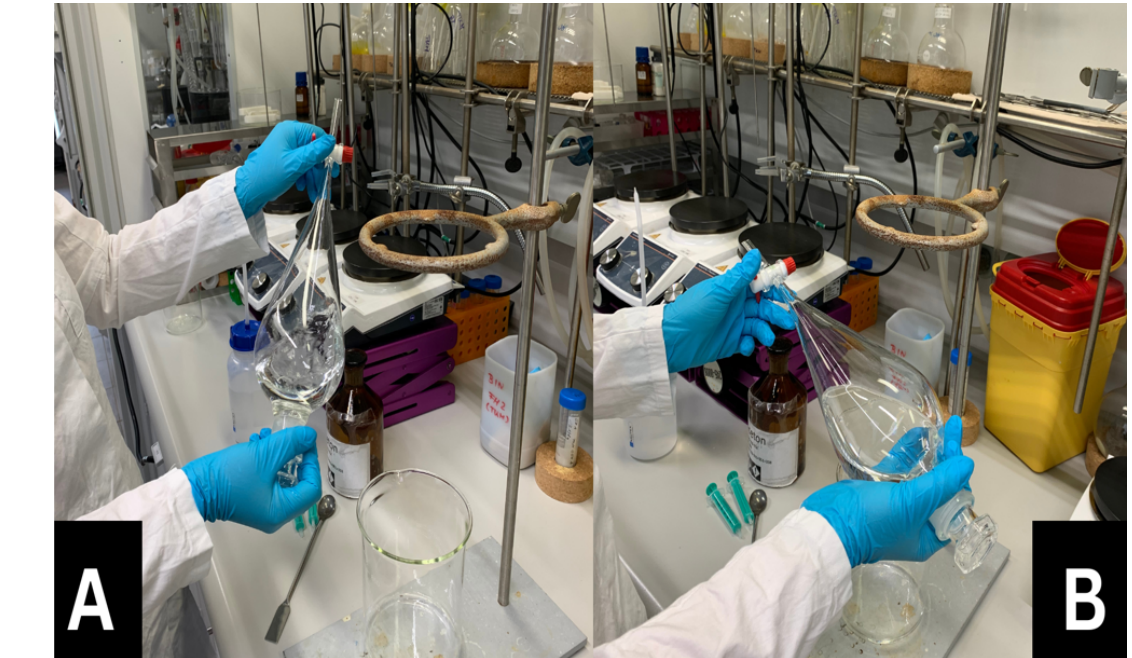


orthogonal view from (-X,-Y,-Z) direction

What is the crystal system of this crystal structure?

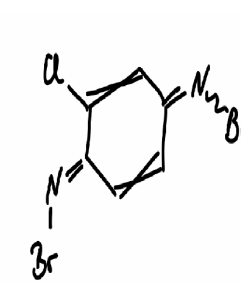
- a) monoclinic
- b) orthorhombic
- c) tetragonal
- d) hexagonal
- e) rhombohedral
- f) cubic

Lab scenario comparisons



The chemist wants to separate two liquids with a separation funnel. Which is image, A or B, shows the correct protocol?

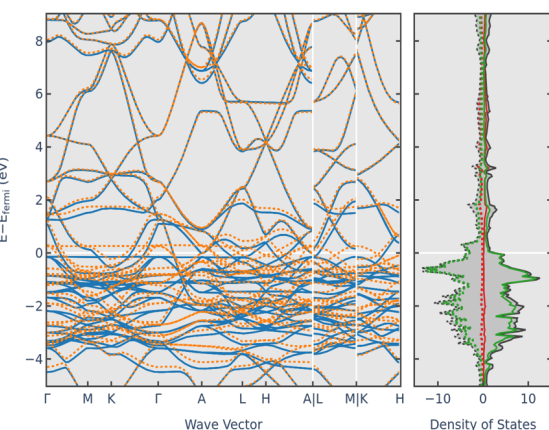
Handdrawn molecules



What is the SMILES of this molecule?

- a) C[Al](C)NC1=NC=CS1
- b) C(F)(F)(F)S(=O)NP(=S)(N)N
- c) C\1=C/C(=N\Br)/C(=C/C1=N/Br)Cl
- d) C/C(=C\C(C(C#C)[Si](C)(C)C(C)(C)C)(O)[Si](C)(C)C)/C#C

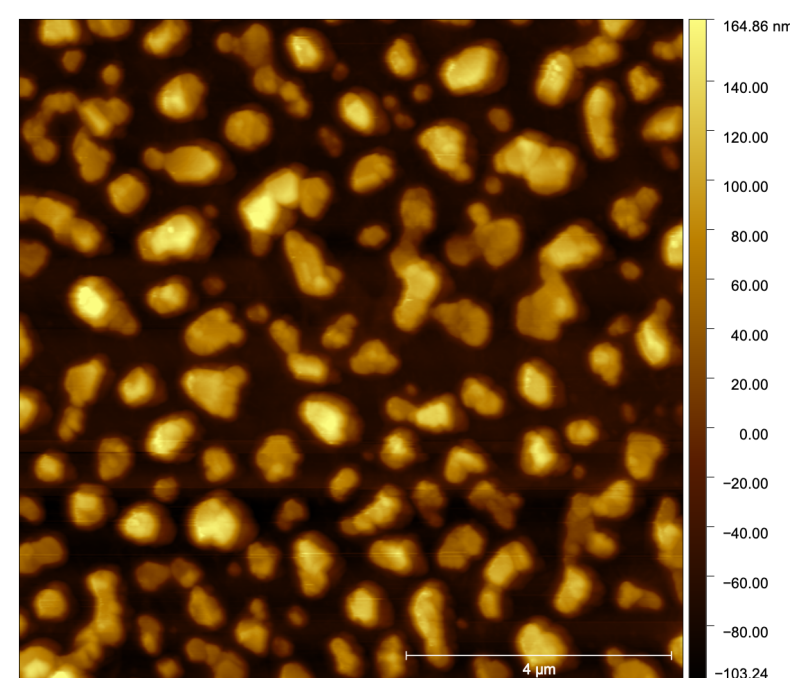
Band structures



What is the characteristic of the electronic structure in the image?

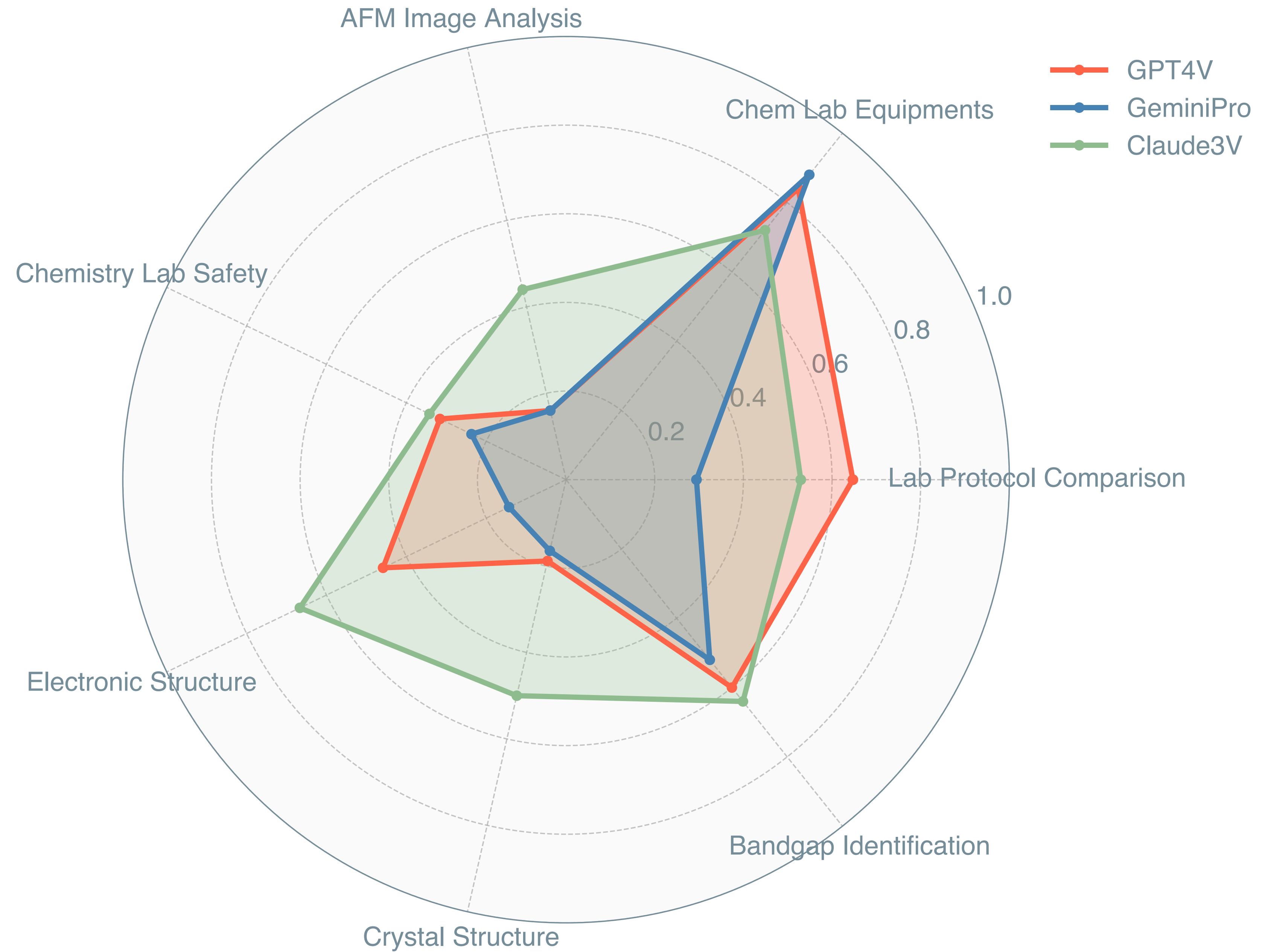
- a) metallic
- b) direct gap
- c) indirect gap

AFM images



How many gold nanoislands can be observed in the image? Consider only those with a positive height as gold nanoislands.

Testing the Limitations of Multimodal Models



Predicting Material (Properties) Using LLMs

Language models can generate molecules, materials, and protein binding sites directly in three dimensions as XYZ, CIF, and PDB files

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Language models are powerful tools for molecules to parse molecular graphs into linear string representation. This approach has been very successful, however, it is limited to molecules represented by a graph—like organic molecules—whereas protein binding sites require a more complete representation of their atoms in space. In this work, we show how language models, trained using next-token prediction—across dimensions from various substantially different distributions—can demonstrate that language models trained directly on formats like XYZ files, Crystallographic Information File (CIF), and Protein Data Bank (PDB) files can directly generate molecules, crystals, and protein binding sites. Moreover, despite being trained on chemical file sequences, these models are comparable to state-of-the-art models that use graph representations as well as other domain-specific 3D generative models. This work is necessary to use simplified molecular representations in generative models. We are powerful generative models capable of directly generating a wide variety of different structures.

Crystal Structure Generation with Autoregressive Large Language Modeling

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Abstract

The generation of plausible crystal structures is often the first step in predicting the structure and properties of a material from its chemical composition. Quickly generating and predicting inorganic crystal structures is important for the discovery of new materials, which can target applications such as energy or electronic devices. However, most current methods for crystal structure prediction are computationally expensive, slowing the pace of innovation. Seeding structure prediction algorithms with quality generated candidates can overcome a major bottleneck. Here, we introduce CrystaLLM, a methodology for the versatile generation of crystal structures, based on the autoregressive large language modeling (LLM) of the Crystallographic Information File (CIF) format. Trained on millions of CIF files, CrystaLLM focuses on modeling crystal structures through text. CrystaLLM can produce plausible crystal structures for a wide range of inorganic compounds unseen in training, as demonstrated by *ab initio* simulations. The integration with predictors of formation energy permits the use of a Monte Carlo Tree Search algorithm to improve the generation of meaningful structures. Our approach challenges conventional representations of crystals, and demonstrates the potential of LLMs for learning effective ‘world models’ of crystal chemistry, which will lead to accelerated discovery and innovation in materials science.

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FINE-TUNED LANGUAGE MODELS GENERATE STABLE INORGANIC MATERIALS AS TEXT

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ABSTRACT

We propose fine-tuning large language models for generation of stable materials. While unorthodox, fine-tuning large language models on text-encoded atomistic data is simple to implement yet reliable, with around 90% of sampled structures obeying physical constraints on atom positions and charges. Using energy above

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LLM-PROP: PREDICTING PHYSICAL AND ELECTRONIC PROPERTIES OF CRYSTALLINE SOLIDS FROM THEIR TEXT DESCRIPTIONS

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ABSTRACT

The prediction of crystal properties plays a crucial role in the crystal design process. Current methods for predicting crystal properties focus on modeling crystal structures using graph neural networks (GNNs). Although GNNs are powerful, accurately modeling the complex interactions between atoms and molecules within a crystal remains a challenge. Surprisingly, predicting crystal properties from crystal text descriptions is understudied, despite the rich information and expressiveness that text data offer. One of the main reasons is the lack of publicly available data for this task. In this paper, we develop and make public a benchmark dataset (TextEdge) that contains text descriptions of crystal structures with their properties. We then propose LLM-Prop, a method that leverages the general-purpose learning capabilities of large language models (LLMs) to predict physical and electronic properties of crystals from their text descriptions. LLM-Prop outperforms the current state-of-the-art GNN-based crystal property predictor by about 4% on predicting band gap, 3% on classifying whether the band gap is direct or indirect, and 66% on predicting unit cell volume. LLM-Prop also outperforms a finetuned MatBERT, a domain-specific pre-trained BERT model, despite having 3 times fewer parameters. Our empirical results may highlight the current inability of GNNs to capture information pertaining to space group symmetry and Wyckoff sites for accurate crystal property prediction.

But They Cannot Even Do Math!



$241 - (-241) + 1$



$241 - (-241) + 1$ is equivalent to $241 + 241 + 1$, which simplifies to $483 + 1$. So $241 - (-241) + 1$ is equal to 484.



ChatGPT 4o ▾



How many R's are in the word strawberry

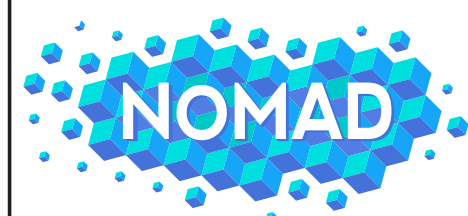


There are two "R"s in the word "strawberry."

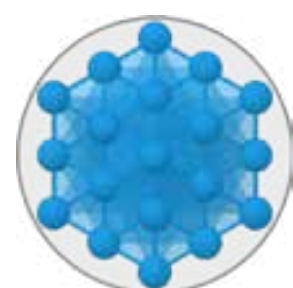
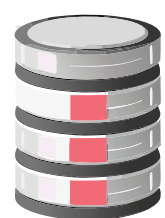


MATText

Data collection

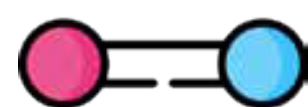


pretraining



finetuning

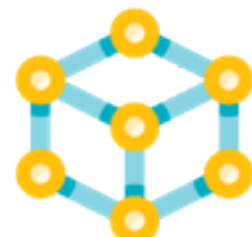
Inductive biases



bonding



symmetry



geometry



periodicity



composition



coarse graining

Representations

Composition



Atom Sequences



Atom Sequences ++



SLICES



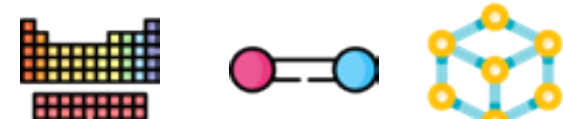
Crystal-text-LLM



CIF P_1



Z-matrix



CIF Symmetrized

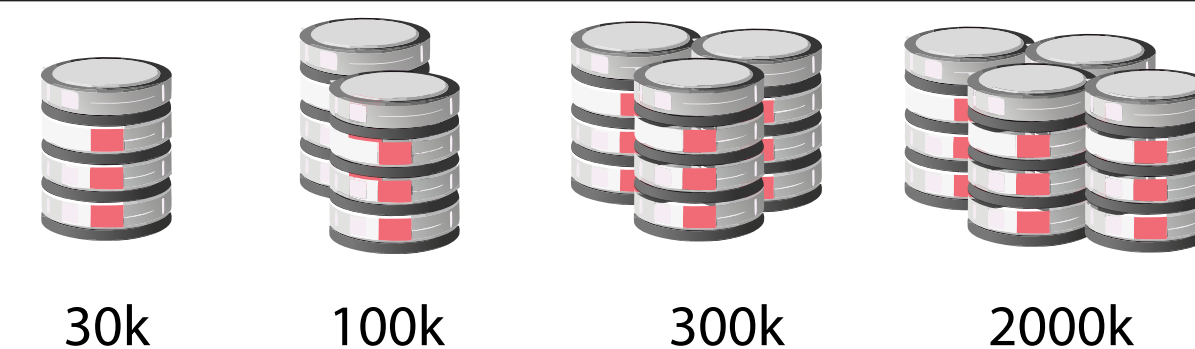


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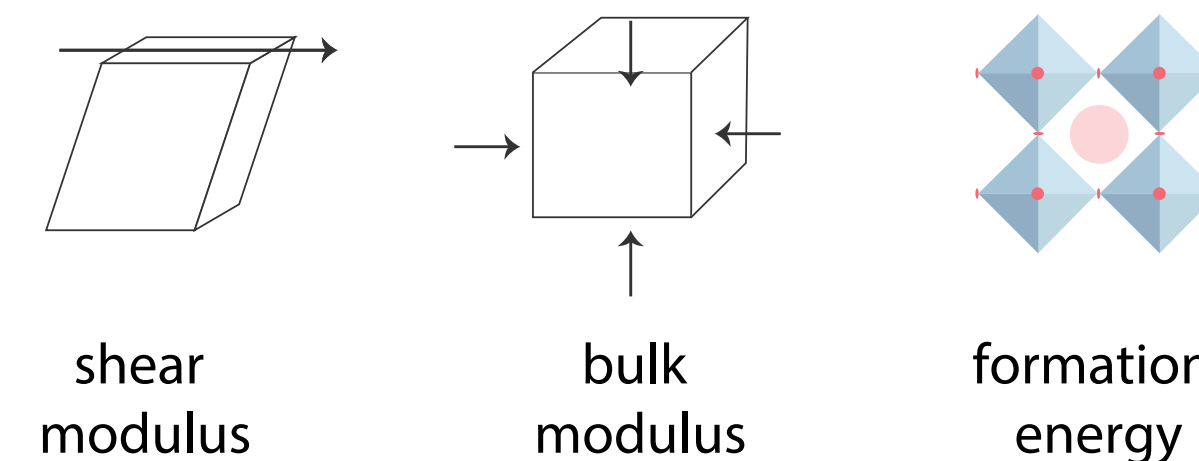


Benchmark

pretraining
data scaling



property
prediction



language modeling
Question: What is the {property} of the {MatText Representation}?
Response: {}

Analysis



tokenization



attention



hypothetical
potential

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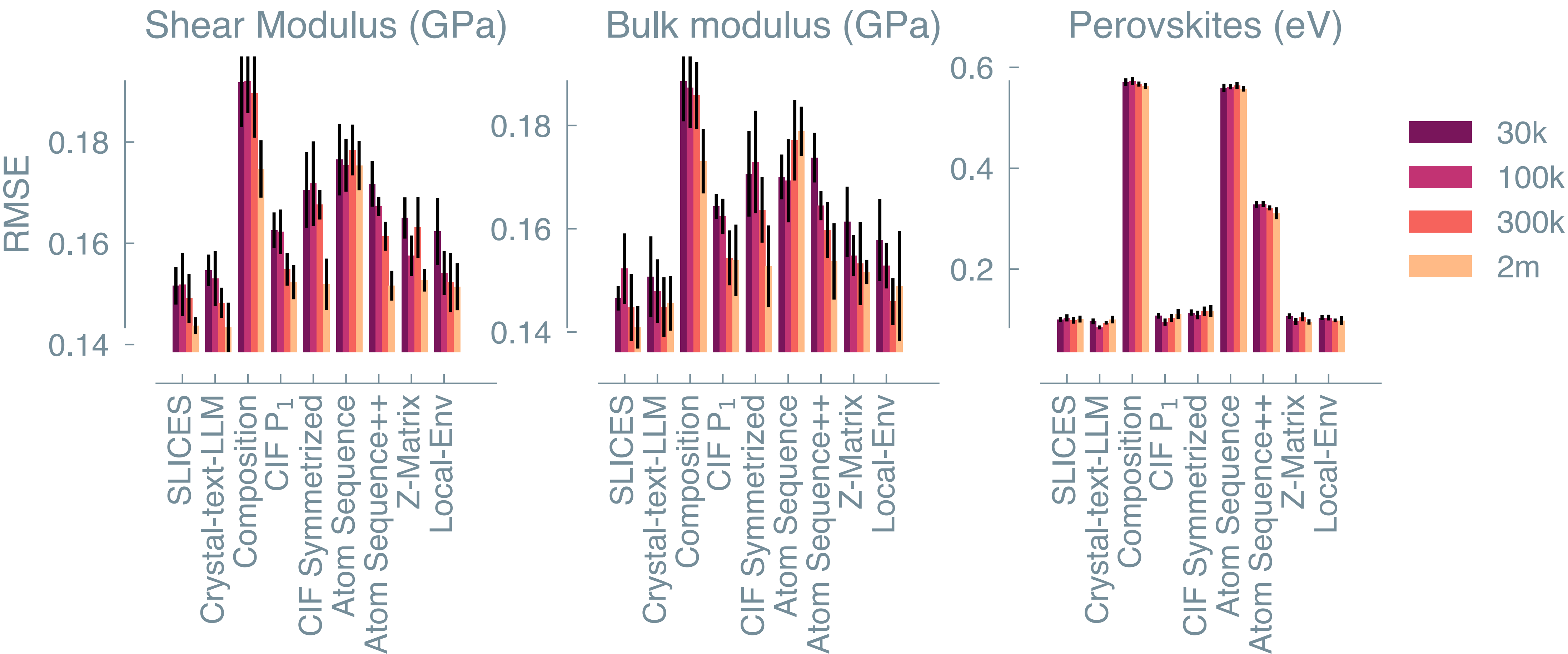


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Encoding Inductive Biases

	<i>Stoichiometry</i>	<i>Bonding</i>	<i>Geometry</i>	<i>Symmetry</i>	<i>Periodicity</i>	<i>Coarse Graining</i>
<i>Composition</i>	✓					
<i>SLICES</i>	✓	✓				
<i>CIF P₁</i>	✓		✓		✓	
<i>Crystal-text-LLM</i>	✓		✓			
<i>Novel Representations</i>						
<i>Atom Sequences</i>	✓					
<i>Atom Sequences++</i>	✓				✓	
<i>CIF Symmetrized</i>	✓		✓	✓	✓	
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Geometry and Scale Do Not Help!

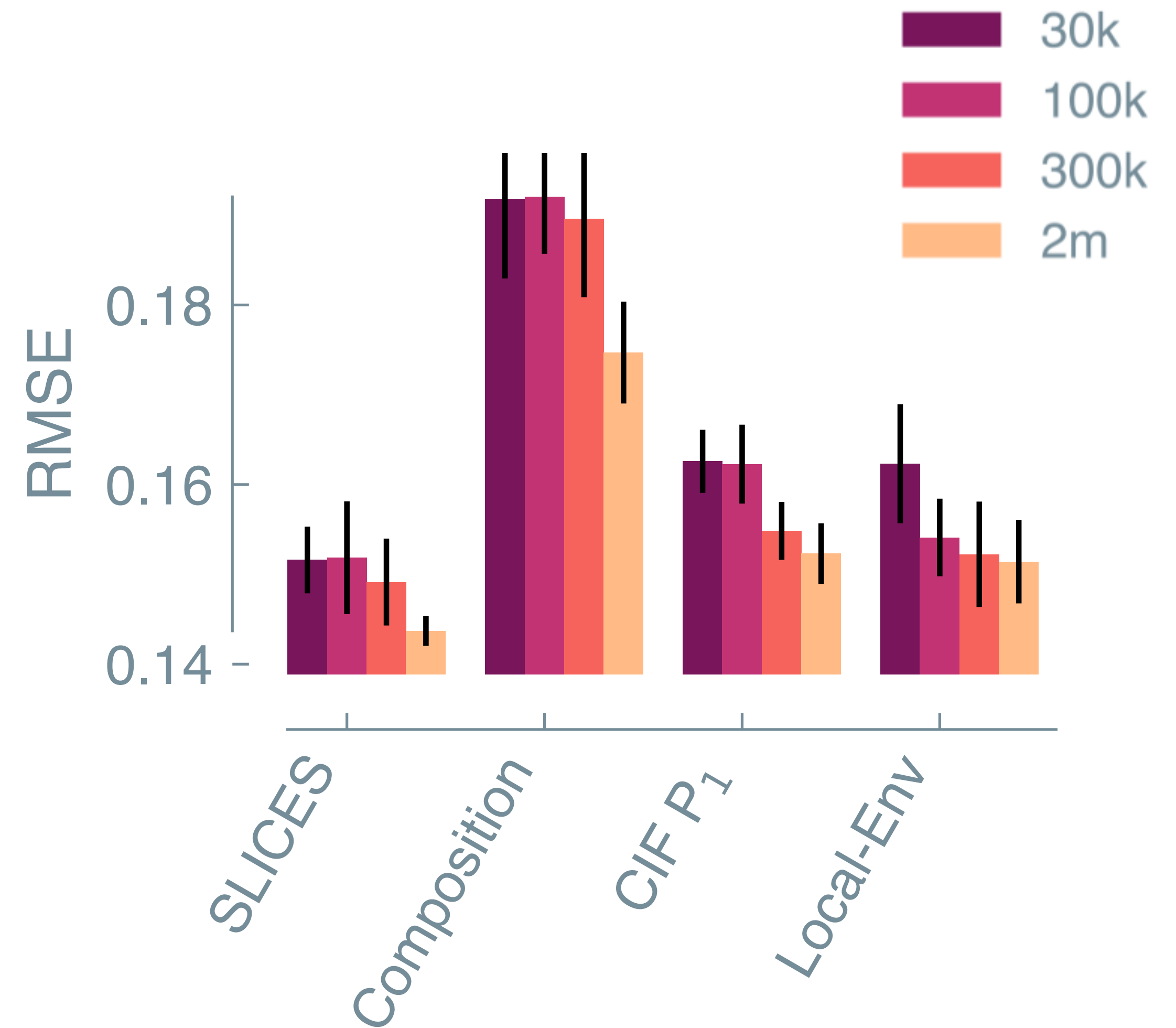


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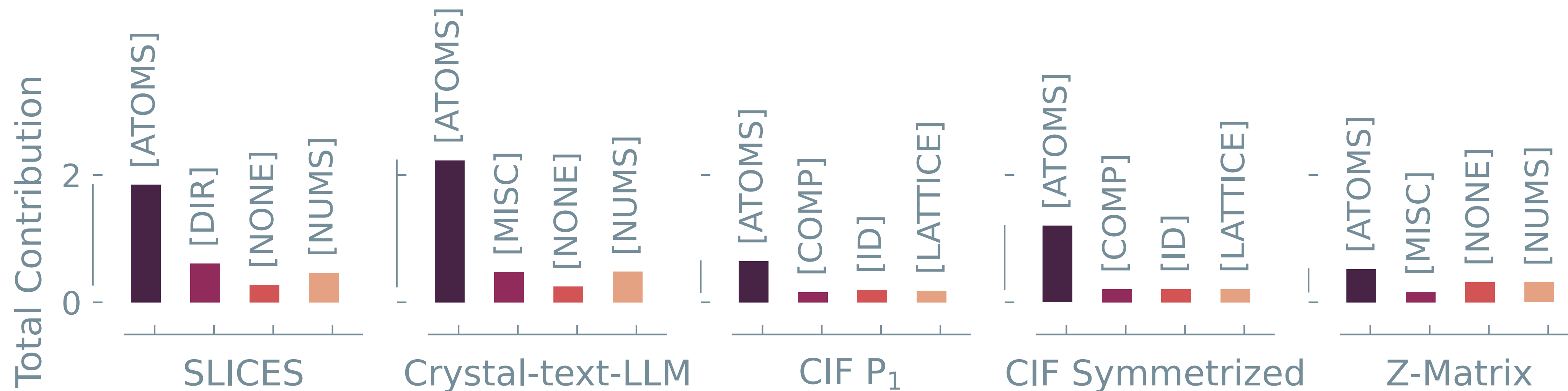
There is some small improvement with scale

But does not beat baselines

Geometric information is not effectively leveraged



Little Attention Paid to Numbers

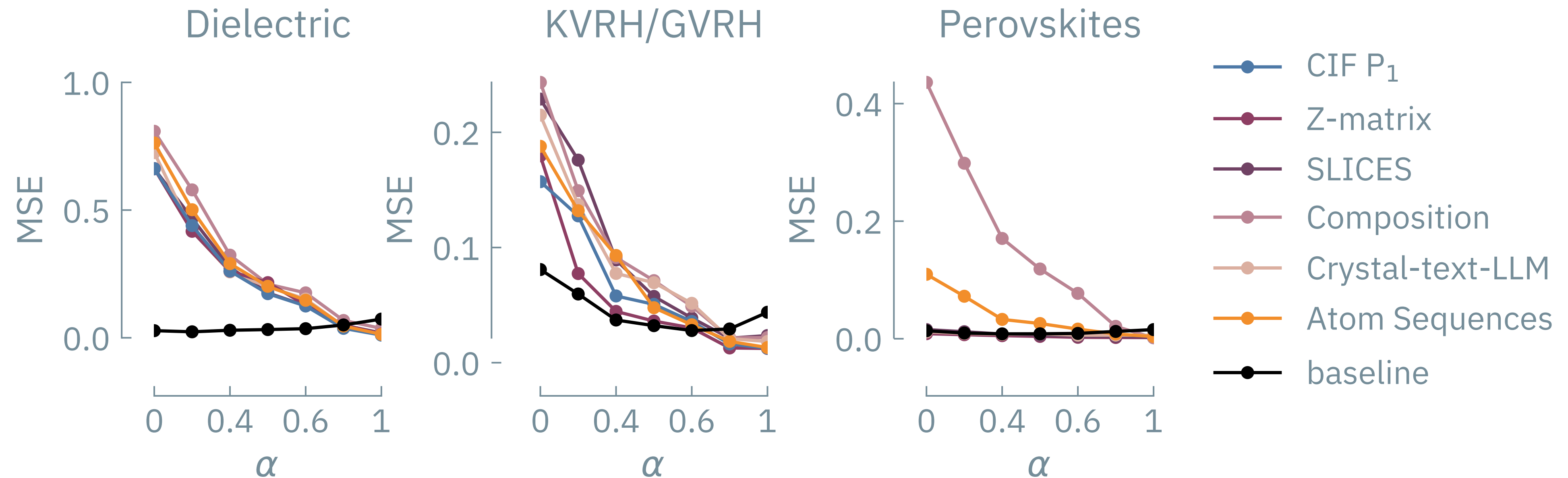


Overall contribution over layers per token class

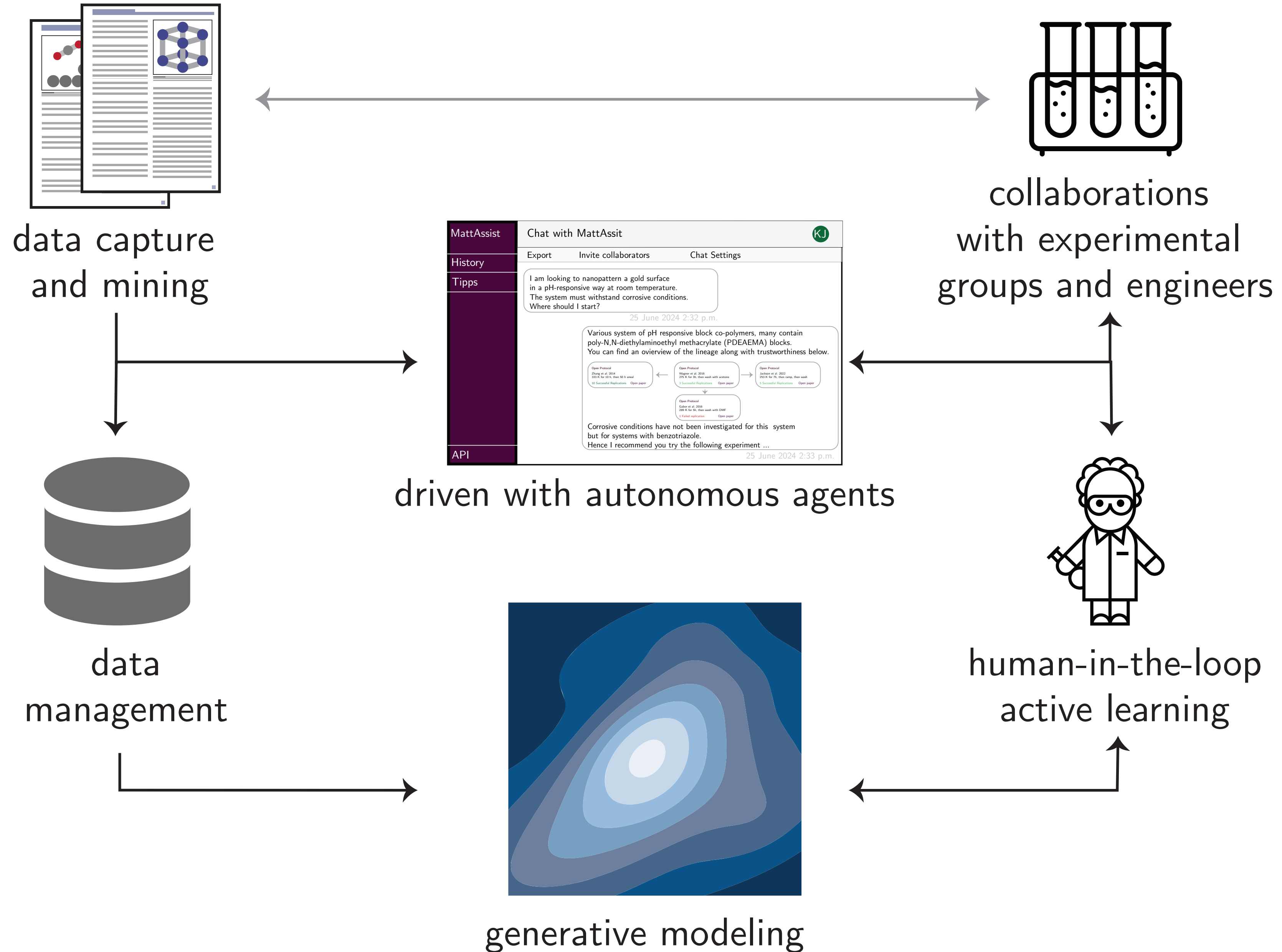
Most attention is on atoms

Separating Data From Model Effects

$$E = \alpha E_{\text{comp}} + (1 - \alpha) E_{\text{pos}} = \underbrace{\sum_{k=1}^k w_k n_k}_{E_{\text{comp}}} + \underbrace{\sum_{i=1}^N V(\mathbf{r}_i) + \sum_{i=1}^N \sum_{j \in \mathcal{N}(i)} V(|\mathbf{r}_i - \mathbf{r}_j|)}_{E_{\text{pos}}}, \quad \alpha \in (0,1)$$



Approach and Techniques



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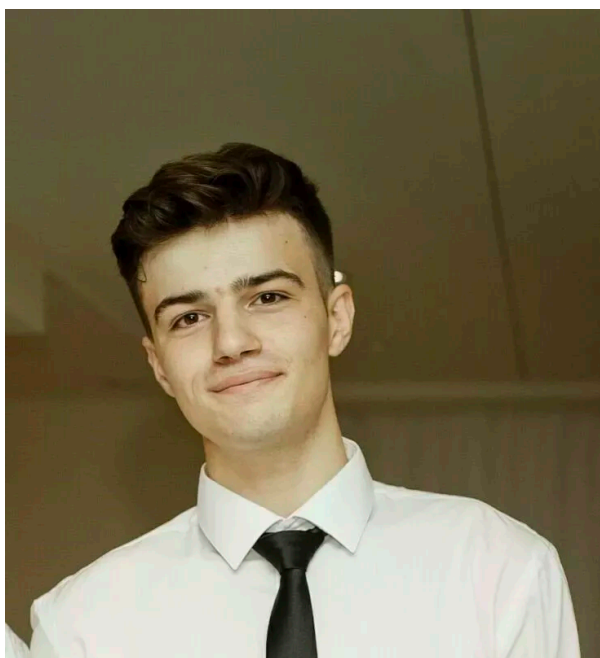


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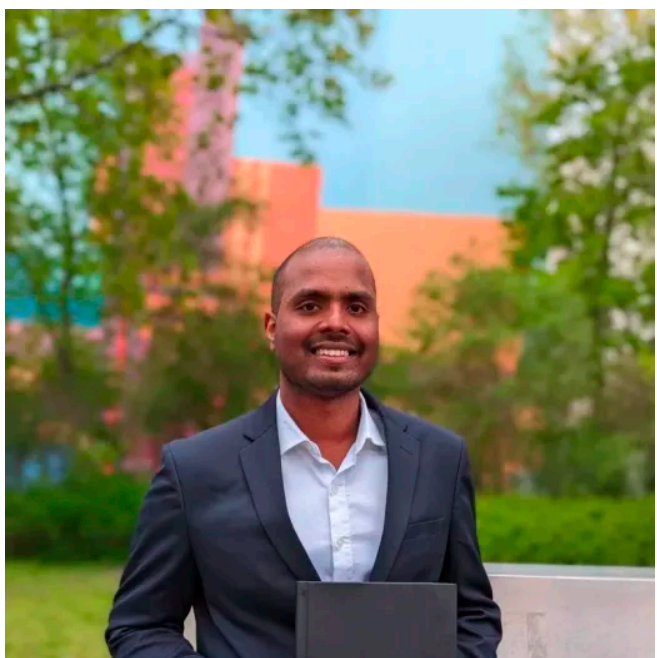
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