The Materials Genome Initiative and the Materials Project

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Materials are Important for Society







Materials Play a Strategic Role Today

Sept 7, 2010



Japan arrest Chinese boat captain

Sept 22, 2010



China blocks shipments of **Rare Earth Metals** to Japan

Sept 24, 2010



Japan releases captain

DOE launches rare earth metals research hub

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Japan and Vietnam Join Forces to Exploit Rare Earth Elements

Short supplies of the metals used in high-tech applications have prompted the nations to establish a joint-research center

Rare Earths Fall as Toyota Develops Alternatives: Philips developing rare earth substitute for LEDs, says CEO

Huge rare earth deposits found in Pacific -Japan experts

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The Times of India 2011-07-04 : TOKYO: Vast deposits of rare earth minerals, crucial in making high-tech electronics products, have been found on the floor of the Pacific Ocean and can be readily extracted, Japanese scientists said on Monday. "The deposits have a heavy concentration of rare earths. Just one square kilometre (0.4 square mile) of deposits will be able to provide one-fifth of the current global annual consumption," said Yasuhiro Kato, an associate professor of earth science at... more »

How does one design or "find" new materials ?

"Edison Style"

When looking for a light bulb filament, Edison tried about 3,000 materials

And he didn't find the best one ...



2010: Materials Design in Hollywood



Finding a new material in the information age



Finding a new material in the information age



3V < voltage < 4.5V AND good stability AND good Li mobility



I'm Feeling Lucky

... but we know nothing

There are about **50,000 to 200,000** known inorganic compounds

Elastic constants: about 200 compounds Super conductors ≈ 1000 Dielectric constant $\approx 300-400$

For almost every property we are below 1% in coverage

We know nothing about most materials

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Example: LiFePO4

- First synthesized in 1977
- Only identified as useful battery cathode in 1997



Example: MgB₂

- First synthesized in 1953
- Only identified as high temperature superconductor in 2001

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We do not have the basic "roadmaps" for materials processing

≈ 35,000 phase diagrams known, most of them very incomplete

➤ 150,000 possible ternaries
➤ ≈ 4 Million possible quaternaries



We are working with this ...





Imagine ...

That one knows for every known compound

- The bandgap, the effective masses, the Seebeck coefficient
- The elastic constants, the dielectric constants, the absorption spectra
- The point defect energies, solubilities, electronic signature of defects, mobility of defects and impurities, The stacking fault energy, the Peierls dislocation barrier
- Surface energies, in common environments (aqueous, air, ...)

That you had the capability to query these properties for novel compounds upon request ...

Many Properties are Computable



Computations are scalable

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Thought provoking: NERSC flagship
 Hopper could crunch through ~20k
 structures in 1 day...



The Materials Project: Vision www.materialsproject.org

Compute the basic properties ("genes") of materials across the world of compounds and disseminate that information to the materials community to enable rapid materials searching and design.



• Oxides • priospriates • borates • anicates • aurates



Large Software Infrastructure Structure



Use high-throughput ab initio computing to determine:

- Energies
- Crystal structures
- Band structures
- Defect energies
- Absorption spectra

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Today's Status:

- Over 30,000 compounds and growing monthly
- Multiple tools based on computed data



Machine learned substitution rules

which elements can substitute for each other ?



Data mined from all known inorganic compounds

G. Hautier, et al, *Data Mined Ionic Substitutions for the Discovery of New Compounds*, Inorganic Chemistry, 50 (2), 656-663 (2011).

New Phosphate Discovered as Battery Material: Li₉V₃(P₂O₇)₃(PO₄)₂

This compounds was not known to exist



A. Jain et al., J. Electrochemical Society, 159 (5), pp. A622-A633 (2012)

New Phosphate Li₉V₃(P₂O₇)₃(PO₄)₂ performs well



Open Source under the hood



Defines core extensible Python objects for materials data representation.



The Codes are Freely Available









An open platform for accessing data based on REpresentational State Transfer (REST) principles

Improved accessibility of data More developers of analyses and apps

Increased data value



Ongoing Work



From Data to Materials Design

Thrust 1: Generate Materials Data Higher order electronic structure Defects Surfaces Finite temperature properties

Thrust 2: Disseminate Data

Populate the database User-friendly web and REST interface Experimental data

Thrust 3: A Materials Design Environment Data mining tools "Computations on Demand"



Data Generation : Defects

FINDING/RANKING POSSIBLE DEFECTS:

- Topological algorithms
- A rough ranking using empirical potentials, accounting for simple electrostatics and elastic interaction
- Benchmarking





1. Select compound (crystal structure + chemistry)



Data Generation : Surfaces

- Tools to generate surfaces; dipole removal;
- Site and coverage rules for O, CO₂, H, OH, H₂O absorbents
- Aqueous stability of bulk and surfaces

GOAL: Computed surface energies, structures and Wulff shapes for most inorganic compounds; Pourbaix Diagrams



Bulk Pourbaix Maps





Persson et al, PHYSICAL REVIEW B, **005400 (2012)**, *Prediction of solid-aqueous equilibria: Scheme to combine first-principles calculations of solids with experimental aqueous states*



Data Generation: Finite Temperature Properties

- vibrational spectra, electron-phonon coupling, heat capacities, free energies, Debye temperature, Gruneisen parameters, vibrational heat conductivities and thermal expansion...
- Finite temperature solid-state phase diagrams
- Comparison with available experiments





Build it and They will Come ?

The Materials Project: Status

- Early infrastructure from MIT fully recoded at LBNL + NERSC
- Launched online Oct 2011
- \$11M/5 year DOE Center grant
- \Box > 4,000 registered users
- > 200,000 materials records downloaded in 8 months through RESTful interface

Companies: Toyota, Sony, Bosch, 3M, Honda, Samsung, LG Chem, Dow Chemicals, GE Global Research, Intermoleular, Applied Materials, Energizer, Advanced Materials, General Motors, Corning, DuPont, Nippon Steel, L'Oreal USA, Caterpillar, HP, Unilever, Lockheed Martin, Texas Instruments, Ford, Bose, Sigma-Aldrich, Siemens, Raytheon, Umicore, Seagate, Intermolecular, ...

Battery startups: Envia systems, Nanoexa, Pellion, Sion Power, Planar Energy Devices, Phostech, PolyPlus





UK: Screening for CO₂ sorbents

Calculating reaction energies of thousands of oxides with CO₂

- High selectivity and absorption capacity for CO2 at elevated temperatures (400-900°C)
- Good absorption/desorption kinetics preferably under a wide range of $p(CO_2)$
- Good cyclability for absorption/desorption processes
- Good hydrothermal and mechanical properties



Denmark: New Methodologies

- Testing new functional: GLLB-SC
- GLLB-SC improves performance on band gaps?
- 20,000 optimized structures from the Materials Project allow for comprehensive testing of GLLB-SC



I.E. Castelli, T. Olsen, S. Datta, D.D. Landis, S. Dahl, K.S. Thygesen, and K.W. Jacobsen, Energy & Environmental Science 1–6 (2012).

USA: Absorption/Emission Spectra

- computed K-edge cross sections
- L-edge in future...
- ▶ XANES, EXAFS, EELS, ...
- cluster of atoms not periodic solid



JCESR: A Genomic Approach to Electrolytes

Substitution, mutation and selection to arrive at optimal electrolytes and redox molecules

Multivalent Intercalation



Host Mobility





Non-aqueous Redox Flow



Organic Solvents





Redox Molecules



- electrochemical window
- decomposition
- viscosity
- thermal stability

electrochemical window

- dissociation strength
- viscosity









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Successful uses of Materials Project in Industry

Materials Project Leveraged by Intermolecular's Combinatorial Acceleration Platform



Intermolecular Experiment Screens for New Materials Predicted by High-Throughput Computation

Superior new materials for water-splitting photocatalysis predicted theoretically by the members of Materials Project



Materials developed by Intermolecular show properties matching these predictions

- ✓ Focus on materials with multiple applications
- ✓ Synthesis methods developed
- ✓ Range of O:N compositions scanned
- \checkmark Optical characterization data match the predicted band gap
- \checkmark Future workflow could focus on optimizing the water
 - splitting capabilities



Next Steps: Materials Design as an Open Source Cloud Service

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computing

Materials Design Center





User creates novel compounds and submits them for computation.

MP & User Apps for Analytics





User creates new web apps or uses existing MP apps to analyze data.

MGI – Broadening its impact

Recommendations: Incentives

- Create incentives for people to participate in data sharing. Dissemination is a form of impact and needs to be counted as such
- Data and data application tools can have more impact than papers
- Example: MP is thinking of providing contributors with a counter of how much their data/applets has been used

Recommendations: Education

• Complexity of Materials Science requires computation and modeling. Yin and Yang



- Traditional MS&E is not used to having lots of quantitative information
- Continue to educate our young scientists and workforce.
- Engage the educational institutions more in MGI.
 They will only do this if MGI is reasonably permanent

Recommendations: Test Cases for MGI driven Materials Design

- Create teams of experimentalists/theory + MGI efforts to demonstrate how data can be used in real materials design. Do this in different fields
- Feedback from design exercises to MGI effort is valuable. To design materials, field-specific expertise is needed
- E.g. team on thermoelectrics, carbon capture, light weight alloys, etc.

Recommendations: Computational Resources

- Most DOE computing centers are non-receptive to high-throughput computing. Computing grandstanding is put before the science impact
- DOE (and other agencies) need to support these new forms of high-throughput computing. Almost all forms of "leadership" computing facilities are based on 70'ies style problems (single large problems versus tens of thousands of small problems)

EXAMPLE: INCITE program gives away 5 Billion CPU hours in 100Million hour chunks. MP so far has used about 20 Million CPU hours in its lifetime

Recommendations: Data as Infrastructure

- Maybe data becomes part of infrastructure.
- Is it time for a user facility to support data production and management for materials science and engineering? (i.e. not just computing)

Recommendations: Theory/Science

- MGI will require continued efforts in basic science to keep the pipeline of computational impact going
- Better predictive methods at all length scales. (e.g. better quantum mechanics, better microstructure models, ...
- A theory of materials synthesis? We are foreseeing a future where we can design what is optimal, but can we make it? A theory of synthesis and processing

Recommendations: Experimental Data

Even Google can not find most experimental data

Widespread Production of Extracellular Superoxide by Heterotrophic Bacteria

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Science, June 7, 2013



Figure S3: Standard recovery vs. gross production of extracellular superoxide.

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- Don't waste time on trying to "catalogue" and "categorize" data. As long as it is identifiable and findable, the internet will do its work
- At a minimum federally funded research should have data available from published research papers.
- Long term benefits to experimental data identification.

Charting the Materials Genome is Possible

•Within ten years most basic properties of inorganic compounds can be determined computationally

•Materials researchers will have access to all this data. What you do with it will determine your competitive advantage

•Researchers will be able to sit behind a terminal and request the computed properties of modified compounds







... towards a materials genome

Maybe Tony Stark was right ...



Feedback and Comments

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