

AUTOMATION, DATA DRIVEN AND MACHINE LEARNING METHODS IN COMPUTATIONAL MATERIALS DESIGN

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Data-driven materials science – automated extraction of semantic relations

Automated DFT simulations

Modelling SOFC anode aging

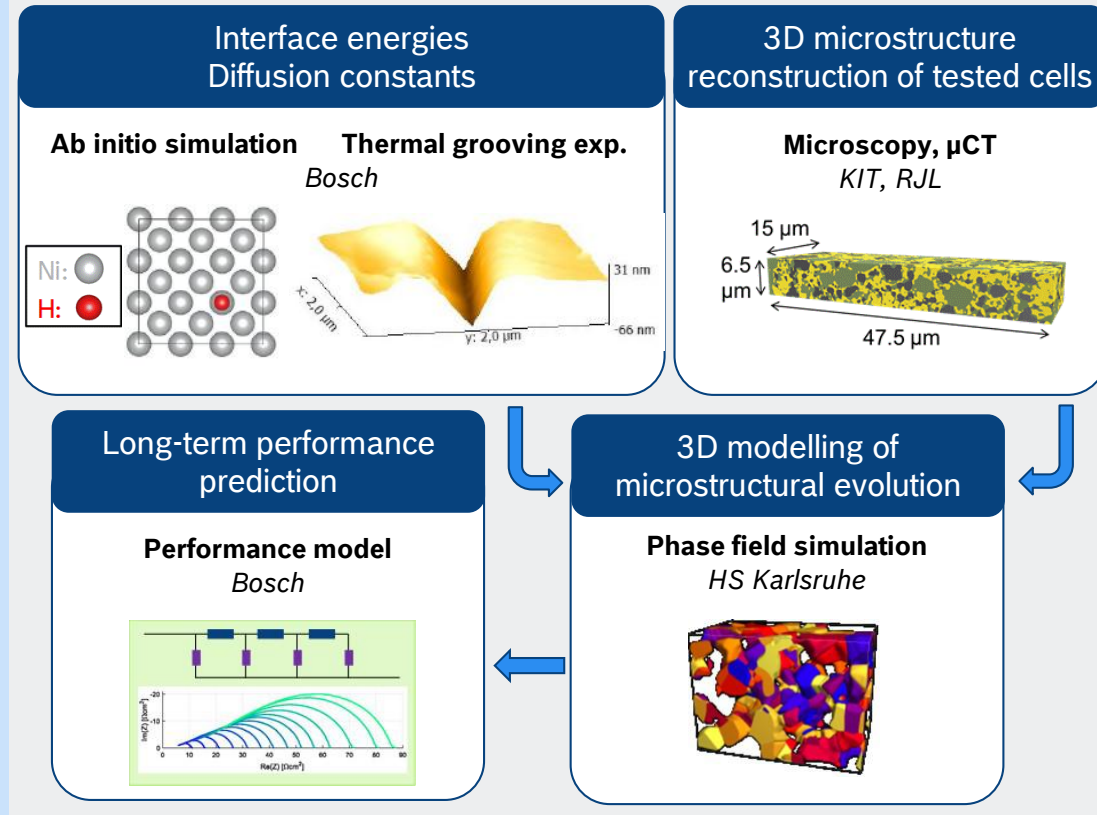
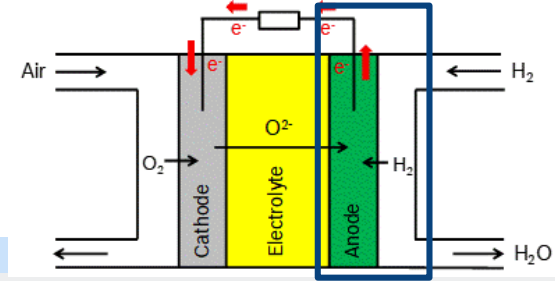
Problem

- ▶ Ni-YSZ¹ anode degradation qualitatively understood: Ni grains coarsen over time: performance degradation
- ▶ Need for quantitative lifetime prognosis > 3000 h, but no validated accelerated lifetime tests

Research objectives:

With combined experimental and simulative multiscale modelling

- ▶ Understand relation between anode microstructure evolution and degradation rate
- ▶ Propose optimized microstructure
- ▶ **Focus on interoperability in modelling chain**



¹ Yttria-stabilized zirconia

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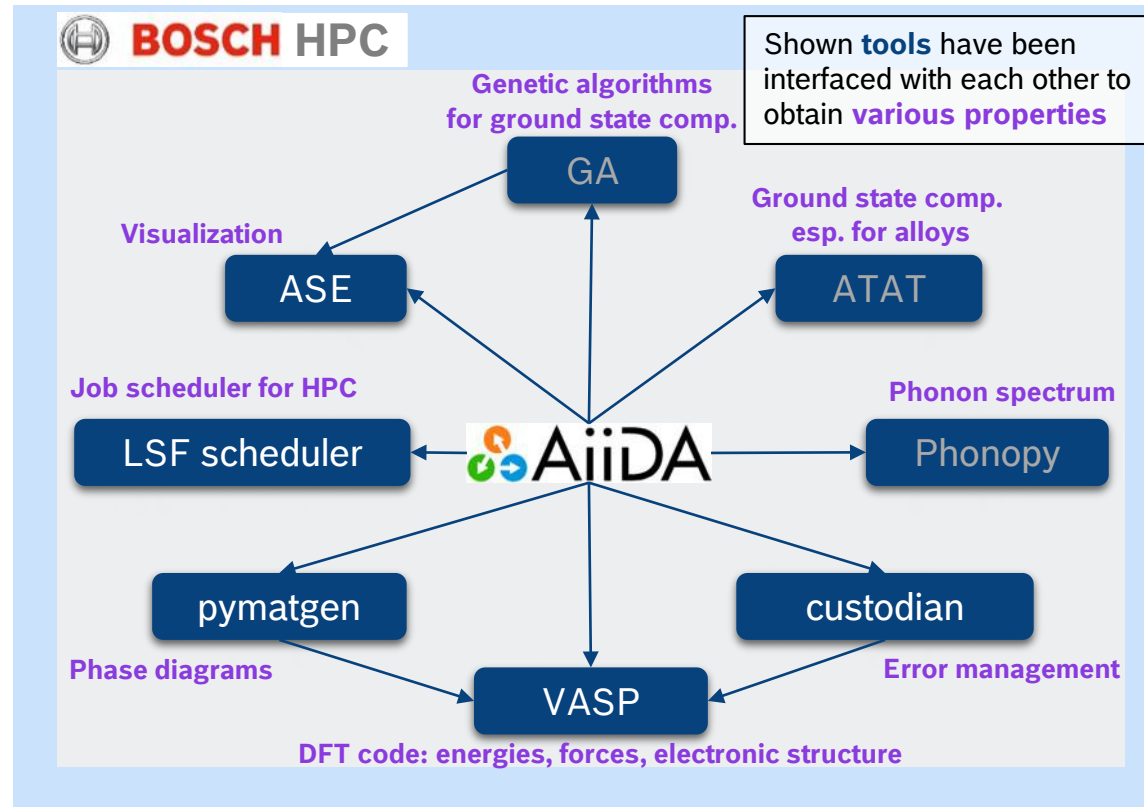
AiiDA at Bosch

AiiDA – Automated Interactive Infrastructure and Database for Computational Science

- ▶ Job manager
- ▶ Workflow manager
- ▶ Database

Origin of AiiDA

- ▶ Joint project between THEOS group / MARVEL Center at EPFL and Research and Technology Center NA at Bosch
- ▶ Now Open source project
- ▶ Bosch is still actively contributing to its further development



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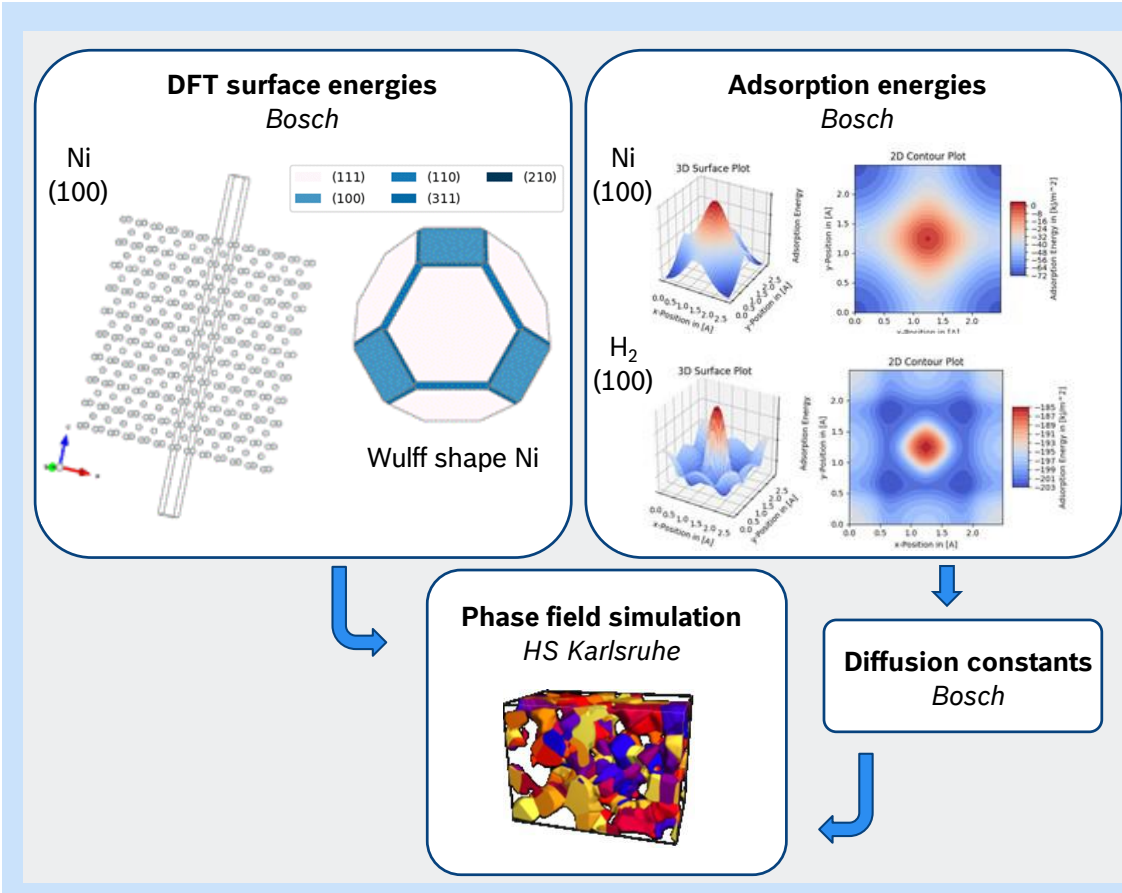
Use case for linked / coupled workflows

Output on atomistic scale

- ▶ Surface energies of Ni w/ different surface orientations: material parameter 1 for extended phase field simulation¹
 - ▶ Validation w/ experimental data (weighted average)
- ▶ Adsorption energies of Ni / H₂ on Ni surface: input for calculation of diffusion constants
 - ▶ Diffusion constants: material parameter 2 for phase field

Current status workflow and linking

- ▶ Manual data transfer to partners required
- ▶ Workflow not automated
- ▶ **Open simulation platform would enable process automation**



¹ Instead of total diffusion, volume and surface diffusion calculated individually at HS Karlsruhe

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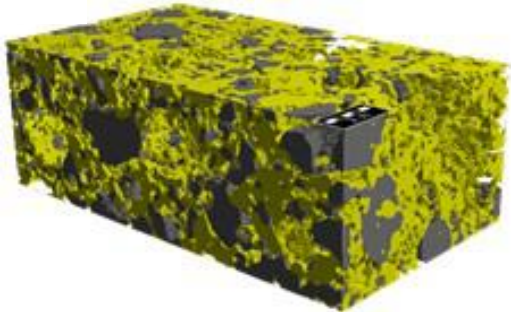
Speed-up in materials development

Motivation

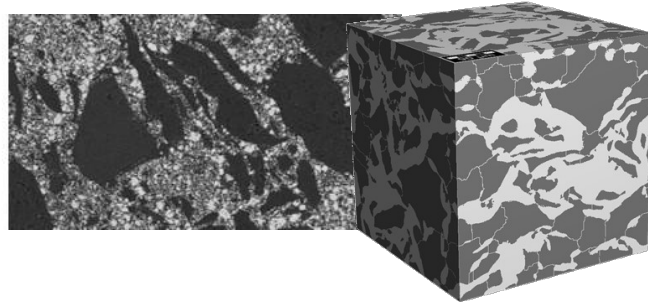
- ▶ Properties of heterogeneous materials depend strongly on microstructure
- ▶ Optimizing microstructure by trial-and-error very lengthy and expensive because of the long experimental chain (sample manufacturing, analyses, measurements)
- ▶ Explore potential of data-based methods for accelerating materials development on micro-scale.

Use cases

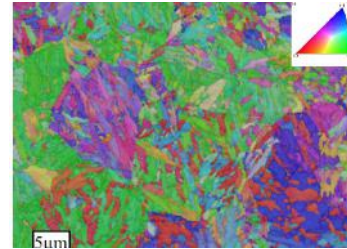
Fuel cell anode (SOFC)
porous Ni-YSZ composite



Ceramic composite material
glass particles in precursor matrix



Martensitic steel
nested grain structure



Short glass fiber reinforced thermoplastics (SFRT)

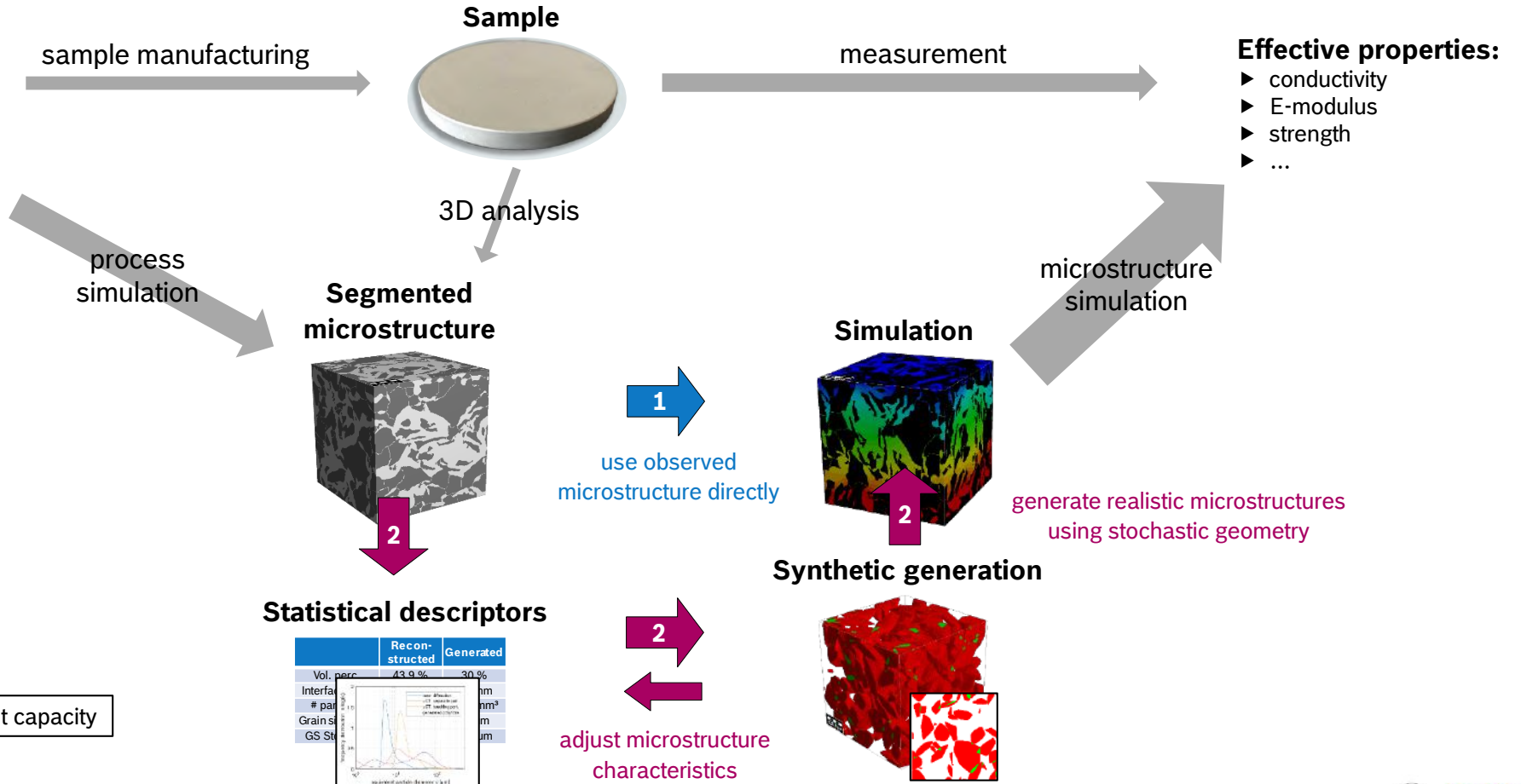


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Data-driven microstructure generation

Current status: process of materials development

Manufacturing process



Arrow thickness: Throughput capacity

Data-driven microstructure generation

Perspective: use potential of data-based approaches

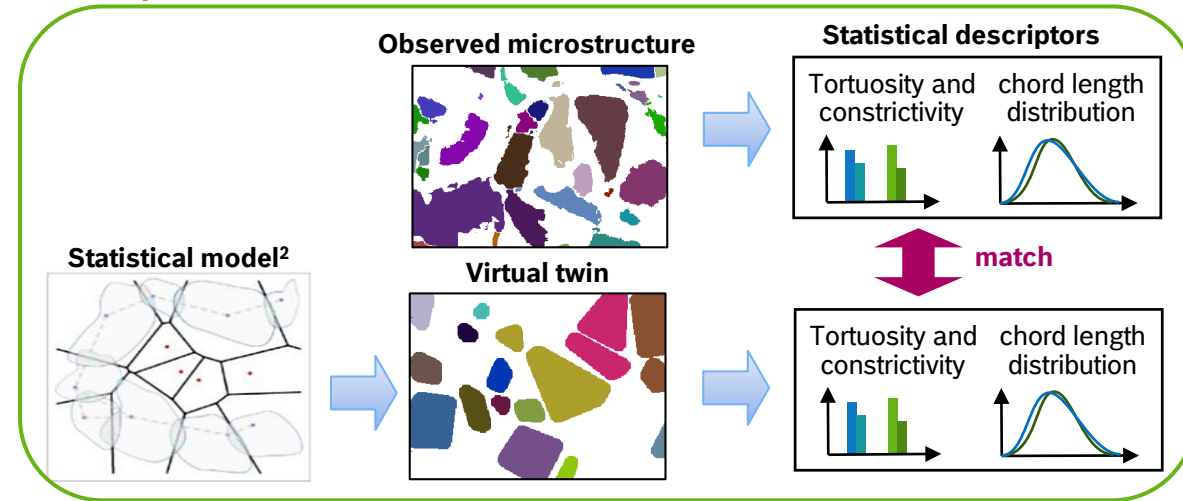
Limitation of current approach

- ▶ Many manufactured samples required for statistical microstructure reconstruction
- ▶ Simulations do not provide design rules for microstructure optimization → trial and error

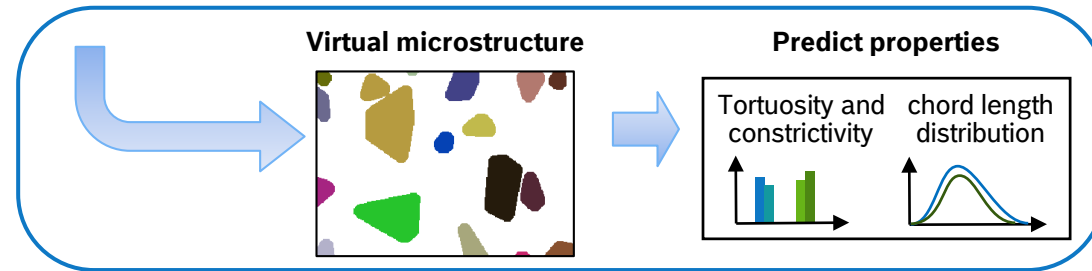
Idea of data-driven microstructure generation

- ▶ Predict effects of variations in microstructure
- ▶ For realistic microstructures: need for data-based generator¹
- ▶ **Virtual microstructure design can speed-up and reduce costs of materials development significantly**
- ▶ **Marketplace platform beneficial for linking of tools and use of database**

Step 1: Generate virtual twin



Step 2: Parameter variations



¹ using databases and/or AI methods w/ data of previously / virtually reconstructed microstructures
² Source: Westhoff et al., Computational Materials Science 126 (2017) 453–467, Ulm University, Institute of Stochastics

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Access unstructured data, uncover hidden knowledge and make predictions

Project scope

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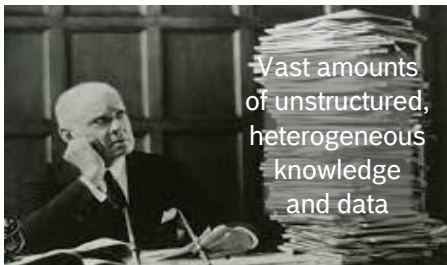
Advantages

- ▶ Vast amounts of available unstructured data and knowledge made accessible
- ▶ High efficiency by structured data compared to pdf-document collection
- ▶ Hidden knowledge can be extracted, new knowledge can be predicted.

Results: Relation extraction

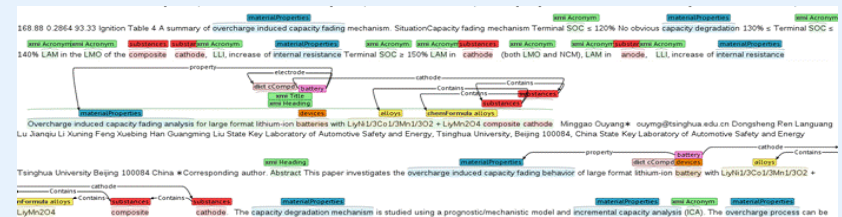
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Text mining: From vast amounts of unstructured data to a structured knowledge



Vast amounts of unstructured, heterogeneous knowledge and data

Image: Courtesy of Computer History Museum



Example: annotated text after entity/relation extraction

Pipeline for extraction of entities (e.g. materials, ...), relations and frames (is a, reacts with, is part of, ...) from unstructured, heterogeneous texts (e.g. literature, patents, websites, ...).

Data-driven materials science

Application: text mining for magnetic materials

Objective

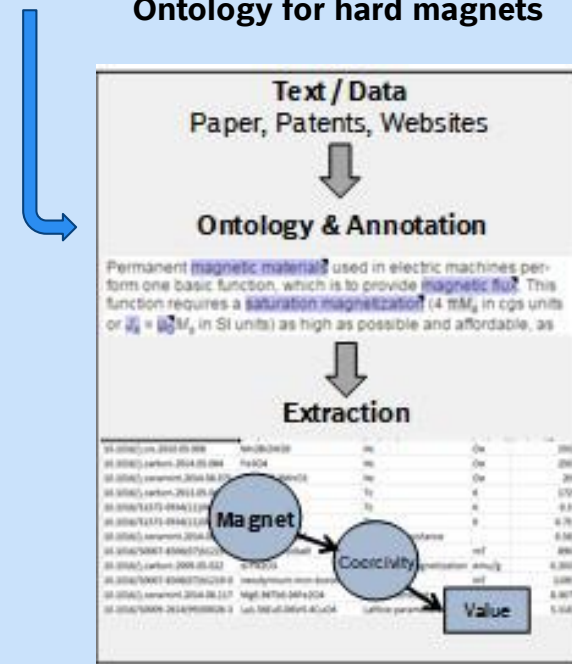
- ▶ Efficient extraction of design rules for hard magnets from publications, patents and websites

Results

- ▶ Text mining method from drug discovery transferred to material science w/ external partner
- ▶ Structured hard magnets knowledge created as ontology for semantic text processing
- ▶ **~10,000 magnetic material properties** from more than **2 million publications** extracted

The screenshot shows the SODIAC ontology editor. The left pane displays a hierarchical tree view of the ontology, with categories like 'Chemical composition', 'magnetism related concepts', and 'magnetic materials'. The right pane shows the 'Details' for the 'diamagnetic' class, including its ID (23310000266), name, and various properties like 'Scope: EXACT' and 'Type: SYNONYM'. A table at the bottom shows 'Dbxrefs' with columns for Key, Value, and Additional data.

Ontology for hard magnets

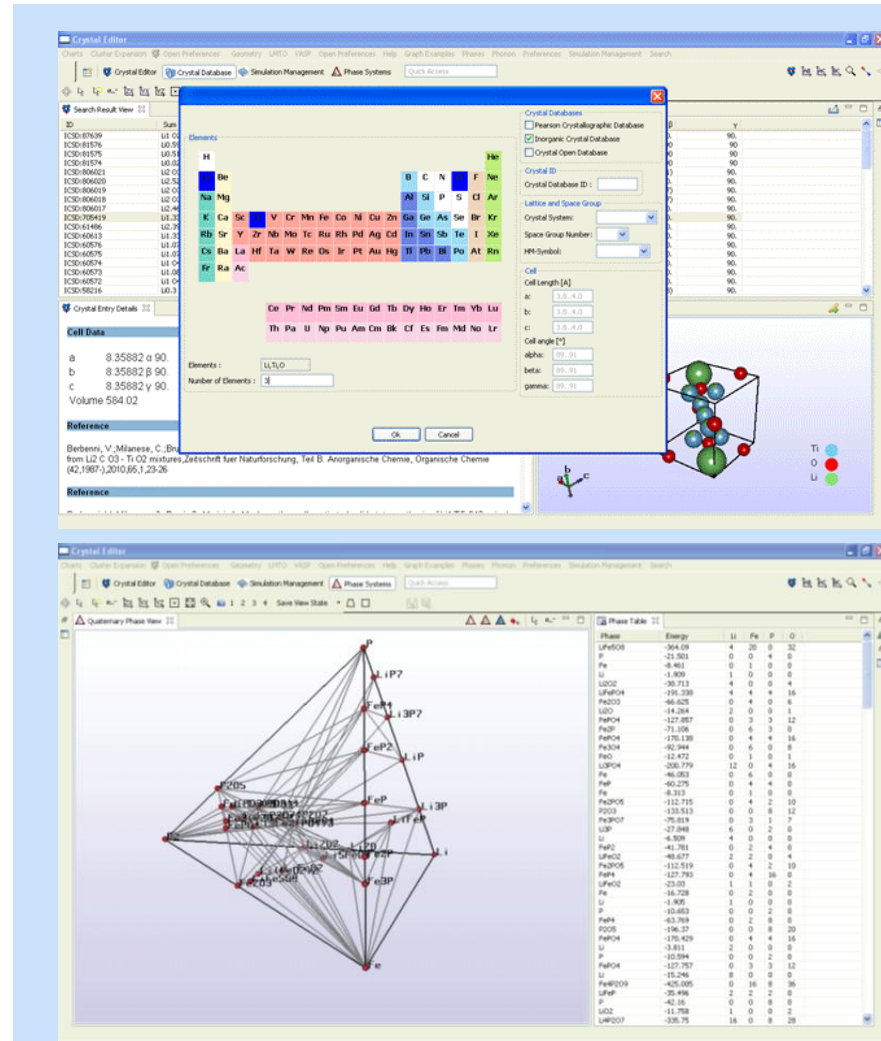


Data-driven materials science

Combination with other data sources

- ▶ Integration of different data sources into a data warehouse to unify access
 - ▶ Literature data from text mining results
 - ▶ Crystal Structure Databases: ICSD¹, COD², Pearson³
 - ▶ Ab-initio databases: Materialsproject, AFLOW⁴, OQMD⁵
- ▶ Specific hard-magnetic data sources
 - ▶ Ab-initio results from LMTO⁶ calculations (Prof. Elsässer, FhG IWM)
 - ▶ Results from own experiments

¹ Inorganic Crystal Structure Database, ² Crystallography Open Database, ³ Crystal Structure Database For Inorganic Compounds, ⁴ Materials Property Database, ⁵ Open Quantum Material Database, ⁶ Linear muffin-tin orbital (Ab-initio method, alternative to DFT)



Materials data warehouse (market place platform) forms a basis for automated workflows and using AI methods