

Gaussian Plane-Wave Neural Operator for Electron Density Estimation

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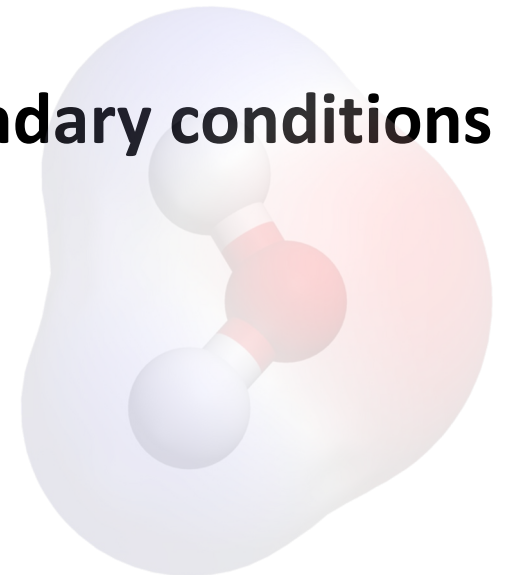
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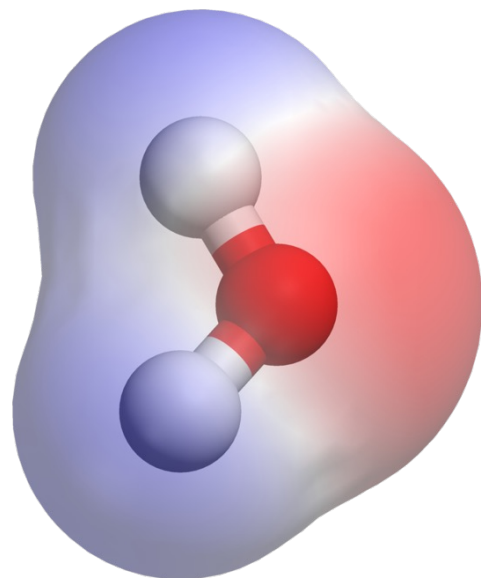
Summary

- Proposed the machine learning model for **estimating electron density**
- Used **Gaussian-type orbital (GTO)** and **Plane Wave (PW)** basis function
- Our framework is a **Neural Operator** since it is the mapping btw. functions
- Our framework satisfy **SE(3)-equivariance** and **periodic boundary conditions**
- We empirically verify **the effectiveness of mixing bases**



Electron density estimation

- **Electron density** is the probability of finding electrons in a specific area
 - According to quantum mechanics, **the exact location of an electron cannot be predicted**, due to uncertainty principle
 - We can only find the probability of electron existence at given point



Electron density plot of water (H₂O)

The surface implies the isosurface where probability is identical

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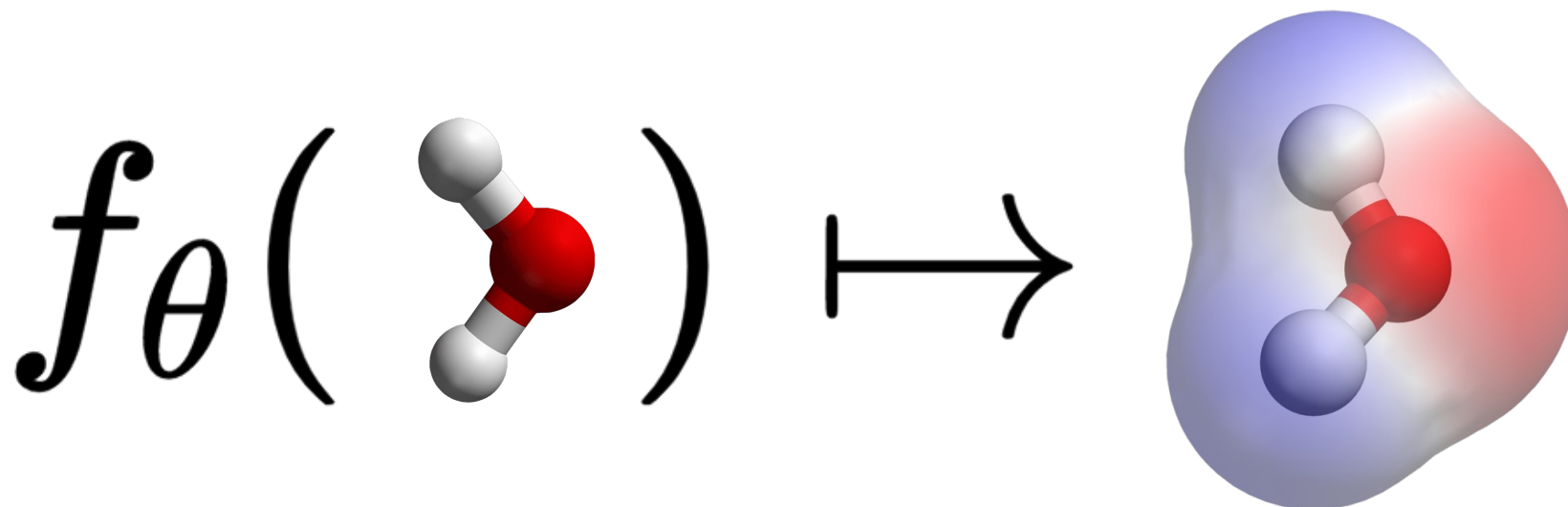
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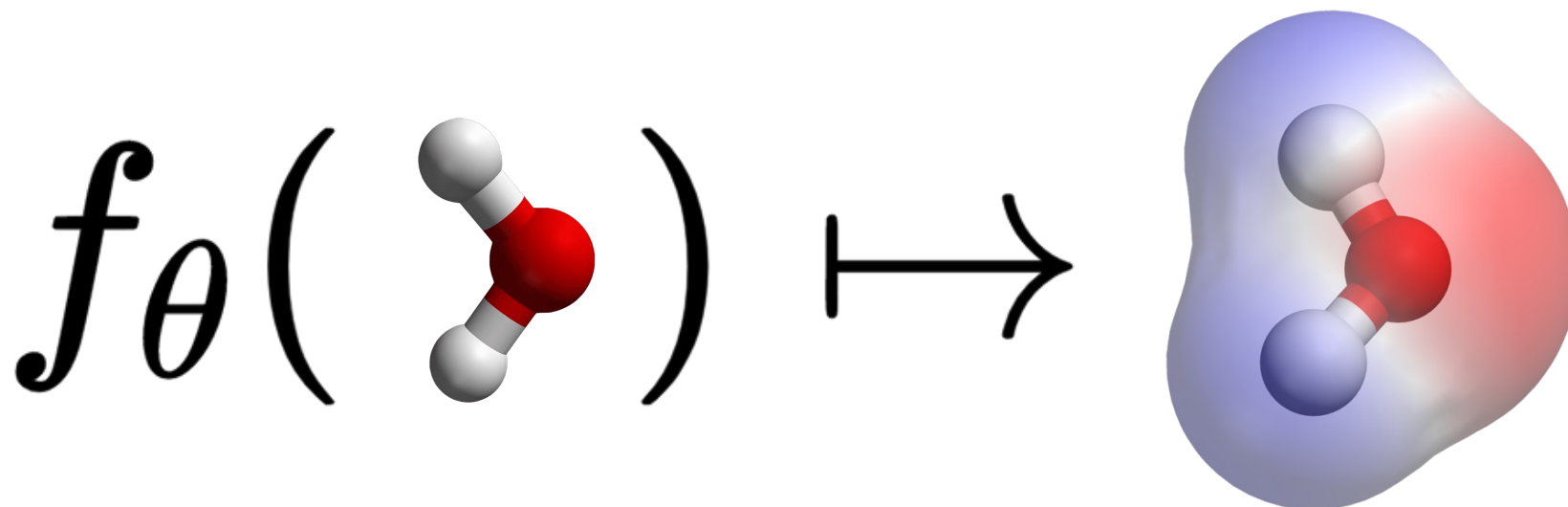
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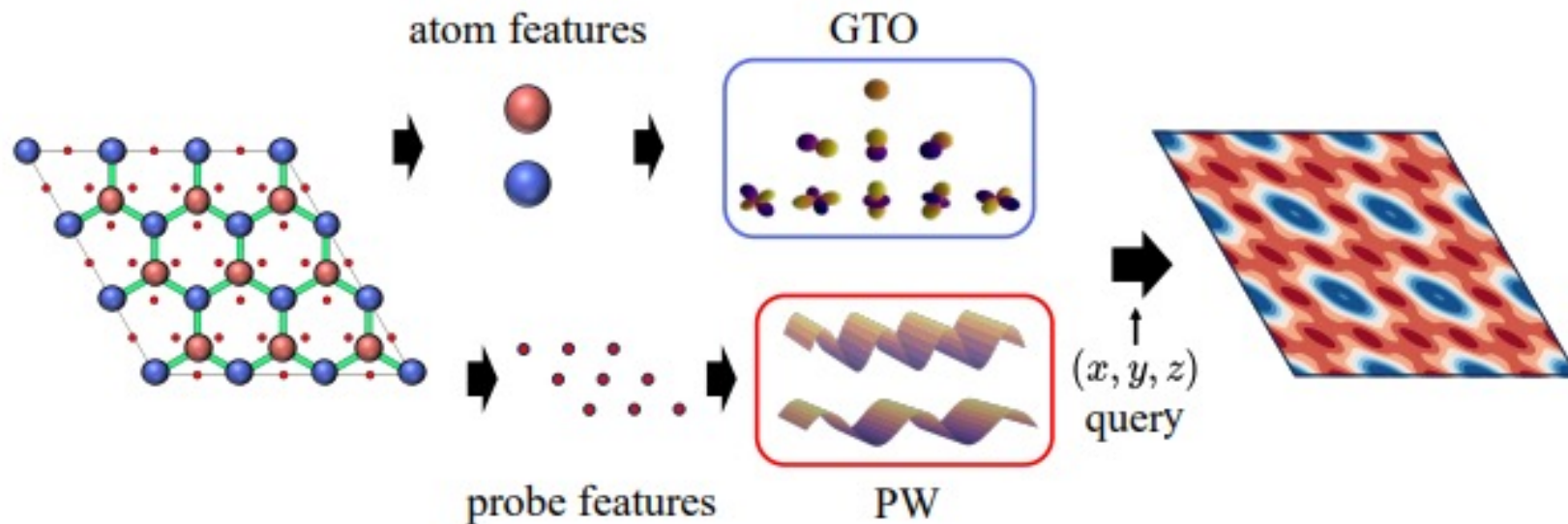
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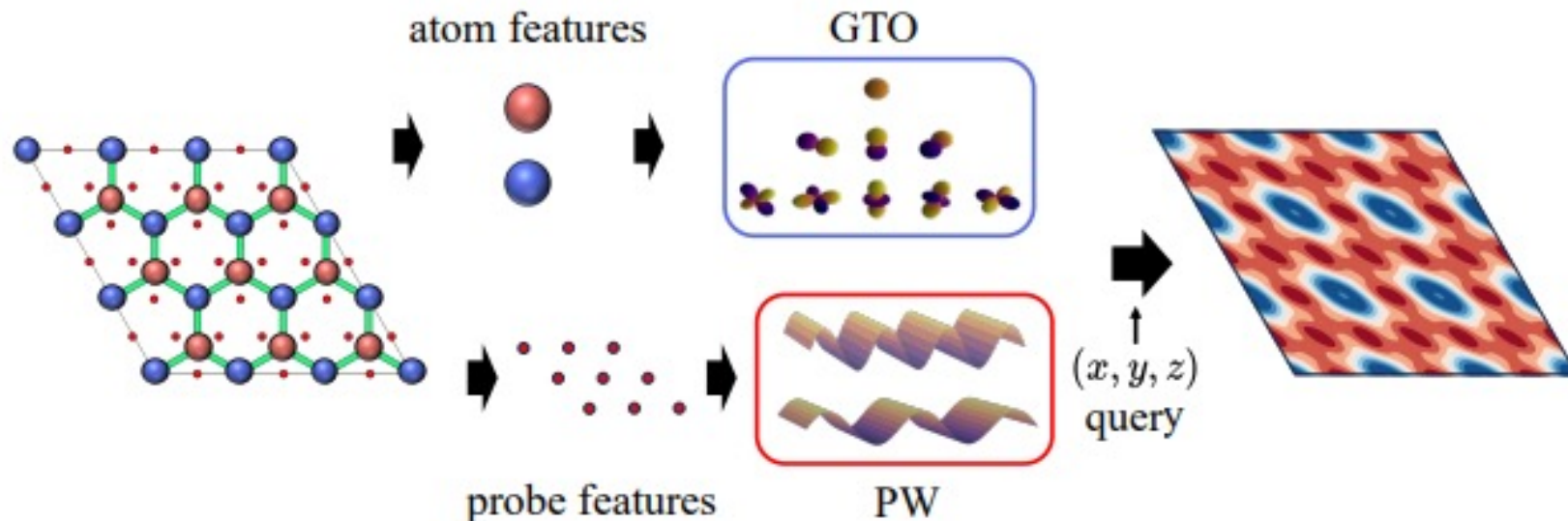
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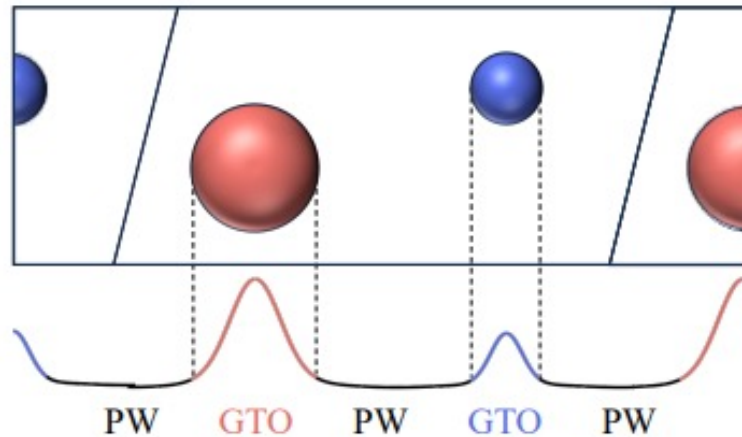
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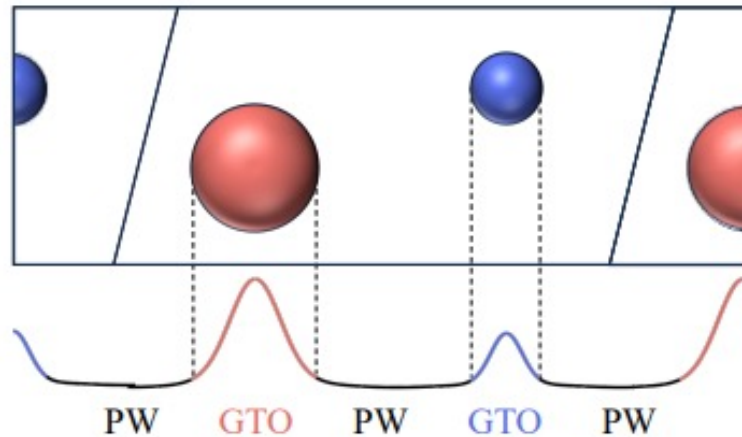
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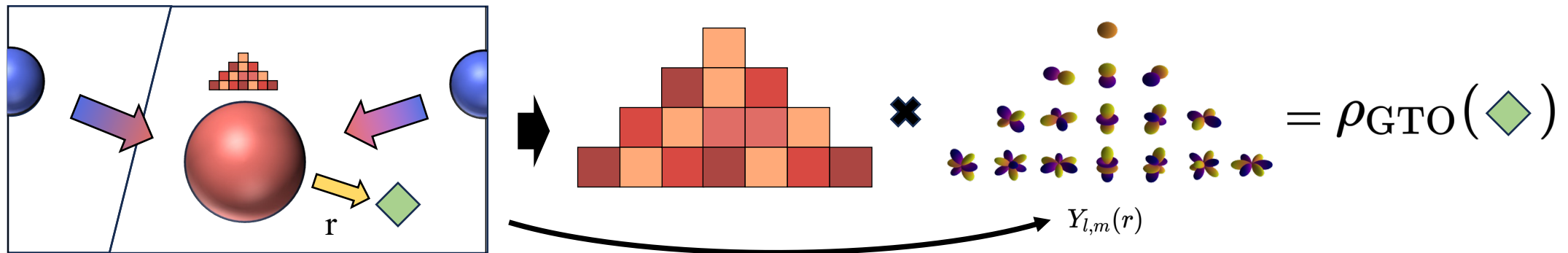


GTO-based prediction

- Construct prediction from the linear combination of GTO basis

$$\rho_{\text{GTO}}(\mathbf{x}) = \sum_{u \in \text{atoms}} \sum_{n=1}^N \sum_{l=0}^L \sum_{m=-l}^l \hat{f}_{u,nlm} \phi_{nlm}(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{x}_u) \quad \phi_{nlm} : \text{GTO basis}$$

- Predict the coefficient of spherical harmonics and radial basis by TFN based network and message passing



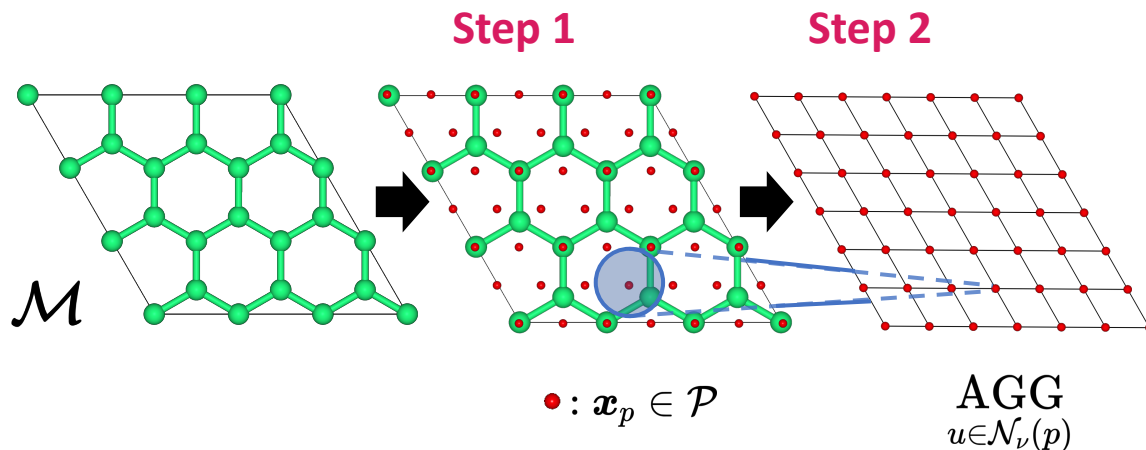
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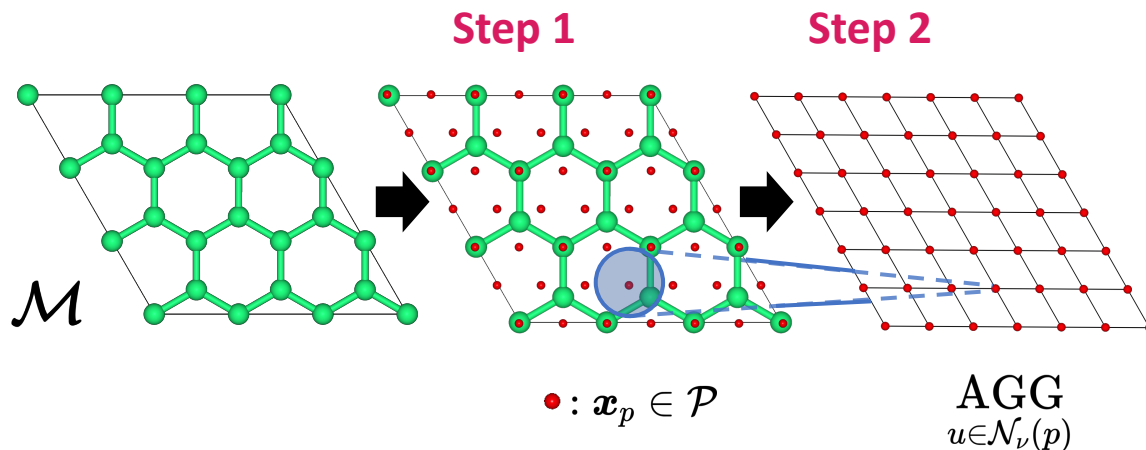
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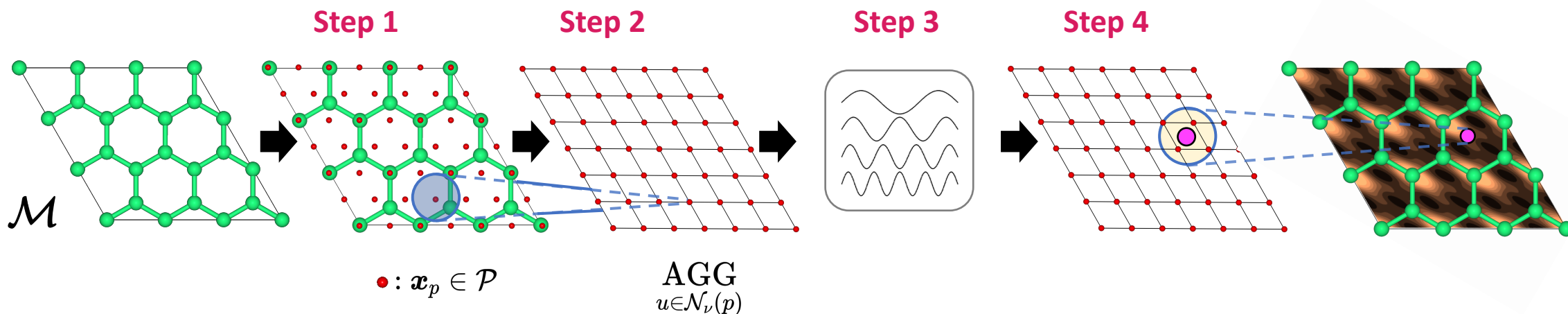
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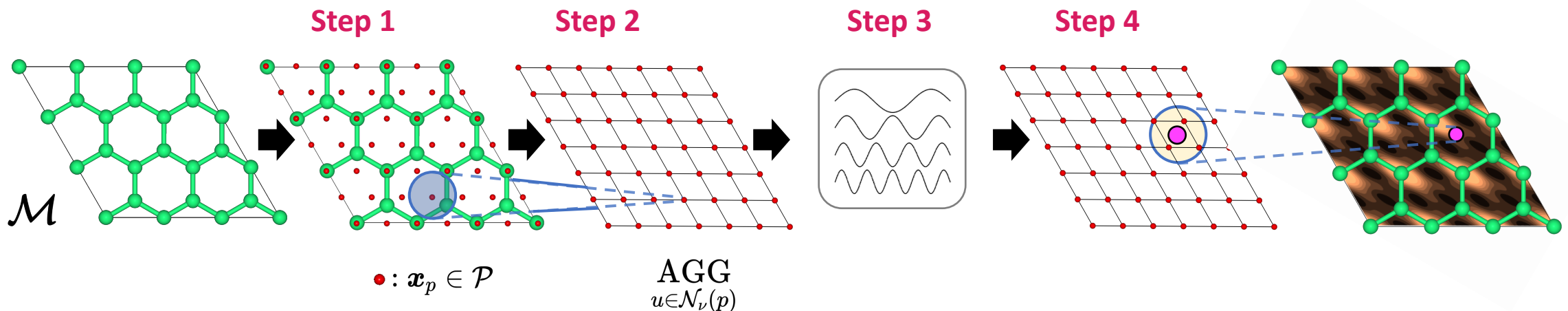
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Aperiodic materials

Table 1: **Evaluation of GPWNO for aperiodic materials.** We report the performance for QM9 and MD dataset in NMAE (%). The best number is highlighted in **bold**. The baseline results are from [Cheng & Peng \(2023\)](#). Each number is averaged over three runs. For brevity, we denote DimeNet and DeepDFT by DmNet and DDFT, respectively.

Dataset	LNO	FNO	GNO	DmNet++	DmNet	EGNN	DDFT2	DDFT	CNN	InfGCN	GPWNO	
QM9	26.14	28.83	40.86	11.69	11.97	11.92	1.03	2.95	2.01	0.93	0.73	About 30% ↓
Ethanol	43.17	31.98	82.35	14.24	13.99	13.90	8.83	7.34	13.97	8.43	4.00	
Benzene	38.82	20.05	82.46	14.34	14.48	13.49	5.49	6.61	11.98	5.11	2.45	
Phenol	60.70	42.98	66.69	12.99	12.93	13.59	7.00	9.09	11.52	5.51	2.68	About 50% ↓
Resorcinol	35.07	26.06	58.75	12.01	12.04	12.61	6.95	8.18	11.07	5.95	2.73	
Ethane	77.14	26.31	71.12	12.95	13.11	15.17	6.36	8.31	14.72	7.01	3.67	
MDA	47.22	34.58	84.52	16.79	18.71	12.37	10.68	9.31	18.52	10.34	5.32	

- Our **GPWNO** outperformed 10 baselines in the aperiodic materials

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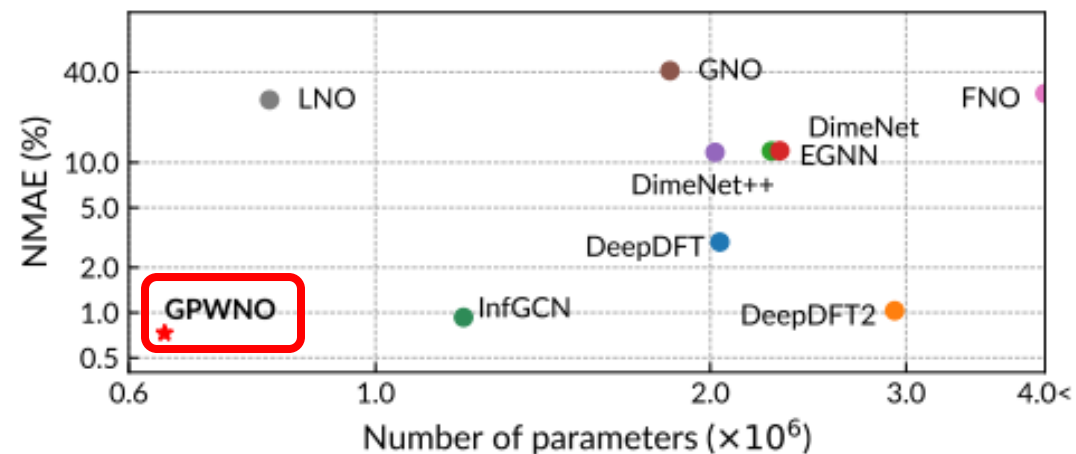


Figure 4: **Comparison between the baselines on QM9 (lower left is better).**

- Also, **GPWNO** excels with the **smallest number of parameters**.

Periodic materials (Crystalline materials)

Table 2: **Evaluation of GPWNO for periodic materials.** NMAE (%) in the MP dataset, categorized by the seven crystal family and their combinations. The best number is highlighted in **bold**. Each number is averaged over three runs.

Model	Mixed	Triclinic	Monoclinic	Orthorhombic	Tetragonal	Trigonal	Hexagonal	Cubic
DeepDFT	11.50	32.33	50.54	22.30	37.68	23.89	18.61	27.30
DeepDFT2	15.11	30.20	49.74	20.50	41.21	22.13	12.87	27.63
InfGCN	5.35	4.36	4.63	5.06	5.02	5.21	4.96	4.93
GPWNO	4.84	3.92	4.44	4.73	4.52	4.92	4.55	4.32

- Our **GPWNO** outperforms the baselines regardless of the lattice type.
 - We categorized the dataset by the lattice structure

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