

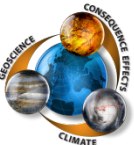
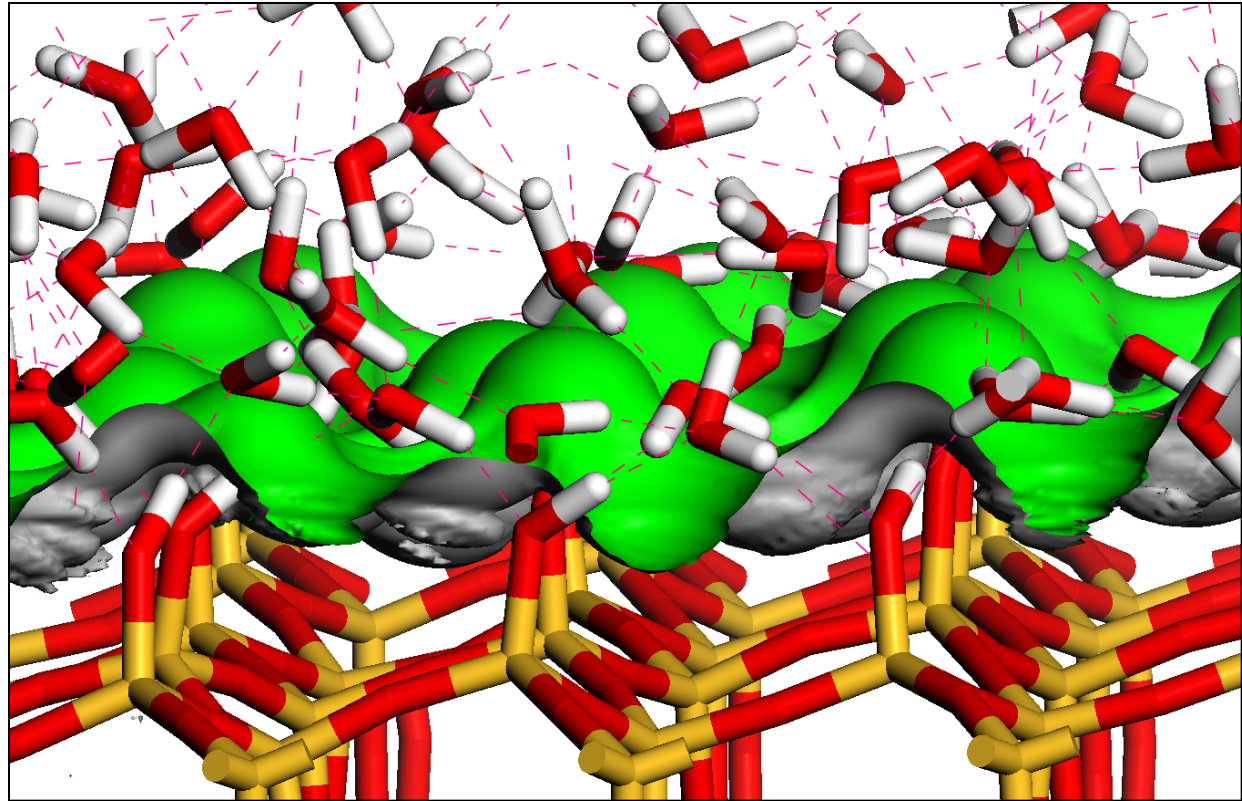
Effects of Thermodynamic Ensemble and Mineral Surface on Interfacial Water Structure

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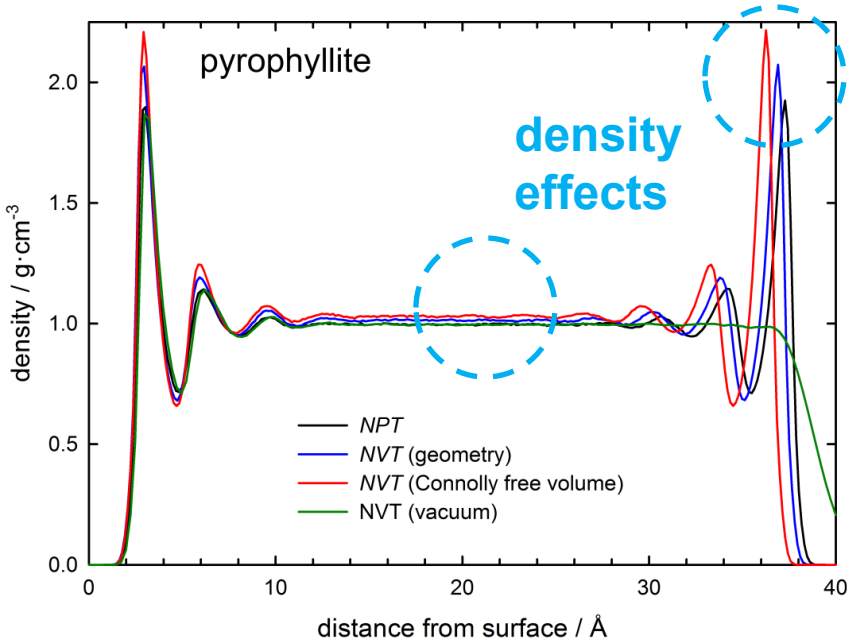
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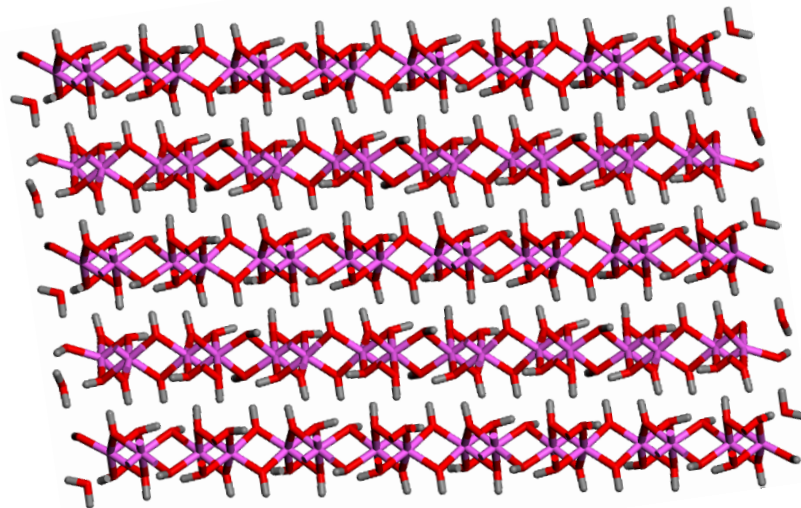


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This presentation focuses on interfacial water structure and FF development



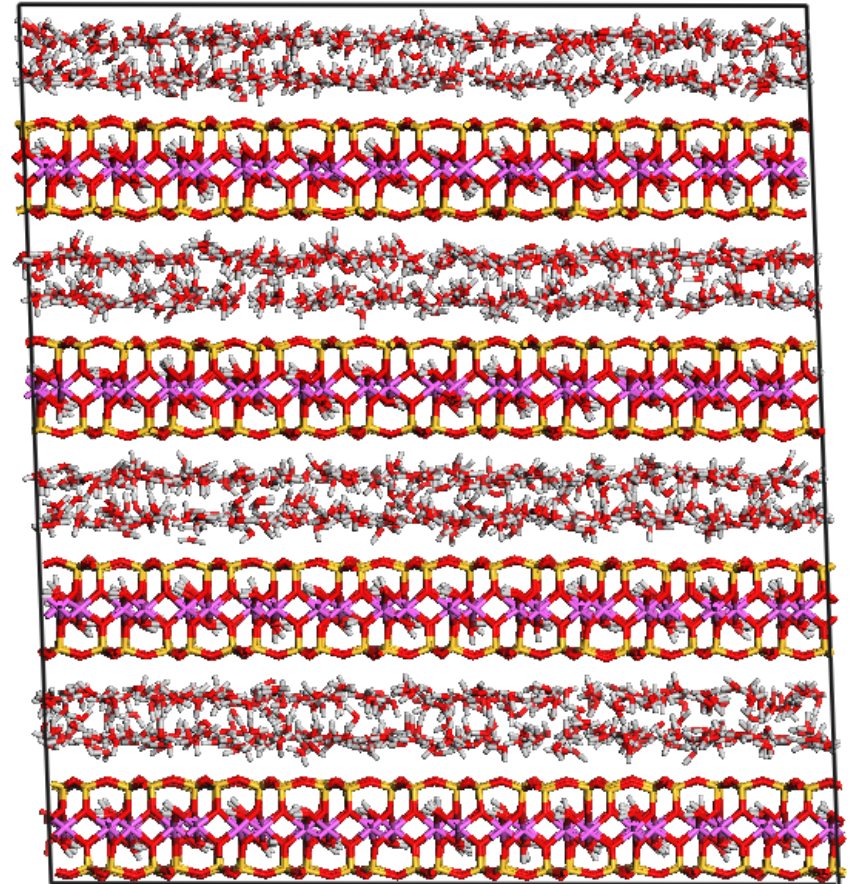
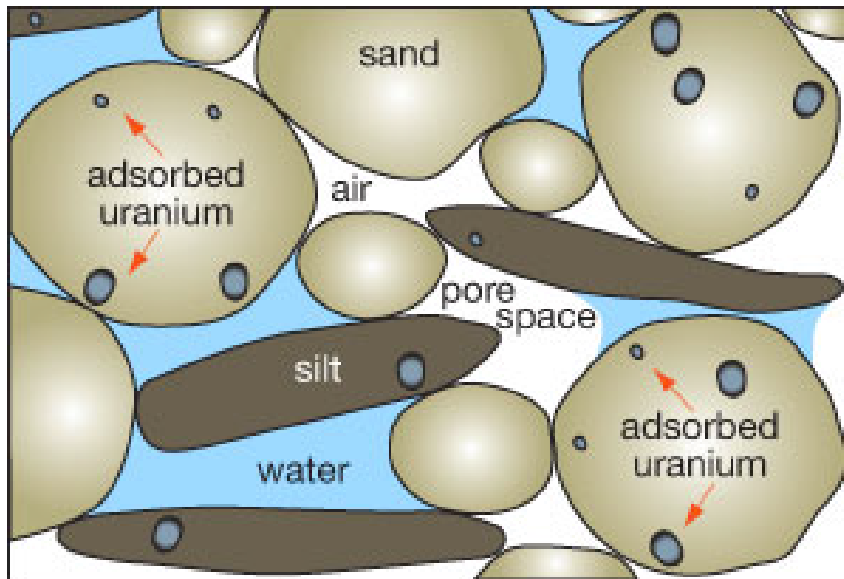
Accurate interfacial density



FF development for
clay edge sites

Water-mineral interactions are interesting from many standpoints

swelling due to interlayer H_2O in clays

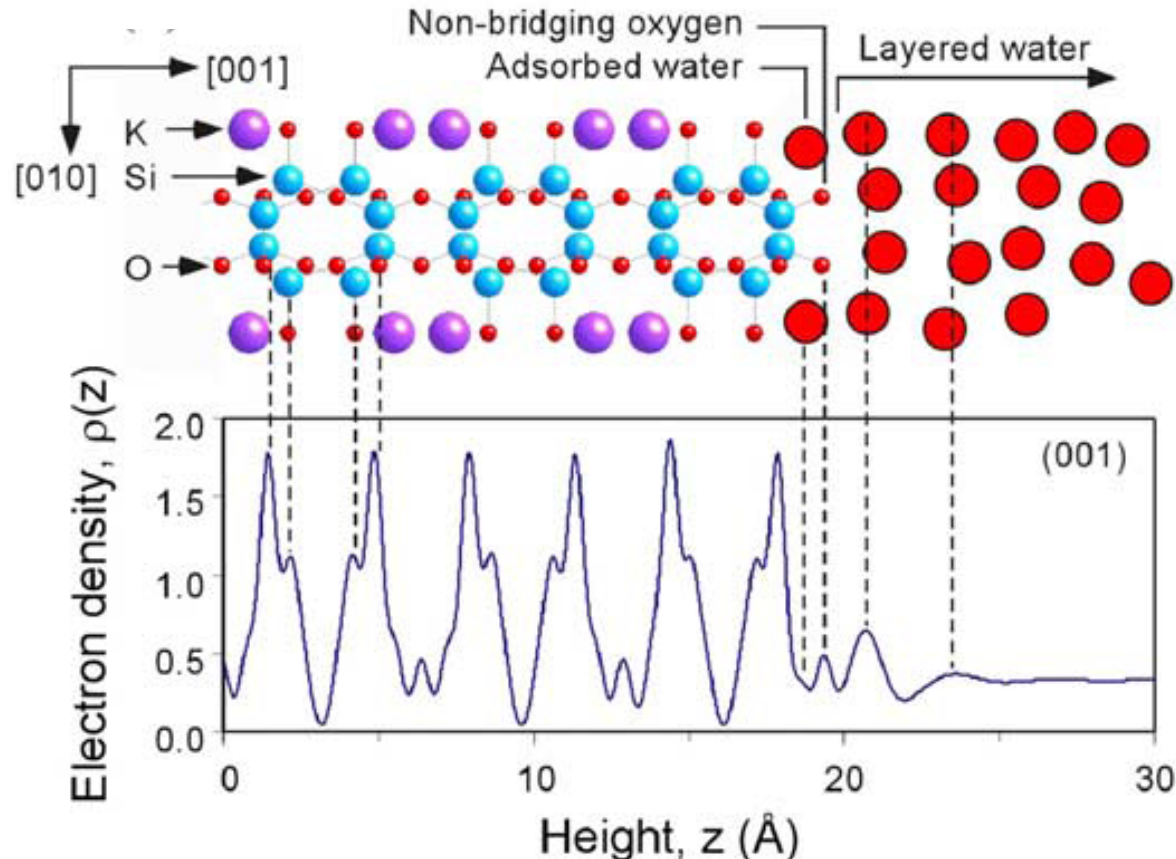


mobility of uranium in groundwater

<http://www.kgs.ku.edu>

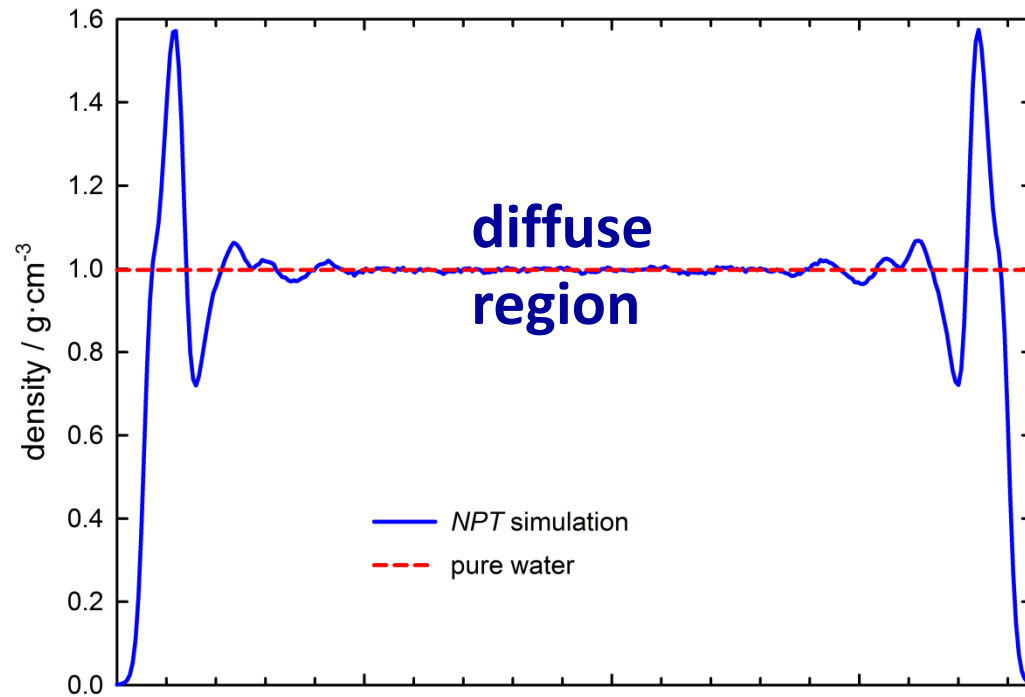
Kansas Geological Survey

Understanding water-mineral interface interactions from experimental methods alone is difficult

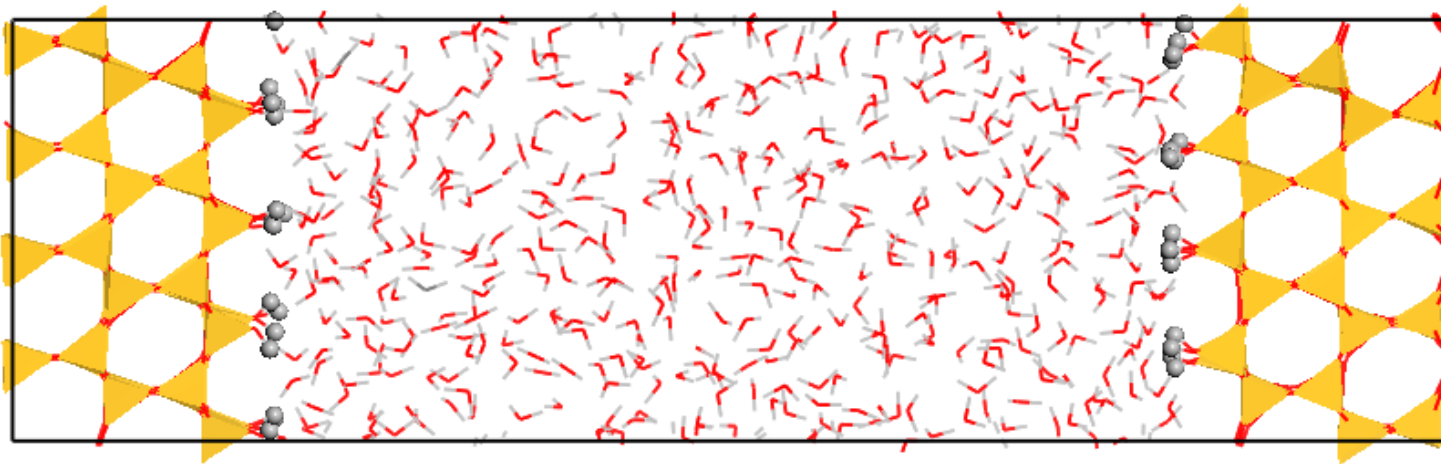


Fenter, P.; Cheng, L.; Park, C.; Zhang, Z.; Sturchio, N. C. *Geochim. Cosmochim. Acta* 2003, 67, 4267-4275.

A good interface model reproduces bulk behavior

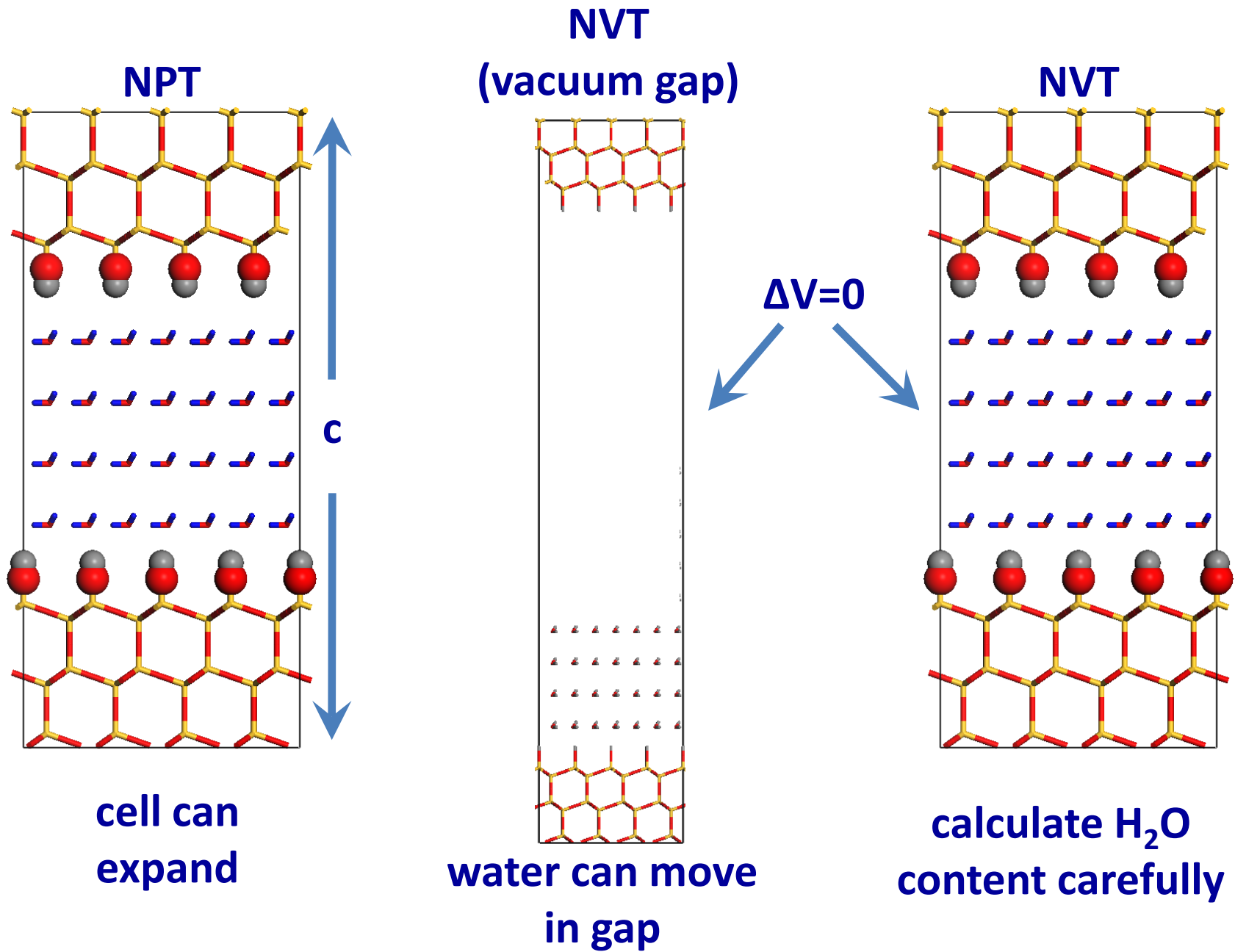


classical MD
CLAYFF parameters
LAMMPS code

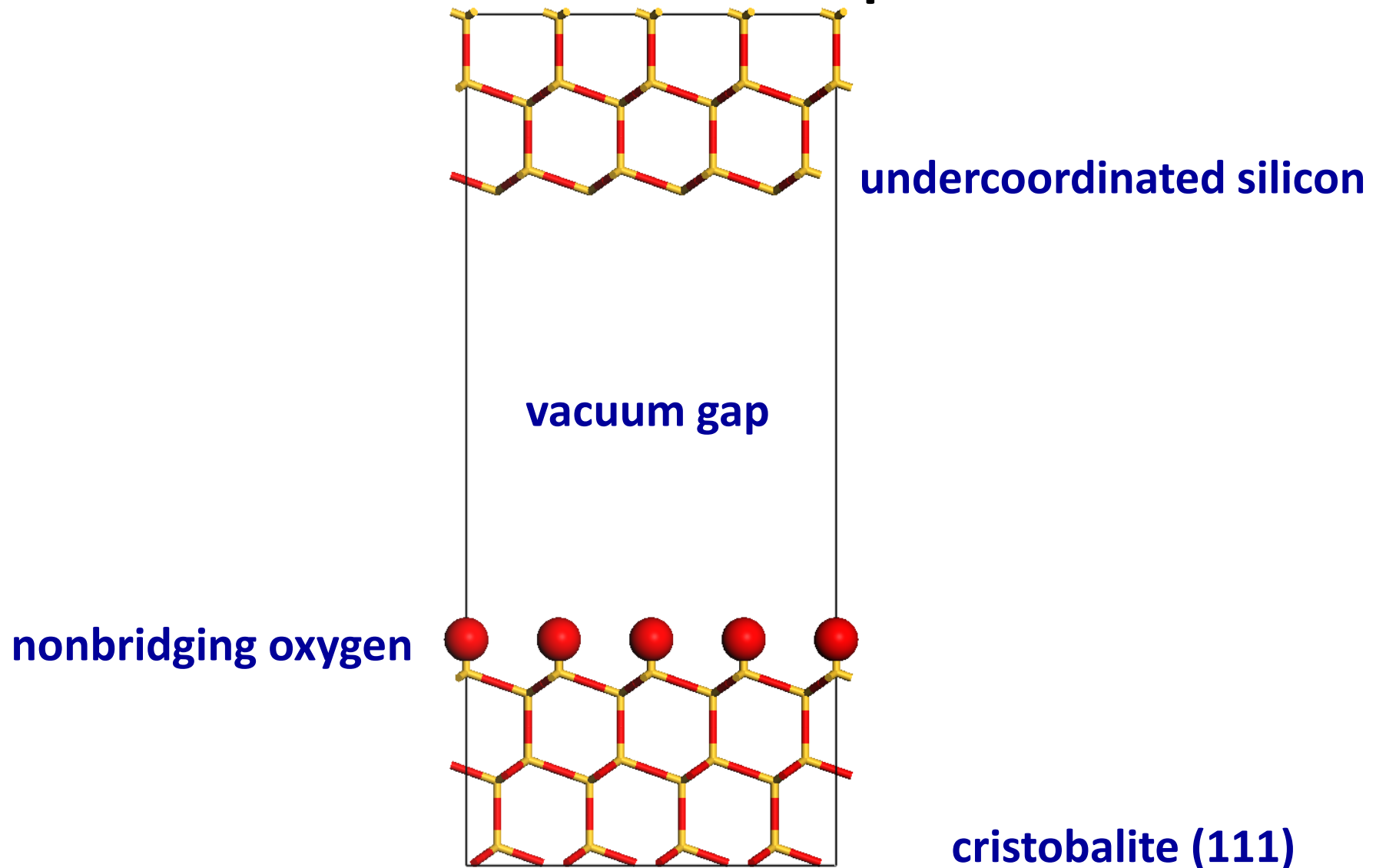


bulk water density is the link to reality

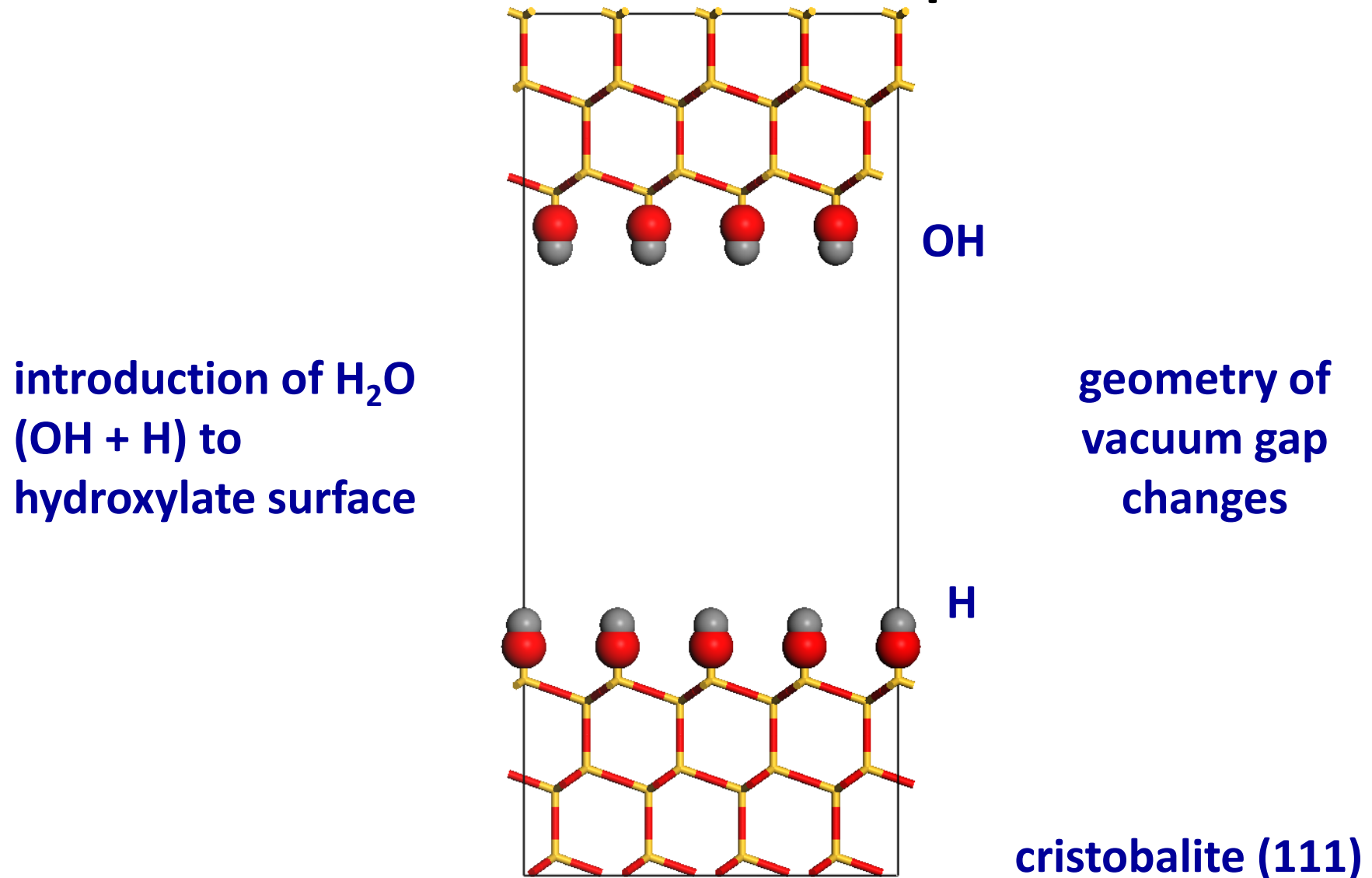
How do we get good bulk liquid properties?



Making a surface from a bulk structure introduces water-accessible volume in a complicated manner

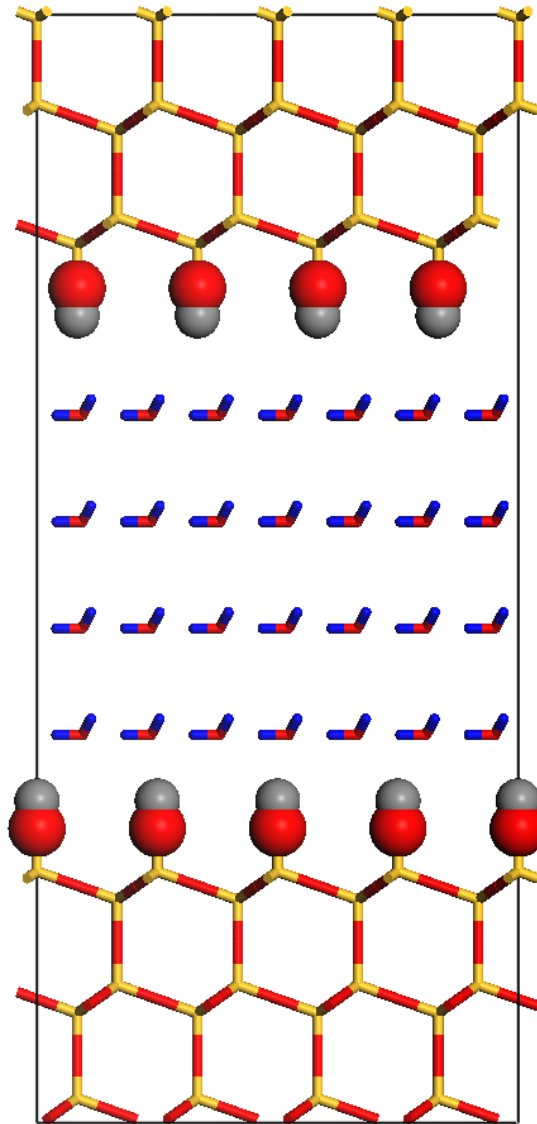


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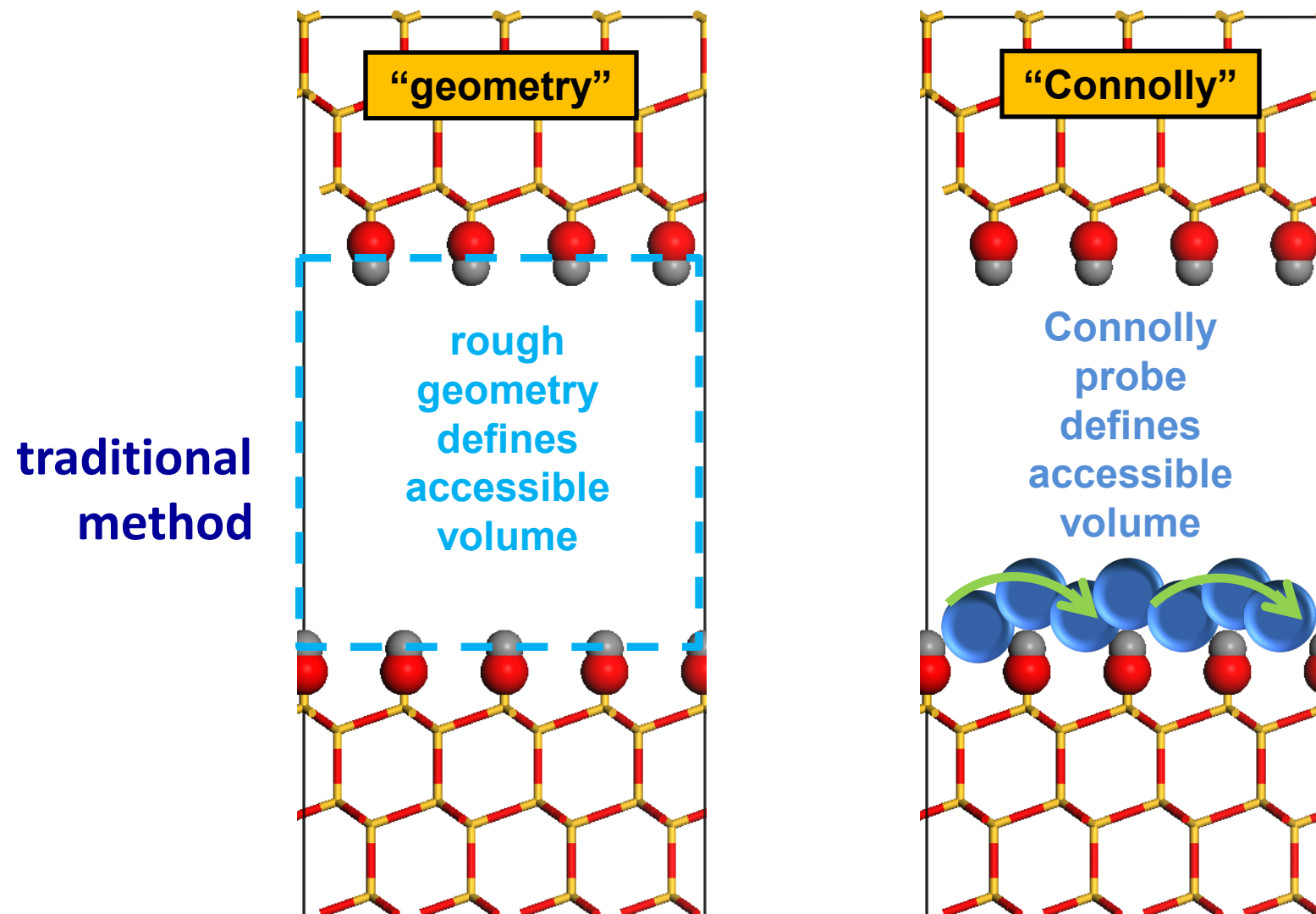
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introduction of water
into accessible volume



cristobalite (111)

How do we accurately calculate volume accessible to water for NVT simulations (and does it matter)?



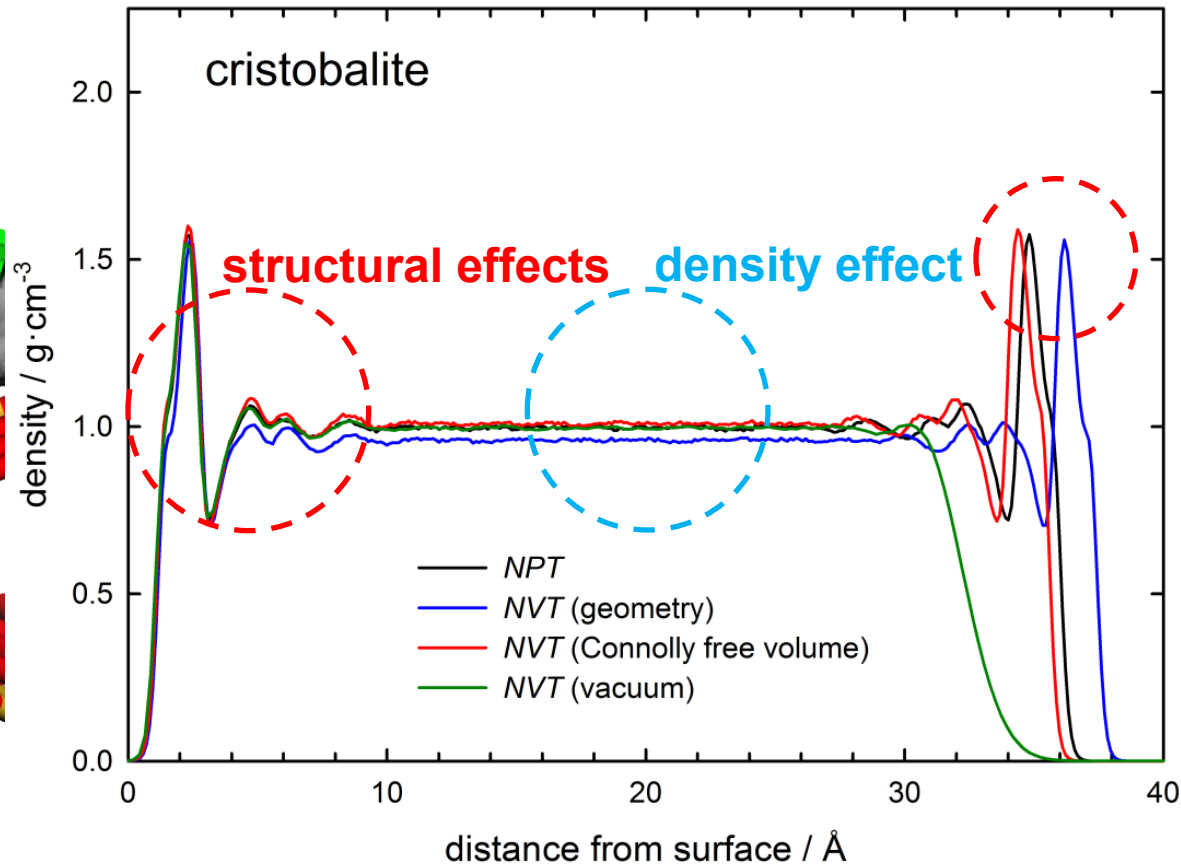
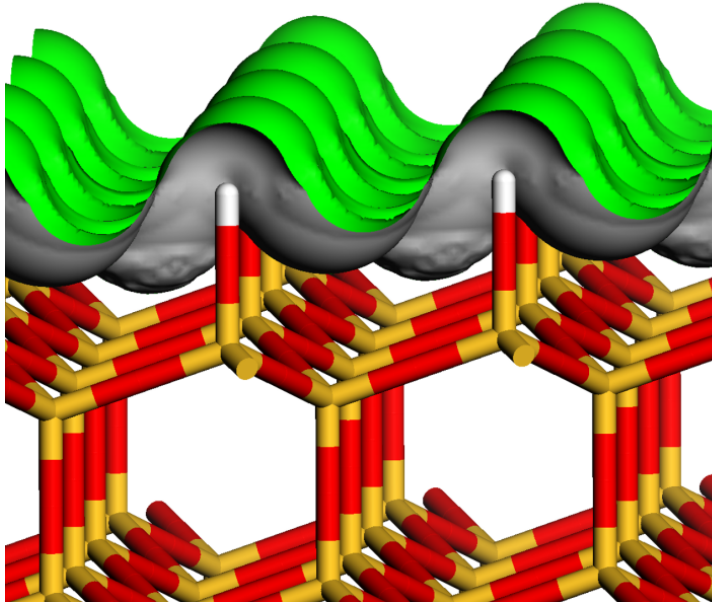
resulting bulk density plots will tell us if one method is better

How we calculate accessible volume does matter!

NPT and NVT (vacuum) bulk density values are identical to pure H₂O simulation

SiO₂

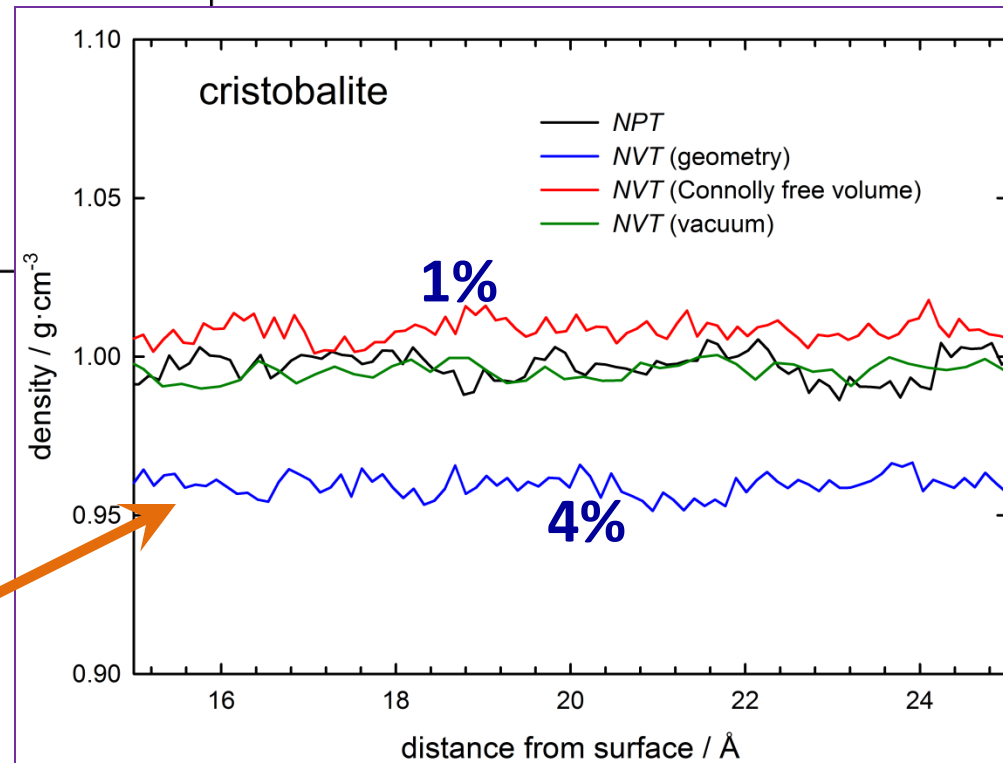
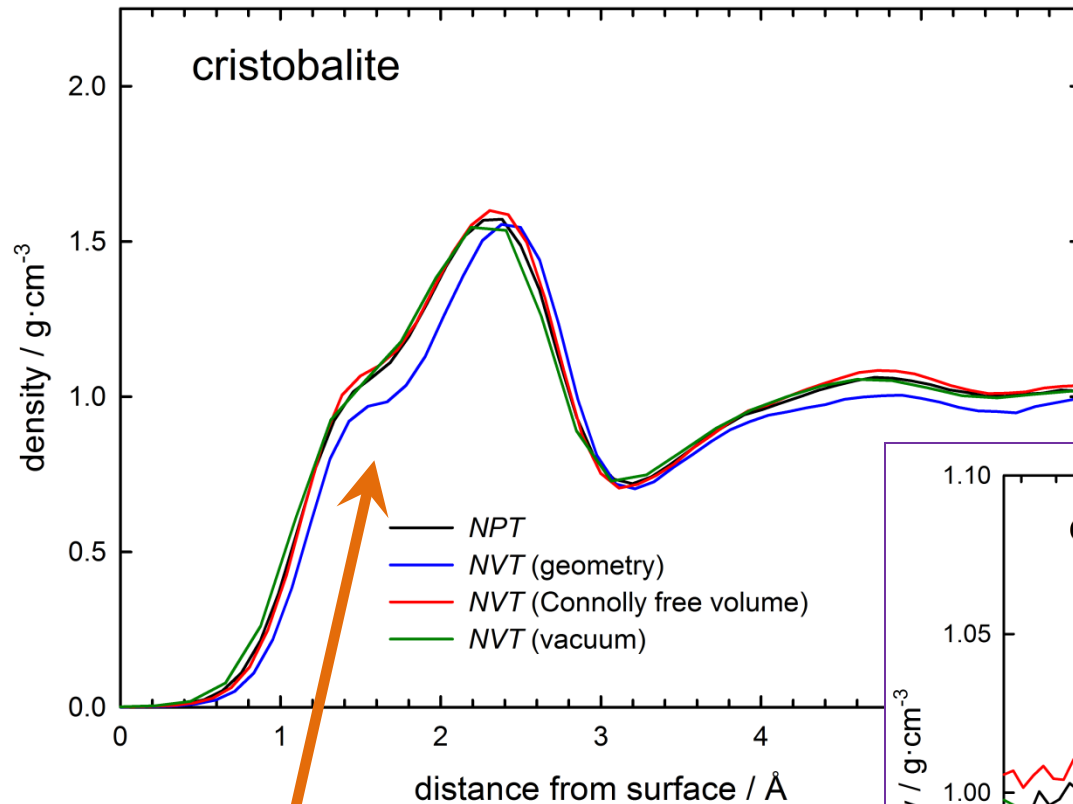
cristobalite (111) (hydrophilic)



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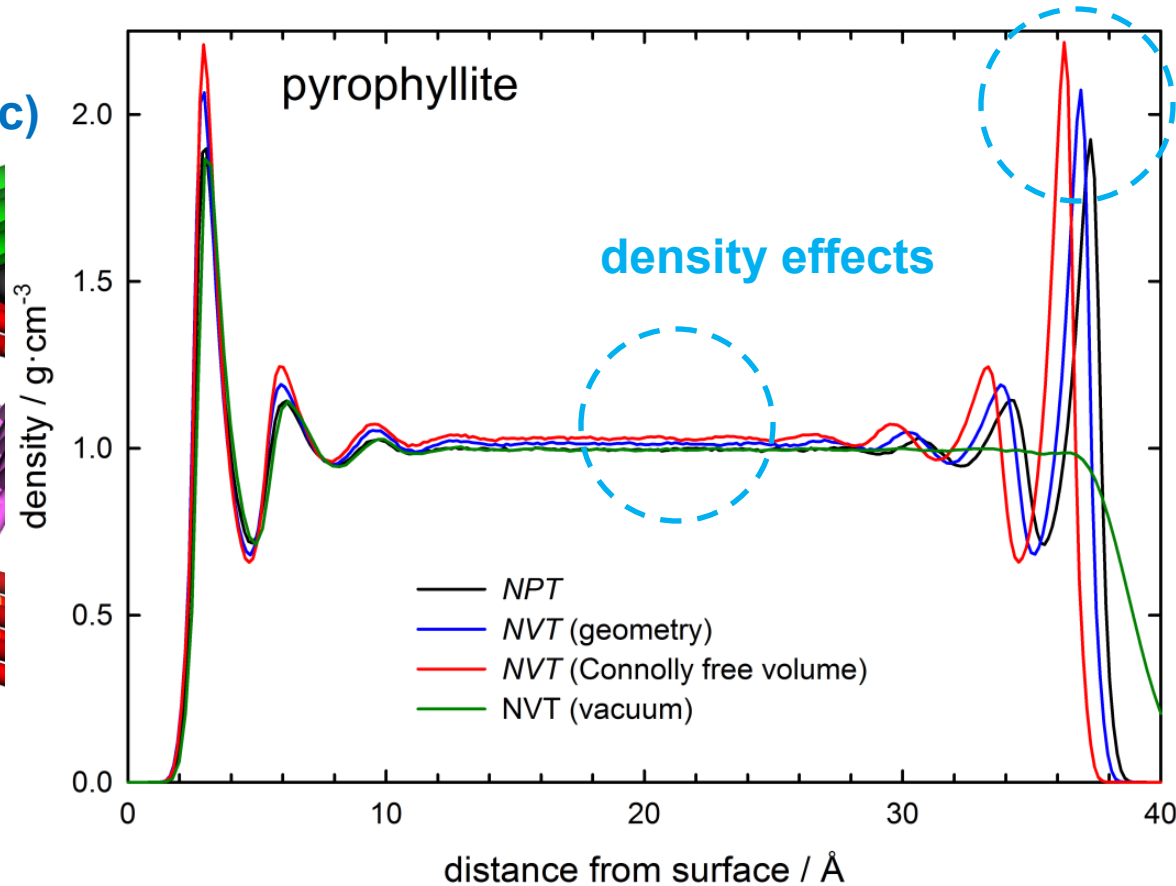
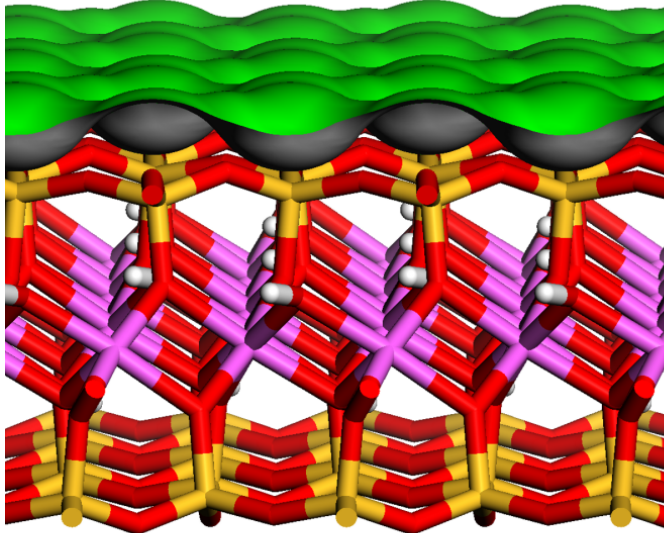
lower $V_{\text{accessible}}$ leads to lower density and peak shift

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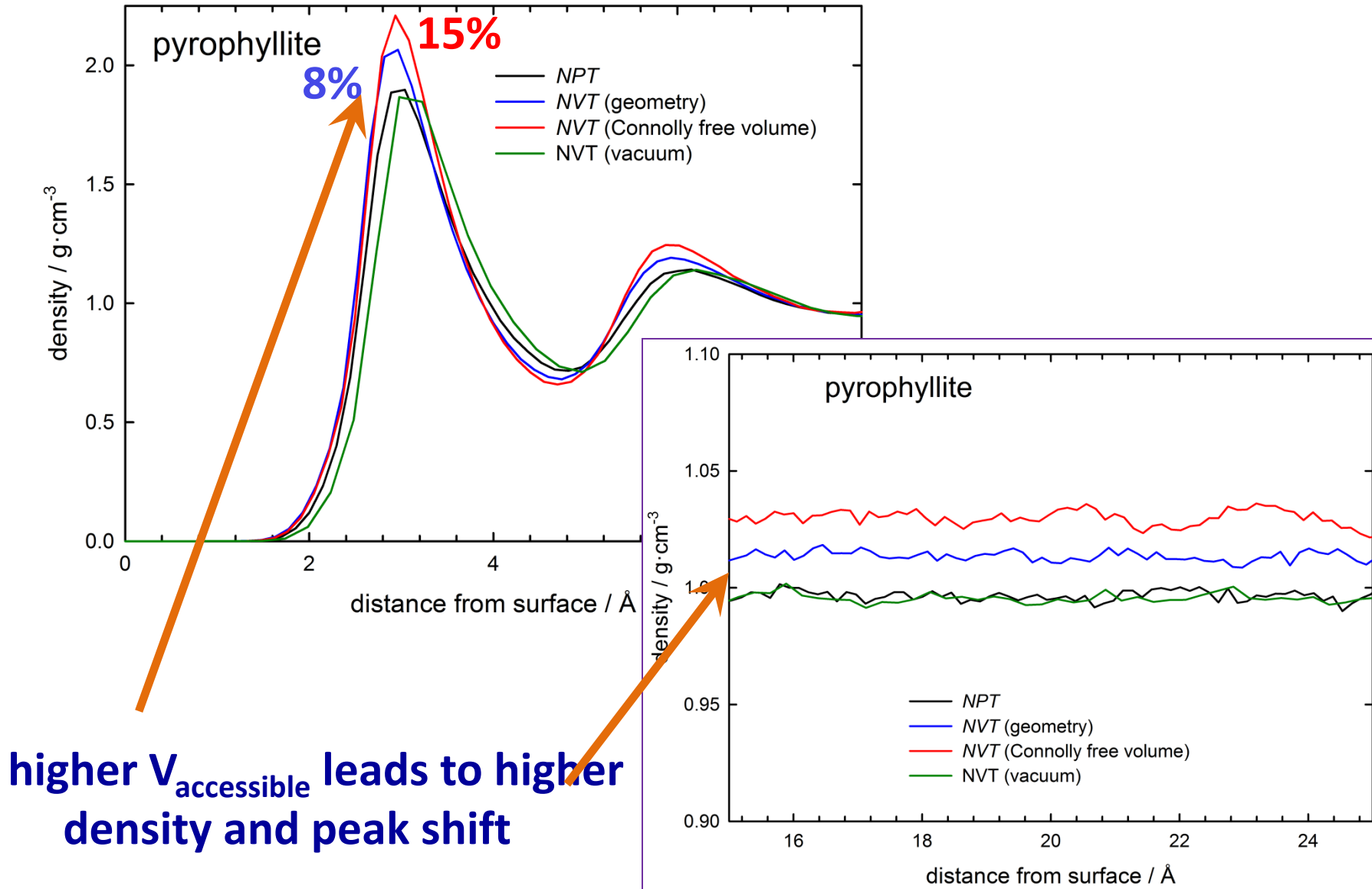
pyrophyllite (001) (hydrophobic)



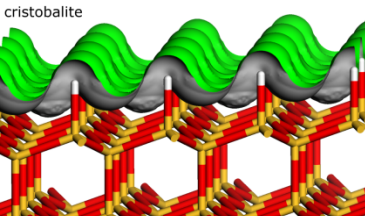
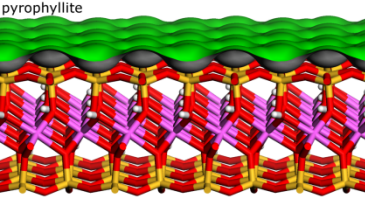
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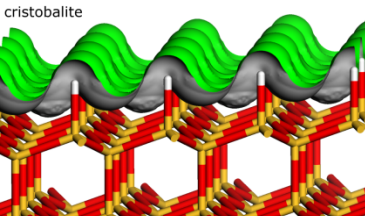
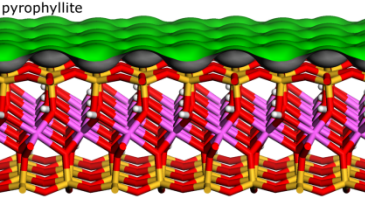
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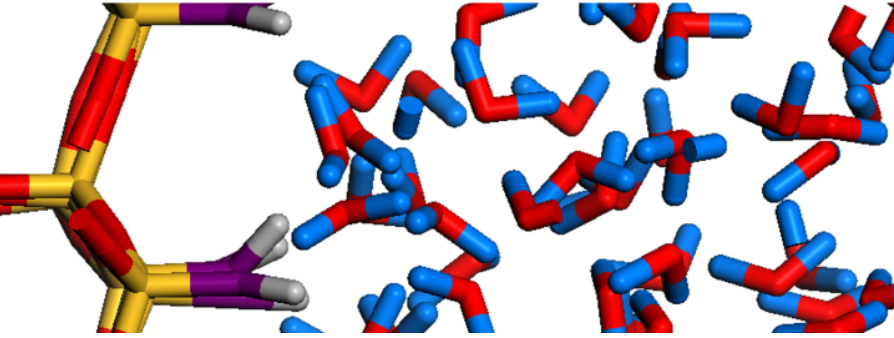
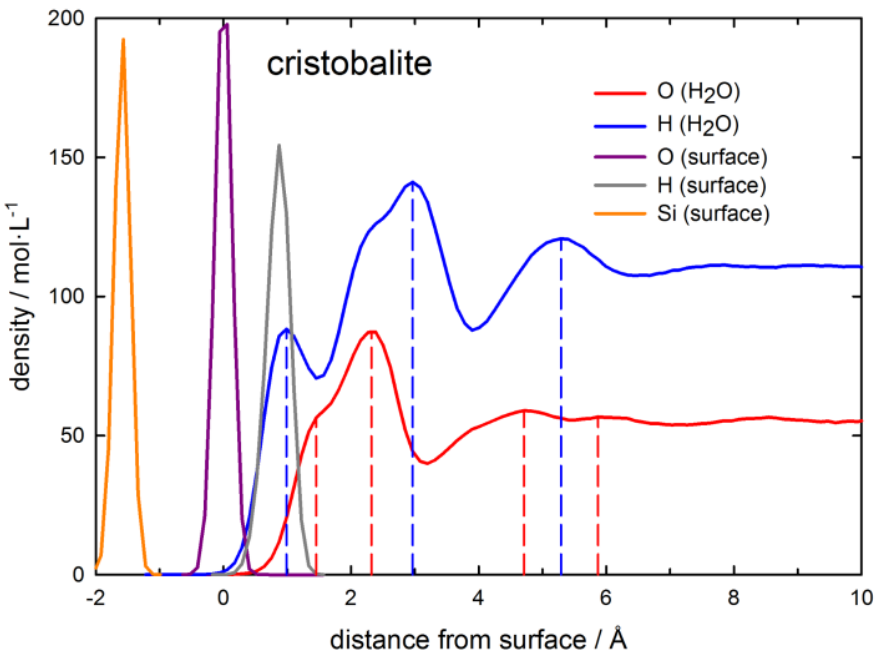
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overestimate
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(hydrophobicity)

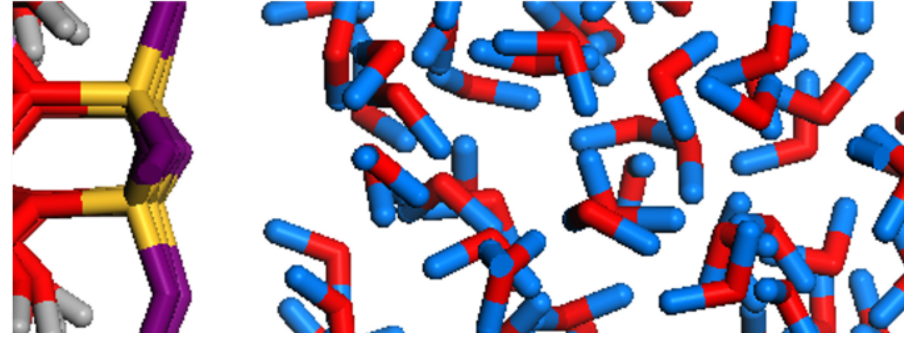
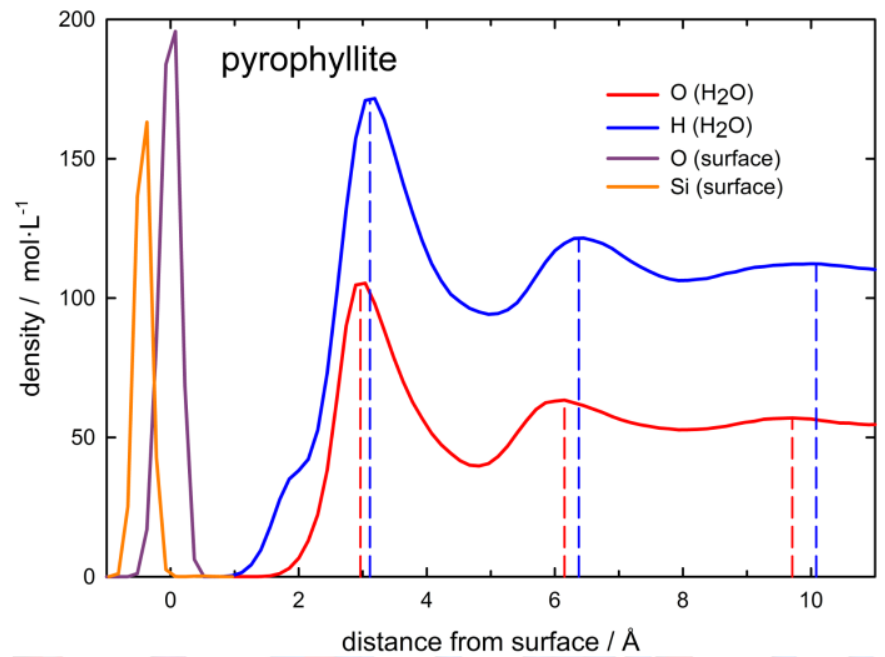
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Interfacial structure is related to hydrophobicity

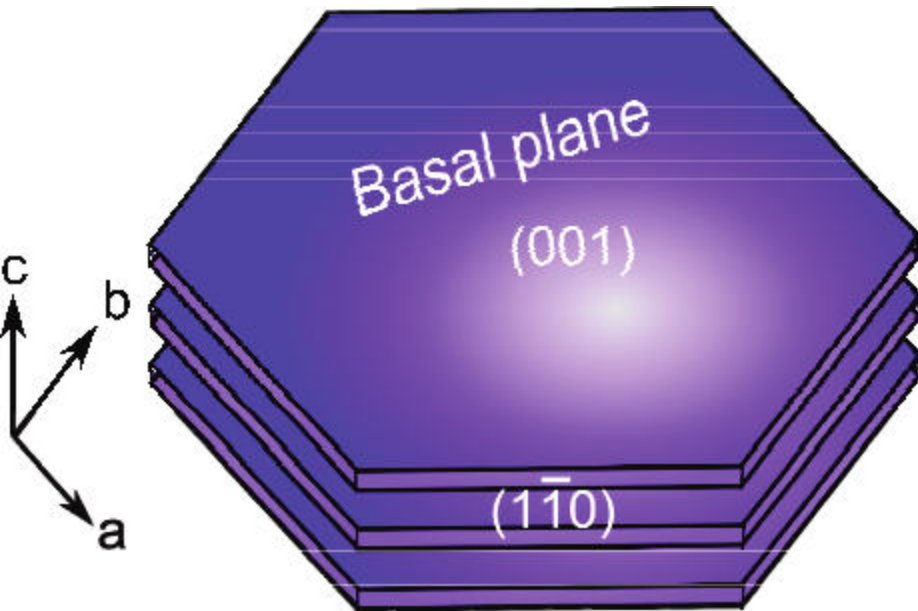
hydrophilic water-surface structuring



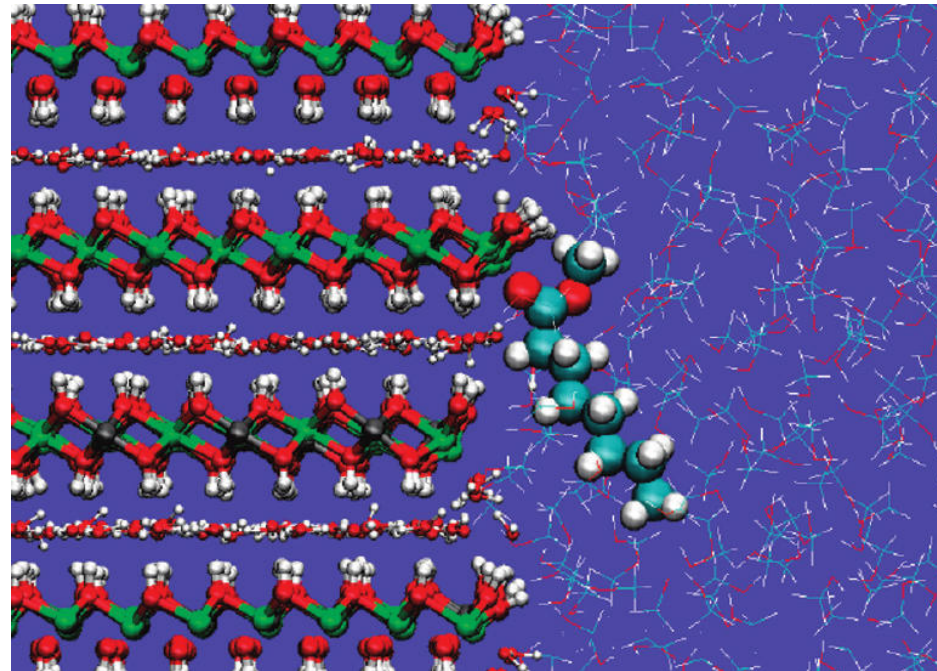
hydrophobic water layers



The chemistry of clay edge sites is of ever-increasing interest



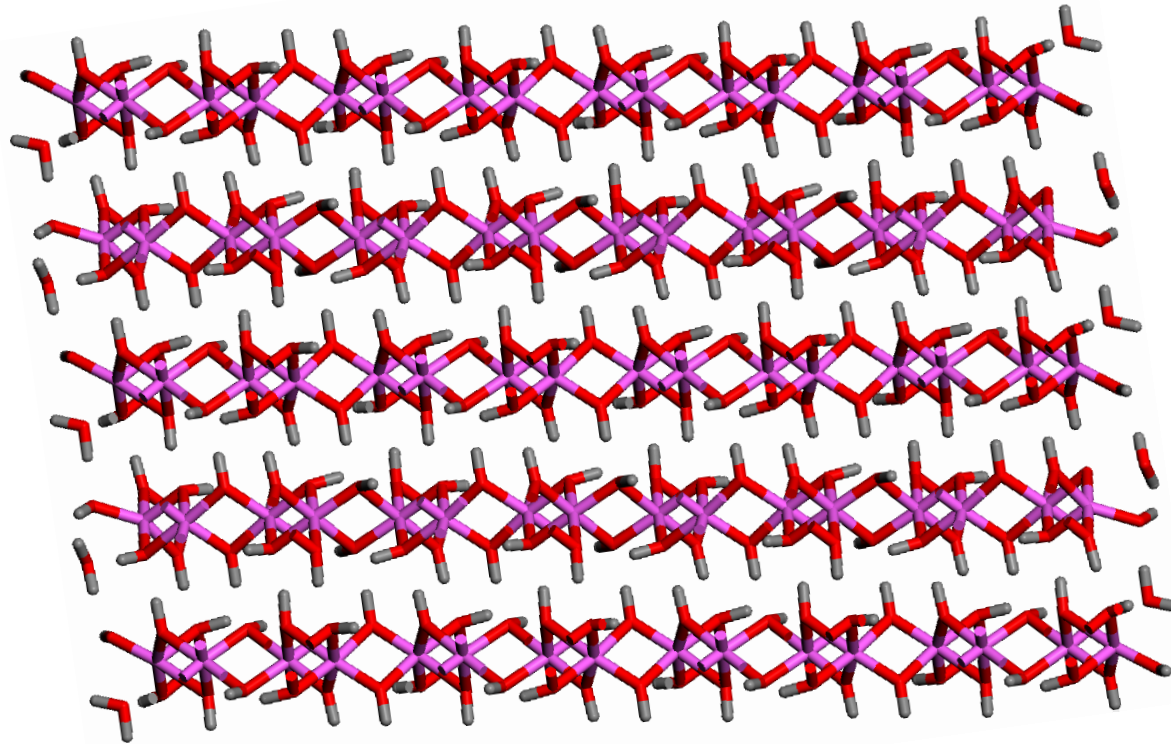
hydrotalcite (1-10)



adsorption on edges can be fundamentally different from that on basal surfaces

Yu, K.; Schmidt, J. R. *J. Phys. Chem. C* 2011, **115**, 1887-1898.

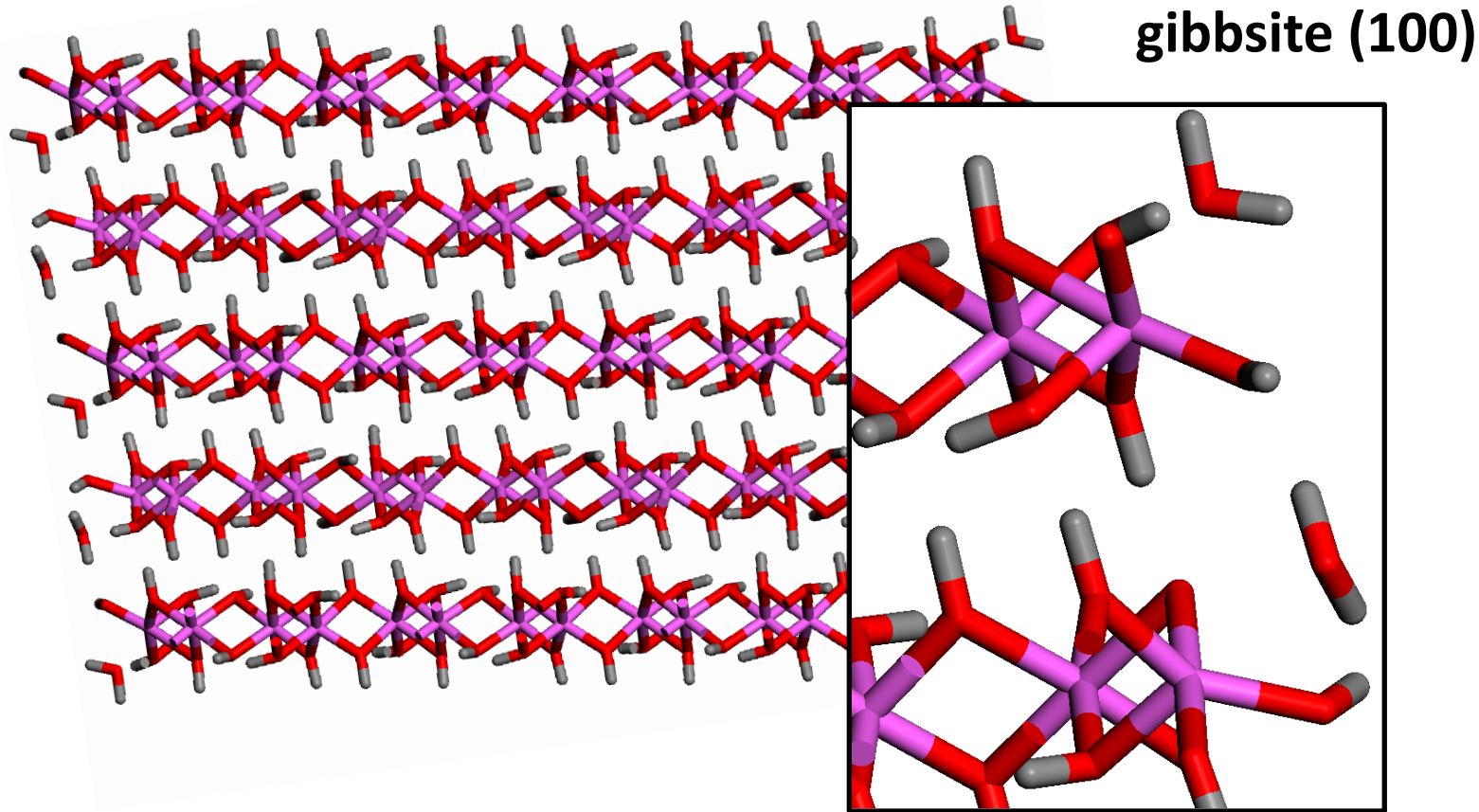
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gibbsite (100)

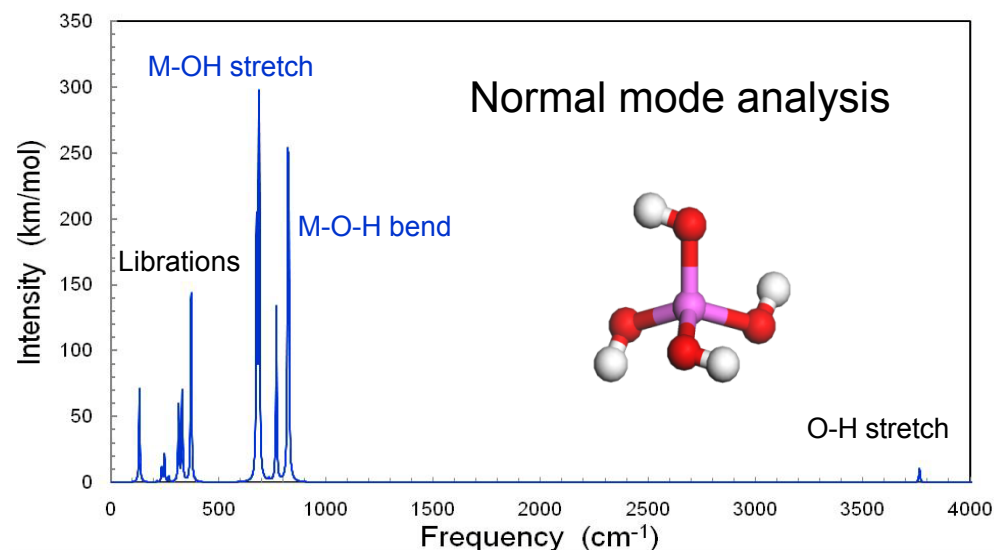
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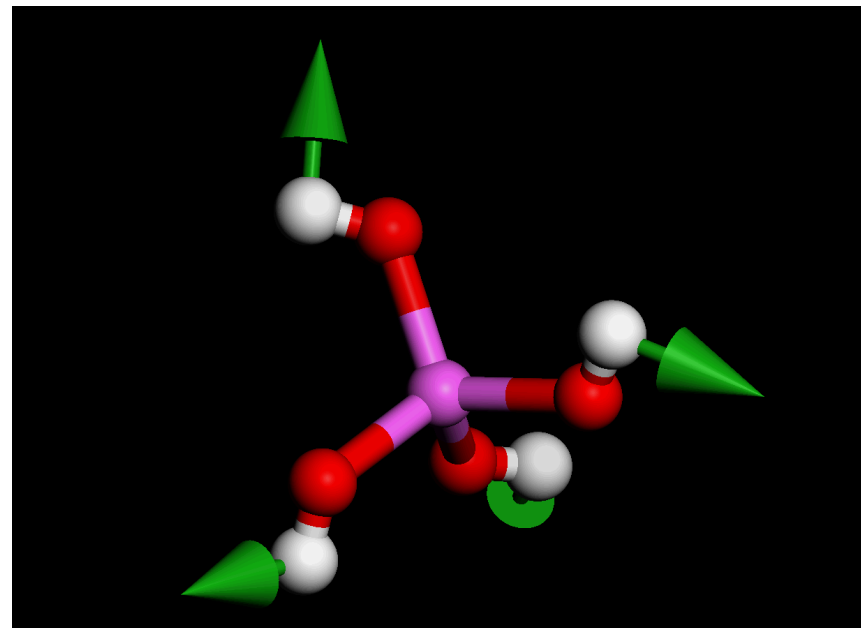


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Force field parameterization involves matching normal modes from DFT and classical calculations



M = Al, Si, Mg



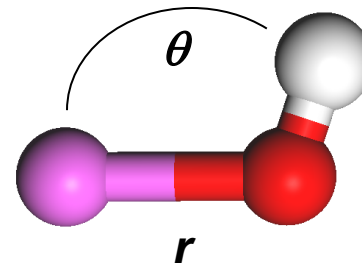
Al-O-H symmetric bend

$$E_{\text{stretch}} = \frac{1}{2} k_r (r - r_o)^2$$

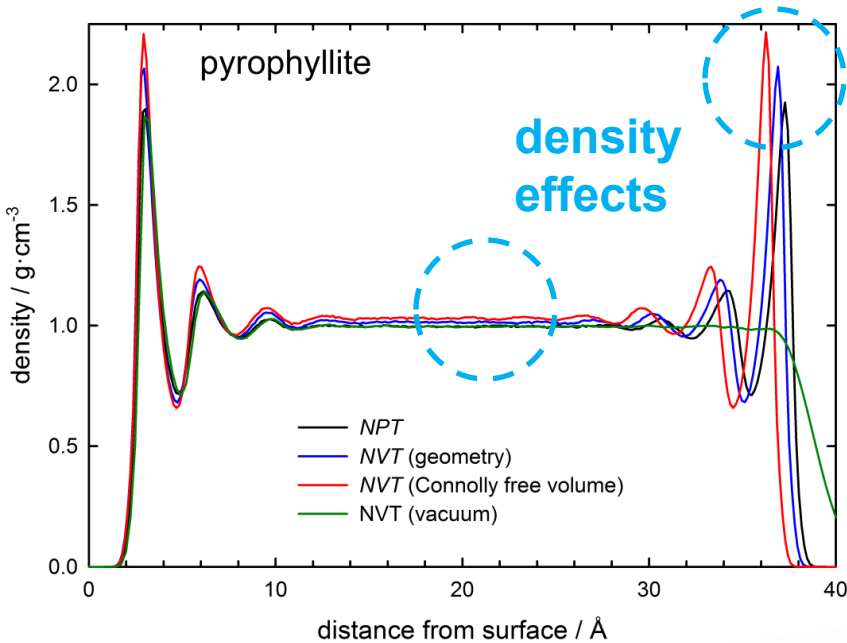
$$E_{\text{bend}} = \frac{1}{2} k_\theta (\theta - \theta_o)^2$$

r_o , θ_o from DFT-optimized geometry

k_r , k_θ from normal mode analysis

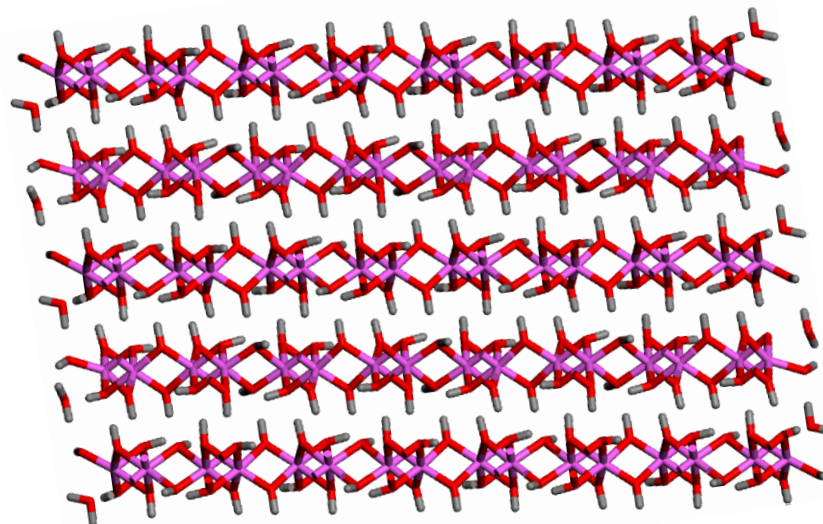


Summary



NPT or NVT(vac): accurate density

**NVT: be careful with H₂O content
surface definition
hydrophobicity**



**FF development for
clay edge sites**