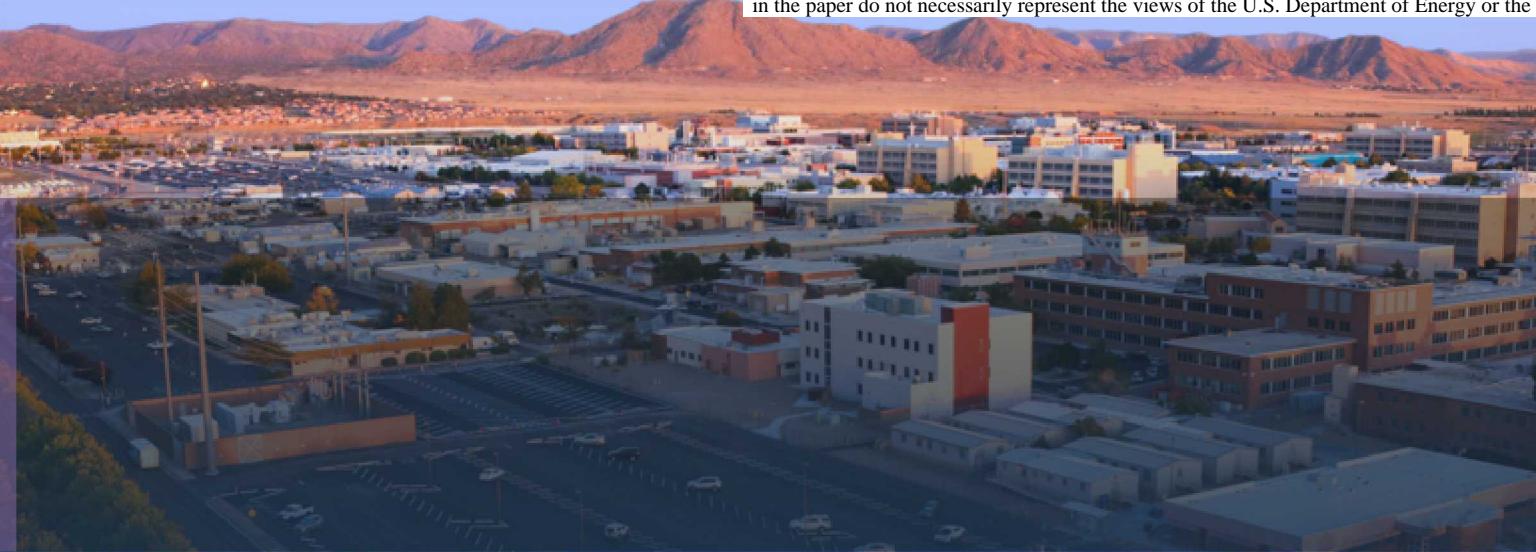




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## Improving the accuracy of spin-lattice calculations with machine-learned interatomic potentials

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# SD-MD methodology, first successes, and some current limitations



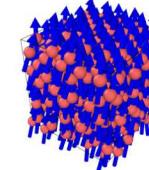
## Methodology:



$$\left\{ \begin{array}{lcl} \frac{\partial \mathbf{r}_i}{\partial t} & = & \mathbf{v}_i \\ \frac{\partial \mathbf{v}_i}{\partial t} & = & \mathbf{F}_i(\mathbf{r}_{ij}, \mathbf{s}_{i,j}) \\ \frac{\partial \mathbf{s}_i}{\partial t} & = & \boldsymbol{\omega}_i \times \mathbf{s}_i \end{array} \right.$$

## Coupled SD - MD

$$\mathbf{H}_{sl} = \underbrace{\sum_{i=1}^N \frac{|\mathbf{p}_i|^2}{2m_i} + \sum_{i,j=1}^N V(r_{ij})}_{\text{MD Hamiltonian}} - \underbrace{\sum_{i,j,i \neq j}^N J(r_{ij}) \mathbf{s}_i \cdot \mathbf{s}_j - \mu_B \mu_0 \sum_{i=0}^N g_i \mathbf{s}_i \cdot \mathbf{H}_{ext}}_{\text{Spin-lattice coupling}}$$



## First successes:

### ● Simulation of magneto-caloric effects

- ▶ Ma, P. W., & Dudarev, S. L. (2014). Dynamic magnetocaloric effect in bcc iron and hcp gadolinium. *Physical Review B*, 90(2), 024425.

### ● Influence of defects on the magnetism of bcc iron

- ▶ Mudrick, M., et al. Combined molecular and spin dynamics simulation of bcc iron with lattice vacancies. In *Journal of Physics: Conference Series* (Vol. 921, No. 1, p. 012007).
- ▶ Wen, H., Ma, P. W., & Woo, C. H. (2013). Spin-lattice dynamics study of vacancy formation and migration in ferromagnetic BCC iron. *Journal of Nuclear Materials*, 440(1-3), 428-434.

## Some current limitations:

### ✖ No release in an open-source MD code

- preventing from the development of a large user base

### ✖ Insufficient level of parallelization

- does not allow the simulation of large magnetic devices

### ✖ Simulation of the spin-orbit coupling

- fundamental importance for the simulation of magnetoelasticity

### ✖ Simulation of the long-range dipolar interaction

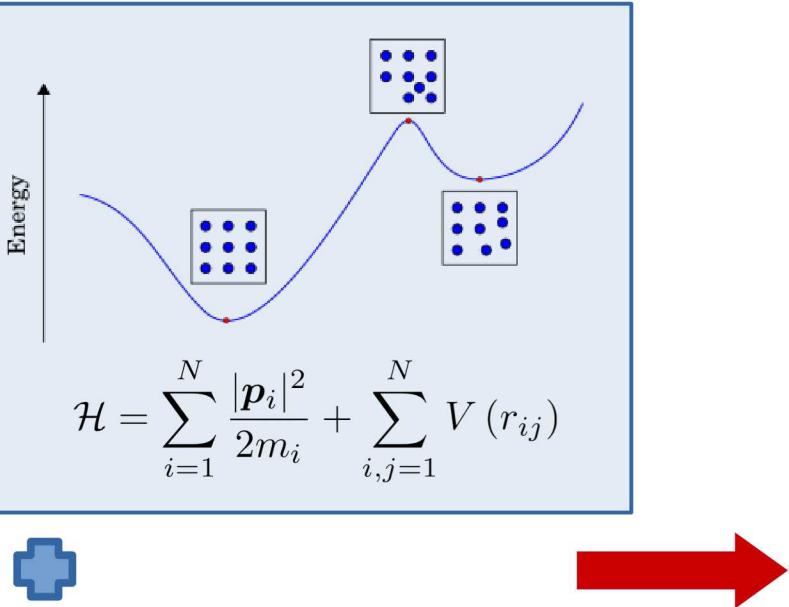
- Unable to stabilize the domain structure of actual magnets

# Spin and Lattice potential energy surfaces, and common approach in S-L dynamics



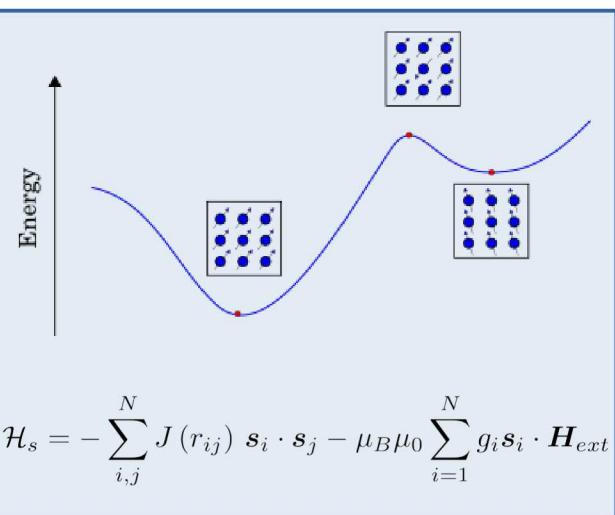
## Molecular dynamics

- ▶ In metals, usually an EAM-like potential.
- ▶ Parametrization can be on ab-initio data, or on observables (elastic constants, binding-energies, ...).



## Spin dynamics

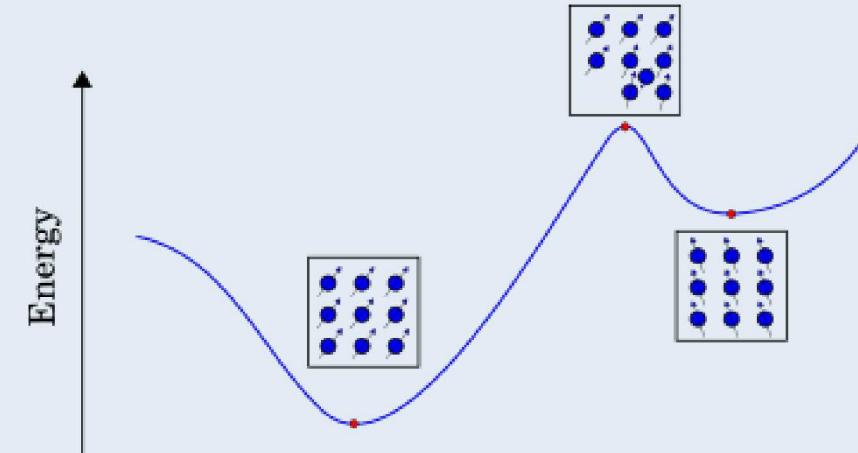
- ▶ Exchange interaction, Zeeman, anisotropy, ...
- ▶ Parametrized from 1<sup>st</sup> principles calculations (spin-spirals, ...), or exp. Observables (Tc, ...).



## Coupled spin-lattice PES

- ▶ Usual approach: overlaying the magnetic and mechanical PES.

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- ▶ Proved sufficient for a broad range of effects (magnon-phonon scattering, thermal conductivity, ...).

- ✖ **Limitations:** overlays two PES parametrized from different calculations => in principle incorrect.

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## Generating DB

## Fitting a Spin Hamiltonian

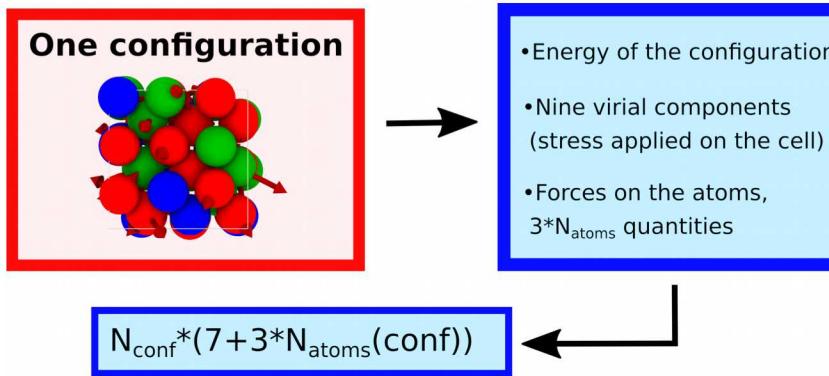
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## Running SD-MD simulations

## Database generation for interatomic potential training

- ▶ DB for ML-IAP contain atomic configurations.
- ▶ Each configuration is the result of a self-consistent Density Functional Theory (DFT) calculation (performed with Quantum Espresso, SeqQuest, or VASP).



- ▶ The SNAP potential is trained on those configurations.

The physical relevance of all configurations in the DB is of fundamental importance!

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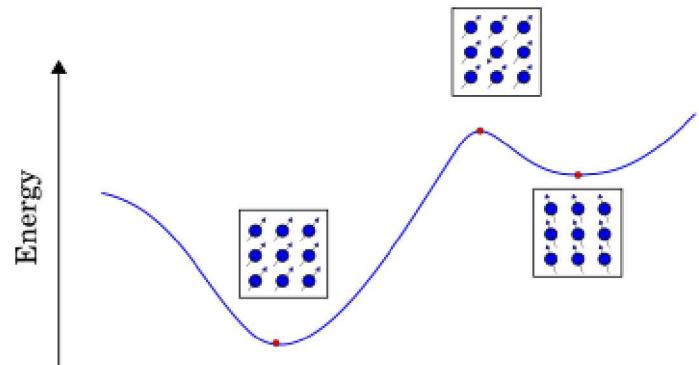
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## Fitting magnetic interactions on ab-initio results

- ▶ Our objective is to fit an exchange interaction and a magnetic anisotropy on DFT calculations performed with the same setup as the DB generation.



- ▶ Parametrization of a Heisenberg exchange Hamiltonian:

$$\mathcal{H}_s = - \sum_{i,j}^N J(r_{ij}) \mathbf{s}_i \cdot \mathbf{s}_j - \mu_B \mu_0 \sum_{i=1}^N g_i \mathbf{s}_i \cdot \mathbf{H}_{ext}$$

- ▶ Later on, adding the effects of the Spin-orbit coupling (magnetocrystalline anisotropy here).

- ▶ For now, we are using the parametrization of a Heisenberg Hamiltonian formerly published.

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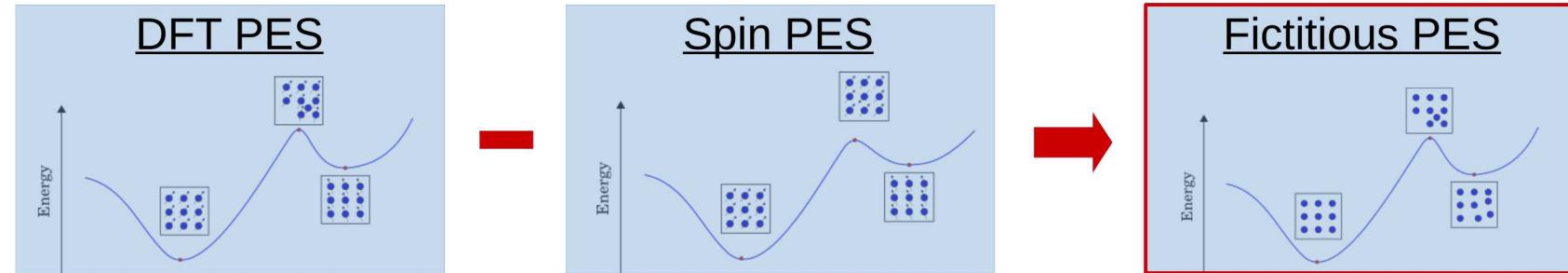
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## Subtracting the PES corresponding to the magnetic Hamiltonian

- ▶ The magnetic Hamiltonian is used as a reference potential.
- ▶ From each configuration, we subtract the energy and the mechanical forces generated by the parametrized spin Hamiltonian:



- ▶ Generates a fictitious DB, on which we will train a ML-interatomic potential.

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## Training a machine-learning interatomic potential

- ▶ The starting point of the approach expresses the atomic density.

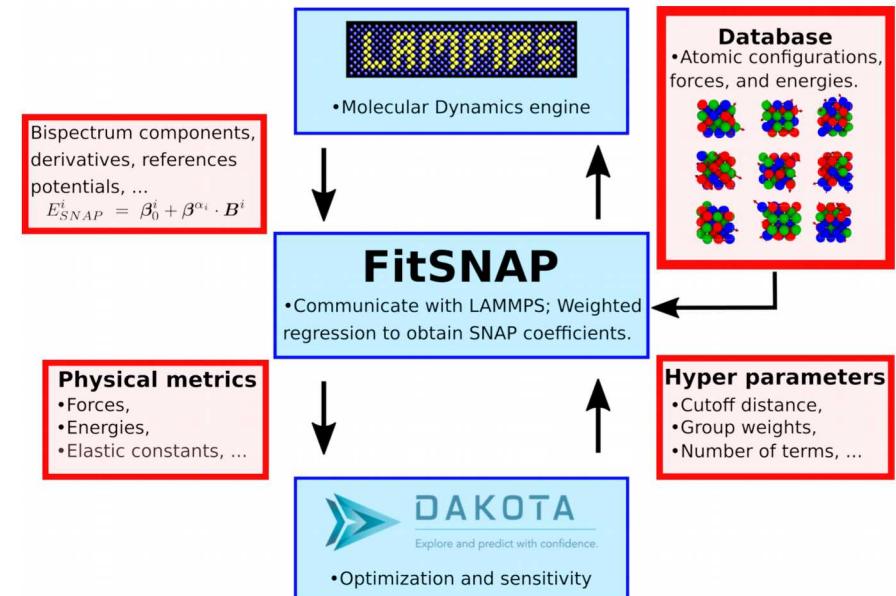
$$\rho_i(\mathbf{r}) = \delta(\mathbf{r}) + \sum_{r_{ij} < R_{cut}} f_c(r_{ij}) w_i \delta(\mathbf{r} - \mathbf{r}_{ij}) \quad \text{With:}$$

Wi weights defining atomic species  
Fc radial switching functions

- ▶ This density can be expressed in terms of bispectrum components. Then, those bispectrum components can express the energy and forces on a given atom:

$$\begin{cases} E_{SNAP}^i = \beta_0^i + \beta^{\alpha_i} \cdot \mathbf{B}^i \\ \mathbf{F}_{SNAP}^j = -\beta \cdot \sum_{i=1}^N \frac{\partial \mathbf{B}_i}{\partial \mathbf{r}_j} \end{cases}$$

Thompson, Aidan P., et al. "Spectral neighbor analysis method for automated generation of quantum-accurate interatomic potentials." Journal of Computational Physics 285 (2015): 316-330.



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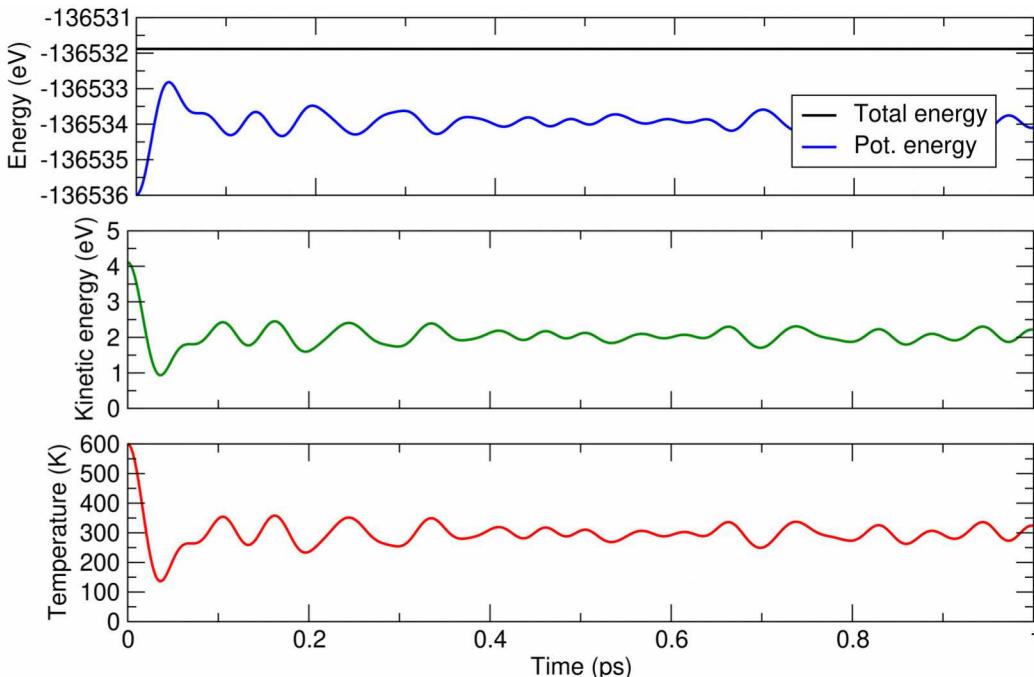
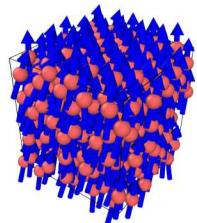
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- ▶ Sum-up the contributions of the SNAP and Spin potentials



## Conclusions



- ◆ A new framework aiming at improving the accuracy of coupled spin and lattice simulations was developed.
- ◆ We tested the framework on iron, and for simple SD-MD calculations
- ◆ Our next objective is to improve the accuracy of this potential: by adding more configurations to the DB (defects, free surfaces, ...) and improving the accuracy of the spin Hamiltonian (spin-orbit coupling, longitudinal spin fluctuations, ...).
- ◆ Open to collaborations, feel free to contact us ([jtranch@sandia.gov](mailto:jtranch@sandia.gov)).