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A chemical model for atomic-precision single-donor incorporation of phosphorus atoms in Si(100)-2x1

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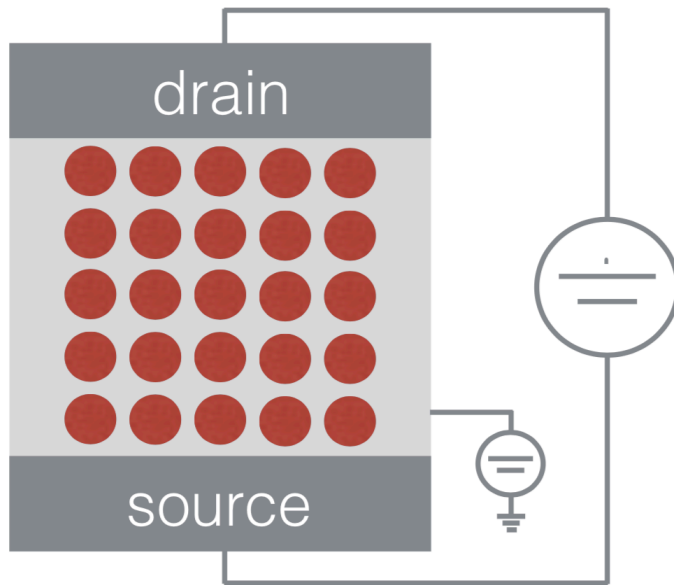


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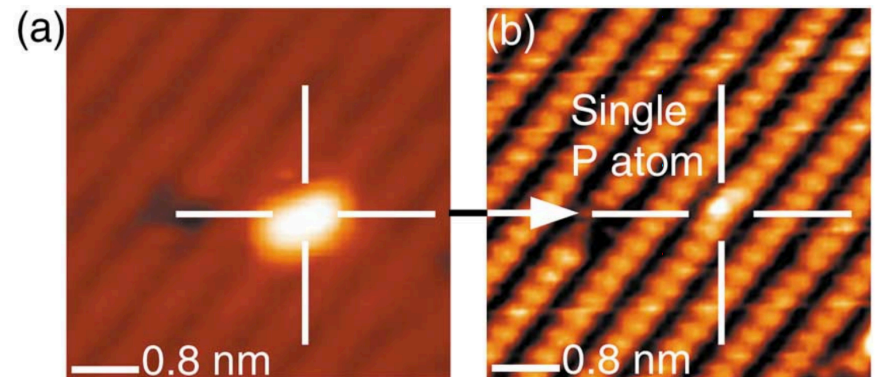
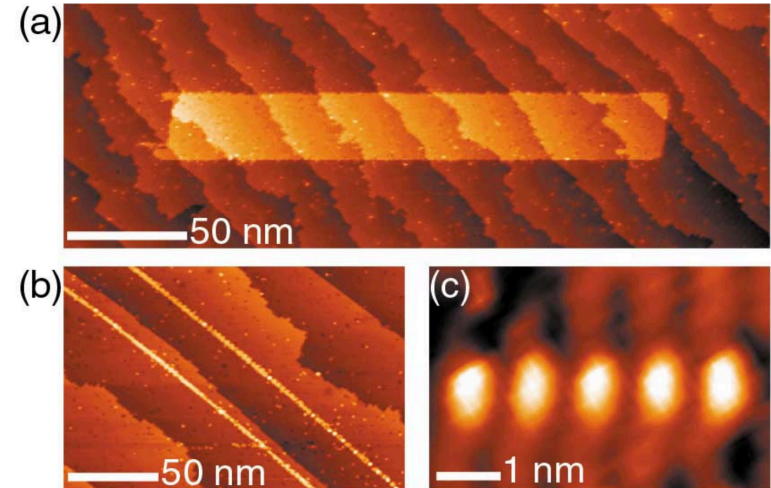


What we would like



A controllable array of donors

What has been done

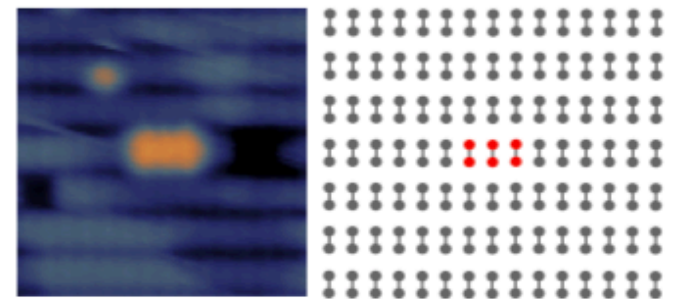
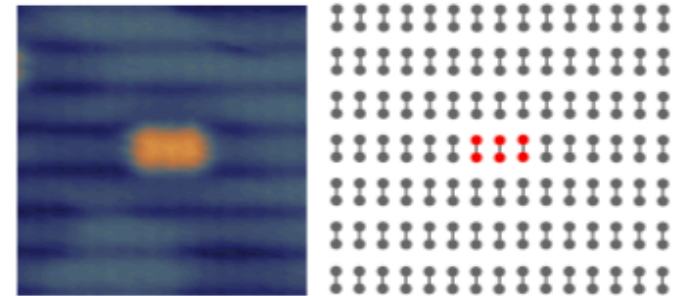
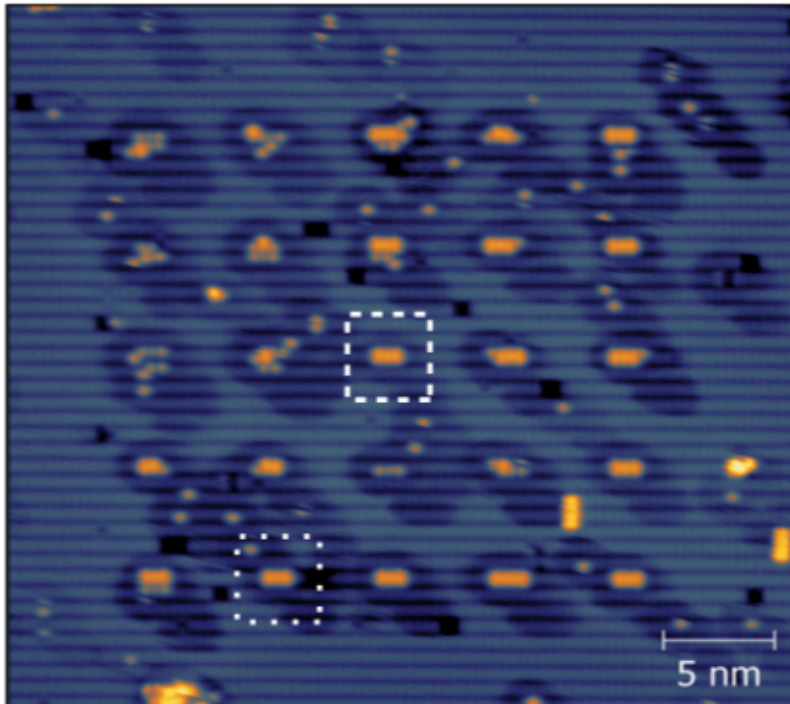


Use STM to remove a Hydrogen resist and then dose with Phosphine gas. Three silicon dimer wide windows can produce single P atom incorporation

Three dimer wide lithography rate



$$P(N) = \left(\sum_w P_L(w) P_I(n = 1|w) \right)^N$$

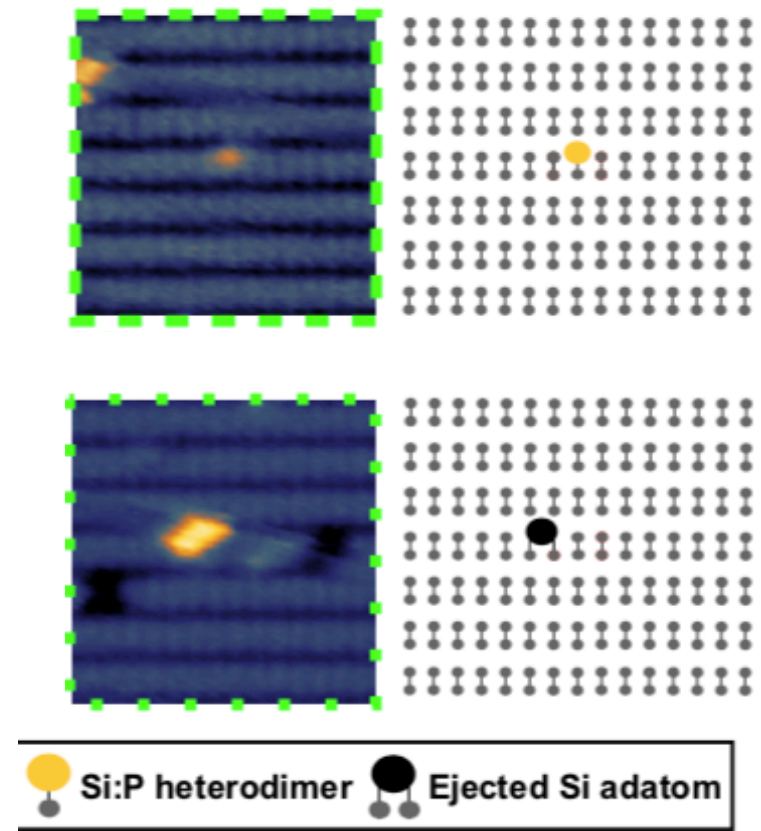
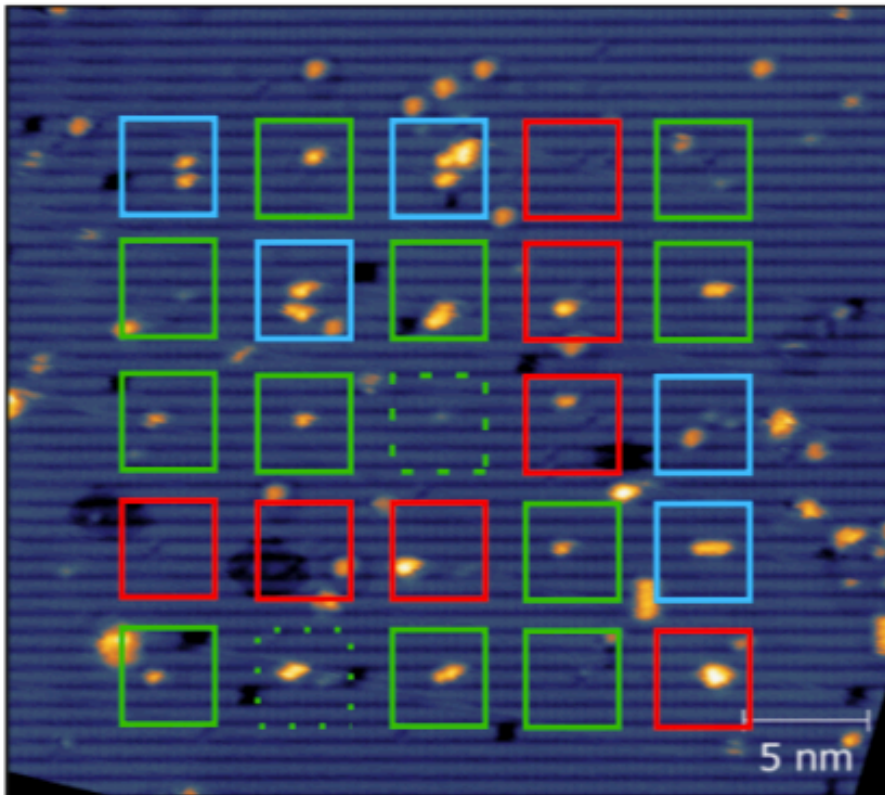


Using STM, we can make a perfect three dimer window ~58% of time
 See [Justin Koepke's talk](#) for experimental details! Session L29.00009,
 Wednesday 10:00 am CDT

Single donor incorporation rate

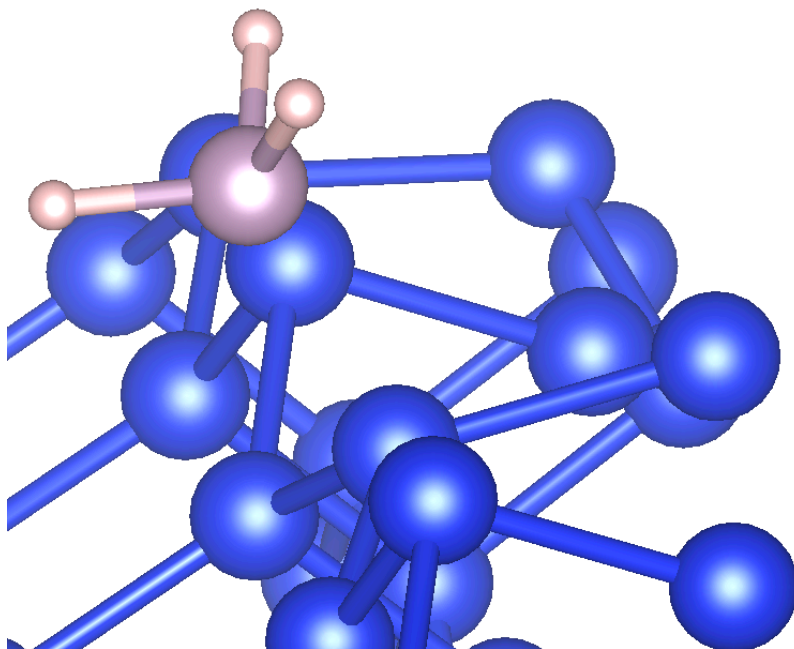


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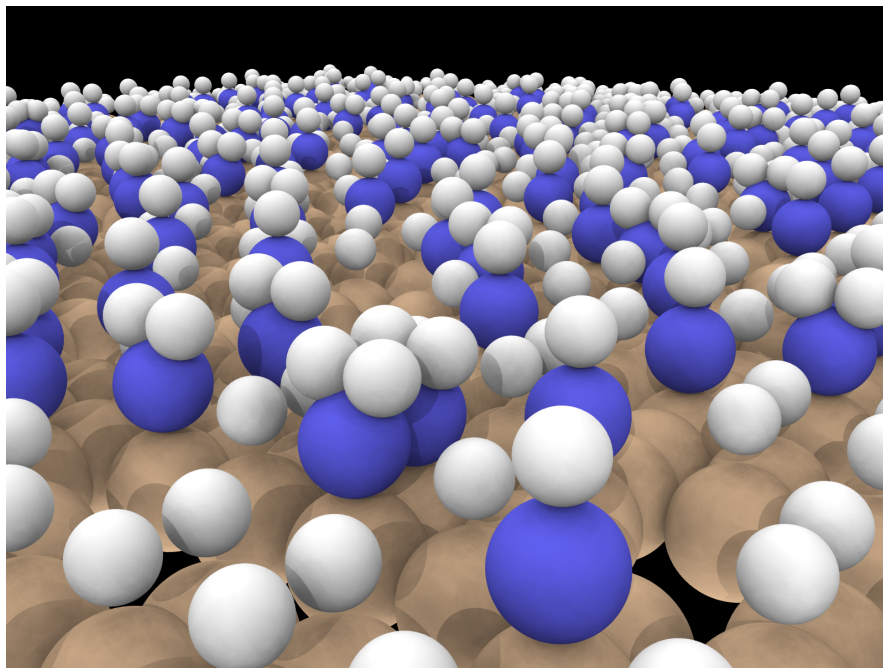
Given a perfect 3 dimer window, we find $P(\text{Incorporation}) = 63\% \pm 10\%$

Creating a chemical model for incorporation



Density Functional Theory

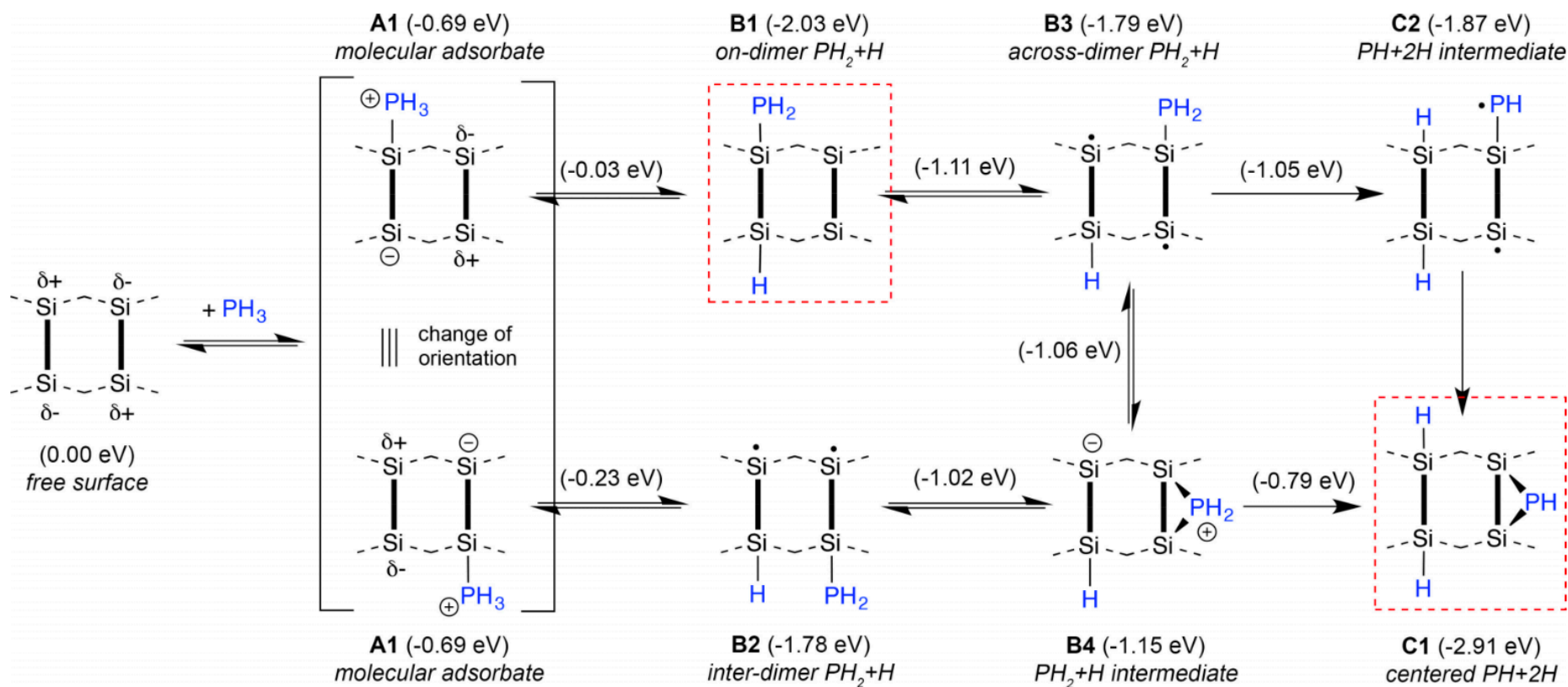
Reaction Pathways of
Phosphine Gas



Kinetic Monte Carlo

Geometry and Probability of
incorporation

Old reaction chemistry from Density Functional Theory

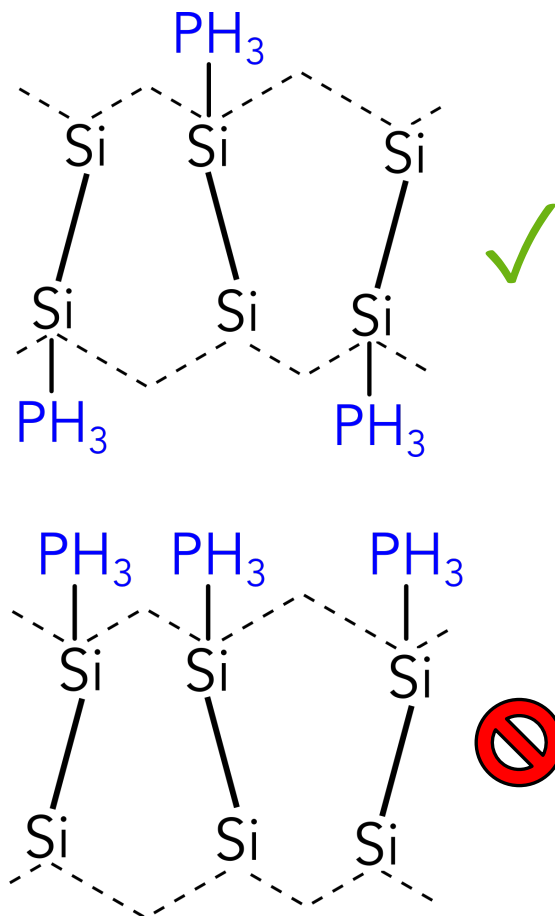


Accept a bridging PH as incorporated

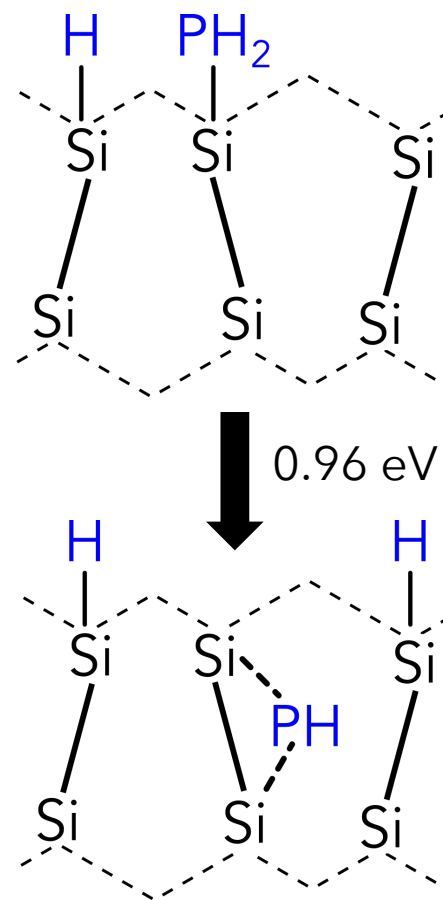
New reaction chemistry from Density Functional Theory



PH_3 adsorbs on lower sites

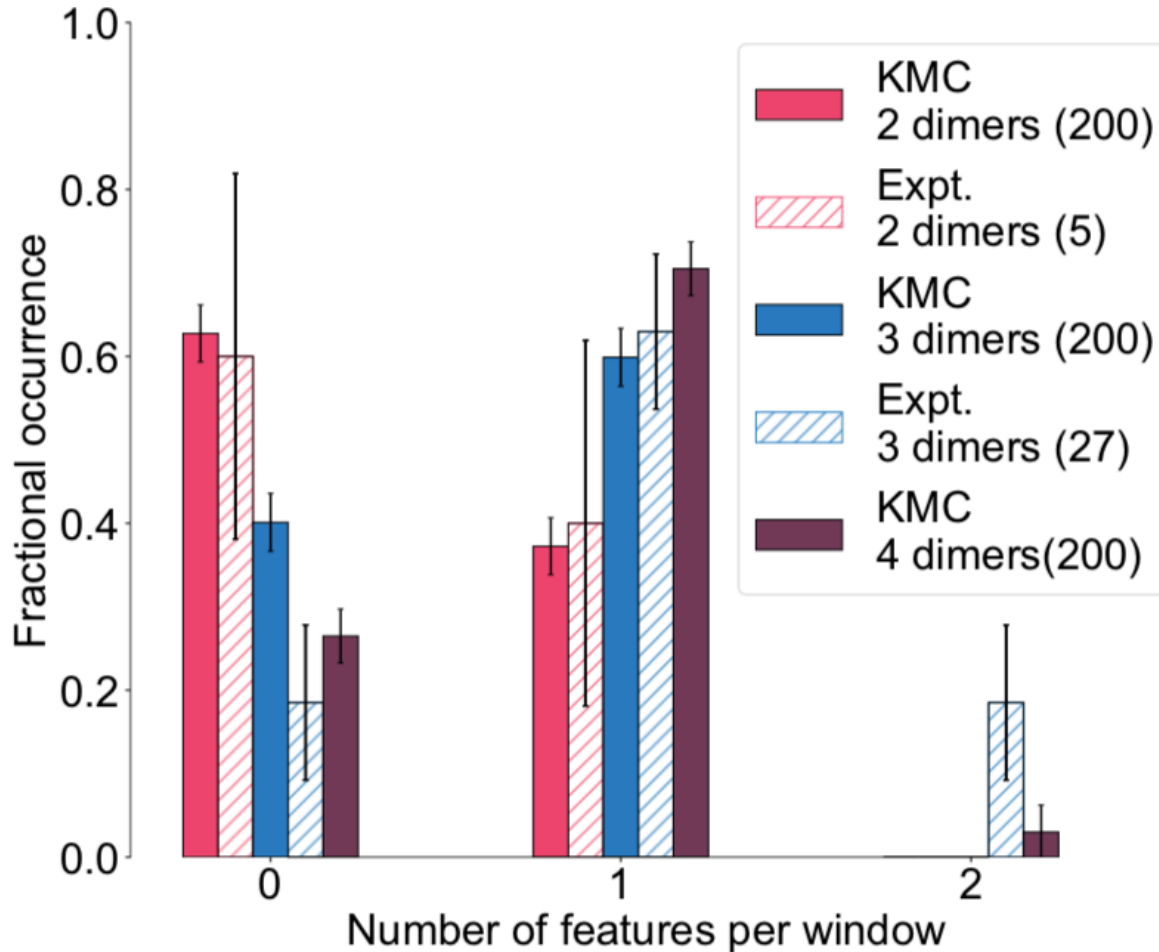


New concerted reaction



Reaction for Phosphorus incorporation is thermodynamically downhill with manageable reaction barriers

Kinetic Monte Carlo (KMC) prediction of incorporation rates



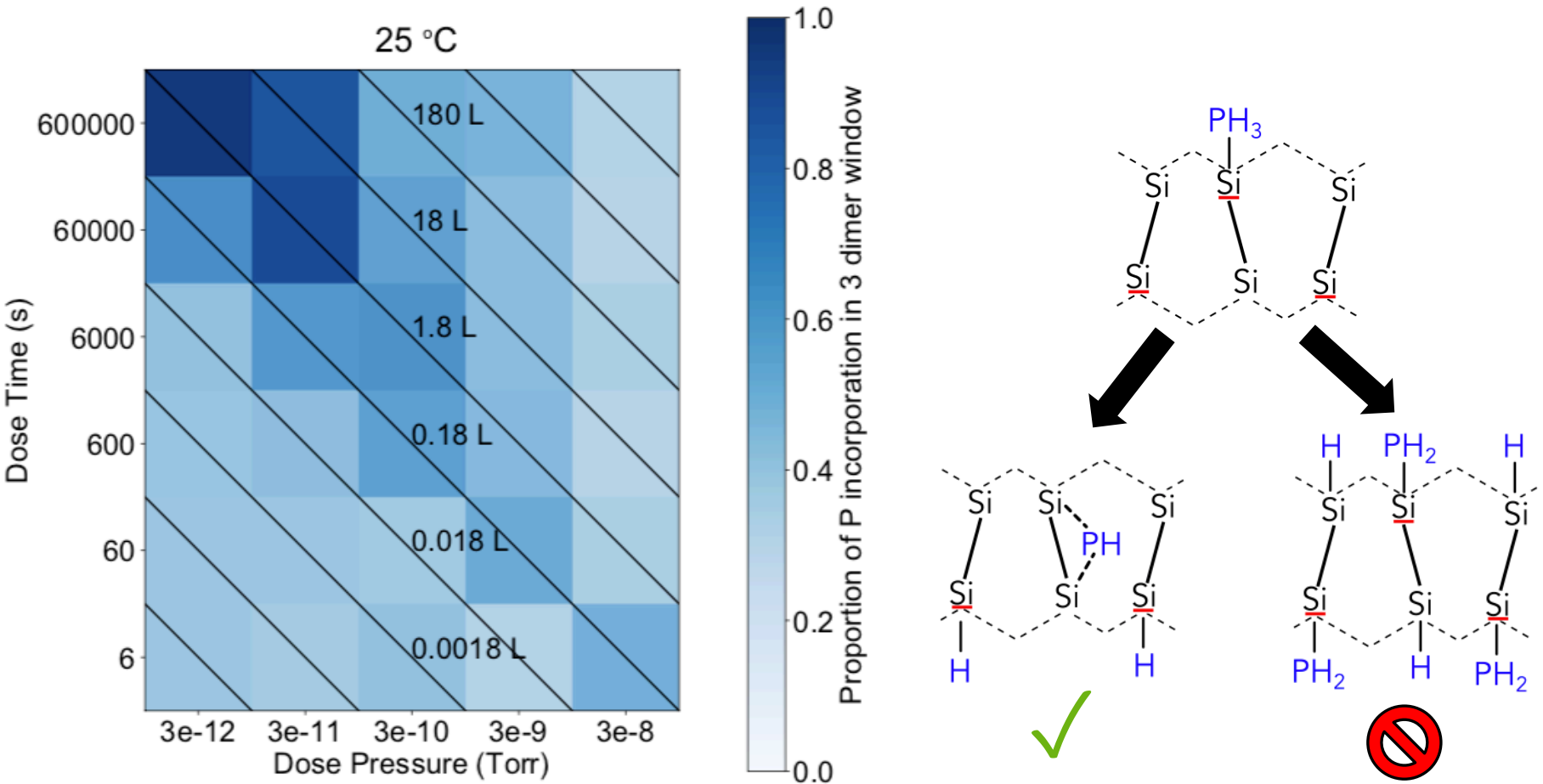
$$\Gamma = A \exp \Delta / k_B T$$

Dose phosphine at room T, 3×10^{-10} Torr, 10 minutes (0.18 L coverage)

Anneal at 310 °C for 10 seconds

KMC model matches experimental incorporation rates for 2 and 3 dimer windows within statistical uncertainty. Predicts a stochastic process.

Can we achieve deterministic incorporation?

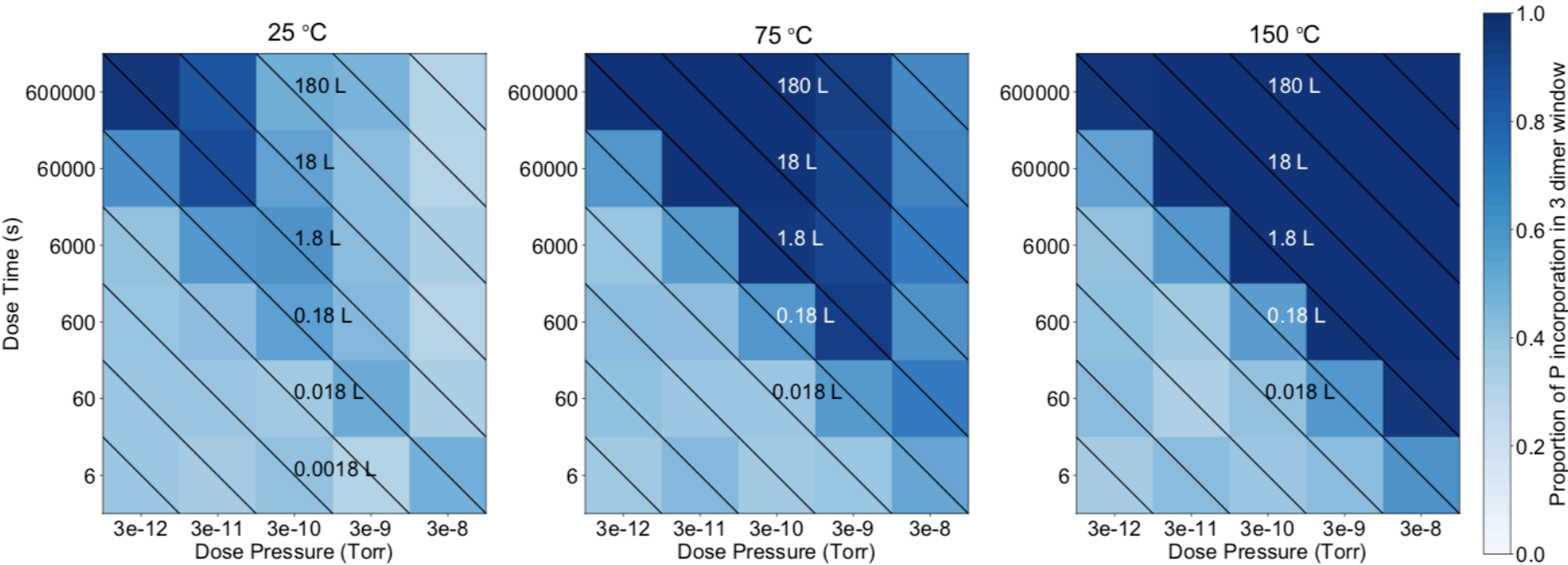


If phosphine has enough time and space to fully dissociate before another phosphine adsorbs in the same window, it *will* incorporate!

Giving phosphine enough time and space...



Dose temperature



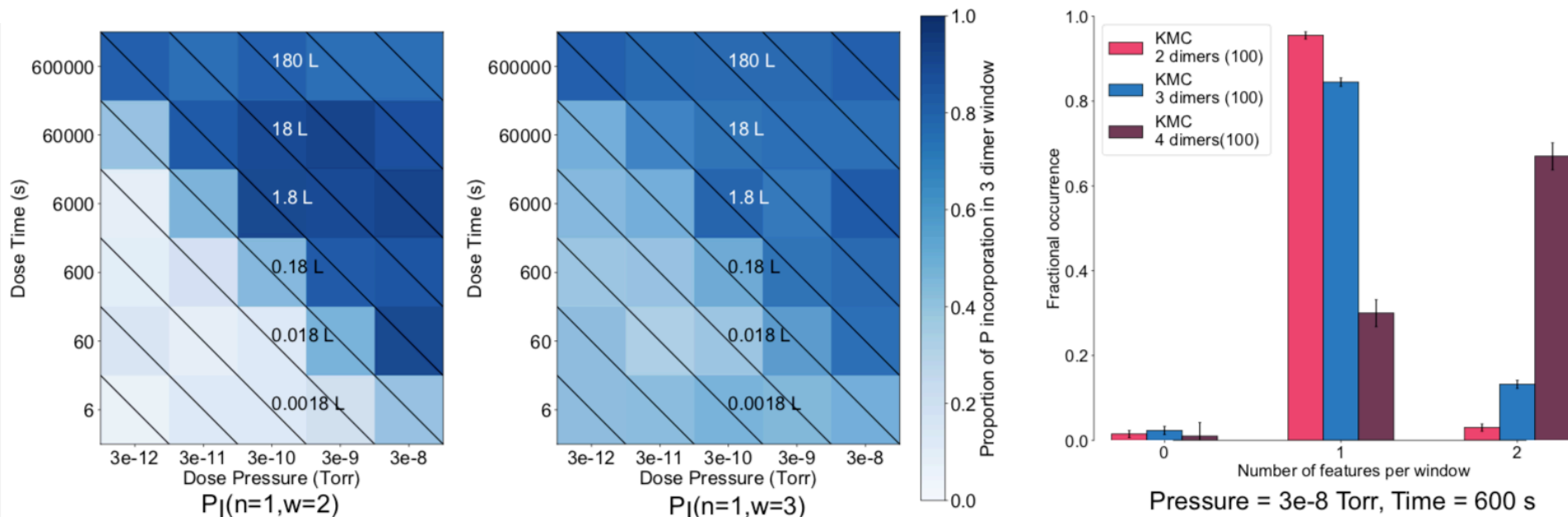
We predict that reducing pressure while increasing dose time, or increasing dose temperature leads toward **deterministic incorporation**

Deterministic incorporation at comparable pressures, low temperatures



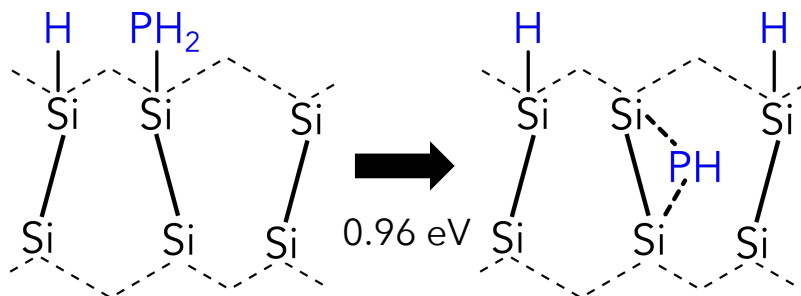
Dose phosphine at 100 K

Anneal at 400 °C for 10 seconds

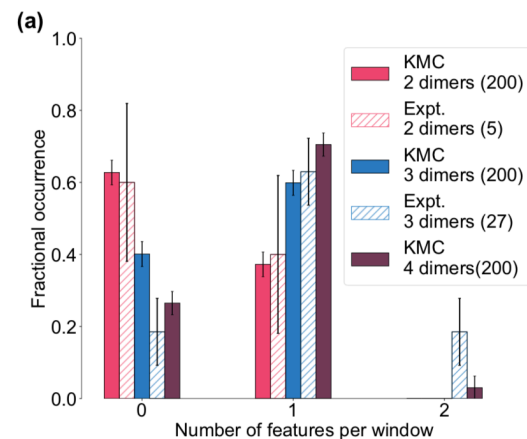


Alternatively we can imagine dosing at very low temperatures to suppress dissociation, saturating the window. Then when you anneal, most phosphine quickly desorb, leaving one to fully dissociate; **essentially deterministic**

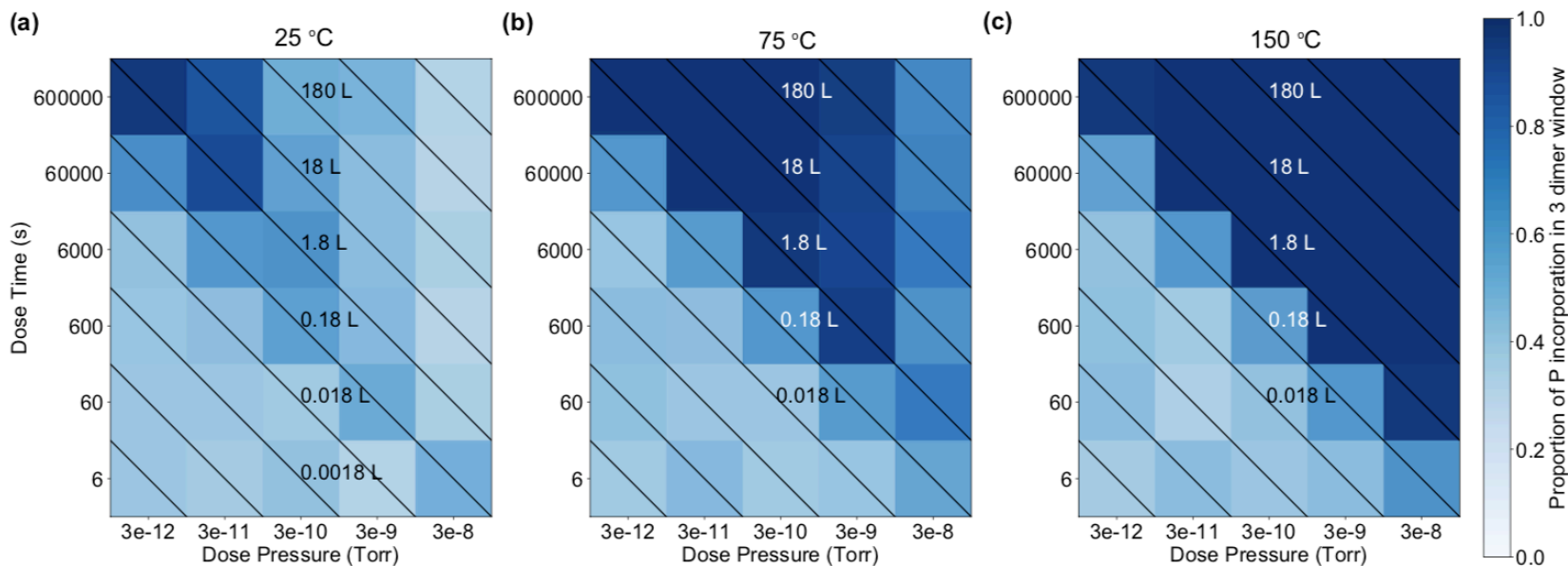
Summary



Density Functional Theory



Kinetic Monte Carlo



For thoughts on what missing a donor would do to transport measurements, see [Mitchell Brickson's talk!](#) Session E29.00011, Tuesday 10:24 am CDT

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Full paper coming to an arxiv near you soon!
KMC code will be posted at: <https://github.com/quantumquinn/apam-kmc>

Thanks for your attention!

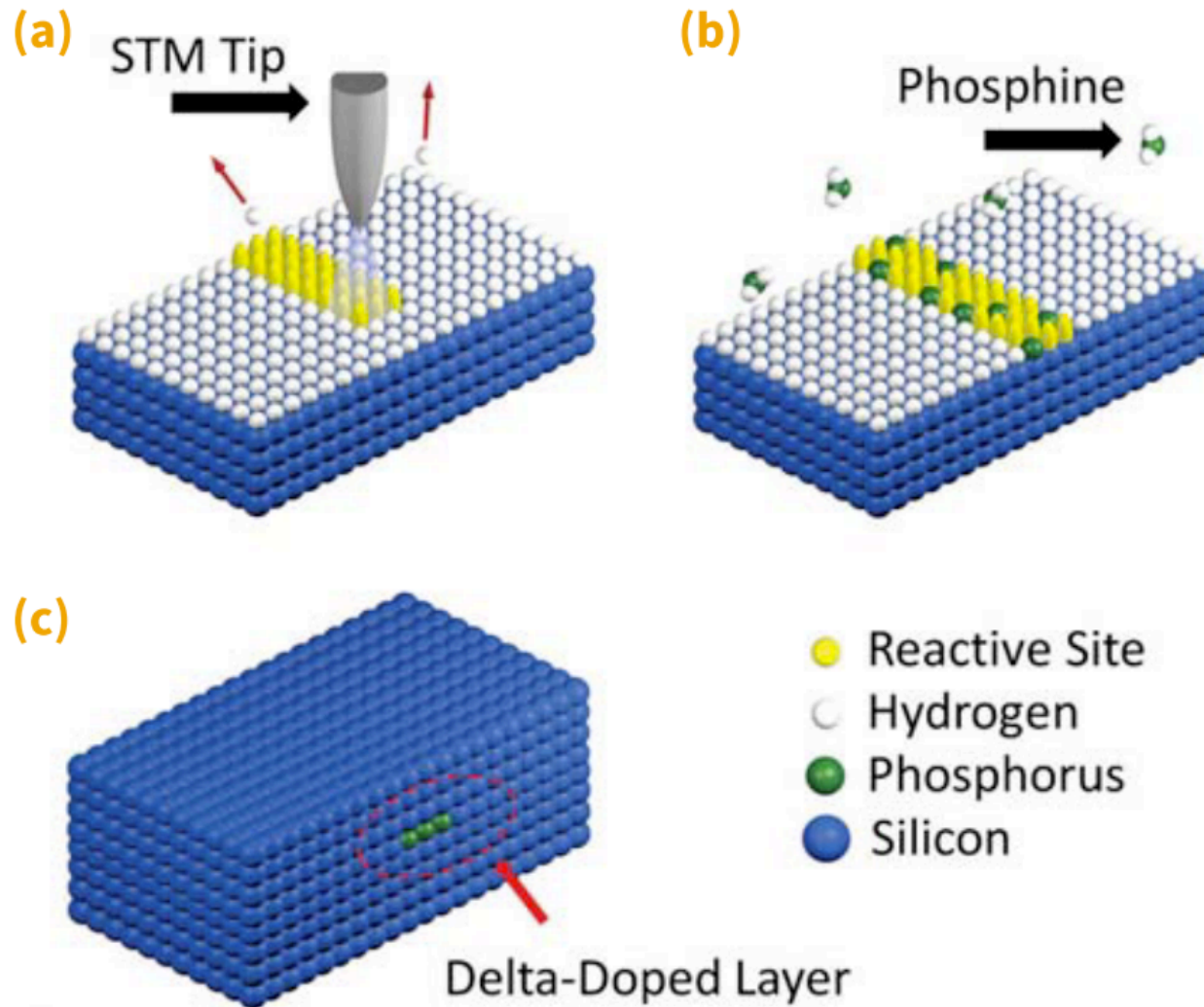


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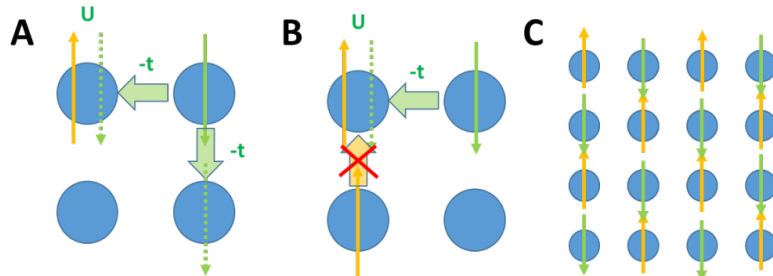
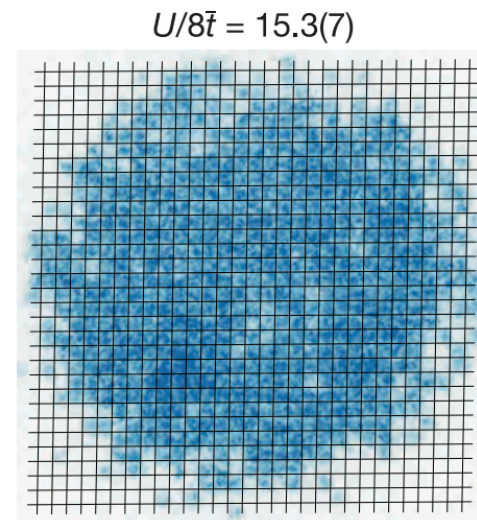
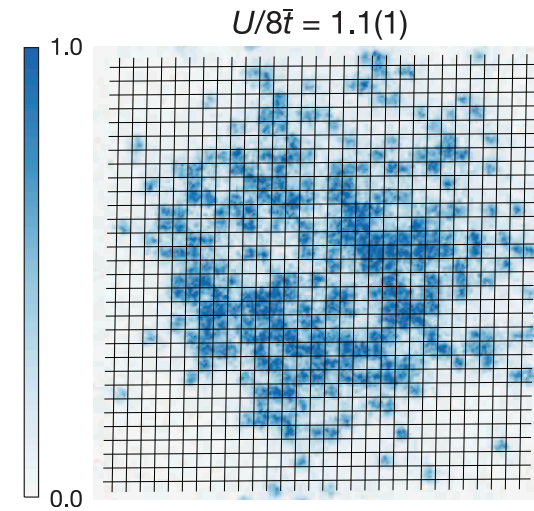
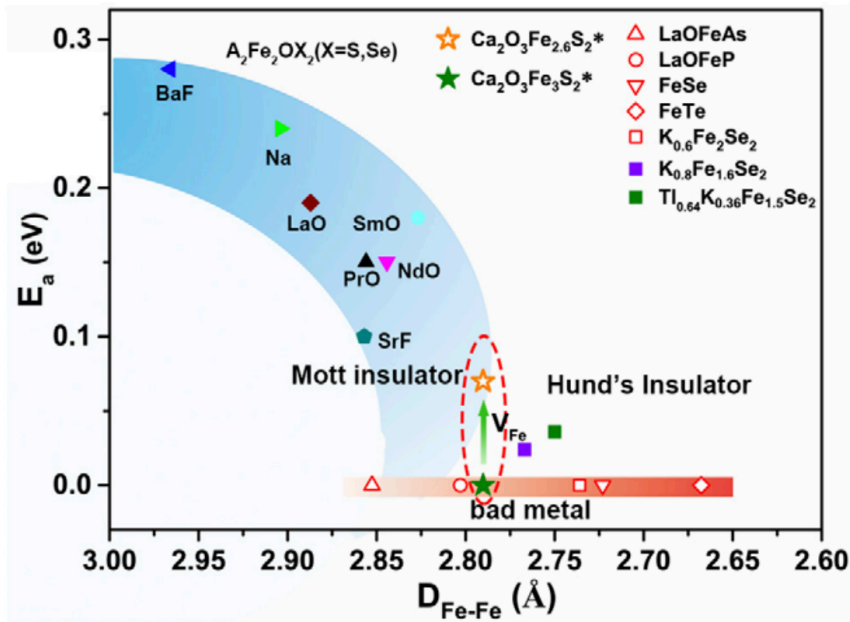
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Analog simulations of difficult to solve quantum systems such as Fermi-Hubbard model