000 001 002 003 004 LLAMP: LARGE LANGUAGE MODEL MADE POWER-FUL FOR HIGH-FIDELITY MATERIALS KNOWLEDGE RETRIEVAL

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ABSTRACT

Reducing hallucination of Large Language Models (LLMs) is imperative for use in the sciences, where reliability and reproducibility are crucial. However, LLMs inherently lack long-term memory, making it a nontrivial, *ad hoc*, and often biased task to fine-tune them on domain-specific literature and data. Here we introduce LLaMP, a multimodal retrieval-augmented generation (RAG) framework of hierarchical reasoning-and-acting (ReAct) agents that can dynamically and recursively interact with computational and experimental data from the [Materials](https://materialsproject.org) [Project \(MP\)](https://materialsproject.org) and run atomistic simulations via high-throughput workflow interface. Without fine-tuning, LLaMP demonstrates strong tool-usage ability to comprehend and integrate various modalities of materials science concepts, fetch relevant data stores on the fly, process higher-order data (such as crystal structure and elastic tensor), and streamline complex tasks in computational materials and chemistry. We propose a metric combining uncertainty and confidence estimates to evaluate the self-consistency of responses by LLaMP and vanilla LLMs. Our benchmark shows that LLaMP effectively mitigates the intrinsic bias in LLMs, counteracting the errors on bulk moduli, electronic bandgaps, and formation energies that seem to derive from mixed data sources. We also demonstrate LLaMP's capability to edit crystal structures and run annealing molecular dynamics simulations using pre-trained machine-learning interatomic potentials. The framework offers an intuitive and nearly hallucination-free approach to exploring and scaling materials informatics, and paves the way for future agentic scientific workflows and knowledge-grounded LLMs.

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1 INTRODUCTION

037 038 039 040 041 042 043 044 045 The generation of convincing yet unreliable information poses a pressing challenge to large language model (LLMs), particularly to their application in the sciences. LLMs are prone to hallucination– providing outright false information with high confidence [\(Bang et al.,](#page-10-0) [2023;](#page-10-0) [Xu et al.,](#page-13-0) [2024\)](#page-13-0). This issue is particularly concerning for knowledge-intensive tasks, where users rely on chatbots and other AI systems to provide accurate guidance [\(Lewis et al.,](#page-11-0) [2020\)](#page-11-0). LLMs often lack up-to-date factual knowledge on topics outside their training data, requiring rigorous verification against trusted external sources [\(Mallen et al.,](#page-12-0) [2023\)](#page-12-0). In the scientific community, where the integration of insights and data accuracy is already complex, the proliferation of generative models may exacerbate the risk of misinformation. This trend accentuates the importance of scrutinizing and ensuring the reliability of information sources.

046 047 048 049 050 051 052 053 Current approaches to enhance LLM accuracy in domain-specific knowledge often involve finetuning pre-trained models [\(Dagdelen et al.,](#page-10-1) [2024;](#page-10-1) [Gupta et al.,](#page-11-1) [2022\)](#page-11-1) or tailored prompt engineering techniques [\(Yang et al.,](#page-13-1) [2023;](#page-13-1) [Zheng et al.,](#page-13-2) [2023\)](#page-13-2). While these models are easy to deploy, they suffer from diminished reproducibility and data adherence due to the absence of a memory base, untraceable fine-tuning history, or opaque extraction processes. Even though fine-tuning can encode a certain amount of domain-specific knowledge into LLMs, it is constrained by scalability and intrinsic memory capacity. Fine-tuned LLMs struggle to retain in the long term the knowledge they were trained on as the training progresses, nor can they be aware of the recent events and data beyond pretraining. Prompt engineering, while effective, also compromises the generalizability, thus limiting **054 055 056 057** the overall power and flexibility of LLMs. Therefore, a more sensible approach involves equipping LLMs with external data sources, allowing them to generate holistic responses via few-shot adaptation to factual information [\(Lewis et al.,](#page-11-2) [2021\)](#page-11-2) that can reliably support real-world scientific research and decision-making.

058 059 060 061 062 063 064 065 066 067 068 069 070 071 In this work, we propose LLaMP, a multimodal retrieval-augmented generation (RAG) framework leveraging hierarchical reasoning-and-acting (ReAct) agents to interact with Materials Project (MP), arXiv, Wikipedia, and atomistic simulation tools. The framework serves as a safeguard against LLM hallucination by grounding them in high-fidelity material informatics from large-scale material databasederived from various sources, including computational data from quantum-mechanical first-principles calculations and expert-curated material synthesis recipes, and further enables the capabilities of complex downstream tasks. The hierarchical planning of supervisor and assistant ReAct agents improves self-correcting tool-usage performance and enhances the self-consistency in final responses. The new capabilities emerge—such as multi-modal searching, tensor and 3D crystal structure retrieval and operation, and language-driven simulation. The frameworkThrough hierarchical planning of multiple ReAct agents, we demonstrate that LLaMP not only can correctly retrieve high-fidelity, higher-order materials datahigher-order materials data such as tensors and 3D crystal structures but also can combine different modalities to perform complex, knowledgeintensive inferences and operations essential for real-world materials science applications.

072 073 074 075 076 077 078 079 Our contributions are as follows: (1) we introduce a multimodal RAG framework employing hierarchical ReAct agents that dynamically interact with the Materials Project, enabling LLMs to access high-fidelity materials informatics; (2) we propose a statistical metric to assess the self-consistency of LLM responses in high-precision, reproducibility-critical settings; (3) we evaluate the performance of LLaMP and standard LLMs in predicting key material properties, including bulk moduli, electronic bandgaps, formation energies, and magnetic orderings; (4) we showcase real-world applications in materials science, such as inorganic synthesis and crystal structure generation and editing; (5) we enhance LLaMP with high-throughput atomistic simulation workflows and pre-trained universal ML force fields, lowering the entry barriers to computational materials and chemistry.

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084 085 086 088 092 093 Materials Project (MP) The Materials Project is a multi-institution effort to explore and compute the properties of all known inorganic materials [\(Jain et al.,](#page-11-3) [2013\)](#page-11-3) and molecules [\(Spotte-Smith](#page-12-1) [et al.,](#page-12-1) [2023\)](#page-12-1). The initiative leverages high-throughput electronic structure calculations [\(Kresse and](#page-11-4) Furthmüller, [1996;](#page-11-4) [Shao et al.,](#page-12-2) [2015\)](#page-12-2) based on density functional theory (DFT), providing largescale open-source database and analysis algorithms, with the ultimate goal to drastically reduce the time and cost required for materials discovery by focusing experiments on the promising candidates from computational screening. Most of the atomic structures are selected from the Inorganic Crystal Structure Database (ICSD) [\(Zagorac et al.,](#page-13-3) [2019\)](#page-13-3) and undergo standardized relaxation procedures, followed by post-processing or additional calculations for higher-order material properties such as electron and phonon bandgaps, elastic tensors, dielectric tensors, and more. MP provides these calculated material properties through API endpoints.

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095 096 097 098 099 100 101 102 103 NLP and LLM in materials science Natural language processing (NLP) has found extensive application in extracting valuable information from scientific publications, with notable instances involving text-to-text or more recent image-to-text summarization techniques [\(Gupta et al.,](#page-11-1) [2022;](#page-11-1) [Radford et al.,](#page-12-3) [2021;](#page-12-3) [Tshitoyan et al.,](#page-13-4) [2019\)](#page-13-4). For summarizing crystal structures in textual form, [Ganose and Jain](#page-10-2) [\(2019\)](#page-10-2) introduced the *robocrystallographer*, a toolkit designed for the analysis and generation of descriptions for crystalline materials. Their method condenses atomic structures into descriptive JSON representations that encompass coordination statistics, connectivity motifs, geometric features, and dimensionality. MP leverages robocrystallographer to generate human-level descriptions for 130K compounds which are accessible through MP website and API.

104 105 106 107 Recent efforts have curated datasets [\(Zaki et al.,](#page-13-5) [2023\)](#page-13-5) and benchmarks [\(Song et al.,](#page-12-4) [2023\)](#page-12-4) to better evaluate the limitations of LLMs in question answering within the materials science domain. [Zhang](#page-13-6) [et al.](#page-13-6) [\(2024\)](#page-13-6) further curated instruction data to fine-tune Llama for material science-specific tasks. These works focus on general (undergraduate-level) question answering instead of factual grounding on expert-curated database and downstream agentic workflow. In a complementary aspect, other

108 109 110 111 112 works address the challenges of extracting complex materials informatics from diverse formats such as tables and unstructured texts [\(Hira et al.,](#page-11-5) [2024;](#page-11-5) [Schilling-Wilhelmi et al.,](#page-12-5) [2024\)](#page-12-5). This motivates us to augment LLM's knowledge base with MP—one of the most authoratative materials database of stable crystal structures, high-fidelity DFT calculations, inorganic solid-state synthesis recipes, *etc.*

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3 RELATED WORK

116 117 118 119 120 121 122 123 124 125 126 127 Prompting and fine-tuning in domain science Prompt-based methods have been used as effective tools for automating data extraction process from the literature. [Polak and Morgan](#page-12-6) [\(2023\)](#page-12-6) employ a prompt workflow to extract the cooling rates of metallic glasses and yield strengths of high entropy alloys. [Zheng et al.](#page-13-2) [\(2023\)](#page-13-2) implement a ChatGPT metal-organic framework (MOF) synthesis assistant through embedding and searching on preselected papers. StructChem [\(Ouyang et al.,](#page-12-7) [2024\)](#page-12-7) leverages step-by-step reasoning, and iteratively refines results to solve college-level chemistry questions. [Yang et al.](#page-13-1) [\(2023\)](#page-13-1) use GPT-4 to extract experimentally measured bandgaps to train a graph neural network for accurate bandgap prediction from crystal structures. Despite the success in the specific data extraction tasks, prompt-based methods face challenges in reproducibility when the used prompts are fine-grained to work for specific edge cases. They are also still prone to hallucination and less generalizable to combine different data sources due to the deliberately designed prompt.

128 129 130 131 132 133 134 135 136 Several other knowledge-grounded, domain-specific language models lean on the fine-tuning approach against pre-selected data and literature. For instance, ChemGPT [\(Frey et al.,](#page-10-3) [2022\)](#page-10-3) involves fine-tuning GPT-neo on self-referencing embedded strings (SELFIES) representations of small molecules. [Jablonka et al.](#page-11-6) [\(2024\)](#page-11-6) demonstrated GPT-3 fine-tuned against online corpora could outperform purpose-trained models on classification, regression, and inverse design of high-entropy alloys and molecules. [Dagdelen et al.](#page-10-1) [\(2024\)](#page-10-1) fine-tuned GPT-3 on ∼500 prompt-completion pairs to enhance LLM's capability to extract useful information on materials chemistry from text paragraphs. However, the fine-tuned models without augmentation inherently lack awareness of the up-to-date results and any data only available after their training. Moreover, fine-tuned LLMs still suffer from limited memory retention and are prone to forget during continual training [\(Wang et al.,](#page-13-7) [2023\)](#page-13-7).

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139 140 141 142 143 144 145 LLM function calling and tool usage An emerging class of LLM applications, including this work, take advantage of LLM text completion and instruction following capability for function calling. This approach extends LLMs with expert-curated tools to improve the quality of control for downstream applications. Coscientist [\(Boiko et al.,](#page-10-4) [2023\)](#page-10-4) combines tools such as search engines, Python, and document index for autonomous chemical research. ChemCrow [\(M. Bran et al.,](#page-12-8) [2024\)](#page-12-8) gathers multiple molecule and safety tools to enhance organic chemistry experiment and molecule design. Concurrently, [Zhang et al.](#page-13-6) [\(2024\)](#page-13-6) develop retrieval based agentic framework on their curated dataset. [Ghafarollahi and Buehler](#page-10-5) [\(2024\)](#page-10-5) propose AtomAgents for alloy design and analysis.

146 147 148 149 However, most prior works adopt *flat planning* strategy, where a single agent accesses all the available tools, resulting in a lack of self-correcting tool usage capabilities. This often leads to premature reasoning stop and summarization when the agent encounters tool usage errors. We mitigate this through *hierarchical planning* of multiple ReAct agents (see Section [4.1\)](#page-2-0).

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4.1 HIERARCHICAL ORCHESTRATION

155 156 157 158 159 160 161 Overviews Flat planning, where an agent see all the available tools and related API schemas, quickly exceeds LLM context window and incurs huge cost for large-scale database like MP. To manage heterogeneous data sources and diverse types of queries, we introduce hierarchical planning, featuring a supervisor ReAct agent overseeing multiple assistant ReAct agents that have access to the tools (Figure [1\)](#page-3-0). This design offers three major advantages over flat planning commonly implemented in previous works [\(Boiko et al.,](#page-10-4) [2023;](#page-10-4) [M. Bran et al.,](#page-12-8) [2024\)](#page-12-8): (1) modularity of the system ensures that each assistant agent can focus on domain-specific queries while the supervisor agent handles higher-level reasoning and task allocation; (2) the hierarchical structure improves

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Figure 1: Hierarchical ReAct agent planning in LLaMP. Two levels of agents are deployed using a standardized LangChain interface [\(Chase,](#page-10-6) [2022\)](#page-10-6). Supervisor ReAct agent oversees assistant ReAct agents at the bottom-level, each equipped with distinct toolkits and data/document stores to accomplish various tasks, including high-fidelity materials information retrieval, atomistic modeling and simulations, and literature search. For a detailed example, refer to Figure [A.1.](#page-16-0)

the overall accuracy and efficiency by reducing the cognitive load on any individual agent; (3) by offloading specific functions to specialized agents, we minimize the context window consumption and schema parsing.

186 187 188 189 190 191 Supervisor agent The supervisor agent acts as a router and decision-maker, handling abstract logic between user requests and assistant agents. Here, we adopt ReAct on GPT-4 [\(Yao et al.,](#page-13-8) [2023\)](#page-13-8) to augment the agent's action space A with a language space $\mathcal L$ to create an expanded action space of $\mathcal{A} = \mathcal{A} \cup \mathcal{L}$. This expanded action space empowers the agent to take action $\hat{a}_t \in \mathcal{L}$ in language space that facilitate the collaboration with assistant agents to retrieve domain specific information and achieve complex downstream tasks such as molecular dynamics simulations.

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193 194 195 196 197 198 199 Assistant agent The efficient function calling in LLMs is often hindered by the need to process complex API schemas, which can consume a significant portion of the context window. To address this, we assign a specialized ReAct agent for each specific tool or API endpoint. It reduces context window consumption, as each agent handles only the relevant schema for its task, avoiding unnecessary schema parsing. Additionally, the use of ReAct agents enables them to refine their API calls based on feedback, significantly improving task completion rates through ReAct's iterative self-correcting mechanism.

200 201 202 203 204 The full list of agents and tools are defined in [A.1.](#page-14-0) Each MP assistant agent employs a self-correcting ReAct mechanism, enabling agents to refine their API calls and improve task completion rates. The framework's modularity enable a seamless integration of new assistant agents, allowing for extensibility to various materials discovery methods and experimental techniques [\(Luo et al.,](#page-11-7) [2023;](#page-11-7) [Pilania et al.,](#page-12-9) [2017;](#page-12-9) [Wen et al.,](#page-13-9) [2023;](#page-13-9) [2024;](#page-13-10) [Zeni et al.,](#page-13-11) [2024\)](#page-13-11).

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4.2 SELF-CONSISTENCY OF RESPONSE (SCOR)

When LLMs are integrated in scientific workflows and deployed in high-stakes settings (*i.e.* selfdriving labs), it is important for these models to have consistent and predictable behaviors [\(Liang](#page-11-8) [et al.,](#page-11-8) [2023\)](#page-11-8). For numeric knowledge retrieval tasks, we define the following metrics:

Precision (sample standard deviation) measures the uncertainty in the model's responses where n is the number valid responses from N trials and $\hat{\sigma}$ is the standard deviation of valid response:

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Precision = \frac{\hat{\sigma}}{\sqrt{n}} \ge 0
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Coefficient of Precision (CoP) maps the precision to $(0, 1)$:

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Confidence measures the ratio of generating n valid responses in N trials:

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Confidence = \frac{n}{N}
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Self-consistency of Response (SCoR) is then defined as

 $SCoR = CoP \times Confidence \in [0, 1]$.

The limit of $SCoR = 1$ is reached when the model yields the same response to a given query every time. At the limit of $SCoR = 0$, the model is either very inconsistent (with large variance across the responses) or very reluctant (with low confidence) to answer the query. Despite the simplicity in definition, SCoR effectively reflects the reproducibility and practical usability of the method, which is important when the method is incorporated into broader systems where the stable and expected behaviors are prioritized. Refer to Appendix [A.2](#page-14-1) for the detailed procedure of metric calculation.

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5 EXPERIMENTS

5.1 MULTIMODAL REACT AUGMENTATION

237 238 239 240 241 242 243 244 245 246 247 248 Materials design often involves multi-objective property optimization. These properties span a Pareto front where optimizing one factor incurs deterioration in others. To succeed in such tasks, combining different modalities of materials properties is necessary. LLaMP achieves this through the hierarchical orchestration of multiple ReAct agents [\(Yao et al.,](#page-13-8) [2023\)](#page-13-8). For the example question "*What's the stiffest material with the lowest formation energy in Si-O system?*" (Figure [A.1\)](#page-16-0), when a query requires multimodal information and compound logic, the supervisor agent decomposes the query into multiple subtasks, delegates them to assistant agents (MPThermoExpert and MPElasticityExpert) for information retrieval, and in the final stage of reasoning integrates information from both modalities, drawing on the context in episodic memory retrieved from the assistant agents (Figure [1\)](#page-3-0). This enables LLaMP to achieve various tasks step-by-step by combining multiple data sources from the Materials Project (MP) (*e.g.* 3D crystal structures, thermodynamic, mechanical, magnetic properties, and more listed in Appendix [A.1\)](#page-14-0) in a single query.

250 5.2 PERFORMANCE BENCHMARKS

251 252 253 254 255 256 257 258 259 260 Response quality and consistency We evaluate the performance of LLaMP, StructChem [\(Ouyang](#page-12-7) [et al.,](#page-12-7) [2024\)](#page-12-7), Darwin [\(Xie et al.,](#page-13-12) [2023\)](#page-13-12), and vanilla LLMs (gpt-4, llama3-8b, gemini-1.0-pro) on material properties such as bulk modulus, formation energy, and bandgap (Figure [2,](#page-5-0) Table [1\)](#page-6-0). Performance is assessed through Precision, CoP, SCoR, and MAE metrics, as defined in Section [4.2.](#page-3-1) We argue that any useful LLM agents to be included in the scientific workflow should have high SCoR and low error on the materials properties. Notably, LLaMP consistently outperforms other models, achieving the highest SCoR and the lowest errors across material properties, making it highly suitable for scientific workflows. StructChem, despite extensive prompting strategies, often fails due to a lack of necessary domain knowledge, resulting in high refusal rates when it cannot validate outputs.

261 262 263 264 265 For bulk modulus prediction, vanilla LLMs, particularly Llama 3-8b, frequently rely on low-fidelity online data, leading to significant deviations for elements like Cr, Mn, and Fe, compared to MP theoretical values. Interestingly, Llama 3-8b usually cites spurious reference in the responses despite largest response variance but occasionally agrees with MP values. In contrast, LLaMP outperforms vanilla LLMs and reduces the MAE from around 40 to 14.57 GPa.

266 267 268 269 Our results demonstrate that vanilla LLMs fail to provide accurate formation energy predictions, with low SCoR and high MAE ranging from 1.5 to 5.5 eV, which is impractical for material discovery requiring meV-level precision. This is not unexpected, since accurate formation energy prediction requires the computation of multiple energetics (energies of the compound itself and its elemental constituents).

Figure 2: Boxplot of LLaMP RAG responses, baseline methods, and LLM intrinsic knowledge on material properties. (a) Bulk moduli, K, of 3d transition metals. (b) Formation energies, ΔH_f , of common compounds. (c) Electronic bandgaps, E_g , of common intrinsic semiconductors. (d) Electronic bandgaps of multi-element (ternary or quaternary) materials. Missing predictions are marked by shaded areas. Fliers (Outliers) are marked in circles. Horizontal lines represent the MP reference data. All LLaMP results use GPT-4 as backend language provider. Method with higher SCoR has narrower distribution. LLaMP is effectively grounded on MP reference across different tasks and materials.

305 306 307 308 309 310 311 312 In evaluating bandgaps, we query 10 common compounds and 10 multi-element materials that are less commonly encountered in the literature. Vanilla LLMs perform surprisingly well on the bandgaps of common semiconductors (Figure [2c](#page-5-0)), with expected systematic deviation from MP values retrieved by LLaMP^{[1](#page-5-1)}. This is likely due to the extensive literature on experimental semiconductor bandgaps, which have been studied and reported for decades. On the contrary, vanilla LLMs lack intrinsic knowledge of the bandgaps for the queried multi-element materials and exhibit low confidence or refuse to make predictions (Figure [2d](#page-5-0), Table [B6.8\)](#page-22-0), whereas LLaMP retrieves accurate data with a SCoR of 0.938 and correctly identifies the stable polymorph's bandgap when multiple forms are present.

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314 315 316 317 318 319 320 Ablation study Our frameworks relies on two principal components: first, factual material informatics on MP database; second, stable function calling mechanism that allows assistant agent to interact with tools. In Table [5,](#page-15-0) we examine three variants: (1) LLaMP: ReAct with MP tools; (2) GPT-4+ReAct with SerpAPI for internet browsing; (3) vanilla GPT-4. LLaMP achieved the best performance when using the complete set of MP tools, highlighting the importance of grounding in up-to-date, high-fidelity materials databases. In Section [4.1,](#page-2-0) we mentioned the importance of hierarchical planning for robust function call. Evaluating several backbone models on bulk moduli and formation energy prediction, we found LLaMP's grounding performance correlates with the

³²³ ¹Bandgaps calculated from generalized gradient approximation (GGA) functional are known to underestimate the experimental values by 40-50% [\(Borlido et al.,](#page-10-7) [2020\)](#page-10-7). Strategies to improve bandgap prediction at moderate or low computational cost will be included in MP in the future.

324 325 326 327 328 329 Table 1: Performance metrics of LLaMP and LLM baselines on the prediction of material properties. The metrics from left to right are precision (sample standard deviation), coefficient of precision (CoP), confidence, self-consistency of response (SCoR), and mean absolute error (MAE), where Materials Project are taken as the ground truth. All the tabulated values are the average metrics over five runs and the sampled materials. All LLaMP and StructChem results use GPT-4 as backend language provider. Better method has high SCoR and MAE simultaneously.

function-calling capability of backbone LLM: Claude-3.5-Sonnet (#1) > Gemini-1.5-Flash (#24) > and Llama3-8B (#46). The number following each model refers to its ranking on the Berkeley Function-Calling Leaderboard at the time of the experiment [\(Yan et al.,](#page-13-13) [2024\)](#page-13-13).

356 357 358 359 360 361 362 363 364 365 366 367 High-fidelity and higher-order data retrieval The challenge for LLMs in excelling at knowledge- and data-intensive tasks is well-documented [\(Cobbe et al.,](#page-10-8) [2021;](#page-10-8) [Hendrycks et al.,](#page-11-9) [2021;](#page-11-9) [Liang et al.,](#page-11-8) [2023\)](#page-11-8). Figure [3](#page-7-0) shows the prediction of LLaMP, GPT-3.5, and GPT-4 on the magnetic orderings and total magnetization of 800 materials randomly selected from all unary, binary, and ternary compounds in MP. Our result indicates that without RAG, vanilla LLMs suffer from hallucinations and misclassify the magnetic orderings of materials. LLaMP with GPT-4 as backend can counteract the intrinsic bias of GPT models, increasing the classification accuracy to 0.98 and R^2 of magnetization prediction to 0.992 (Table [2\)](#page-6-1). We note that GPT-3.5 as backend, while effective for classification and other information retrieval tasks, struggles to distinguish total magnetization from magnetization per formula unit in magnetism API schema and often requests the wrong field and forgets to normalize the values. In the magnetic orderings queries, LLaMP with GPT-3.5 as backend fails to distinguish ferromagnetic (FM) and ferrimagnetic (FiM) orderings, while LLaMP with GPT-4 as backend gracefully separates the two classes (Figure [3a](#page-7-0), d).

368 369 370 371 372 373 374 375 376 377 We further test the capability of LLaMP and LLMs for higher-order data (such as tensors, 3D crystal structures, curves). As shown in Table [B6.2,](#page-19-0) GPT-3.5 hallucinates the values for the components in the elastic tensor of NaCl, with serious erroneous values such as C_{11} = 289.2 GPa—a significant deviation from DFTcalculated values (76 GPa). It also omits the values for $C_{22}, C_{33}, C_{55}, C_{66}$ and fails to represent the full elastic tensor in a matrix format, despite the query explicitly requesting the *full* elastic tensor. This hightlights the limitation of intrsinic knowledge in LLMs to recall higher-

> Table 2: Prediction performance of LLaMP, GPT-3.5, and GPT-4 on magnetic orderings and magnetization. LLaMP with GPT-4 and GPT-3.5 as backend LLM are compared.

Figure 3: Prediction of LLaMP, GPT-3.5, and GPT-4 on (a,b,d,e) magnetic orderings and (c,f) total magnetization per formula unit of randomly selected materials. Confusion matrix presents the number of entries in each class. Colormap represents the percentage of correct classification.

order, more complex data for more comprehensive, holistic response.

5.3 REAL-WORLD APPLICATIONS

412 413 414 415 416 417 418 Inorganic synthesis recipes Empowered by the MP synthesis endpoint [\(Kononova et al.,](#page-11-11) [2019\)](#page-11-11), LLaMP can extract synthesis recipes and summarize detailed step-by-step procedures grounded on real experimental papers with associated DOI references, as demonstrated in the example queries (Table [B6.9](#page-23-0) and [B6.10\)](#page-24-0).

419 420 421 422 423 424 425 426 427 Vanilla LLMs often give seemingly correct and verbose synthesis procedures but pull irrelevant compounds into the recipes and overlook more optimal or efficient reactions. In the example of $YMnO₃$ (Table $B(6.9)$, GPT-3.5 suggests the possible reaction pathways from two common oxide precursors (Y_2O_3) and MnO_2). However, it pulls irrelevant lithium compounds $(Li₂CO₃$ and LiOH) into the recipe and overlooks the fact that metathesis reactions [\(Li et al.,](#page-11-12) [2015;](#page-11-12) [Todd et al.,](#page-12-10) [2021\)](#page-12-10) require less applied energy

Table 3: Positive-unlabeled (PU) classification of LLaMP and baseline methods on inorganic material synthesizablity. (*) Evaluations on 352,236 positive and 40,817 unla-beled compounds by [Kim et al.](#page-11-10) [\(2024\)](#page-11-10).

	Accuracy	F1	Precision	Recall
LLaMP (GPT-4)	0.800	0.773	0.895	0.680
LLaMP (Sonnet)	0.818	0.812	0.848	0.780
$GPT-4$	0.600	0.649	0.578	0.740
Sonnet	0.530	0.230	0.636	0.140
Llama3	0.480	0.623	0.489	0.860
Gemini	0.590	0.388	0.765	0.260
$GPT-4*$			0.151	0.620
GPT-3.5 (FT)*			0.558	0.951
stoi-CGNF*			0.541	0.942

428 429 430 than high-temperature sintering, which relies on solid-state diffusion [\(Maximenko and Olevsky,](#page-12-11) [2004\)](#page-12-11).

431 Vanilla LLMs also exhibit uncertainty about specific synthesis details, such as heating temperature, duration, cooling rate, *etc*. In some edge cases such as $LiFePO₄$ presented in Table $B6.10$, the cited

432 433 434 references are associated with the real papers but the contents are dissociated from the cited titel and hallucinated from the pre-training corpus.

We further compare the performance of LLaMP on synthesizability prediction with stoichiometric convolutional graph neural fingerprint (stoi-CGNF) [\(Jang et al.,](#page-11-13) [2024\)](#page-11-13) and fine-tuned LLMs [\(Kim](#page-11-10) [et al.,](#page-11-10) [2024\)](#page-11-10). We follow the positive-unlabeled (PU) classification task proposed in [\(Kim et al.,](#page-11-10) [2024\)](#page-11-10) by randomly selecting a subset of positive (probable) and unlabeled (unlikely) inorganic compounds and compare the classification performances of LLaMP with different backend LLMs and baselines. As presented in Table [3,](#page-7-1) LLaMP effectively enhances the performances of backbone GPT-4 and Sonnet LLMs by a significant margin of 20%, with the classification precision of LLaMP (GPT-4) up to 0.895.

(a) MP (DC Si, mp-149)

hexagonal interstitial)

(c) GPT-3.5 (distorted Si with Li tetrahedral interstitial)

Figure 4: Generation and manipulation of crystal structures using LLMs to insert an additional lithium atom at the interstitial site in diamond cubic silicon structure. Blue: Si. Green: Li. Questionanswer pairs are listed in Table [B6.11.](#page-25-0) Additional atoms extended through bonds are visualized.

Table 4: Structural parameters of the generated crystals compared with diamond cubic (DC) silicon. From left to right are fractional coordinates of inserted Li atom (x, y, z) _{Li}, total cell volume V, average Si-Si bond lengths ℓ_{SiSi} , Si-Si-Si angles θ_{SiSiSi} , and Si-Li-Si angles θ_{SiLiSi} . GPT-4 refuses to respond due to their safeguard against the lack of atomic structure information.

	$(x,y,z)_{\text{Li}}$	$\ell_{\text{Sisi}}(\check{A})$	Error $(\%)$	$V(\AA^3)$	Error $(\%)$	θ_{SiSiSi} (°)	Error $(\%)$	θ_{SiL (°)
LLaMP	(0.5, 0.5, 0.5)	2.36	0.0	40.33	0.0	109.47	0.0	62.96
$GPT-3.5$	(0.5, 0.5, 0.5)	2.71	$+15.0$	67.05	$+66.3$	98.28	-10.2	67.69
$GPT-4$							$\overline{}$	
DC Si $(mp-149)$		2.36		40.33		109.47		

470 471 472 473 474 475 476 477 478 479 RAG-assisted crystal generation and editing Fine-tuned LLMs for text-encoded atomistic information have shown the capability to generate stable crystals under the constraints of atomic positions and charges [\(Gruver et al.,](#page-11-14) [2023\)](#page-11-14). In this context, we delve into the examination and comparison of the crystal generation capabilities between LLaMP and GPT-3.5, without resorting to fine-tuning or tailored prompt messages in previous work. Figure [4](#page-8-0) showcases the structures generated by LLaMP and vanilla GPT-3.5 without RAG, both instructed to *insert one lithium atom at the tetrahedral site of the diamond cubic silicon structure* (Table [B6.11\)](#page-25-0). Notably, both LLaMP and GPT-3.5 place an additional Li atom at fractional coordinate (0.5, 0.5, 0.5). However, the Si structure retrieved by LLaMP adheres to the MP convention, positioning two Si bases at (0.125, 0.125, 0.125) and (0.875, 0.875, 0.875). This causes the inserted Li atom to be *hexagonal interstitial* instead of *tetrahedral interstitial*.

480 481 482 483 484 485 GPT-3.5 locates the Li atom at the tetrahedral site given the "luckily chosen" Si bases at (0, 0, 0) and $(0.25, 0.25, 0.25)$; however, the resulting cell volume and shape are highly distorted, and the Si-Si bond length and $Si-Si-Si$ angle deviate significantly from the ground truth (Table [4\)](#page-8-1), highlighting the limitations in the intrinsic encoding of LLMs for atomistic information and the challenges associated with zero-shot generation of crystal structures. In contrast, the LLaMP-retrieved MP structure serves as a robust prior, anchoring the lattice parameters of the generated structure to the correct values.

486 487 488 489 490 491 492 493 Language-driven simulation LLaMP equipped with Python REPL and atomistic simulation workflow package atomate2 performs well out of the box for complex multi-step simulations using pre-trained universal machine learning interatomic potential MACE-MP-0 [\(Batatia et al.,](#page-10-9) [2023\)](#page-10-9) through language instruction. As demonstrated in Appendix $C₁$ and Appendix $C₂$, LLaMP is able to follow multi-step instruction to fetch stable crystal structure from MP, generate a supercell of atomic structure, and run annealing molecular dynamics simulation with varying temperature from 300K to 800K and back to 300K. After the simulation is finished, LLaMP can read the simulation trajectories and plot the temperature profile over time (Appendix $C₁$).

494 495 496 497 498 499 500 501 We further test the robustness of our language-driven workflow on running MD simulations (Figure [5\)](#page-9-0). A subset of 50 supercell structures were randomly created from up-to-quinary compounds in MP. Each MD simulation runs 0.1 ps with timestep of 2 fs. The timeout was set to 90 seconds. 96% workflows (SUCCESS+TIMEOUT) were successfully initiated, with 62% finished and 34% of systems exceeding 90 seconds timeout due to slow or stalled MACE-MP-0 runs (the simulation is still running without error but runs slowly). 4% simulations ran into unspecified status (UNKNOWN). We found that during these triggered workflows LLaMP asks user for approval on the precise chemical formula to fetch the structure from MP, rendering the workflow unfinished.

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6 DISCUSSION

506 507 508 509 510 511 512 513 514 515 516 517 518 519 Robustness The hierarchical ReAct framework implemented here is essentially a graph of agents, or *language graph*, with one central node (supervisor) in connection with many satellite nodes (assistants). The implementation of ReAct for the assistant agents enables self-correcting tool usages and fortifies the robustness of data retrieval. As presented in Figure [A.1c](#page-16-0), MPThermoExpert initially misunderstood the schema at the first trial and filled in the formula field with $Si-O$, an invalid input but a valid one for chemical system (chemsys) field. The observation step (step 4) allows MPThermoExpert to handle exceptions and to refine the correct input fields after adaptation (step 6). Storing (Retrieving) questionanswer and query-argument pairs to (from) vector databases could further reduce the number of trial-and-error steps, and the stored pairs can be used to refine foundation LLMs to improve function calling quality.

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521 522 523 524 525 526 527 528 Limitation We recognize the effectiveness of LLaMP's framework relies on backbone LLM's function calling and reasoning capabilities. Sometimes LLMs misunderstand the description of schemas and therefore yield unexpected behaviors. For example, sort_fields argument allows sorting the returned documents in ascending order or descending order if the field is prefixed with −, but LLMs sometimes mistake the sign and sort in the opposite order. Other example failure or safeguard modes are presented in Ap-

Figure 5: The final four statuses (SUCCESS, TIMEOUT, FAILURE, UNKNOWN) of trial language-driven MD simulation runs on random MP supercell structures. LLaMP successfully initiated 96% (SUCCESS+TIMEOUT) of all the simulations within 90 second timeout window.

529 530 531 532 533 534 535 536 537 538 539 pendix [A.3.](#page-15-1) The correctness of LLaMP is also subject to the quality of theoretical prediction and the comprehensiveness of the data in MP. Other than the underpredicted bandgaps by GGA functional, MP's ongoing effort to search all possible magnetic configurations is also not complete. Most of the existing calculations in MP start from high-spin ferromagnetic configurations, which may overlook many antiferromagnetic ground states below the current energy convex hull. While MP is one of the most comprehensive materials databases, the available crystal structures on MP are not exhaustive but continuously expanding [\(Merchant et al.,](#page-12-12) [2023\)](#page-12-12), and would be benefited from additional intermetallic compounds and high-entropy materials from other databases such as AFLOW, OQMD, NOMAD, *etc.* [\(Curtarolo et al.,](#page-10-10) [2012;](#page-10-10) [Kirklin et al.,](#page-11-15) [2015;](#page-11-15) [Scheidgen et al.,](#page-12-13) [2023\)](#page-12-13). Furthermore, Kohn-Sham DFT theory is insufficient in some cases, and a higher level of theory is needed. Currently LLaMP only supports a few atomate2 workflows with machine learning force fields and VASP calculations. More diverse electronic calculation methods and workflows will be supported in the future work.

540 541 542 543 544 545 546 547 548 549 550 551 552 553 Summary We present a hierarchical agentic framework, LLaMP, based on ReAct to extract and manipulate material informatics through few-shot generalization. By grounding thoughts and actions with high-fidelity information, LLaMP showcases the ability to integrate various modalities of material properties and perform logical inferences to accomplish assigned tasks, all without the need for fine-tuning. In essence, the proposed LangChain framework holds the potential to expand its applicability to multiple data sources, encompassing both theoretical computations and experimental data, knowledge graph databases [\(Venugopal and Olivetti,](#page-13-14) [2024;](#page-13-14) [Ye et al.,](#page-13-15) [2024\)](#page-13-15), and real-world laboratories by incorporating additional assistant agents for data retrieval and robot control [\(Fei et al.,](#page-10-11) [2024\)](#page-10-11). LLaMP functions as a knowledge-aware agent, empowering users to navigate and manipulate complex materials informatics. In the context of self-driving labs [\(Boiko et al.,](#page-10-4) [2023;](#page-10-4) [Szymanski](#page-12-14) [et al.,](#page-12-14) [2023\)](#page-12-14), LLM agents with multimodal data sources, sensors, and actors may improve their decision making and operation [\(Miret and Krishnan,](#page-12-15) [2024\)](#page-12-15). As new tools continue to emerge, there is an exciting avenue for further exploration to ascertain if this framework can effectively facilitate scientific hypothesis generation and guide data-driven experiments.

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756 757 A SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION

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810 811 812 813 814 815 816 817 818 819 820 821 822 823 824 825 826 827 828 829 830 831 832 833 834 835 836 837 838 4. Calculate Precision, CoP, Confidence, and SCoR for each method across five trials on all materials. The code is provided and the pseudocode can be written as follows: Input:arr (2D array of five responses for different materials) $n \leftarrow$ count of valid responses (non-NaN values) in each column of arr $\mathsf{prec} \gets \frac{\textsf{nanstd}(\textsf{arr},\textsf{axis}=0)}{\sqrt{n}}$ cop ← mean(exp(−prec)) conf \leftarrow mean $\left(\frac{n}{\text{# of trials }N}\right)$ # of trials N $\text{score} \leftarrow \begin{cases} 0 & \text{if } \text{conf} = 0 \text{ for all columns} \\ 0 & \text{if } \text{conf} = 0 \end{cases}$ $\text{cop} \times \text{conf}$ otherwise $prec \leftarrow mean(prec)$ Output:prec, cop, conf, scor A.3 SAFEGUARD OR FAILURE MODES • Question: What is the bulk modulus of stainless steel? ambiguous chemical formula LLaMP: Stainless steel is an alloy with a composition that can vary widely, including elements like iron, chromium, nickel, and molybdenum. Because of this variability, it does not have a single chemical formula or a unique Materials Project ID, and its bulk modulus can significantly vary based on its exact composition and heat treatment. The Materials Project database, focusing on inorganic crystalline materials, may not provide specific data on complex alloys like stainless steel. For precise values of the bulk modulus, consulting specific datasheets or literature on the type of stainless steel in question is recommended. • Question: How to synthesize Y2Be2Fe(SiO5)2 data unavailable LLaMP: Currently, there are no synthesis recipes available in the Materials Project database for Y2Be2Fe(SiO5)2. • Question: What's the phonon bandgap of Ac2HgGe computed property unavailable LLaMP: The material Ac2HgGe, with a Materials Project ID of mp-861872, does not have its phonon bandgap information directly available through the Materials Project database.

For detailed phonon properties, further analysis using specialized phonon calculation tools or databases would be necessary.

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908 909 910 911 912 913 Figure A.1: Multimodal retrieval-augmented generation for materials informatics. (a) User query. (b) Supervisor ReAct agent capable of handling multiple assistant agents and high-level reasoning. (c-d) Assistant ReAct agents executing function calling and summarization. (c) MPThermoExpert and (d) MPElasticityExpert have access to the API schemas of thermo and elasticity endpoints on Materials Project, respectively. The selected details are highlighted in red, demonstrating the capabilities of RAG and ReAct implemented in LLaMP. The blue texts show LLaMP assistant ReAct agent can handle API calling errors and self-correct the input query accordingly.

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Question		Answer
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B6.1 What are the bulk mod- uli of the following metals: Sc, Ti, V, Cr, Mn, Fe, Co, Ni, Cu, Zn?	The bulk moduli of the metals you asked for are as follows (in GPa): - Scandium (Sc): Voigt = 45.715 , Reuss = 45.34 , VRH = 45.528 - Titanium (Ti): Voigt = 112.955 , Reuss = 112.807 , VRH = 112.881 - Vanadium (V): Voigt = 181.232 , Reuss = 181.232 , VRH = 181.232 - Chromium (Cr): Voigt = 252.155 , Reuss = 252.155 , VRH = 252.155 - Manganese (Mn): $Voigt = 280.959$, Reuss = 280.959 , VRH = 280.959 - Iron (Fe): Voigt = 296.003 , Reuss = 295.207, VRH = 295.605 - Cobalt (Co): Voigt = 200.587 , Reuss = 200.587 , VRH = 200.587 - Nickel (Ni): Voigt = 197.399 , Reuss = 197.29, VRH = 197.345 - Copper (Cu): Voigt = 151.394 , Reuss = 151.394, VRH = 151.394 - Zinc (Zn) : Voigt = 76.283, Reuss = 95.46 , VRH = 85.872	The bulk modulus (K) is a measure of a material's resistance to uniform compres- sion. It is defined as the ratio of the change in pressure to the fractional volume compression. The values for the bulk modulus can vary somewhat depending on the specific conditions and crystallographic structures of the materials. The values provided here are approximate and given in gigapascals (GPa): - Scandium (Sc): 55 GPa - Titanium (Ti): 110 GPa - Vanadium (V): 160 GPa - Chromium (Cr): 160 GPa - Manganese (Mn): 120 GPa - Iron (Fe): 170 GPa - Cobalt (Co): 180 GPa - Nickel (Ni): 180 GPa - Copper (Cu): 140 GPa - Zinc (Zn) : 70 GPa These values represent typical bulk moduli for these metals, and actual values may vary depending on factors such as temperature and pressure.

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1272 C.1 AUTOMATED COMPUTATIONAL WORKFLOW

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          Query:
          I would like you to help me run MD simulation with the follwing steps:
          1. Retrieve the stable LiTaO3 structure from Materials Project
          2. Create a supercell around the size of 100 atoms
          3. Use atomate2 with foundation ML forcefield MACE to run Nose-Hoover NVT simulation
            for 2 ps with annealing temperature scheduling 300 to 800 back to 300 Kelvin.
            Use 2 fs timestep and save the trajectory to a ASE traj file.
          4. Read the trajectory file and plot the system temperature vs time
          > Entering new AgentExecutor chain...
          Thought: Do I need to use a tool? Yes
          Action: MPStructureRetriever
          Action Input: LiTaO3
          > Entering new AgentExecutor chain...
          Action:
          '''json
          {
            "action": "search_materials_structure__get",
            "action_input": {
             "formula": "LiTaO3",
             "limit": 5,
              "fields": "material_id,structure"
            }
          }
          All retrieved structures are saved as Pymatgen Structure JSON files to the following
               paths: mp-3666.json, mp-1105280.json, mp-754345.json, mp-1105216.json, mp
               -1105326.json
          > Finished chain.
          {'input': 'LiTaO3', 'output': 'All retrieved structures are saved as Pymatgen
              Structure JSON files to the following paths: mp-3666.json, mp-1105280.json, mp
              -754345.json, mp-1105216.json, mp-1105326.json'}
          Do I need to use a tool? Yes
          Action: MPSummaryExpert
          Action Input: mp-3666
          > Entering new AgentExecutor chain...
          Action:
          '''json
          {
            "action": "search_materials_summary__get",
            "action_input": {
              "material_ids": "mp-3666"
            }
          }
          '''Error on search_materials_summary__get: 'fields' must be specified in the query.
              Please revise arguments or try smaller request by specifying 'limit' in request
               .
          '''json
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            "action": "search_materials_summary__get",
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            "action_input": {
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              "material_ids": "mp-3666",
              "fields": "material_id,formula_pretty,composition,nsites,symmetry"
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          [{'nsites': 10, 'composition': {'Li': 2.0, 'Ta': 2.0, 'O': 6.0}, 'formula_pretty': '
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              LiTaO3', 'symmetry': {'crystal_system': 'Trigonal', 'symbol': 'R3c', 'number':
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               161, 'point_group': '3m', 'symprec': 0.1, 'version': '2.0.2'}, 'material_id': '
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              mp-3666'}]
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          Action:
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            "action_input": "Material ID mp-3666 corresponds to Lithium Tantalate (LiTaO3). It
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                 has a trigonal crystal system with space group R3c (number 161) and point
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                 group 3m. The structure consists of 10 sites, composed of Li, Ta, and O."
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          Finished chain.
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                (LiTaO3). It has a trigonal crystal system with space group R3c (number 161)
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               and point group 3m. The structure consists of 10 sites, composed of Li, Ta, and
               0.'}
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          Do I need to use a tool? Yes
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          Action: MPStructureRetriever
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          Action Input: mp-3666
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            "action_input": {
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              "material_ids": "mp-3666",
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              "fields": "material_id,structure"
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          All retrieved structures are saved as Pymatgen Structure json files to the following
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               paths: mp-3666.json
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          Do I need to use a tool? Yes
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          Action: Python_REPL
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          Action Input:
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          from pymatgen.core import Structure
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          # Load the structure from the JSON file
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          structure = Structure.from_file('mp-3666.json')
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          # Create a supercell to approximately reach 100 atoms
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          num\_atoms = len(structure)1375
          multiplier = int((100 / num_atoms) ** (1/3)) + 1 # Calculate the multiplier for each
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               dimension
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supercell = structure * (multiplier, multiplier, multiplier)

supercell.to(fmt="poscar", filename="supercell.vasp")

Save the supercell structure to a file and print the number of atoms

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print({"supercell_path": "supercell.vasp", "num_atoms": len(supercell)})
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Do I need to use a tool? Yes
Action: MLFFMDAgent
Action Input: {"structure_path": "supercell.vasp", "forcefield": "MACE",
    simulation_type": "NVT", "temperature_schedule": [300, 800, 300], "
    simulation_time": 2, "timestep": 2, "trajectory_file": "trajectory.traj"}Do I
    need to use a tool? Yes
> Entering new AgentExecutor chain...
Action:
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{
  "action": "MLFF MD",
  "action_input": {
    "run_mode": "local",
   "project": "llamp-atomate2",
   "atom_path_or_dict": "supercell.vasp",
   "force_field_name": "MLFF.MACE",
   "time_step": 2,
    "n_steps": 1000,
    "ensemble": "NVT",
    "dynamics": "langevin",
    "temperature": [300, 800, 300],
   "traj_file": "trajectory.traj",
   "traj_file_fmt": "ase",
   "traj_interval": 1
 }
}
'''Action:
\bullet\bullet\bullet2024-05-12 14:42:31,797 INFO Started executing jobs locally
2024-05-12 14:42:31,837 INFO Starting job - Forcefield MD (040866d1-fbcb-4e0b-9044-0
    ed3cf9d0eef)
Using Materials Project MACE for \texttt{MACECalculator} with /global/homes/c/
    cyrusyc/.cache/mace/5yyxdm76
Using \texttt{float32} for \texttt{MACECalculator}, which is faster but less
    accurate. Recommended for MD. Use float64 for geometry optimization.
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Default dtype float32 does not match model dtype float64, converting models to float32.

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2024-05-12 14:43:58,683 INFO Finished job - Forcefield MD (040866d1-fbcb-4e0b-9044-0
    ed3cf9d0eef)
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INFO:jobflow.core.job:Finished job - Forcefield MD (040866d1-fbcb-4e0b-9044-0
    ed3cf9d0eef)
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2024-05-12 14:43:58,710 INFO Finished executing jobs locally
INFO:jobflow.managers.local:Finished executing jobs locally
{'energy': -2262.60595703125, 'n_steps': 1001}
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Action:
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{
  "action": "Final Answer",
  "action_input": "The molecular dynamics simulation was successfully completed. The
       final energy of the system after 1001 steps is -2262.60595703125 eV."
}
'''Action:
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{
  "action": "Final Answer",
  "action_input": "The molecular dynamics simulation was successfully completed. The
       final energy of the system after 1001 steps is -2262.60595703125 eV."
}
\sim> Finished chain.
{'input': '{"structure_path": "supercell.vasp", "forcefield": "MACE", "
    simulation_type": "NVT", "temperature_schedule": [300, 800, 300], "
    simulation_time": 2, "timestep": 2, "trajectory_file": "trajectory.traj"}', '
    output': 'The molecular dynamics simulation was successfully completed. The
    final energy of the system after 1001 steps is -2262.60595703125 eV.'}Do I need
     to use a tool? Yes
Action: Python_REPL
Action Input:
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plt.show()

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import matplotlib.pyplot as plt
from ase.io import read
# Load the trajectory
trajectory = read('trajectory.traj', index=':')
# Extract temperatures and time steps
temperatures = [step.get_temperature() for step in trajectory]
time_steps = [i * 2 for i in range(len(temperatures))] # Calculate time steps
    manually since each step is 2 fs
# Plotting
plt.figure(figsize=(10, 5))
plt.plot(time_steps, temperatures, label='Temperature␣(K)', marker='o')
plt.title('Temperature␣vs␣Time␣during␣MD␣Simulation')
plt.xlabel('Time␣(fs)')
plt.ylabel('Temperature␣(K)')
plt.grid(True)
plt.legend()
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plt.savefig('temperature_vs_time.png')

print({"temperature_vs_time_plot": "temperature_vs_time.png"})

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C.2 SIMULATION CODE GENERATION AND EXECUTION

Below we present how LLaMP can generate, self-correct, and execute ASE simulation code to calculate the bulk modulus of aluminum.

 Generate a script and run ASE EMT calculator to relax 2x2x2 Al supercell and calculate its bulk modulus # Entering new AgentExecutor chain... To generate a script and run the ASE (Atomic Simulation Environment) EMT (Effective Medium Theory) calculator to relax a 2x2x2 Al supercell and calculate its bulk modulus, we need to write a Python script that uses ASE's functionalities. Here 's a step-by-step breakdown of what the script will do: 1. Import necessary modules from ASE. 2. Create an aluminum (Al) supercell. 3. Set up the EMT calculator. 4. Relax the structure using the EMT calculator. 5. Calculate the bulk modulus. Let's write the script: from ase import Atoms from ase.build import bulk from ase.calculators.emt import EMT from ase.constraints import StrainFilter, ExpCellFilter from ase.optimize import BFGS from ase.eos import EquationOfState # Create an Al supercell $al = bulk('Al', 'fcc', a=4.05, cubic=True)$ $al = al.repeat((2, 2, 2))$ # Repeat the unit cell to create a 2x2x2 supercell # Set up the EMT calculator al.set_calculator(EMT()) # Relax the structure strain_filter = StrainFilter(al) optimizer = BFGS(strain_filter) optimizer.run(fmax=0.01) # Calculate the bulk modulus

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volumes = []
energies = []
for x in [0.98, 0.99, 1.00, 1.01, 1.02]:
    al_{\text{copy}} = al_{\text{copy}}()al_copy.set_calculator(EMT())
    cell = al\_copy.get\_cell()al_copy.set_cell(cell * x, scale_atoms=True)
    volumes.append(al_copy.get_volume())
    energies.append(al_copy.get_potential_energy())
eos = EquationOfState(volumes, energies)
v\theta, e\theta, B = eos.fit()
eos.plot('al-eos.png')
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print(f'Bulk␣modulus:␣{B␣/␣kJ}␣GPa')

Now, let's execute this script using the Python_REPL tool.

Action: Python_REPL Action Input:

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          from ase import Atoms
          from ase.build import bulk
          from ase.calculators.emt import EMT
          from ase.constraints import StrainFilter, ExpCellFilter
          from ase.optimize import BFGS
          from ase.eos import EquationOfState
          from ase.units import kJ
          # Create an Al supercell
          al = bulk('Al', 'fcc', a=4.05, cubic=True)al = al.repeat((2, 2, 2)) # Repeat the unit cell to create a 2x2x2 supercell
          # Set up the EMT calculator
          al.set_calculator(EMT())
          # Relax the structure
          strain_filter = StrainFilter(al)
          optimizer = BFGS(strain_filter)
          optimizer.run(fmax=0.01)
          # Calculate the bulk modulus
          volumes = []
          energies = []
          for x in [0.98, 0.99, 1.00, 1.01, 1.02]:
              al_{\text{copy}} = al_{\text{copy}}()al_copy.set_calculator(EMT())
              cell = al_copy.get_cell()
              al_copy.set_cell(cell * x, scale_atoms=True)
              volumes.append(al_copy.get_volume())
              energies.append(al_copy.get_potential_energy())
          eos = EquationOfState(volumes, energies)
          v\emptyset, e\emptyset, B = eos.fit()
          print(f'Bulk␣modulus:␣{B␣/␣kJ}␣GPa')
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BFGS: 1 01:37:48 1.542253 BFGS: 1 01:37:48 1.542253 33.456077 BFGS: 2 01:37:48 -0.154186 1.250352
BFGS: 3 01:37:48 -0.156157 0.259261 BFGS: 3 01:37:48 -0.156157 0.259261
BFGS: 4 01:37:48 -0.156246 0.000522 $4 \ 01:37:48$ Bulk modulus: 39.23492594026644 GPa Do I need to use a tool? No Final Answer: The corrected bulk modulus of the relaxed 2x2x2 Al supercell calculated using the ASE EMT calculator is approximately 39.23 GPa. # Finished chain.