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**Note:** pyiron 0.X – Disclaimer: With the first open source release of pyiron under the BSD license we provide a fully functional core platform. We are currently working on finalizing various plugins, e.g. to enhance high throughput simulations, for Computational Phase Studies, and Electrochemistry and Corrosion. The code is published on Github.org, PyPi.org and Anaconda.org.
We provide various options to install, explore and run pyiron:

- **Workstation Installation (recommended):** for Windows, Linux or Mac OS X workstations (interface for local VASP executable, support for the latest jupyterlab based GUI)

- **Mybinder.org (beta):** test pyiron directly in your browser (no VASP license, no visualization, only temporary data storage)

- **Docker (for demonstration):** requires Docker installation (no VASP license, only temporary data storage)
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Please contact us if you are interested in using pyiron:

• to interface your simulation code or method
• implementing high-throughput approaches based on atomistic codes
• to learn more about method development and Big Data in material science.

Please also check out the pyiron contributing guidelines
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NEWS

- **22nd May 2020**: pyiron 0.2.15 released. By now pyiron was downloaded over 20000 times on conda-forge and gained attention with close to 100 stars on github.
- **8th May 2020**: The tutorials of the 1st virtual pyiron workshop are now available online.
- **23rd March 2020**: Cancellation of the 1st pyiron workshop due to COVID-19.
- **20th December 2019**: Announcement of the 1st pyiron workshop in Bochum (Germany) from the 31st of March to the 2nd of April 2020.
- **09th November 2019**: pyiron was downloaded over 10000 times on conda-forge and gained attention with over 50 stars on github.
- **10th October 2019**: pyiron 0.2.9 released.
- **20th June 2019**: pyiron was downloaded over 5000 times on conda-forge and 70% of our code are covered with unit tests.
- **10th May 2019**: pyiron documentation hosted on readthedocs.org.
- **24th March 2019**: pyiron 0.2.2 released.
- **15th March 2019**: pyiron paper available as open access.
- **20th January 2019**: pyiron 0.2.1 released.
- **15th December 2019**: pyiron was downloaded over 2000 times on conda-forge.
- **21st November 2018**: pyiron 0.2.0 released.
- **2nd August 2018**: pyiron 0.1.8 released.
- **21st July 2018**: pyiron paper accepted.
- **20th July 2018**: pyiron 0.1.7 released.
- **25th May 2018**: pyiron 0.1.5 released.
- **11th May 2018**: pyiron 0.1.3 published on conda-forge install pyiron using: conda install -c conda-forge pyiron
- **07th May 2018**: pyiron paper submitted
- **05th April 2018**: test pyiron on mybinder.org (beta)
- **27th March 2018**: pyiron is available on anaconda.org install pyiron using: conda install -c pyiron -c conda-forge pyiron
- **27th February 2018**: pyiron is available on pypi.org install pyiron using: pip install pyiron
- **05th December 2017**: The pyiron website goes online.
If you use pyiron in your research, please consider citing the following work:

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  keywords = {Modelling workflow, Integrated development environment, Complex simulation protocols},
}
```

Read more about citing individual modules/ plugins of pyiron and the implemented simulation codes.
4.1 About

4.1.1 Introduction

pyiron is an integrated development environment for implementing, testing, and running simulations in computational materials science. It combines several tools in a common platform:

- Atomic structure objects – compatible to the Atomic Simulation Environment (ASE).
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4.1.2 Getting Help

Technical issues and bugs should be reported on Github all other questions can be asked on stackoverflow using the tag pyiron.

4.1.3 Release history

Release 0.2.0 (2018)

• Implement interactive interface to communicate with codes at runtime.

Release 0.1.0 (2018)

• opensource release - licensed under the BSD license.
• installation available on pip and anaconda.
• moved opensource repository to github.

Release 0.0.9 (2017)

• Name changed from PyIron to pyiron
• Fileoperations implemented (move, copy_to and remove).
• NGLview for visualisation.
• Atoms class speedup.
• Serial- and parallelmaster work with the cluster environment.
• Python 3.6 support added.

Release 0.0.8 (2016)

• Rewirte serial- and parallelmaster.
• Deprecated Qt environment in favor of jupyter.
• Python 3.5 support added.
• Use anaconda as recommended Python environment.
• Switch to Gitlab rather than subversion.

Release 0.0.5 (2015)

• Linux and Mac OS X support added.
• ASE compatible atom and atoms class.
Release 0.0.1 (2011)

- initial version named PyCMW

## 4.2 Installation

**Note:** **Before you install:** We provide various levels of environments to test pyiron:

- *Local Installation (recommended):* for Windows, Linux or Mac OS X workstation (interface for local VASP executable, support for the latest jupyterlab based GUI)
- *Mybinder.org (beta):* test pyiron directly in your browser (no VASP license, only temporary data storage)
- *Docker (for demonstration):* requires docker installation (no VASP license, only temporary data storage)

### 4.2.1 Workstation Installation (recommended)

#### Requirements

When you start to develop your own simulation protocols we recommend a local installation. Inside the pyiron anaconda repository we provide precompiled executables for Linux, Mac OS X and Windows with Python 2.7, 3.5, 3.6 and 3.7 and the other packages are available inside the conda-forge channel.

#### Install pyiron package

As pyiron is written in Python you can install pyiron either via anaconda (recommended) or via pip.

**Install via anaconda (recommended):**

To install anaconda you can download the anaconda distribution. Following the installation update to the latest version of conda from conda-forge.

```
conda update -c conda-forge conda
```

After the update of the anaconda environment you can install pyiron using:

```
conda install -c conda-forge pyiron
```

**Install via pip:**

pip is installed on Linux and Mac Os X by default and is included in most Python distributions. To install pyiron via pip type:

```
pip install pyiron
```

While the anaconda installation already includes the lammps executable, the pip installation requires the user to include a lammps executable named *lmp_serial* for Linux and Mac Os X or *lmp_serial.exe* for windows in their PATH.
Visualization

In addition to the pyiron package we recommend installing the NGLview visualization framework.

Stable version – for jupyter notebooks (recommended):

```bash
conda install -c conda-forge nglview
jupyter nbextension install nglview --py --sys-prefix
jupyter nbextension enable nglview --py --sys-prefix
```

Stable version – for jupyter lab

```bash
conda install -c conda-forge nodejs nglview
jupyter labextension install @jupyter-widgets/jupyterlab-manager --no-build
jupyter labextension install nglview-js-widgets
```

Simulation code: Lammps

pyiron supports the simulation codes VASP for DFT calculation and Lammps for molecular dynamics calculation. While VASP requires a separate license and therefore has to be configured by the user, Lammps is available as open-source code and can be installed from anaconda.

For Linux and Mac Os X (for Python 2.7, 3.5, 3.6 and 3.7):

```bash
conda install -c conda-forge lammps
```

For windows:

```bash
conda install -c pyiron lammps
```

Configuration

After the installation of pyiron we need to configure pyiron. The default configuration can be generated automatically. In the terminal, start a new Python session and import pyiron:

```python
> import pyiron
> pyiron.install()
>>> It appears that pyiron is not yet configured, do you want to create a default configuration (recommended: yes). [yes/no]:
> yes
> exit()
```

The configuration does the following steps in the background:

- Create an `.pyiron` config file – with the default settings (for simple installations)
- Create an `~/pyiron/projects` directory – pyiron can only execute calculation within this project directory to prevent any interference, with other tools or simulation management solutions.
• Create an ~/pyiron/resources directory – this directory includes the link to the executables and potentials, sorted by code. The potentials for lammps are inside pyiron_lammps and those for vasp can be placed in pyiron_vasp.

**First calculation**

After the successful configuration you can start your first pyiron calculation. Navigate to the projects directory and start a jupyter notebook or jupyter lab session correspondingly:

```bash
cd ~/pyiron/projects
jupyter notebook
```

or

```bash
cd ~/pyiron/projects
jupyter lab
```

Open a new jupyter notebook and inside the notebook you can now validate your pyiron calculation by creating a test project, setting up an initial structure of bcc Fe and visualize it using NGLview.

```python
from pyiron import Project
pr = Project('test')
basis = pr.create_structure('Fe', 'bcc', 2.78)
basis.plot3d()
```

Finally a first lammps calculation can be executed by:

```python
ham = pr.create_job(pr.job_type.Lammps, 'lammpstestjob')
ham.structure = basis
ham.potential = ham.list_potentials()[0]
ham.run()
```

**Next step**

To get a better overview of all the available functionality inside pyiron we recommend the examples provided in the examples section - *Tutorials*.

### 4.2.2 Computer Cluster (HPC)

While the local Installation is designed to scale beyond a single workstation, further multi user extensions are required like:

- Jupyterhub for managing multiple Jupyter Sessions.
- PostgreSQL database for scalability.
- Queuing system for job management.
- Access Control lists for sharing files between users.

For further details please open a support request.
4.2.3 Mybinder.org (beta)

Warning: Mybinder.org is currently in beta stage, it should not take longer than a minute to load. We are sorry for the inconvenience.

You can test pyiron on Mybinder.org (beta), without the need of a local installation. This installation comes with the following limitations:

- No VASP license, DFT calculation can be imported and loaded but the execution is disabled.
- No visualization of atomistic structures using NGLview.
- Only temporary data storage, when you leave your session on Mybinder.org (beta) the environment is reset.

The Mybinder service is the most flexible way to test pyiron and get a first impression. Start pyiron on MyBinder.org to test your first pyiron examples.

4.2.4 Docker (for demonstration)

Commonly it is easier to install pyiron directly using anaconda following the Local Installation (Workstation) instead of installing Docker. If you already setup Docker on your system, you might still be interested in downloading the pyiron container. While Mybinder.org (beta) is based on a similar Docker image, running the Docker image locally enables more flexibility. In particular the graphical user interface is fully supported in this version. Still the following limitations remain:

- No VASP license, DFT calculation can be imported and loaded but the execution is disabled.
- Only temporary data storage, when you shutdown your Docker instance the environment is reset.

This installation of pyiron is most suitable for presentations. After the local installation of Docker there are two versions to choose from stable version based on jupyter notebooks and the latest beta version based on jupyter lab. For both versions the first command downloads the image from Dockerhub and the second command executes it locally.

Docker image with jupyter notebook (stable)

docker pull pyiron/pyiron:latest

docker run -i -t -p 8888:8888 pyiron/pyiron /bin/bash -c "source /srv/conda/envs/notebook/bin/activate; jupyter notebook --notebook-dir=/home/pyiron/ --ip='*' --port=8888"

Docker image with jupyter lab (beta)

docker pull pyiron/pyiron:latest

docker run -i -t -p 8888:8888 pyiron/pyiron /bin/bash -c "source /srv/conda/envs/notebook/bin/activate; jupyter lab --notebook-dir=/home/pyiron/ --ip='*' --port=8888"

Connect

After the run command the following line is displayed: Copy/paste this URL into your browser when you connect for the first time, to login with a token:

```
http://localhost:8888/?token=<your_token>
```

Open the link with your personal jupyter token `<your_token>` in the browser of your choice. Just like the Binder image also the Docker image comes with the examples preinstalled.

4.3 Tutorials

4.3.1 First steps through pyiron

This section gives a brief introduction about fundamental concepts of pyiron and how they can be used to setup, run and analyze atomic simulations. As a first step we import the libraries `numpy` for data analysis and `matplotlib` for visualization.

```
[1]: import numpy as np
   %matplotlib inline
   import matplotlib.pyplot as plt
```

To import pyiron simply use:

```
[2]: from pyiron.project import Project
```

The Project object introduced below is central in pyiron. It allows to name the project as well as to derive all other objects such as structures, jobs etc. without having to import them. Thus, by code completion `Tab` the respective commands can be found easily.

We now create a pyiron Project named 'first_steps'.

```
[3]: pr = Project(path='first_steps')
```

The project name also applies for the directory that is created for the project.

Perform a LAMMPS MD simulation

Having created an instance of the pyiron Project we now perform a LAMMPS molecular dynamics simulation.

For this basic simulation example we construct an fcc Al crystal in a cubic supercell (`cubic=True`). For more details on generating structures, please have a look at our `structures example`

```
[4]: basis = pr.create_ase_bulk('Al', cubic=True)
supercell_3x3x3 = basis.repeat([3, 3, 3])
supercell_3x3x3.plot3d()
```

Here `create_ase_bulk` uses the ASE bulk module. The structure can be modified - here we extend the original cell to a 3x3x3 supercell (`repeat ([3, 3, 3])`). Finally, we plot the structure using `NGLview`.

The project object allows to create various simulation job types. Here, we create a LAMMPS job.
Further, we specify a Molecular Dynamics simulation at $T = 800$ K using the supercell structure created above.

To see all available interatomic potentials which are compatible with the structure (for our example they must contain Al) and the job type (here LAMMPS) we call `job.list_potentials()`:

```python
job.list_potentials()

['Al_Mg_Mendelev_eam', 'Zope_Ti_Al_2003_eam', 'Al_H_Ni_Angelo_eam']
```

From the above let us select the first potential in the list.

```python
pot = job.list_potentials()[0]
print ('Selected potential: ', pot)
job.potential = pot
Selected potential: Al_Mg_Mendelev_eam
```

To run the LAMMPS simulation (locally) we now simply use:

```python
job.run()
```

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In the same way we can plot the trajectories.

```
[14]: pos = job['output/generic/positions']
    x, y, z = [pos[:, :, i] for i in range(3)]
    sel = np.abs(z) < 0.1
    fig, axs = plt.subplots(1,1)
    axs.scatter(x[sel], y[sel])
    axs.set_xlabel('x [Å]')
    axs.set_ylabel('y [Å]')
    axs.set_aspect('equal', 'box');
```
### Perform a series of jobs

To run the MD simulation for various temperatures we can simply loop over the desired temperature values.

```python
[15]: for temperature in np.arange(200, 1200, 200):
    job = pr.create_job(pr.job_type.Lammps,
                       'Al_T{}K'.format(int(temperature)))
    job.structure = supercell_3x3x3
    job.potential = pot
    job.calc_md(temperature=temperature,
                pressure=0,
                n_ionic_steps=10000)
    job.run()
```

To inspect the list of jobs in our current project we type (note that the existing job from the previous exercise at $T = 800$ K has been recognized and not run again):

```python
[16]: pr
[16]: ['Al_T600K', 'Al_T800K', 'Al_T1000K', 'Al_T200K', 'Al_T400K']
```

We can now iterate over the jobs and extract volume and mean temperature.

```python
[17]: vol_lst, temp_lst = [], []
    for job in pr.iter_jobs(convert_to_object=False):
        volumes = job['output/generic/volume']
        temperatures = job['output/generic/temperature']
        temp_lst.append(np.mean(temperatures[:-20]))
        vol_lst.append(np.mean(volumes[:-20]))
```

Then we can use the extracted information to plot the thermal expansion, calculated within the $NPT$ ensemble. For plotting the temperature values in ascending order the volume list is mapped to the sorted temperature list.

```python
[18]: plt.figure()
    vol_lst[:] = [vol_lst[np.argsort(temp_lst)[k]]
                  for k in range(len(vol_lst))]
    plt.plot(sorted(temp_lst), vol_lst,
             linestyle='-', marker='o',)
    plt.title('Thermal expansion')
    plt.xlabel('Temperature [K]')
    plt.ylabel('Volume [$\AA^3$]');
```
Create a series of projects

We extend the previous example and compute the thermal expansion for three of the available aluminum potentials. First, let us create a new pyiron project named ‘Al_potentials’. We can use the information of the previously run job ‘Al_T200K’ of the ‘first_steps’ project to find all the compatible potentials.

```python
[19]: pr = Project('Al_potentials')
    pot_lst = pr['../first_steps/Al_T200K'].load_object().list_potentials()[:3]

[20]: pot_lst
[20]: ['Al_Mg_Mendelev_eam', 'Zope_Ti_Al_2003_eam', 'Al_H_Ni_Angelo_eam']

Note again that list_potentials() automatically only returns the potentials that are compatible with the structure (chemical species) and the job type.

We can now loop over the selected potentials and run the MD simulation for the desired temperature values for any of the potentials.

```python
[21]: for pot in pot_lst:
    print ('Interatomic potential used: ', pot)
    pr_pot = pr.create_group(pot)
    for temperature in np.arange(200, 1200, 200):
        job = pr_pot.create_job(pr.job_type.Lammps,
                                'Al_T{0}K'.format(int(temperature)))
        job.structure = supercell_3x3x3
        job.potential = pot
        job.calc_md(temperature=temperature,
                    pressure=0,
                    n_ionic_steps=10000)
        job.run()
```
Interatomic potential used: Al_Mg_Mendelev_eam
Interatomic potential used: Zope_Ti_Al_2003_eam
Interatomic potential used: Al_H_Ni_Angelo_eam

With the `pr.create_group()` command a new subproject (directory) is created named here by the name of the potential.

For any particular potential the thermal expansion data can be obtained again by looping over the jobs performed using that potential. To obtain the thermal expansion curves for all the potentials used we can simply iterate over the subprojects (directories) created above by using the `pr.iter_groups()` command.

```python
for p in pr.iter_groups():
    vol_lst, temp_lst = [], []
    for out in p.iter_jobs(path='output/generic'):
        volumes = out['volume']
        temperatures = out['temperature']
        temp_lst.append(np.mean(temperatures[:-20]))
        vol_lst.append(np.mean(volumes[:-20]))
    # Plot only if there is a job in that group
    if len(p.get_job_ids()) > 0:
        plt.plot(temp_lst, vol_lst,
                 linestyle='-', marker='o',
                 label=p.name)
plt.legend(loc='best')
plt.title('Thermal expansion for different interatomic potentials')
plt.xlabel('Temperature [K]')
plt.ylabel('Volume [$\AA^3$]');
```

![Thermal expansion for different interatomic potentials](image)

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4.3.2 Energy volume curve

Theory

Fitting the energy volume curve allows to calculate the equilibrium energy \( E_0 \), the equilibrium volume \( V_0 \), the equilibrium bulk modulus \( B_0 \) and its derivative \( B'_0 \). These quantities can then be used as part of the Einstein model to get an initial prediction for the thermodynamic properties, the heat capacity \( C_v \) and the free energy \( F \).

Initialisation

We start by importing matplotlib, numpy and the pyiron project class.

```python
1: %matplotlib inline
   import matplotlib.pyplot as plt
   import numpy as np
   from pyiron import Project
```

In the next step we create a project, by specifying the name of the project.

```python
2: pr = Project(path='thermo')
```

Atomistic structure

To analyse the energy volume dependence a single super cell is sufficient, so we create an iron super cell as an example.

```python
3: basis = pr.create_structure(element='Fe', bravais_basis='bcc', lattice_constant=2.75)
basis.plot3d()
```

Calculation

Energy volume curves are commonly calculated with ab initio codes, so we use VASP in this example. But we focus on the generic commands so the same example works with any DFT code. We choose `vasp` as job name prefix, select an energy cut off of \( 320 \text{eV} \) and assign the basis to the job. Afterwards we apply the corresponding strain.

```python
4: for strain in np.linspace(0.95, 1.05, 7):
    strain_str = str(strain).replace('.', '_')
    job_vasp_strain = pr.create_job(job_type=pr.job_type.Gpaw, job_name='gpaw_' + strain_str)
    job_vasp_strain.set_encut(320.0)
    job_vasp_strain.structure = basis.copy()
    job_vasp_strain.structure.set_cell(cell=basis.cell * strain ** (1/3), scale_atoms=True)
    job_vasp_strain.run()
```

The job gpaw_0_95 was saved and received the ID: 1
The job gpaw_0_9666666666666667 was saved and received the ID: 2
The job gpaw_0_9833333333333333 was saved and received the ID: 3
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The job gpaw_1_0166666666666666 was saved and received the ID: 5
The job gpaw_1_0333333333333334 was saved and received the ID: 6
The job gpaw_1_05 was saved and received the ID: 7
As these are simple calculations, there is no need to submit them to the queuing system. We can confirm the status of the calculation with the job_table. If the status of each job is marked as finished, then we can continue with the next step.

```
[5]: pr.job_table()

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Analysis

We aggregate the data for further processing in two separated lists, one for the volumes and one for the energies. To
do so we iterate over the jobs within the project, filter the job names which contain the string ‘vasp’ and from those
extract the final volume and the final energy.

```python
volume_lst, energy_lst = zip(*[[job['output/generic/volume'][-1], job['output/generic/energy_pot'][-1]] for job in pr.iter_jobs(convert_to_object=False) if 'gpaw' in job.job_name])
```

We plot the aggregated data using matplotlib.

```python
plt.plot(volume_lst, energy_lst, 'x-')
plt.xlabel('Volume ($\AA^3$)')
plt.ylabel('Energy (eV)')
```

Encut Dependence

To extend the complexity of our simulation protocol we can not only iterate over different strains but also different
energy cutoffs. For this we use multiple sub projects to structure the data. And we summarize the previous code in
multiple functions to maintain a high level of readability. The first function calculates a specific strained configuration
for an specific energy cut off, while the second function analyses the different strained calculations for a specific energy
cutoff and returns the list of energy volume pairs.
Functions

```python
[8]: def vasp_calculation_for_strain(pr, basis, strain, encut):
    strain_str = str(strain).replace('.', '_')
    job_vasp_strain = pr.create_job(job_type=pr.job_type.Gpaw, job_name='gpaw_' + strain_str)
    job_vasp_strain.set_encut(encut)
    job_vasp_strain.structure = basis.copy()
    job_vasp_strain.structure.set_cell(cell=basis.cell * strain ** (1/3), scale_atoms=True)
    job_vasp_strain.run()
```

```python
[9]: def energy_volume_pairs(pr):
    volume_lst, energy_lst = zip(*[[job['output/generic/volume'][-1], job['output/generic/energy_pot'][-1]]
                                   for job in pr.iter_jobs(convert_to_object=False) if 'gpaw' in job.job_name])
    return volume_lst, energy_lst
```

Calculation

With these functions we can structure our code and implement the additional for loop to include multiple energy cutoffs.

```python
[10]: for encut in np.linspace(270, 320, 6):
    encut_str = 'encut_' + str(int(encut))
    pr_encut = pr.open(encut_str)
    for strain in np.linspace(0.95, 1.05, 7):
        vasp_calculation_for_strain(pr=pr_encut, basis=basis, strain=strain, encut=encut)
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Analysis

The analysis is structured in a similar way. Here we use iter_groups() to iterate over the existing subprojects within our project and plot the individual energy volume curves using the functions defined above.

```python
for pr_encut in pr.iter_groups():
    volume_lst, energy_lst = energy_volume_pairs(pr_encut)
    plt.plot(volume_lst, energy_lst, 'x-', label=pr_encut.base_name)
plt.xlabel('Volume ($\AA^3$)')
plt.ylabel('Energy (eV)')
plt.legend()
```

![Graph showing energy-volume curves for different encut values](image.png)
Fitting

After we created multiple datasets we can now start to fit the converged results. While it is possible to fit the results using a simple polynomial fit we prefer to use the physically motivated birch murnaghan equation or the vinet equation.

For this we create the Murnaghan object and use it is fitting functionality:

```python
murn = pr.create_job(job_type=pr.job_type.Murnaghan, job_name='murn')
```

### Birch Murnaghan

```python
[e0, b0, bP, v0], [e0_error, b0_error, bP_error, v0_error] = murn._fit_leastsq(volume_lst=volume_lst, energy_lst=energy_lst, fittype='birchmurnaghan')
```

```python
[-16.623387215037408, 280.9875784436634, 4.060730693834813, 21.19199044120968]
```

### Vinet

```python
[e0, b0, bP, v0], [e0_error, b0_error, bP_error, v0_error] = murn._fit_leastsq(volume_lst=volume_lst, energy_lst=energy_lst, fittype='vinet')
```

```python
[-16.623384845899427, 280.93805771100557, 4.105492272090299, 21.19185363600345]
```

We see that both equation of states give slightly different results, with overall good agreement. To validate the agreement we plot the with with the original data.

```python
vol_lst = np.linspace(np.min(volume_lst), np.max(volume_lst), 1000)
plt.plot(volume_lst, energy_lst, label='dft')
plt.plot(vol_lst, murn.fit_module.vinet_energy(vol_lst, e0, b0/160.21766208, bP, v0), label='vinet')
plt.xlabel('Volume ($\AA^3$)')
plt.ylabel('Energy (eV)')
plt.legend()
```

```python
<matplotlib.legend.Legend at 0x7f638078d150>
```
Besides the fitting capabilities the Murnaghan module can also be used to run a set of calculations. For this we define a reference job, which can be either a Vasp calculation or any other pyiron job type and then specify the input parameters for the Murnaghan job.

```
[16]: job_vasp_strain = pr.create_job(job_type=pr.job_type.Gpaw, job_name='gpaw')
    job_vasp_strain.set_encut(320)
    job_vasp_strain.structure = basis.copy()

[17]: murn = pr.create_job(job_type=pr.job_type.Murnaghan, job_name='murn')
    murn.ref_job = job_vasp_strain
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[18]: murn.input['num_points'] = 7
    murn.input['vol_range'] = 0.05

[19]: type(murn.structure)
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[20]: pr.job_table()

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Afterwards we can use the build in capabilities to plot the resulting energy volume curve and fit different equations of state to the calculated energy volume pairs.

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22     murn.run()
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24     /srv/conda/envs/notebook/lib/python3.7/site-packages/ase/cell.py:17: FutureWarning:
25     Cell object will no longer have pbc
26     warnings.warn(deprecation_msg, FutureWarning)
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[22]: murn.output_to_pandas()
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[23]: murn.plot()

[24]: murn.fit_vinet()

[24]: {'fit_type': 'vinet',
        'volume_eq': 21.19185363600345,
        'energy_eq': -16.623384845899427,
        'bulkmodul_eq': 280.93805771100557,
        'b_prime_eq': 4.105492272090299,
        'least_square_error': array([4.97985872e-04, 1.01905536e+01, 1.63735940e+00, 8.58104678e-03])}
Common mistakes

Not copying the basis

It is important to copy the basis before applying the strain, as the strain has to be applied on the initial structure, not the previous structure:

```python
[25]: volume_lst_with_copy = []
   for strain in np.linspace(0.95, 1.05, 7):
      basis_copy = basis.copy()
      basis_copy.set_cell(cell=basis.cell * strain ** (1/3), scale_atoms=True)
      volume_lst_with_copy.append(basis_copy.get_volume())

[26]: basis_copy = basis.copy()
   volume_lst_without_copy = []
   for strain in np.linspace(0.95, 1.05, 7):
      basis_copy.set_cell(cell=basis_copy.cell * strain ** (1/3), scale_atoms=True)
      volume_lst_without_copy.append(basis_copy.get_volume())

[27]: volume_lst_with_copy, volume_lst_without_copy
```

```
([19.757031250000004,
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```

Rescaling the cell

Another common issue is the rescaling of the supercell, there are multiple options to choose from. We used the option to scale the atoms with the supercell.

```python
[28]: basis_copy = basis.copy()
   strain = 0.5
   basis_copy.set_cell(cell=basis_copy.cell * strain ** (1/3), scale_atoms=True)
   basis_copy.plot3d()
   NGLWidget()

A nother typical case is rescaling the cell to increase the distance between the atoms or add vacuum. But that is not what we want to fit an energy volume curve.

```python
[29]: basis_copy = basis.copy()
   strain = 0.5
   basis_copy.set_cell(cell=basis_copy.cell * strain ** (1/3), scale_atoms=False)
   basis_copy.plot3d()
```
The same can be achieved by setting the basis to relative coordinates.

```python
[30]: basis_copy = basis.copy()
    strain = 0.5
    basis_copy.set_relative()
    basis_copy.cell *= strain ** (1/3)
    basis_copy.plot3d()
NGLWidget()
```

```python
[31]: basis_copy = basis.copy()
    strain = 0.5
    basis_copy.cell *= strain ** (1/3)
    basis_copy.plot3d()
NGLWidget()
```

### 4.3.3 Creating structures in pyiron

This section gives a brief introduction about some of the tools available in pyiron to construct atomic structures.

For the sake of compatibility, our structure class is written to be compatible with the popular Atomistic Simulation Environment package (ASE). This makes it possible to use routines from ASE to help set-up structures.

Furthermore, pyiron uses the NGLview package to visualize the structures and trajectories interactively in 3D using NGLview-widgets.

As preparation for the following discussion we import a few python libraries

```python
[1]: import numpy as np
    %matplotlib inline
    import matplotlib.pylab as plt
```

and create a pyiron project named ‘structures’:

```python
[2]: from pyiron.project import Project
    pr = Project(path='structures')
```

**Bulk crystals**

In this section we discuss various possibilities to create bulk crystal structures.
Using `create_structure()`

The simplest way to generate simple crystal structures is using the inbuilt `create_structure()` function specifying the element symbol, Bravais basis and the lattice constant(s)

Note: The output gives a cubic cell rather than the smallest non-orthogonal unit cell.

```python
[3]: structure = pr.create_structure('Al',
        bravais_basis='fcc',
        lattice_constant=4.05)
```

To plot the structure interactively in 3D simply use:

```python
[4]: structure.plot3d()
```

Using `create_ase_bulk()`

Another convenient way to set up structures is using the `create_ase_bulk()` function which is built on top of the ASE build package for bulk crystals. This function returns an object which is of the pyiron structure object type.

Example: fcc bulk aluminum in a cubic cell

```python
[5]: structure = pr.create_ase_bulk('Al', cubic=True)
structure.plot3d()
NGLWidget()
```

Example: wurtzite GaN in a 3x3x3 repeated orthorhombic cell.

Note: - In contrast to new_structure = structure.repeat() which creates a new object, set_repeat() modifies the existing structure object. - Setting `spacefill=False` in the `plot3d()` method changes the atomic structure style to “ball and stick”.

```python
[6]: structure = pr.create_ase_bulk('AlN',
        crystalstructure='wurtzite',
        a=3.5, orthorhombic=True)
structure.set_repeat([3,3,3])
structure.plot3d(spacefill=False)
NGLWidget()
```

Creating surfaces (using ASE)

Surfaces can be created using the `create_surface()` function which is also built on top of the ASE build package for surfaces.

Example: Creating a 3x4 fcc Al(111) surface with 4 layers and a vacuum of 10 Ångström

```python
[7]: Al_111 = pr.create_surface("Al", surface_type="fcc111",
    size=(3, 4, 4), vacuum=10, orthogonal=True)
Al_111.plot3d()
NGLWidget()
```
Creating structures without importing the project class

In all the examples shown above, the structures are create from the pyiron Project object. It is also possible to do this without importing/initializing this object. For this the appropriate imports must be made.

```
[8]: from pyiron import create_ase_bulk, create_surface

[9]: structure = create_ase_bulk('AlN',
    crystalstructure='wurtzite',
    a=3.5, orthorhombic=True)
structure.set_repeat([3,3,3])
structure.plot3d(spacefill=False)
NGLWidget()
```

```
[10]: Al_111 = create_surface("Al", surface_type="fcc111",
    size=(3, 4, 4), vacuum=10, orthogonal=True)
Al_111.plot3d()
NGLWidget()
```

Using the ASE spacegroup class

```
[11]: from ase.spacegroup import crystal
from pyiron import ase_to_pyiron

    a = 9.04
skutterudite = crystal(('Co', 'Sb'),
    basis=[(0.25, 0.25, 0.25), (0.0, 0.335, 0.158)],
    spacegroup=204,
    cellpar=[a, a, a, 90, 90, 90])
skutterudite = ase_to_pyiron(skutterudite)
```

```
[12]: skutterudite.plot3d()
NGLWidget()
```

Accessing the properties of the structure object

Using the bulk aluminum fcc example from before the structure object can be created by

```
[13]: structure = pr.create_ase_bulk('Al', cubic=True)
```

A summary of the information about the structure is given by using

```
[14]: print(structure)
    A1: [0. 0. 0.]
    A1: [0. 2.025 2.025]
    A1: [2.025 0. 2.025]
    A1: [2.025 2.025 0. ]
    pbc: [ True True True]
    cell:
    [[4.05 0. 0. ]
```
The cell vectors of the structure object can be accessed and edited through

```python
structure.cell
```

```python
array([[4.05, 0., 0.],
       [0., 4.05, 0.],
       [0., 0., 4.05]])
```

The positions of the atoms in the structure object can be accessed and edited through

```python
structure.positions
```

```python
array([[0., 0., 0.],
       [0., 2.025, 2.025],
       [2.025, 0., 2.025],
       [2.025, 2.025, 0.]])
```

## Point defects

### Creating a single vacancy

We start by setting up a 4x4x4 supercell

```python
structure = pr.create_ase_bulk('Al', cubic=True)
structure.set_repeat([4,4,4])
```

To create the vacancy at position index “0” simply use:

```python
del structure[0]
```

To plot the structure that now contains a vacancy run:

```python
structure.plot3d()
```

### Creating multiple vacancies

```python
# First create a 4x4x4 supercell
structure = pr.create_ase_bulk('Al', cubic=True)
structure.set_repeat([4,4,4])
print('Number of atoms in the repeat unit: ',structure.get_number_of_atoms())
Number of atoms in the repeat unit: 256
```

The `del` command works for passing a list of indices to the structure object. For example, a random set of $n_{vac}$ vacancies can be created by using
Random substitutial alloys

Substitutional atoms can be defined by changing the atomic species accessed through its position index. Here, we set \( n_{\text{sub}} \) magnesium substitutional atoms at random positions

```python
n_sub = 24
structure[np.random.permutation(len(structure))[:n_sub]] = 'Mg'
```

Explicit definition of the structure

You can also set-up structures through the explicit input of the cell parameters and positions

```python
cell = 10.0 * np.eye(3)  # Specifying the cell dimensions
positions = [[0.25, 0.25, 0.25], [0.75, 0.75, 0.75]]
elements = ['O', 'O']

# Now use the Atoms class to create the instance.
O_dimer = pr.create_atoms(elements=elements, scaled_positions=positions, cell=cell)
```

NGLWidget()
Parsers from ASE can be used to import structures from other formats. In this example, we will download and import a Nepheline structure from the Crystallography Open Database (COD)

[27]: # The COD structures can be accessed through their unique COD identifier
cod = 1008753
filename = '{}.cif'.format(cod)
url = 'http://www.crystallography.net/cod/{}/'.format(filename)

[28]: # Download and save the structure file locally
import urllib
urllib.request.urlretrieve(url=url, filename='strucs.'+filename);

[29]: # Using ase parsers to read the structure and then convert to a pyiron instance
import ase
from pyiron import ase_to_pyiron
structure = ase_to_pyiron(ase.io.read(filename='strucs.'+filename, format='cif'))
structure.info['cod'] = cod

/home/surendralal/miniconda3/envs/pyiron_workshop/lib/python3.7/site-packages/ase/io/cif.py:375: UserWarning: crystal system 'hexagonal' is not interpreted for spacegroup Spacegroup(173, setting=1). This may result in wrong setting!

[30]: structure.plot3d()

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ModuleNotFoundError: No module named 'nglview'
During handling of the above exception, another exception occurred:

ImportError: Traceback (most recent call last)
~/science/phd/dev/pyiron/pyiron/atomistics/structure/atoms.py in plot3d(self, show_cell, show_axes, camera, spacefill, particle_size, select_atoms, background, color_scheme, colors, scalar_field, scalar_start, scalar_end, scalar_cmap, vector_field, vector_color, magnetic_moments, custom_array, custom_3darray, view_plane, distance_from_camera)
 1326       try: # If the graphical packages are not available, the GUI will not work.
 1327       except ImportError:
-> 1328         raise ImportError("The package nglview needs to be installed for the plot3d() function!")

ModuleNotFoundError: No module named 'nglview'
Structures can be stored independently from jobs in HDF5 by using the special StructureContainer job. To save to disk, call run().

```python
[32]: container = pr.create_job(pr.job_type.StructureContainer, "nepheline")
container.structure = structure
container.run()

The job nepheline was saved and received the ID: 47

It's also possible to store multiple structures in one container and to store directly from a job. Let's use this here to store the equilibrated structures at finite temperatures.

```py
[46]: al_container = pr.create_job(pr.job_type.StructureContainer, "al_temp", delete_
    existing_job=True)
for T in (400, 600, 800):
    j = pr.create_job(pr.job_type.Lammps, "T_{}").format(T))
    j.structure = pr.create_ase_bulk("Al", cubic = True)
    j.potential = j.list_potentials()[0]
    j.calc_md(temperature=T, n_ionic_steps=1000, pressure=0)
    j.run()
    structure = j.get_structure(-1)
    structure.info["T"] = T
    structure.info["P"] = 0
    al_container.append(structure)

1331 )
ImportError: The package nglview needs to be installed for the plot3d() function!
```

This group does not exist in the HDF5 file al_temp

```py
2020-08-22 14:05:03,496 - pyiron_log - WARNING - The job T_400 is being loaded
    instead of running. To re-run use the argument 'delete_existing_job=True in create_
    job'

2020-08-22 14:05:04,282 - pyiron_log - WARNING - The job T_600 is being loaded
    instead of running. To re-run use the argument 'delete_existing_job=True in create_
    job'

2020-08-22 14:05:05,065 - pyiron_log - WARNING - The job T_800 is being loaded
    instead of running. To re-run use the argument 'delete_existing_job=True in create_
    job'

The job al_temp was saved and received the ID: 51
```

```py
[47]: al_container.structure_lst[0].info
[47]: {'T': 400, 'P': 0}
[49]: al_container.structure_lst
[49]: InputList([Al: [0.13389146 3.96541338 4.05893092]
     Al: [3.99018226 2.0071096 1.95618182]
     Al: [1.98560236 3.88778884 2.0465924 ]
     Al: [2.04906472 2.05913422 0.09311447]
     pbc: [ True True True]
     cell: Cell([[4.0793703936328773, 2.497893949200251e-16, 2.497893949200251e-16], [0.0, 3.
         973148678151775, 2.4328519056175543e-16], [0.0, 0.0, 4.07740980410461]])
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4.3.4 Data mining using pyiron tables

In this example, the data mining capabilities of pyiron using the PyironTables class is demonstrated by computing and contrasting the ground state properties of fcc-Al using various force fields.

```python
[1]: from pyiron import Project
   import numpy as np
[2]: pr = Project("potential_scan")

Creating a dummy job to get list of potentials

In order to get the list of available LAMMPS potentials, a dummy job with an Al bulk structure is created

```python
[3]: dummy_job = pr.create_job(pr.job_type.Lammps, "dummy_job")
dummy_job.structure = pr.create_ase_bulk("Al")
# Choosing only select potentials to run (you can play with these valueess)
um_potentials = 5
potential_list = dummy_job.list_potentials()[0:num_potentials]
```

Creating a Murnaghan job for each potential in their respective subprojects

A separate Murnaghan job (to compute equilibrium lattice constant and the bulk modulus) is created and run for every potential

```python
[4]: for pot in potential_list:
   
   # open a subproject within a project
   with pr.open(pot_str) as pr_sub:
      # no need for unique job name if in different subprojects
      job_name = "murn_A1"
```

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# Use the subproject to create the jobs
murn = pr_sub.create_job(pr.job_type.Murnaghan, job_name)
job_ref = pr_sub.create_job(pr.job_type.Lammps, "Al_ref")
job_ref.structure = pr.create_ase_bulk("Al", cubic=True)
job_ref.potential = pot
job_ref.calc_minimize()
murn.ref_job = job_ref

# Some potentials may not work with certain LAMMPS compilations.
# Therefore, we need to have a little exception handling
try:
murn.run()
except RuntimeError:
    pass

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The job strain_0_98 was saved and received the ID: 6
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The job strain_1_04 was saved and received the ID: 9
The job strain_1_06 was saved and received the ID: 10
The job strain_1_08 was saved and received the ID: 11
The job strain_1_1 was saved and received the ID: 12

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job_id: 11 finished
job_id: 12 finished

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The job strain_1_08 was saved and received the ID: 23
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If you inspect the job table, you would find that each Murnaghan job generates various small LAMMPS jobs (see column hamilton). Some of these jobs might have failed with status aborted.

```python
[5]: pr.job_table()
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Analysis using PyironTables

The idea now is to go over all finished Murnaghan jobs and extract the equilibrium lattice parameter and bulk modulus, and classify them based on the potential used.

Defining filter functions

Since a project can have thousands if not millions of jobs, it is necessary to “filter” the data and only apply the functions (some of which can be computationally expensive) to only this data. In this example, we need to filter jobs that are finished and are of type Murnaghan. This can be done in two ways: using the job table i.e. the entries in the database, or using the job itself i.e. using entries in the stored HDF5 file. Below are examples of filter functions acting on the job and the job table respectively.

[6]: # Filtering using the database entries (which are obtained as a pandas Dataframe)
def db_filter_function(job_table):
    # Returns a pandas Series of boolean values (True for entries that have status finished
    return job_table['status'] == 'finished'
return (job_table.status == "finished") & (job_table.hamilton == "Murnaghan")

# Filtering based on the job
def job_filter_function(job):
    # returns a boolean value if the status of the job is finished and if "murn" is in it's job name
    return (job.status == "finished") & ("murn" in job.job_name)

Obviously, using the database is faster in this case but sometimes it might be necessary to filter based on some data that are stored in the HDF5 file of the job. The database filter is applied first followed by the job based filter.

## Defining functions that act on jobs

Now we define a set of functions that will be applied on each job to return a certain value. The filtered jobs will be loaded and these functions will be applied on the loaded jobs. The advantage of such functions is that the jobs do not have to be loaded every time such operations are performed. The filtered jobs are loaded once, and then they are passed to these functions to construct the table.

```python
# Getting equilibrium lattice parameter from Murnaghan jobs
def get_lattice_parameter(job):
    return job["output/equilibrium_volume"] ** (1/3)

# Getting equilibrium bulk modulus from Murnaghan jobs
def get_bm(job):
    return job["output/equilibrium_bulk_modulus"]

# Getting the potential used in each Murnaghan job
def get_pot(job):
    child = job.project.inspect(job["output/id"][0])
    return child["input/potential/Name"]
```

## Creating a pyiron table

Now that all the functions are defined, the pyiron table called “table” is created in the following way. This works like a job and can be reloaded at any time.

```python
%%time
# creating a pyiron table
table = pr.create_table("table")

# assigning a database filter function
table.db_filter_function = db_filter_function

# Alternatively/additionally, a job based filter function can be applied
# (it does the same thing in this case).
#table.filter_function = job_filter_function

# Adding the functions using the labels you like
table.add["a_eq"] = get_lattice_parameter
table.add["bulk_modulus"] = get_bm
table.add["potential"] = get_pot
```

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# Running the table to generate the data

```python
table.run(run_again=True)
```

0% | 0/4 [00:00<?, ?it/s]

The job table was saved and received the ID: 51

100% | 4/4 [00:00<00:00, 20.91it/s]

2020-05-01 14:22:57,257 - pyiron_log - WARNING - The job table is being loaded instead of running. To re-run use the argument 'run_again=True'

CPU times: user 531 ms, sys: 156 ms, total: 688 ms
Wall time: 725 ms

The output can now be obtained as a pandas DataFrame

```python
[9]: table.get_dataframe()
```

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You can now compare the computed equilibrium lattice constants for each potential to those computed in the NIST database for Al (fcc phase). [https://www.ctcms.nist.gov/potentials/system/Al/#Al](https://www.ctcms.nist.gov/potentials/system/Al/#Al).

## 4.3.5 Phonopy in pyiron

We will use the quasi-harmonic approximation (via PyIron’s implementation of the popular phonopy package) to evaluate look at thermal expansion and self-diffusion in Aluminium

```python
[1]: # Generic imports
    from pyiron.project import Project
    import numpy as np
    %matplotlib inline
    import matplotlib.pylab as plt
    import seaborn as sns

[2]: pr = Project("PhonopyExample")
    pot = 'Al_Mg_Mendelev_eam'
```

### Helper functions

Because repeating code is evil.

```python
[3]: def make_phonopy_job(template_job, name):
    """
    Create a phonopy job from a reference job.
    """
    template_job (pyiron job): The job to copy.
    name (str): What to call this new job.
```

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def scale_array(arr, scaler=None, new_range=1.):
    """
    Linearly transforms an array so that values equal to the minimum and maximum of
    the `scaler` array are mapped to the range (0, `new_range`). Note that rescaled
    values can still lie outside this range if the original values of `arr` are outside the
    bounds of `scaler`.
    
    Args:
    arr (np.array): Array to rescale.
    scaler (np.array): Array by which to rescale. Default is `arr`.
    new_range (float): New value for data which was the size `np.amax(scaler)`.
    Default is 1.
    """
    if scaler is None:
        scaler = arr
    return new_range * (arr - np.amin(scaler)) / np.ptp(scaler)

Thermal Expansion

What does the QHA say the lattice constant is as a function of temperature?

pr_te = pr.create_group("ThermalExpansion")
Relax the unit cell

If we were doing VASP instead it would be important to do the least computation as possible, so here we’ll start by relaxing a simple unit cell to turn into a supercell later.

```python
[6]: job_unit = pr_te.create_job(pr.job_type.Lammps, "UnitCell")
[7]: basis = pr_te.create_structure("Al", "fcc", 4.04)
[8]: job_unit.structure = basis
    job_unit.potential = pot
[9]: job_unit.calc_minimize(pressure=0.0)
    job_unit.run()
    The job UnitCell was saved and received the ID: 8886147
[10]: basis_rel = job_unit.get_final_structure()
```

Relax the bulk supercell

A relaxation which should take zero steps given our starting position!

```python
[11]: job_bulk_1 = pr_te.create_job(pr.job_type.Lammps, "Bulk_1")
    # The _1 here refers to the fact that the volume has been rescaled by a factor of "1.0 „
    # (i.e. it hasn't been rescaled)
[12]: n_reps = 3
    job_bulk_1.structure = basis_rel.repeat(rep=n_reps)
    job_bulk_1.potential = pot
[13]: job_bulk_1.structure.plot3d();
[14]: job_bulk_1.calc_minimize(pressure=0.0)
    job_bulk_1.run()
    The job Bulk_1 was saved and received the ID: 8886148
```

Calculate phonons

Run phonopy on the bulk supercell

```python
[15]: phono_bulk_1 = make_phonopy_job(job_bulk_1, "PhonoBulk_1")
[16]: phono_bulk_1.run()
    # Run performs a whole bunch of child calculations
    # Each one has the positions slightly deformed in the symmetry-appropriate ways needed
    # to get the phonon properties
```
The job PhonoBulk_1 was saved and received the ID: 8886149
The job supercell_phonon_0 was saved and received the ID: 8886150

```python
# Let's see what we got...
T_min = 0
T_max = 800  # a bit below melting
T_step = 25
temperatures = np.linspace(T_min, T_max, int((T_max - T_min) / T_step))
tp_bulk_1 = phono_bulk_1.get_thermal_properties(temperatures=temperatures)
# `get_thermal_properties` uses the displacements and forces to generate phonon... information
```

```python
U_bulk_1 = job_bulk_1.output.energy_pot[-1]
Fvib_bulk_1 = tp_bulk_1.free_energies
plt.plot(temperatures, U_bulk_1 + Fvib_bulk_1)
plt.xlabel("Temperature [K]")
plt.ylabel("Free energy ($U+F_{vib}$) [eV]")
```

```python
plt.text(0, 0.5, 'Free energy ($U+F_{vib}$) [eV]')
```

![Graph showing free energy vs. temperature](image)

**Calculate thermal expansivity**

Above we have the (QHA approximation to the) free energy as a function of temperature at a fixed volume. To evaluate the thermal expansivity, we need to create the entire $F(V, T)$ surface. To get this, we just loop over jobs like the above, but scaled to have different lattice constants.

```python
# According to Wikipedia, the thermal expansivity is about 0.0023% / Kelvin
# So at our maximum temperature, we expect around 1.8% expansion
scale_min = -0.005
scale_max = 0.02
scale_step = 0.002
scales = np.linspace(scale_min, scale_max, int((scale_max - scale_min) / scale_step))

# Let's keep things clean by making another sub-directory
pr_scales = pr_te.create_group("ScanScales")
```

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[21]:

```python
# Loop the phonon calculation over all the volumes
sc_bulk_rel = job_bulk_1.get_final_structure()
bulk_free_energies = np.zeros((len(scales), len(temperatures)))
for i, scale in enumerate(scales):
    name_tail = "_\{\}".format(str(scale).replace(".", "c").replace('-', 'm'))
    # Make a bulk job with the rescaled structure
    # (already relaxed, by symmetry won't change, calc static will be enough)
    job_bulk = pr_scales.create_job(pr.job_type.Lammps, "Bulk" + name_tail)
    job_bulk.potential = pot
    job_bulk.structure = sc_bulk_rel.apply_strain(epsilon=scale, return_box=True)
    job_bulk.calc_static()
    job_bulk.run()
    U = job_bulk.output.energy_tot[-1]

    # Use that job as a reference for a phonopy job
    phono_bulk = make_phonopy_job(job_bulk, "PhonoBulk" + name_tail)
    phono_bulk.run()
    tpBulk = phono_bulk.get_thermal_properties(temperatures=temperatures)
    Fvib = tpBulk.free_energies

    # Fill in the row of free energies for this volume
    bulk_free_energies[i] = Fvib + U
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[22]: # The lattice constant is probably a more informative value than the 0K-relative strain
       latts = basis_rel.cell[0][0] * scales

[23]: # At each temperature, find the optimal volume by a simple quadratic fit
       # ...Wait, which order fit will be good enough? Let's just spot-check
       free_en = bulk_free_energies[:, -1]
       plt.plot(latts, free_en, color='b', label='data')

       # We'll plot the fit on a much denser mesh
       fit_deg = 4
       p = np.polyfit(latts, free_en, deg=fit_deg)
       dense_latts = np.linspace(np.amin(latts), np.amax(latts), 1000)
       plt.plot(dense_latts, np.polyval(p=p, x=dense_latts), color='r', label='fit')
       plt.xlabel('Lattice constant [\AA]')
       plt.ylabel('Bulk free energy [eV/supercell]')
       plt.legend()

[23]: <matplotlib.legend.Legend at 0x2b151bd2ac10>

```

![Graph showing bulk free energy vs lattice constant](image)

```
[24]: # Now find optimal temperatures
       best_latts = np.zeros(len(temperatures))
       best_latt_guess = basis_rel.cell[0][0]
       for i, T in enumerate(temperatures):
           free_en = bulk_free_energies[:, i]
           p = np.polyfit(latts, free_en, deg=fit_deg)
           extrema = np.roots(np.polyder(p, m=1)).real
           best_latts[i] = extrema[np.argmin(np.abs(extrema - best_latt_guess))]

[25]: # Check that they're reasonable
       print(best_latt_guess, '\n', best_latts)
```

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Vacancies and diffusion

Another common use of QHA is to calculate the pre-factor for migration in a diffusion event. In particular, the diffusion jump barrier looks like $\omega_0 = \nu_0^* \exp(-H_m/k_B T)$, where $\nu_0^* = \prod_{i=1}^{3N-3} \nu_i^{IS} / \prod_{i=1}^{3N-4} \nu_i^{TS}$, with IS and TS indicating the initial and transition states, respectively. Note that the transition state is missing a single frequency, which is from the instability of the transition state. It’s either an imaginary mode, which I think means a negative frequency. Meanwhile, $H_m$ is the enthalpic barrier (difference between the initial and transition states) and $k_B T$ is the usual thermal energy term.

Typically, these sorts of investigations use the nudged elastic band (NEB) to find the 0K transition state. You can do
that with our new flexible jobs, but we’ll save that for later. For now we’ll just “approximate” the transition state with a simple linear interpolation.

**Stable vacancy structures**

Let’s start by generating and relaxing the initial and final states

```python
[27]: pr_vac = pr.create_group("Vacancies")

[28]: # Find two adjacent sites
    print(job_bulk_1.structure.positions[0])
    print(job_bulk_1.structure.positions[1])
    # Yep, 1 and 2 will do

[0. 0. 0.]  
[ 2.02263524e+00 2.02263524e+00 -7.63052415e-33]

[29]: job_vac_i = pr_vac.create_job(pr.job_type.Lammps, "VacancyInitial")
    job_vac_f = pr_vac.create_job(pr.job_type.Lammps, "VacancyFinal")

    job_vac_i.potential = pot
    job_vac_f.potential = pot

[30]: sc_vac_i = sc_bulk_rel.copy()
    sc_vac_i.pop(0)
    job_vac_i.structure = sc_vac_i

    sc_vac_f = sc_bulk_rel.copy()
    sc_vac_f.pop(1)
    job_vac_f.structure = sc_vac_f

[31]: # Relax the new vacancy structures
    job_vac_i.calc_minimize(pressure=0.0)
    job_vac_i.run()
    job_vac_f.calc_minimize(pressure=0.0)
    job_vac_f.run()

The job VacancyInitial was saved and received the ID: 8886189
The job VacancyFinal was saved and received the ID: 8886190
```

**DOS**

The pyiron implementation of phonopy makes it very easy to look at the DOS. Let’s see what the effect is of introducing a vacancy, and confirm that our two vacancies are equivalent.

```python
[32]: phon_vac_i = make_phonopy_job(job_vac_i, "PhonoVacInitial")
    phon_vac_f = make_phonopy_job(job_vac_f, "PhonoVacFinal")

[33]: phon_vac_i.run()
    tp_vac_i = phon_vac_i.get_thermal_properties(temperatures=temperatures)
    phon_vac_i.run()
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tp_vac_f = phon_vac_i.get_thermal_properties(temperatures=temperatures)

# Note that the vacancy structures spawn many more child processes
# This is because the vacancy structure has lower symmetry

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The job supercell_phonon_20 was saved and received the ID: 8886236

[34]: fig, ax = plt.subplots()
phono_bulk_1.plot_dos(ax=ax, color='b', label='bulk')
phon_vac_i.plot_dos(ax=ax, color='r', label='vac_i')
phon_vac_f.plot_dos(ax=ax, color='orange', label='vac_f')
plt.legend()
Attempt frequency

Now we get the attempt frequency by comparing the individual phonon spectra of initial and transition states

```python
# Interpolate initial and final positions to guesstimate the transition state
sc_vac_ts = sc_vac_i.copy()
sc_vac_ts.positions = 0.5 * (sc_vac_i.positions + sc_vac_f.positions)

# We don't relax this job, or it would fall into the initial or final state!
job_vac_ts = pr_vac.create_job(pr.job_type.Lammps, "VacancyTransition")
job_vac_ts.potential = pot
job_vac_ts.structure = sc_vac_ts

job_vac_ts.calc_static()
job_vac_ts.run()

The job VacancyTransition was saved and received the ID: 8886237

phon_vac_ts = make_phonopy_job(job_vac_ts, "PhonoVacTransition")
phon_vac_ts.run()

tp_vac_ts = phon_vac_ts.get_thermal_properties(temperatures=temperatures)

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```python
[40]: # The transition state has an imaginary mode (frequency < 0), let's see it
    fig, ax = plt.subplots()
    phon_vac_i.plot_dos(ax=ax, color='r', label='initial')
    phon_vac_ts.plot_dos(ax=ax, color='b', label='transition')
    plt.legend()
```

```python
[40]: <matplotlib.legend.Legend at 0x2b157c09cc90>
```
To calculate the attempt frequency, we’ll ignore both the negative mode of the transition state (which we were warned about in the equation), as well as the three frequencies which correspond to rigid translation and are very near zero, and sometimes dip to be negative. Phonopy sorts the frequencies by magnitude, so we can just skip the first three and four for the initial and transition states, respectively. We take them at \( q=0 \).

\[
\nu^* = \prod_{i=1}^{3N-3} \nu_i / \prod_{i=1}^{3N-4} \nu_{TS}
\]

Mantina et al. (PRL 2008) report \( \nu = 19.3 \) THz using DFT and NEB, so our linearly-interpolated “transition state” with EAM is actually not doing so poorly.

There are many more things you can do with phonopy, including looking directly at the force constants, the Hessian matrix, etc. But hopefully this is a useful starting point.
4.3.6 Workfunction of hcp (0001) surfaces

In this notebook, we will show how to calculate the workfunction of selected hcp(0001) surfaces using VASP. Please keep in mind that the parameters used here give no converged results. They have been chosen to demonstrate the workflow using inexpensive calculations. For converged results, parameters such as lattice parameters, plane-wave energy cutoffs, reciprocal space sampling or the need to perform spin polarized calculations have to be carefully chosen

```python
[1]: import numpy as np
   from matplotlib inline
   import matplotlib.pyplot as plt
   import pandas as pd
   import time

[2]: from pyiron.project import Project

[3]: pr = Project("hcp_workfunction")

Calculating the Workfunction of Mg(0001)

Structure creation

We use the `create_surface()` function which uses the ASE surface generator to build our surface slab structure

```python
[4]: # Now we set-up the Mg (0001) surface
    a = 3.1919
    c = 5.1852

    # Vacuum region to break the periodicity along the z-axis
    vac = 10
    size = (2, 2, 4)
    Mg_0001 = pr.create_surface("Mg",
                                surface_type="hcp0001",
                                size=size,
                                a=a,
                                c=c,
                                orthogonal=True,
                                vacuum=vac)

    Mg_0001.plot3d()
    NGLWidget()

Using selective dynamics

We use selective dynamics to restrict relaxation to the surface atoms (first and last Mg layers). We use the advanced array indexing options available in the NumPy package (see here) to detect which atoms are at the surface and then freeze the rest

```python
[5]: # Initially freeze all the atoms
    Mg_0001.add_tag(selective_dynamics=[False, False, False])

    # Find which atoms are at the surface
    # (based on the z-coordinate)
```

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pos_z = Mg_0001.positions[:, 2]
z_min, z_max = np.min(pos_z), np.max(pos_z)
eps = 1e-4
relax_indices = np.argwhere(((pos_z - eps) > z_min)
                        & ((pos_z + eps) < z_max ))
relax_indices = relax_indices.flatten()

# Now allow these atoms to relax
Mg_0001.selective_dynamics[relax_indices] = [True, True, True]

Setup and execution

To automate the calculation we define a function that has as input the project object, structure, job_name, Fermi
smearing width, the type of k-point sampling and the plane-wave energy cutoff

```python
[6]: def get_ham(proj, basis, name, sigma=0.1, mesh="GP", encut=350):
    ham = proj.create_job(pr.job_type.Vasp, name)
    ham.set_convergence_precision(electronic_energy=1e-7,
                              ionic_energy=1e-2)
    # Setting fermi-smearing
    ham.set_occupancy_smearing(smearing="fermi", width=sigma)
    # Ionic_minimization
    ham.calc_minimize(ionic_steps=100,
                    electronic_steps=60,
                    retain_electrostatic_potential=True,
                    pressure=None)
    ham.structure = basis
    ham.set_encut(encut=encut)
    if mesh == "GP":
        # Only the Gamma point
        ham.set_kpoints(scheme="GP")
    elif len(mesh) == 3:
        ham.set_kpoints(mesh=mesh)
    return ham

[7]: ham_vasp = get_ham(proj=pr,
                        basis=Mg_0001,
                        name="Mg_0001",
                        sigma=0.1,
                        mesh="GP",
                        encut=350)

Submitting to the queue (optional)

If you use a cluster installation of pyiron, you can send the created jobs to the cluster by specifying the name of the
queue and the number of cores

```python
[8]: # queue = ham_vasp.server.list_queues()[-1]
# ham_vasp.server.queue = queue
# ham_vasp.server.cores = 20
```
Choosing an appropriate executable

```python
ham_vasp.executable.available_versions
```

```python
['5.3',
 '5.3_col',
 '5.3_col_mpi',
 '5.3_mpi',
 '5.4',
 '5.4.4',
 '5.4.4_gam',
 '5.4.4_gam mpi',
 '5.4.4_mpi',
 '5.4.4_ncl',
 '5.4.4_ncl mpi',
 '5.4.4_std',
 '5.4.4_std mpi',
 '5.4_gam',
 '5.4_gam mpi',
 '5.4_mpi']
```

Since this example uses the $\Gamma$ point only, we can use the VASP Gamma-only version. If you use more k-points choose an appropriate executable

```python
ham_vasp.executable.version = "5.4_gam"
```

Execution

The job is ready for execution

```python
ham_vasp.run()
```

Post processing

To analyze the results we ensure that the job is finished (the `if` statement in the first line). We then compute the work function by subtracting the Fermi-level from the vacuum level

$$\Phi = V_{\text{vac}} - \epsilon_F$$

```python
if ham_vasp.status.finished:
    # Get the electrostatic potential
    epot = ham_vasp.get_electrostatic_potential()

    # Compute the lateral average along the z-axis (ind=2)
    epot_z = epot.get_average_along_axis(ind=2)

    # Get the final relaxed structure from the simulation
    struct = ham_vasp.get_structure(iteration_step=-1)
    r = np.linalg.norm(struct.cell[2])
    z = np.linspace(0, r, len(epot_z))

    # Computing the vacuum-level
    vac_level = np.max(epot_z)
```

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# Get the electronic structure
es = ham_vasp.get_electronic_structure()
print("wf: ", vac_level - es.efermi)
plt.plot(z, epot_z - vac_level)
plt.xlim(0, r)
plt.axhline(es.efermi - vac_level,
    color="black",
    linestyle="dashed")
plt.xlabel("z (Å)")
plt.ylabel("V - V$_{vac}$")

wf: 3.37343565133

Looping over a series of hcp(0001) surfaces

We now repeat the workflow for a set of hcp metals (the chosen lattice parameters are approximate). Note that if you use the same naming convention, pyiron detects that a job with the same name exists (“Mg_0001”) and loads the output from this calculation rather than launch a new job with the same name.

[13]:

```py
hcp_dict = {
    "Zn": {"a": 2.6649, "c": 4.9468},
    "Mg": {"a": 3.1919, "c": 5.1852},
    "Co": {"a": 2.5071, "c": 4.0695},
    "Ru": {"a": 2.7059, "c": 4.2815}
}
```

[14]:

```
vac = 10
size = (2, 2, 4)
for element, lattice_parameters in hcp_dict.items():
    surf = pr.create_surface(element,
        surface_type="hcp0001",
        size=size,
        a=lattice_parameters["a"],
        c=lattice_parameters["c"],
        orthogonal=True, vacuum=vac)
    surf.add_tag(selective_dynamics=[False, False, False])
    pos_z = surf.positions[:, 2]
    z_min, z_max = np.min(pos_z), np.max(pos_z)
```

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eps = 1e-4
relax_indices = np.argwhere(((pos_z - eps) > z_min)
  & ((pos_z + eps) < z_max ))
relax_indices = relax_indices.flatten()
surf.selective_dynamics[relax_indices] = [True, True, True]
job_name = "{}_0001".format(element)
ham = get_ham(pr, surf,
  name=job_name,
  sigma=0.1,
  mesh="GP",
  encut=350)
#ham.server.cores = 20
#ham.server.queue = queue
ham.executable.version = '5.4_gamma'
ham.run()

Loading and analyzing

Now we iterate over all jobs in this project and calculate the workfunction. We also time how long the cell takes to execute

[15]: t1 = time.time()
for ham in pr.iter_jobs():
  if ham.status.finished:
    final_struct = ham.get_structure(iteration_step=-1)
    elec_structure = ham.get_electronic_structure()
    e_Fermi = elec_structure.efermi
    epot = ham.get_electrostatic_potential()
    epot_z = epot.get_average_along_axis(ind=2)
    vacuum_level = np.max(epot_z)
    wf = vacuum_level - e_Fermi
    element = final_struct.get_majority_species()[-1]
    hcp_dct[element]["work_func"] = wf
  t2 = time.time()
print("time: {}s".format(t2-t1))

time: 9.250723838806152s

Compiling data in a table using pandas

[16]: df = pd.DataFrame(hcp_dct).T
df = df.rename(columns={"a": 'a [A]',
                       "c": 'c [A]',
                       "work_func": 'wf [eV]'})
print(df.round(3))

    a [A]  c [A]  wf [eV]
Co  2.507  4.069  5.569
Mg  3.192  5.185  3.373
Ru  2.706  4.282  5.305
Zn  2.665  4.947  3.603

[ ]:
4.3.7 Molecular dynamics simulations of bulk water

In this example, we show how to perform molecular dynamics of bulk water using the popular interatomic TIP3P potential (W. L. Jorgensen et. al.) and LAMMPS.

```python
[1]: import numpy as np
    %matplotlib inline
    import matplotlib.pyplot as plt
    from pyiron.project import Project
    import ase.units as units
    import pandas

[2]: pr = Project("tip3p_water")

Creating the initial structure

We will setup a cubic simulation box consisting of 27 water molecules density density is 1 g/cm³. The target density is achieved by determining the required size of the simulation cell and repeating it in all three spatial dimensions

```python
[3]: density = 1.0e-24  # g/A³
    n_mols = 27
    mol_mass_water = 18.015  # g/mol

    # Determining the supercell size
    mass = mol_mass_water * n_mols / units.mol  # g
    vol_h2o = mass / density  # in A³
    a = vol_h2o ** (1./3.)  # A

    # Constructing the unit cell
    n = int(round(n_mols ** (1. / 3.)))
    dx = 0.7
    r_O = [0, 0, 0]
    r_H1 = [dx, dx, 0]
    r_H2 = [-dx, dx, 0]
    unit_cell = (a / n) * np.eye(3)
    water = pr.create_atoms(elements=['H', 'H', 'O'],
                              positions=[r_H1, r_H2, r_O],
                              cell=unit_cell, pbc=True)
    water.set_repeat([n, n, n])
    water.plot3d()

[4]: water.get_chemical_formula()
[4]: 'H54O27'
```
Equilibrate water structure

The initial water structure is obviously a poor starting point and requires equilibration (Due to the highly artificial structure a MD simulation with a standard time step of 1fs shows poor convergence). Molecular dynamics using a time step that is two orders of magnitude smaller allows us to generate an equilibrated water structure. We use the NVT ensemble for this calculation:

```
water_potential = pandas.DataFrame(
    {'Name': ['H2O_tip3p'],
     'Filename': [[]],
     'Model': ['TIP3P'],
     'Species': [['H', 'O']],
     'Config': ['# @potential_species H_O ### species in potential
     
     H: # create groups ###
     group 1: type 2
     group 2: type 1

     # set charges - beside manually ###
     set group O charge -0.830
     set group H charge 0.415

     ### TIP3P Potential Parameters ###
     pair_style lj/cut/coul/long 10.0
     pair_coeff * * 0.0 0.0
     pair_coeff 2 2 0.102 3.188
     bond_style harmonic
     bond_coeff 1 450 0.9572
     angle_style harmonic
     angle_coeff 1 55 104.52
     kspace_style pppm 1.0e-5
    ']
)
```

```
job_name = "water_slow"
ham = pr.create_job("Lammps", job_name)
ham.structure = water
ham.potential = water_potential
```

UserWarning: WARNING: Non-'metal' units are not fully supported. Your calculation should run OK, but results may not be saved in pyiron units.

```
ham.calc_md(temperature=300,
            n_ionic_steps=1e4,
            time_step=0.01)
```

The job water_slow was saved and received the ID: 1

```
view = ham.animate_structure()
view
```

Full equilibration

At the end of this simulation, we have obtained a structure that approximately resembles water. Now we increase the time step to get a reasonably equilibrated structure

```
# Get the final structure from the previous simulation
struct = ham.get_structure(iteration_step=-1)
job_name = "water_fast"
ham_eq = pr.create_job("Lammps", job_name)
ham_eq.structure = struct
```

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ham_eq.potential = water_potential
ham_eq.calc_md(temperature=300,
    n_ionic_steps=1e4,
    n_print=10,
    time_step=1)
ham_eq.run()

The job water_fast was saved and received the ID: 2

```
[10]: view = ham_eq.animate_structure()
    view
    NGLWidget(max_frame=1000)

We can now plot the trajectories
```

```
[11]: plt.plot(ham_eq["output/generic/energy_pot"])
    plt.xlabel("Steps")
    plt.ylabel("Potential energy [eV]"秣

```

```
[12]: plt.plot(ham_eq["output/generic/temperature"])
    plt.xlabel("Steps")
    plt.ylabel("Temperature [K]")
```
Structure analysis

We will now use the `get_neighbors()` function to determine structural properties from the final structure of the simulation. We take advantage of the fact that the TIP3P water model is a rigid water model which means the nearest neighbors, i.e. the bound H atoms, of each O atom never change. Therefore they need to be indexed only once.

```python
[13]: final_struct = ham_eq.get_structure(iteration_step=-1)

# Get the indices based on species
O_indices = final_struct.select_index("O")
H_indices = final_struct.select_index("H")

# Getting only the first two neighbors
neighbors = final_struct.get_neighbors(num_neighbors=2)
```

Distribution of the O-H bond length

Every O atom has two H atoms as immediate neighbors. The distribution of this bond length is obtained by:

```python
[14]: bins = np.linspace(0.5, 1.5, 100)
plt.hist(neighbors.distances[O_indices].flatten(), bins=bins)
plt.xlim(0.5, 1.5)
plt.xlabel(r"d$_{OH}$ [$\AA$]"")
plt.ylabel("Count");
```
Distribution of the O-O bond lengths

We need to extend the analysis to go beyond nearest neighbors. We do this by controlling the cutoff distance.

```python
neighbors = final_struct.get_neighbors_by_distance(cutoff_radius=8)
```

```python
O_indices = np.array(neighbors.indices)[O_indices]
O_neigh_distances = np.array(neighbors.distances)[O_indices]
```

One is often intended in an element specific pair correlation function. To obtain for example, the O-O coordination function, we do the following:

```python
# Getting the neighboring Oxygen indices
O_neigh_indices = np.in1d(neigh_indices, O_indices)
O_neigh_distances = neigh_distances[O_neigh_indices]
```

```python
bins = np.linspace(1, 6, 100)
count = plt.hist(O_neigh_distances, bins=bins)
plt.xlim(2, 4)
plt.title("O-O pair correlation")
plt.xlabel("d_{OO} [\AA]")
plt.ylabel("Count");
```
We now extend our analysis to include statistically independent snapshots along the trajectory. This allows to obtain the radial pair distribution function of O-O distances in the NVT ensemble.

```py
[19]: traj=ham_eq["output/generic/positions"]
nsteps=len(traj)
stepincrement=int(nsteps/10)
# Start sampling snapshots after some equilibration time; do not double count last step.
snapshots=range(stepincrement,nsteps-stepincrement,stepincrement)

[20]: for i in snapshots:
    struct.positions = traj[i]
    neighbors = struct.get_neighbors_by_distance(cutoff_radius=8)
    neigh_indices = np.hstack(np.array(neighbors.indices)[O_indices])
    neigh_distances = np.hstack(np.array(neighbors.distances)[O_indices])
    O_neigh_indices = np.in1d(neigh_indices, O_indices)
    # collect all distances in the same array
    O_neigh_distances = np.concatenate((O_neigh_distances,neigh_distances[O_neigh_indices]))

To obtain a radial pair distribution function \( g(r) \), one has to normalize by the volume of the surface increment of the sphere \( (4\pi r^2 \Delta r) \) and by the number of species, samples, and the number density.

```py
[21]: O_gr=np.histogram(O_neigh_distances,bins=bins)
dr=O_gr[1][1]-O_gr[1][0]
normfac=(n/a)**3*n**3*4*np.pi*dr*(len(snapshots)+1)
# (n/a)**3 number density
# n**3 number of species
# (len(snapshots)+1) number of samples (we also use final_struct)

```py
[22]: plt.bar(O_gr[1][0:-1],O_gr[0]/(normfac*O_gr[1][0:-1]**2),dr)
plt.xlim(2, 5.5)
plt.title("O-O pair correlation")
plt.xlabel(r"d$_{OO}$ [Å]"
plt.ylabel("$g_{OO}(r)$");
```
4.3.8 Importing finished VASP calculations

Finished VASP calculations that were created outside of pyiron can be imported using the following script:

```python
from pyiron.project import Project
pr = Project('imported_jobs')
# Searches and imports vasp jobs from 'vasp_directory'
path_to_import = "vasp_directory"
pr.import_from_path(path=path_to_import, recursive=True)
```

The calculations are imported into the project ‘imported_jobs’. The recursive function imports vasp directories within each vasp directory if present.

**Note:** This functionality best works when both the vasprun.xml and OUTCAR files are present in the directories. The import would work only if the vasprun.xml file exists too. If the vasprun.xml file does not exist, the OUTCAR and CONTCAR files must be present.

4.4 Team

pyiron was initially developed in the Computational Materials Design department of Joerg Neugebauer at the Max Planck Institut für Eisenforschung/Max Planck Institute for iron research (MPIE) as a framework for ab initio thermodynamics. In collaboration with the Interdisciplinary Centre for Advanced Materials Simulation (ICAMS) the framework was recently extended for high throughput applications resulting in the opensource release of the pyiron.

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4.4. Team
4.4.1 Core Developer (alphabetical)

- Liam Huber (MPIE) - Leading the implementation of flexible simulation protocols - since 2019.
- Jan Janssen (MPIE) – Leading the pyiron development – since 2015.
- Sudarsan Surendralal (MPIE) – Leading the electronic structure code development – since 2015.
- Osamu Waseda (MPIE) – Leading the run-time coupling of simulation codes – since 2017.

4.4.2 Application Developer (alphabetical)

- Ahmed Aslam (MPIE) - Parameterisation of interatomic potentials - since 2018.
- Uday Gajera (MPIE) - Automated analysis of existing DFT data sets - since 2017.
- Lifang Zhu (MPIE) - Efficient approach to compute melting properties fully from ab initio - since 2017.

4.4.3 Steering Committee (Head: Joerg Neugebauer)

- Joerg Neugebauer (MPIE) – Founding and lead developer - since 2010
- Mira Todorova (MPIE), Christoph Freysoldt (MPIE) – Electronic structure features
- Tilmann Hickel (MPIE), Blazej Grabowski (MPIE) – Thermodynamic projects - Thermodynamic concepts
- Ralf Drautz (ICAMS), Thomas Hammerschmidt (ICAMS) – High-throughput activities

4.4.4 Alumni (chronological)

- Navid Shayanfar (MPIE) - Parser for the in-house DFT code S/PHI/nX - 2017.

4.4.5 External collaborators

- Max Planck Computing & Data facility (MPCDF) - The MPCDF provides high-level support for the development, optimization, analysis and visualization of high-performance-computing applications.
4.5 Collaborators

List of software projects pyiron collaborates with in alphabetical order:

4.5.1 ASE

The Atomic Simulation Environment (ASE) is a set of tools and Python modules for setting up, manipulating, running, visualizing and analyzing atomistic simulations. The code is freely available under the GNU LGPL license. https://wiki.fysik.dtu.dk/ase/

4.5.2 LAMMPS

LAMMPS stands for Large-scale Atomic/Molecular Massively Parallel Simulator. LAMMPS is a classical molecular dynamics simulation code designed to run efficiently on parallel computers. It was developed at Sandia National Laboratories, a US Department of Energy facility, with funding from the DOE. It is an open-source code, distributed freely under the terms of the GNU Public License (GPL). http://lammps.sandia.gov

4.5.3 NGLview

An IPython/Jupyter widget to interactively view molecular structures and trajectories. Utilizes the embeddable NGL Viewer for rendering. Support for showing data from the file-system, RCSB PDB, simpletraj and from objects of analysis libraries mdtraj, pytraj, mdanalysis, ParmEd, rdkit, ase, HTMD, biopython, cctbx, pyrosetta, schrodinger’s Structure. https://github.com/arose/nglview

4.5.4 OpenKIM

OpenKIM is a cyberinfrastructure for improving the reliability of molecular and multiscale simulations of materials. It includes a repository of interatomic potentials that are exhaustively tested, tools to help select among existing potentials and develop new ones, and standard integration methods for using potentials in major simulation codes. Visit the OpenKIM Website.

4.5.5 OVITO

OVITO is a scientific visualization and analysis software for atomistic and particle simulation data. It helps scientists gain better insights into materials phenomena and physical processes. The program is freely available for all major platforms under an open source license. It has served in a growing number of computational simulation studies as a powerful tool to analyze, understand and illustrate simulation results. https://www.ovito.org

4.5.6 S/PHI/nX

S/PHI/nX is a C++ library for materials simulation, mostly electronic-structure theory. It also is a program (sphinx) to perform such simulations using density-functional theory, and k,p theory. In addition, the package offers dozens of specialized programs (add-ons) for smaller tasks related to setup, analysis, post-processing, and other types of simulations. https://sxrepo.mpie.de
4.5.7 VASP

The Vienna Ab initio Simulation Package: atomic scale materials modelling from first principles. https://www.vasp.at

4.6 Command Line Interface

4.6.1 Usage Summary

There’s a few command line tools shipped with pyiron to help administrating and keeping up with your pyiron project as well as some that are used internally. All of them are installed by default in the pyiron script that has a few sub commands.

**pyiron install**  Installs the pyiron resources for the first time, if you don’t get them via conda.

**pyiron ls**  list the jobs inside a project and filter them with a few primitives
- Print the run time of all finished jobs
  pyiron ls -c job totalcputime -s finished
- Print all jobs with iron
  pyiron ls -e Fe
- Print all jobs that successfully finished yesterday and a bit
  pyiron ls -s finished -i 1d5h
- Print all jobs that were aborted less than 5 hours ago and match “spx.*restart”
  pyiron ls -n “spx.*restart” -i 5h -s aborted

**pyiron rm**  Delete jobs and whole projects from the database and the file system. If you simply rm jobs and projects they are still in the database and can lead to confusion on pyiron’s part.

**pyiron wrapper**  Runs jobs from the database. pyiron uses this internally to start jobs on the remote cluster nodes, but you can also use it when you set the run mode to “manual” or to manually re-run jobs.

4.6.2 Developer Guide

Adding a new sub command is done by adding a new module to pyiron.cli. This module needs to define a register and a main function. The former is called with an argparse.ArgumentParser instance as sole argument and should define the command line interface in the usual way. The latter will be called with the parsed arguments and should just execute whatever it is that utility should be doing. Additionally if you need to control the formatter_class and epilog keyword arguments when creating the argparse.ArgumentParser instance you can set the formatter and epilog toplevel variables (see the ls sub command for an example). Finally you must add the module to the pyiron.cli.cli_modules dict.
4.7 Citing

The pyiron integrated development environment (IDE) for computational materials science - pyiron IDE - is based on a flexible plugin infrastructure. So depending on which modules are used please cite the corresponding papers.

4.7.1 pyiron paper (accepted)

@article{pyiron-paper,
  title = {pyiron: An integrated development environment for computational materials science},
  journal = {Computational Materials Science},
  volume = {163},
  pages = {24 - 36},
  year = {2019},
  issn = {0927-0256},
  doi = {https://doi.org/10.1016/j.commatsci.2018.07.043},
  author = {Jan Janssen and Sudarsan Surendralal and Yury Lysogorskiy and Mira Todorova and Tilmann Hickel and Ralf Drautz and Jörg Neugebauer},
  keywords = {Modelling workflow, Integrated development environment, Complex simulation protocols},
}

For all the other modules/plugins in particular those hosted at https://gitlab.mpcdf.mpg.de/pyiron (MPIE internal) please ask the developers for the corresponding references. We try to publish those under the open source license when the initial papers are published. Afterwards they are going to be added to the official Github repository.

4.7.2 external paper

Some of the features in pyiron rely on external codes which should be cited separately. In alphabetical order:

ASE

pyiron is compatible with the Atomic Simulation Environment (ASE) structure classes, allowing the user to generate structures using the ASE framework and run the simulation within pyiron.

@article{ase-paper,
  author={Ask Hjorth Larsen and Jens Jørgen Mortensen and Jakob Blomqvist and Ivano E Castelli and Rune Christensen and Marcin Duńak and Jesper Friis and Michael N Groves and Bjørk Hammer and Cory Hargus and Eric D Hermes and Paul C Jennings and Peter Bjerre Jensen and James Kermode and John R Kitchin and Esben Leonhard Kolsbjerg and Joseph Kubal and Kristen Kaasbjerg and Steen Lysgaard and Jón Bergmann Maronsson and Tristan Maxson and Thomas Olsen and Lars Pastewka and Andrew Peterson and Carsten Rostgaard and Jakob Schiøtz and Ole Schütt and Mikkel Strange and Zhenhua Zeng and Karsten W Jacobsen},
  title={The atomic simulation environment--a Python library for working with atoms},
  journal={Journal of Physics: Condensed Matter},
  volume={29},
  number={27},
  pages={273002},
  url={http://stacks.iop.org/0953-8984/29/i=27/a=273002},
}
LAMMPS

The **LAMMPS** molecular dynamics simulator is the default molecular dynamics code used by pyiron.

```yaml
@article{lammmps,
  title = {Fast Parallel Algorithms for Short-Range Molecular Dynamics},
  journal = {Journal of Computational Physics},
  volume = {117},
  number = {1},
  pages = {1-19},
  year = {1995},
  issn = {0021-9991},
  doi = {https://doi.org/10.1006/jcph.1995.1039},
  author = {Steve Plimpton}
}
```

VASP

The **VASP** [Vienna Ab initio Simulation Package](https://www.vasp.com) is the default ab initio used by pyiron.

```yaml
@article{Kresse1993,
  title = {Ab initio molecular dynamics for liquid metals},
  author = {Kresse, G. and Hafner, J.},
  journal = {Phys. Rev. B},
  volume = {47},
  issue = {1},
  pages = {558--561},
  numpages = {0},
  month = {Jan},
  publisher = {American Physical Society},
  doi = {10.1103/PhysRevB.47.558},
  url = {https://link.aps.org/doi/10.1103/PhysRevB.47.558}
}

@article{Kresse1996a,
  title = {Efficiency of ab-initio total energy calculations for metals and semiconductors using a plane-wave basis set},
  author = {Kresse, G. and Furthmüller, J.},
  journal = {Computational Materials Science},
  volume = {6},
  number = {1},
  pages = {15-50},
  year = {1996},
  issn = {0927-0256},
  doi = {https://doi.org/10.1016/0927-0256(96)00008-0},
}
```
4.8 FAQ

4.8.1 How to cite pyiron?

To cite pyiron and the corresponding codes, please follow the instructions on the publication page.

4.8.2 What units does pyiron use?

- mass = atomic mass units
- distance = Angstroms
- time = femtoseconds
- energy = eV
- velocity = Angstroms/femtoseconds
- force = eV/Angstrom
- temperature = Kelvin
- pressure = GPa
- charge = multiple of electron charge (1.0 is a proton)

4.8.3 How to import existing calculation?

4.8.4 How to import structures from files or existing databases?

4.8.5 How to install pyiron?

pyiron is designed to be installed as centralized service on your local computer cluster, rather than a local installation on each individual workstation. To test pyiron online or with a local installation, please follow the instructions on the installation page.
4.8.6 How to use a custom Pseudo potential in VASP?

4.8.7 How to use VASP tags which are not supported by pyiron?

4.8.8 How to use a custom potential in LAMMPS?

A custom empirical potential (here, a hybrid potential) can be defined in the following format:

```python
import pandas as pd

custom_potential = pd.DataFrame(
    {'Name': ['SrTiO3_Pedone'],
     'Filename': [[]],
     'Model': ['Custom'],
     'Species': [['O', 'Sr', 'Ti']],
     'Config': [['atom_style full', # I use 'full' here as atom_style 'charge' gives the same result
                 '## create groups ###
                 'group O type 1
                 'group Sr type 2
                 'group Ti type 3
                 '## set charges - beside manually ###
                 'set group O charge -1.2000
                 'set group Sr charge 1.2000
                 'set group Ti charge 2.4000
                 '## pair_style hybrid/overlay morse 15.0 mie/cut 15.0 coul/long 15.0 beck 15.0
                 'pair_coeff * * coul/long
                 'pair_coeff 1 2 beck 3.0 0 0 0 0
                 'pair_coeff 1 3 beck 1.0 0 0 0 0
                 'pair_coeff 1 1 beck 22.0 0 0 0 0
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                 'pair_coeff 1 2 Morse 0.019623 1.8860 3.32833
                 'pair_coeff 1 3 Morse 0.024235 2.2547 2.70894
                 'pair_coeff 1 1 Morse 0.042395 1.3793 3.618701
                 'kspace_style ewald 1.0e-8']})
```

The lines in `Config` will be written to the LAMMPS `potential.inp` file. Make sure that the arrangement of the species in `Species` is the same as the group types `create groups` within `Config`. Otherwise, a mixup or the species may occur in the LAMMPS `structure.inp` file.

The potential can then be used by assigning `job.potential = custom_potential`. 

4.8.9 How to extend the potential database inside pyiron?

4.8.10 How to link your own executable?

4.8.11 How to send a calculation to the background?

4.8.12 How to submit a calculation to the queuing system?

4.8.13 How to setup spin constraint calculation?

4.8.14 What is the meaning of the name - pyiron?

pyiron is the combination of **py** + **iron** connecting Python, the programming language with iron as pyiron was initially developed at the Max Planck Institut für Eisenforschung (iron research).

4.8.15 Which output quantities are stored in pyiron?

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<td>Nstep</td>
<td>free energy, same as energy_tot in generic ( eV )</td>
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<td>Nstep</td>
<td>extrapolated energy, sigma 0 ( eV )</td>
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<td>bands_eigen_values</td>
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<td>Nstep</td>
<td>convergence of each ionic step</td>
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- Nstep refers to ionic steps and not electronic steps
- properties preceded by scf_ contain the values of each electronic step except for scf_convergence
- ( x 2 ) refers to the additional column which appears only in magnetic calculations
- if the crosses under VASP, SPHInX or LAMMPS are missing, the corresponding properties are not implemented

## 4.9 Contributing to pyiron

The following is a set of guidelines for contributing to pyiron, which is hosted and maintained by the Max Planck Institut für Eisenforschung on GitHub. These are mostly guidelines to facilitate an efficient development workflow, and not necessarily rules. Use your best judgment, and feel free to propose changes even to this document in a pull request.

You can find all the pyiron packages at our [github page](#). To create pull requests, you will need to become part of the pyiron organization. Please email us if you would like to join.

### 4.9.1 Wait I don’t want to read this; I just have a quick question/bugfix!

1. Check out our [FAQ page](#); your question might already be answered there.
2. If your question relates to a bug in pyiron, please briefly search the [issues page](#) and open a new labeled issue if you don’t see anything related to your question there.
3. Please feel free just to send one of us a brief, descriptive email with your question, and we’ll do our best to get back to you as ASAP as possible.
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4.9.3 License

pyiron is released as an open-source project under the BSD 3-Clause License. Code contributions should also be considered open-source.

4.9.4 What should I know before I get started?

pyiron developer meetings

If you are interested in discussing pyiron’s development, we encourage you to virtually participate in the weekly pyiron developer meeting at 14:00 german time (GMT+2). Check the discussion page for details.
4.9.5 How can I contribute?

**Reporting bugs**

Note: If you find a closed issue that seems like it is the same thing that you’re experiencing, open a new issue and include a link to the original issue in the body of your new one.

**Before Submitting A Bug Report**

Check if you can reproduce the problem in the latest version of pyiron. Check the FAQ page for a list of common questions and problems. Briefly search the issues page for bugs to see if the problem has already been reported. If it has and the issue is still open, add a comment to the existing issue instead of opening a new one.

**How Do I Submit A (Good) Bug Report?**

Bugs are tracked as GitHub issues. You can create an issue on the pyiron repository by including the following information:

- Use a clear and descriptive title for the issue to identify the problem.
- Describe the exact steps you took so we can reproduce the problem as closely as possible.
- Provide sample code that causes the problem. Include code snippets as markdown code blocks.
- Include information about the environment (OS, python version, how packages were installed) in which you were running pyiron.
- Explain what you expected to happen, and what happened instead.

**Suggesting Enhancements**

**How Do I Submit A (Good) Enhancement Suggestion?**

Enhancement suggestions are tracked as GitHub issues. You can create an issue on the pyiron repository by including the following information:

- Use a clear and descriptive title for the issue to identify the suggestion.
- Describe the exact behavior you would expect the suggested feature to produce.
- Provide sample code that you would use to access the feature. If possible, include code for how you think the feature could be built into pyiron’s codebase. Include code snippets as markdown code blocks.

**Your first code contribution**

Unsure where to begin contributing to pyiron? You can start by looking through these good-first-issue and help-wanted issues:

- Good first issues - issues which should only require a few lines of code, and a test or two.
- Help wanted issues - issues which should be a bit more involved than beginner issues.

**Local development**

pyiron can be developed and tested locally. If you are using pyiron to run an external software package, e.g. VASP or LAMMPS, you might also need to install those packages locally to run certain integration tests in pyiron.

To get the developmental (git) version of pyiron,
Deploy development version to a managed environment

If you want to use a development version of pyiron in a managed environment where a version of pyiron is already installed outside of your control (e.g. on the cmti/cmfe cluster), you can still preload a local checkout of the repo while using the dependencies already installed. Assuming pyiron and dependencies are already installed and setup, clone the repository to a location of your choice

```bash
mkdir -p ~/software
cd ~/software
git clone https://github.com/pyiron/pyiron.git
```

add this folder to your python path by adding this line to your `~/.profile`

```bash
export PYTHONPATH="$HOME/software/pyiron:$PYTHONPATH"
```

and finally restart any jupyter or jupyterhub session you might still have running. Within this folder you can then check out any local branches, push your own dev branches, etc and python will automatically use this version over the system-wide installation. Check that it works by running the following cell

```python
import pyiron
print(pyiron.__file__)
```

If it doesn’t print the path of your checkout, check that you restarted all the relevant shell sessions and that the environment variables are correctly updated.

Local Testing

The full test suite is always run automatically when you open a new pull request. Still it sometimes nice to run all or only specific tests on your machine. To do that run from the repo root, e.g.

```bash
python -m unittest discover tests
python -m unittest discover tests/sphinx
python -m unittest tests/sphinx/test_base.py
```

Where the first line runs all tests, the second all the sphinx tests and the final line only the tests in that file. Keep in mind that to run the tests your repository needs to be inside your pyiron project folder and you need to have at least the basic resources installed from `tests/static`. A neat trick when testing/debugging is to combine the pdb and unittest modules like this

```bash
python -m pdb -m unittest ...
```

This allows you to re-use the sometimes complicated setups for your interactive debugging that might be otherwise difficult to replicate in a REPL.
Pull requests

The process described here has several goals:

• Maintain pyiron’s quality
• Fix problems that are important to users
• Engage the community in working toward the best possible tools
• Enable a sustainable system for pyiron’s maintainers to review contributions

Please follow these steps to have your contribution considered by the maintainers:

• Keep the changes in your pull request as focused as possible—only address one issue per pull request wherever possible.
• Follow the Styleguides
• Assign the appropriate label (see Issue and pull request labels) to your pull request. If you are fixing a specific Github issue, reference the issue directly in the pull request comments.
• If you are aware which maintainer is most closely related to the code you’ve edited, feel free to request their review.
• After you submit your pull request, verify that all status checks are passing.
• If a status check fails and it seems to be unrelated to your changes, explain why the failure is unrelated as a comment in your pull request.

While the prerequisites above must be satisfied prior to having your pull request reviewed, the reviewer(s) may ask you to complete additional design work, tests, or other changes before your pull request can be ultimately accepted.

4.9.6 Styleguides

Git commit messages

• Use the present tense (“Add feature” not “Added feature”)
• Use the imperative mood (“Move cursor to…” not “Moves cursor to…”)
• Limit the first line to 72 characters or less
• Reference issues and pull requests liberally after the first line
• When only changing documentation, include [ci skip] in the commit title
• Consider starting the commit message with an applicable emoji:

:art: (:.art:) improves the format/structure of the code
:zap: (:.zap:) improves performance
:memo: (:.memo:) adds documentation
:bug: (:.bug:) fixes a bug
:fire: (:.fire:) removes code or files
:green_heart: (:.green_heart:) fixes the CI build
:white_check_mark: (:.white_check_mark:) adds tests

Managing git commits is much easier using an IDE (we recommend PyCharm).
Python styleguide

Please follow PEP8 conventions for all python code added to pyiron. Pull requests will be checked for PEP8 plus a few other security issues with Codacy, and will be rejected if they do not meet the specified formatting criteria.

Any new features should include coverage with a unit test, such that your pull request does not decrease pyiron’s overall coverage. This will be automatically tested within the ci test suite and Coveralls.

Deprecation warning template

XXX is deprecated as of vers. A.B.C. It is not guaranteed to be in service in vers. D.E.F. Use YYY instead.

Documentation styleguide

All new/modified functions should include a docstring that follows the Google Python Docstring format.

Documentation is built automatically with Sphinx; any manually created documentation should be added as a restructured text (.rst) file under pyiron/docs/source.

Notebooks created to exemplify features in pyiron are very useful, and can even be used as integration tests. If you have added a major feature, consider creating a notebook to show its usage under pyiron/notebooks/. See the other examples that are already there.

4.9.7 Additional notes

Issue and pull request labels

We use the following tags to organize pyiron Github issues and pull requests:

- bug: something isn’t working
- duplicate: this issue/pull request already existed
- enhancement: new feature or request
- good first issue: easy fix for beginners
- help wanted: extra attention is needed
- invalid: this doesn’t seem right
- question: further information is requested
- wontfix: this will not be worked on
- stale: inactive after 2 weeks

Build status

The build status for pyiron and all sub packages are given below
pyiron releases

For the pyiron release management we use git tags:


The tag format consists of a tag_prefix (<package name>-) and the release version, for example:

pyiron-0.2.0

For the automated versioning we use:

https://github.com/warner/python-versioneer/

So the configuration of the release is included in setup.cfg:

https://github.com/pyiron/pyiron_base/blob/master/setup.cfg

As the pyiron packages are pure python packages – we use only the Linux Python 3.7 job to build the packages, as defined in the .travis.yml file:

https://github.com/pyiron/pyiron_base/blob/master/.travis.yml

The python 3.7 linux tests therefore takes more time, compared to the other tests on travis.

Just like each other commit to the master branch the tagged releases are pushed to pypi.org and anaconda.org:

https://pypi.org/project/pyiron-base/#history
https://anaconda.org/pyiron/pyiron_base

The major difference for pypi (pip) is that tagged releases are the default for pip while installing prerelease versions using pip requires the --pre flag. pip install --pre pyiron

Those pre-release versions are named <version_number>.post0.dev<release number>

0.2.0.post0.dev1

For anaconda the prereleases are pushed to the pyiron channel and can be installed using: conda install -c pyiron pyiron

On the other hand the tagged releases are available through conda-forge, as soon as the corresponding packages are merged:

https://github.com/conda-forge/pyiron-feedstock
conda install -c conda-forge pyiron

So for both conda and pip both the prereleases as well as the official releases are available.
4.9.8 Debugging

My job does not run on the queue

In case a job runs properly while executing it locally (or on the head node), but not when you submit it to a queue,

1. Check if the job class is available in the project:

In this example, we want a custom job class ProtoMD from the module pyiron_contrib:

```python
from pyiron import Project
import pyiron_contrib  # only if importing a custom job class
pr = Project("debug")
dir(pr.job_type)
```

This should output:

```
['AtomisticExampleJob',
 'Atoms',
 'ConvEncutParallel',
 ...
 ...
 'ProtoMD']
```

If you see your job class in the list, proceed to step 3. If not,

2. Check if the job class in initialized in ``__init__.py`` of the module

Make sure that the __init__.py of your module (here, pyiron_contrib) initializes the job class in the following format:

```python
from pyiron import Project
from pyiron.base.job.jobtype import JOB_CLASS_DICT

# Make classes available for new pyiron version
JOB_CLASS_DICT['ProtoMD'] = 'pyiron_contrib.protocol.compound.md'  # the path of your...
→job class
```

3. Confirm that the job class can be instantiated

Create a new job, but instead of running it, save it:

```python
job = pr.create_job(job_type = pr.job_type.ProtoMD, job_name = 'job')
...  # input parameters that the job requires
...
job.save()

>>> 98  # this is the job id of the saved job
```

Note down the job id, then run the following line:

```python
job["TYPE"]
```

This should output an instance of the job class:

```
"<class 'pyiron_contrib.protocol.compound.md.ProtoMD'>"
```

Now we know that the job class is indeed available in the project and can be instantiated.
4. Debug using a second notebook

Submitting and running a job on the queue, is essentially the same as saving a job in one notebook, but loading and executing it in another notebook.

In a new notebook, load the job that you just saved, using its job id. You may or may not import the module (here, `pyiron_contrib`):

```python
from pyiron import Project
# we do not import pyiron_contrib here, because it should not be necessary
pr = Project("second_notebook")
reloaded_job = pr.load(98)  # 98 is the job id of the previously saved job
reloaded_job.run(run_again=True)
```

If the job loads and runs properly, the job should also run properly on the queue. This also means that there may be a bug in your custom job class. Debug the job class, and repeat steps 3 and 4 till you no longer get an error in step 4.