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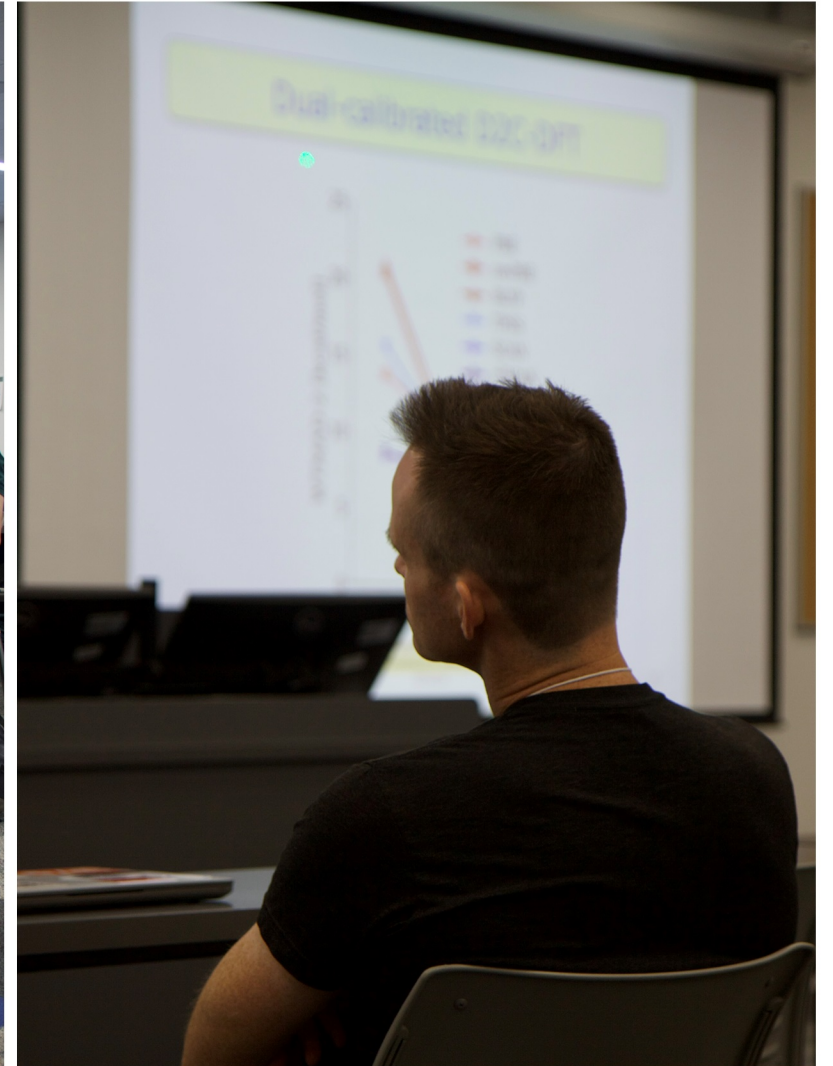
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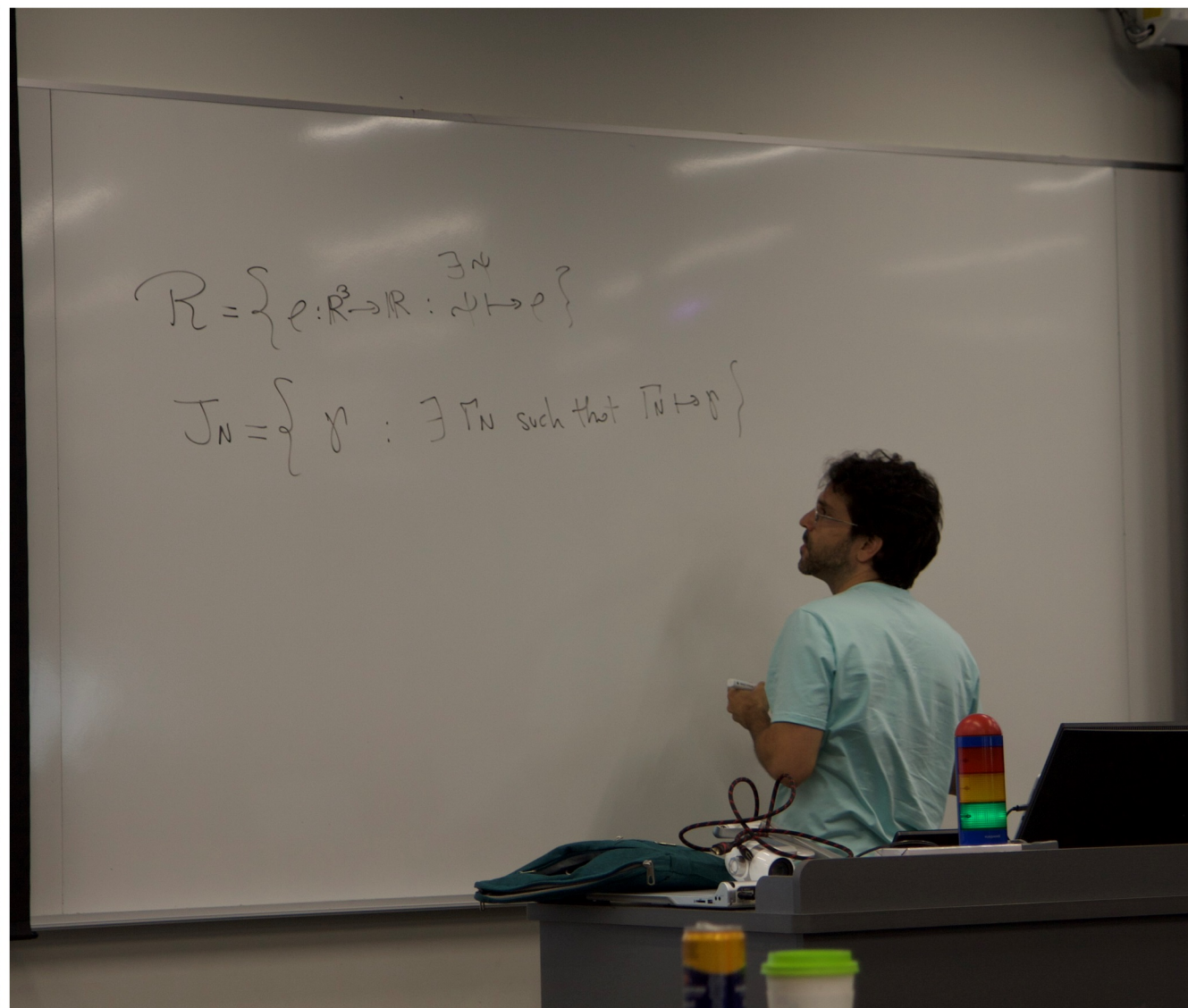
DAY 1



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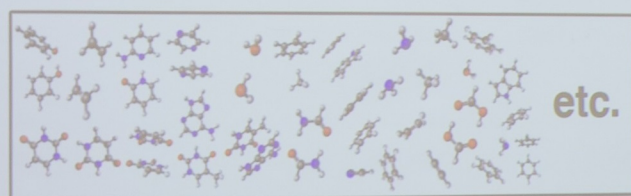
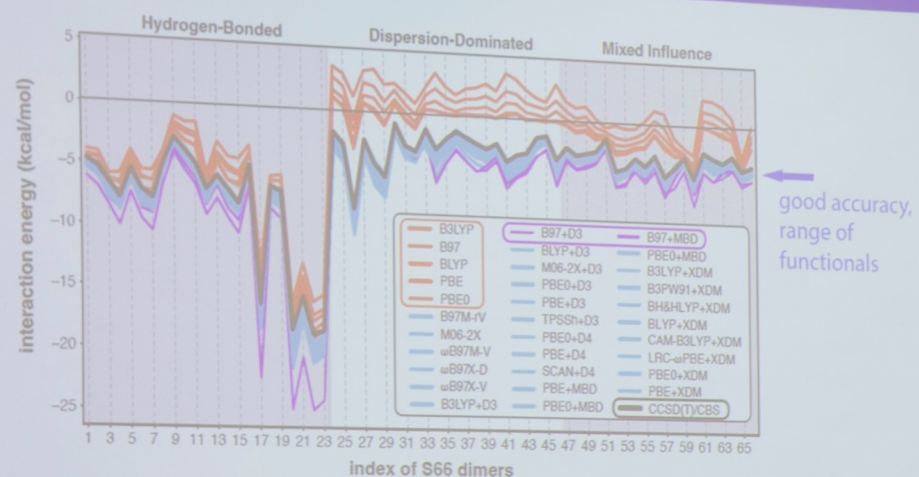


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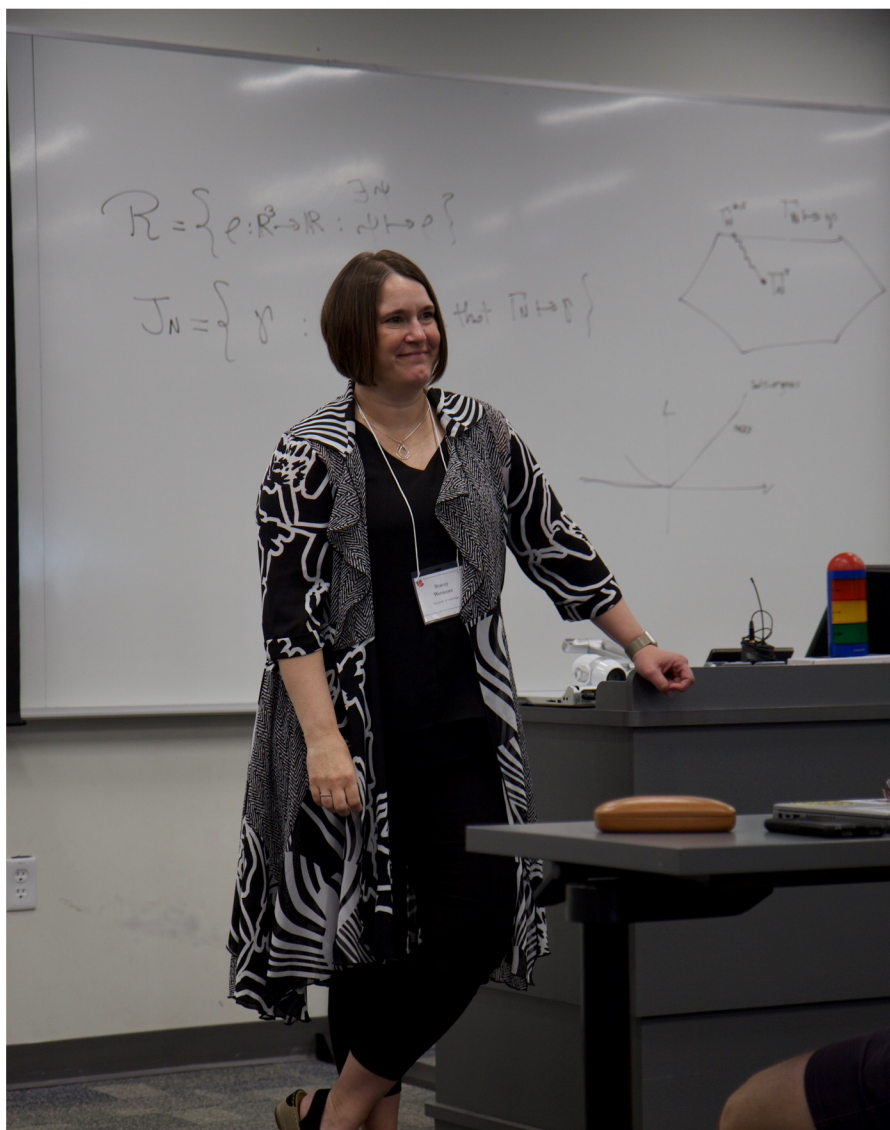


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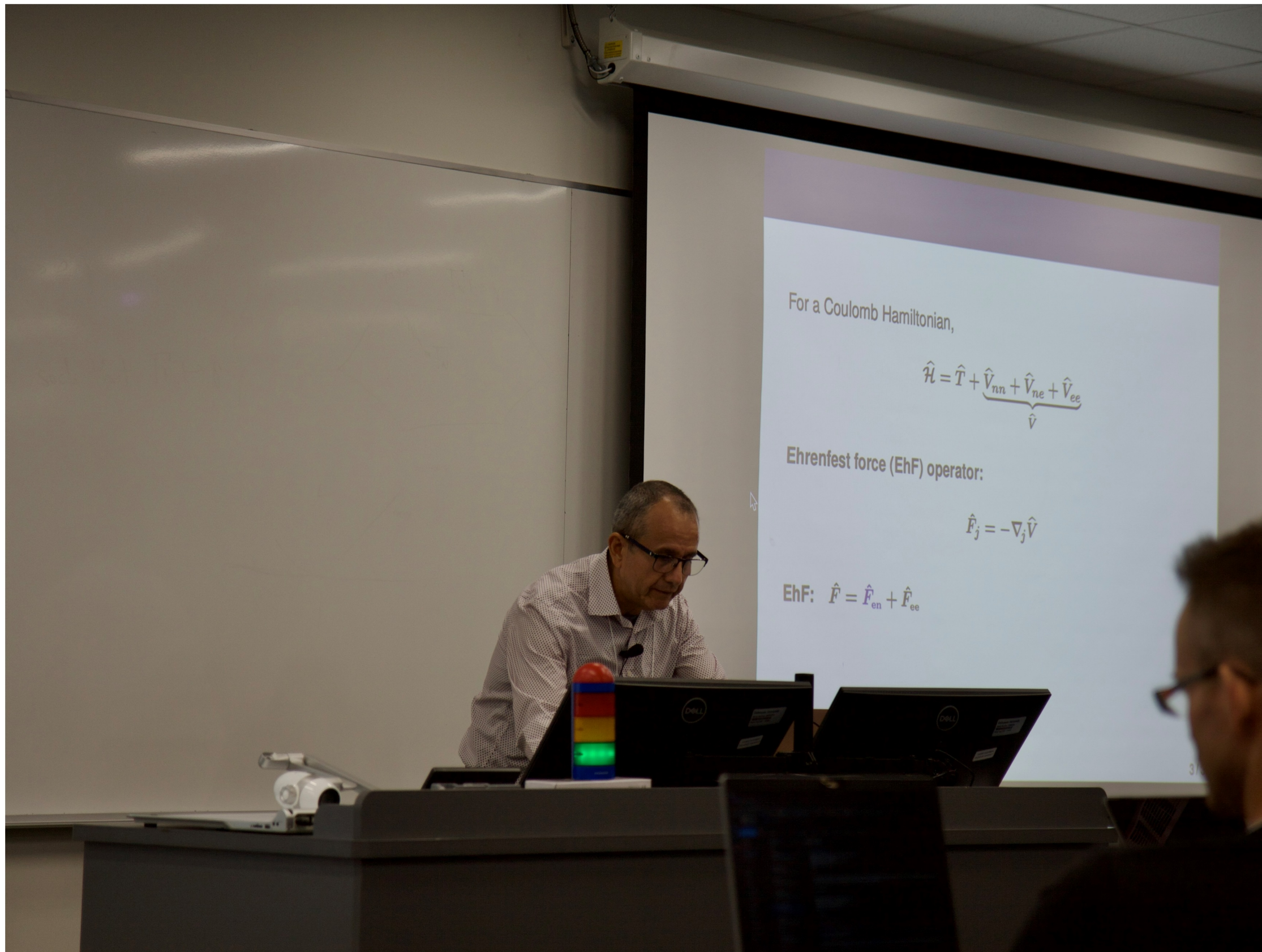
DFT Benchmarks vs. CCSD(T) / CBS



Gray & Herbert [*Annu. Rep. Comput. Chem.* **20**, 1 (2024)]
 See also: Nickerson, . . . , Johnson, "Comparison of DFT dispersion..." [*JPC A* **127**, 8712 (2023)]



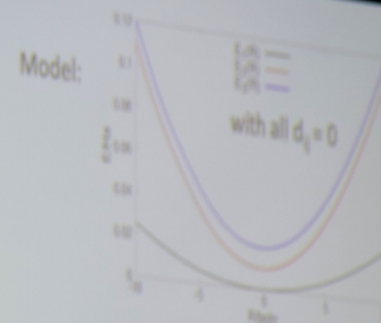
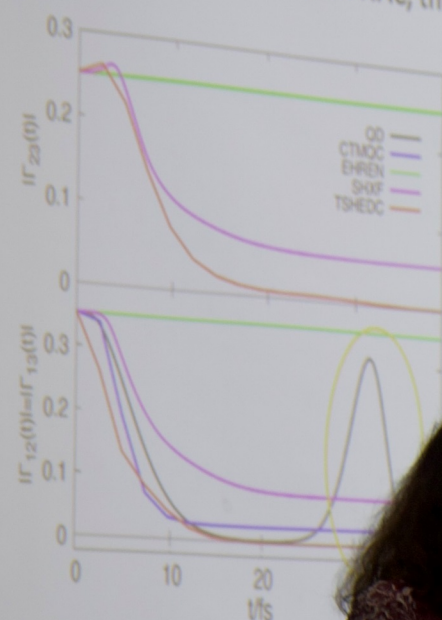
STACEY WETMORE



JESÚS HERNÁNDEZ-TRUJILLO

How about "Recoherence" ?

When not associated with NAC, this is *not* captured in CTMQC:



exact
coherent

$$\partial_t \Gamma_{jk}(\underline{R}, t) = -\Gamma_{jk}(\underline{R}, t) \left[\epsilon_{jk}(\underline{R}, t) + \epsilon_{kj}(\underline{R}, t) \cdot \mathbf{J}_{jk} \right] + \sum_j \frac{1}{2M_j} \sum_l |\mathbf{C}_l|^2 \left[2\epsilon_{jk} - \nabla_j \cdot \nabla_j \Delta E_{jk} + 4\epsilon_{kj} \cdot \mathbf{J}_{kj} \right]$$

$$\epsilon_{jk}(\underline{R}, t) = -\frac{\nabla_j |\mathbf{C}_k(\underline{R}, t)|}{|\mathbf{C}_k(\underline{R}, t)|}$$

is responsible for recoherence
but set to zero in CTMQC
approx!



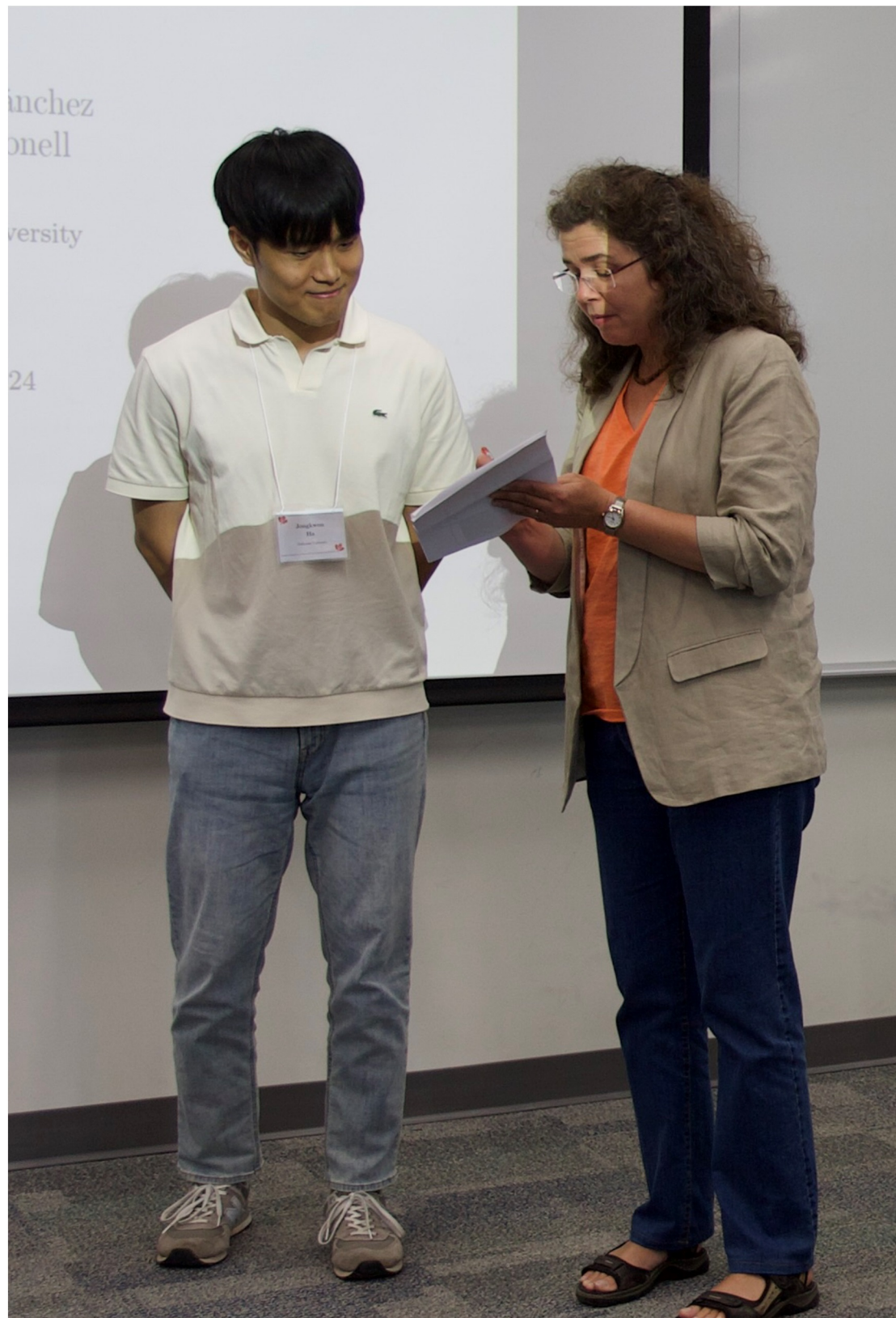
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EXCURSION



































RUSSEL BOYD AND PLENARY LECTURER AXEL BECKE

DAY 2





VIKTOR STAROVEROV



RICHARD BOWLES



JOSEF ZWANZIGER





EVA ZUREK



VOLKER BLUM



Conclusions

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- Proof-of-concept ML is abundant, but making it sufficiently accurate is much harder

ML does not learn physics!

but we can try to spoon-feed it

• just like ChatGPT it can memorize everything it has seen

• it may sound pretty convincing at times

• the more accurate it is, the slower it becomes

• modeling charge transfer with ML is still out of reach

• while, semi-empirical



JASON PEARSON



RODRIGO VARGAS-HERNÁNDEZ







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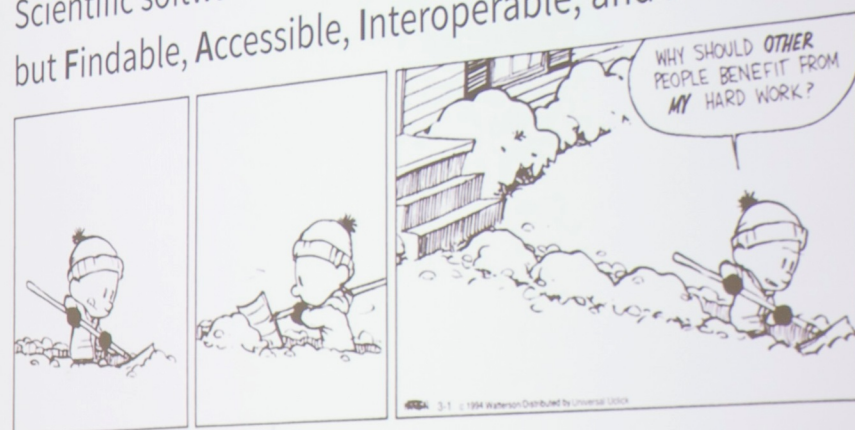
DAY 3





FAIR and Open Science

Scientific software and data should not only be reproducible, but Findable, Accessible, Interoperable, and Reusable.





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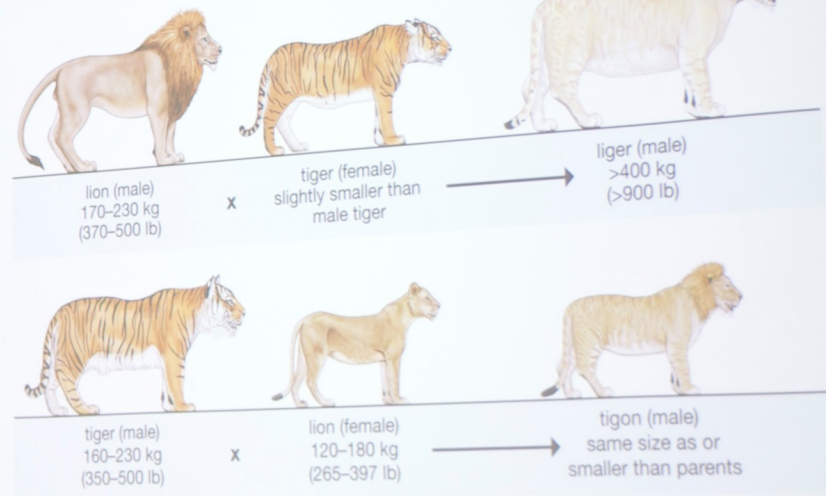




THOMAS BAKER AND KADE HEAD-MARSDEN



What if we combine them?



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3ft
1m

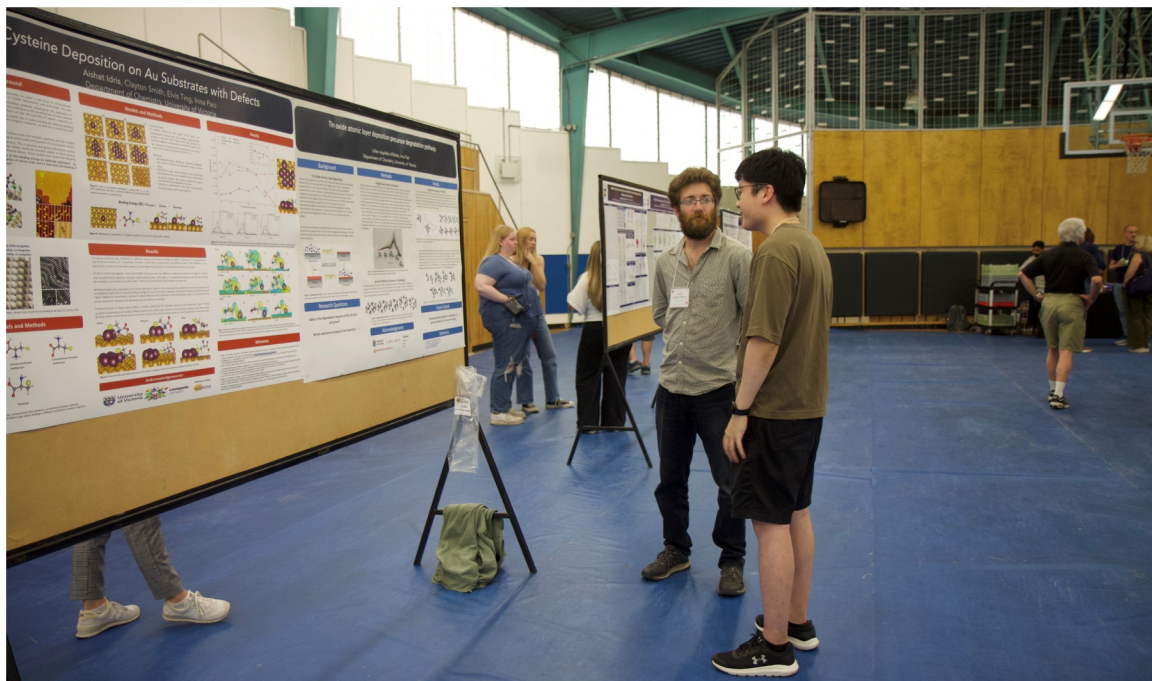
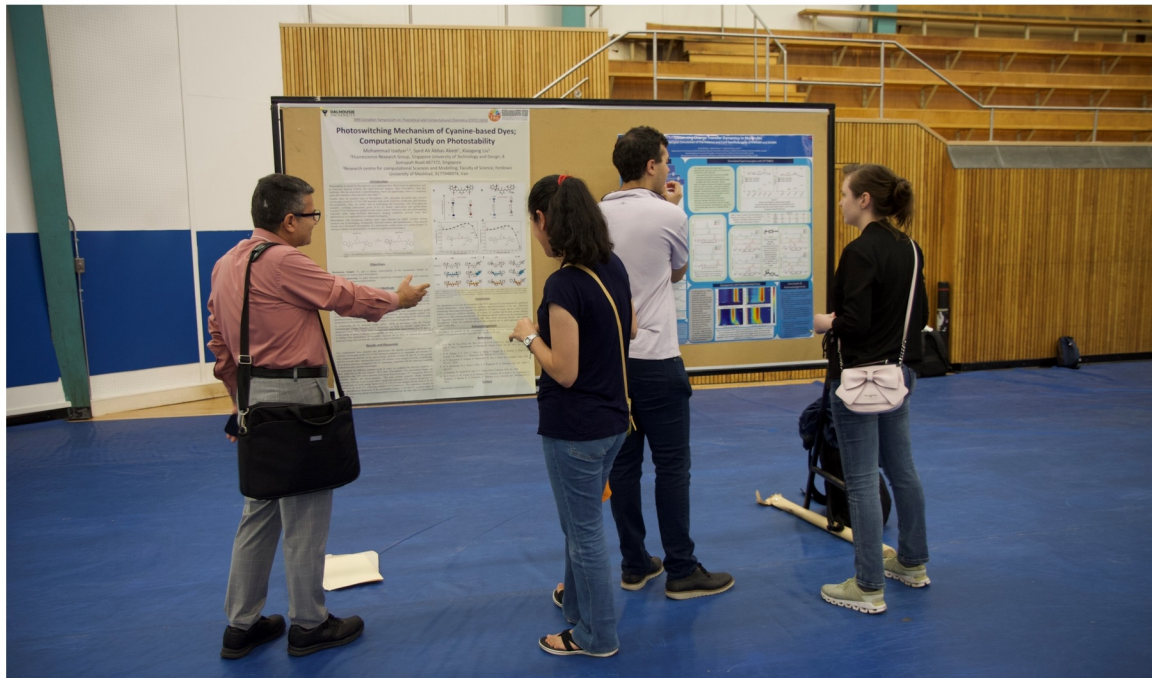


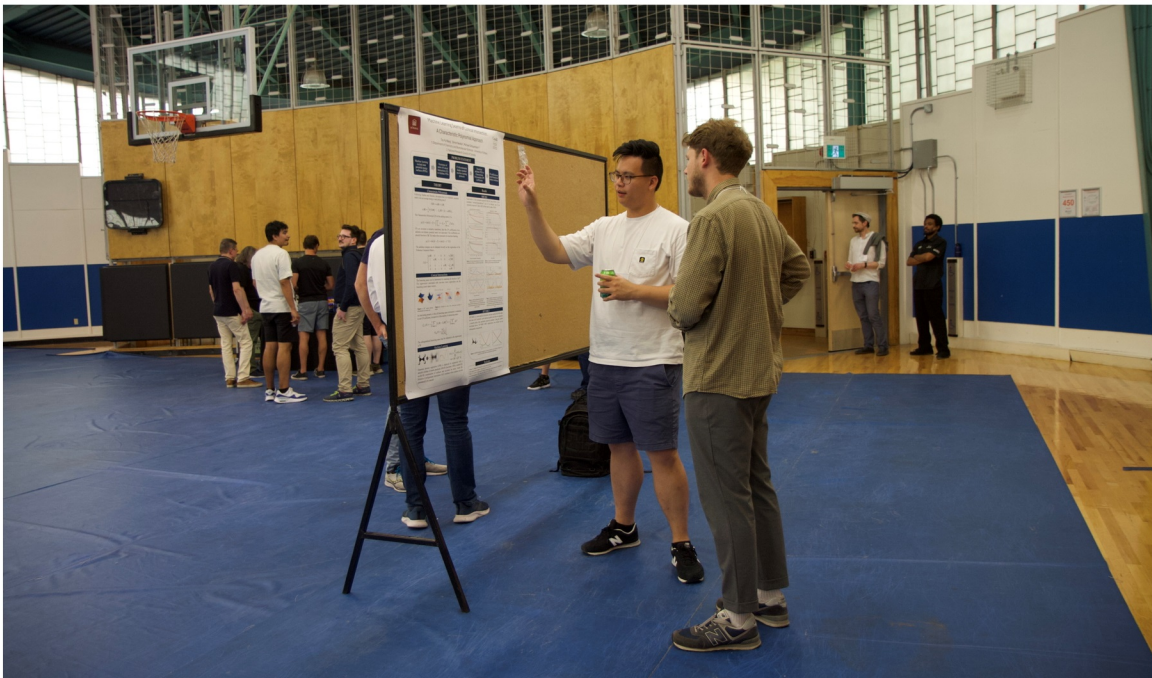
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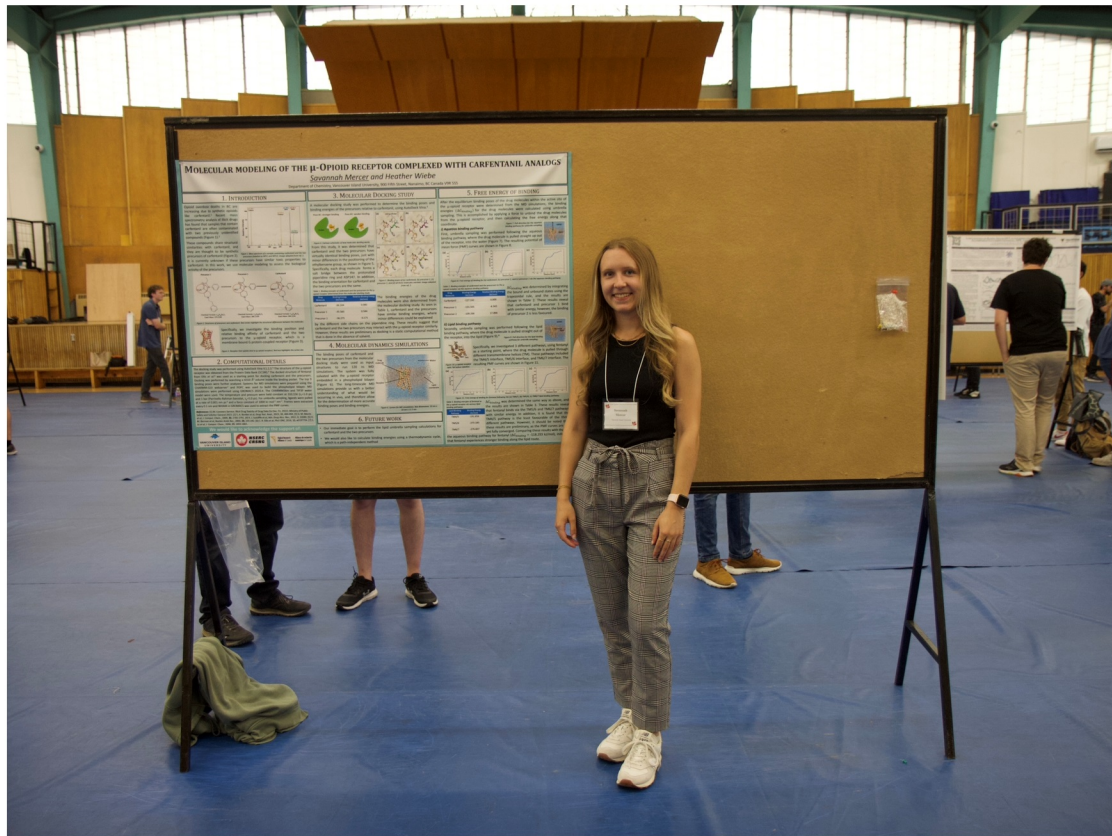
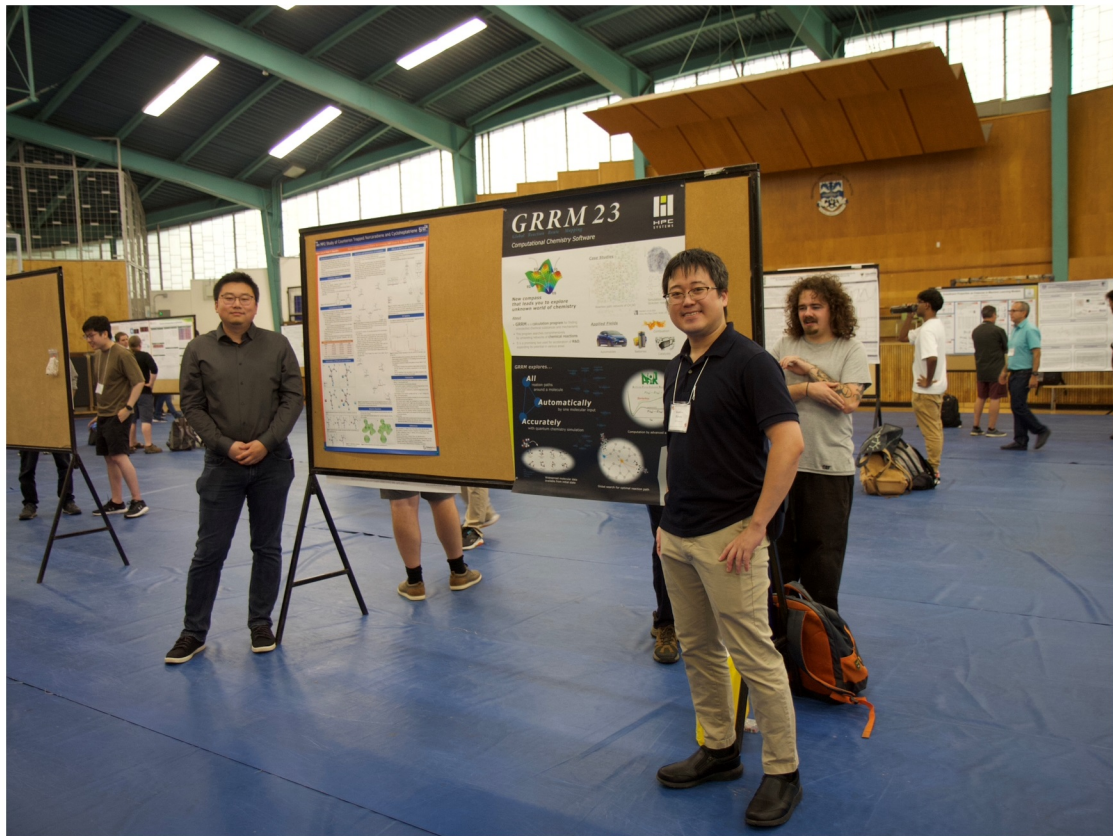


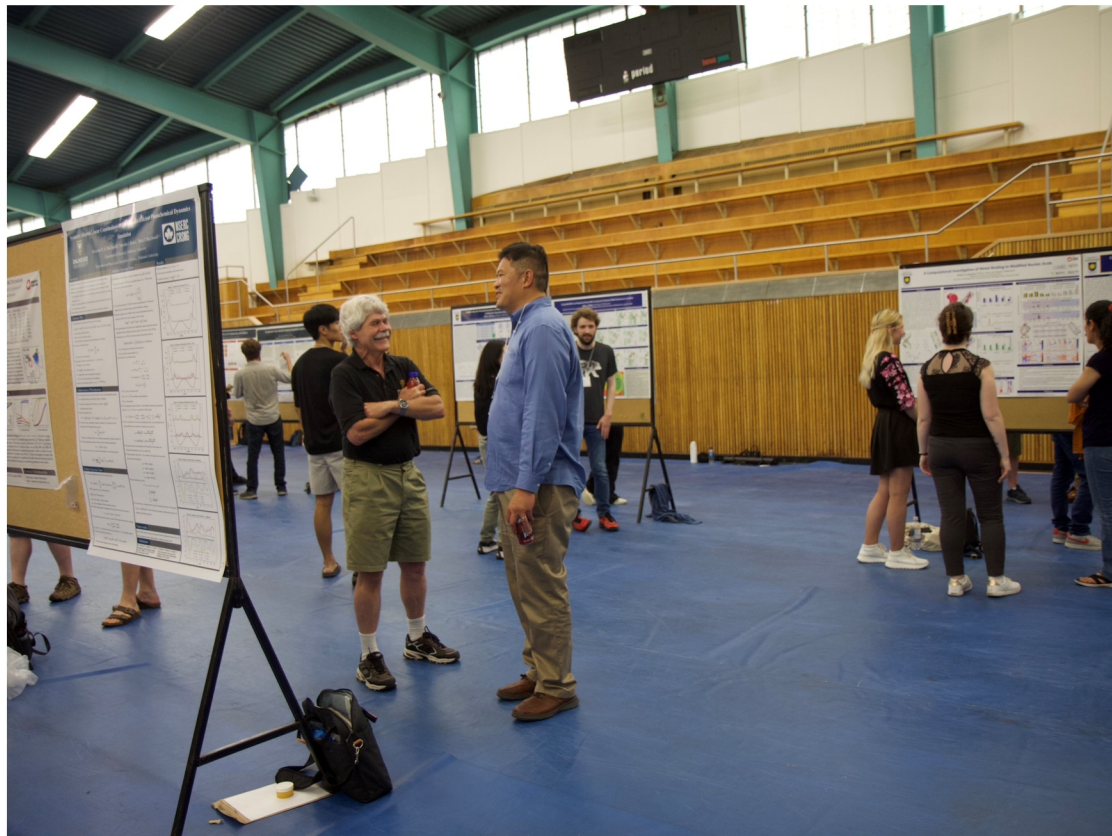
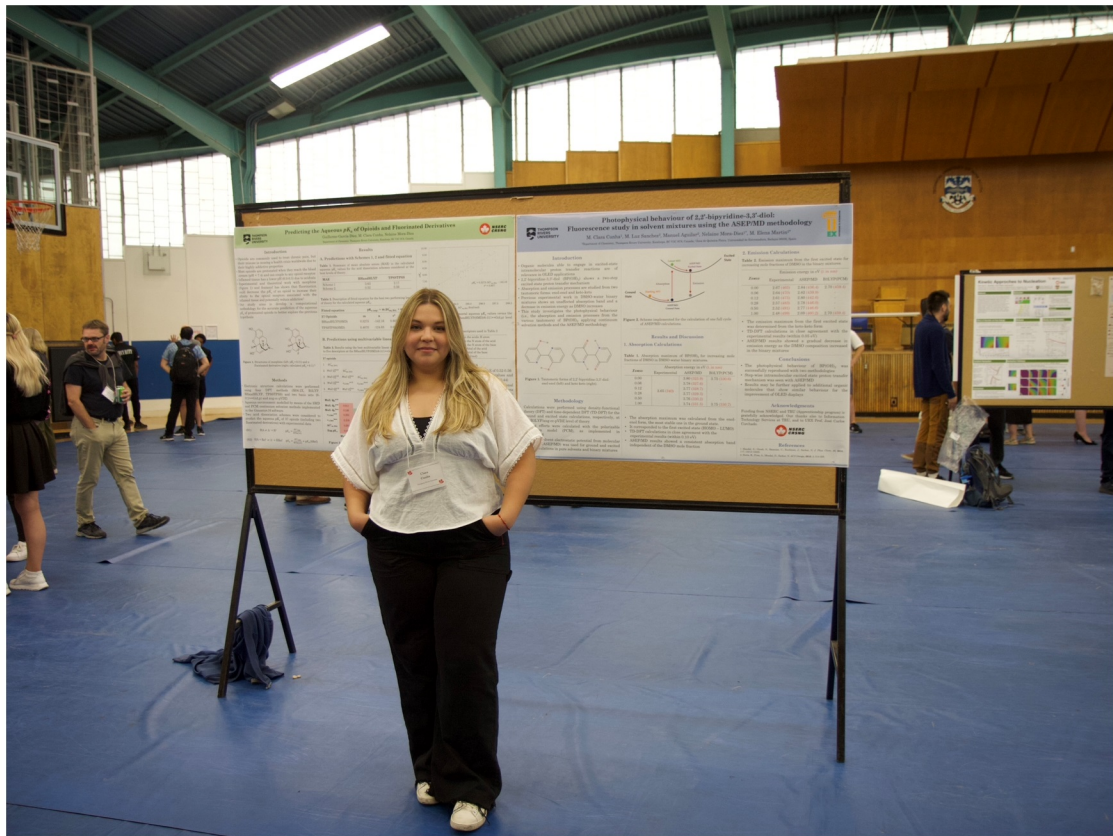


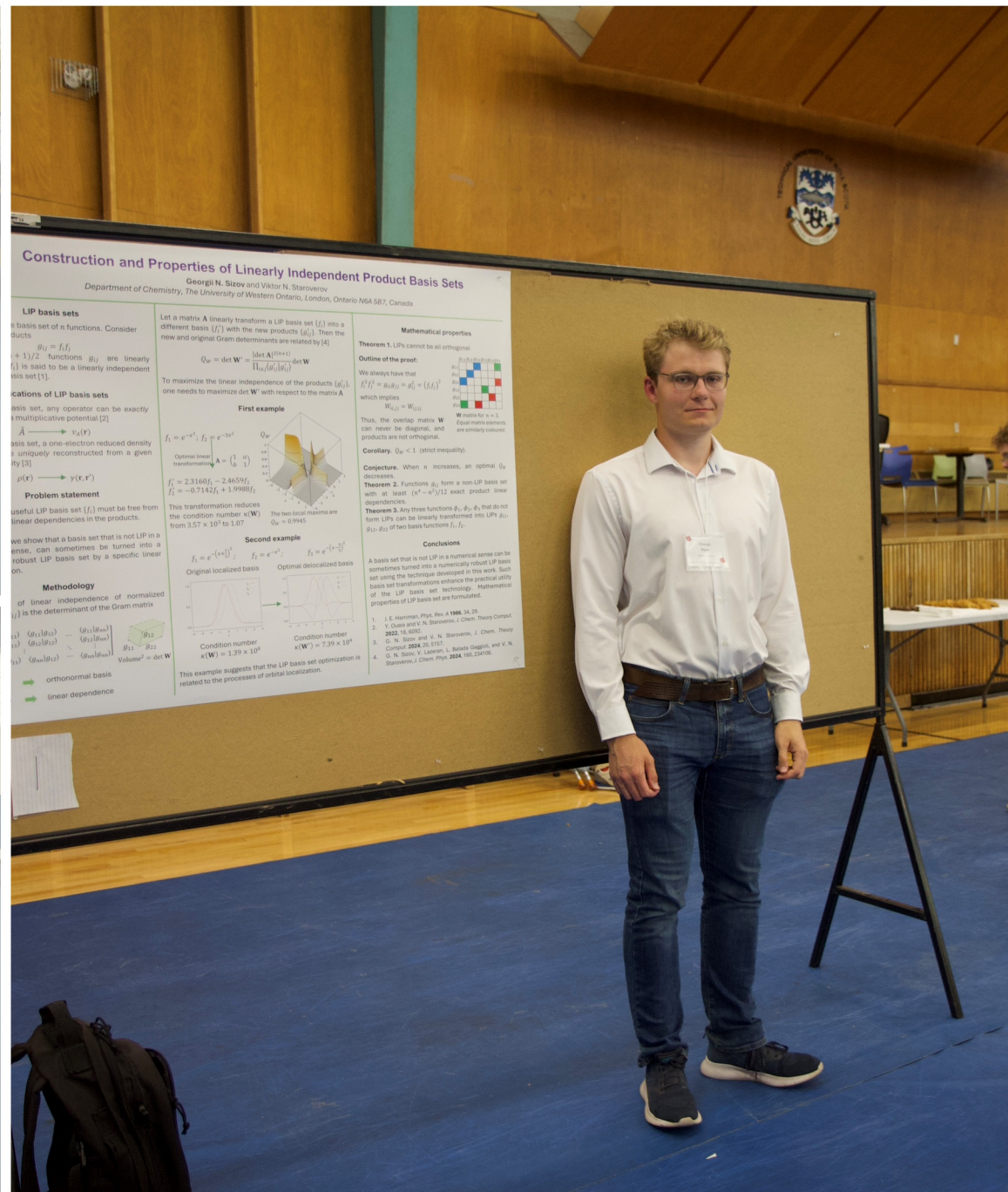
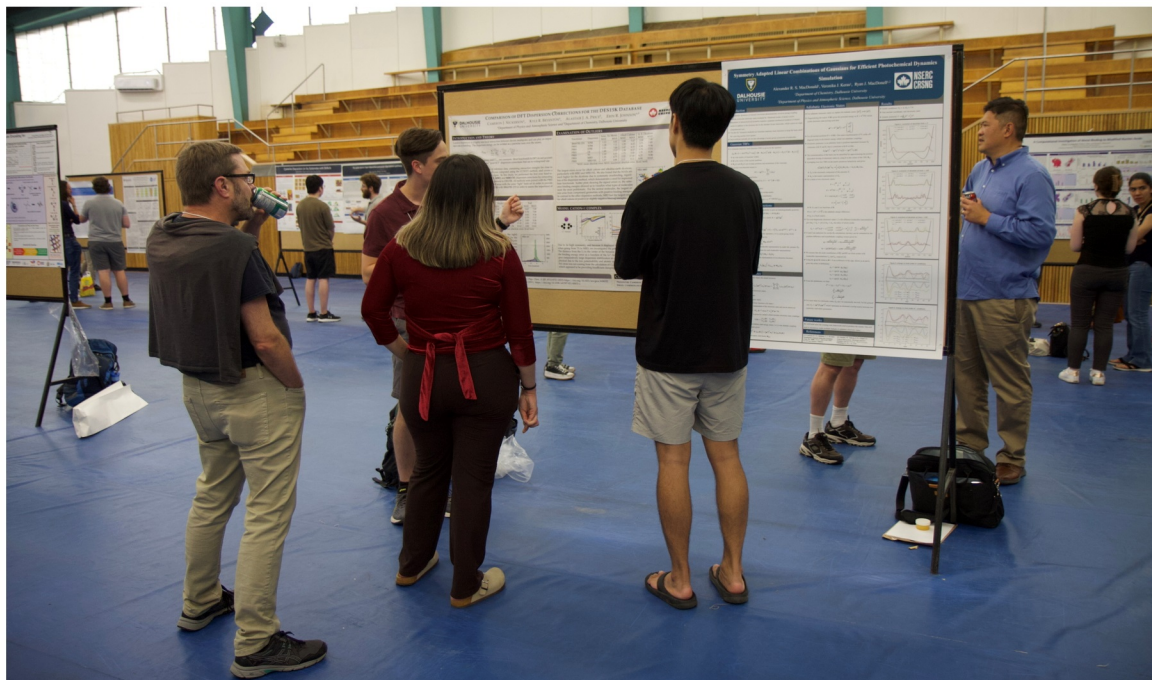
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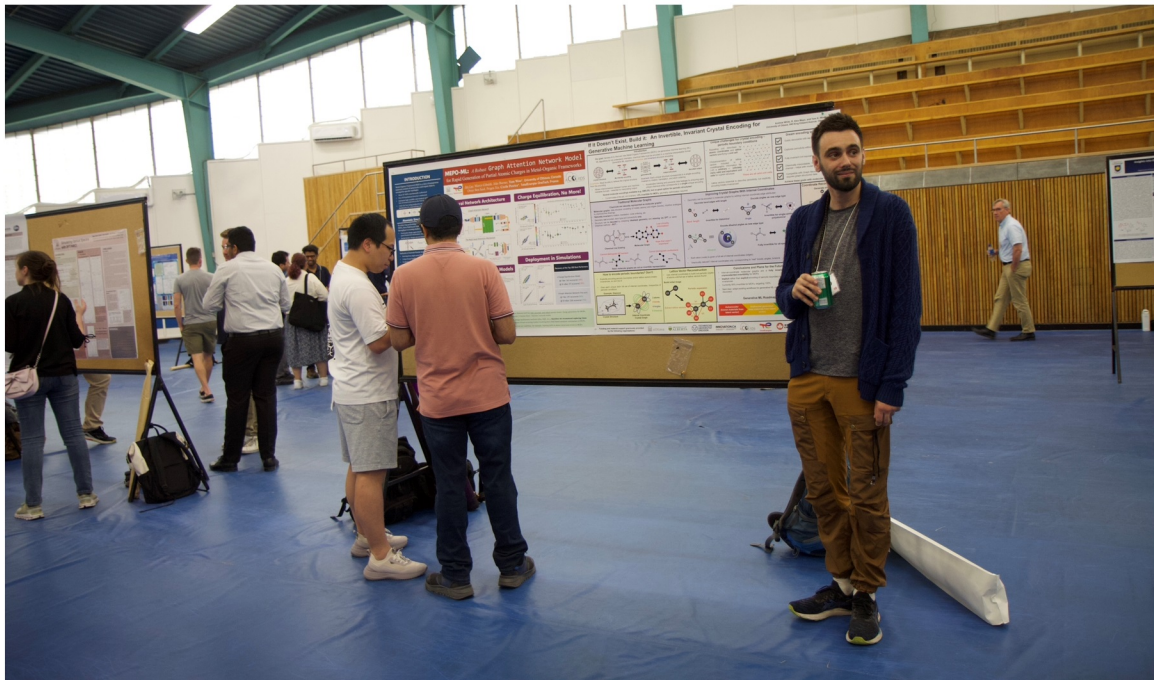


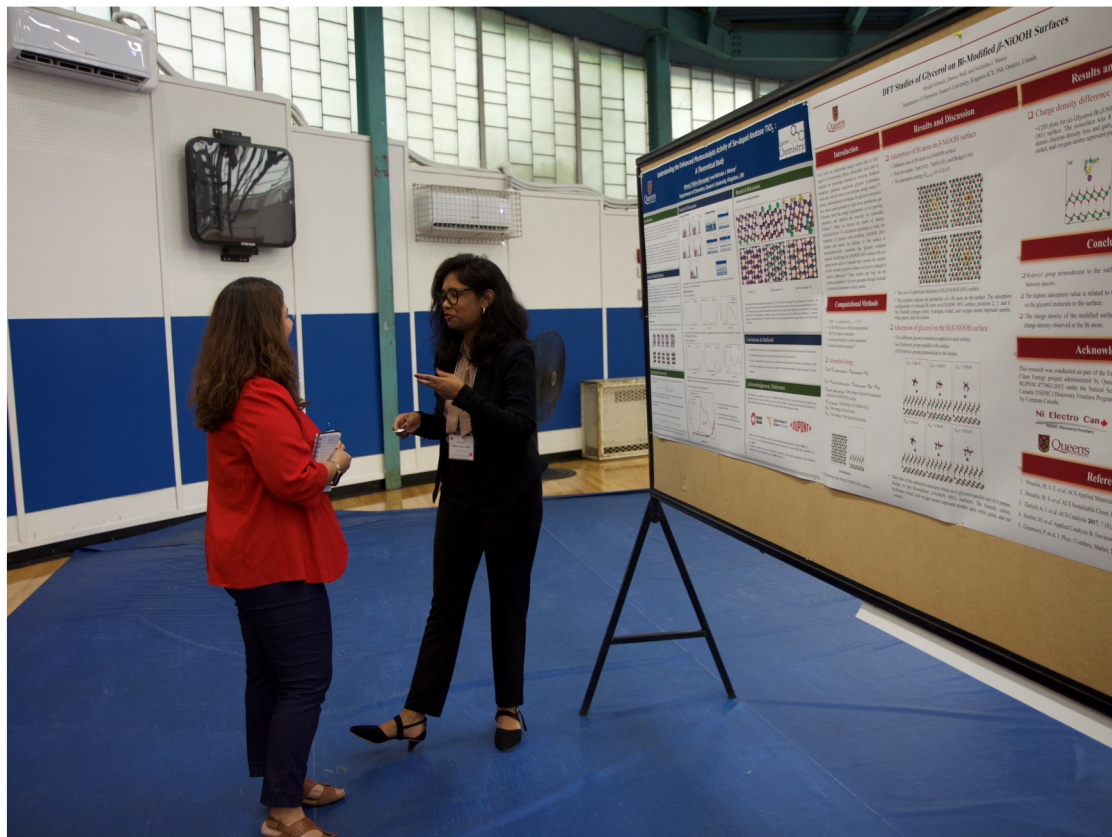
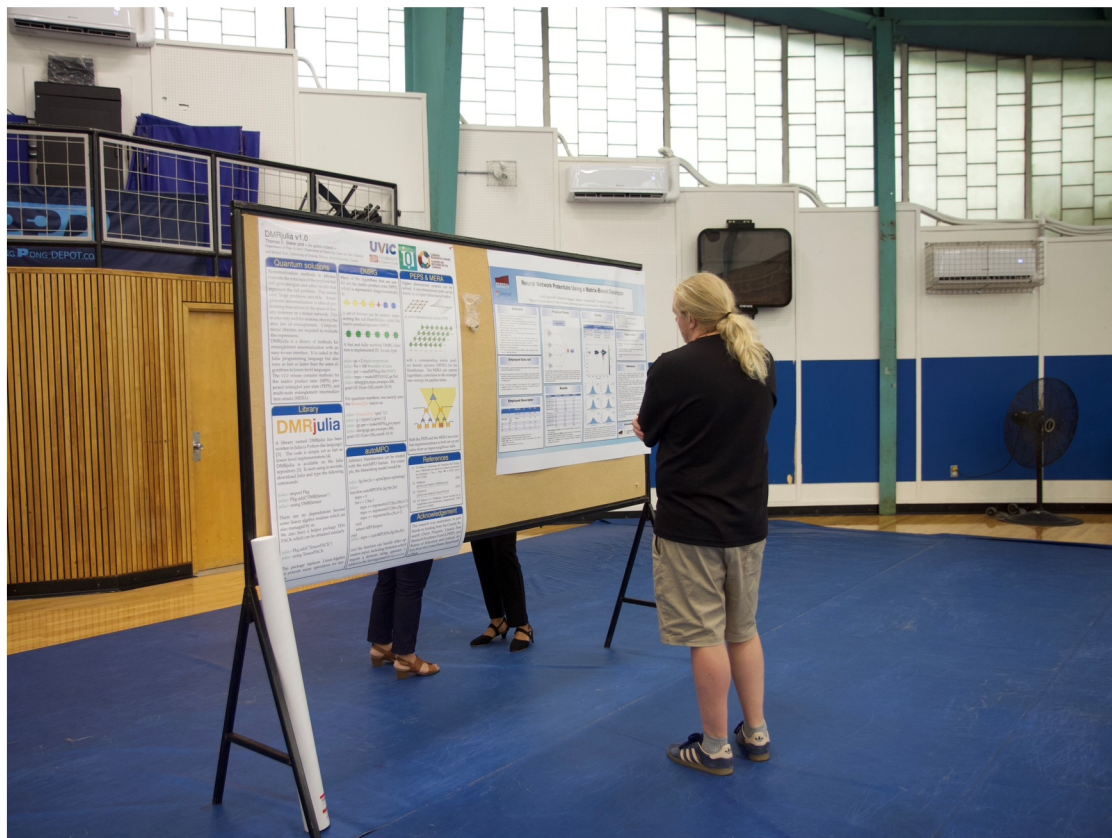


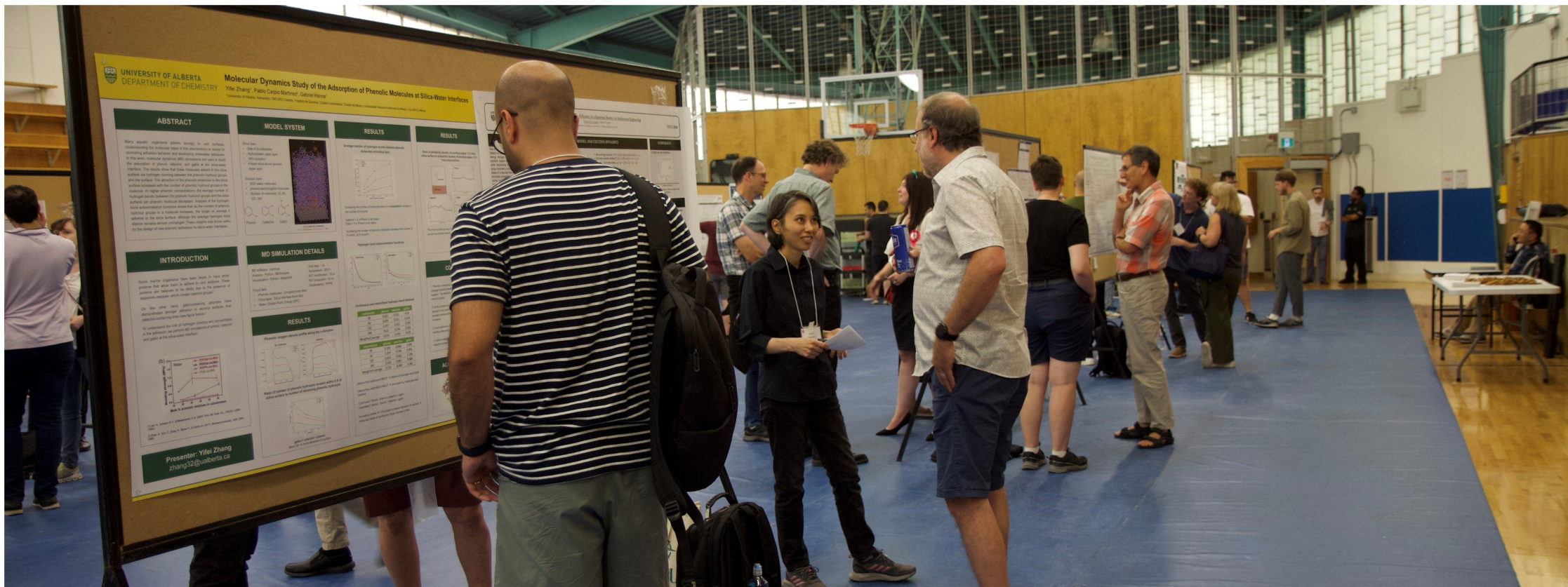
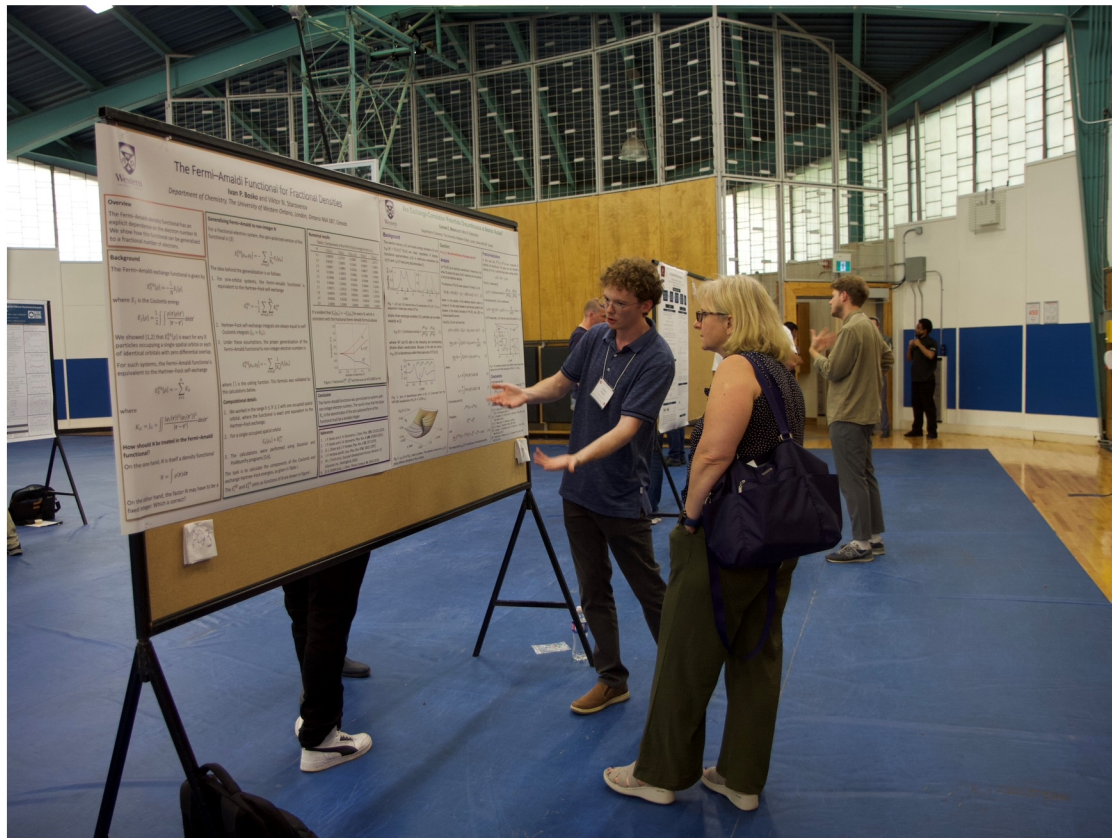
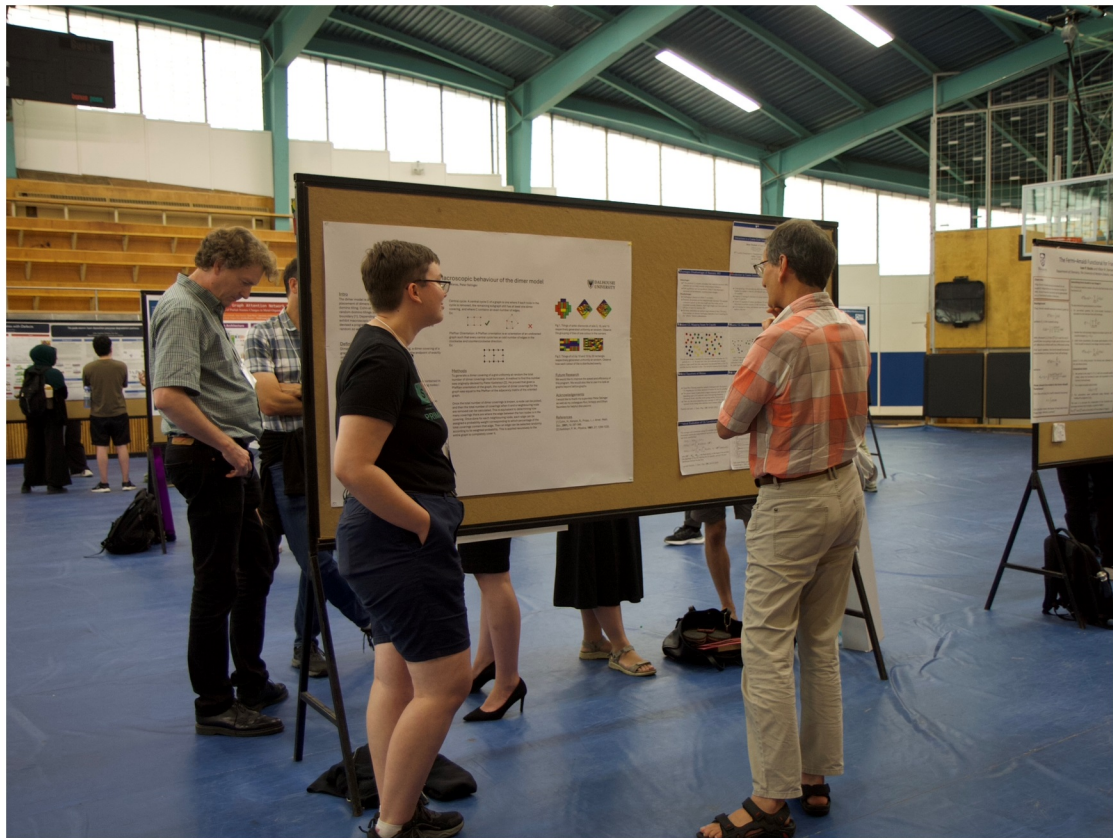


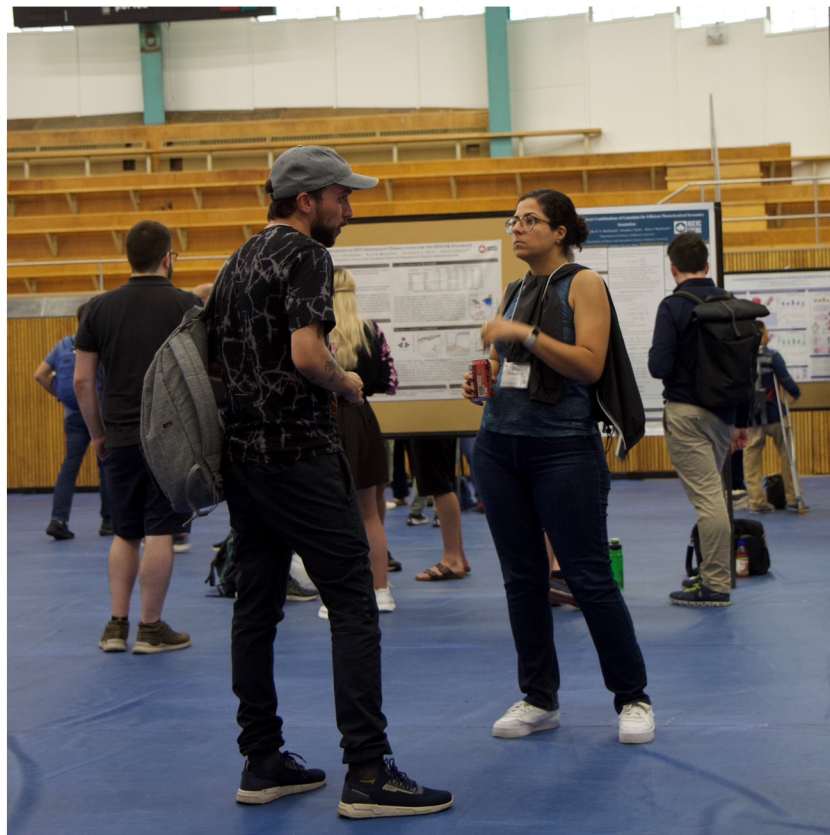
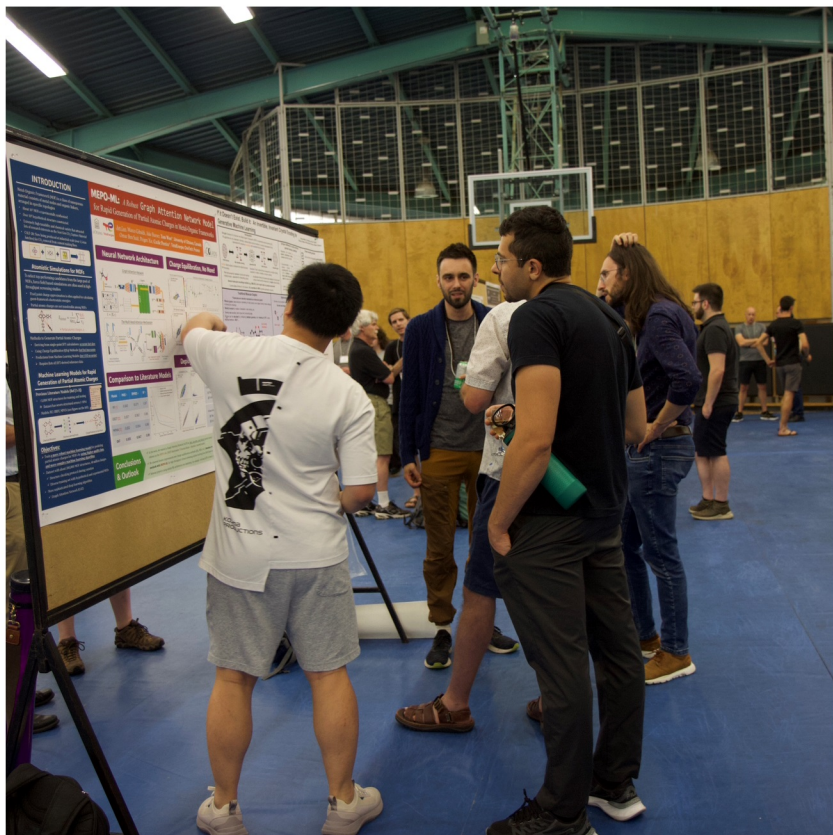
















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DAY 4





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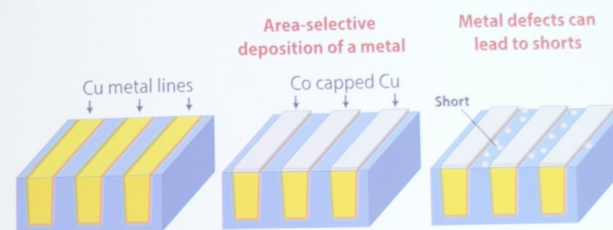
Peptide / Protein Crosslinks

- Many crosslinks, in addition to the well-known disulfide link, are known.

Brimble, M. *Org. Chem. Front.* 2020, 7, 2789-2814. Gerrard, J. *Trends Food Sci. Tech.* 2002, 13, 391-399.

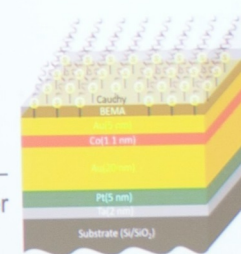


Area selective deposition of thin Co layers

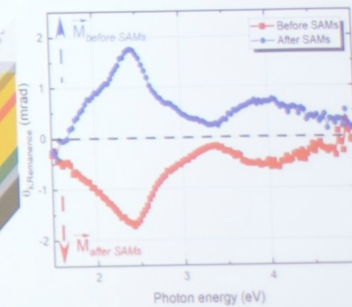


Mark Merkx, AtomicLimits, 2022

Magnetic sensing –
ferromagnetic Co layer



Sharma et al., J. Mater. Chem. 2020





Molecular crystal polymorphism is quite common.

- Estimates suggest **at least half** of organic molecules exhibit polymorphism.
"The number of forms known for each compound is proportional to the time and money spent in research on that compound."
– W.C. McCrone, 1965.

- Different crystal polymorphs have different physical properties.
 - Appearance (color, shape, etc.)
 - Melting point
 - Solubility/bioavailability
 - Hardness, brittleness, and other mechanical properties.









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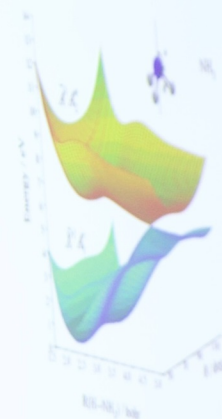




TERRY BLASKOVITS

Excited state molecular dynamics

- Global, intersecting, coupled potentials
- Solution of the nuclear Schrödinger equation requires the evaluation of potentials and couplings at a large no. geometries



$$\Psi(R, r, t) = \sum_i \chi_i(R, t) \psi_i(r, R), \quad \hat{H}_e \psi_i(r, R) = E_i(R) \psi_i(r, R)$$

$$i \frac{\partial \Psi}{\partial t} = (\hat{T}_n + \hat{H}_e) \Psi$$





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