

Supplementary Information: Machine learning of solvent effects on molecular spectra and reactions

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Supplementary text 1: Response properties

The energy predicted by FieldSchNet is an analytic function of the coordinates \mathbf{R} , as well as the external fields and their associated atomic dipole moments. This makes it possible to access so-called response properties, which are partial derivatives of the potential energy¹. Assuming the presence of an external electric $\boldsymbol{\epsilon}$ field and a magnetic field \mathbf{B} with its corresponding nuclear magnetic moments $\{\mathbf{I}_i\}$, a general response property $\boldsymbol{\Pi}$ takes the form

$$\boldsymbol{\Pi}(n_{\mathbf{R}}, n_{\boldsymbol{\epsilon}}, n_{\mathbf{B}}, n_{\mathbf{I}_i}) = \frac{\partial^{n_{\mathbf{R}}+n_{\boldsymbol{\epsilon}}+n_{\mathbf{B}}+n_{\mathbf{I}_i}} E(\mathbf{R}, \boldsymbol{\epsilon}, \mathbf{B}, \mathbf{I}_i)}{\partial \mathbf{R}^{n_{\mathbf{R}}} \partial \boldsymbol{\epsilon}^{n_{\boldsymbol{\epsilon}}} \partial \mathbf{B}^{n_{\mathbf{B}}} \partial \mathbf{I}_i^{n_{\mathbf{I}_i}}}, \quad (1)$$

where the n s indicate the n -th order partial derivative w.r.t. the quantity in the subscript. A response property modeled by most machine learning potentials are the nuclear forces $\mathbf{F} = -\boldsymbol{\Pi}(1, 0, 0, 0)$, which are the negative first derivative of the energy with respect to the nuclear positions.

However, the expression above offers instructions on obtaining a wealth of other quantities, some of which are highly relevant for molecular spectroscopy and/or provide a direct connection to experiment. Infrared spectra can e.g. be simulated based on dipole moments $\boldsymbol{\mu} = -\boldsymbol{\Pi}(0, 1, 0, 0)$, while molecular polarizabilities $\boldsymbol{\alpha} = -\boldsymbol{\Pi}(0, 2, 0, 0)$ offer access to polarized and depolarized Raman spectra. A central response property of the magnetic field are nuclear magnetic shielding tensors $\boldsymbol{\sigma}_i = \boldsymbol{\Pi}(0, 0, 1, 1)$. These allow the computation of chemical shifts recorded in nuclear magnetic resonance spectroscopy NMR via their average trace $\sigma_i = \frac{1}{3} \text{tr}[\boldsymbol{\sigma}_i]$.

The power of FieldSchNet (and field-based models in general) lies in the fact, that a single energy function provides access to a wide range of quantum chemical properties in a highly systematic manner. Moreover, the expression in Eq. 1 above guarantees the correct geometric transformations of the property tensors with respect to rotations and translations of the molecule in the external field without the need of explicitly encoding the corresponding symmetries. As is the practice with molecular forces, response properties can also be incorporated during training of the FieldSchNet model by including the appropriate squared errors into the loss function

$$\mathcal{L} = \eta_E (\tilde{E} - E)^2 + \frac{1}{3N} \sum_i^N |\tilde{\mathbf{F}}_i - \mathbf{F}_i|^2 + \eta_{\boldsymbol{\mu}} \frac{1}{3} |\tilde{\boldsymbol{\mu}} - \boldsymbol{\mu}|^2 + \dots \quad (2)$$

Here, the trade-offs η weight the importance of a property in the loss and N is the total

number of atoms. The properties predicted by FieldSchNet according to Eq. 1 are indicated with a tilde.

Supplementary text 2: Reference data generation

All electronic structure reference computations were carried out at the PBE0/def2-TZVP^{2,3} level of theory using the ORCA quantum chemistry package⁴. SCF convergence was set to tight and integration grid levels of 4 and 5 were employed during SCF iterations and the final computation of properties, respectively. In the case of allyl-p-tolyl ether, the RIJK approximation was used to accelerate computations⁵. Nuclear shielding tensors were computed with the Gauge Including Atomic Orbitals approach⁶ implemented in ORCA, while continuum solvents calculations were performed with the in package conductor-like polarizable continuum model⁷.

The reference data for ethanol was generated by selecting 10 000 random configurations from the MD17 database⁸ and recomputing them at the above level of theory. In addition, continuum solvent calculations for the four studied continuum solvents (toluene, ethanol, methanol, water) were carried out for the structures selected in this manner. A training set for continuum models containing 30 000 ethanol configurations were constructed by merging the vacuum, ethanol and water data. The data was then filtered for configurations showing artificially high forces due to numerical problems in the surface cavity generation, yielding a final number of 27 990 structures. Reference data for the ML/MM simulations was generated in a two-step approach. Initially, a periodic box of 1250 ethanol molecules was equilibrated with the NAMD molecular dynamics package⁹ using the CHARMM General Force Field¹⁰ for 1 μ s. Using the native NAMD interface to ORCA, electrostatic embedding QM/MM simulations were carried out, where one of the ethanols was described at the PBE/def2-SVP^{3,11} level of theory. CHELPG charges¹² were used as partial charges for the quantum regions and simulations were run for 50 ps using 0.5 fs time steps. For all simulations, temperatures were kept at 300 K using a Langevin thermostat¹³ and pressures at 1 atm using a Langevin piston barostat¹⁴. From this trajectory, 30 000 QM ethanol configurations and the associated charge distributions of the environment were sampled at random and recomputed at the PBE0/def2-TZVP level.

Reference data for the allyl-p-tolyl ether Claisen rearrangement reaction in vacuum was

obtained via metadynamics¹⁵ at the PBE/def2-SVP level of theory. The two bonds involved in the reaction were selected as collective coordinates and Gaussians with a height of 1 kcal/mol and a width of 0.529 Å were deposited each 100 simulation steps. The system was simulated for a total of 50 ps using 0.5 fs time steps. Temperature was kept constant at 500 K by means of a Nose-Hoover chain thermostat¹⁶. We then selected 61 000 configurations from this and recalculated them with the reference level of theory. Data for MM/ML simulations was generated by suspending 20334 configurations sampled during metadynamics in periodic solvation boxes with 9260 TIP3P waters¹⁷. Keeping the allyl-p-tolyl ether coordinates frozen, the water box was then optimized and simulated for 50 ps with NAMD. For temperature and pressure control, the same setup as in the ethanol box was used. From each of these boxes, 3 ether configurations and associated charge distributions were drawn and recomputed at the PBE0/def2-TZVP level, yielding 61 002 reference data points.

Supplementary text 3: Model training

The training settings for each data set are provided in Supplementary Tab. 1. The initial learning rates were decayed by a factor of 0.8 after t_{patience} epochs of no improvement. Training was stopped the learning rate reached a value of 1e-6. The dipole cutoffs were chosen to be the same as the cutoffs for the interactions. Supplementary Tab. 2 provides the tradeoffs *eta* used for the different response properties in the composited loss function minimized during training. As the ¹H, ¹³C and ¹⁷O chemical shifts lie on completely different scales, the shielding tensor loss terms for each atom were weighted by an element dependent factor in order to achieve equal relative accuracy between all contributions. We used factors of $\omega_H = 1.0$, $\omega_C = 0.167$ and $\omega_O = 0.022$, which were determined based on the reference data. The FieldSchNet model and training procedures were implemented using PyTorch¹⁸ and the SchNetPack code package for machine learning in atomistic systems¹⁹.

Supplementary text 4: Molecular dynamics and spectra computation

Unless stated otherwise, the velocity Verlet algorithm and a time step of 0.5 fs were used to integrate the equations of motion. All simulations not using NAMD⁹ were carried out with the molecular dynamics module implemented in SchNetPack¹⁹.

Supplementary Table 1: Training parameters for all models.

Dataset	n_{train}	n_{valid}	n_{test}	n_{batch}	lr_{init}	t_{patience}	n_{features}	$n_{\text{interactions}}$	r_{cutoff} [Å]
ethanol (vacuum)	8000	1000	1000	20	1e-4	15	256	6	5.0
ethanol (continuum)	16 000	2000	9990	20	1e-4	15	256	6	5.0
ethanol (ML/MM)	18 000	2000	10 000	20	1e-4	15	256	6	5.0
ethanol (ML/MM, reduced)	1800	200	28 000	20	1e-4	15	256	6	5.0
ethanol + methanol (ML/MM)	1890	105	105	20	1e-4	15	256	6	5.0
ether (vacuum)	50 000	5000	6000	10	1e-4	25	256	5	5.0
ether (ML/MM)	50 000	5000	6002	10	1e-4	25	256	5	5.0

Supplementary Table 2: Tradeoffs η used for training the different properties, assuming all quantities use atomic units.

Property	ethanol allyl-p-tolyl ether		
	all	vacuum	ML/MM
E	1.0	1.0	1.0
F	10.0	5.0	5.0
μ	0.01	0.05	0.01
α	0.01	0.001	0.0001
σ_{all}	0.05	10.0	0.1

Classical molecular dynamics simulations for ethanol in vacuum and continuum solvents were carried for 50 ps at a temperature of 300 K controlled via Nose-Hoover chain¹⁶ thermostat with a chain length of 3 and time constant of 100 fs. The first 10 ps of these trajectories were then discarded. Ring polymer molecular dynamics were performed for 20 ps, using a time step of 0.2 fs and a specially adapted global Nose-Hoover chain as introduced in Ref.²⁰ to keep the temperature at 300 K. Once again, a chain length of 3 and time constant of 100 fs were chosen for the thermostat.

Simulations for ethanol ML/MM models were carried out using a custom interface between NAMD and our machine learning code. First, a periodic box of 1250 ethanol molecules

Supplementary Table 3: **Test set performance of ethanol models.** Mean absolute errors of FieldSchNet trained on ethanol in vacuum and pc-FieldSchNet trained with vacuum, ethanol and water as solvents. Solvents marked by * have not been used to train the continuum model.

Property	Unit	Vacuum	Continuum				ML/MM
			<i>vacuum</i>	<i>toluene*</i>	<i>ethanol</i>	<i>methanol*</i>	
E	kcal mol ⁻¹	0.017	0.035	0.137	0.052	0.056 0.062	0.557
F	kcal mol ⁻¹ Å ⁻¹	0.128	0.145	0.174	0.139	0.140 0.142	0.683
μ	D	0.004	0.004	0.006	0.005	0.005 0.005	0.007
α	Bohr ³	0.008	0.007	0.243	0.007	0.007 0.008	0.010
σ_{all}	ppm	0.169	0.157	0.149	0.140	0.140 0.141	0.154
σ_H	ppm	0.123	0.122	0.116	0.113	0.113 0.114	0.094
σ_C	ppm	0.194	0.186	0.175	0.166	0.166 0.167	0.182
σ_O	ppm	0.401	0.312	0.298	0.248	0.248 0.250	0.453

Supplementary Table 4: Test set errors obtained for the allyl-p-toly Claisen rearrangement datasets.

Property	Unit	Vacuum	ML/MM
E	kcal mol ⁻¹	0.084	0.400
F	kcal mol ⁻¹ Å ⁻¹	0.141	0.454
μ	D	0.003	0.026
α	Bohr ³	0.039	0.157
σ_{all}	ppm	0.273	1.144
σ_H	ppm	0.045	0.154
σ_C	ppm	0.301	1.331
σ_O	ppm	2.732	11.144

was equilibrated with NAMD for 1 μ , using the CHARMM General Force Field¹⁰. Bonds to hydrogens were kept frozen with the SHAKE algorithm²¹ and a time step of 1 fs was used. One ethanol was then selected for modeling via the FieldSchNet ML/MM model and ML/MM simulations were carried out using a custom interface between NAMD and our machine learning code for a total of 50 ps. For both simulations, temperatures were kept at 300 K with a Langevin thermostat¹³ and pressures at 1 atm using Langevin piston barostat¹⁴. The first 10 ps of the trajectory were discarded.

Simulations for methanol ML/MM models were carried out with the same protocol, using a periodic box of 1860 methanol molecules.

Umbrella sampling simulations for the Claisen rearrangement set up according to the following protocol. Using the difference between the bonds formed and broken as the reaction coordinate, we determined the centers for the harmonic bias potentials by choosing 50 equidistant points along the reaction coordinate. The centers ranged from values of -4.15 Å to 5.18 Å with an increment of 0.19 Å. For each center, we selected the closest lying structure in the metadynamics trajectory used for generating the reference data as a starting configuration for the umbrella sampling run. All simulations used a force constant of 112.04 kcal/mol/Å². Umbrella sampling in vacuum was carried out for each window by first equilibrating the system for 25 ps using a Berendsen thermostat²² at 300 K (time constant of 100 fs) followed by 25 ps production simulation at the same temperature with a Nose-Hoover chain (chain length of 3 and time constant of 100 fs). For the ML/MM model umbrella simulations, the starting configurations were first solvated in a periodic box of 9260 water molecules treated with the TIP3P force field. Keeping the allyl-p-tolyl ether structures frozen, the water box was first minimized and the equilibrated for 200 ps to a temperature of 300 K and pressure of 1 atm with a Langevin thermostat and Langevin piston barostat using NAMD. Bonds involving water hydrogens were kept frozen with the SHAKE algorithm and a time step of 1 fs was used. Starting from the systems prepared in this manner, ML/MM simulations were performed for 25 ps using the same pressure and temperature control as above.

Free energy profiles were constructed from the umbrella sampling data using the WHAM code with convergence set to 1e-9 and a temperature of 300 K^{23,24}.

Infrared and polarized as well as depolarized Raman spectra were computed from the time-autocorrelation functions of the dipole moment and polarizability time derivatives ac-

ording to the relations given in Ref.²⁵. Autocorrelation functions were computed using the Wiener-Khinchin theorem²⁶ and a autocorrelation depth of 2048 fs. In order to enhance the quality of the spectra, a Hann window function²⁷ and zero-padding were applied to the autocorrelation functions before computing the spectra. A laser frequency of 514 nm and temperature of 300 K were used for calculating the Raman spectra.

NMR chemical shifts were computed as the average trace of the nuclear shielding tensor $\sigma_i = \frac{1}{3}\text{tr}[\boldsymbol{\sigma}_i]$. These chemical shifts were then referenced to the shifts computed for a tetramethylsilane molecule via

$$\sigma_i = \sigma_{\text{ref}}^{(Z)} - \sigma_i \quad (3)$$

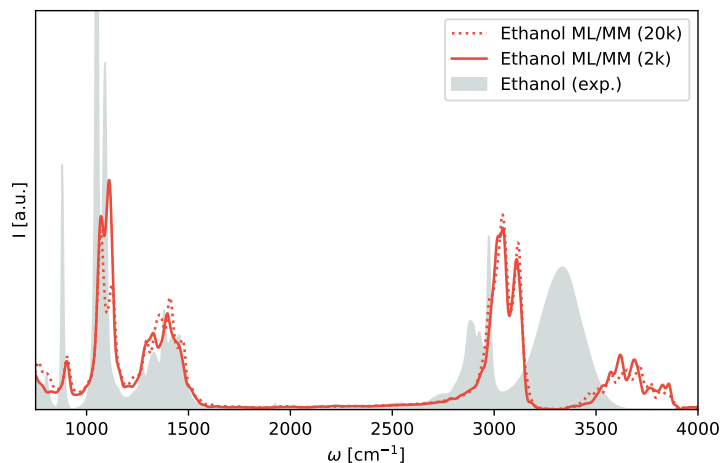
The reference shifts computed with the PBE0/def2-TZVP were $\sigma_{\text{H}} = 31.77$ ppm and $\sigma_{\text{H}} = 188.53$ ppm.

Supplementary text 5: Adaptive sampling

In order to obtain representative structures from the original ethanol ML/MM data, we applied adaptive sampling in a postprocessing manner. Starting from a randomly selected set of 100 structures, we trained three separate FieldSchNet models using the settings and tradeoffs reported in supplementary Tabs 1 and 2, omitting the nuclear shielding tensors. We then used a weighted sum of the variances of the network predictions as an uncertainty measure:

$$\nu = \sum_{\pi} \frac{w_{\pi}}{M-1} \max \left[\sum_m^M \left(\boldsymbol{\Pi}_{\pi}^{(m)} - \frac{1}{M} \sum_m^M \boldsymbol{\Pi}_{\pi}^{(m)} \right)^2 \right], \quad (4)$$

where π is the index for a particular property, w_{π} the associated tradeoff weight, M the total number of ensemble models and $\boldsymbol{\Pi}_{\pi}^{(m)}$ the prediction of model m for property π . In case of a vectorial or tensorial property (e.g. dipole moment), the element with the maximal value was used. As weights, we used the same tradeoffs as reported in supplementary Tab. 2. The 100 molecules with the highest uncertainty were then selected and added to the initial dataset. A new model ensemble was trained on this new data and the procedure was repeated until satisfactory accuracy was achieved. The final dataset contained 2000 ethanol configurations, resulting in a 10-fold reduction in training data. The ML/MM spectrum simulated with a FieldSchNet model trained on the reduced dataset (using the settings described in supplementary text 4) shows excellent agreement with the original spectrum



Supplementary Figure 1: **Ethanol ML/MM spectrum of the reduced dataset:**

Comparison of the ML/MM spectra obtained with FieldSchNet models trained on the full (20 000 data points) and reduced datasets (2000 data points). The experimental spectrum is shown in gray.

(see supplementary Fig 1).

A modified adaptive sampling procedure was used to extend the FieldSchNet ML/MM model to liquid ethanol. Starting with an ensemble of three FieldSchNet models trained on the reduced dataset generated above, we performed 10 ps of ML/MM simulations on an equilibrated box of 1860 methanol molecules (see supplementary text 4). During simulation, uncertainties were computed for each timestep according to supplementary Eq. 4, yielding the model uncertainty as a function of time. After the simulation, we determined the maxima of this function and selected those with the 100 highest associated uncertainties. The corresponding structures were then recomputed with the electronic structure reference used to generate the original data (supplementary text 2). Finally, new ML models were trained on the dataset expanded in this manner (2000 ethanol structures + 100 methanol structures) and used in ML/MM simulations to compute infrared spectra.

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