

Physical Consistency Bridges Heterogeneous Data in Molecular Multi-Task Learning

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 - Information of a higher level of accuracy can flow from one task (e.g., energy) to another (e.g., equilibrium structure).
 - Data of a related task (e.g., force) can directly improve the performance of the concerned task (e.g., equilibrium structure).



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Force is the gradient of energy:
 Force labels on off-equilibrium structures
 → better energy landscape
 → better equilibrium structure.

• Diffusion model for structure generation:

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$$\approx \mathbf{s}_{\theta,\mathcal{G},T-\bar{t}}(\mathbf{R}_{\bar{t}})$$
Denoising score matching:

$$\mathbb{E}_{p_{0}(\mathbf{R}_{0})} \mathbb{E}_{p(\mathbf{R}_{t}|\mathbf{R}_{0})} \| \mathbf{s}_{\theta,\mathcal{G},t}(\mathbf{R}_{t}) - \nabla_{\mathbf{R}_{t}} \log p(\mathbf{R}_{t}|\mathbf{R}_{0}) \|^{2}$$

$$= \mathbb{E}_{p_{0}(\mathbf{R}_{0})} \mathbb{E}_{\epsilon} \| \mathbf{s}_{\theta,\mathcal{G},t}(\sqrt{\alpha_{t}} \mathbf{R}_{0} + \sqrt{1 - \alpha_{t}} \epsilon) + \frac{\epsilon}{\sqrt{1 - \alpha_{t}}} \|^{2},$$

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 - Gradient-norm loss $\|\nabla E_{\phi,\mathcal{G}}(\mathbf{R}^{\star}_{\theta}(\mathcal{G}))\|^2$ or just $E_{\phi,\mathcal{G}}(\mathbf{R}^{\star}_{\theta}(\mathcal{G}))$ as a loss are unstable.
 - · Only structure-related parameters θ are optimized.

Optimality Consistency

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 - · Taking $\tau < T$ but close to $T: \mathbf{D}_{\theta,\mathcal{G},\tau}(\boldsymbol{\epsilon})$ targets $\mathbb{E}_{|\mathcal{G}}[\mathbf{R}_0 | \mathbf{R}_{\tau} = \boldsymbol{\epsilon}]$,

 $p_{\mathcal{G}}(\mathbf{R}_0|\mathbf{R}_{\tau}) \propto p_{\mathcal{G}}(\mathbf{R}_0) \mathcal{N}(\mathbf{R}_0 | \mathbf{R}_{\tau}/\sqrt{\bar{\alpha}_{\tau}}, (1/\bar{\alpha}_{\tau}-1)\mathbf{I})$ assigns a larger probability along the orientation of \mathbf{R}_{τ} : **symmetry breaking**!

$$\Rightarrow \min_{\theta} \mathbb{E}_{\eta} \max \Big\{ 0, \ E_{\phi, \mathcal{G}} \left(\mathbf{D}_{\theta, \mathcal{G}, \tau}(\boldsymbol{\epsilon}) \right) - E_{\phi, \mathcal{G}} \left(\mathbf{D}_{\theta, \mathcal{G}, \tau}(\boldsymbol{\epsilon}) + \eta \right) \Big\}.$$

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 Score Consistency

· Does not contradict with the optimality consistency loss: one is near T, one is near 0.

Experiments

· Zero-shot:

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Struct. Stat.	Mean	Min	Mean	Min	Mean	Min	Mean	Min	
Multi-Task Consistency	1.189 1.158	0.655 0.645	1.041 1.007	0.361 0.346	0.928 0.848	0.545 0.490	0.669 0.650	0.197 0.194	

-"Free lunch" redeemed from scientific laws!

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Iorce	Consistency	1.147	0.590	1.013	0.345	0.842	0.485	0.644	0.194
PM6 subset	Multi-Task	1.199	0.672	1.027	0.365	0.914	0.545	0.648	0.193
force	Consistency	1.113	0.629	1.019	0.351	0.836	0.488	0.646	0.192

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PM6 subset force	Multi-Task Consistency	1.143 1.099	0.603 0.542	0.927 0.914	0.224 0.215	0.855 0.822	0.441 0.419	0.497 0.490	0.080 0.076

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• Analysis





