

Community Database Development and Application of Surface Complexation and Hybrid ML Approaches to Reactive Transport Modeling and Performance Assessment

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Overview of sorption modeling workflow

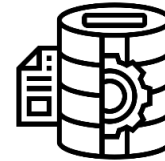
Data mining from literatures

- Data importing
- Original image / Metadata
- **Data** (Exp. conditions, K_d , etc.)



Database construction

- Data imports to MS ACCESS
- Reference **organizing** – dataset table (experimental conditions)
- Produce data table (sorption data)



Data formatting

- Data unification (+ **error** estimation / propagation)
- Data filtration for modeling
- Data export as **CSV** format for modeling



L-SCIE

(LLNL Surface Complexation/Ion Exchange)

OPENSOURCE CODE

AVAILABLE AT:

<https://ipo.llnl.gov/technologies/software/llnl-surface-complexation-database-converter-scdc>

Surface titration modeling

- Coded in Python environment
- Automated **PHREEQC/PEST** simulation for surface titration of minerals
- Produce **optimized** surface acidity constants



L-ASTM

(LLNL Automated Surface Titration Model)

Traditional SC modeling

- Coded in Python environment
- Automated **PHREEQC/PEST** simulation (*various combinations* of surface reactions)
- Produce **optimized surface complexation constants**



L-ASCM

(LLNL Automated Surface Complexation Model)

ML based SC modeling

- Coded in Python environment
- Coupled with PHREEQC for aqueous speciation
- Predict partition of adsorbate based on **machine learning**: random forest algorithm



L-SURF

(LLNL Speciation Updated Random Forest)

input

Intercomparison

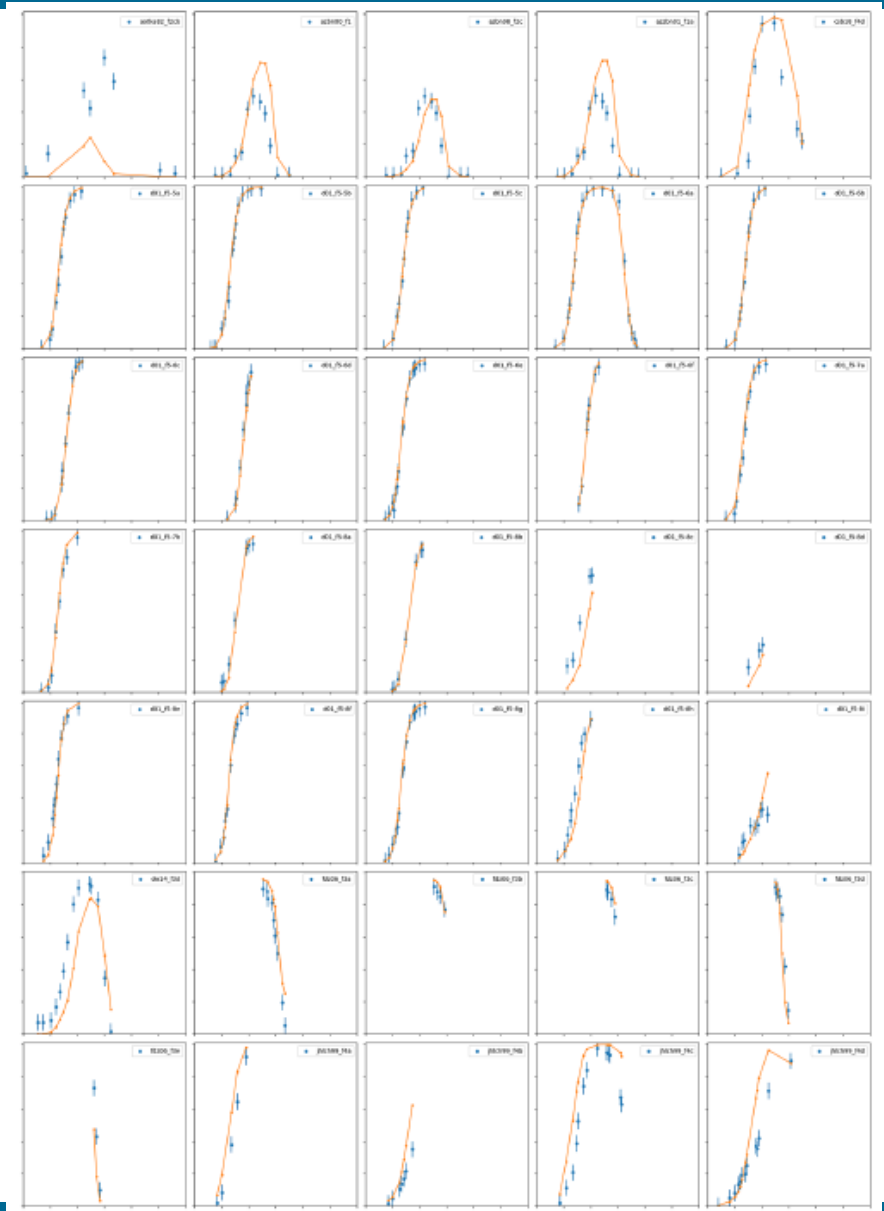
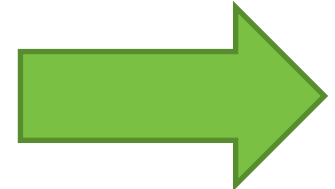
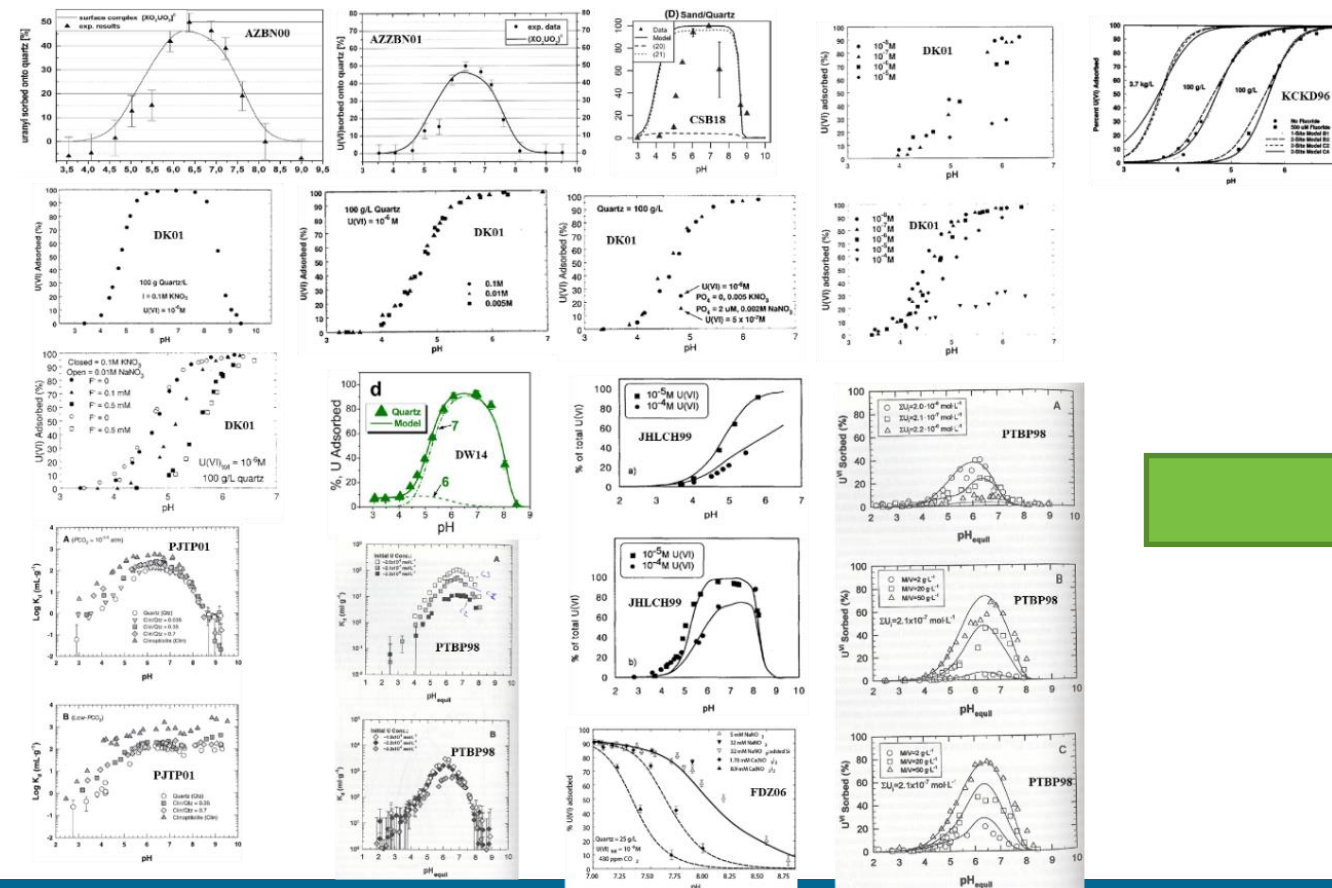
What the L-SCIE database and workflow does

Community Data Mining Approach for Surface Complexation Database Development

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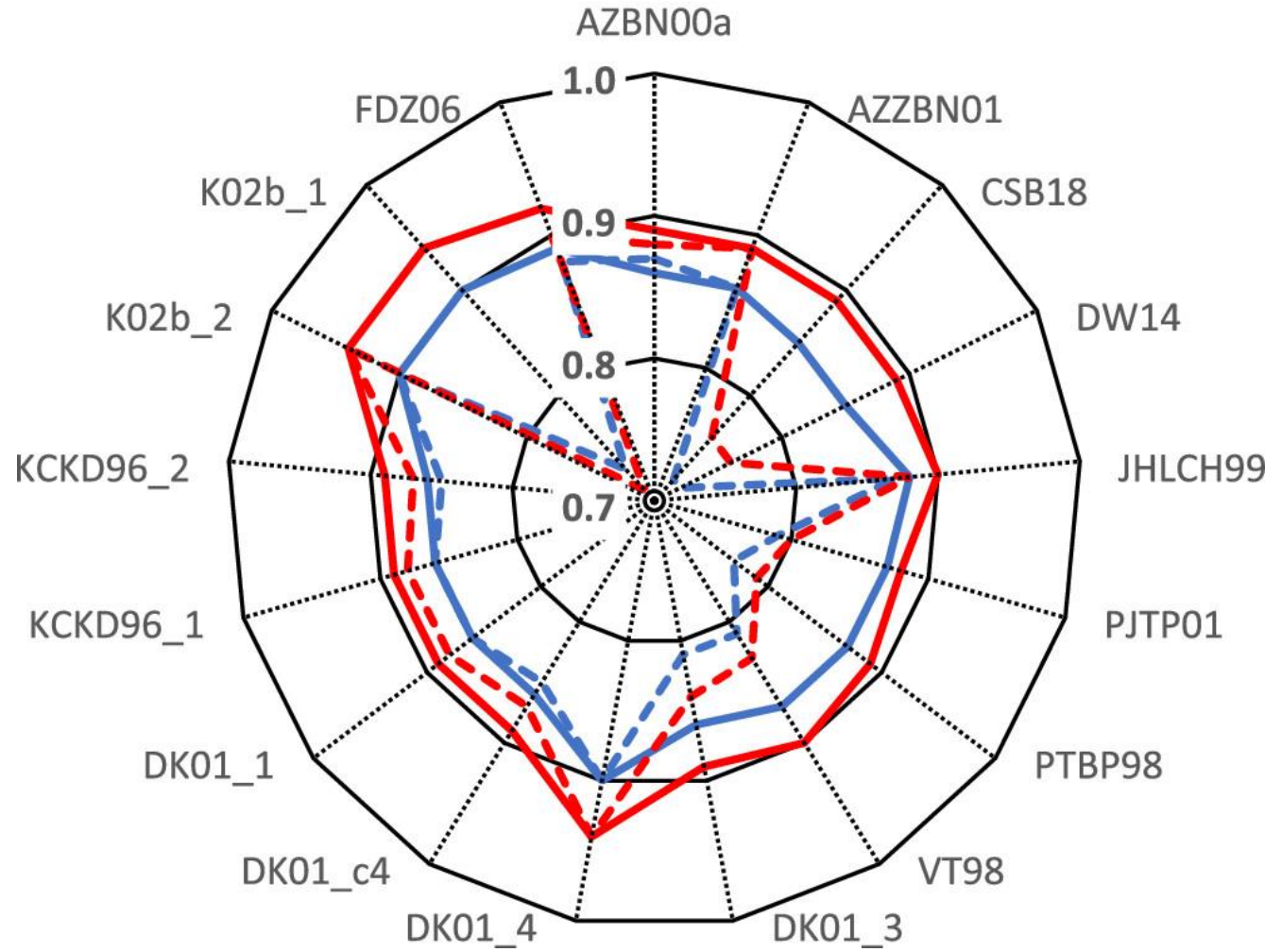
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Model testing using published SCMs

Example: U(VI) sorption to quartz and intercomparison of published SCMs (from RES³T*)

- Optimization is non-unique but some models outperform others
- Updates to thermodynamic database have greater impact on SCM performance than the SCMs.



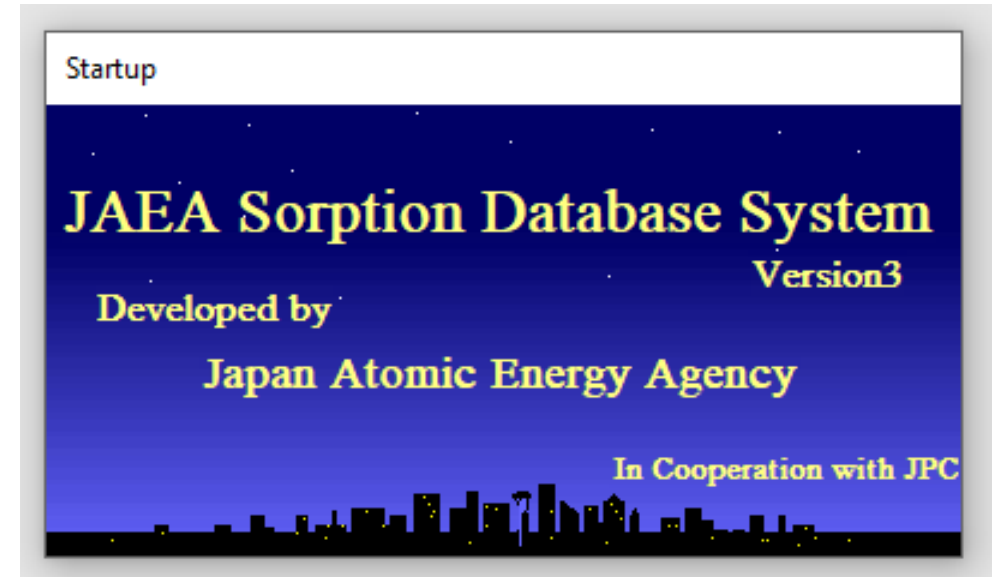
International engagements in L-SCIE development

The L-SCIE database status:

- Total data points: 27,000
- References: 243

Database engagements:

- JAEA (Yukio Tachi)
https://migrationdb.jaea.go.jp/sdb_e2/sdb_pre_e.html
 - 17,000 (of 70,000 available) JAEA data added to L-SCIE database (new total: 44,000!)
- HZDR (Vinzenz Brendler)
<https://www.hzdr.de/db/res3t.login>
 - Database with 7550 surface complexation reaction constants mined from the literature (3398 references)
 - NEW: SOrption REference DAtabase (SOREDA)

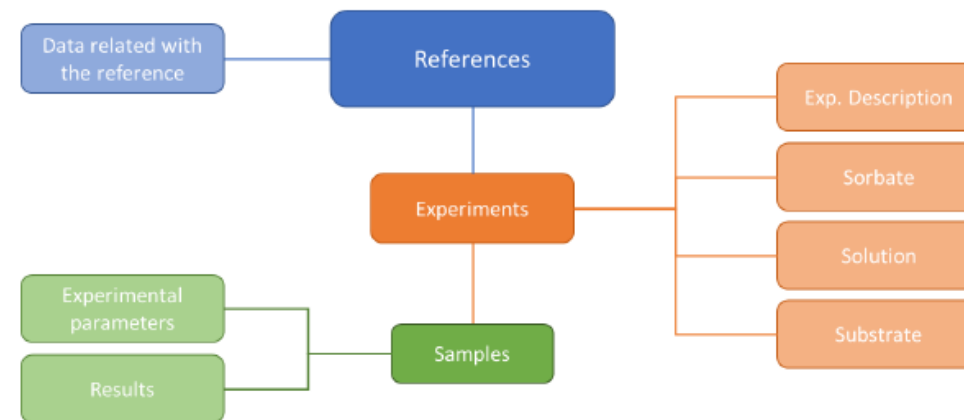


International engagements in L-SCIE development

AMPHOS²¹

Template Tool v1.2. User Guideline

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- Amphos21 (David Garcia) in collaboration with **Belgian Agency for Radioactive Waste Management, Ondraf-Niras (Stéphane Brassinnes)**
- PSI (Maria Marquez) effort to develop database for clay sorption data
- Fudan U. (Zimeng Wang)

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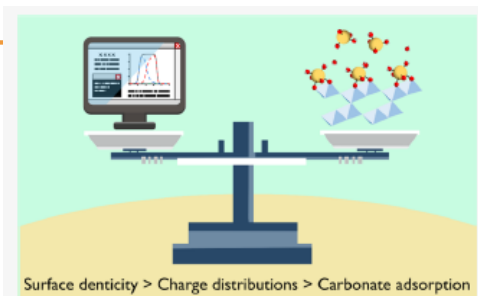
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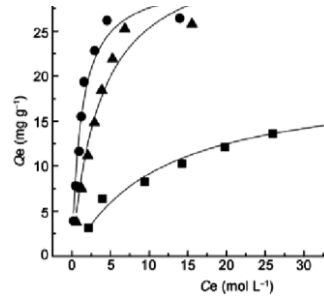
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Approach

- Langmuir Isotherm

Visualization



Xiang et al. (2013)

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- Empirical fitting.

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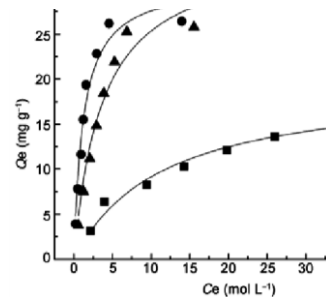
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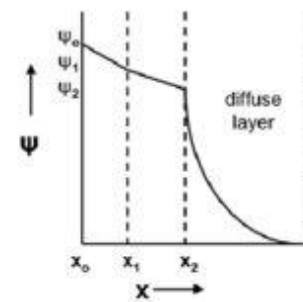
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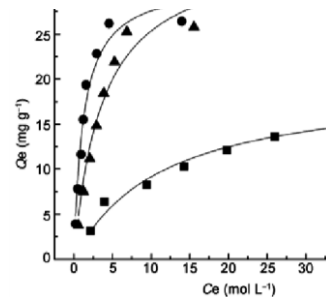
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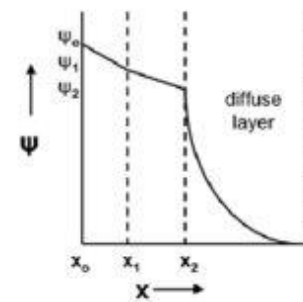
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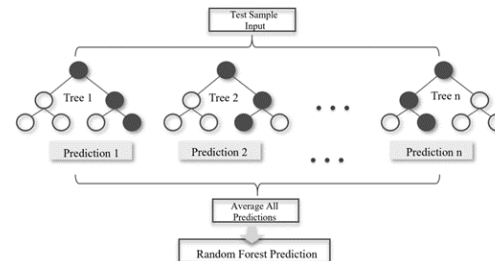


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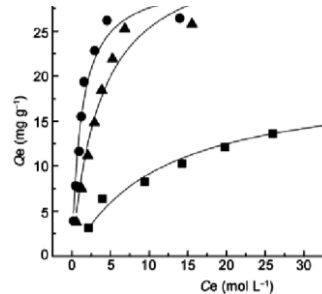
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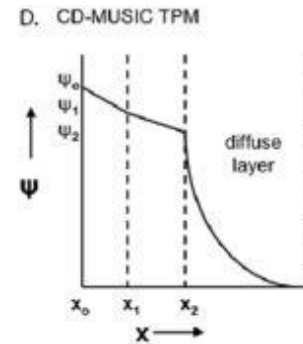
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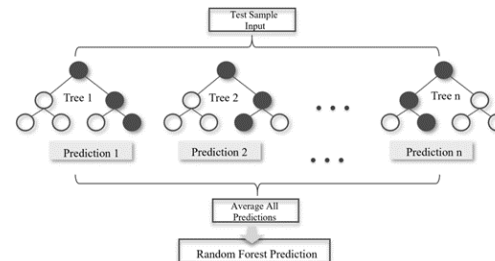


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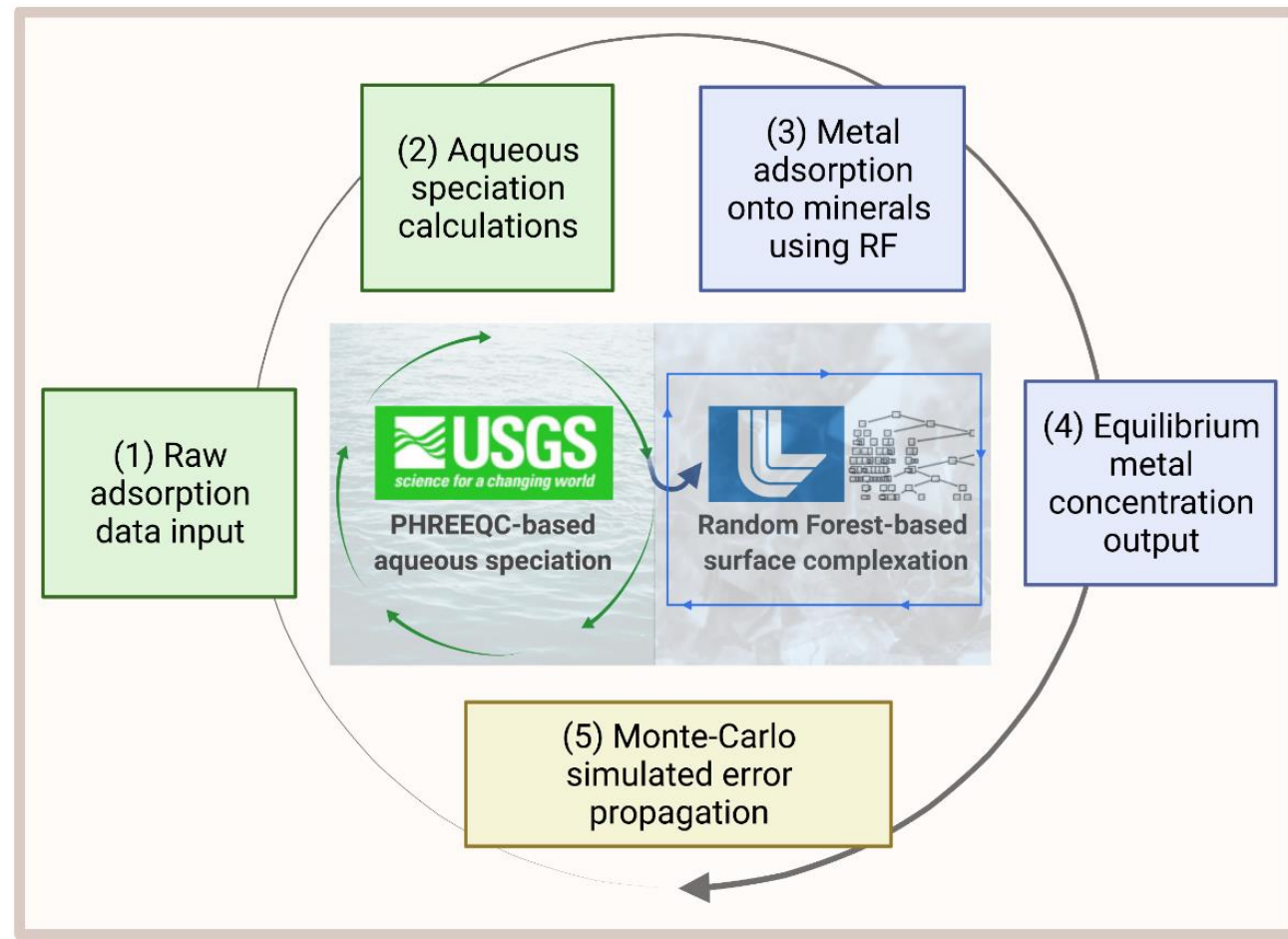
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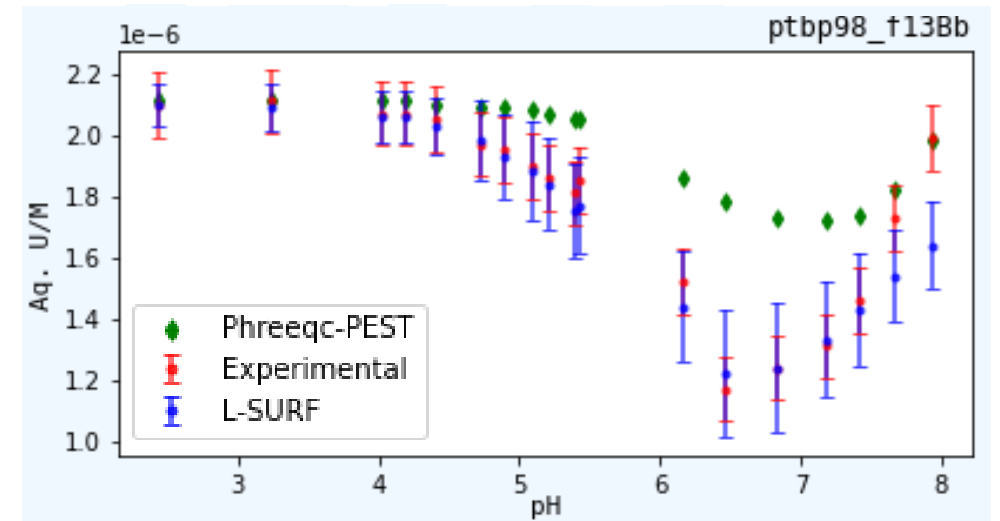
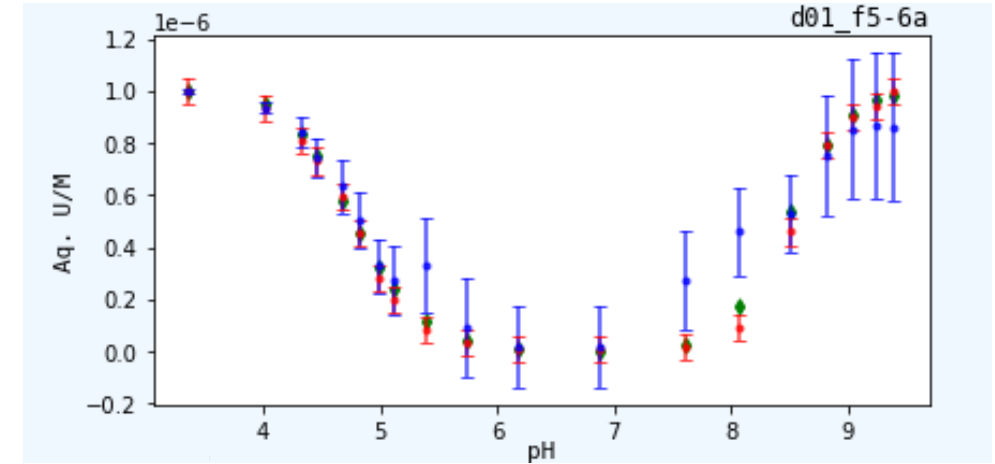
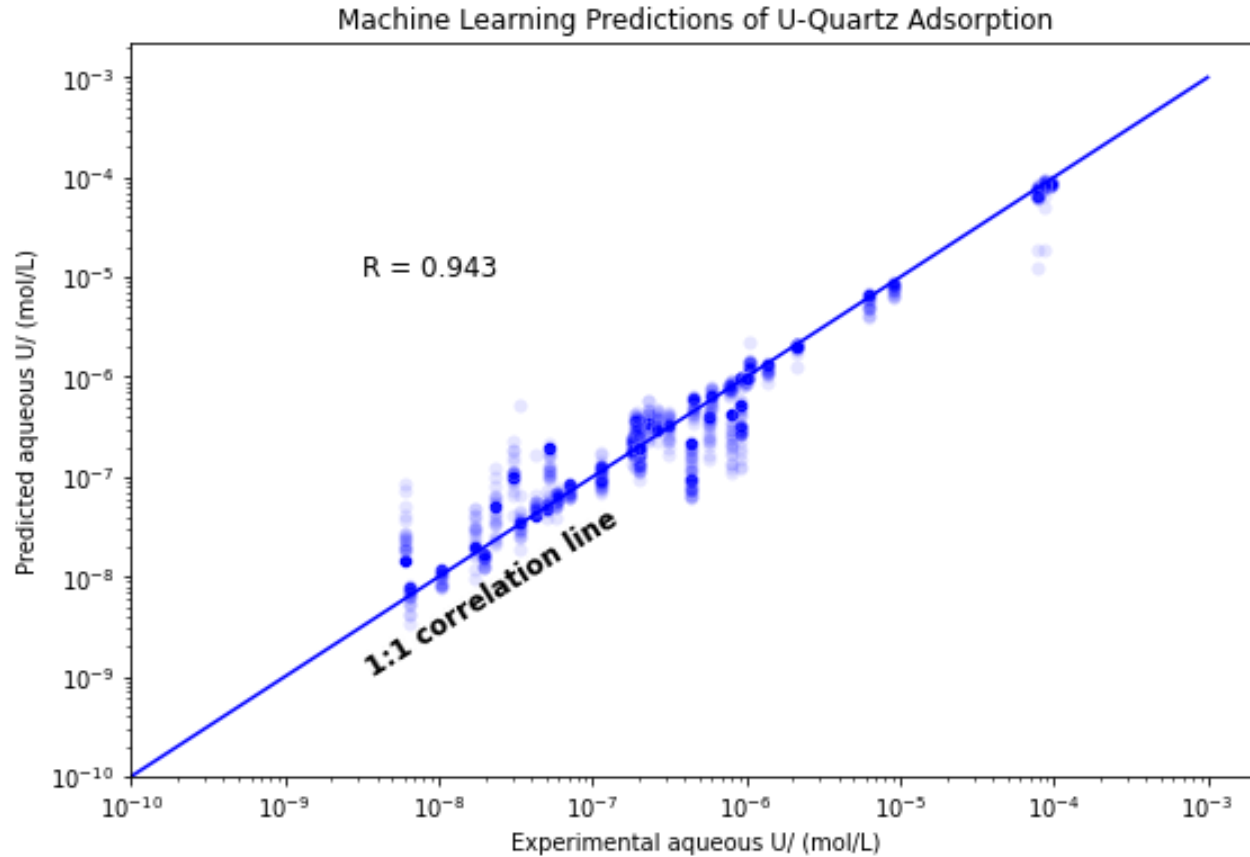
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Hybrid ML approach to quantifying mineral-fluid partitioning

- (1) Adsorption data, thermodynamic databases are **imported**.
- (2) Aqueous speciation calculations are conducted, and important geochemical features are **stored**.
- (3) Features are inputted to **train and test** a random-forest model describing mineral-metal interactions.
- (4) Equilibrium metal concentration **outputted**.
- (5) Monte-Carlo iterations run to **propagate uncertainty**.



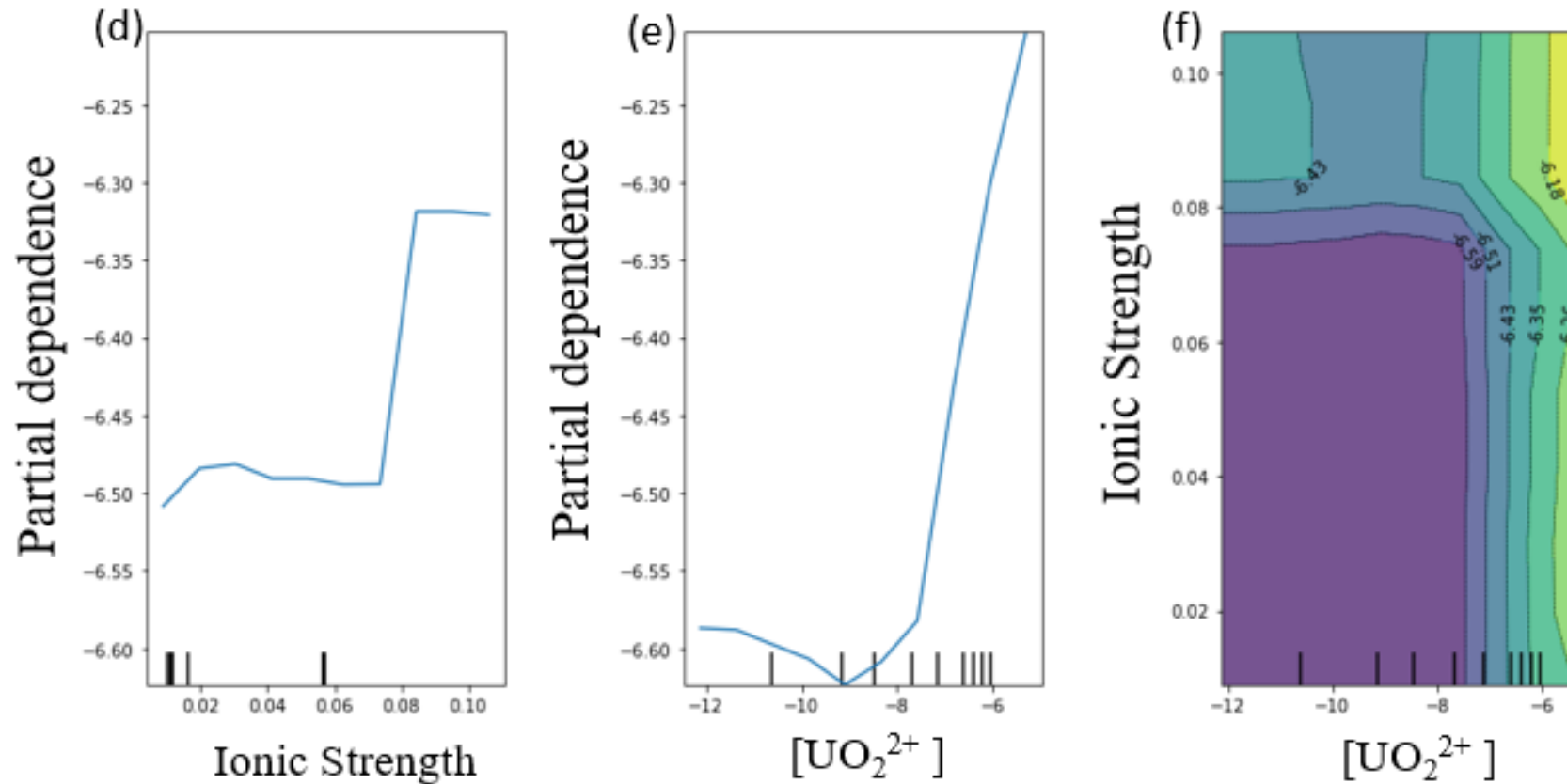
Results #1: Capacity to generate high quality predictions



Results #2: Data-driven method to conduct sensitivity analysis

- Highlight parameter spaces that most readily impact sorption

Liquid-Gas Exchange Using UO_2CO_3

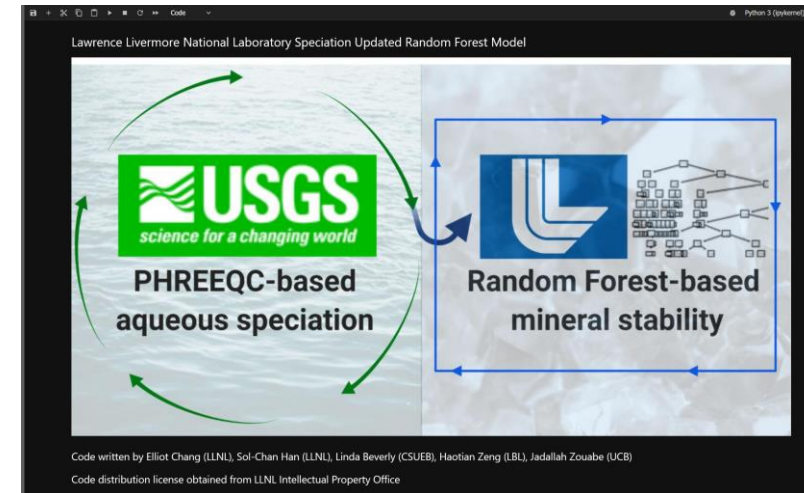


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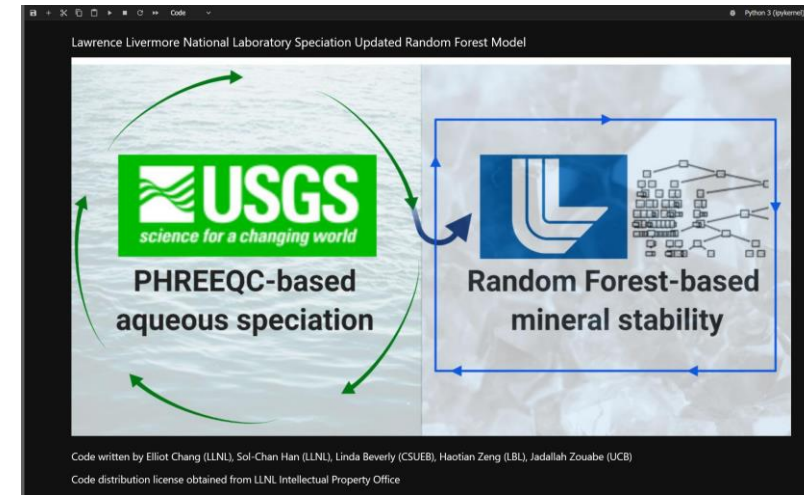
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