

## Frontiers of Electronic-Structure Theory: Focus on Artificial Intelligence Applied to Real Materials (SYES)

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Machine learning methods have gained a prominent spot in the research of materials and molecules, especially in the context of the atomic-scale modeling of their properties. The growing understanding of how machine-learning methods should be adapted to the specific requirements of the field is making them progressively more effective and easy to use. Machine-learning techniques use the predictions of electronic-structure theory to train surrogate models that can compute the same properties with similar accuracy at much reduced cost. The combination of physics-based and data-driven paradigms is extending dramatically the reach of electronic-structure theory, as its predictive accuracy can now be applied to more complex, larger-scale problems and longer timescales. The field has been evolving so fast that in the past years we have witnessed considerable breakthroughs enabled by this combination: first-principles accuracy assessment of finite-temperature thermodynamics, including also subtle effects such as quantum nuclear fluctuations, has become commonplace; predictions of microscopic quantities beyond the interatomic potential energy are making it possible to incorporate functional properties into a fully-predictive machine-learning framework; inverse design and generative models are simplifying the search of configurational and composition spaces for compounds with optimal performance; including information and training data calculated from methods that go beyond density functional theory allows to make predictions systematically improvable.

## Overview of Invited Talks and Sessions

(Lecture hall H1)

### Invited Talks

SYES 1.1	Thu	15:00–15:30	H1	<b>Machine-learning-driven advances in modelling inorganic materials</b> — •VOLKER L. DERINGER
SYES 1.2	Thu	15:30–16:00	H1	<b>Machine-Learning Discovery of Descriptors for Square-Net Topological Semimetals</b> — •EUN-AH KIM
SYES 1.3	Thu	16:00–16:30	H1	<b>Four Generations of Neural Network Potentials</b> — •JÖRG BEHLER
SYES 1.4	Thu	16:30–17:00	H1	<b>Using machine learning to find density functionals</b> — •KIERON BURKE
SYES 1.5	Thu	17:00–17:30	H1	<b>Coarse graining for classical and quantum systems</b> — •CECILIA CLEMENTI

### Sessions

SYES 1.1–1.5	Thu	15:00–17:30	H1	<b>Frontiers of Electronic-Structure Theory: Focus on Artificial Intelligence Applied to Real Materials</b>
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### Continuation as topical session in O

O 43.1–43.10	Wed	10:30–13:00	S054	<b>Frontiers of Electronic Structure Theory: Focus on Artificial Intelligence Applied to Real Materials 1</b>
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O 50.1–50.12	Wed	15:00–18:00	S054	<b>Frontiers of Electronic Structure Theory: Focus on Artificial Intelligence Applied to Real Materials 2</b>
O 67.1–67.9	Thu	10:30–12:45	S054	<b>Frontiers of Electronic Structure Theory: Focus on Artificial Intelligence Applied to Real Materials 3</b>
O 83.1–83.10	Fri	10:30–13:00	S054	<b>Frontiers of Electronic Structure Theory: Focus on Artificial Intelligence Applied to Real Materials 4</b>