



Threshold Displacement Energy Study in Tungsten: Combining Machine Learning and Classical MD Simulations

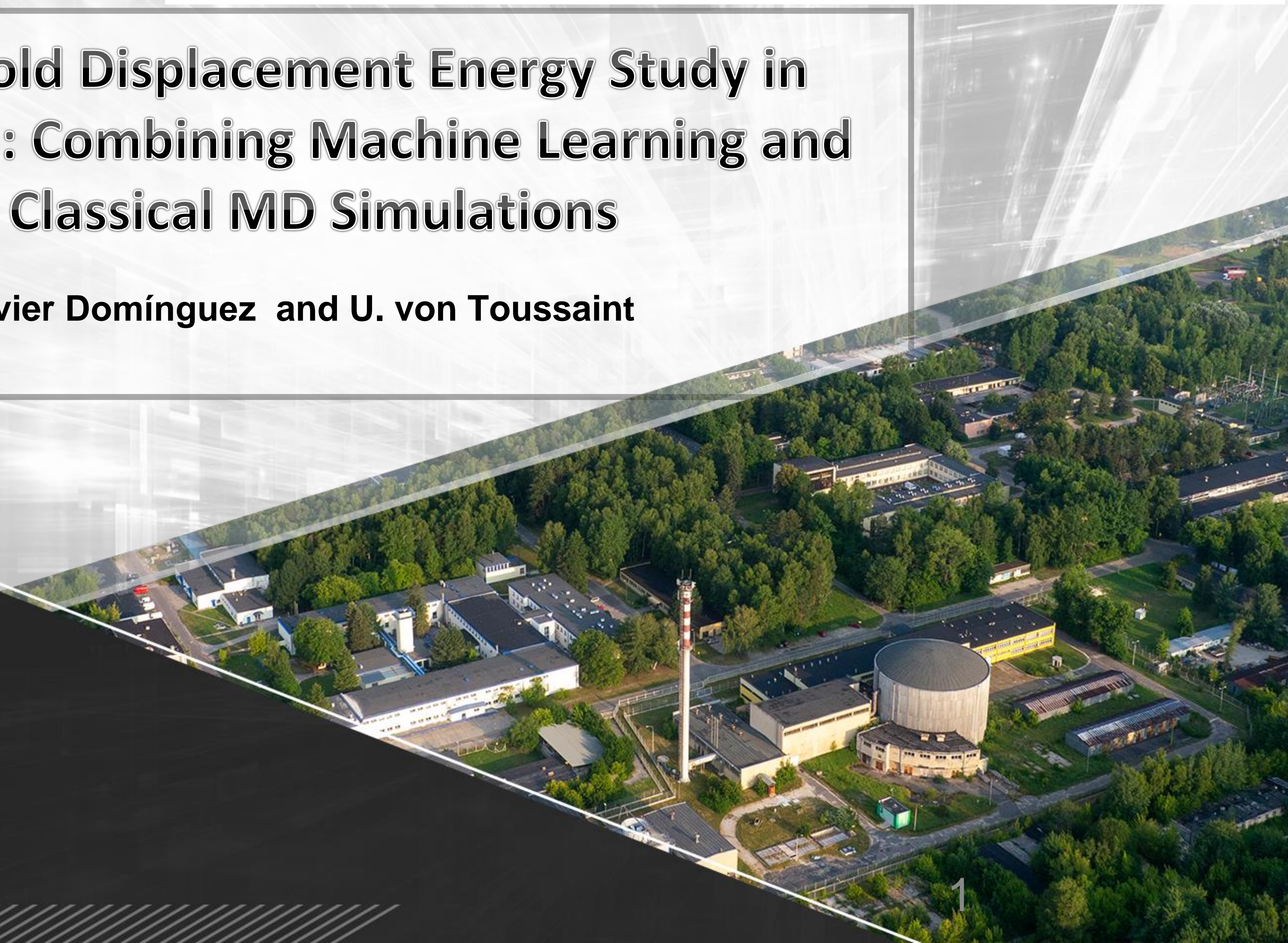
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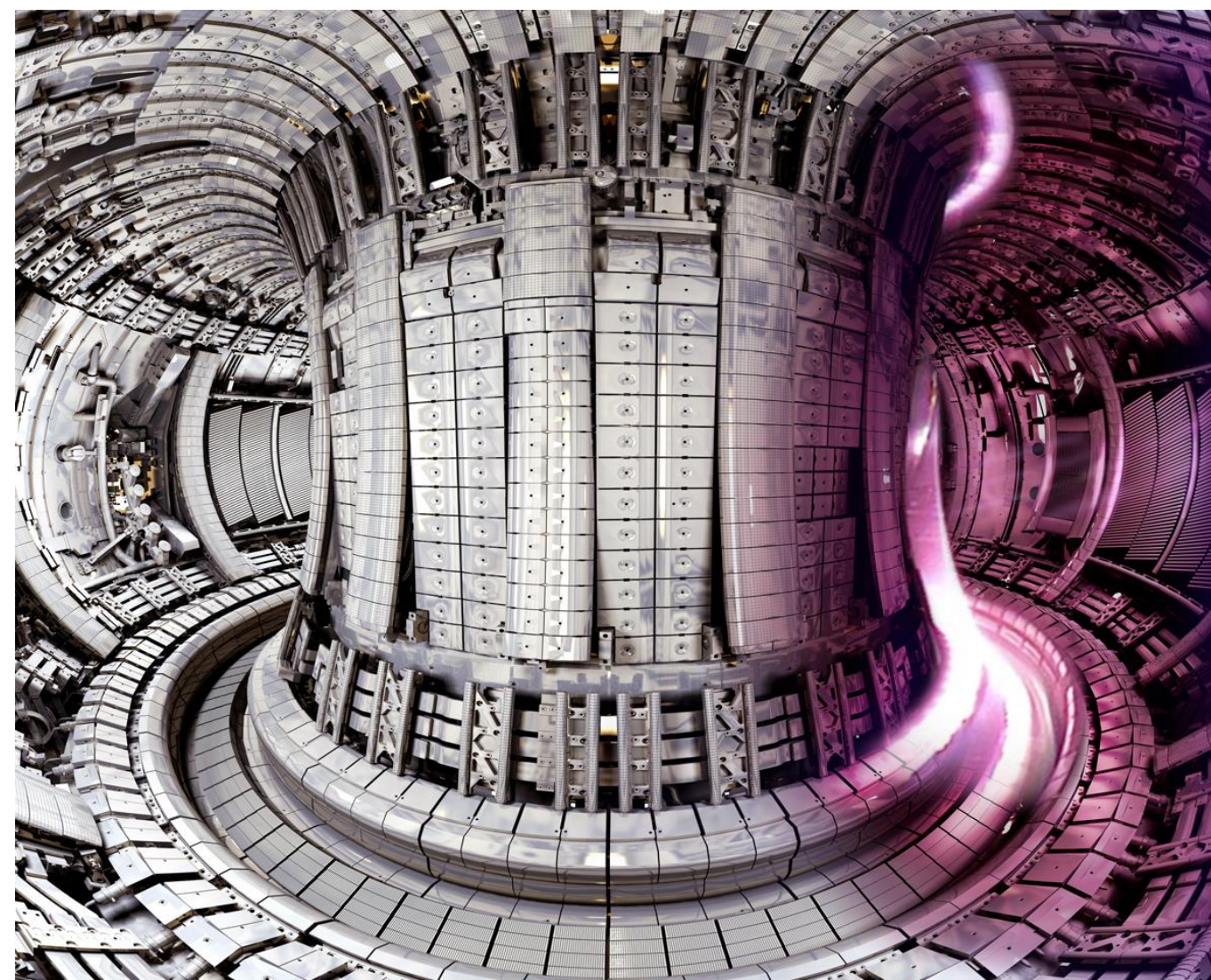
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Motivation: Optimal materials for extreme operating conditions

Promising mechanical properties: high yield strength, high thermal stability and hardness, high-temperature strength, good wear and fatigue resistance, and excellent corrosion resistance

- Refractory BCC mixed materials for designing next generation of fusion reactors.



Computational methods

- MD simulations for collision cascades
- A simulation cell of 4 nm^3 size
- 20 velocities per PKA with random velocities orientations
- PKA range from 20 to 100 eV
- 10 ps simulation time
- IP: TabGAP; ABOP (Tersoff); EAM.
- W samples with 0.05 and 1.0 at %D

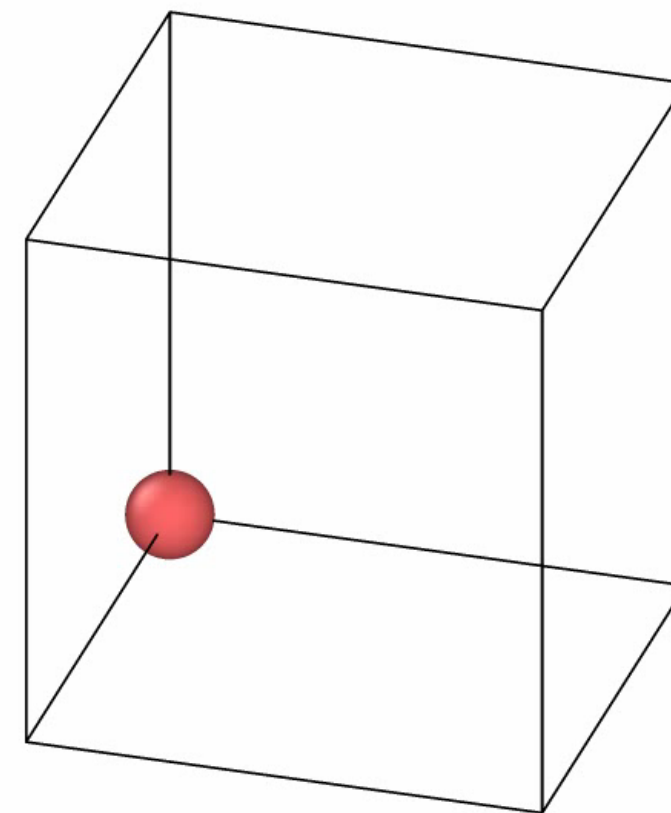
MLIP for W

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DFT calculations



Numerical setup:

1. 0.5-10 KeV of PKA
2. 300K sample temperature
3. [001] crystal orientation
4. EAM+ZBL+FS vs GAP

Gaussian Approximation Potential Framework:

$$E_{\text{tot}} = \sum_{i<j}^N V_{\text{pair}}(r_{ij}) + \sum_i^{N_d} E_{\text{GAP}}^i,$$

$$E_{\text{GAP}}^i = \delta_{2b}^2 \sum_j^{M_{2b}} \alpha_{j,2b} K_{2b}(\vec{q}_{i,2b}, \vec{q}_{j,2b}) + \delta_{mb}^2 \sum_j^{M_{mb}} \alpha_{j,mb} K_{mb}(\vec{q}_{i,mb}, \vec{q}_{j,mb}),$$

Table 2. Physical properties of molybdenum (cohesion energy, $E_{\text{coh.}}$; melting temperature, $T_{\text{melt.}}$; SIA and vacancy formation energies, E_f ; and vacancy migration energy, $E_{\text{mig.}}^{\text{vac.}}$) obtained by GAP [15] and EAM [10], as reported in the literature [15], and their comparison to experimental measurements [25].

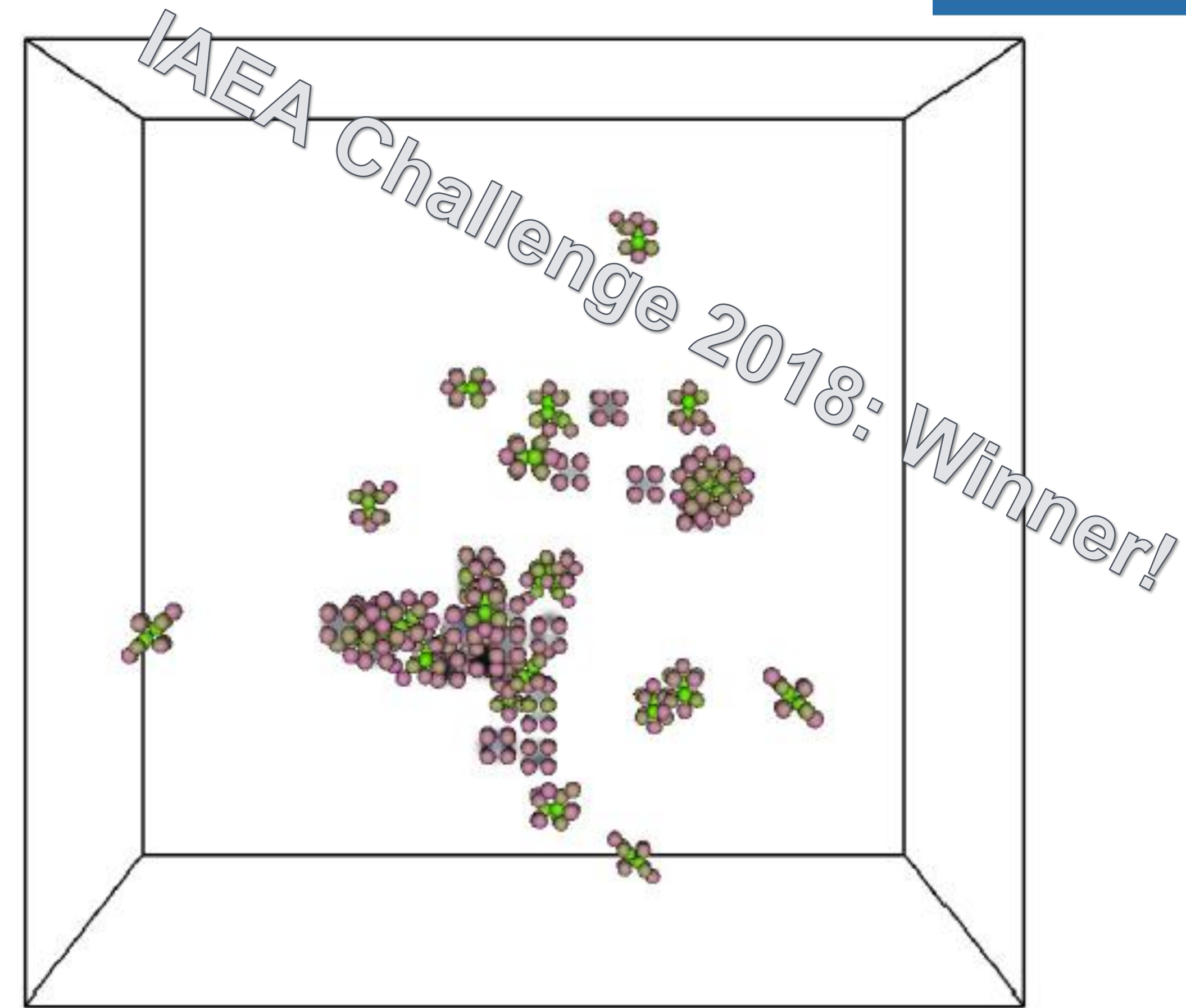
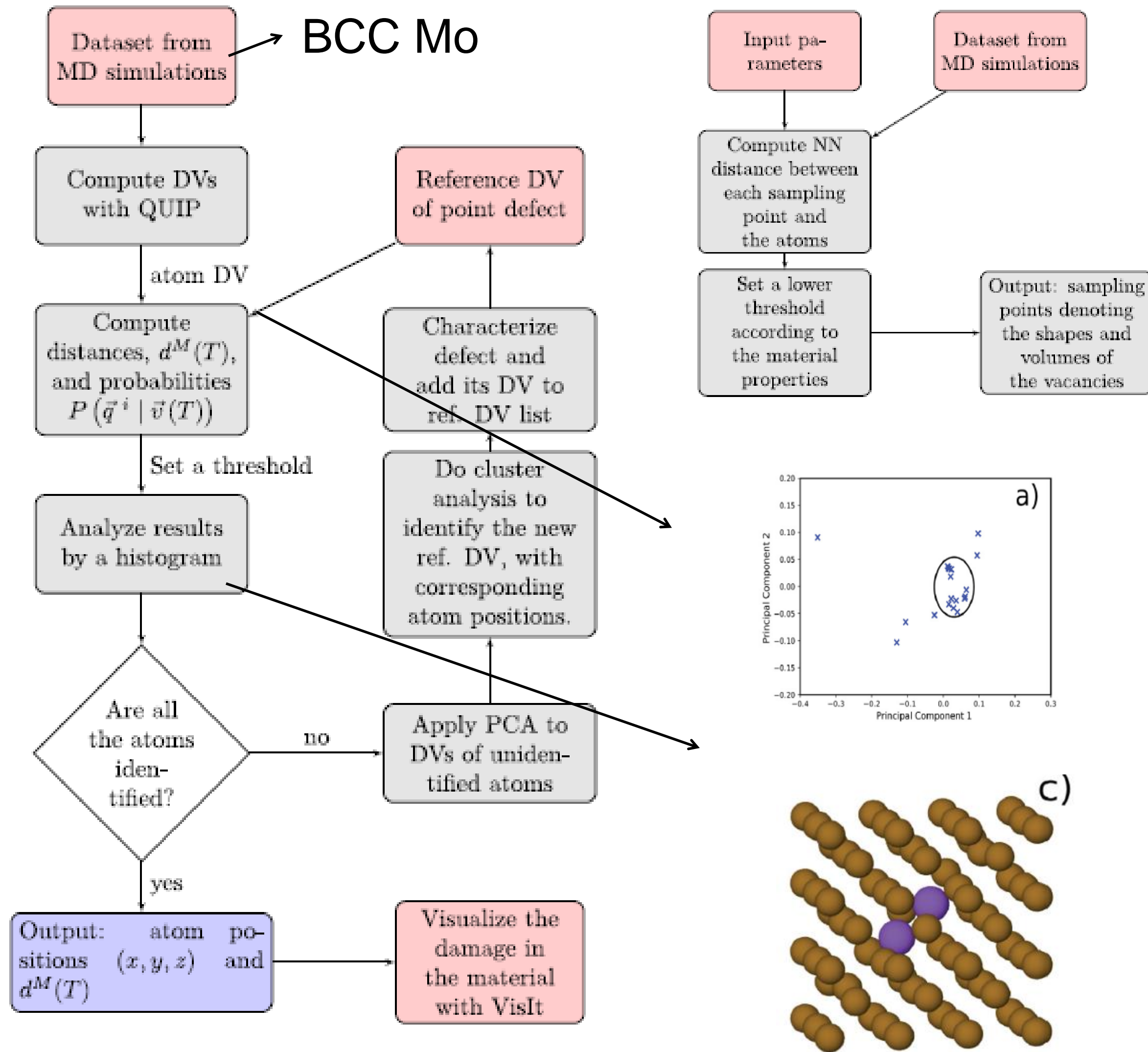
	EAM	GAP	Expt.
$E_{\text{coh.}}$ (eV atom ⁻¹)	-6.82	-6.288	-6.821
$T_{\text{melt.}}$ (K)	3080 ± 20	2750 ± 10	2895
$E_f^{(111)}$ (eV)	7.19	7.56	—
$E_f^{(110)}$ (eV)	6.95	7.61	—
$E_f^{(100)}$ (eV)	7.18	8.99	—
E_f^{octa} (eV)	7.56	9.00	—
E_f^{tetra} (eV)	7.35	8.44	—
$E_f^{\text{vac.}}$ (eV)	2.55	2.84	3.0–3.24
$E_{\text{mig.}}^{\text{vac.}}$ (eV)	1.28	1.28	1.35–1.62

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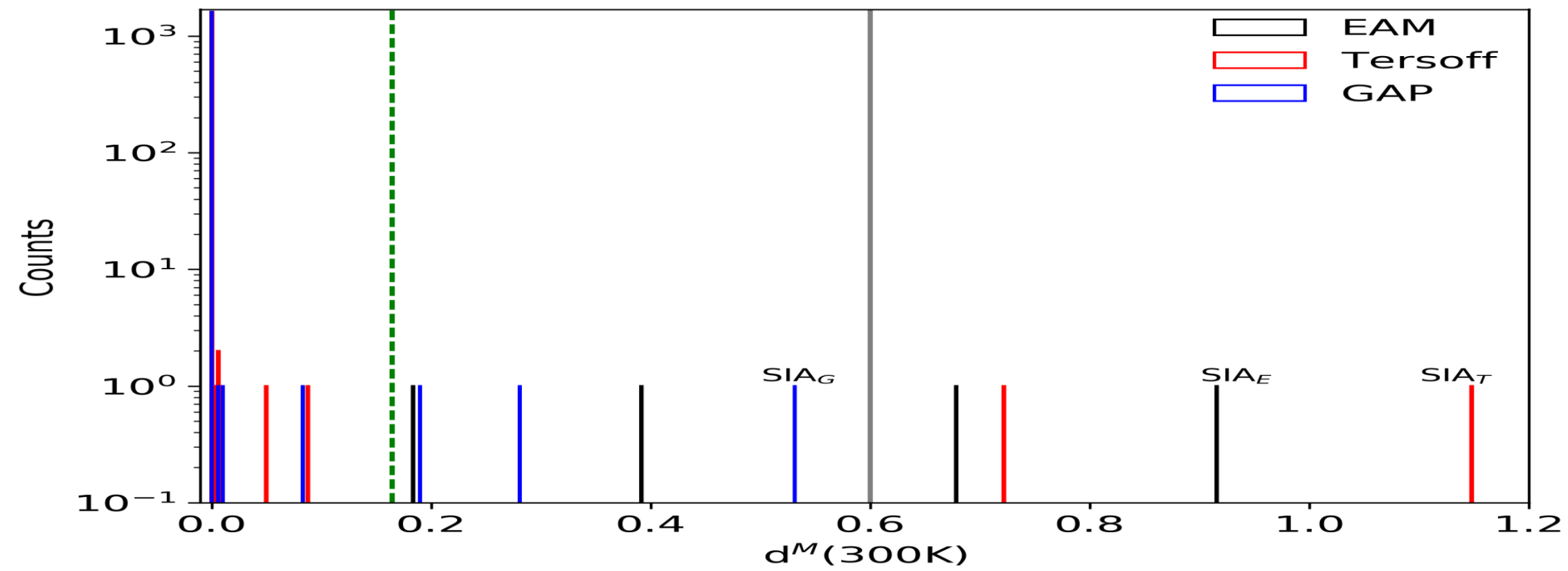
Fingerprinting and Visualization Analyzer of Defects (FaVAD).



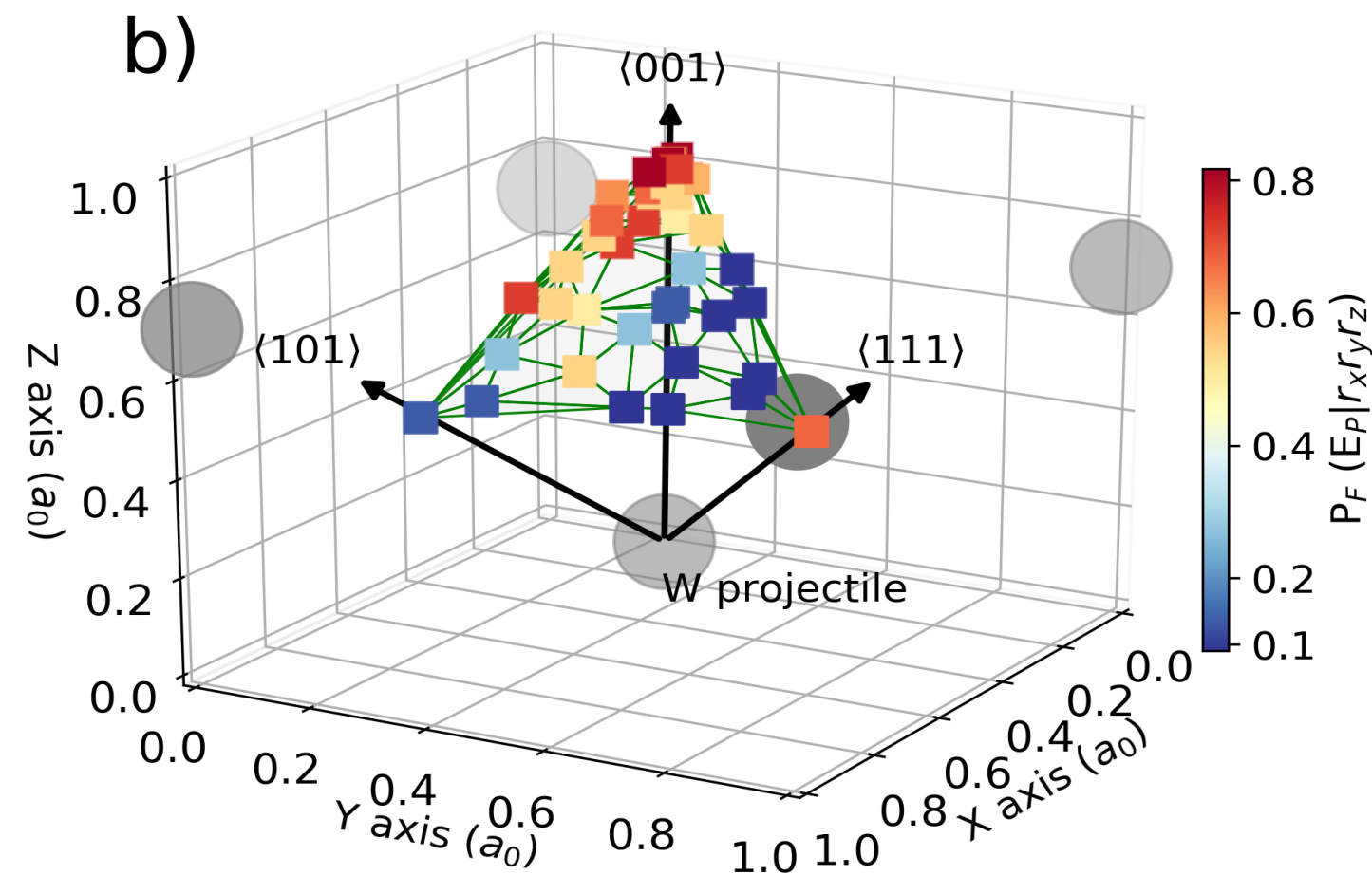
Defect classified for Mo at 50 keV PKA

<http://libatoms.github.io/QUIP/>

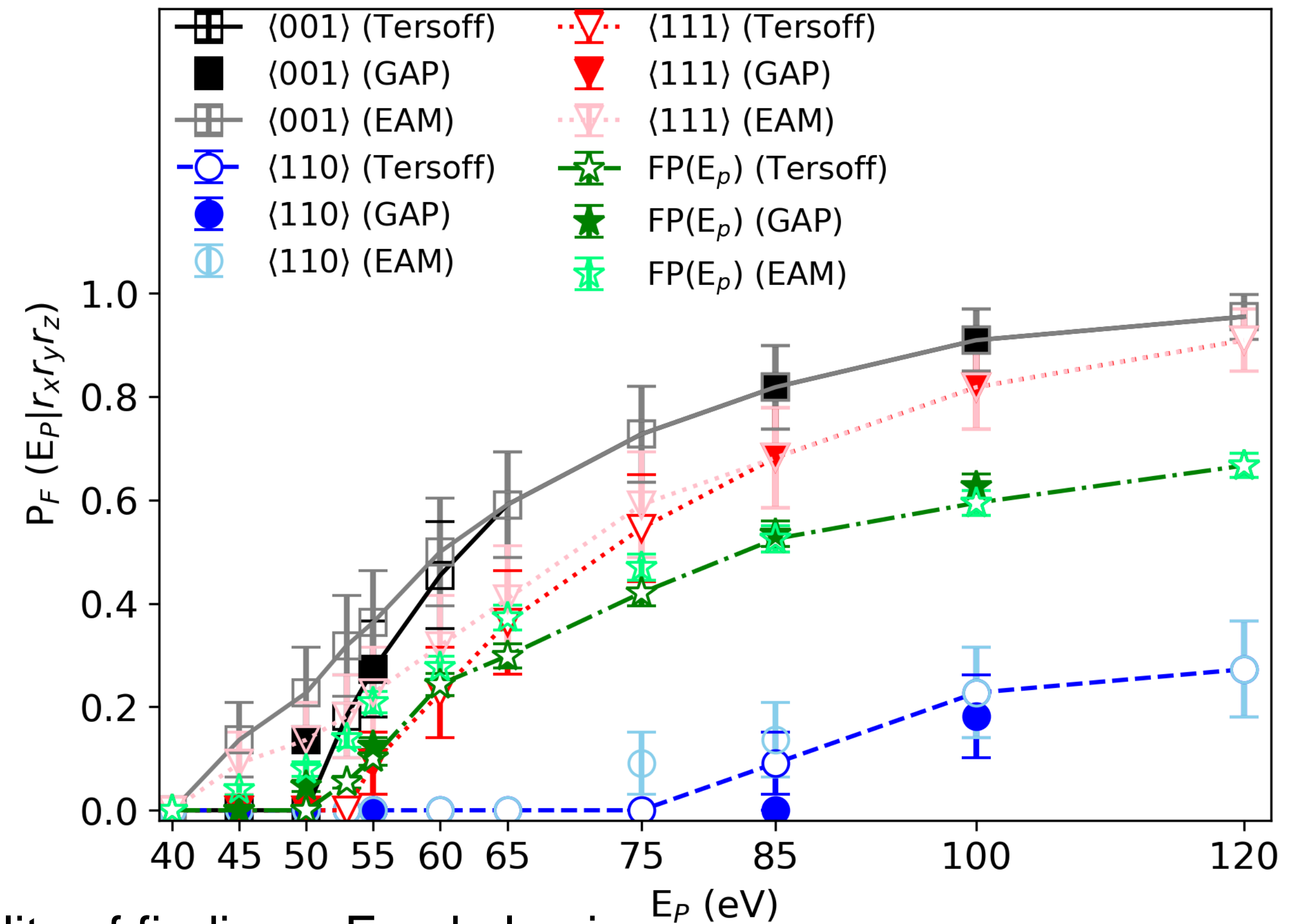
Results: pure W sample



Identification of defect in W with Favad for a single collision cascade



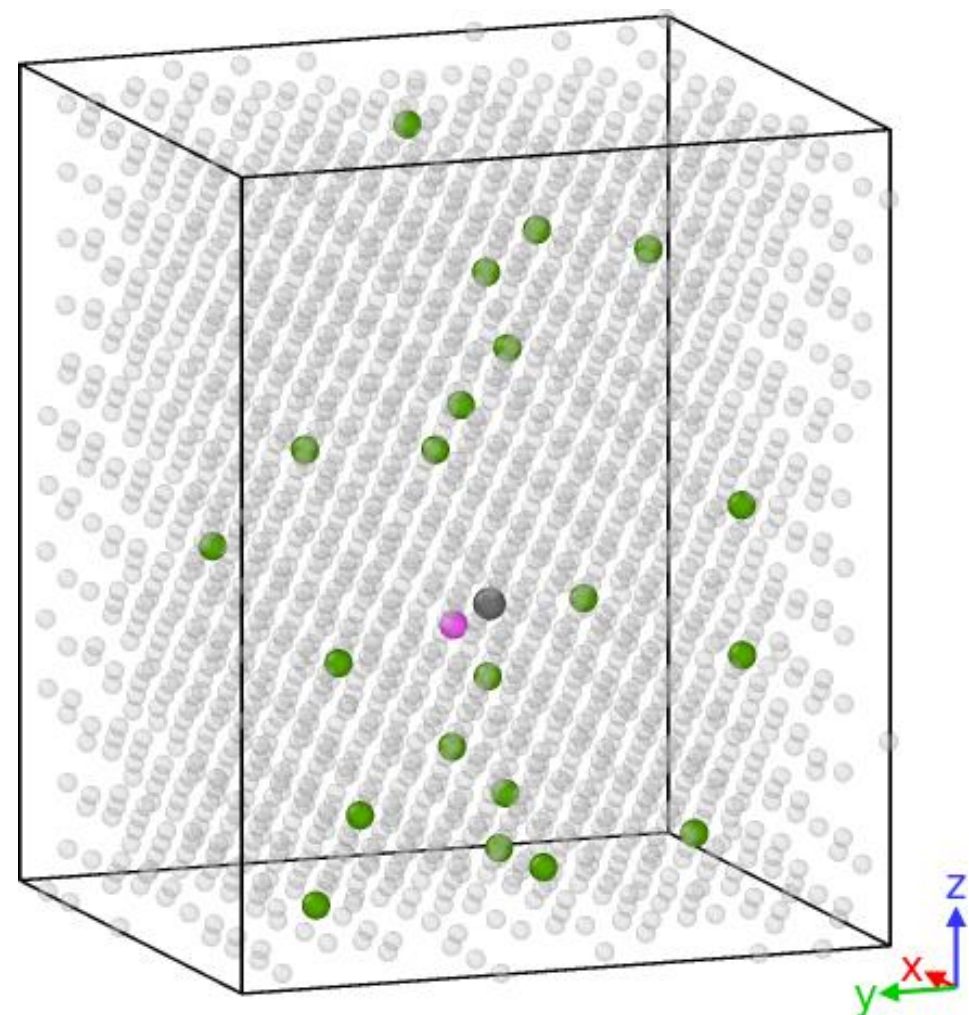
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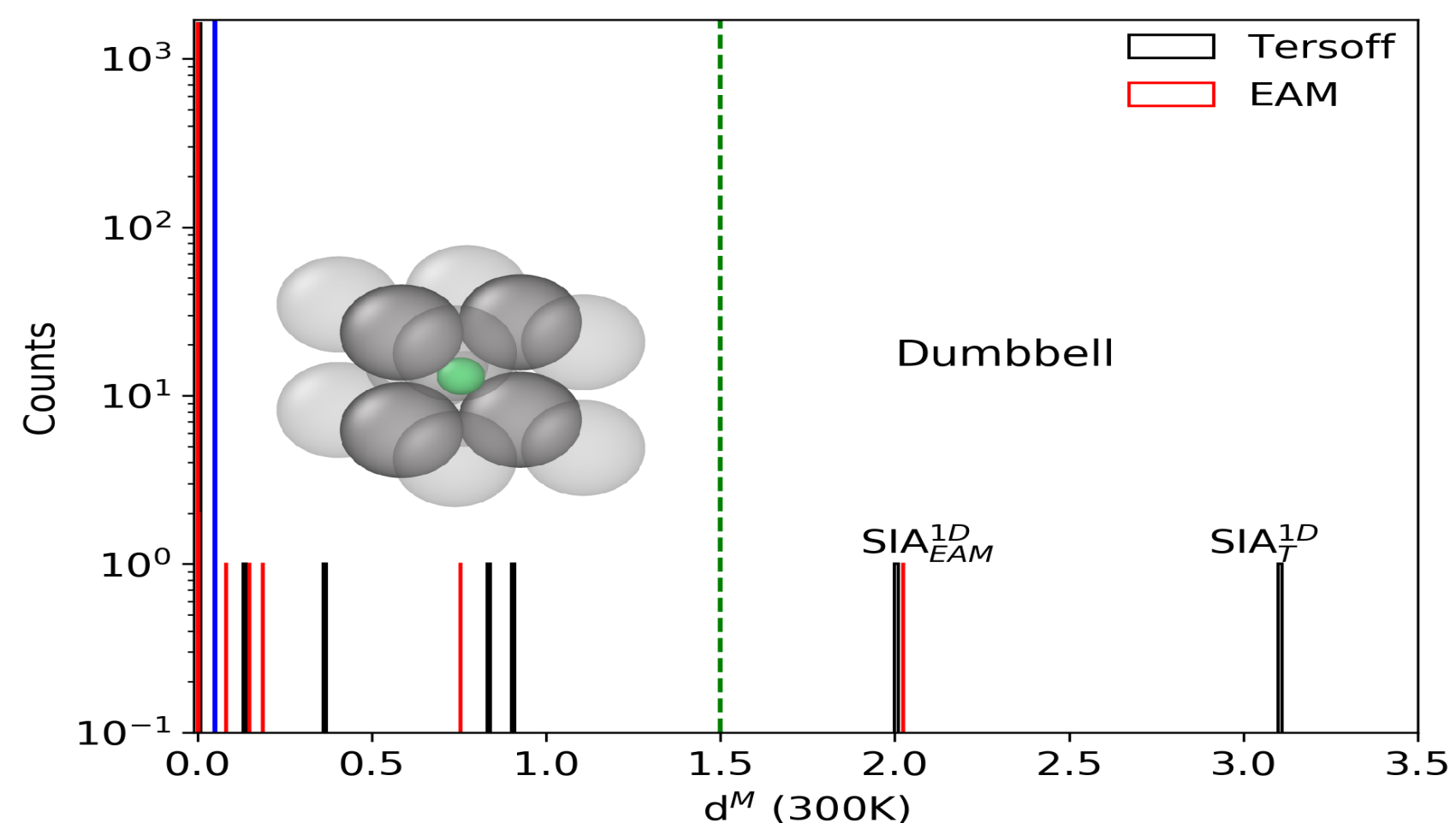
Probability of finding a Frenkel pair formed for a given velocity direction

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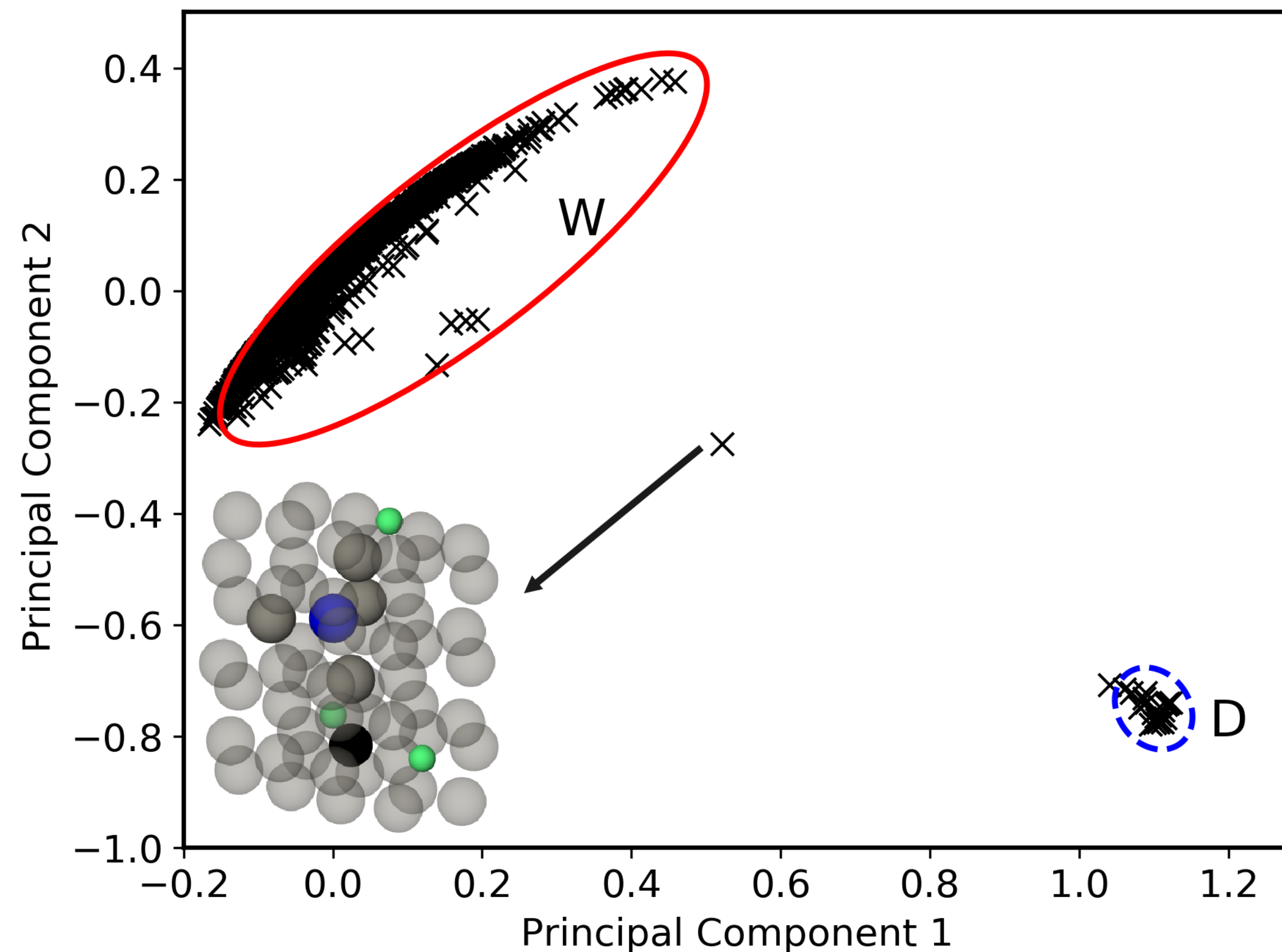
Results: W-D sample



Sample preparation of W-D and D atoms identified with Favad

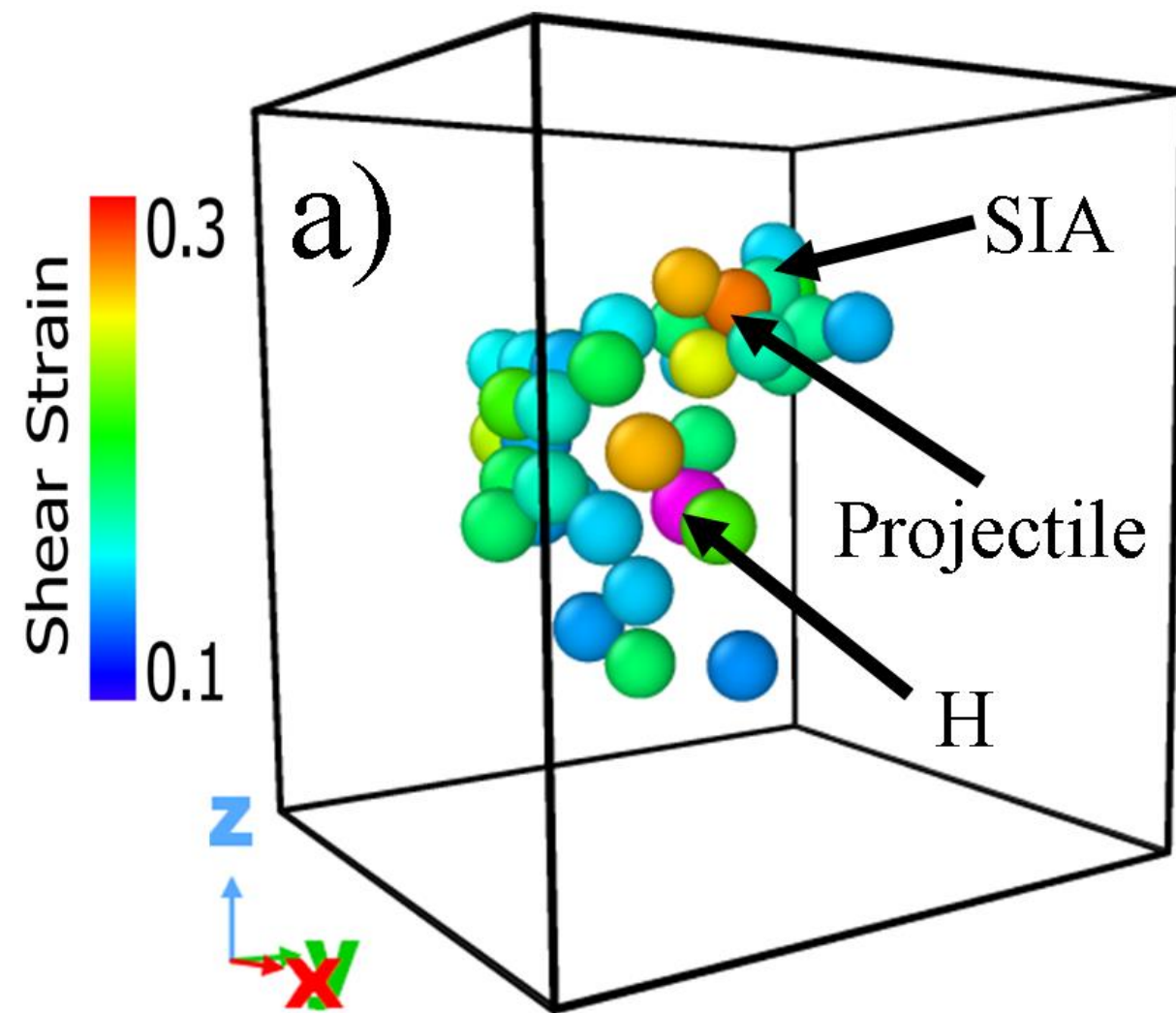


Identification of defect in W-D with Favad for a single collision cascade (0.05% at D)



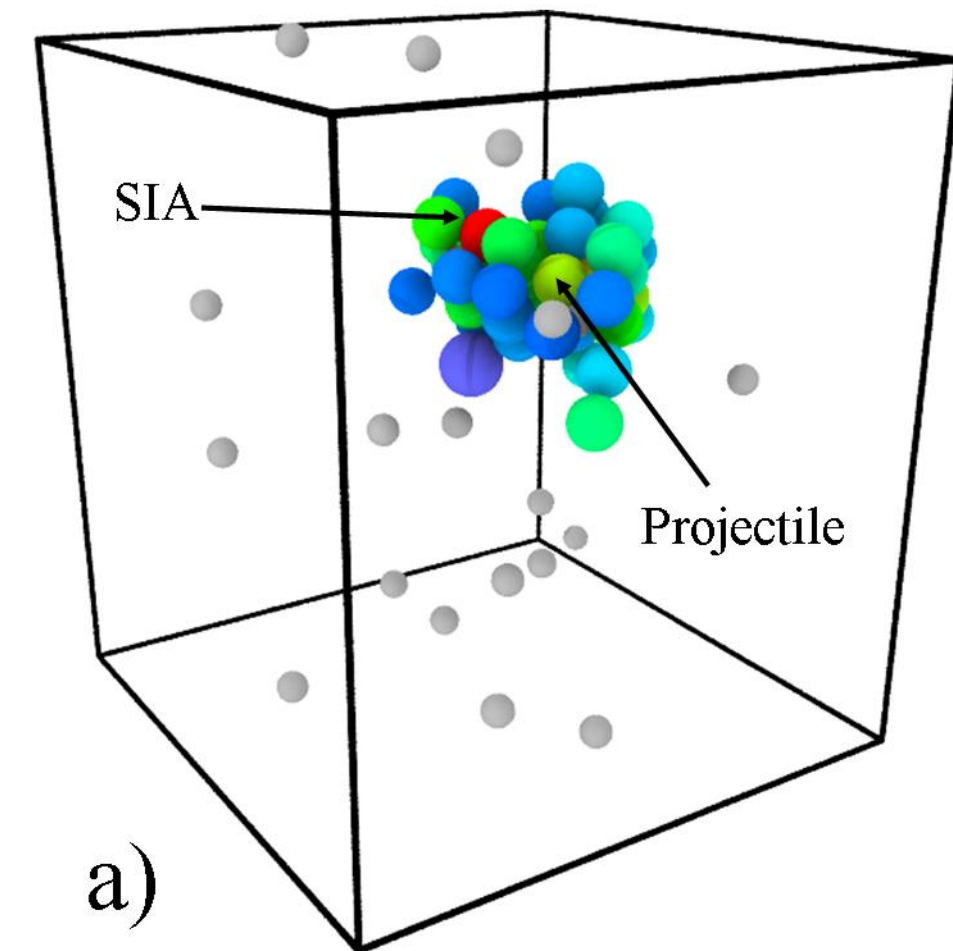
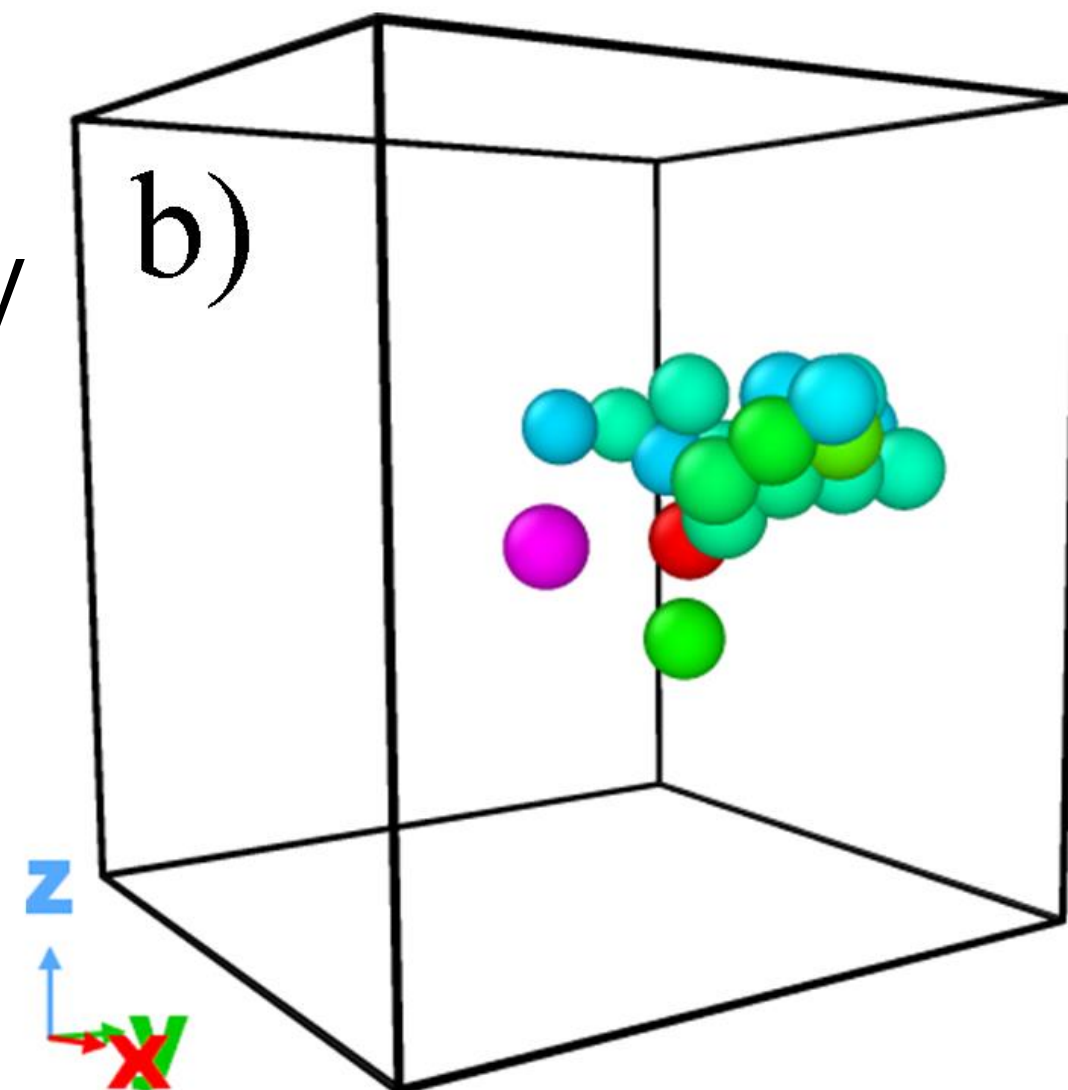
Identification of defect in W-D with Favad for a single collision cascade (1.0% at D)

Results: W-D sample

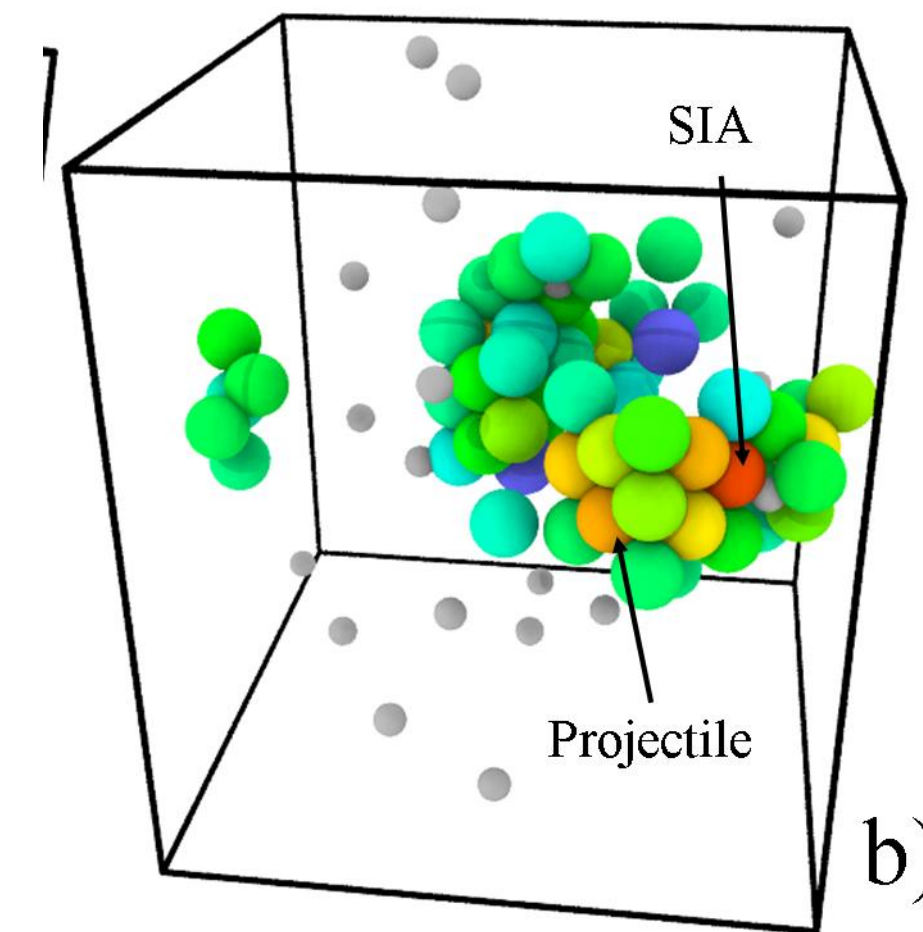


Collision cascade at 75 eV for 0.05% at D; with a projectile close to D

Collision cascade at 75 eV for 0.05% at D; with a projectile far from D



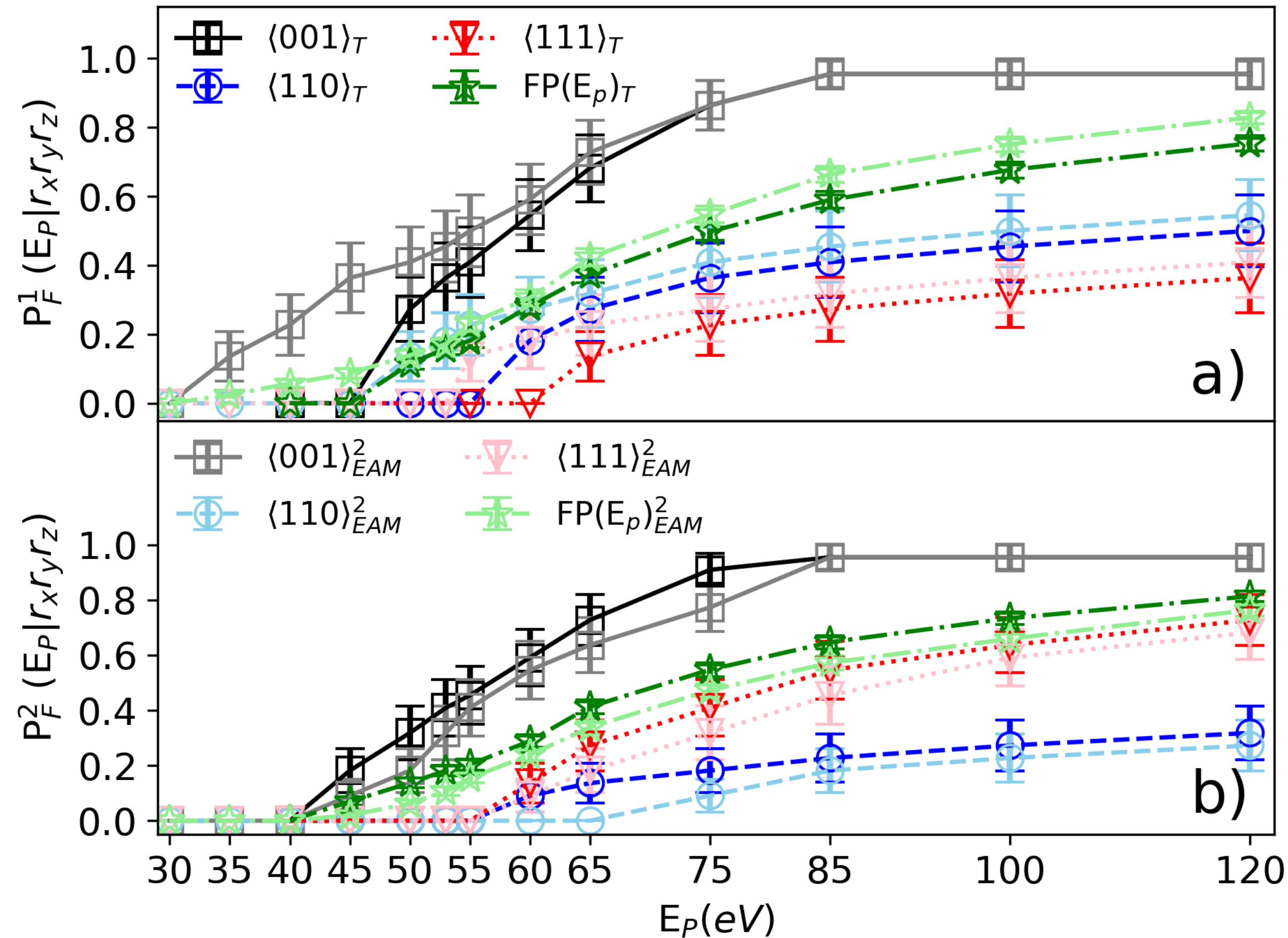
Collision cascade at 75 eV for 1.0% at D; with a projectile close to D



Collision cascade at 75 eV for 1.0% at D; with a projectile far from D

Results: W-D sample with 1.0% at D

Projectile is next to D atoms

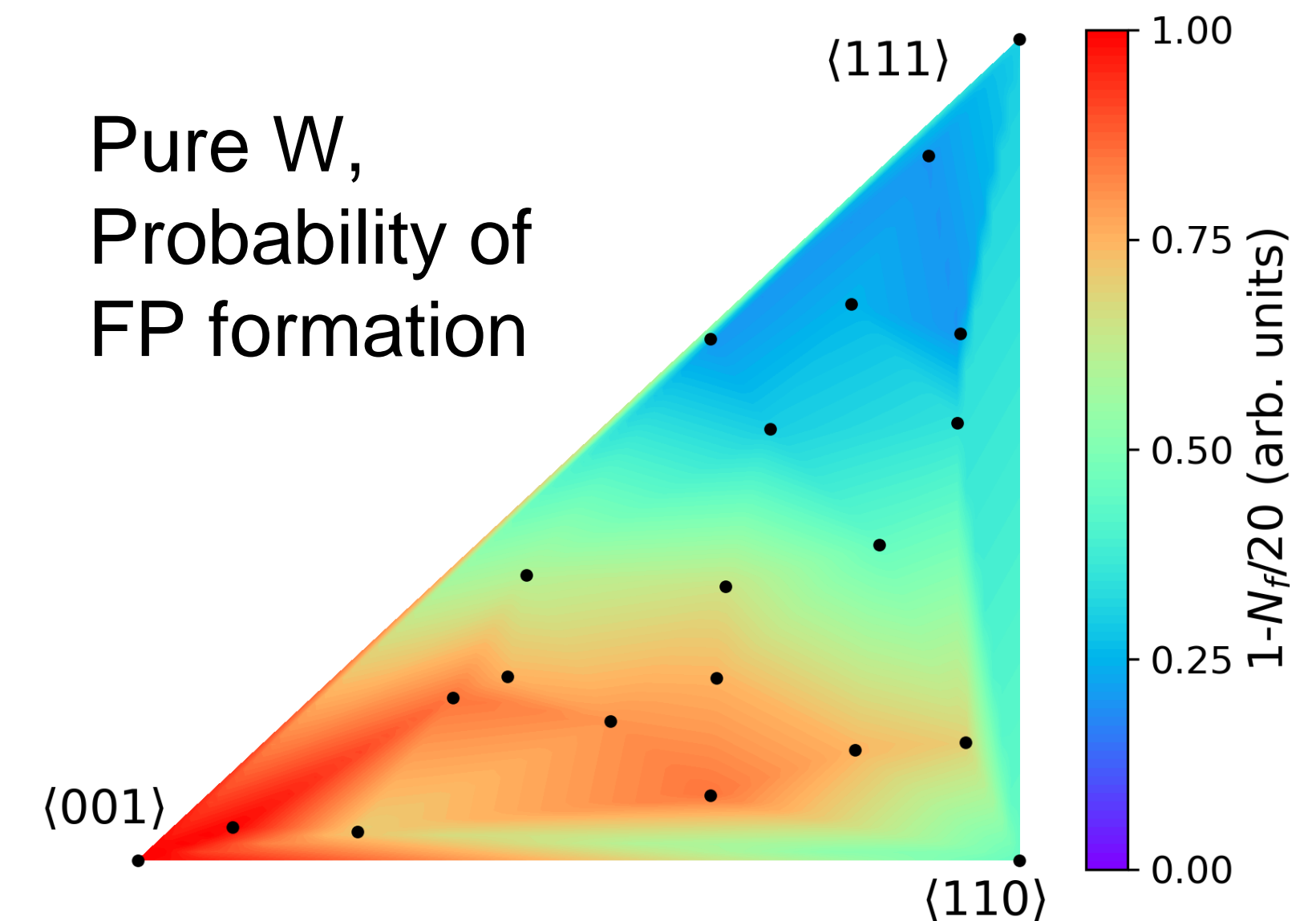


Projectile is far from D atoms

Concluding remarks

From our results for the W samples, the TDE value is 53 eV for Tersoff ZBL, 50 eV for GAP, and 45 eV for EAM on the $\langle 001 \rangle$ velocity direction. We notice that a TDE of 85-90 eV is required to create a Frenkel pair in all the velocity orientation of the projectile

The TDE is decreased by 5 eV for W-D samples when the projectile is in the vicinity of D atoms



W sample at 35 K			
Method	$\langle 001 \rangle$	$\langle 110 \rangle$	$\langle 111 \rangle$
Tersoff ZBL	47	110	53
GAP	45.5	78	51.5
EAM	42	100	41
Exp.	42 ± 1	70 ± 1	44 ± 1

Thank you



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