# Data Mining for 2D materials

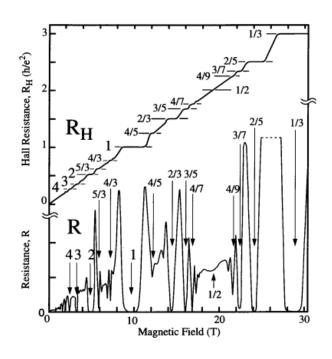
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- Introduction to 2D materials
- Crystal databases and data mining
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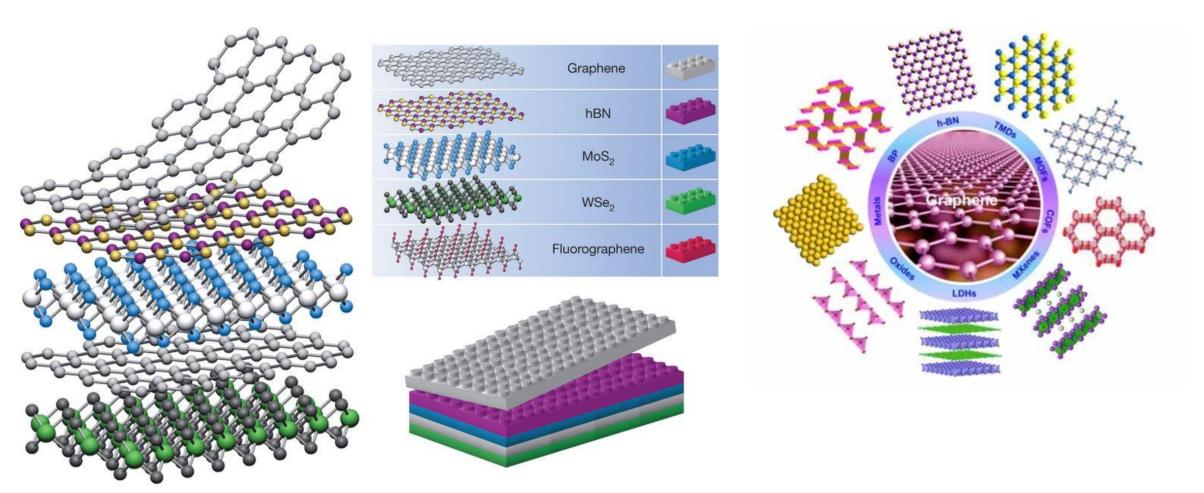
#### Introduction to 2D materials

Research interests
 Quantum Fractional Hall Effect
 Van der Waals Heterojunction
 Superconductivity



Horst. L. Stormer, Nobel Lecture, 1998

#### Van der Waals heterostructures



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# 2D materials library 2013

Graphene family	Graphene	hBN 'white graphene'			BCN	Fluorograph	ene	Graphene oxide
2D chalcogenides	MoS <sub>2</sub> , WS <sub>2</sub> , MoSe <sub>2</sub> , WSe <sub>2</sub>		Semiconducting dichalcogenides: MoTe <sub>2</sub> , WTe <sub>2</sub> , ZrS <sub>2</sub> , ZrSe <sub>2</sub> and so on		Metallic dichalcogenides: NbSe <sub>2</sub> , NbS <sub>2</sub> , TaS <sub>2</sub> , TiS <sub>2</sub> , NiSe <sub>2</sub> and so on			
					Layered semiconductors: GaSe, GaTe, InSe, Bi <sub>2</sub> Se <sub>3</sub> and so on			
2D oxides	Micas, BSCCO	MoO <sub>3</sub> , WO <sub>3</sub>		Perovskite-t LaNb <sub>2</sub> O <sub>7</sub> , (Ca,Sr) Bi <sub>4</sub> Ti <sub>3</sub> O <sub>12</sub> , Ca <sub>2</sub> Ta <sub>2</sub> TiC		P 1	Hydroxides: Ni(OH) <sub>2</sub> , Eu(OH) <sub>2</sub> and so on	
	Layered Cu oxides	TiO <sub>2</sub> , MnO <sub>2</sub> , V <sub>2</sub> O <sub>5</sub> , TaO <sub>3</sub> , RuO <sub>2</sub> and so on				on and so on	Others	

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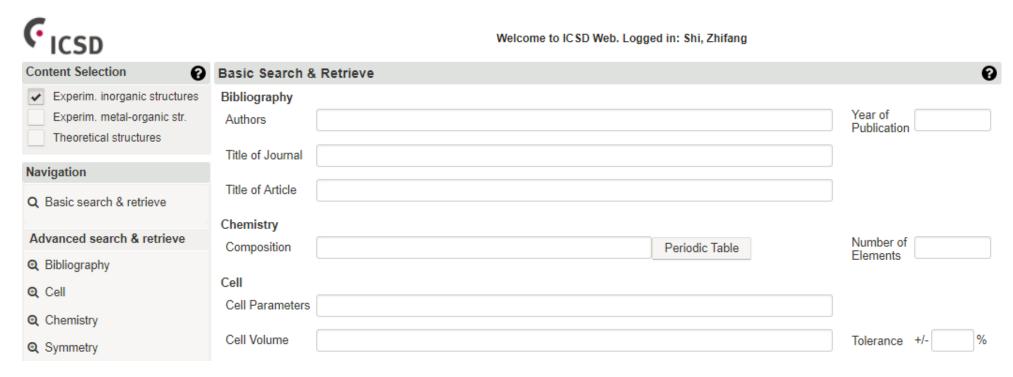
#### More novel 2D materials?

- Graphene: 0 band gap
- MoS2: Low electron mobility
- Phosphorene: not stable

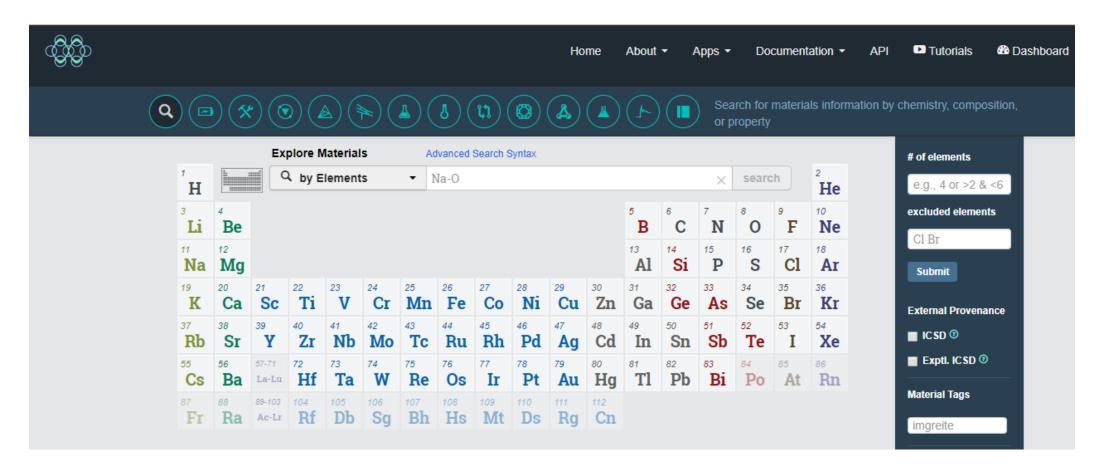
More candidates for Van der Waals heterostructures

# 3D crystal databases

• Inorganic Crystal Structure Database (ICSD)



# Materials Project



## Quest for novel 2D materials

• By the time of 2016:

Over 200,000 3D bulk crystals collected in Inorganic Crystal Structure Database (ICSD)

However, only a few dozens of 2D materials have been experimentally synthesised or exfoliated

Question: How can we find more exfoliable layered materials?

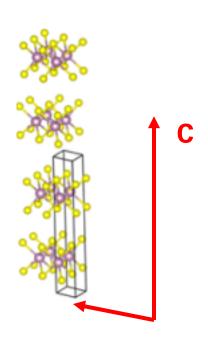
# Pioneering attempt to identify layered materials

• 2013 PRX, characterize layered materials by:

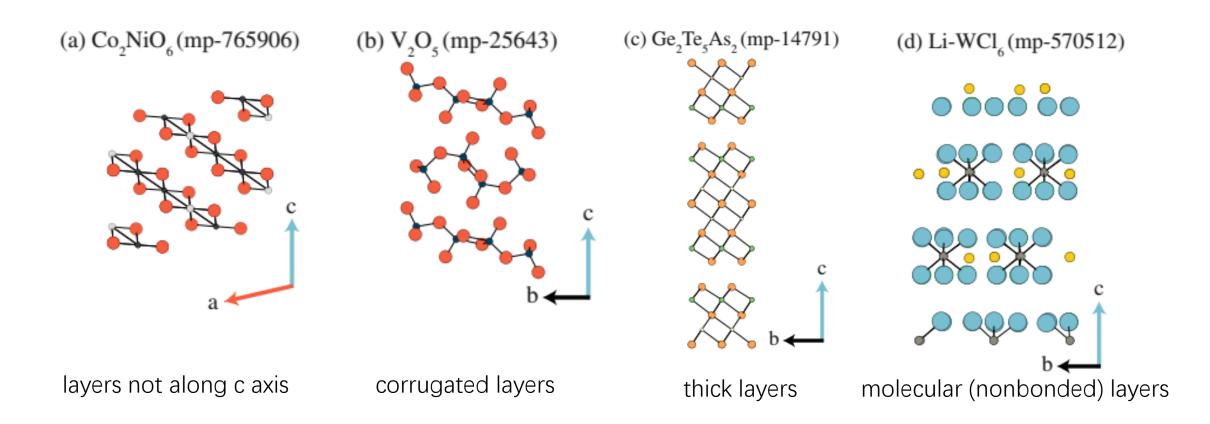
Low packing ratio (0.15-0.50)

Large gaps (>2.4 A) between crystallographic planes along the c axis

• Discovered almost 100 layered phases!



# Challenges of layer detection



# Breakthrough

#### Topology-Scaling Identification of Layered Solids and Stable Exfoliated 2D Materials

Michael Ashton, 1 Joshua Paul, 1 Susan B. Sinnott, 2 and Richard G. Hennig 1,\*

*PRL*, 2017

## Data Mining for New Two- and One-Dimensional Weakly Bonded Solids and Lattice-Commensurate Heterostructures

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Nano Letters, 2017

#### Novel two-dimensional materials from high-throughput computational exfoliation of experimentally known compounds

Nature Nanotechnology, 2018

Nicolas Mounet, <sup>1</sup> Marco Gibertini, <sup>1</sup> Philippe Schwaller, <sup>1</sup> Andrius Merkys, <sup>1</sup> Ivano E. Castelli, <sup>1</sup> Andrea Cepellotti, <sup>1</sup> Giovanni Pizzi, <sup>1</sup> and Nicola Marzari <sup>1</sup>

#### Method

• Step1:

Geometrical screening algorithm for layered materials

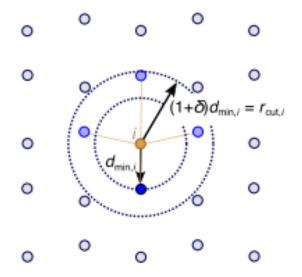
• Step2:

Identify layered materials that easily exfoliable using vdW DFT simulations

# Geometrical screening algorithm

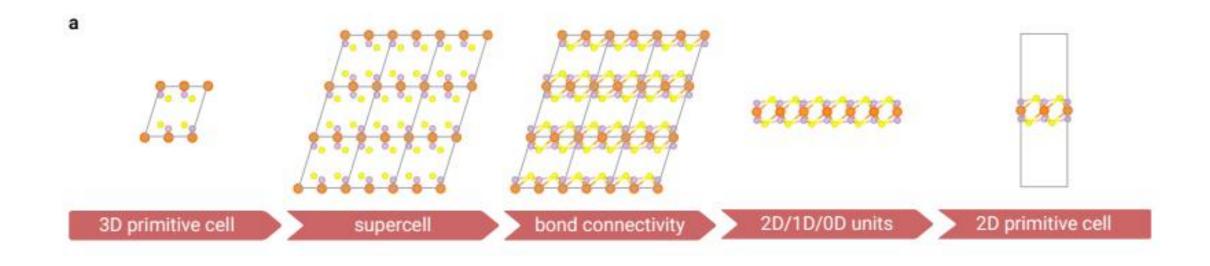
 Find all bonded clusters in the primitive cell, bonds are identified as:

$$d_{i,j} < r_i^{vdW} + r_j^{vdW} - \Delta$$

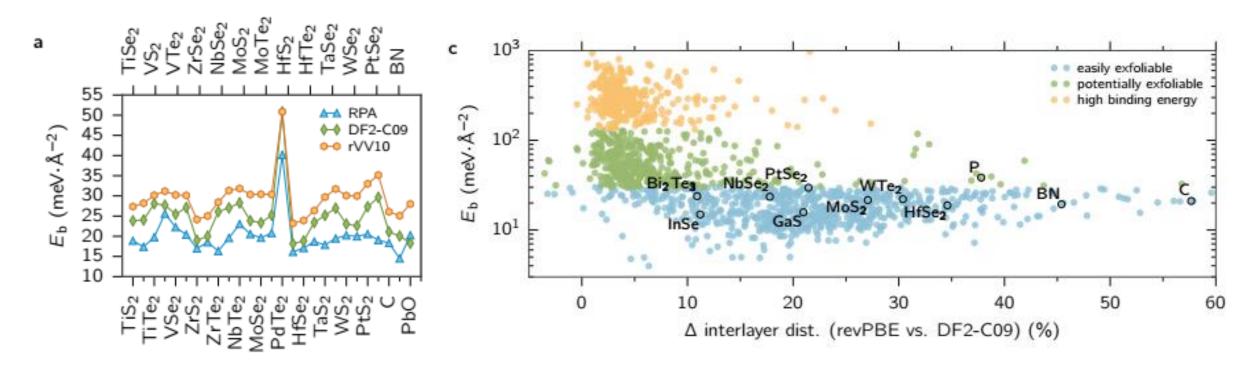


# Geometrical screening algorithm

 Consider a bonded manifold as layer, if periodic in two independent directions

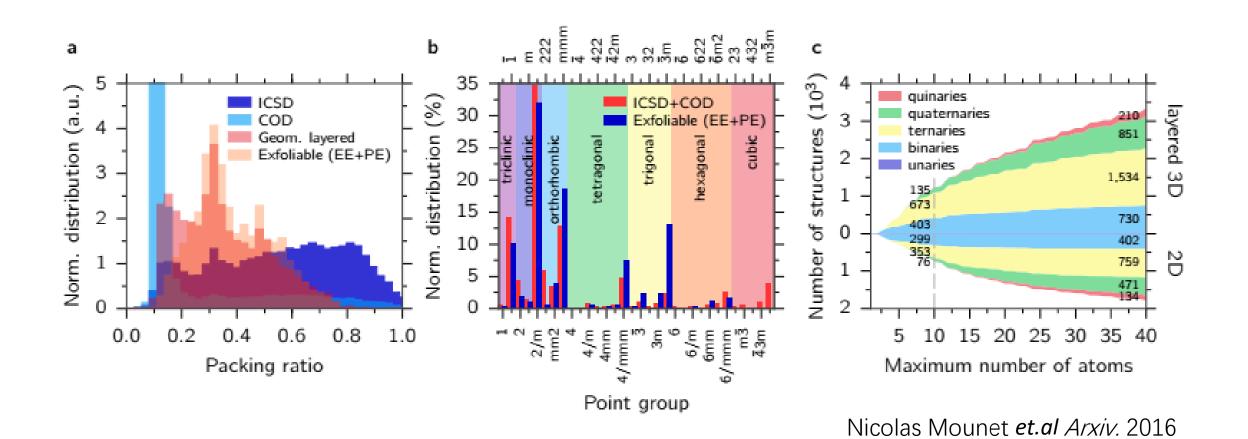


# Binding energy

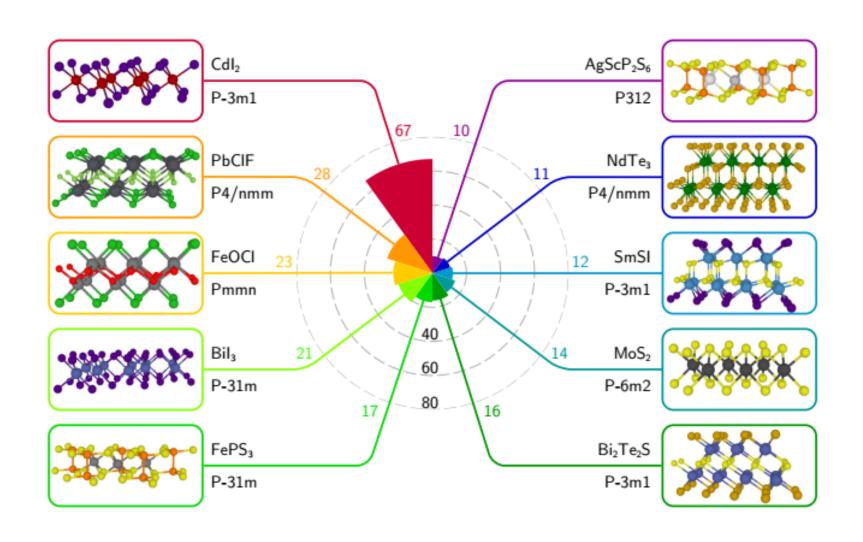


Obtained 1053 easily exfoliable and 791 potentially exfoliable

### Statistics of 2D materials



# 2D materials prototypes



# Further developments

Contributed to:

Magnetic 2D materials and heterostructures
Ultrathin layers of transition metal dichalcogenides (TMDs)

# Summary

Data mining of layered materials

100 layered phases discovered by intuitive criteria, 2013

>1000 unique layered materials discovered by optimized algroithms, started from 2016

Further developments

2D materials databases, >1000 layered materials

Transition metal dichalcogenides (TMDs)

# Questions?