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### Data-driven chemical understanding with geometrical and quantum-chemical bonding analysis

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Chemical bonding and coordination environments are crucial descriptors of material properties. They have previously been applied to creating chemical design guidelines and chemical heuristics.<sup>[1]</sup> They are currently being used as features in machine learning more and more frequently.<sup>[2]</sup> I will discuss implementations and algorithms (ChemEnv and LobsterEnv) for identifying these coordination environments based on geometrical characteristics and chemical bond quantum chemical analysis.<sup>[3-5]</sup> I will demonstrate how these techniques helped in testing chemical heuristics like the Pauling rule and thereby improved our understanding of chemistry.<sup>[6]</sup> I will also show how these tools can be used to create new design guidelines and a new understanding of chemistry.<sup>[4,7]</sup> To use quantum-chemical bonding analysis on a large-scale and for machine-learning approaches, fully automatic workflows and analysis tools have been developed.<sup>[4,8]</sup> After presenting the capabilities of these tools, I will also point out how these developments relate to the general trend towards automation in the field of density functional based materials science.<sup>[9]</sup>

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