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1 Training results of the GAP-CN potential

Numerical validation The quality of the developed GAP-CN potential is crucial for the accuracy of subsequent modelling of nitrogen-doped diamond samples and is validated against DFT-based energies per atom and forces. This comparison is shown in figure SI 1a. and SI 1b.. Root Mean Square Error (RMSE) and Mean Absolute Error (MAE) are taken as the measure of the difference between the result from GAP-CN and the result from DFT. It is observed in the scatter plot that energy data demonstrated a good fit as the value of the MAE is less than 20 meV/atom and RMSE is in the region of 51 meV/atom, whereas, Force data showed a very strong fit as the MAE is less than 0.15 eV/Å and RMSE is in the region of less than 0.3 eV/Å.

Further validation of the force and energy for each defective carbon-nitrogen-related structure, along with the distribution of each configuration, is illustrated in Figure SI 1c., d. and e.. From the graph, it is shown that both the RMSE and MAE for force errors are below 0.3 eV/Å, while for energy errors, they are all below 0.01 eV/atom. It is notable that the defective structure containing one interstitial nitrogen and one substitutional nitrogen, marked as 'Ni_Ns', occupies the largest number of configurations to maintain consistent force and energy accuracy with other types of defective structures.

Supplementary Figures

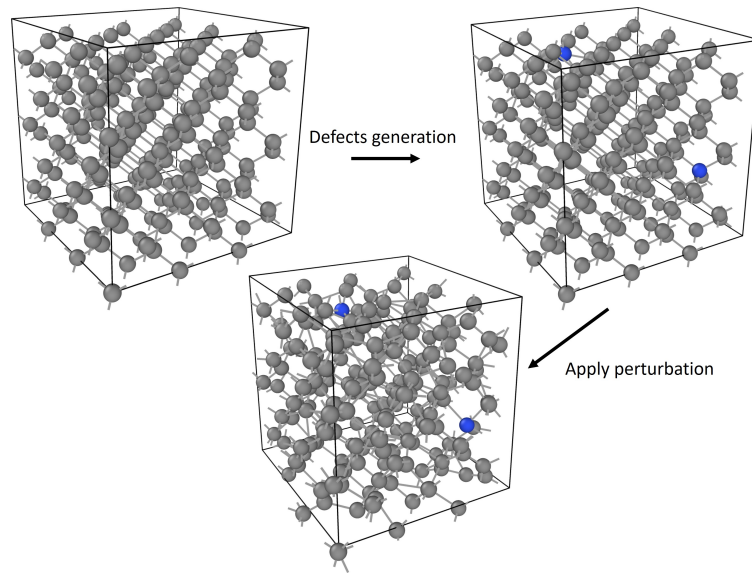


Figure SI 2: An illustration of the construction of one sample containing a substitutional nitrogen (N_s) and an interstitial nitrogen (N_i) in a $3 \times 3 \times 3$ supercell.

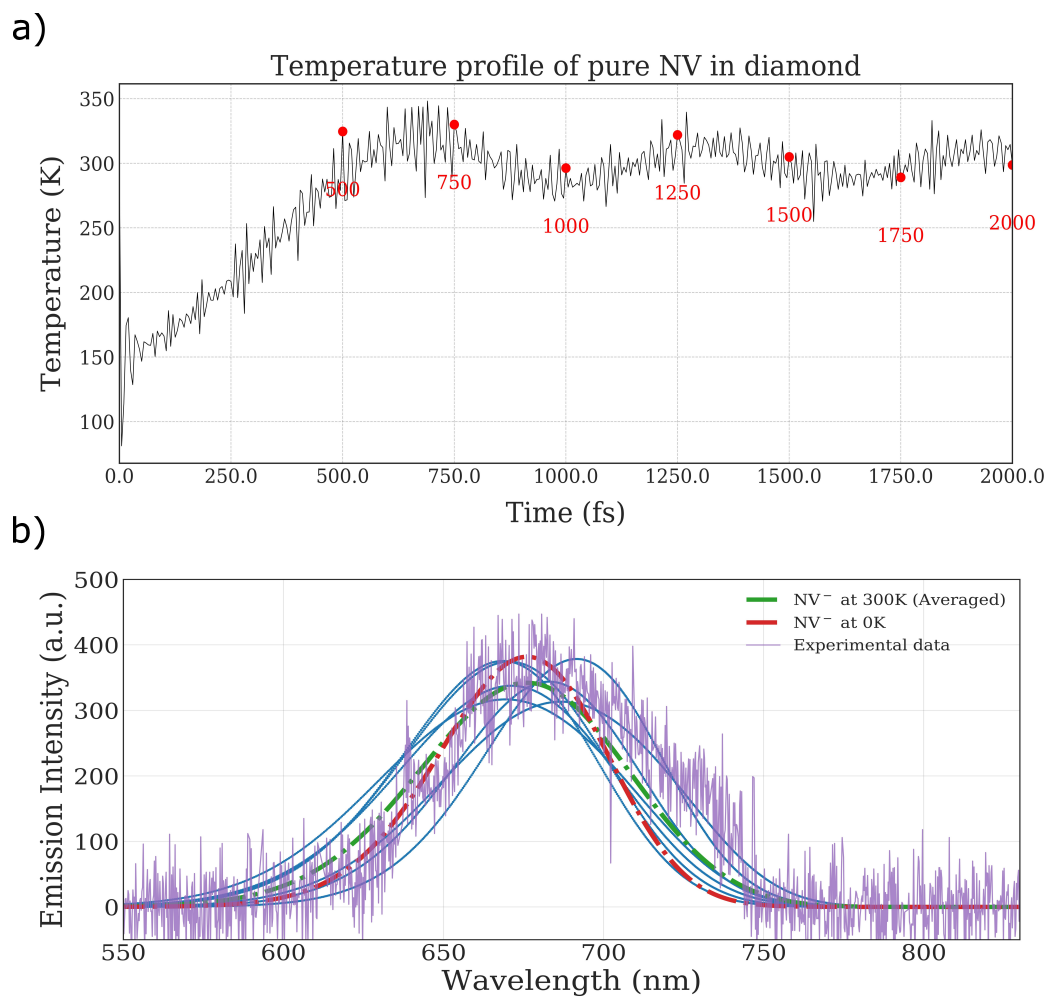


Figure SI 3: **a.** Temperature profile of the molecular dynamics simulation of a pure NV centre in diamond at 300 K. The red points indicate sampled structures used for TDDFT simulations, with emission spectrum results presented in **b.**

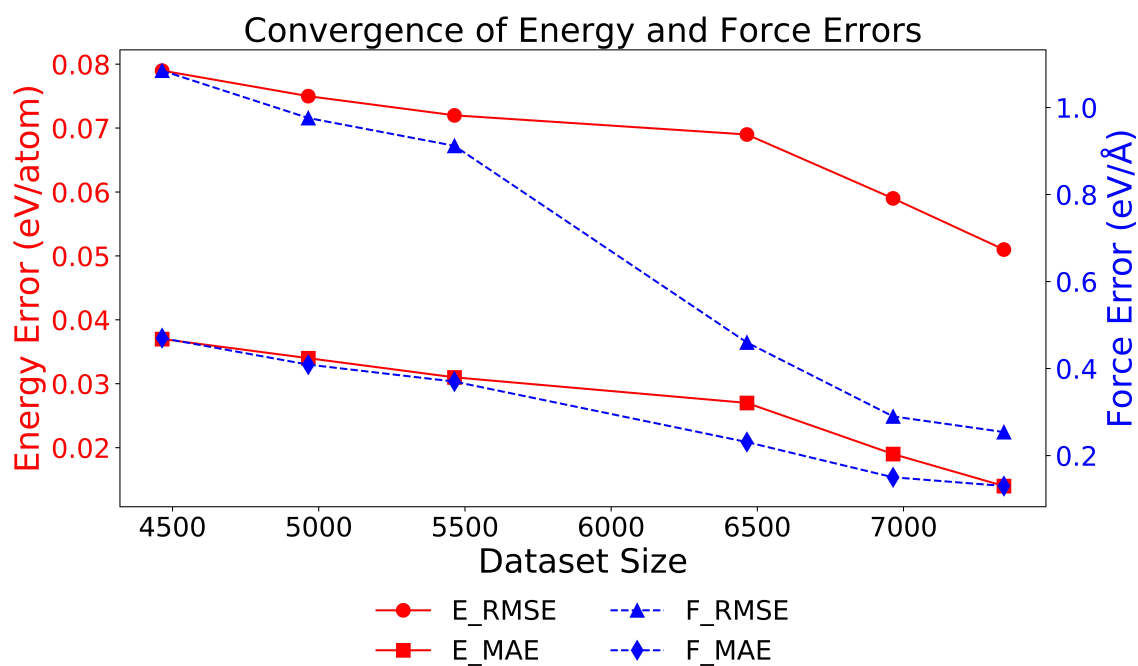


Figure SI 4: Graphs showing the convergence of the GAP-CN potential training with respect to force and energy. The number of training configurations for sets 1 to 6 are 4464, 4964, 5464, 6454, 6964, and 7343, respectively.

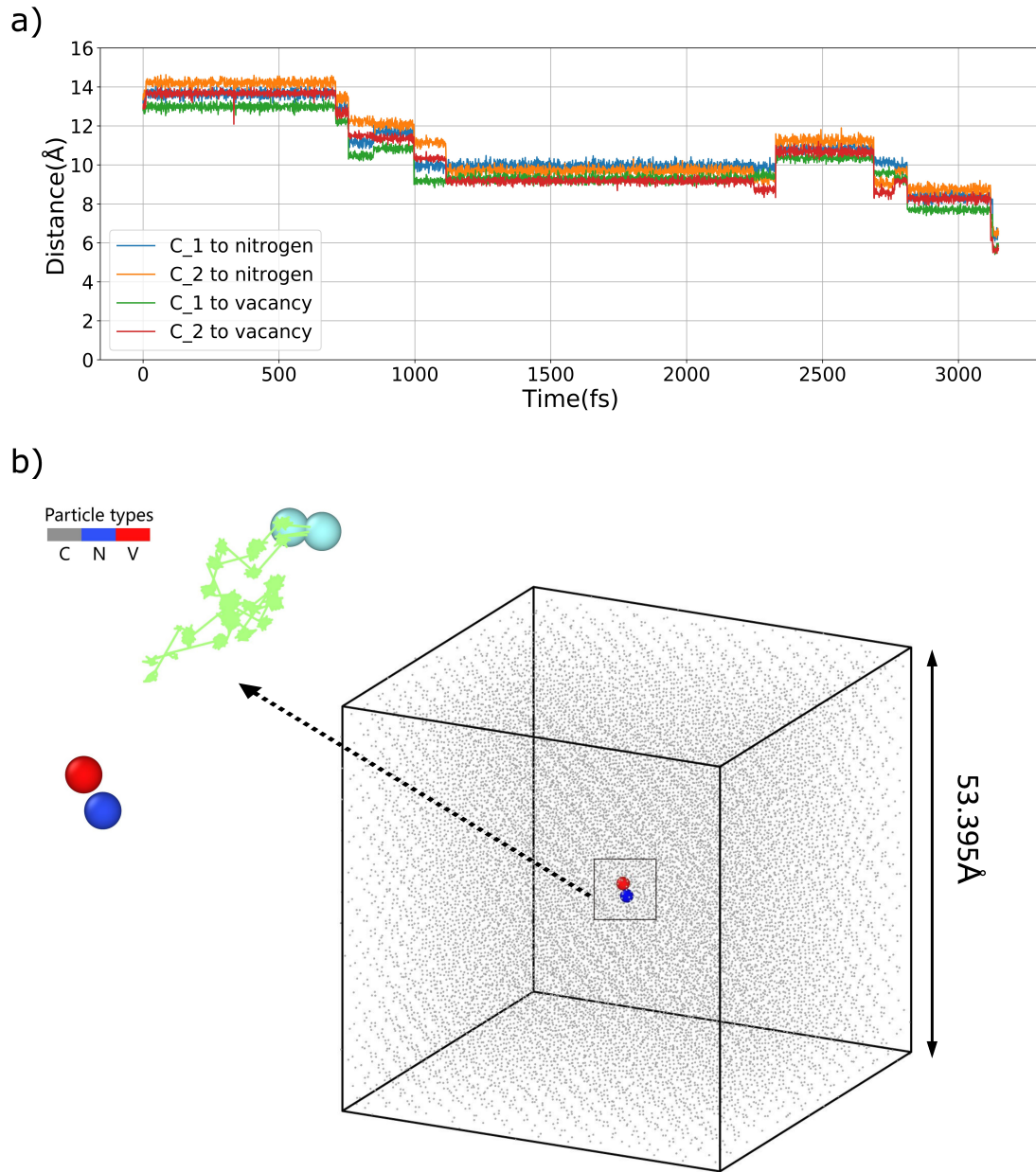


Figure SI 5: Examples of GAP-CN-assisted molecular dynamics simulations in a $15 \times 15 \times 15$ conventional diamond supercell (27,000 atoms) containing one NV center and one C_i . **a.** shows the distance traces between two interstitial carbons and the nitrogen and vacancy sites, while **b.** illustrates the trajectory paths of the interstitial carbons within the diamond lattice.

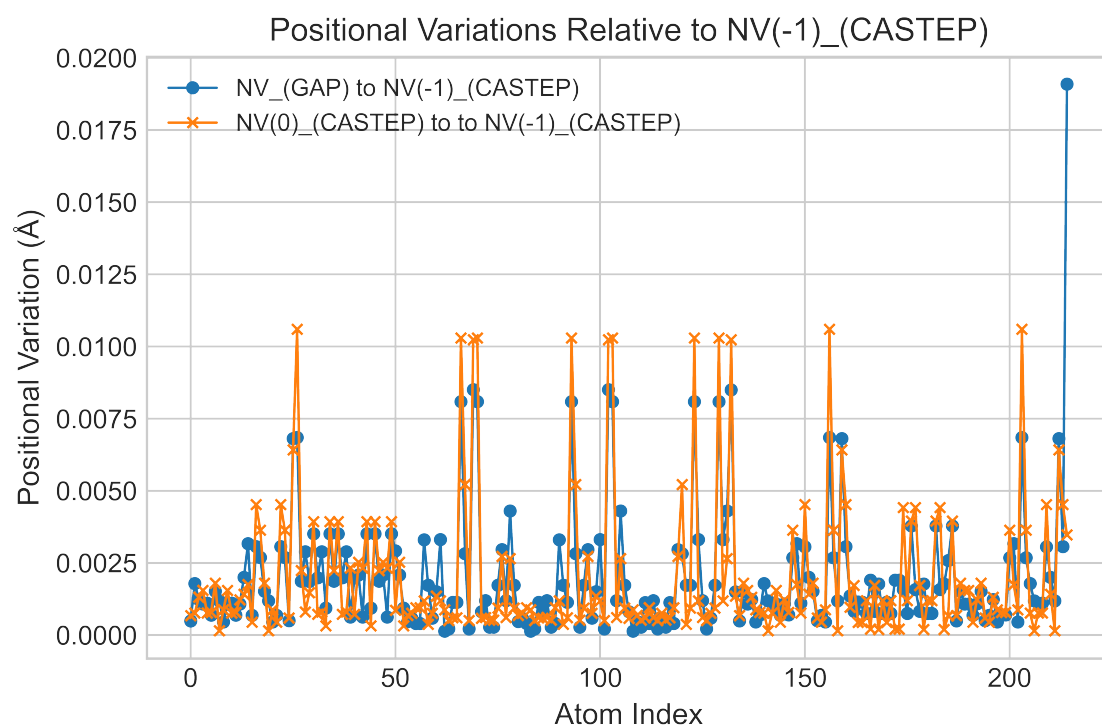


Figure SI 6: Impact of distance variations on the optimized NV results across different methods and charge states