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Deep Learning for Plasma Chemistry Modelling

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Low-temperature plasmas (LTPs) are versatile in their applications, finding uses in areas ranging from plasma medicine to CO₂ conversion for *in-situ* resource utilisation. Understanding these systems requires a combination of experimental data and the development of predictive plasma-chemistry models. However, obtaining experimental data is challenging, and plasma simulations are often computationally expensive. Here, we explore deep learning to mitigate these difficulties with a twofold approach: on the one hand, we create a fast and reliable surrogate model to study the complex plasma chemistry in low-pressure molecular plasmas; on the other hand, we automate the prediction of selected reaction rate coefficients. Moreover, we propose a novel approach for integrating physical constraints into deep neural networks by projecting the model's predictions onto the manifold defined by the system's physical constraints. Oxygen DC discharges at pressures p = 0.2 - 10 Torr and discharge currents I = 10 - 40 mA are used as a case study.