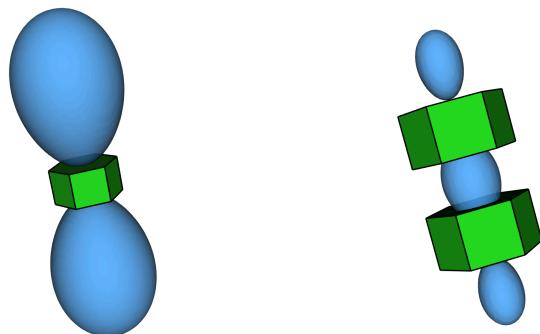


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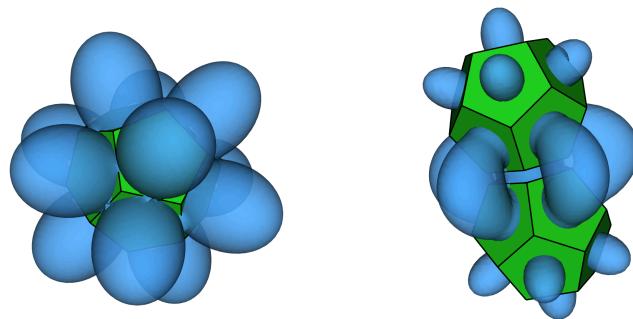
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Captions: Nanotechnology: new theory describes how entropy assembles nanoparticle crystals



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The density of the pseudoparticles around nanoparticle shapes resembles the electron density in the electron orbitals of atoms. This new way of understanding how entropy creates attractive forces between nanoparticles could accelerate the development of nanomaterials with designed properties. Credit: Thi Vo, Glotzer Group, University of Michigan



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