

Thermodynamics and Materials Modeling

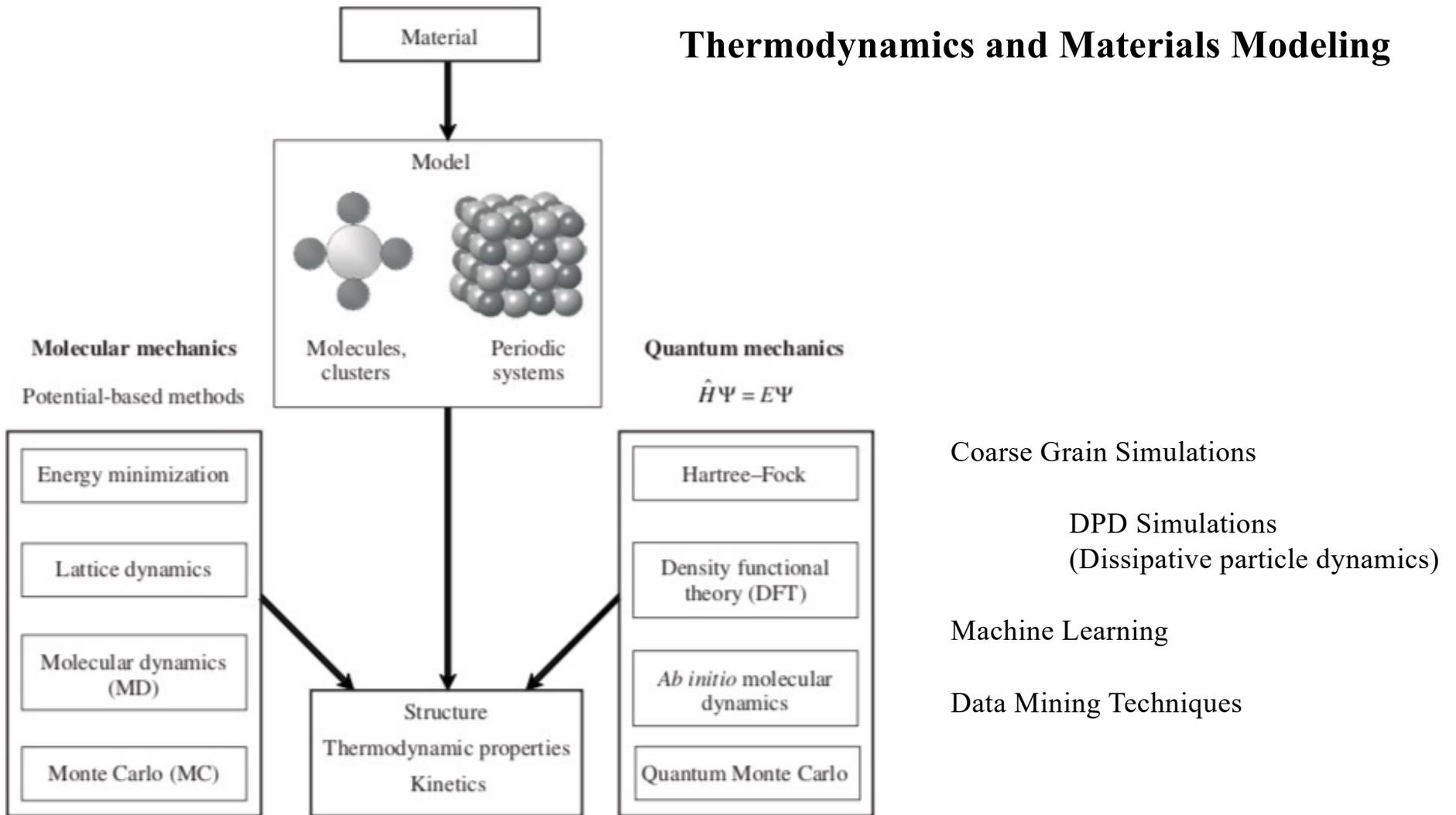
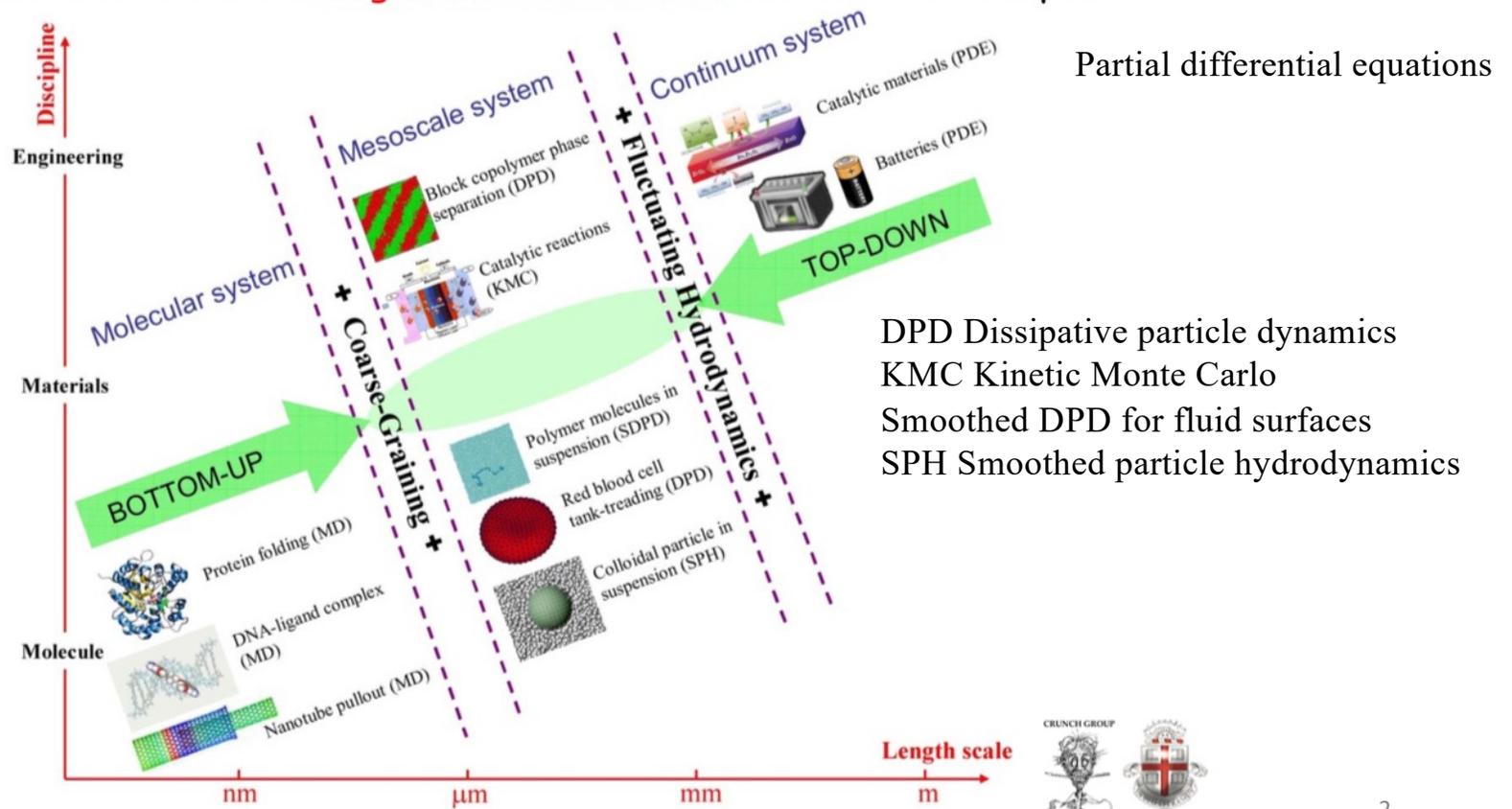


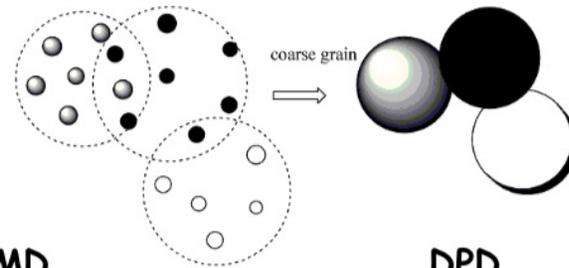
Figure 11.1

Mesoscale Phenomena and Models

Due to wide range of characteristic **lengths - times**, several simulation methods that describe **length and time scales** have been developed:



Dissipative Particle Dynamics (DPD)



MD



- **MICRO**scopic level approach
- atomistic approach is often problematic because larger time/length scales are involved

DPD



- set of point particles that move off-lattice through prescribed forces
- each particle is a collection of molecules
- **MESO**scopic scales
- momentum-conserving Brownian dynamics

Navier-Stokes



- continuum fluid mechanics
- **MACRO**scopic modeling

Ref on Theory: Lei, Caswell & Karniadakis, Phys. Rev. E, 2010



Intermolecular/inter-particulate potentials

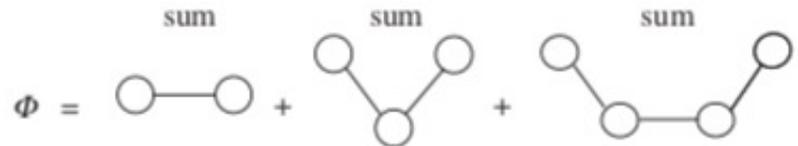


Figure 11.2

$$\Phi = \sum_{i < j} V_{ij} + \sum_{i < j < k} V_{ijk} + \sum_{i < j < k < l} V_{ijkl} + \dots$$

over all pairs of atoms over all 3 atom combinations over all 4 atom combinations

2-body potential 3-body potential 4-body potential



$$\Phi = \underbrace{V_{12} + V_{13} + V_{14} + V_{23} + V_{24} + V_{34}}_{2\text{-body}} + \underbrace{V_{123} + V_{124} + V_{134} + V_{234}}_{3\text{-body}} + \underbrace{V_{1234}}_{4\text{-body}}$$

Molecular Solid

Harmonic
Potential
2-body

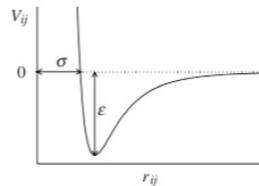
Harmonic
Potential
3-body

$$\Phi = \sum_{\text{bond lengths in molecules}} \frac{k_r}{2} (r - r_0)^2 + \sum_{\text{bond lengths in molecules}} \frac{k_\theta}{2} (\theta - \theta_0)^2$$

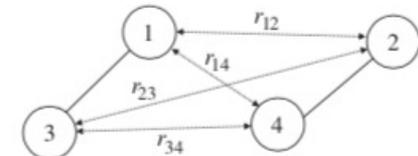
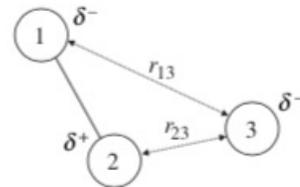
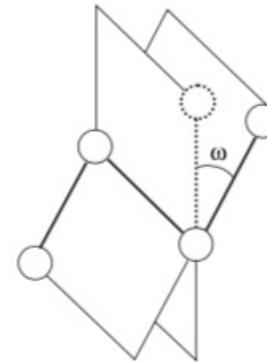
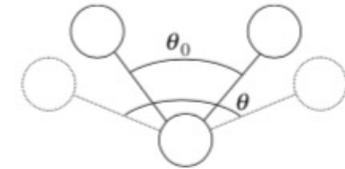
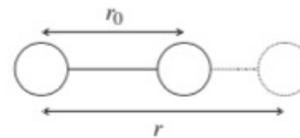
$$+ \sum_{\text{torsion angles in molecules}} \frac{V_n}{2} (1 + \cos(n\omega - \xi)) + \sum_{\text{atoms } i \text{ and } j} \frac{q_i q_j}{4\pi\epsilon_0 r_{ij}}$$

$$+ \sum_{\text{non-bonded atoms } i \text{ and } j} 4\epsilon_{ij} \left\{ \left(\frac{\sigma_{ij}}{r_{ij}} \right)^{12} - \left(\frac{\sigma_{ij}}{r_{ij}} \right)^6 \right\}$$

Van der Waals
Repulsion and
Pauli
dispersion



Intramolecular interactions



Intermolecular interactions

Ionic Solids

$$V_{ij} = \frac{q_i q_j}{4\pi\epsilon_0 r_{ij}} + V_{\text{vdw}}(r_{ij})$$

Buckingham Potential (Rather than 6-12 potential)

$$V_{\text{vdw}}(r_{ij}) = A \exp(-r_{ij}/\rho) - \frac{C}{r_{ij}^6}$$

Energy Minimization/Lattice Statics

$$\partial U / \partial Z_i = \partial \Phi / \partial Z_i = 0$$

Static limit at 0K no vibrations
Yields the low temperature 0K phase

Z_i are length of bonds, separation distances, angles, positions

Elevated Temperatures and Lattice Dynamics

-SUV
H A
-pGT

Monte Carlo
Molecular Dynamics
Lattice Dynamics

$$G = U - TS + pV \quad \text{At } p = 0 \quad A = U - TS$$

Quasi-harmonic approximation: at T we can write:

Good up to $2T_m/3$ where anharmonic effects become important $A = \Phi_{\text{stat}} + A_{\text{vib}}$

$$A_{\text{vib}} = \sum_{\mathbf{q}, j} \left\{ \frac{1}{2} h \nu_j(\mathbf{q}) + k_B T \ln[1 - \exp(-h \nu_j(\mathbf{q}) / k_B T)] \right\} \quad \text{Simple Harmonic Oscillator}$$

Zero point energy Phonon frequencies at wave vector q

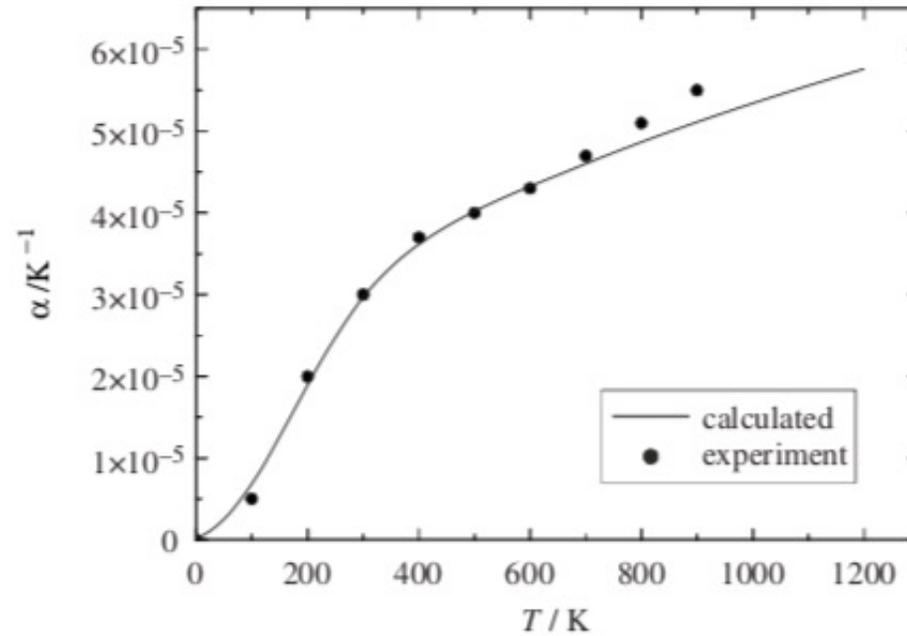
From Chapter 8.2

$$\omega(q) = \sqrt{\frac{4K}{m}} \left| \sin\left(\frac{qa}{2}\right) \right| \quad -\frac{\partial U}{\partial u_n} = F = -K(2u_n - u_{n+1} - u_{n-1})$$

Frequency can be obtained from the potential function as a function of atomic positions

Lattice dynamics example

$$\alpha = \frac{1}{V} \left(\frac{\partial V}{\partial T} \right)_p$$



$T_m = 1536 \text{ K}$
 $2/3 T_m = 1024 \text{ K}$

Figure 11.8 Calculated and experimental thermal expansion of MgF_2 [3].

N. L. Allan, G. D. Barrera, J. A. Purton, C. E. Sims and M. B. Taylor, *Phys. Chem., Chem. Phys.* 2000, **2**, 1099

$$A = \Phi_{\text{stat}} + A_{\text{vib}}$$

$$A_{\text{vib}} = \sum_{\mathbf{q}, j} \left\{ \frac{1}{2} h\nu_j(\mathbf{q}) + k_{\text{B}} T \ln[1 - \exp(-h\nu_j(\mathbf{q}) / k_{\text{B}} T)] \right\}$$

$$S = -(\partial A / \partial T)_V, \text{ and } C_V = (\partial U / \partial T)_V$$

$$S = \sum_{\mathbf{q}, j} \frac{(h\nu_j(\mathbf{q}) / T)}{\exp(h\nu_j(\mathbf{q}) / k_{\text{B}} T) - 1} - k_{\text{B}} \ln[1 - \exp(-h\nu_j(\mathbf{q}) / k_{\text{B}} T)]$$

$$C_V = \sum_{\mathbf{q}, j} k_{\text{B}} \left(\frac{h\nu_j}{k_{\text{B}} T} \right)^2 \frac{1}{[\exp(h\nu_j / k_{\text{B}} T) - 1][1 - \exp(-h\nu_j / k_{\text{B}} T)]}$$

Allows for experimental verification

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H A
-pGT

Solid solutions and non-stoichiometric oxides

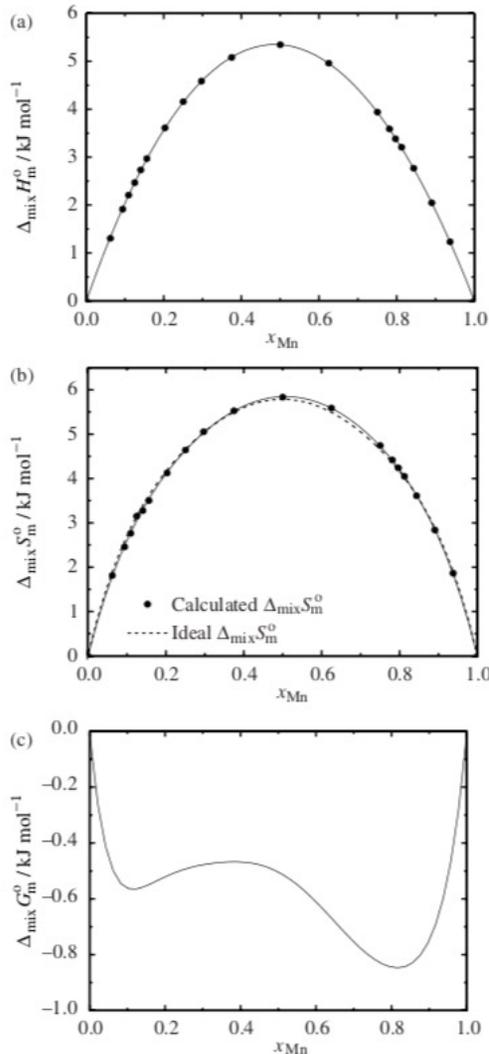


Figure 11.13 (a) Enthalpy, (b) entropy and (c) Gibbs energy of mixing of MnO–MgO at 1000 K, all calculated using the configurational averaging technique.

- 1) Fix unit cell size (super cell, 4 atoms, 8 atoms, 64 atom etc.) for a given composition find all random arrangements “k”
- 2) With lattice vectors and positions as variable at T minimize G_k
- 3) For all “K” arrangements find the average properties

$$H = \frac{\sum_{k=1}^K H_k \exp(-G_k/k_B T)}{\sum_{k=1}^K \exp(-G_k/k_B T)} \quad G = -k_B T \ln \sum_{k=1}^K \exp(-G_k/k_B T)$$

- 4) Vary cell size and find convergence with larger cell sizes

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E. Bakken, N. L. Allan, T. H. K. Barron, C. E. Mohn, I. T. Todorov and S. Stølen, *Phys. Chem., Chem. Phys.* 2003, **5**, 2237.

Monte Carlo Method

Periodic Boundary Conditions

Fix T, V, N

$$\langle Q \rangle = \int Q(Z)P(Z) dZ \quad P(Z) = \frac{\exp(-U(Z)/k_B T)}{\int \exp(-U(Z)/k_B T) dZ} \quad \text{"Z" is a state of the system}$$

- 1) Move atoms at random
- 2) Calculate "Q"
- 3) Take the average

**This doesn't work because P(Z) depends on U(Z) and T
Low energy states have more weight**

Metropolis Algorithm

Bias the probability with $\exp(-\Phi(Z)/k_B T)$

Monte Carlo Method

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- 1) Calculate $\phi(Z)$ by molecular mechanics with potentials
- 2) Accept a configuration "Z" if it has a low energy relative to kT with some randomness
- 3) Calculate the average

$$\langle Q \rangle = \frac{1}{M} \sum_{i=1}^M Q(Z)$$

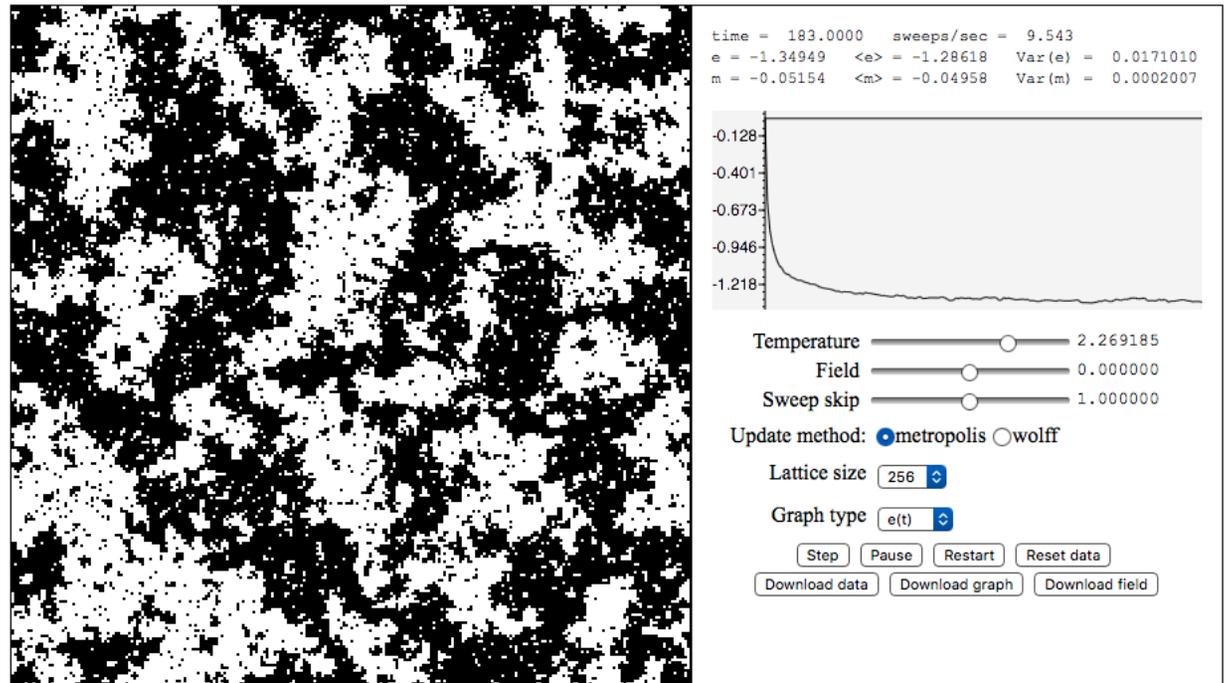
- 1) Start with a random configuration calculate $\phi(Z)$
- 2) Move one atom or molecule or group of molecules
- 3) Calculate $\phi(Z')$ if lower than $\phi(Z)$ accept
- 4) If higher than $\phi(Z)$ calculate $\exp(-\Delta\phi/kT)$ and a random number from 0 to 1
- 5) If lower than random number accept
- 6) Repeat

Monte Carlo Method

Ising simulation

Ising Model Simulation

- 1) Start with a random configuration
calculate $\phi(Z)$
- 2) Move one atom or molecule or group of molecules
- 3) Calculate $\phi(Z')$ if lower than $\phi(Z)$ accept
- 4) If higher than $\phi(Z)$ calculate $\exp(-\Delta\phi/kT)$ and a random number from 0 to 1
- 5) If lower than random number accept
- 6) Repeat



Simulation of the Ising model. You can choose between two update methods - metropolis and Wolff algorithm. Several measurements are stored while running including the current energy and magnetization, their averages, and their variances. The current value of each can be found at the top of the right panel. A graph of one value versus time can be directly below that. The particular variable can be changed via the 'Graph type' dropdown box. These measurements can be reset at any time by pressing 'Reset data'. The 'Reset' button restarts the simulation at infinite temperature (implies 'Reset data').

Molecular Dynamics

- 1) Generate initial condition with particles identified by position and velocity
- 2) Calculate the force on each particle using potentials
- 3) Forces (accelerations) remain constant for a time step, position and velocity change

$$v_i(t + \Delta t/2) = v_i(t - \Delta t/2) + \frac{f_i}{m_i} \Delta t$$
$$r_i(t + \Delta t) = r_i(t) + v_i(t + \Delta t/2)\Delta t$$

- 4) Repeat 3) until temperature is constant

$$\frac{3}{2} Nk_B T = \frac{1}{2} \sum_i m_i v_i^2$$

- 5) After steady state record velocities and positions so that $\langle r^2 \rangle = 6Dt$ is found
Time calculation is on the order of nanoseconds.

Neither Monte Carlo nor Molecular Dynamics can calculate the free energy since they ignore large energy regions of phase space

They can calculate differences in free energy for phase diagram construction

Thermodynamic Perturbation Method

Which is more stable, B) MgO or A) a mixture of MnO and MgO?

$$A_A - A_B = -k_B T \ln Z_A + k_B T \ln Z_B = -k_B T \ln \frac{Z_A}{Z_B}$$
$$A_A - A_B = -k_B T \ln \left(\sum \exp(-(U_A - U_B) / k_B T) \right)$$
$$A_A - A_B = -k_B T \ln \left\langle \exp(-(U_A - U_B) / k_B T) \right\rangle_B$$

- 1) Simulate B using Monte Carlo Metropolis Method, calculate A_B
- 2) Temporarily substitute the potential functions for A and calculate A_A
- 3) Find the difference, $A_A - A_B$ to determine stability.

This can work if $(A_A - A_B) < kT$

If not, then use a coupling parameter between 0 and 1

$$U(\lambda) = \lambda U_A + (1 - \lambda) U_B$$

Thermodynamic Integration

$$U(\lambda) = \lambda U_A + (1 - \lambda)U_B$$

$$A_A - A_B = \int_0^1 \left\langle \frac{\partial U(\lambda)}{\partial \lambda} \right\rangle d\lambda$$

$$A_A - A_B \approx \sum_l \left\langle \frac{\partial U(\lambda)}{\partial \lambda} \right\rangle \Delta\lambda$$

Recent Developments in ab initio Thermodynamics

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TABLE I
Comparison between experimental and calculated melting properties of Al from Ref. [2].^a

	Experiment	Calculation
T_m (K)	933.47	890 ± 20
ΔS (k_B /atom)	1.38	1.36 ± 0.04
ΔH (eV/atom)	0.111	0.104 ± 0.003
ΔV (\AA^3 /atom)	1.24	1.26 ± 0.2
dT_m/dP (K/GPa)	65	67 ± 12

TABLE II
Comparison between experimental and calculated melting properties of Si from Ref. [1].^a

	Experiment	Calculation
T_m (K)	1685	1350
ΔS (k_B /atom)	3.6, 3.3	3.0
ΔH (eV/atom)	0.52, 0.47	0.35
ΔV (\AA^3 /atom)	-2.43, -1.94	-2.00
dT_m/dP (K/GPa)	-38	-50

Quantum mechanical/ab initio methods

- 1) Electronic wavefunction is independent of the nuclei since electrons are much smaller and move much faster: Born-Oppenheimer Approximation
- 2) Solve the Schrodinger equation

$$\hat{H}\Psi = E\Psi$$

Hamiltonian in atomic units:

$$\hat{H} = -\frac{1}{2} \sum_i \nabla_i^2 - \sum_i \sum_{\alpha} \frac{Z_{\alpha}}{|\mathbf{r}_i - \mathbf{d}_{\alpha}|} + \sum_i \sum_{j>i} \frac{1}{|\mathbf{r}_i - \mathbf{r}_j|} + \sum_{\alpha} \sum_{\beta>\alpha} \frac{Z_{\alpha} Z_{\beta}}{|\mathbf{d}_{\beta} - \mathbf{d}_{\alpha}|}$$

r_i electron positions; d_{α} nuclear positions, Z_{α} nuclear charge

Kinetic Energy – e^{-} nuc. attraction + $e^{-} e^{-}$ repulsion + Nuc. Nuc. repulsion

- 3) Solve approximately since true wave function can't be found directly. Compare proposed function results with data. Variational Principle: lowest energy wins.

$$E = \frac{\int \Psi^* \hat{H} \Psi \, d\tau}{\int \Psi^* \Psi \, d\tau}$$

- 4) Obey Pauli exclusion principle.

Density functional theory

- 1) Ground state can be obtained through minimization of $E(\rho)$ of $\rho(\mathbf{r})$
- 2) Parallel non-interacting system (NIS)

$$\rho(\mathbf{r}) = \sum_{i=1}^N |\psi_i(\mathbf{r})|^2$$

- 3) Write the energy functional as

$$\begin{aligned} E[\rho] &= T_S[\rho] + V_{\text{nuc}}[\rho] + J[\rho] + E_{\text{xc}}[\rho] \\ &= -\frac{1}{2} \sum_{i=1}^N \int \psi_i^*(\mathbf{r}) \nabla^2 \psi_i(\mathbf{r}) d\mathbf{r} - \sum_{\alpha} \int \rho(\mathbf{r}) \frac{Z_{\alpha}}{|\mathbf{r} - \mathbf{d}_{\alpha}|} d\mathbf{r} \\ &\quad + \frac{1}{2} \iint \frac{\rho(\mathbf{r})\rho(\mathbf{r}')}{|\mathbf{r} - \mathbf{r}'|} d\mathbf{r} d\mathbf{r}' + E_{\text{xc}}[\rho] \end{aligned}$$

KE of NIS + e^- nuc. int. + Coulomb + exchange correlation energy

- 4) Minimize $E[\rho]$ to obtain wave functions then iterate to obtain the ground state density and energy

Exchange energy is energy of swapping identical electrons

Correlation energy is energy of interaction with all other electrons, how is the movement of one electron impacted by all other electrons

Neither of these are known so you use a Low-Density Approximation (LDA)

Molecular Dynamics

LAMMPS

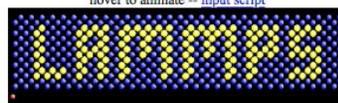
In order to do molecular dynamics, you do not write a program.

Software is available to perform the calculations. LAMMPS

LAMMPS Molecular Dynamics Simulator

lamp: a device that generates light, heat, or therapeutic radiation; something that illumines the mind or soul -- www.dictionary.com

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LAMMPS is a classical molecular dynamics code with a focus on materials modeling. It's an acronym for Large-scale Atomic/Molecular Massively Parallel Simulator.

LAMMPS has potentials for solid-state materials (metals, semiconductors) and soft matter (biomolecules, polymers) and coarse-grained or mesoscopic systems. It can be used to model atoms or, more generically, as a parallel particle simulator at the atomic, meso, or continuum scale.

LAMMPS runs on single processors or in parallel using message-passing techniques and a spatial-decomposition of the simulation domain. Many of its models have versions that provide accelerated performance on CPUs, GPUs, and Intel Xeon Phi. The code is designed to be easy to modify or extend with new functionality.

LAMMPS is distributed as an [open source code](#) under the terms of the [GPL](#). The current version can be downloaded [here](#). Links are also included to older versions. All LAMMPS development is done via [GitHub](#), so all versions can also be accessed there. Periodic releases are also posted to [SourceForge](#).

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Colaboratory, or "Colab" for short, allows you to write and execute Python in your browser, with

- Zero configuration required
- Free access to GPUs
- Easy sharing

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For example, here is a **code cell** with a short Python script that computes a value, stores it in a variable, and prints the result:

```
[ ] seconds_in_a_day = 24 * 60 * 60
seconds_in_a_day

86400
```

To execute the code in the above cell, select it with a click and then either press the play button to the left of the code, or use the keyboard shortcut "Command/Ctrl+Enter". To edit the code, just click the cell and start editing.

Variables that you define in one cell can later be used in other cells:

```
[ ] seconds_in_a_week = 7 * seconds_in_a_day
seconds_in_a_week

604800
```

Colab notebooks allow you to combine **executable code** and **rich text** in a single document, along with **images**, **HTML**, **LaTeX** and more. When

HOOMD-blue MD simulations



HOOMD-blue tutorials and examples

Welcome to the HOOMD-blue example scripts. These jupyter notebooks demonstrate how to utilize the functionality of [HOOMD-blue](#). You can view a [static version of the notebooks at nbviewer](#). See [Installing HOOMD and other python packages](#) for details on how to run these notebooks interactively.

Getting started

- [Installing HOOMD and other python packages](#)
- [Executing scripts on the command line](#)
- For full details on all HOOMD commands, see the [reference documentation](#)

See [Notebook Basics](#) and [Running Code](#) for tutorials on using jupyter itself.

Tutorials

HOOMD is a python package that provides a toolkit of commands to configure particle simulations. These tutorials demonstrate many commonly used features in HOOMD with fully functional and documented scripts that perform simulations and examine the output.

- **Molecular dynamics**
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Initializing simulations

This section includes more detailed examples on execution context and system initialization.

- [Simulation contexts](#)
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Dissipative particle dynamics

Off-lattice particles moving in space and time

A particle is a molecule or fluid region (not a single atom)

Particles experience dissipative and random forces (details are integrated)

Access to long times and distances

Up to 0.1 micron and 50 microseconds

$$f_i = \sum_{j \neq i} (F_{ij}^C + F_{ij}^D + F_{ij}^R)$$

Non-bonded forces within a set cutoff distance are considered for particle “i” interaction with particles “j”

Conservative Force, Dissipative Force, Random Force

Conservative Force- gives particle an identity

Random and dissipative forces act as a thermostat

Momentum is conserved locally so you can work with small numbers of particles

Random force between two interaction particles must be of opposite sign

One random force calculation for each pair of interacting particles

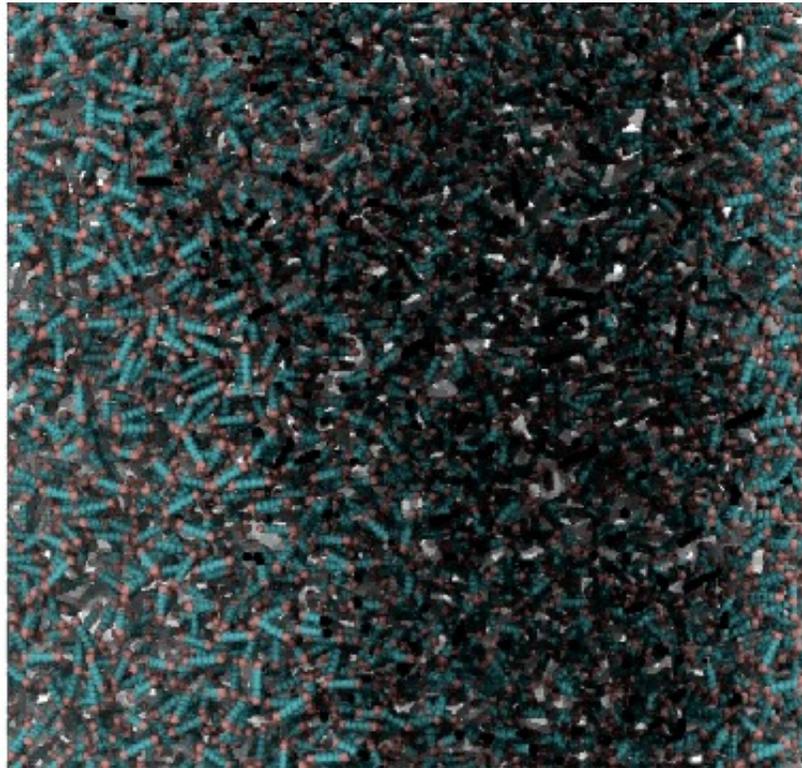
(This differs from Brownian motion where each particle experiences an independent random force)

Particles connected by Hookean springs if desired

Usually N, V and T are kept constant

Parallelization in Dissipative particle dynamics

DPD interactions are short range so different processors can run in parallel for very large systems (micron and milliseconds (1000 microseconds))



LCD self-assembly
Smectic Crystal
Rod-Shaped particles
1 microsecond time

<http://gpiutmd.iut.ac.ir/en/gallery/video-gallery>

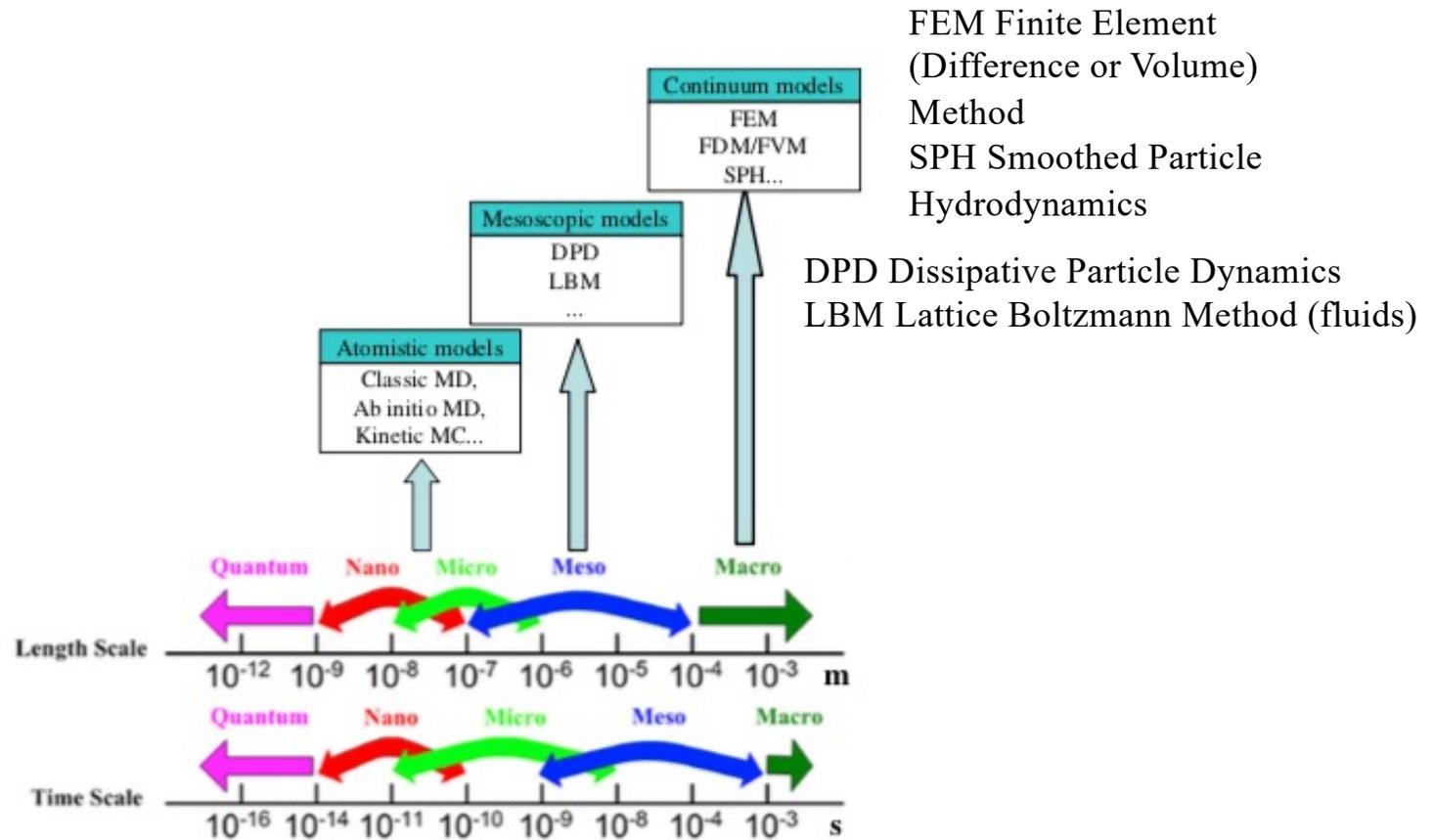


Fig. 1 Different length and time scales and corresponding computational methods

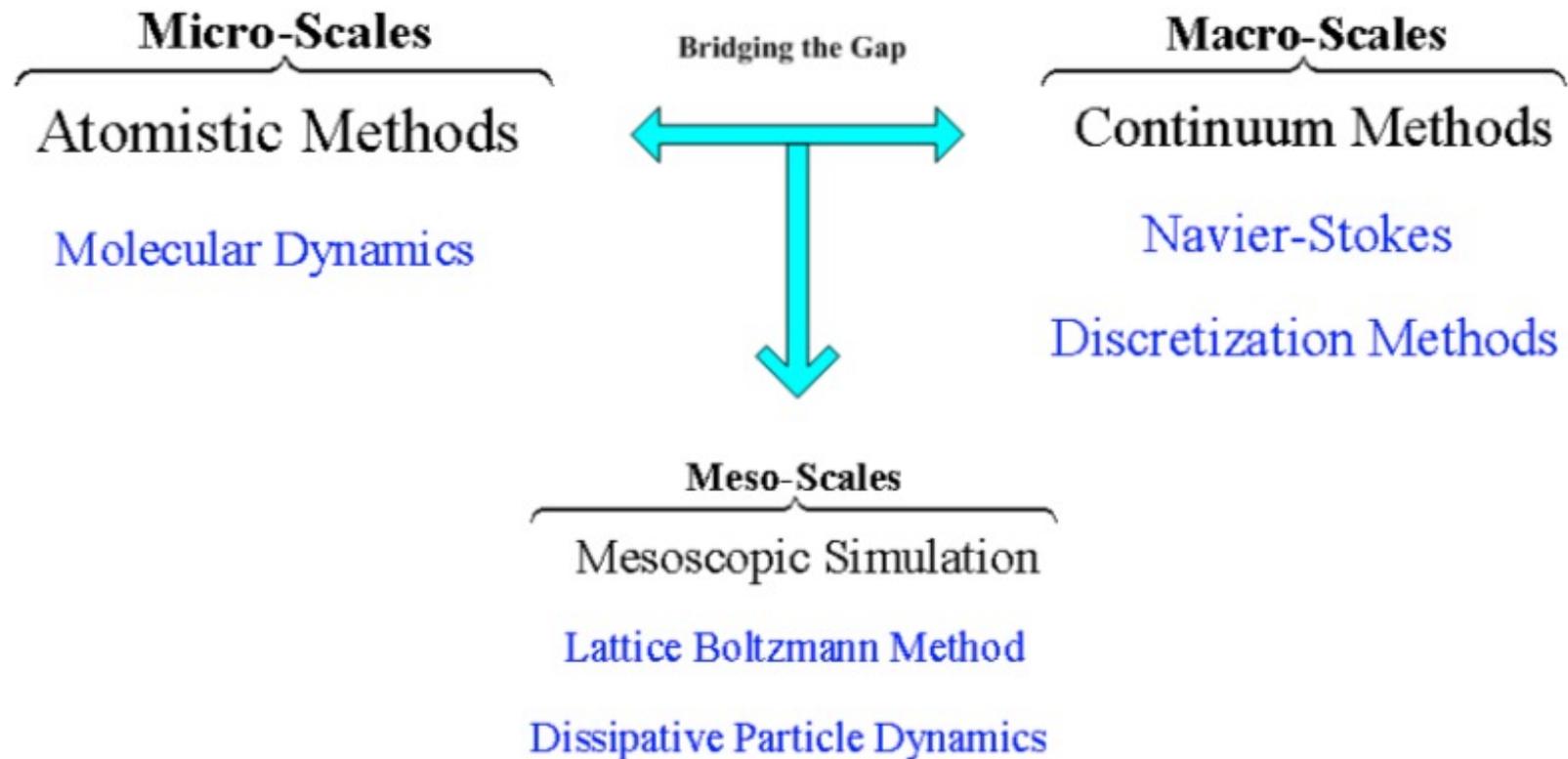


Fig. 1. Dissipative Particle Dynamics: a mesoscale technique for bridging the gap between the micro- and macro-scales.

Dissipative particle dynamics

Coarse Graining Parameter N_m = number of molecules per particle

Speedup time is $1000 N_m^{8/3}$ for $N_m = 3$ you get 20,000X; for 7, 200,000X

Particles are “soft” not LJ particles

$$\frac{d\mathbf{r}_i}{dt} = \mathbf{v}_i, \quad \frac{d\mathbf{p}_i}{dt} = \sum_{j \neq i} \mathbf{F}_{ij},$$

$$\mathbf{F}_{ij} = \mathbf{F}_{ij}^C + \mathbf{F}_{ij}^D + \mathbf{F}_{ij}^R$$

All forces act within a sphere of interaction, r_c

Thermostat requirements:

$$w^D(r) = [w^R(r)]^2, \quad \sigma^2 = 2\gamma k_B T / m$$

$$w^C(r_{ij}) = \begin{cases} a_{ij} \left(1 - \frac{r_{ij}}{r_c}\right) & r_{ij} \leq r_c \\ 0 & r_{ij} > r_c \end{cases}$$

a_{ij} is the repulsion between particles “i” and “j”

$$\mathbf{F}_{ij}^C = w^C(r_{ij})\mathbf{e}_{ij}, \quad \text{Repulsive}$$

$$\mathbf{F}_{ij}^D = -\gamma w^D(r_{ij})[\mathbf{v}_{ij} \cdot \mathbf{e}_{ij}]\mathbf{e}_{ij} \quad \text{Drag}$$

$$\mathbf{F}_{ij}^R = \sigma w^R(r_{ij})\theta_{ij}\mathbf{e}_{ij}, \quad \text{Random}$$

$$\mathbf{e}_{ij} = \mathbf{r}_{ij} / r_{ij}$$

$$\mathbf{r}_{ij} = \mathbf{r}_i - \mathbf{r}_j$$

$$r_{ij} = |\mathbf{r}_i - \mathbf{r}_j|$$

$$\mathbf{v}_{ij} = (\mathbf{v}_i - \mathbf{v}_j)$$

w are “weight functions”

γ and σ are coefficients

$$\theta_{ij} = \theta_{ji} \quad \text{White noise function}$$

$$\langle \theta_{ij}(t) \rangle = 0, \quad \langle \theta_{ij}(t)\theta_{kl}(t') \rangle = (\delta_{ik}\delta_{jl} + \delta_{il}\delta_{jk}) \delta(t - t')$$

Dissipative Particle Dynamics (DPD)

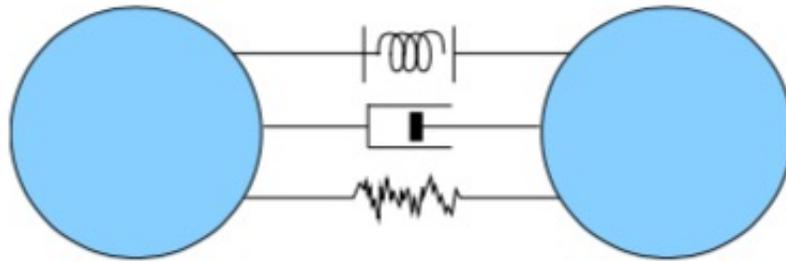


FIG. 1. Dissipative particles interact pair-wise with a conservative linear repulsive force, and a Brownian dashpot made of a friction force that reduces the relative velocity between the particles and a stochastic force that gives kicks of equal size and opposite directions to the particles. These forces vanish beyond a cutoff radius r_c .

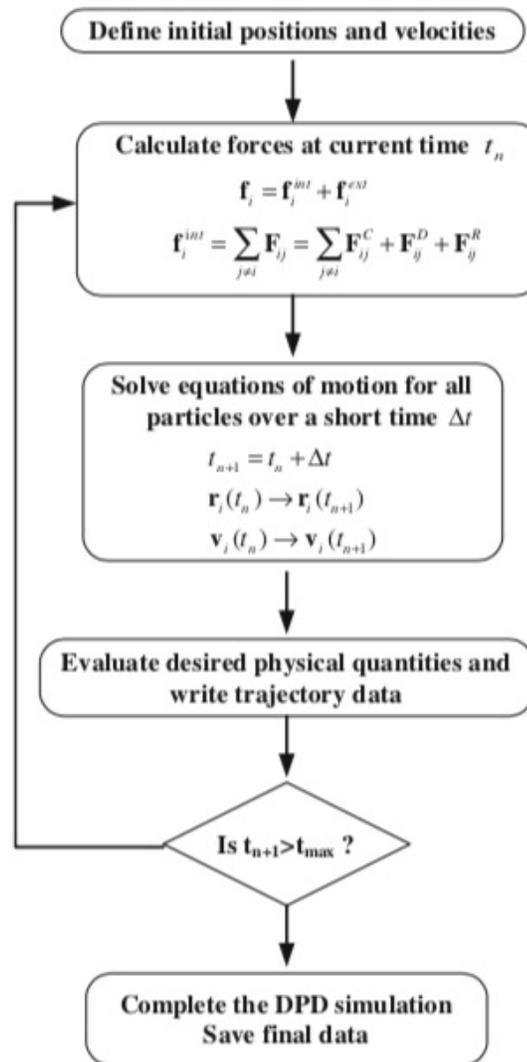
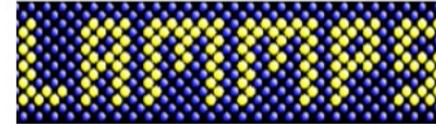


Fig. 2 Computational procedure of a DPD simulation

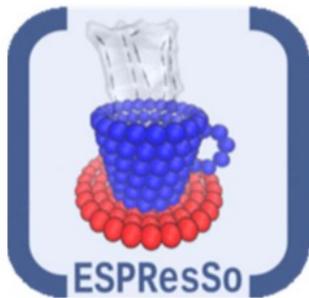
DPD Software/Package

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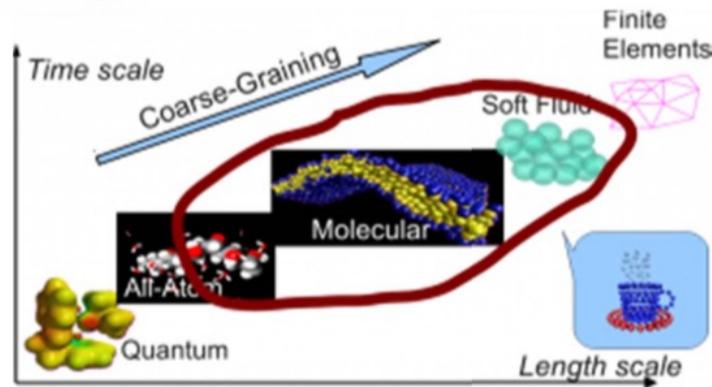


- Highly parallelized
- Distributed-memory MPI
- GPU and OpenMP support for many code features
- Highly portable C++
- Open-source distribution

ESPResSo: <http://espressomd.org/>



- Extensible
- Open-source
- Parallelized
- Portable



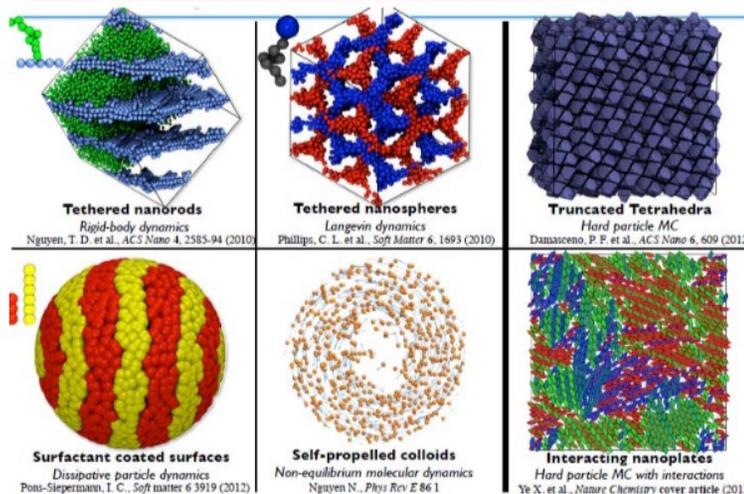
Length and time scales where ESPResSo works best

DPD Software/Package

HOOMD-blue: <http://codeblue.umich.edu/hoomd-blue/>

HOOMD-blue

- Fast GPU performance
- Scalable
- Flexible



DPDmacs: <http://www.apmaths.uwo.ca/~mkarttu/dpdmacs.shtml>

- Compatible with Gromacs

MyDPD: <http://multiscalelab.org/mydpd>

- Simple, serial but functional

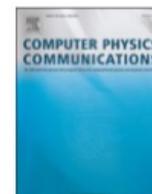




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Strong scaling of general-purpose molecular dynamics simulations on GPUs



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ABSTRACT

We describe a highly optimized implementation of MPI domain decomposition in a GPU-enabled, general-purpose molecular dynamics code, HOOMD-blue (Anderson and Glotzer, 2013). Our approach is inspired by a traditional CPU-based code, LAMMPS (Plimpton, 1995), but is implemented within a code that was designed for execution on GPUs from the start (Anderson et al., 2008). The software supports short-ranged pair force and bond force fields and achieves optimal GPU performance using an autotuning

Some available simulation packages that can (also) perform DPD simulations are:

- [CULGI](#): The Chemistry Unified Language Interface, Culgi B.V., The Netherlands
- [DL_MESO](#): Open-source mesoscale simulation software.
- [DPDmacs](#)
- [ESPReso](#): Extensible Simulation Package for the Research on Soft Matter Systems - Open-source
- [Fluidix](#): The Fluidix simulation suite available from OneZero Software.
- [GPIUTMD](#): Graphical processors for Many-Particle Dynamics
- [Gromacs-DPD](#): A modified version of Gromacs including DPD.
- [HOOMD-blue](#): Highly Optimized Object-oriented Many-particle Dynamics—Blue Edition
- [LAMMPS](#)
- [Materials Studio](#): Materials Studio - Modeling and simulation for studying chemicals and materials, Accelrys Software Inc.
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- [SunlightDPD](#): Open-source (GPL) DPD software.

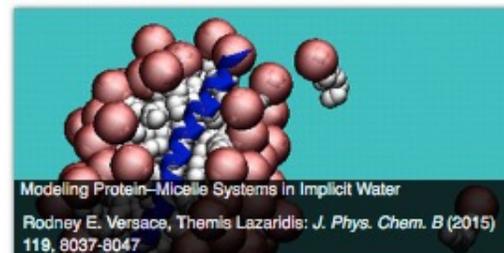
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- Also since GROMACS 4.6, we have excellent CUDA-based GPU acceleration on GPUs that have Nvidia compute capability ≥ 2.0 (e.g. Fermi or later)
- GROMACS is user-friendly, with topologies and parameter files written in clear text format. There is a lot of consistency checking, and clear error messages are issued when something is wrong. Since a C preprocessor is used, you can have conditional parts in your topologies and include other files. You can even compress most files and GROMACS will automatically pipe them through gzip upon reading.
- There is no scripting language - all programs use a simple interface with command line options for input and output files. You can always get help on the options by using the `-h` option, or use the extensive manuals provided free of charge in electronic or paper format.
- As the simulation is proceeding, GROMACS will continuously tell you how far it has come, and what time and date it expects to be finished.
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- GROMACS can write coordinates using lossy compression, which provides a very compact way of storing trajectory data. The