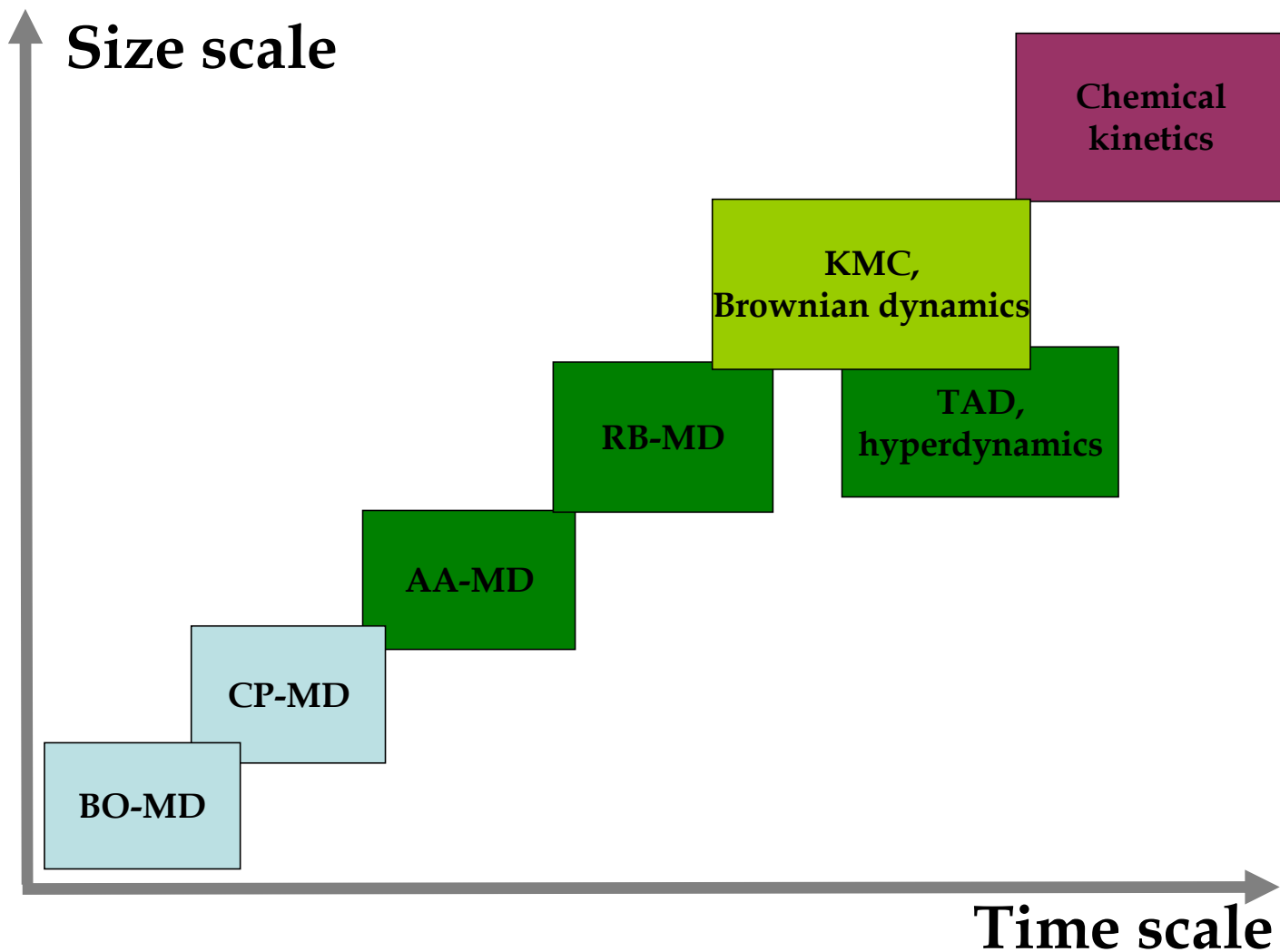


# **Computational** **Materials Theory and** **Methods**

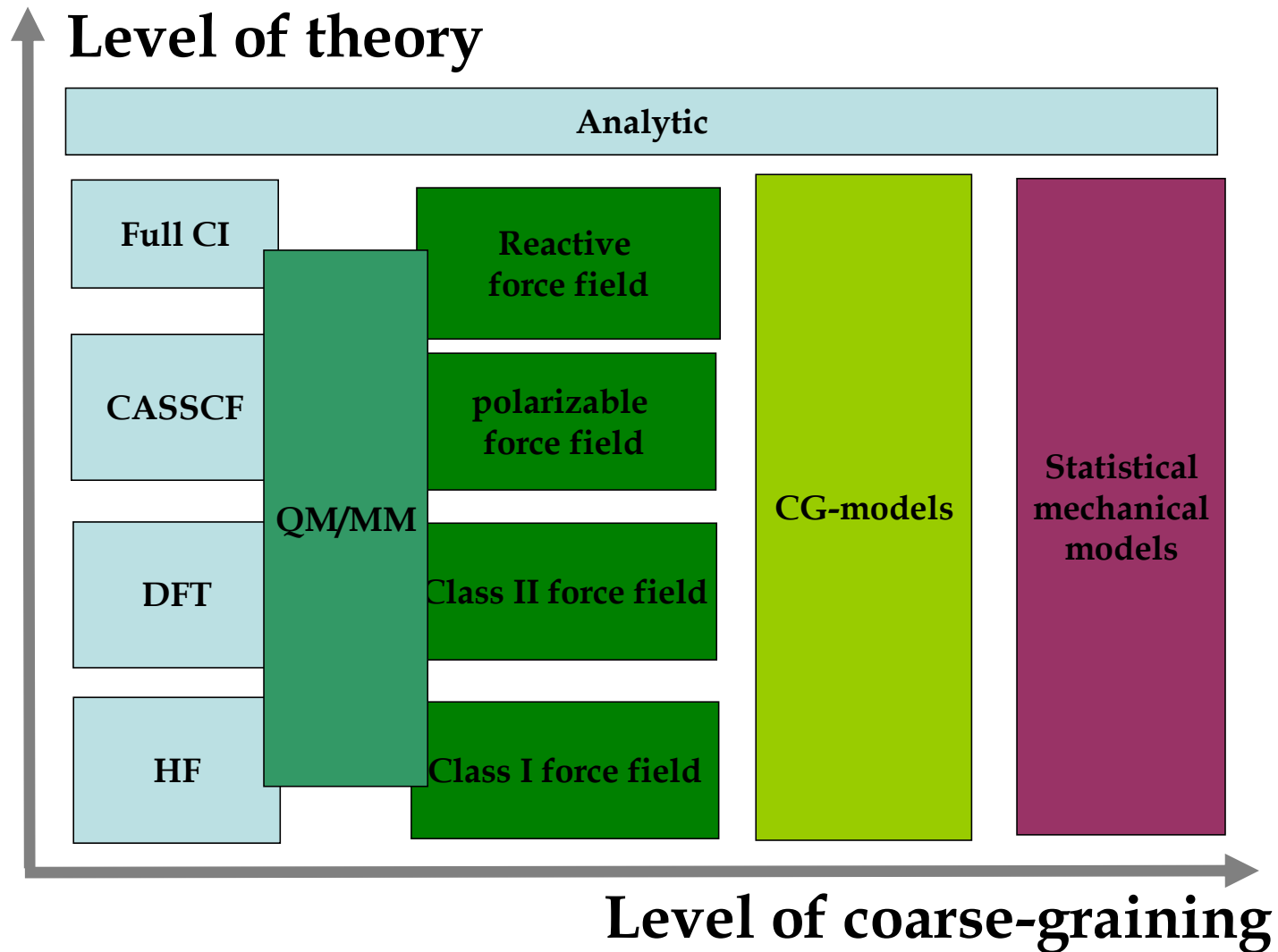
## **Lecture 2:** **Classical Molecular Mechanics**

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# Time and size scales for different methods of dynamics



# Accuracy and methodology

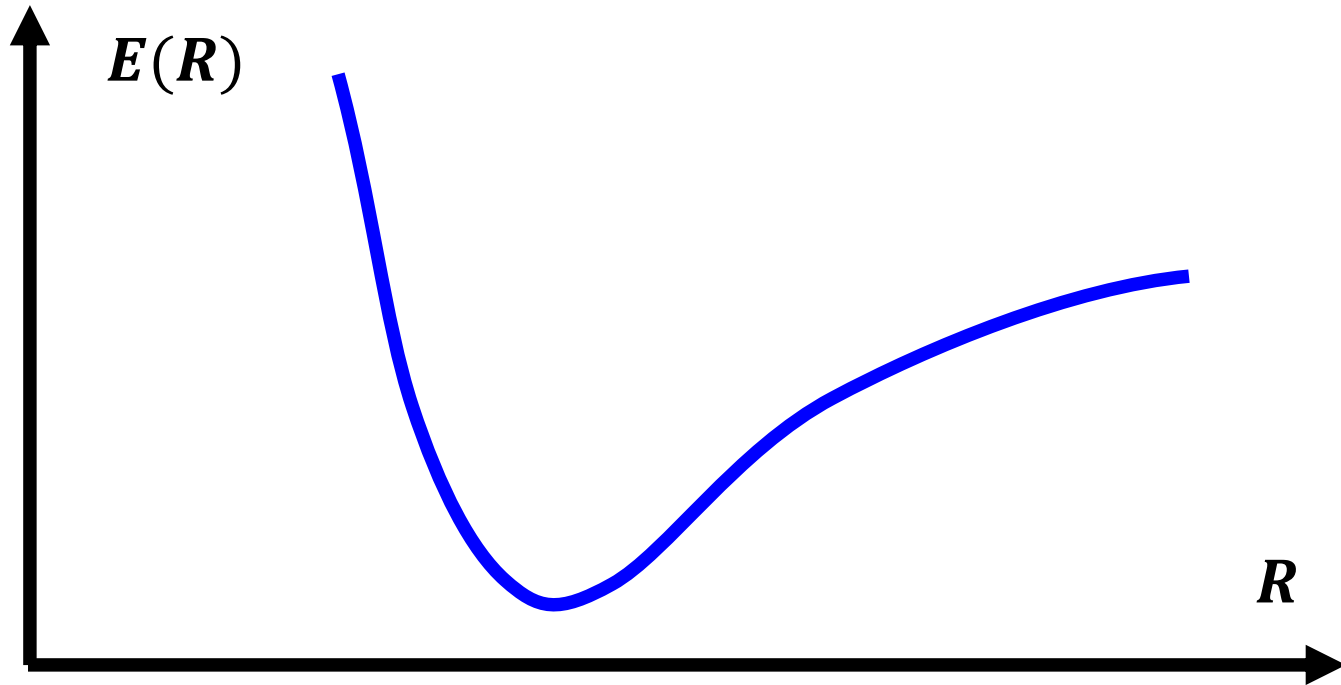


# Potential energy surface (PES)

Stationary Schrodinger Equation

$$\hat{H}\Psi(\mathbf{r}; \mathbf{R}) = E(\mathbf{R})\Psi(\mathbf{r}; \mathbf{R})$$

- Computationally **expensive!**
- Can we **fit the curves** with a simple analytical function?



Within the Born-Oppenheimer Approximation

# Force fields (Molecular Mechanics)

## Force field

functional

parameters

$$f(q_1, q_2, \dots, q_N; P_1, P_2, \dots, P_M)$$

- Numerically efficient
- Has suitable derivatives
- Is continuous
- Physically meaningful

- Based on atom and interaction types
- Minimal amount is desirable
- Transferable or system-specific
- Reproduce ab initio or experiment (thermodynamic properties, spectra, chemical reactivity, etc.)

$$E_{tot} = E_{bonded} + E_{non-bonded}$$

describes covalent bonding

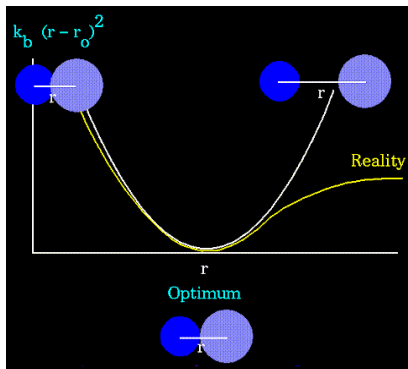
non-covalent interactions

# Bonded interactions

$$E_{bonded} = E_{bonds} + E_{angles} + E_{dihedrals} + E_{oop}$$

In quantum mechanics: bonds are everywhere “bond order”

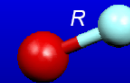
In **molecular mechanics**: **bonded atoms must be specified** by the user



bonded, 2-particle: bond stretching

$$v_R = \frac{1}{2}K_r\Delta R^2$$

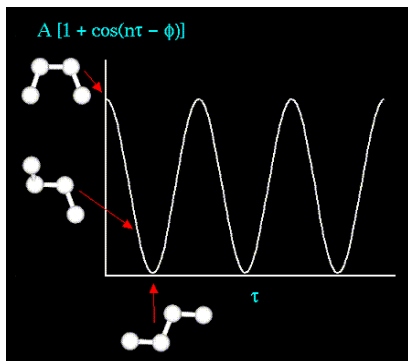
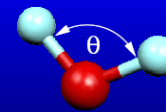
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bonded, 3-particle: angle bending

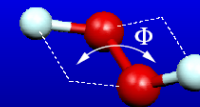
$$v_\theta = \frac{1}{2}K_\theta\Delta\theta^2$$

$$\cos \theta = \frac{\mathbf{r}_{ij} \cdot \mathbf{r}_{ik}}{|\mathbf{r}_{ij}||\mathbf{r}_{ik}|}$$



bonded, 4-particle: torsion/dihedral,  
out-of-plane/improper dihedrals

$$v_\Phi = K_\Phi \sum_k C_k \cos k\Phi$$



# Non-bonded interactions

Charges are usually constant, but there are **geometry-dependent charge schemes** (e.g. qEQ)  
Accounts for the polarizability

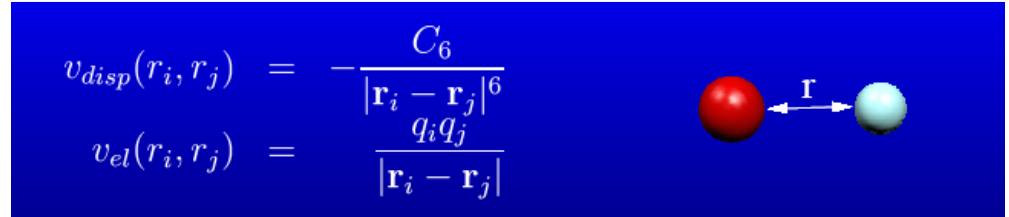
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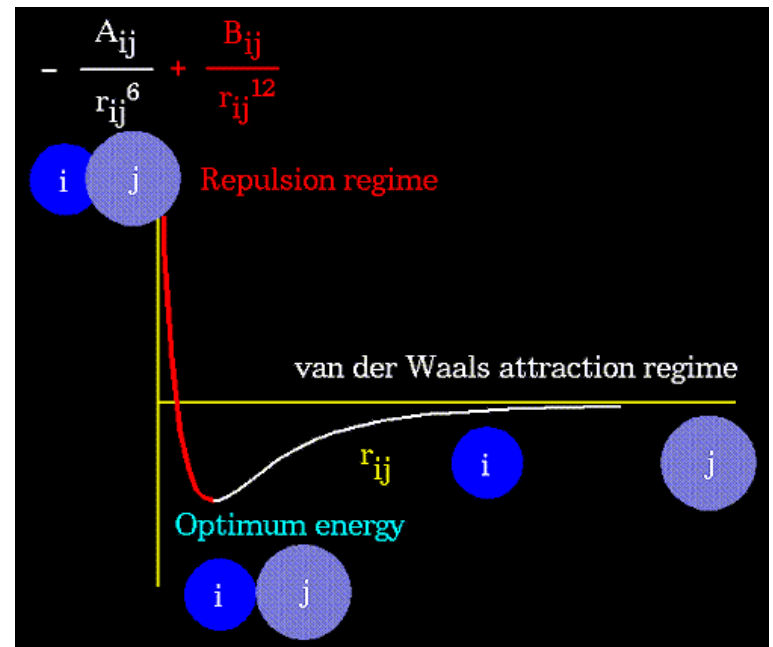
Chen, J.; Martinez, T. J. *Chem. Phys. Lett.* **2007**, *438*, 315–320.

In periodic systems, the lattice summation methods are used, such as **Ewald sum** method.

Karasawa, N.; Goddard III, W. A.  
*J. Phys. Chem.* **1989**, *93*, 7320–7327.



non-bonded  
2-particle  
vdw and Coulomb  
interactions



# Atom types

## Universal FF (UFF)

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N_1	0.656	180.0	3.660	0.069	13.407	2.544
O_3	0.658	104.51	3.500	0.060	14.085	2.300
O_3_z	0.528	146.0	3.500	0.060	14.085	2.300
O_R	0.680	110.0	3.500	0.060	14.085	2.300
O_2	0.634	120.0	3.500	0.060	14.085	2.300
O_1	0.639	180.0	3.500	0.060	14.085	2.300

General purpose FFs

## Generalized Amber FF

Wang, J.; Wolf, R. M.; Caldwell, J.  
W.; Kollman, P. A.; Case, D. A. *J.*  
*Comput. Chem.* **2004**, *25*, 1157–  
1174.

Table I. Atom Types and Their Definitions in GAFF.

No.	Atom type	Description
1	c	sp <sup>2</sup> carbon in C=O, C=S
3	c2	sp <sup>2</sup> carbon, aliphatic
5	ca	sp <sup>2</sup> carbon, aromatic
7	n1	sp <sup>1</sup> nitrogen
9	n3	sp <sup>3</sup> nitrogen with 3 subst.
11	na	sp <sup>2</sup> nitrogen with 3 subst.
13	no	Nitrogen in nitro groups
15	oh	sp <sup>3</sup> oxygen in hydroxyl groups
17	s2	sp <sup>2</sup> sulfur (p=S, C=S, etc.)
19	ss	sp <sup>3</sup> sulfur in —SR and S—S
21	s6	hypervalent sulfur, 4 subst.
23	p3	sp <sup>3</sup> phosphorus, 3 subst.
25	p5	hypervalent phosphorus, 4 subst.
27	ha	hydrogen on aromatic carbon
29	ho	hydrogen on oxygen
31	hp	hydrogen on phosphorus
33	cl	any chlorine

## MERCK FF 94

Halgren, T. A. *J. Comput. Chem.*  
**1996**, *17*, 490–519.

TABLE III.  
MMFF94 Symbolic and Numeric Atom Types

Symbolic	Atom type		Definition [coordination number] <sup>a</sup> {formal charge} <sup>b</sup>
	Numeric		
CR	1		Alkyl carbon [4]
C=C	2		Vinyl carbon [3]
CSP2	2		Generic sp <sup>2</sup> carbon [3]
C=O	3		Generic carbonyl carbon [3]
C=N	3		Imine-type carbon [3]
CGD	3		Guanidine carbon [3]
C=OR	3		Ketone or aldehyde carbonyl carbon [3]
C=ON	3		Amide carbonyl carbon [3]
COO	3		Carboxylic acid or ester carbonyl carbon [3]
COON	3		Carbamate carbonyl carbon [3]
COOO	3		Carbonic acid or ester carbonyl carbon [3]
C=OS	3		Thioester carbonyl carbon, double bonded to O [3]
C=S	3		Thioester carbon, double bonded to S [3]
C=SN	3		Thioamide carbon, double bonded to S [3]
CSO2	3		Carbon in >C = SO <sub>2</sub> [3]
CS=O	3		Sulfinyl carbon in >C = S = O [3]

Specialized FFs



# Parameterization: Specialized FFs

## MERCK FF 94

- Accurate
- Focus on organic molecules
- Many parameters!

$$E_{\text{MMFF}} = \sum EB_{ij} + \sum EA_{ijk} + \sum EBA_{ijk} \\ + \sum E\text{OOP}_{ijk;l} + \sum ET_{ijkl} \\ + \sum E_{\text{vdW}}_{ij} + \sum EQ_{ij}$$

$$EB_{ij} = 143.9325 \frac{kb_{ij}}{2} \Delta r_{ij}^2 \\ \times (1 + cs \Delta r_{ij} + 7/12 cs^2 \Delta r_{ij}^2)$$

$$EA_{ijk} = 0.043844 \frac{ka_{ijk}}{2} \Delta \vartheta_{ijk}^2 (1 + cb \Delta \vartheta_{ijk})$$

$$EBA_{ijk} = 2.51210 (kba_{ijk} \Delta r_{ij} + kba_{kjl} \Delta r_{kj}) \Delta \vartheta_{ijk}$$

$$E\text{OOP}_{ijk;l} = 0.043844 \frac{k\text{oop}_{ijk;l}}{2} \chi_{ijk;l}^2$$

$$ET_{ijkl} = 0.5(V_1(1 + \cos \Phi) + V_2(1 - \cos 2\Phi) \\ + V_3(1 + \cos 3\Phi))$$

$$E_{\text{vdW}}_{ij} = \epsilon_{ij} \left( \frac{1.07R_{ij}^*}{R_{ij} + 0.07R_{ij}^*} \right)^7 \left( \frac{1.12R_{ij}^*}{R_{ij}^* + 0.12R_{ij}^*} - 2 \right)$$

$$EQ_{ij} = 332.0716 q_i q_j / (D(R_{ij} + \delta)^n)$$

$$q_i = q_i^0 + \sum \omega_{kl}$$

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# Parameterization: General-purpose FFs

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- Not so accurate!
- General purpose (e.g. organometallic)
- Way fewer parameters!

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$$E = E_R + E_\theta + E_\phi + E_\omega + E_{\text{vdw}} + E_{\text{el}}$$

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Table III.  $sp^3$  Torsional Barrier Parameters

atom type	$V_1$ (kcal/mol)	atom type	$V_1$ (kcal/mol)	atom type	$V_1$ (kcal/mol)
C.3	2.119	S.3	0.484	Sb3	1.1
N.3	0.450	Ge3	0.701	Te3	0.3
O.3	0.018	As3	1.5	Pb3	0.1
Si3	1.225	Se3	0.335	Bi3	1.0
P.3	2.400	Sn3	0.199	Po3	0.3

$$E_R = \frac{1}{2}k_{IJ}(r - r_{IJ})^2$$

$$E_R = D_{IJ}[e^{-\alpha(r-r_{IJ})} - 1]^2$$

$$k_{IJ} = \left( \frac{\partial^2 E_i}{\partial R^2} \right)_0 = 2G \frac{Z_i^* Z_j^*}{R^3} = 664.12 \frac{Z_i^* Z_j^*}{r_{IJ}^3}$$

$$r_{IJ} = r_I + r_J + r_{BO} + r_{EN}$$

$$r_{BO} = -\lambda(r_I + r_J) \ln(n)$$

$$r_{EN} = r_I r_J (\sqrt{\chi_I} - \sqrt{\chi_J})^2 / (\chi_I r_I + \chi_J r_J)$$

$$E_\theta = \frac{K_{IJK}}{n^2} [1 - \cos(n\theta)]$$

$$E_\theta = K_{IJK}[C_0 + C_1 \cos \theta + C_2 \cos 2\theta]$$

$$E_\phi = \frac{1}{2}V_\phi [1 - \cos n\phi_0 \cos n\phi]$$

$$V_{sp^2} = 5\sqrt{U_j U_k} (1 + 4.18 \ln(\text{BO}_{jk}))$$

$$E_{\text{vdw}} = D_{IJ} \left\{ -2 \left[ \frac{x_{IJ}}{x} \right]^6 + \left[ \frac{x_{IJ}}{x} \right]^{12} \right\}$$

$$x_{IJ} = \sqrt{x_I \times x_J}$$

$$D_{IJ} = (D_I D_J)^{1/2}$$

$$E_{\text{el}} = 332.0637(Q_i Q_j / \epsilon R_{ij})$$

# Polarization: Charge equilibration method

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$$E_A(Q) = E_{A0} + Q_A \left( \frac{\partial E}{\partial Q} \right)_{A0} + \frac{1}{2} Q_A^2 \left( \frac{\partial^2 E}{\partial Q^2} \right)_{A0} + \dots$$

$$E_A(+1) = E_{A0} + \left( \frac{\partial E}{\partial Q} \right)_{A0} + \frac{1}{2} \left( \frac{\partial^2 E}{\partial Q^2} \right)_{A0}$$

$$\left( \frac{\partial E}{\partial Q} \right)_{A0} = \frac{1}{2}(\text{IP} + \text{EA}) = \chi_A^0 \quad \text{electronegativity}$$

$$E_A(0) = E_{A0}$$

$$\left( \frac{\partial^2 E}{\partial Q^2} \right)_{A0} = \text{IP} - \text{EA}$$

$$E_A(-1) = E_{A0} - \left( \frac{\partial E}{\partial Q} \right)_{A0} + \frac{1}{2} \left( \frac{\partial^2 E}{\partial Q^2} \right)_{A0}$$

$$\text{IP} - \text{EA} = J_{AA}^0$$

self-Coulomb  
(idempotential)

TABLE I: Atomic Parameters<sup>a</sup>

element	$\chi$ , eV	$J$ , eV	$R$ , Å	$\zeta$ , au
Li	3.006	4.772	1.557	0.4174
C	5.343	10.126	0.759	0.8563
N	6.899	11.760	0.715	0.9089
O	8.741	13.364	0.669	0.9745
F	10.874	14.948	0.706	0.9206
Na	2.843	4.592	2.085	0.4364
Si	4.168	6.974	1.176	0.7737
P	5.463	8.000	1.102	0.8257
S	6.928	8.972	1.047	0.8690
Cl	8.564	9.892	0.994	0.9154
K	2.421	3.84	2.586	0.4524
Br	7.790	8.850	1.141	1.0253
Rb	2.331	3.692	2.770	0.5162
I	6.822	7.524	1.333	1.0726
Cs	2.183	3.422	2.984	0.5663
H	4.5280 <sup>b</sup>	13.8904 <sup>b</sup>	0.371	1.0698

$$E_A(Q) = E_{A0} + \chi_A^0 Q_A + \frac{1}{2} J_{AA}^0 Q_A^2$$

$$E_Q(Q_1 \dots Q_N) = \sum_A (E_{A0} + \chi_A^0 Q_A) + \frac{1}{2} \sum_{A,B} Q_A Q_B J_{AB}$$

$$\chi_A(Q_1 \dots Q_N) = \frac{\partial E}{\partial Q_A} = \chi_A^0 + \sum_B J_{AB} Q_B$$

$$\chi_1 = \chi_2 = \dots = \chi_N$$

$$Q_{\text{tot}} = \sum_{i=1}^N Q_i$$

# Handling vdW interactions with PBC

$$U(\{\mathbf{R}\}, L_x, L_y, L_z) = \frac{1}{2} \sum_{n_x, n_y, n_z} \sum_{i, j} U(|\mathbf{R}_i - \mathbf{R}_j - L_x n_x - L_y n_y - L_z n_z|)$$

$L_x, L_y, L_z$

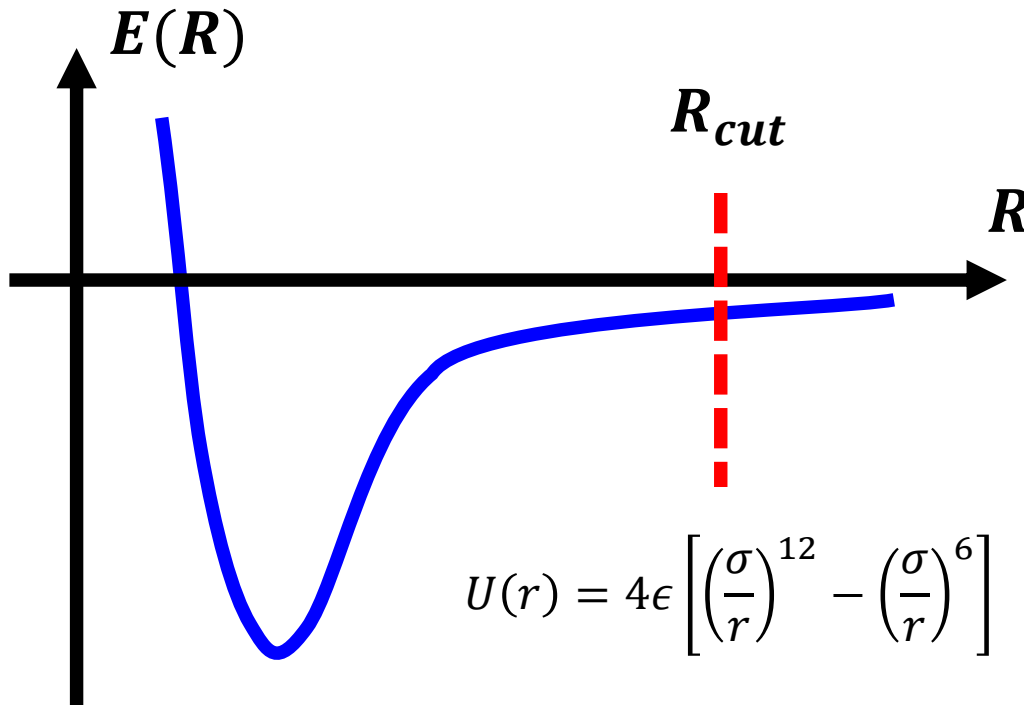
Simulation cell vectors

$\{\mathbf{R}\}$

Atomic coordinates

- All combinations of integers  $n_x, n_y, n_z$
- **That is an infinite number of cells!**
- Exclude self-interactions

## Dealing with the infinite number of terms

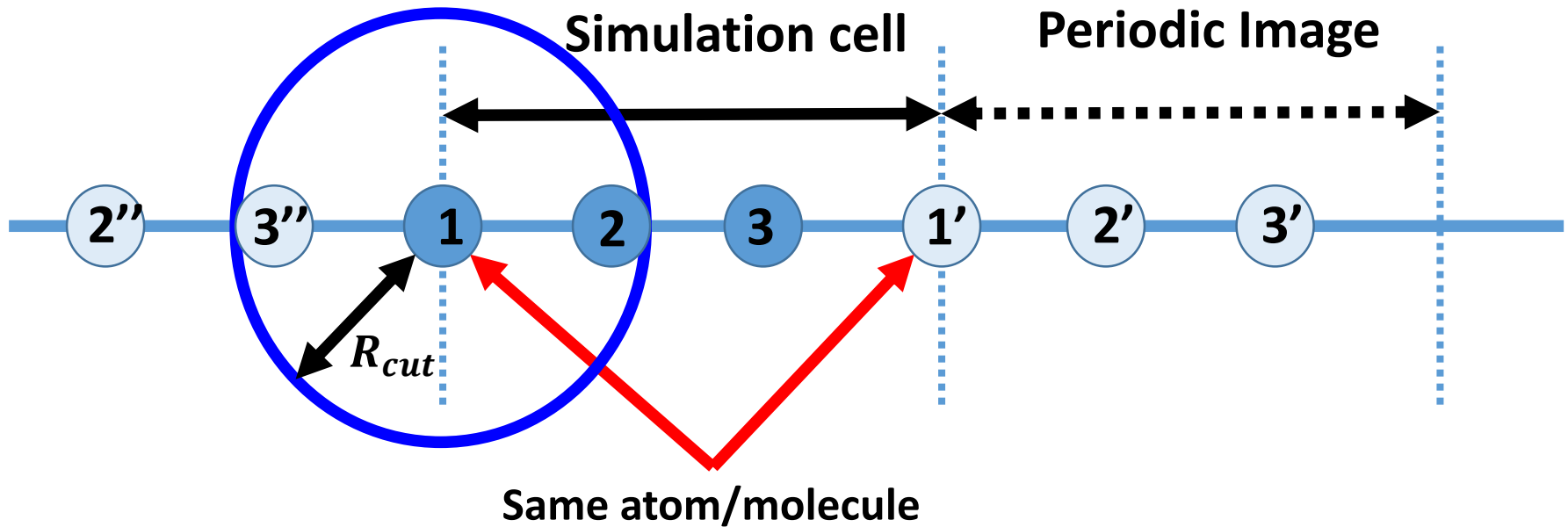


Van der Waals interactions are **short-ranged**

Disregard all the interactions for the particles separated more than by  $R_{cut}$

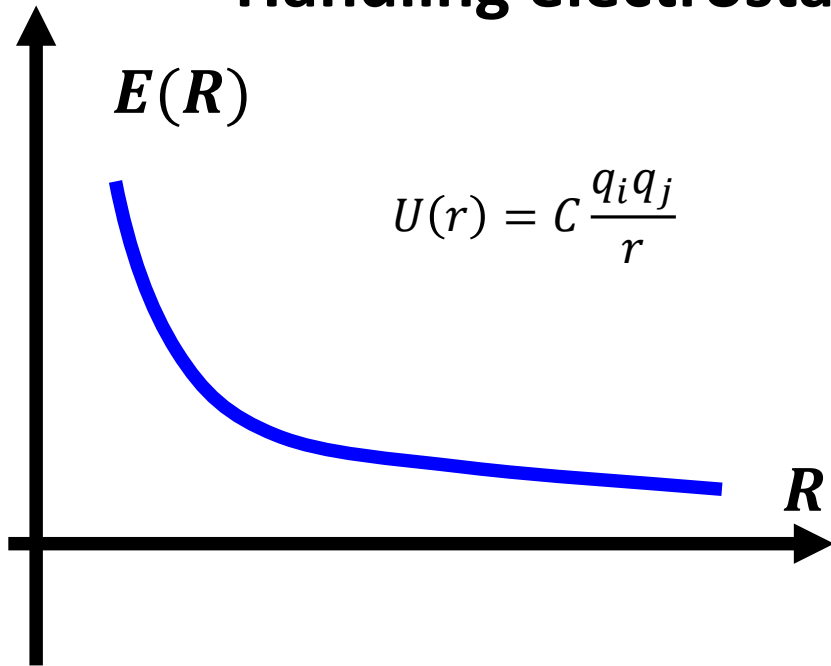
$$U(r) = 4\epsilon \left[ \left( \frac{\sigma}{r} \right)^{12} - \left( \frac{\sigma}{r} \right)^6 \right]$$

# Handling non-bonded interactions with PBC



If simulation cell size  $L$  is larger than  $2R_{cut}$ , it is sufficient to have only one shell of periodic images

# Handling electrostatic interactions with PBC



Electrostatic interactions are **long-ranged**

Can not use the cutoff technique

Direct summation is slowly converging

TABLE I: Convergence of Nonbond Interactions Using Atom-Based Cutoffs<sup>a</sup>

$R_{\text{outer}}^b$ Å	$R_{\text{inner}}^b$ Å	NaCl <sup>d</sup>		
		terms	$E_Q$	$E_{\text{disp}}$
10	8	608	-981.65	-20.330
10	9	608	-1556.20	-20.413
10	10	608	-1492.67	-20.445
15	14	2152	1446.83	-20.726
15	15	2152	1281.61	-20.735
20	19	5296	-1743.32	-20.794
20	20	5296	1207.33	-20.800
25	24	10320	1210.98	-20.821
25	25	10320	109.11	-20.822
Ewald <sup>c</sup>			-824.59	-20.846

$$\frac{1}{r} = \frac{\text{erf } c(r)}{r} + \frac{1 - \text{erf } c(r)}{r}$$

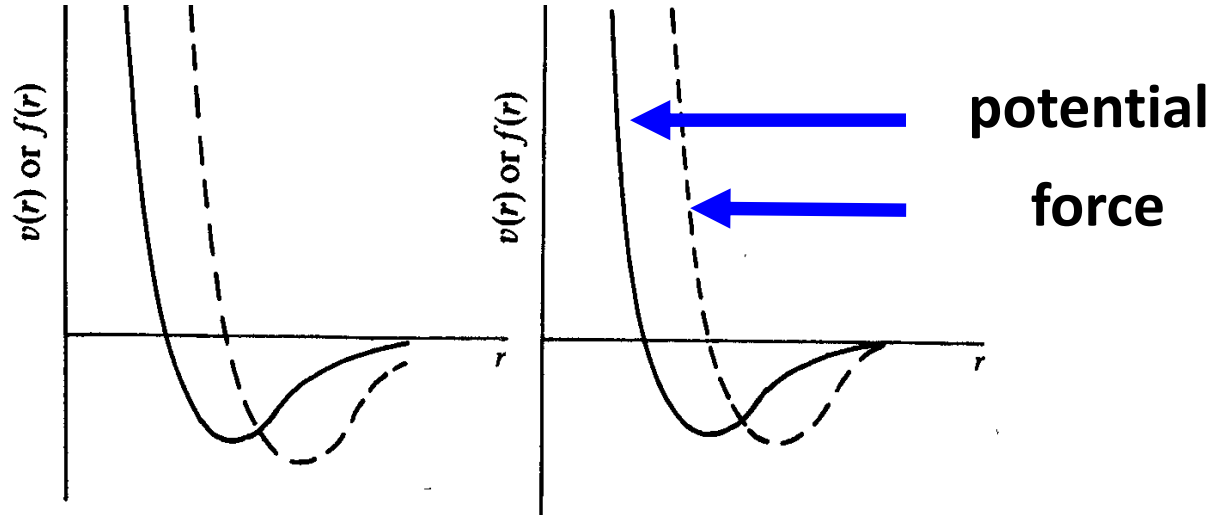


Converges fast  
in real space



Converges fast  
in reciprocal space

# Continuity of forces



Truncation of the potential makes it discontinuous at  $R = R_{cut}$ .

Solution: shift by the corresponding energy  
**shifted potential**

$$v^S(r_{ij}) = \begin{cases} v(r_{ij}) - v_c & r_{ij} \leq r_c \\ 0 & r_{ij} > r_c \end{cases}$$

But the forces are still discontinuous!

Solution: Modify the potential such that the force is also continuous at  $R = R_{cut}$

**shifted-force potential**

$$v^{SF}(r_{ij}) = \begin{cases} v(r_{ij}) - v_c - \left( \frac{dv(r_{ij})}{dr_{ij}} \right)_{r_{ij}=r_c} (r_{ij} - r_c) & r_{ij} \leq r_c \\ 0 & r_{ij} > r_c \end{cases}$$

$$SW(R, R_{on}, R_{off}) = \begin{cases} 1, R < R_{on} \\ \left( \frac{R_{off} - R}{R_{off} - R_{on}} \right)^3 \left[ 1 + 3 \left( \frac{R - R_{on}}{R_{off} - R_{on}} \right) + 6 \left( \frac{R - R_{on}}{R_{off} - R_{on}} \right)^2 \right], R_{on} \leq R \leq R_{off} \\ 0, R > R_{off} \end{cases}$$

# Classification of the FFs

$$E(q_1, q_2, \dots) = E(0, 0, \dots) + \sum_{i \in \text{DOF}} \frac{\partial E}{\partial q_i} q_i + \frac{1}{2} \sum_{i, j \in \text{DOF}} \frac{\partial^2 E}{\partial q_i \partial q_j} q_i q_j + \dots$$

**Class I** FFs: (diagonal terms): e.g. all bonds, all angles, etc.

**Class II** FFs: (+ cross-terms): e.g. add bond-angle interactions (e.g. like in MMFF94)

**Bond-order (“reactive”)** FFs:

$$E(q_1, q_2, \dots) = \sum_{(i,j)} a_{ij} bo_{ij} + \sum_{\substack{(i_1, j_1), \\ (i_2, j_2)}} a_{i_1 j_1} a_{i_2 j_2} bo_{i_1 j_1} bo_{i_2 j_2} + \dots$$

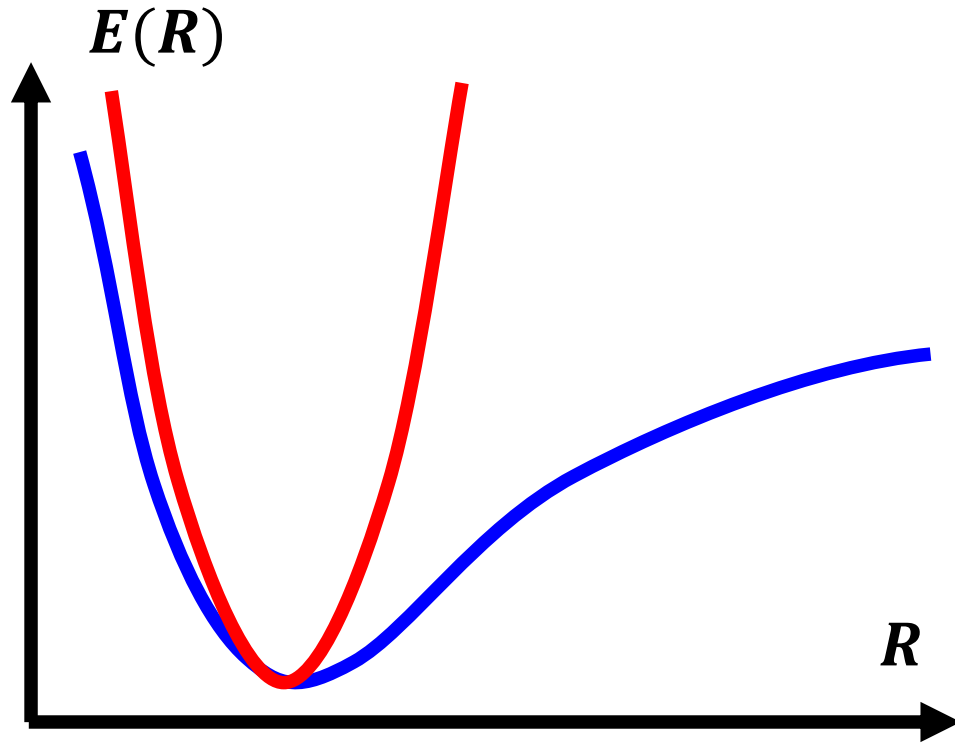
$$bo_{ij} = A e^{-\alpha r_{ij}}$$

**Bond order**

not the way it is defined in QM!



# Reactive FFs



Why bond order?

Harmonic potential:

$$U(x) = \frac{1}{2} kx^2$$

$$U(x \rightarrow \infty) \rightarrow \infty$$

Bond breaking is impossible!

Morse potential:

$$U(x) = D[e^{-2\alpha(r_{ij}-r_{ij}^0)} - 2e^{-\alpha(r_{ij}-r_{ij}^0)}] = D[bo_{ij}^2 - 2bo_{ij}]$$

$$bo_{ij} = Ae^{-\alpha r_{ij}}$$

$$A = e^{\alpha r_{ij}^0}$$

$$U(x \rightarrow \infty) \rightarrow 0$$

Physically correct limit: No interaction for infinitely separated atoms

Bond breaking is possible!

# ReaxFF

$$E_{\text{system}} = E_{\text{bond}} + E_{\text{over}} + E_{\text{under}} + E_{\text{val}} + E_{\text{pen}} + E_{\text{tors}} + E_{\text{conj}} + E_{\text{vdWaals}} + E_{\text{Coulomb}}$$

van Duin, A. C. T.; Dasgupta, S.; Lorant, F.; Goddard, W. A. *J. Phys. Chem. A* **2001**, *105*, 9396–9409.

$$E_{\text{bond}} = -D_e \cdot \text{BO}_{ij} \cdot \exp[p_{\text{be},1} (1 - \text{BO}_{ij}^{p_{\text{be},1}})]$$

$$\text{BO}_{ij} = \text{BO}'_{ij} \cdot f_1(\Delta'_i, \Delta'_j) \cdot f_4(\Delta'_i, \text{BO}'_{ij}) \cdot f_5(\Delta'_j, \text{BO}'_{ij})$$

$$f_1(\Delta'_i, \Delta'_j) = \frac{1}{2} \cdot \left( \frac{\text{Val}_i + f_2(\Delta'_i, \Delta'_j)}{\text{Val}_i + f_2(\Delta'_i, \Delta'_j) + f_3(\Delta'_i, \Delta'_j)} + \frac{\text{Val}_j + f_2(\Delta'_i, \Delta'_j)}{\text{Val}_j + f_2(\Delta'_i, \Delta'_j) + f_3(\Delta'_i, \Delta'_j)} \right)$$

$$f_5(\Delta'_j, \text{BO}'_{ij}) = \frac{1}{1 + \exp(-\lambda_3 \cdot (\lambda_4 \cdot \text{BO}'_{ij} \cdot \text{BO}'_{ij} - \Delta'_j) + \lambda_5)}$$

$$f_4(\Delta'_i, \text{BO}'_{ij}) = \frac{1}{1 + \exp(-\lambda_3 \cdot (\lambda_4 \cdot \text{BO}'_{ij} \cdot \text{BO}'_{ij} - \Delta'_i) + \lambda_5)}$$

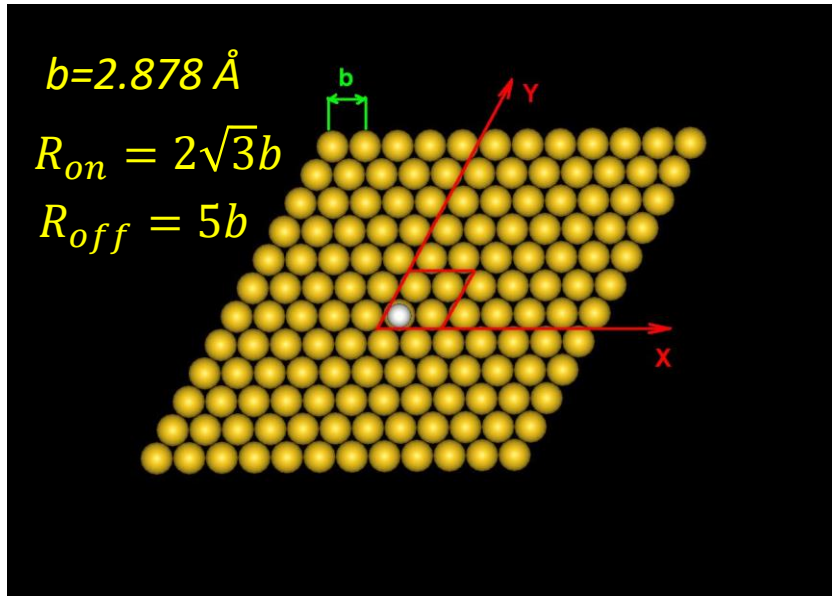
$$f_2(\Delta'_i, \Delta'_j) = \exp(-\lambda_1 \cdot \Delta'_i) + \exp(-\lambda_1 \cdot \Delta'_j)$$

$$f_3(\Delta'_i, \Delta'_j) = \frac{1}{\lambda_2} \cdot \ln \left\{ \frac{1}{2} \cdot [\exp(-\lambda_2 \cdot \Delta'_i) + \exp(-\lambda_2 \cdot \Delta'_j)] \right\}$$

$$\text{BO}'_{ij} = \exp \left[ p_{\text{bo},1} \cdot \left( \frac{r_{ij}}{r_o} \right)^{p_{\text{bo},2}} \right] + \exp \left[ p_{\text{bo},3} \cdot \left( \frac{r_{ij}^{\pi}}{r_o} \right)^{p_{\text{bo},4}} \right] + \exp \left[ p_{\text{bo},5} \cdot \left( \frac{r_{ij}^{\pi\pi}}{r_o} \right)^{p_{\text{bo},6}} \right]$$

$$\Delta'_i = \sum_{j=1}^{n_{\text{bond}}} \text{BO}'_{ij} - \text{Val}_i$$

# Constructing your own FF: Example 1

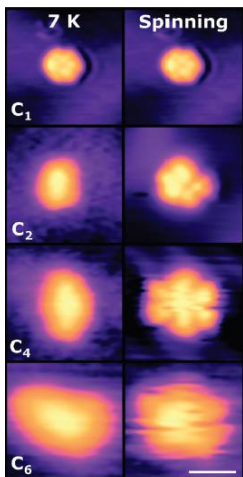


Physisorption: All atoms, except  $S$

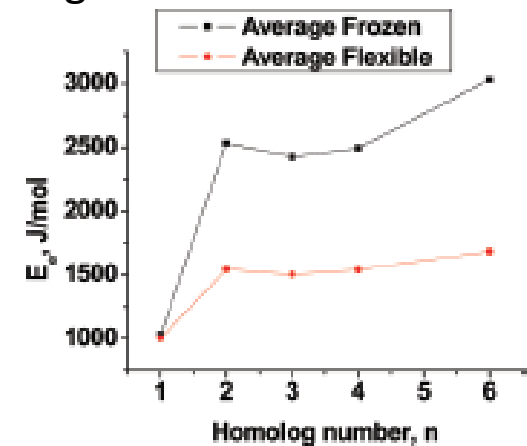
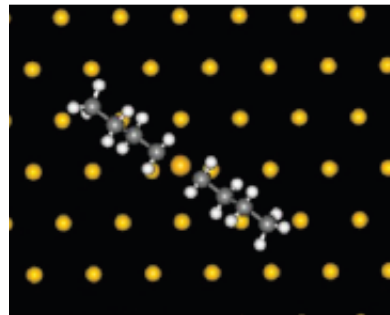
$$E_{phys,nonbonded} = \sum_{\substack{i,j \\ i \in \text{molecule} \\ j \in \text{surface}}} D_{ij} \left[ \left( \frac{\sigma_{ij}}{r_{ij}} \right)^{12} - 2 \left( \frac{\sigma_{ij}}{r_{ij}} \right)^6 \right] SW(r_{ij})$$

Chemisorption:  $S$  atom

$$E_{chem} = \sum_{\substack{i,j \\ i \in \text{molecule} \\ j \in \text{surface}}} D_{ij} \left[ \left( e^{-\alpha(r_{ij}-r_{ij}^0)} - 1 \right)^2 - 1 \right] SW(r_{ij})$$

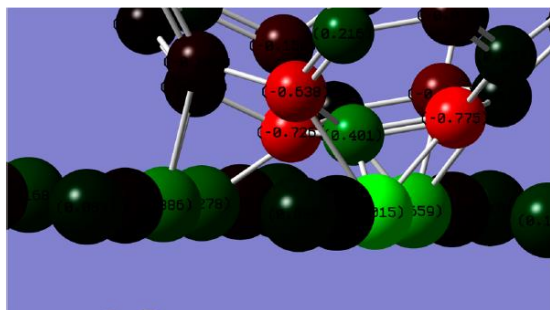


The temperature when  $C_n$ ,  $n \geq 2$  started rotating didn't depend too much on the alkyl size  $n$



# Constructing your own FF: Example 2

Akimov, A. V.; Williams, C.;  
Kolomeisky, A. B. *J. Phys. Chem. C*  
**2012**, *116*, 13816–13826.



$$E = E_{\text{vdw}} + E_{\text{elec}}$$

$$E_{\text{elec}} = \sum_{i \in \text{real}} \left( \chi_i q_i + \frac{1}{2} J_i q_i^2 + q_i \sum_{\substack{j \in \text{real} \\ j \neq i}} \frac{q_j}{r_{ij}} + q_i \sum_{j \in \text{image}} \frac{\tilde{q}_j}{\tilde{r}_{ij}} \right)$$

$$E_{\text{vdw}} = D \left[ \left( \frac{\sigma_{\text{C-Au}}}{r} \right)^{12} - 2 \left( \frac{\sigma_{\text{C-Au}}}{r} \right)^6 \right]$$

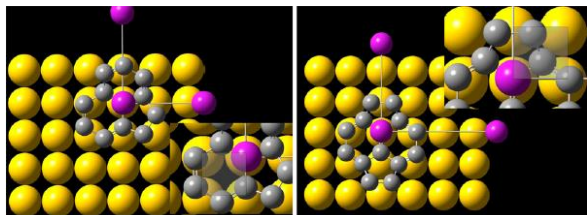
$$\rho_i = \sum_{k \in \text{Au}} e^{-\alpha r_{ik}} S_1(r_{ik})$$

$$q_i = \beta \rho_i - \gamma \sum_{\substack{j \neq i \\ j \in \text{C}}} \rho_j S_2(r_{ij})$$

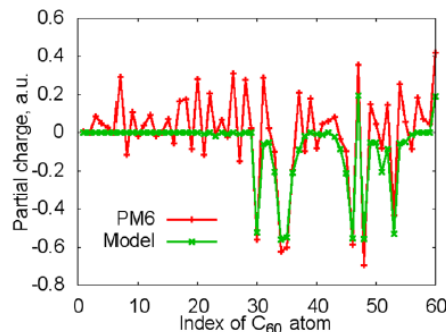
$$\beta > 0$$

$$\gamma > 0$$

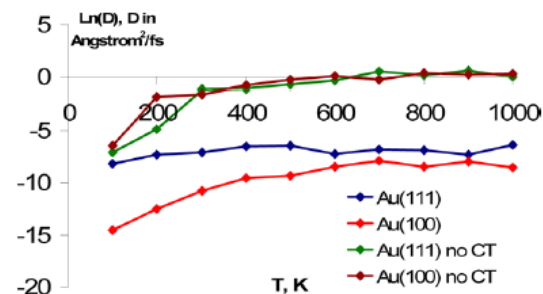
## Parameterization (PM6)



## Validation



## C60/Au diffusion coefficients



# Materials modeling FFs

## Embedded atom method (EAM)

Daw, M. S.; Baskes, M. I. *Phys. Rev. Lett.* 1983, 50, 1285–1288

Systems with non-directional bonds (metals, alloys)

## Modified EAM (MEAM)

Baskes, M. I. *Phys. Rev. Lett.* 1987, 59, 2666–2669  
Baskes, M. I.; Nelson, J. S.; Wright, A. F. *Phys. Rev. B* 1989, 40, 6085–6100.

Introduced bond directionality (silicon, etc.)

## MEAM92

Baskes, M. I. *Phys. Rev. B* 1992, 46, 2727–2742.

Extended set of elements (metals and non-metals)

## Brenner, Tersoff-Brenner, REBO

Brenner, D. W. *Phys. Rev. B* 1990, 42, 9458–9471

Reactive potentials for hydrocarbons

## ReaxFF

Van Duin, A. C. T.; Dasgupta, S.; Lorant, F.; Goddard, W. A. J. *Phys. Chem. A* 2001, 105, 9396–9409

## Charge-optimized many-body (COMBx)

Yu, J.; Sinnott, S.; Phillpot, S. *Phys. Rev. B* 2007, 75, 085311

Polarizable reactive potentials

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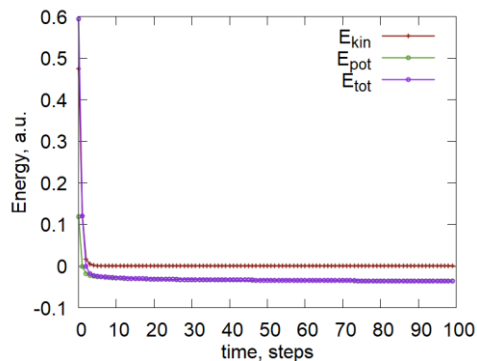
Akimov, A. V.; Prezhdo, O. V. *Chem. Rev.* **2015**, 115, 5797–5890.

# Exercises: Running AA MD of H2O cluster

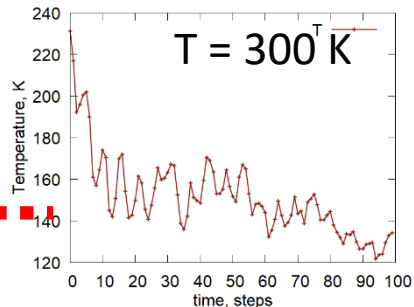
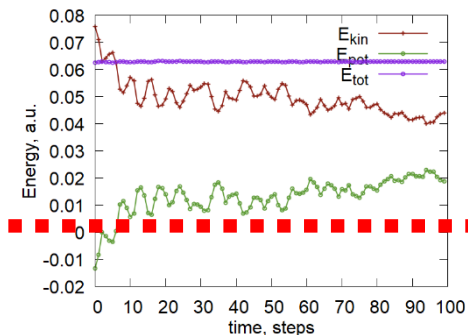
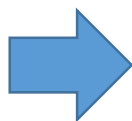
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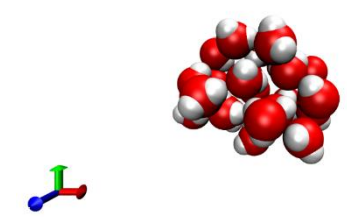
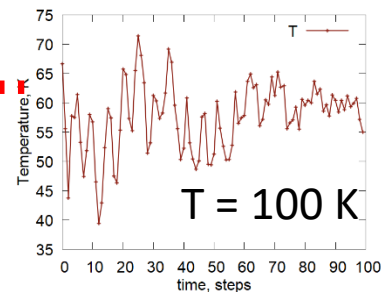
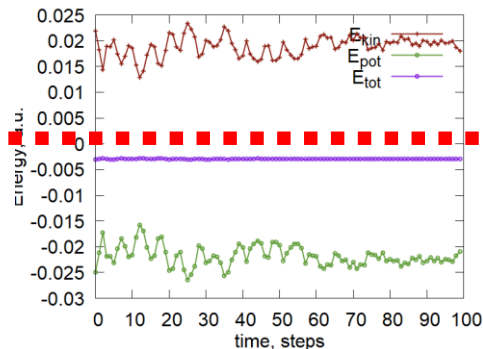
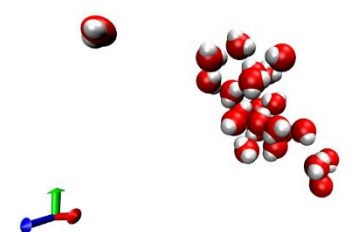
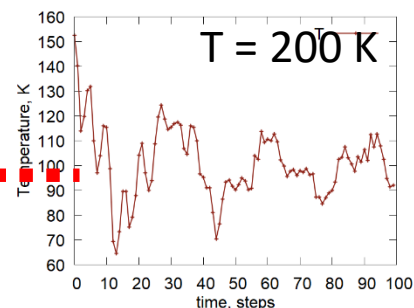
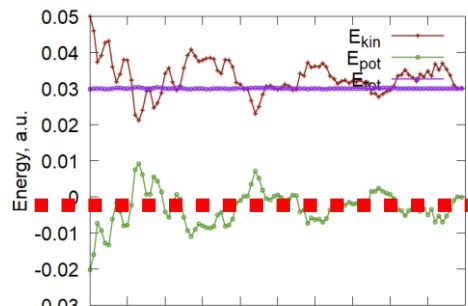
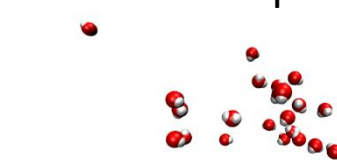
First, we cool the system down - optimization



Then, put some kinetic energy



time = 5 ps



# Exercises: Running RB MD of H2O cluster

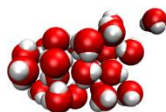
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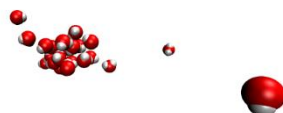
Now, do the same, but remove internal degrees of freedom

$$E_{tot} = E_{\text{bonded}} + E_{\text{non-bonded}}$$

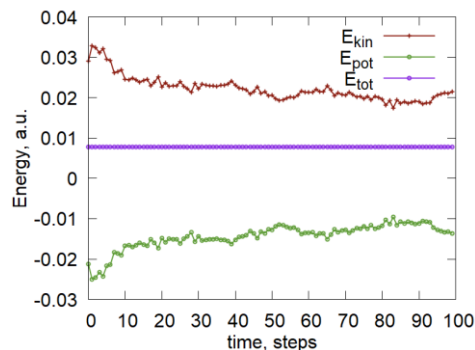
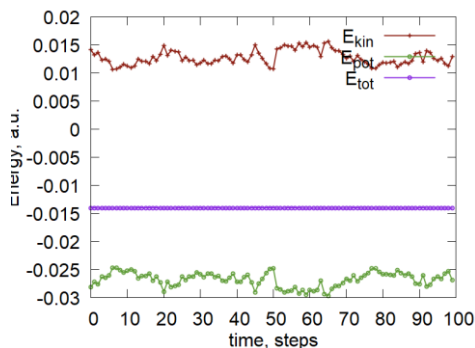
T = 100 K



T = 200 K



Using rigid-body molecular dynamics (RB-MD)



Internal degrees of freedom act as “energy buffer”

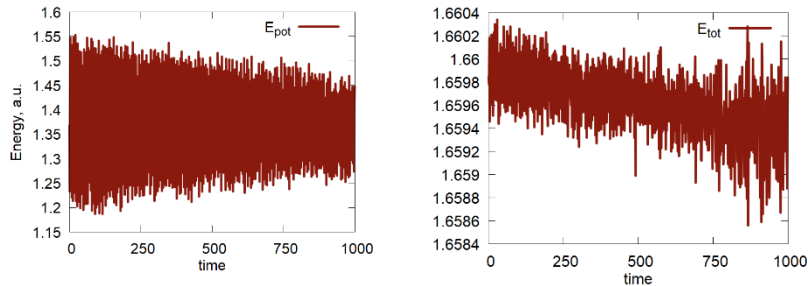
The kinetics in AA and RB bay be very different!

# Exercises: Running aa MD of SubPc/C60 cluster

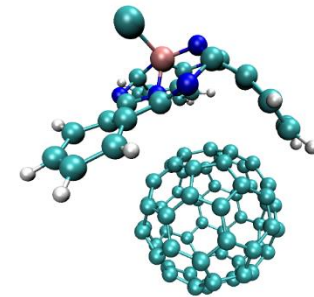
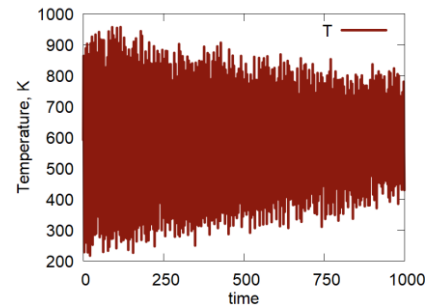
## Tut2.2

This is the same as before, but using a predefined library  
Use: [run\\_aa\\_md.py](#)

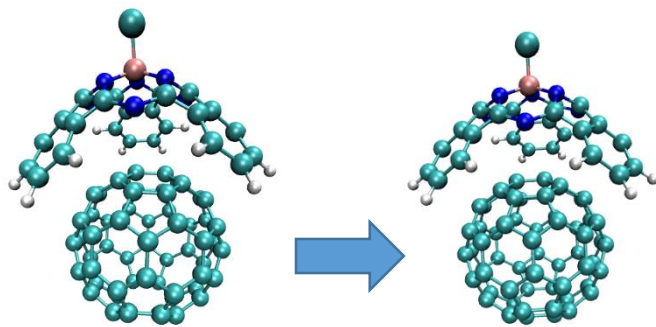
Energy is well conserved



High T – behaves wildly

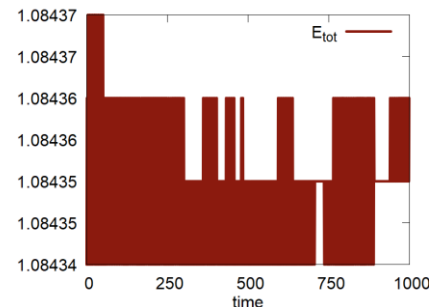
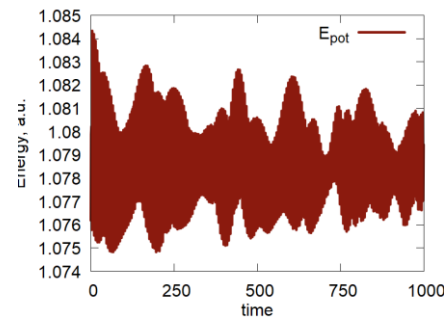


Assign T = 300 K after cooling

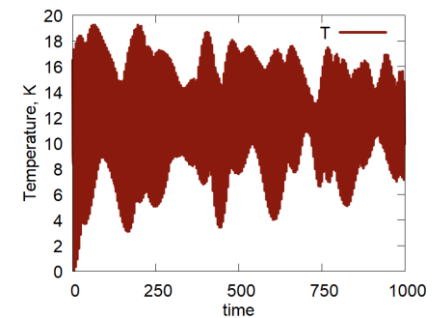


Optimized

10 ps of MD



Internal degrees of freedom  
“absorb” energy leading  
to low temperature





# Exercises: Running aa MD of SubPc/C60 cluster

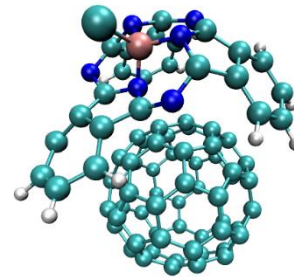
## Tut2.2

This is the same as before, but using **another class**

Use: `run_aa_md_state.py`

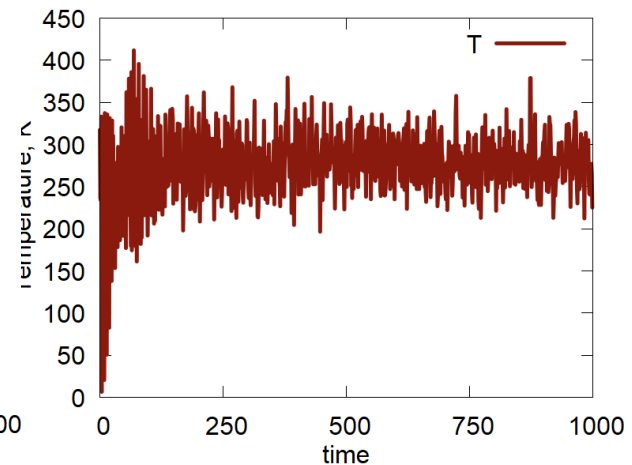
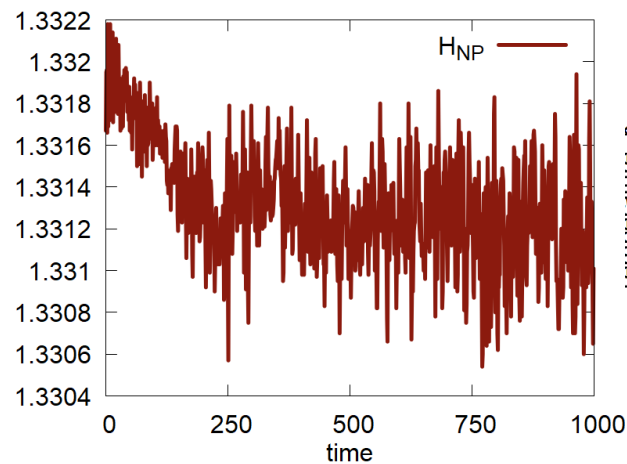
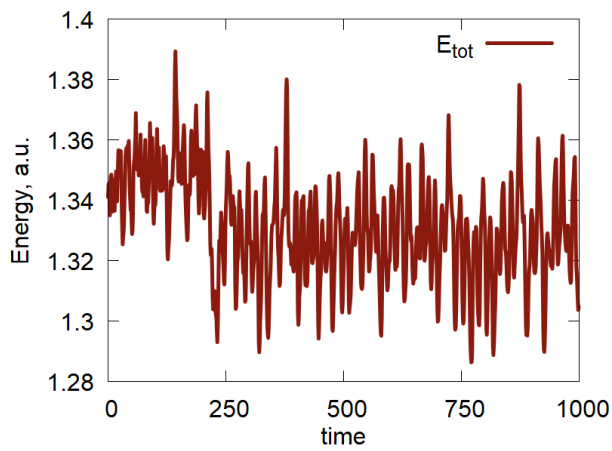
Gives the same as before (NVE ensemble)

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"ensemble": "NVT"  
ST.set_thermostat(therm)
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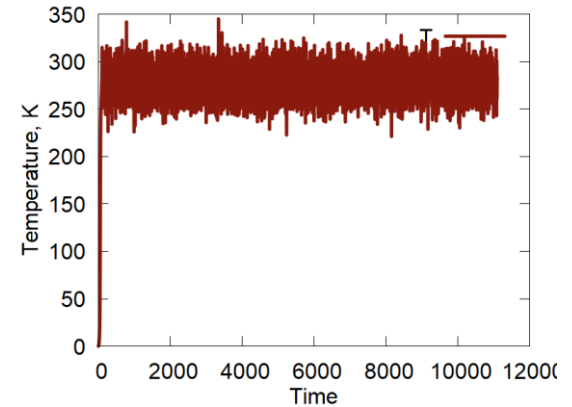
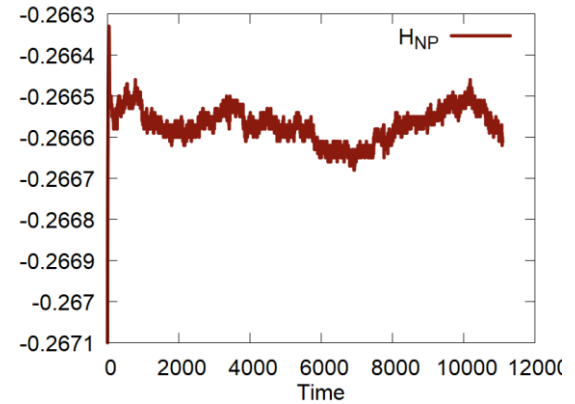
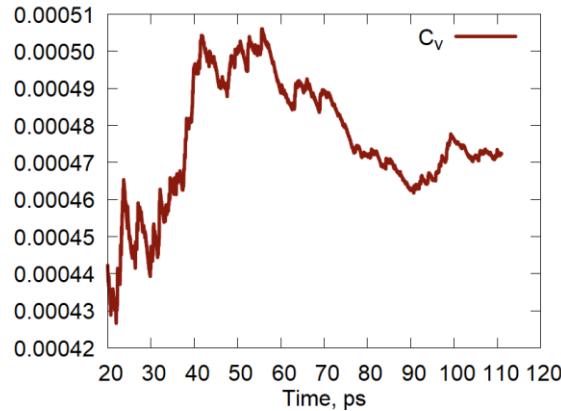
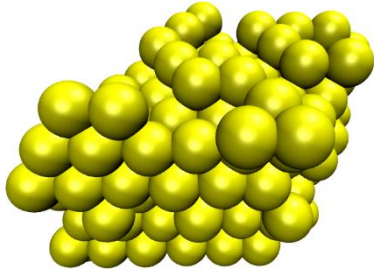
10 ps of MD

One N center inversion occurs



# Exercises: Computing specific heat capacity of gold

## Tut2.3



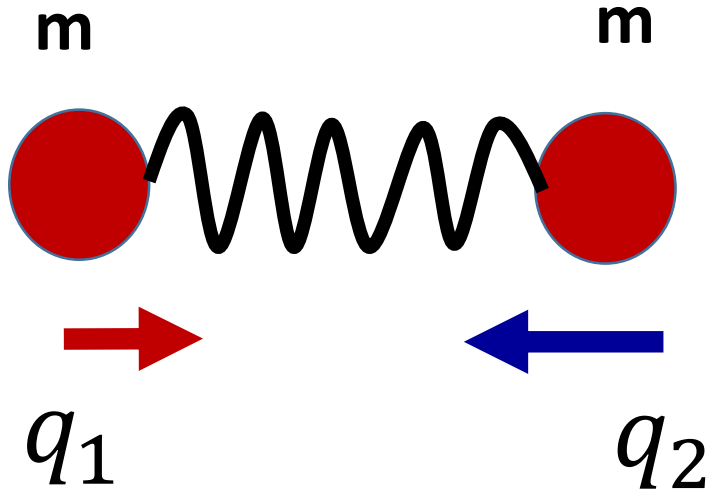
$$C_V = \frac{4.72 \cdot 10^{-4} \text{ Ha}^2}{3.17 \cdot 10^{-6} \frac{\text{Ha}}{\text{K}} \cdot 278.0^2 \text{ K}^2} = 1.93 \cdot 10^{-3} \frac{\text{Ha}}{\text{K}}$$

$$m = \frac{216}{N_A} \text{ mol} \cdot 197 \frac{\text{g}}{\text{mol}} = \frac{42552}{N_A} \text{ g} = 7.07 \cdot 10^{-20} \text{ g}$$

$$c = \frac{C_V}{m} = \frac{1.93 \cdot 10^{-3} \frac{\text{Ha}}{\text{K}}}{7.07 \cdot 10^{-20} \text{ g}} \cdot 4.36 \cdot 10^{-18} \frac{\text{J}}{\text{Ha}} = 1.19 \cdot 10^{-1} = \mathbf{0.119 \frac{J}{g \cdot K}}$$

Reference value:  $0.129 \frac{J}{g \cdot K}$

# Normal modes analysis



$$T = \frac{1}{2} m (\dot{q}_1^2 + \dot{q}_2^2)$$

$$V = k(q_1 - q_2)^2$$

$$\det \begin{pmatrix} 2k - m\omega^2 & -2k \\ -2k & 2k - m\omega^2 \end{pmatrix} = (2k - m\omega^2)^2 - 4k^2 = -4km\omega^2 + m^2\omega^4 = 0$$

$$m\omega^2 = 4k \Rightarrow \omega = 2 \sqrt{\frac{k}{m}}$$

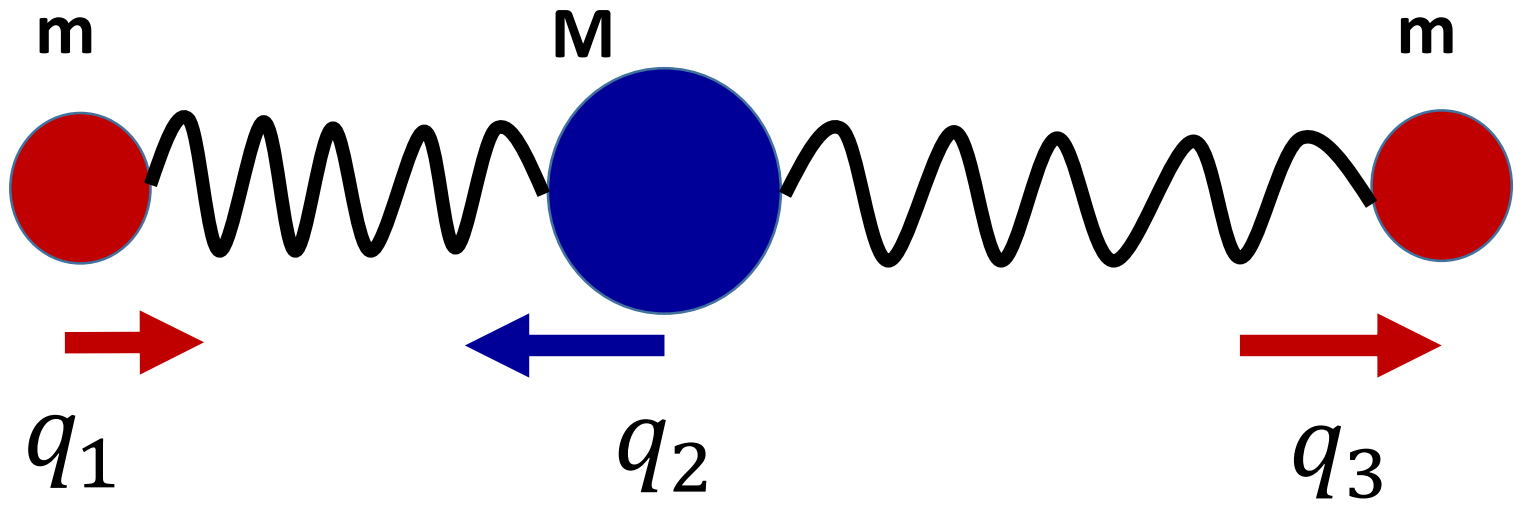
$$\frac{d}{dt} \frac{\partial L}{\partial \dot{q}_i} - \frac{\partial L}{\partial q_i} = 0$$

$$\frac{d}{dt} \frac{\partial L}{\partial \dot{q}_i} = \frac{\partial L}{\partial q_i} = - \frac{\partial V}{\partial q_i}$$

$$m\ddot{q}_1 = -2k(q_1 - q_2)$$

$$m\ddot{q}_2 = 2k(q_1 - q_2)$$

# Normal modes analysis



$q_i$  are the displacements of all atoms in Cartesian coordinate system

$$T = \frac{1}{2}m(\dot{q}_1^2 + \dot{q}_3^2) + \frac{1}{2}M\dot{q}_2^2$$

Kinetic energy

$$U = \frac{1}{2}k(q_1 - q_2)^2 + \frac{1}{2}k(q_3 - q_2)^2$$

Potential energy

# Apply Lagrangian Equations of motion

$$m\ddot{q}_1 = k(q_2 - q_1)$$

$$M\ddot{q}_2 = k(q_1 - q_2) + k(q_3 - q_2)$$

$$m\ddot{q}_3 = k(q_2 - q_3)$$

Search the solutions  
in the form:

$$q_i = A_i \exp(i\omega t + \delta_i)$$

$$-m\omega^2 q_1 = k(q_2 - q_1)$$

$$-M\omega^2 q_2 = k(q_1 - q_2) + k(q_3 - q_2)$$

$$-m\omega^2 q_3 = k(q_2 - q_3)$$



$$(-m\omega^2 + k)q_1 - kq_2 = 0$$

$$-kq_1 + (-M\omega^2 + 2k)q_2 - kq_3 = 0$$

$$-kq_2 + (-m\omega^2 + k)q_3 = 0$$

# Apply Lagrangian Equations of motion

$$-m\omega^2 q_1 = k(q_2 - q_1)$$

$$-M\omega^2 q_2 = k(q_1 - q_2) + k(q_3 - q_2)$$

$$-m\omega^2 q_3 = k(q_2 - q_3)$$



$$(-m\omega^2 + k)q_1 - kq_2 = 0$$

$$-kq_1 + (-M\omega^2 + 2k)q_2 - kq_3 = 0$$

$$-kq_2 + (-m\omega^2 + k)q_3 = 0$$

$$\begin{pmatrix} m\omega^2 - k & k & 0 \\ k & M\omega^2 - 2k & k \\ 0 & k & m\omega^2 - k \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} q_1 \\ q_2 \\ q_3 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

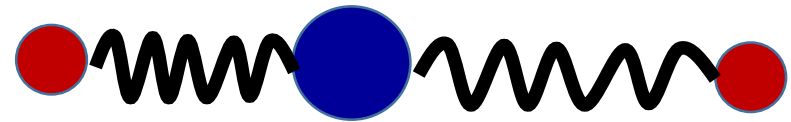
Non-trivial solution is when

$$\begin{aligned} \det \begin{pmatrix} m\omega^2 - k & k & 0 \\ k & M\omega^2 - 2k & k \\ 0 & k & m\omega^2 - k \end{pmatrix} &= \\ &= (m\omega^2 - k)[(M\omega^2 - 2k)(m\omega^2 - k) - k^2] - k[k(m\omega^2 - k)] = \\ &= (m\omega^2 - k)[(M\omega^2 - 2k)(m\omega^2 - k) - 2k^2] = 0 \end{aligned}$$

$$(M\omega^2 - 2k)(m\omega^2 - k) - 2k^2 = Mm\omega^4 - 2km\omega^2 - kM\omega^2 = \omega^2[Mm\omega^2 - k(2m + M)]$$

## Possible solutions

### Normal modes



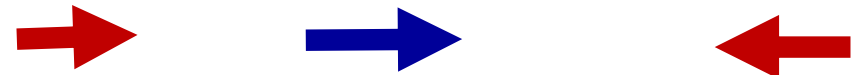
$$\omega_1 = 0 \quad (\text{translation})$$



$$\omega_2 = \sqrt{\frac{k}{m}}$$



$$\omega_3 = \sqrt{\frac{k(2m + M)}{Mm}}$$



# In a general form

$$T = \frac{1}{2} \sum_i m_i \dot{q}_i^2$$

Kinetic energy

$$V = V(q_{eq}) + \sum_i \frac{\partial V}{\partial q_i} q_i + \frac{1}{2} \sum_{i,j} \frac{\partial^2 V}{\partial q_i \partial q_j} q_i q_j$$

Potential energy

$$q_i = A_i \exp(i\omega t + \delta_i)$$

$$\frac{d}{dt} \frac{\partial L}{\partial \dot{q}_i} - \frac{\partial L}{\partial q_i} = 0$$

$$-m_i \omega^2 q_i + \sum_i \frac{\partial^2 V}{\partial q_i \partial q_k} q_k = 0$$



$$\det |M\omega^2 - H| = 0$$