

# ATOMISTIC SIMULATIONS ON SUPERCOMPUTERS USING OPEN SOURCE CODES

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# First papers on MD simulations

## Phase Transition for a Hard Sphere System

B. J. ALDER AND T. E. WAINWRIGHT

*University of California Radiation Laboratory, Livermore, California*

(Received August 12, 1957)

A CALCULATION has been made of relaxations accompanying phase transitions in classical equilibrium systems. The details as they apply to hard spheres having square-well interactions are described.<sup>1,2</sup> The equilibrium state of hard spheres is calculated by Monte Carlo methods.

The calculation is for a rectangular box. Initially, the velocities of all particles are zero. After a time  $t$ , the Maxwell-Boltzmann distribution of the pressure is calculated. The means of the components of the momentum distribution function are calculated. If this function is within the

A 32-particle system in a cube and initially in a face-centered cubic lattice proceeded at about 300 collisions an hour on the UNIVAC. For comparison a 96-particle system in a rectangular box and initially in a hexagonal arrangement has been calculated, however only at high temperatures. The results are given in Table I.

Pressures can be calculated for long runs were made. Accordingly the pressures, an hour is given for systems of 108, 256, and 96 particles. The times required to handle the calculations, respectively, can be estimated from the statistics.

One of the applications is for the calculation of the pressure in a closed system. The agreement was found to be good. The time of close agreement was found to be about 10 hours. The calculation was carried out on three systems of 108, 256, and 96 particles. The pressure was calculated for each system. The results are given in Table I.

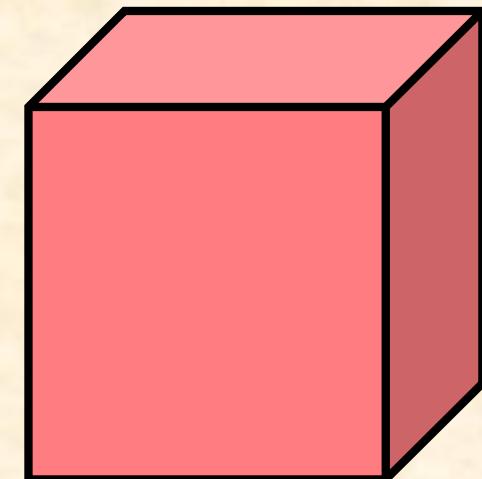
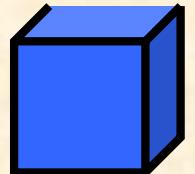
The figure shows two particles with overlapping interaction regions. As the particles approach each other, they begin to jump suddenly between the positions of the particles. This is due to the fact that the particles are hard spheres and cannot penetrate each other.



# The record numbers of particles taken for MD simulations in different years



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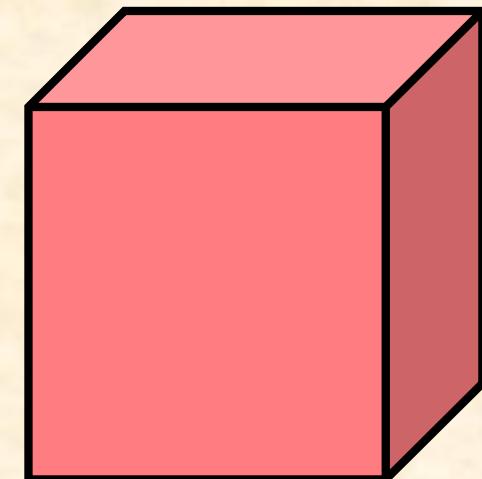
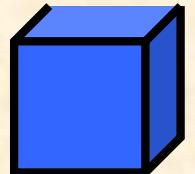
# Years, Flop/s and the numbers of cores

Mflops	1964 г.	CDC 6600	10 MHz	1 CPUs
Gflops	1985 г.	Cray 2	125 MHz	8 CPUs
Tflops	1997 г.	ASCI Red	200 MHz	9152 CPUs
Pflops	2008 г.	Roadrunner	3,2 GHz	122400 Cores
Eflops	≈ 2018 г.			$10^8 - 10^9$

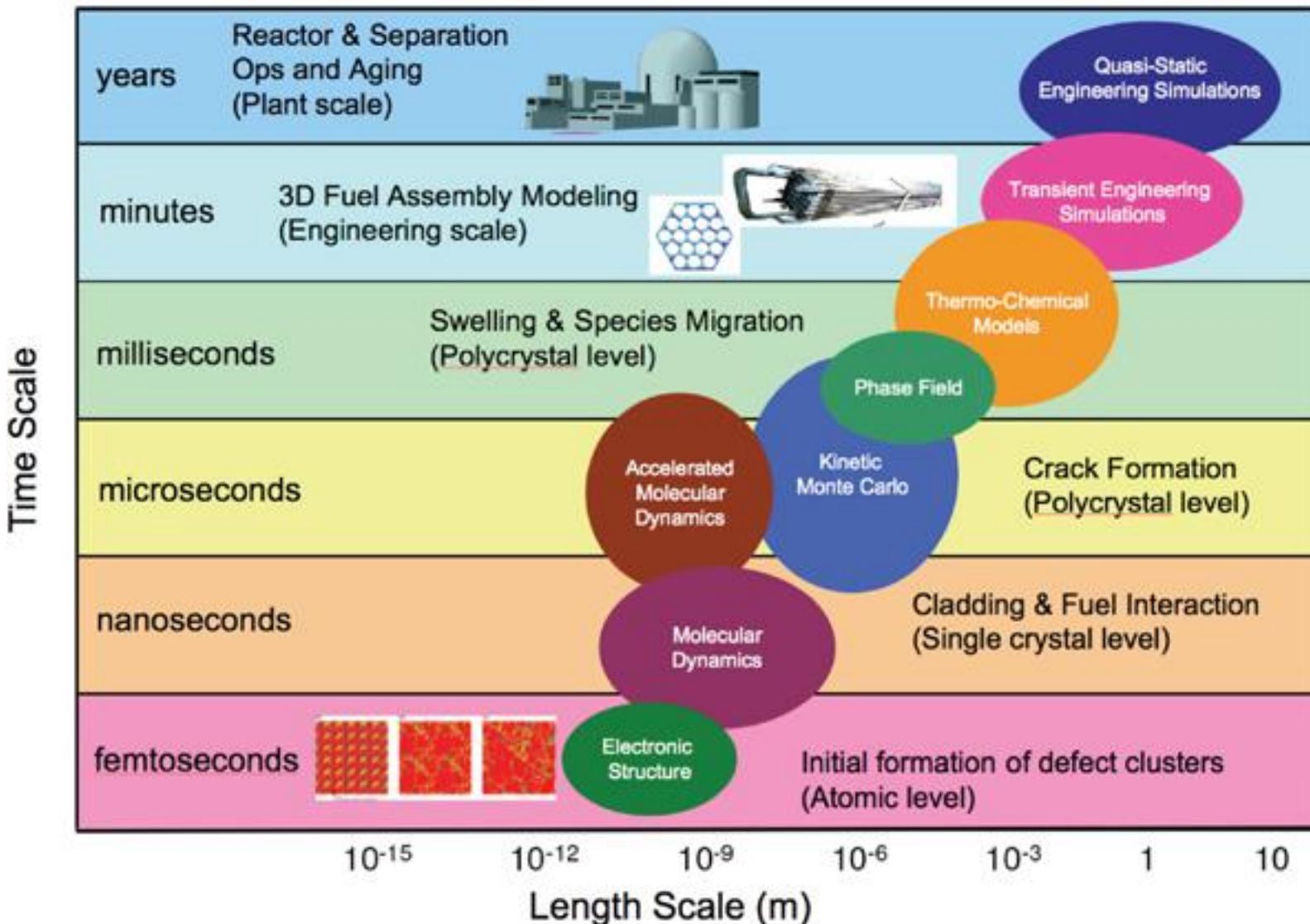
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# Multiscale approach in material sciences



Original at Berkeley Lab We site: <http://www.lbl.gov/CS/html/exascale4energy/nuclear.html>

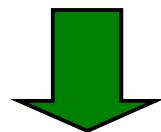
# Choice of the simulation code

## Open source

- Free of charge ☺
- Allows modifications
- Implements cutting edge technologies
- Tested by many users over the internet
- Supported by a community of developers

## Proprietary

- Reliable
- Easier to install and configure
- Professional support
- Usually has better support for different platforms



*Creating new code  
on the basis of an  
open source project*



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## ➤ ***Basic simulation algorithms***

*MD, MC, energy minimization, thermostats, boundary conditions, neighbor lists, optimized electrostatics*

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*Force fields for pair and many-body potentials, customization*

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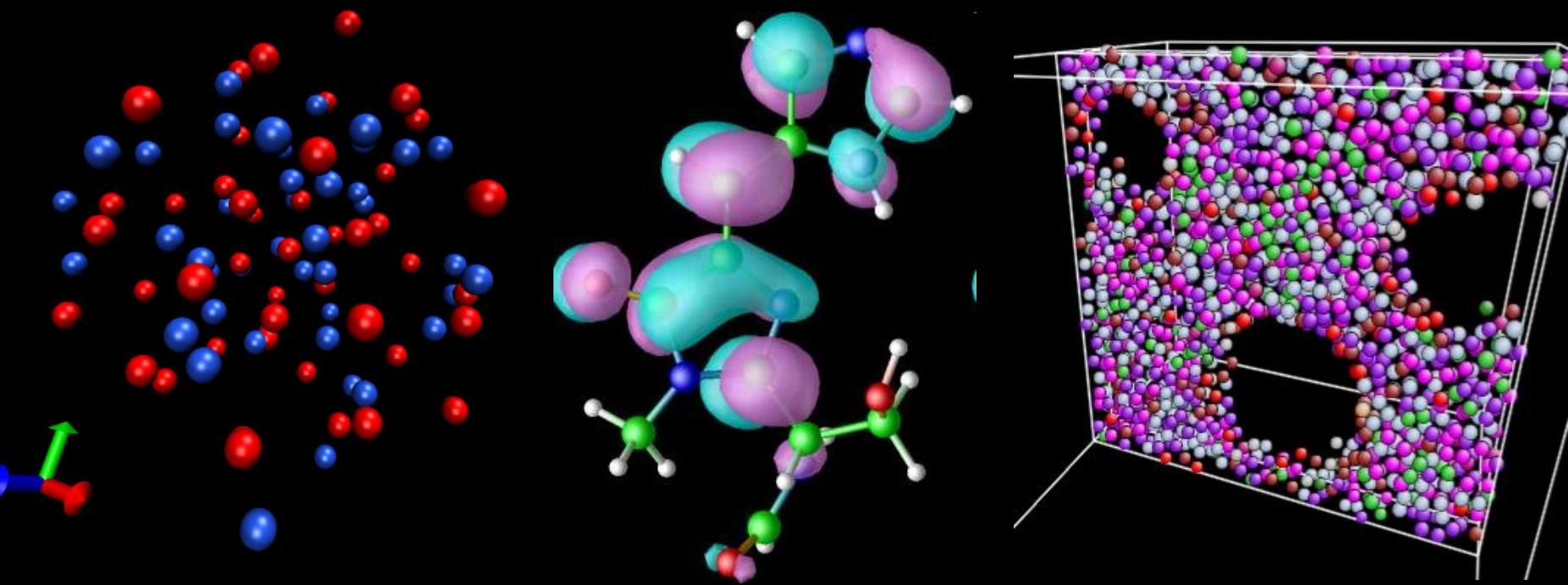
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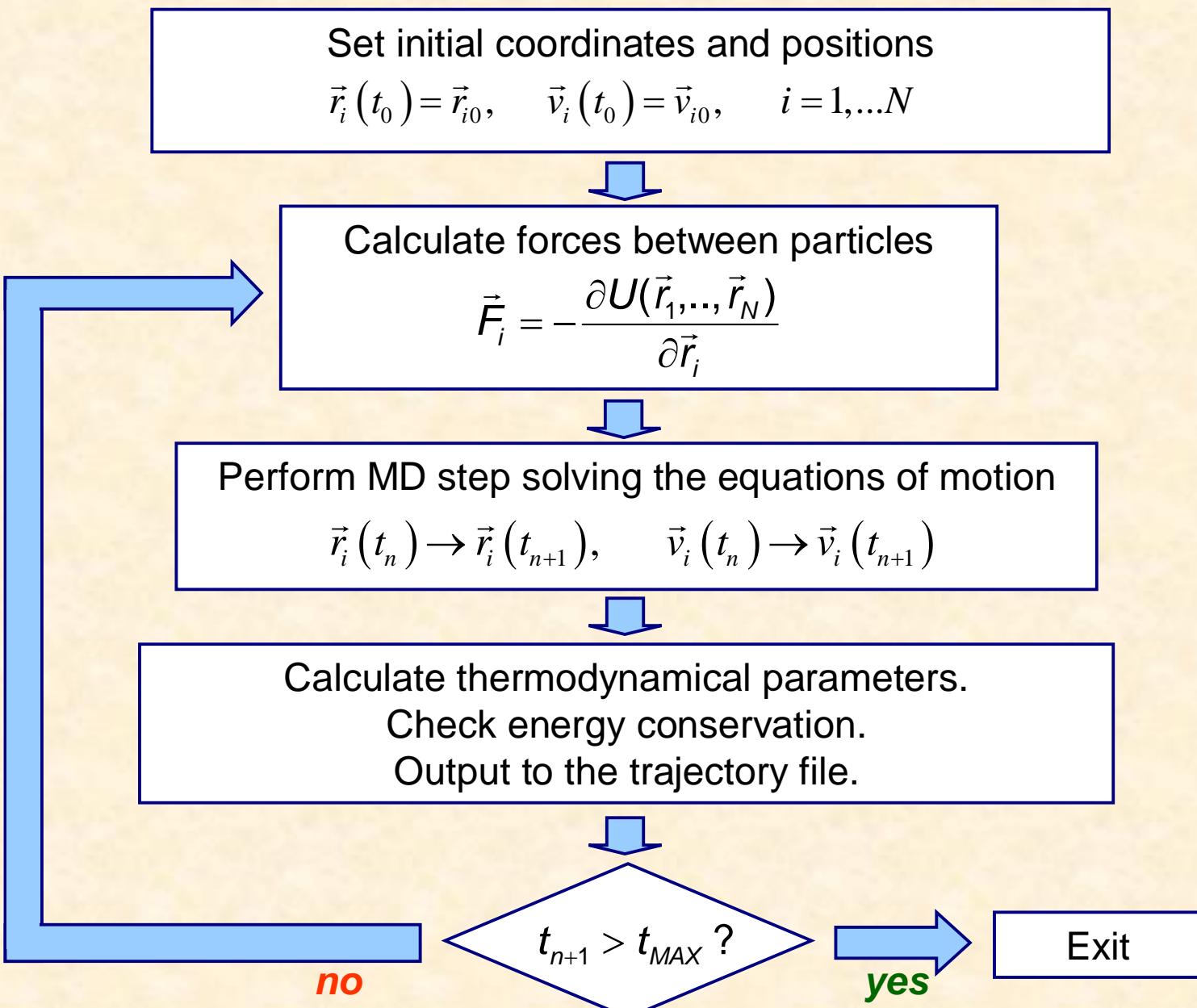
# Open source packages for atomistic simulations

Package name	Language	GPU	Parallel	Min	MD	MC	Comment
<b>Adun</b>	C			+	+		User specified force field (FFML), QM/MM calculations with Empirical Valence Bond (EVB)
<b>DL_POLY*</b>	Fortran, C++, Java				+		General purpose MD, HDF5 output, Java GUI
<b>GROMACS</b>	C	+	MPI		+		High performance MD, designed for biological systems and polymers
<b>HALMD</b>	C++	++			+		High-precision MD for the large-scale simulation of simple and complex liquids, HDF5 output
<b>HOOMD-blue</b>	C++, Python	++		+	+		General-purpose MD highly optimized for GPUs
<b>LAMMPS</b>	C++	+	MPI	+	+	+	High parallel scalability, wide range of potentials and analysis tools
<b>MDynaMix</b>	Fortran		MPI		+		Parallel MD for AMBER force field
<b>MOIL</b>	Fortran, Tcl		MPI	+	+		Basic algorithms and force fields, Replica exchange, coarse-grained models, Tcl GUI
<b>NAMD/VMD</b>	C++	+	MPI				High parallel scalability, designed for biomolecular, visualization (VMD)
<b>RedMD</b>	C/C++	-		+	+	+	Coarse-grained models of proteins and nucleic acids
<b>TINKER</b>	Fortran		OpenMP	+	+	+	Simple MD, QM/MM, molecular design
<b>XMD</b>	C		pthreads	+	+	+	MD for metals and ceramics

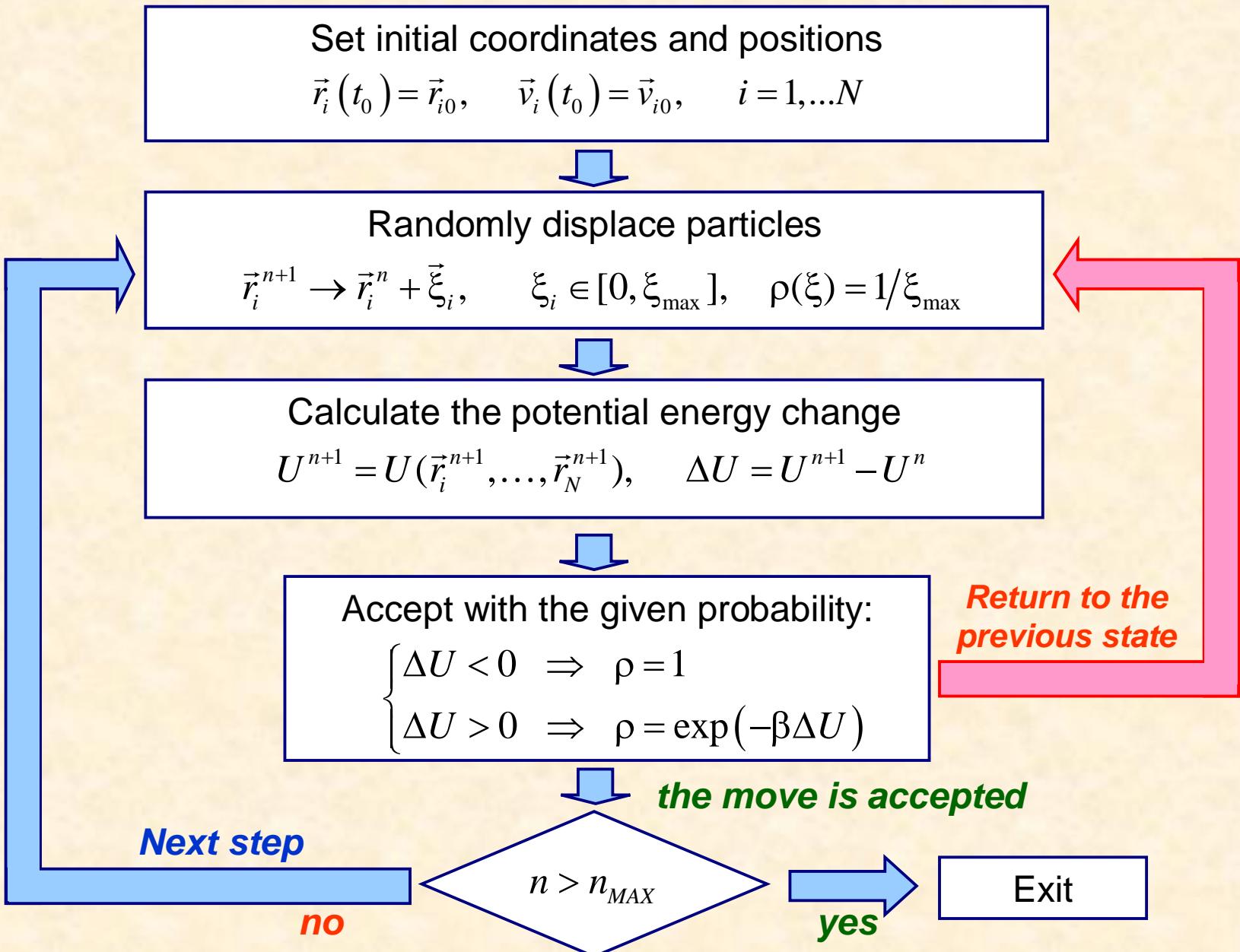
# SIMULATION ALGORITHMS



# Molecular Dynamics: Trajectory Calculation



# Monte-Carlo: Metropolis algorithm



# Equations of motion in Classical MD

Consider a system of  $N$  particles with positions

$$\vec{R} = \{\vec{r}_1, \dots, \vec{r}_N\} \text{ and velocities } \vec{V} = \{\vec{v}_1, \dots, \vec{v}_N\}.$$

The Newton's equations of motion:

$$\begin{cases} \vec{r}_k''(t) = \frac{1}{m_k} \vec{F}_k(t, \vec{r}_1, \dots, \vec{r}_N), & k = \overline{1, N}, \\ \vec{R}(0) = \vec{R}_0, & \vec{V}(0) = \vec{V}_0. \end{cases}$$

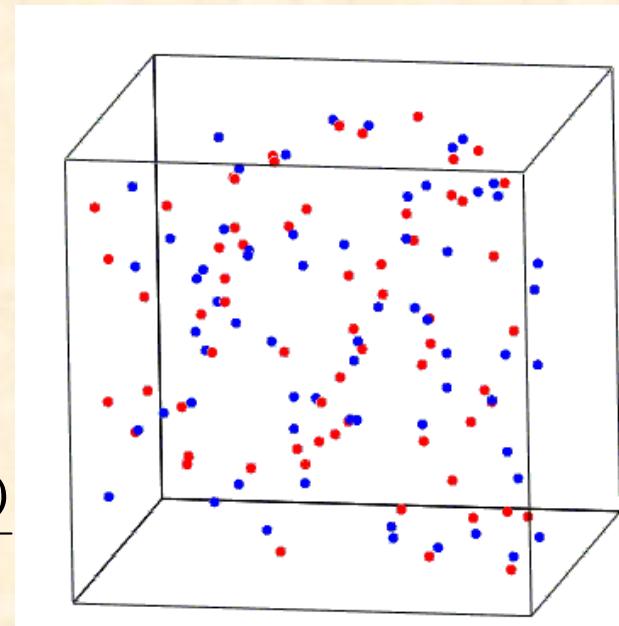
Force acting of  $k$ -th particle:  $\vec{F}_k(\vec{R}) = -\frac{\partial U(\vec{R})}{\partial \vec{r}_k}$

General form of the interaction potential:

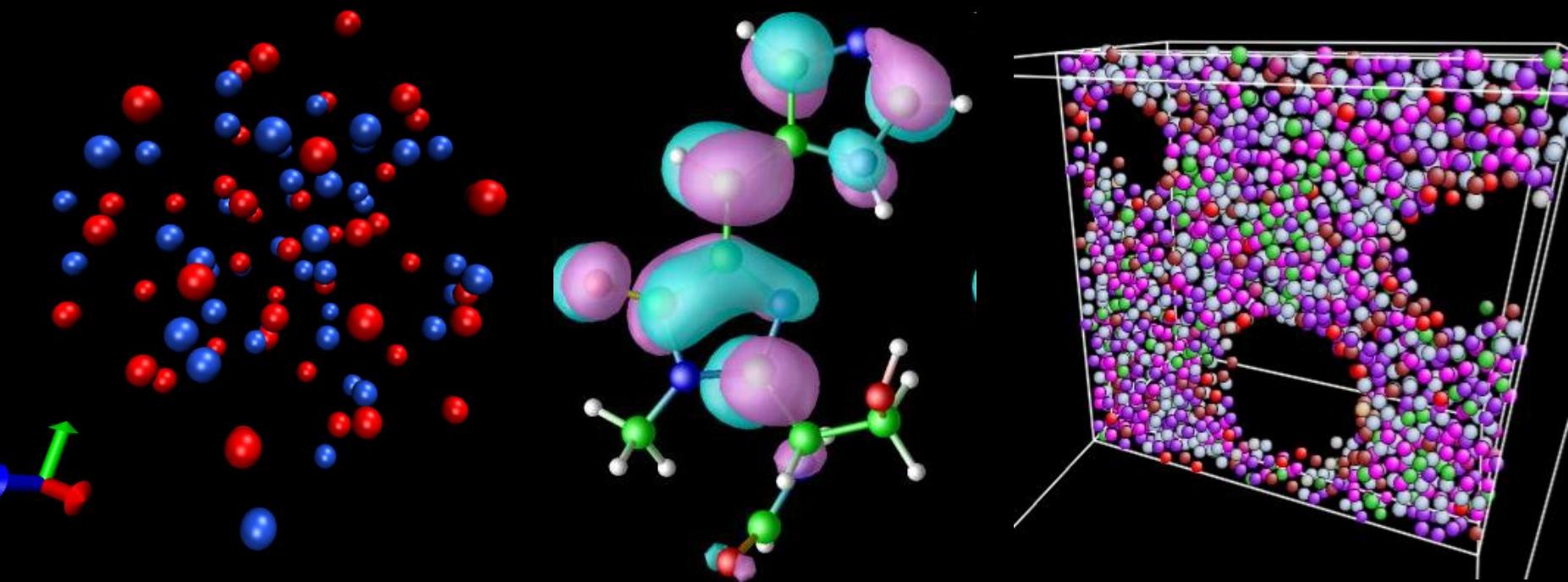
$$U(\vec{R}) = \sum_k U^{ext}(t, \vec{v}_k, \vec{r}_k) + \sum_{i < j} U(\vec{r}_i, \vec{r}_j) + \sum_{i < j < k} \Phi(\vec{r}_i, \vec{r}_j, \vec{r}_k) + \dots$$

Particular case of the pairwise potential:

$$U(\vec{r}_i, \vec{r}_j) = U(|\vec{r}_i - \vec{r}_j|) = U(r_{ij}) \quad \vec{F}_k^{pair} = -\sum_j \frac{\vec{r}_{kj}}{r_{kj}} \frac{\partial U(r_{kj})}{\partial r_{kj}} = \sum_j \frac{\vec{r}_{kj}}{r_{kj}} f(r_{kj})$$



# INTERACTION MODELS



# Interaction models and simulation techniques

- Particle-in-cell, hydrodynamic codes
- Coarse-grained, discontinuous molecular dynamics
- Simple pairwise potentials for atoms or molecules with fixed atomic bonds
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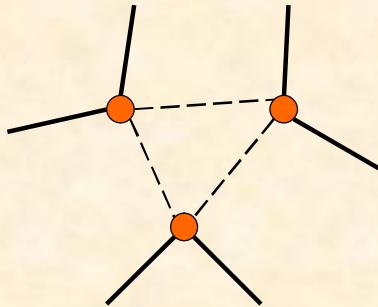
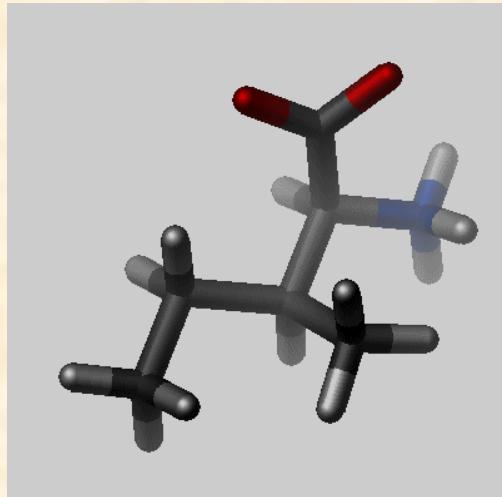
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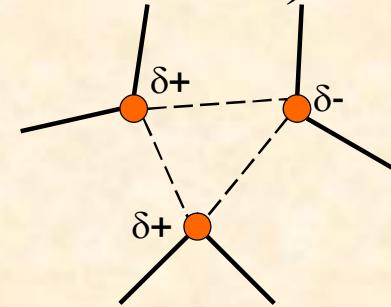


# Force field for interaction of atoms in a molecule

$$U(\vec{r}_1, \dots, \vec{r}_N) = \sum_{i=1}^N \sum_{j=i+1}^N \left( 4\epsilon_{ij} \left[ \left( \frac{\sigma_{ij}}{r_{ij}} \right)^{12} - \left( \frac{\sigma_{ij}}{r_{ij}} \right)^6 \right] + \frac{q_i q_j}{4\pi\epsilon_0 r_{ij}} \right) +$$



Non-bonded interactions  
(van der Waals)

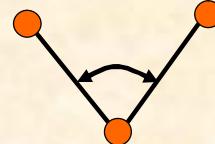


Non-bonded interactions  
(electrostatic)

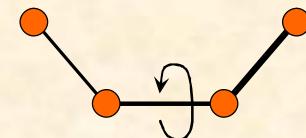
$$+ \sum_{bonds} \frac{k_i}{2} (l_i - l_{i,0})^2 + \sum_{angles} \frac{\tilde{k}_i}{2} (\theta_i - \theta_{i,0})^2 + \sum_{torsions} \frac{V_n}{2} (1 + \cos(n\omega - \gamma))$$



Bond stretching

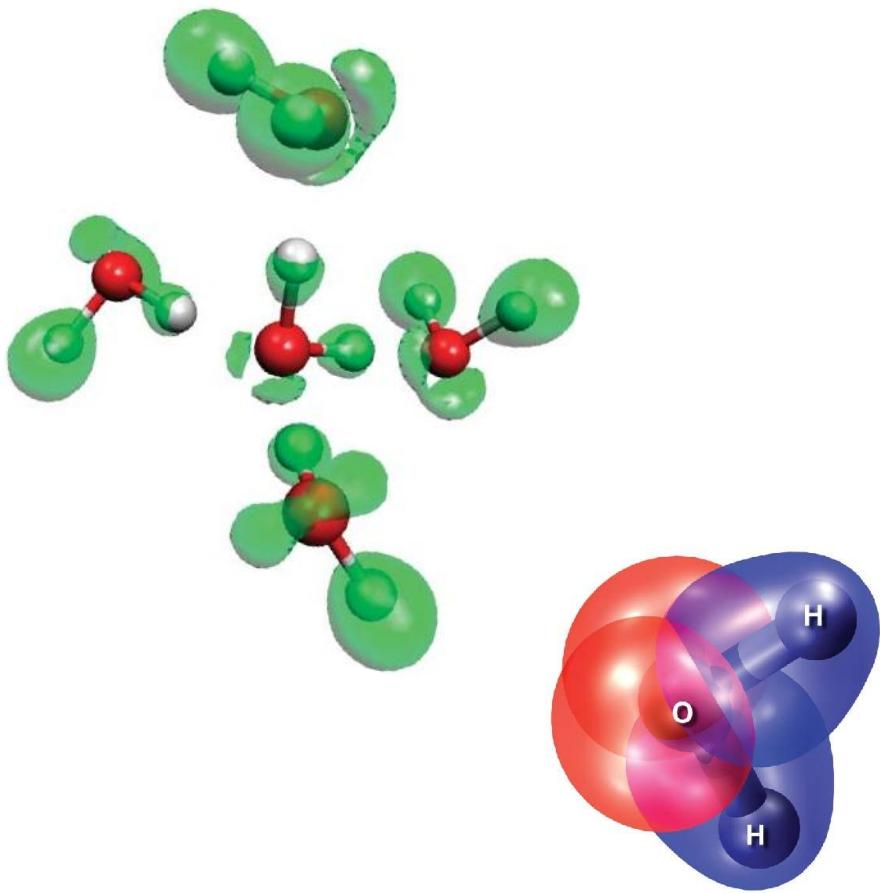


Angle bending



Bond rotation  
(torsion)

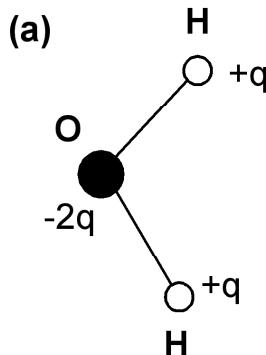
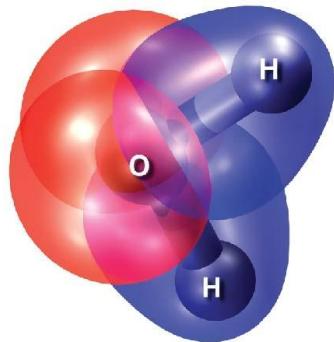
# Classical Molecular Models of Water



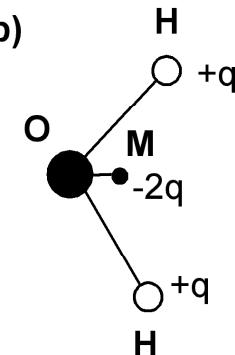
Acronym (date)	Reference	Status	Type	Sites	$\mu_g(D)$	$\mu_i(D)$
BF (1933)	7	empirical	R	4	2.0	2.0
R (1951)	21	empirical	R	5	1.84	1.84
BNS (1971)	22	empirical	R	5	2.17	2.17
ST2 (1973,1993)	23	empirical	R	5	2.35	2.35
CF (1975,1978,1995)	24	empirical	F	3	1.86	1.98
MCY (1976)	25	ab initio	R	4	2.19	2.19
DCF (1978,1980,1993)	26	empirical	F,D,P	3	1.855	-
PE (1979)	27	empirical	P	1	1.855	2.50
SPC (1981)	14	empirical	R	3	2.27	2.27
TIP3P (1981,1983)	15	empirical	R	3	2.35	2.35
RWK (1982)	28	empirical	F	4	1.85	1.89
TIP4P (1983)	15	empirical	R	4	2.18	2.18
BJH (1983)	29	empirical	F	3	1.87	1.99
SPC/F (1985)	30	empirical	F	3	2.27	2.42
MCYL (1986)	31	ab initio	F	4	2.19	2.26
SPC/E (1987)	32	empirical	R	3	2.35	2.35
WK (1989)	33	empirical	R	4	2.60	2.60
SPCP (1989)	34	empirical	P	3	1.85	2.90
CKL (1990)	35	empirical	F,P	4	1.88	2.20
MCHO (1990)	36	ab initio	P	6	2.12	=3.0
NCC (1990)	37	ab initio	P	6	1.85	2.80
NEMO (1990,1995)	38	ab initio	P	5	2.04	2.89
PTIP4P (1991)	39	empirical	P	4	1.85	2.80
SPC/FP (1991)	40	empirical	F,P	3	1.85	2.44
PSRWK (1991)	41	empirical	P	4	1.88	2.63
KJ (1992)	42	empirical	P	4	1.85	-
NCCvb (1992)	37b	ab initio	F,P	6	1.85	3.11
ASP-W (1992,1998)	43	ab initio	P	3	1.85	2.90
RPOL (1992)	44	empirical	P	3	2.02	2.62
CPMD (1993,1999)	45	DFT+CP	F,D,P	nucl.+el.	1.87	2.95
PPC (1994)	46	ab initio	P	4	2.14	2.51
SPC/FQ (1994)	47	empirical	P	3	1.85	2.83
TIP4P/FQ (1994)	47	empirical	P	4	1.85	2.62
KKY (1994)	48	empirical	F,D	3	2.38	2.21
SQPM (1995)	49	valence bond	P	4	1.85	2.62
SCPDP (1996)	50	empirical	P	4	1.85	2.87
TAB/10D (1998)	51	SCF+MD	P	5	1.85	2.65
NSPCE (1998)	52	empirical	R	3	2.18	2.18
NCF (1998)	53	empirical	F	3	1.85	1.90
MCDHO (2000)	54	ab initio	F, P	4	1.85	3.01
TIP5P (2000)	55	empirical	R	5	2.29	2.29
SPC/HW (2001)	56	empirical	R	3	2.41	2.41
DEC (2001)	57	empirical	R	3	1.85	1.85
SWFLEX (2001)	58	empirical	P	4	1.85	2.59
POLARFLEX (2001)	59	valence bond	F,P	3	1.85	2.55
POL5 (2001)	60	ab initio	P	5	1.85	2.71

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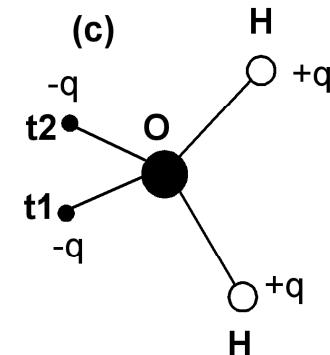
# The Structure of H<sub>2</sub>O Molecule and Classical Intermolecular Potentials



SPC  
SPC/E  
TIP3P



MCY  
TIPS2  
TIP4P



BNS  
ST2  
TIP5P

$$U = \sum \sum (A_{ij}/r_{ij}^{12} - B_{ij}/r_{ij}^6 + q_i q_j / \epsilon_0 r_{ij}) +$$

Short-range repulsion    Van der Waals    Coulombic

$$+ \sum \frac{1}{2} k_b (r_{ij} - r_0)^2 + \sum \frac{1}{2} k_\theta (\theta_{ij} - \theta_0)^2$$

bond stretching                      bond bending

- *Ab-initio* quantum mechanical
- Empirical and semi-empirical
- Rigid vs flexible
- Point polarizability
- “Charges on springs” models
- Core-shell models

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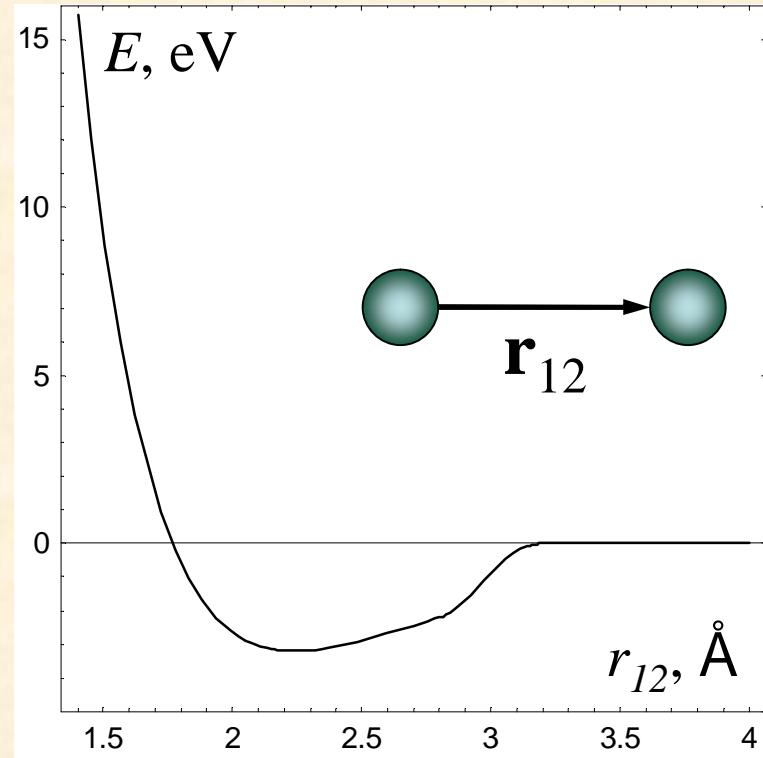
$$B_{ij} = B_0 e^{-z_{ij}/b},$$

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Parameters for Si:

([J. Tersoff, Phys. Rev. B, 37 \(1988\) 6991](#))



$$\boxed{\begin{aligned} A &= 2280 \text{ eV}, & B_0 &= 171 \text{ eV}, & \lambda_1 &= 2\lambda_2, & \lambda_2 &= 1.465 \text{ \AA}^{-1}, \\ b &= 1.324, & c &= 6.5, & d &= 6.02, & n &= 4, \\ f_c &= \begin{cases} 1, & r < R - D, \\ \frac{1}{2} - \frac{1}{2} \sin[\frac{1}{2}\pi(r - R)/D], & R - D < r < R + D, \\ 0, & r > R + D, \end{cases} \\ R &= 3.0 \text{ \AA}, & D &= 0.2 \text{ \AA} \end{aligned}}$$

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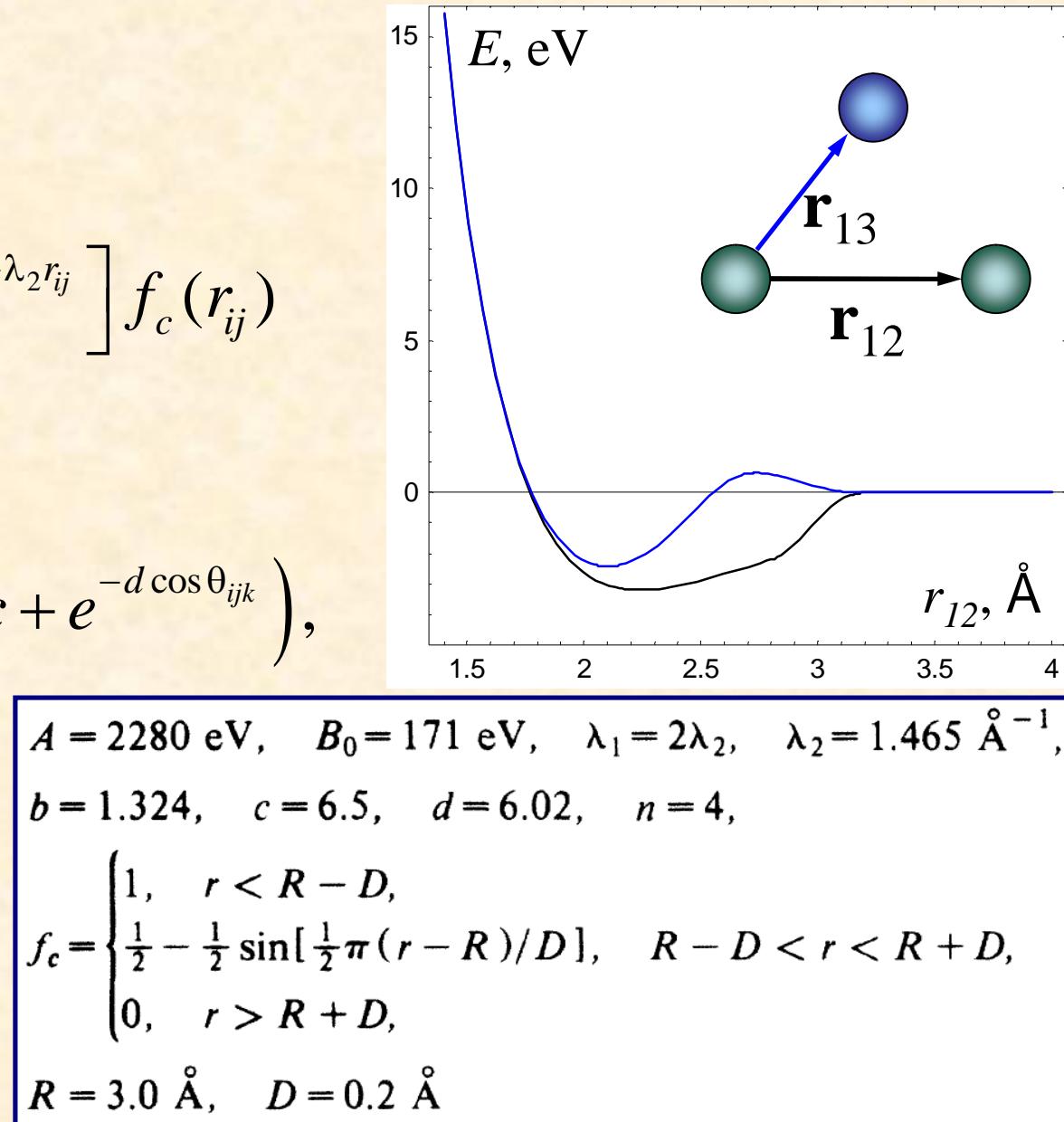
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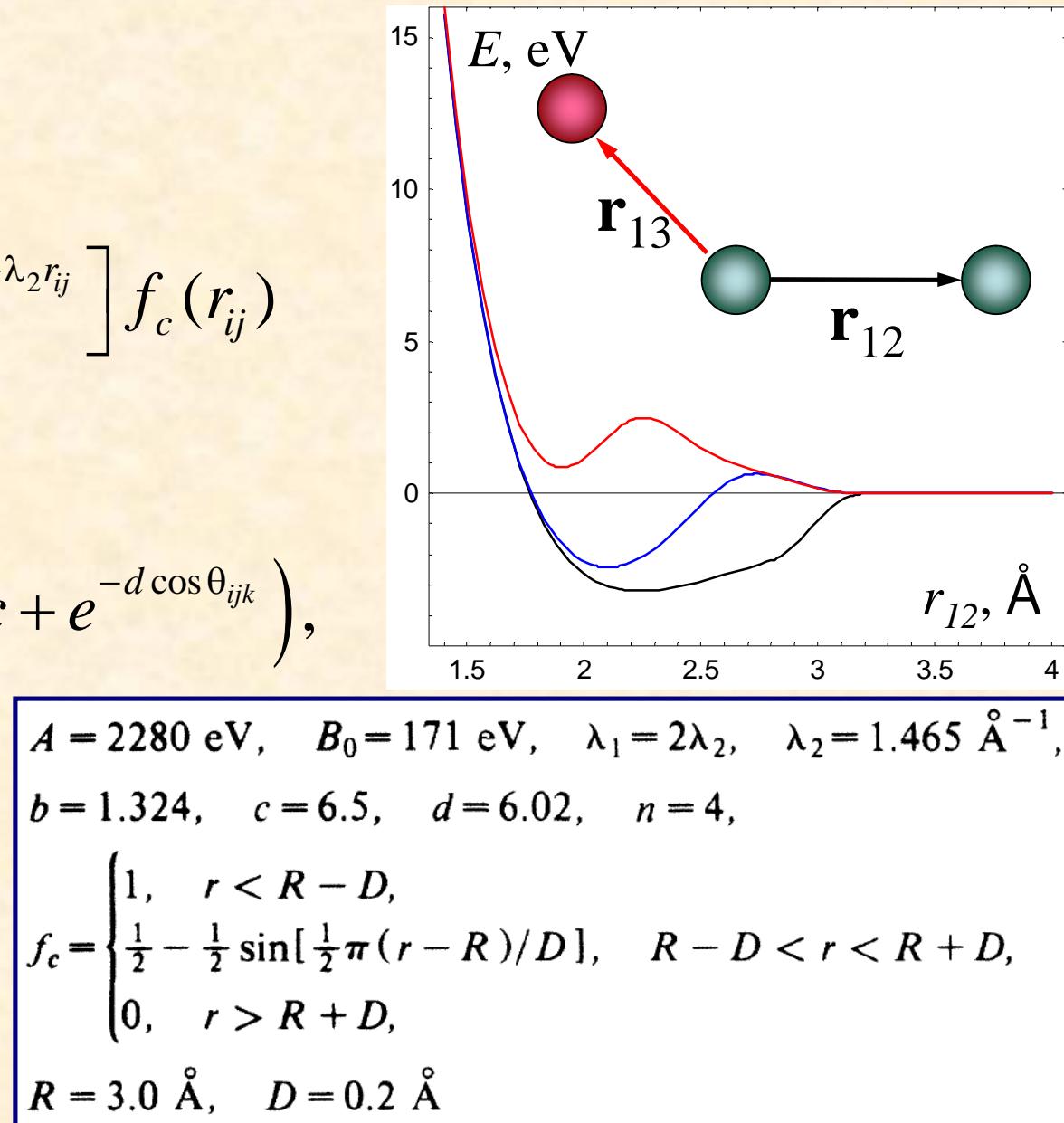
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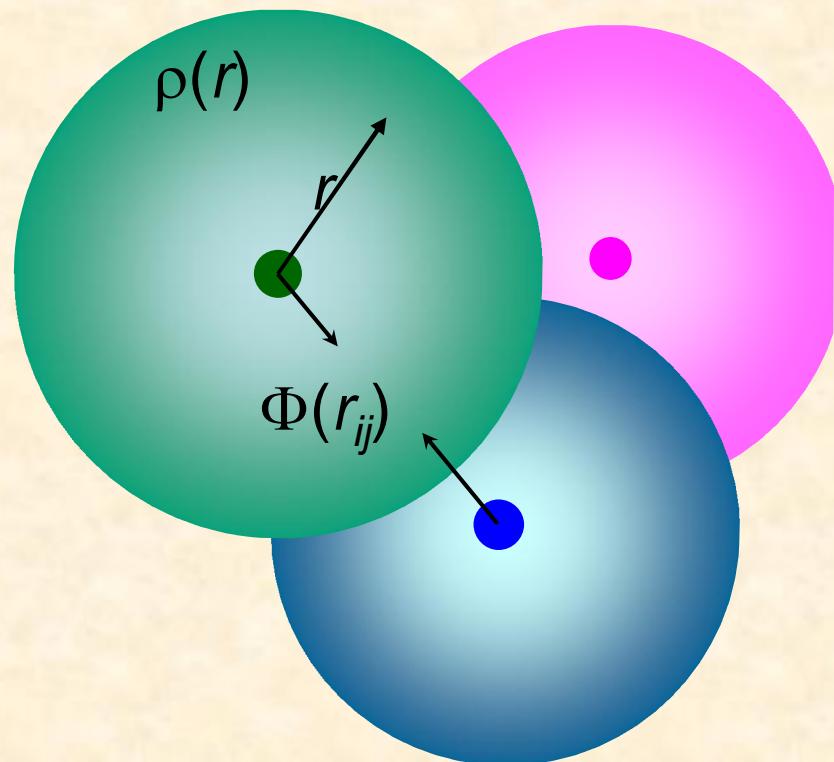
Electron density  
(transfer function)

$$U = \sum_i F_i \left( \sum_{j \neq i} \rho_j(r_{ij}) \right) + \sum_{i < j} \Phi_{ij}(r_{ij})$$

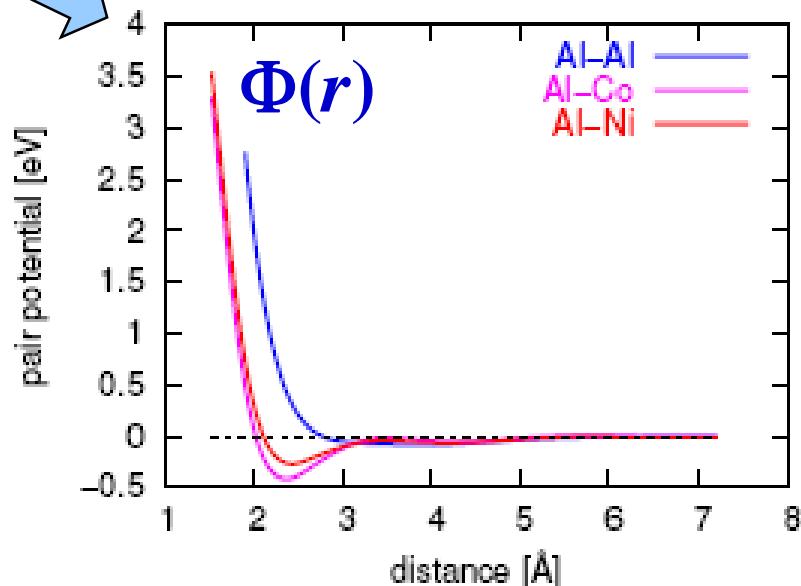
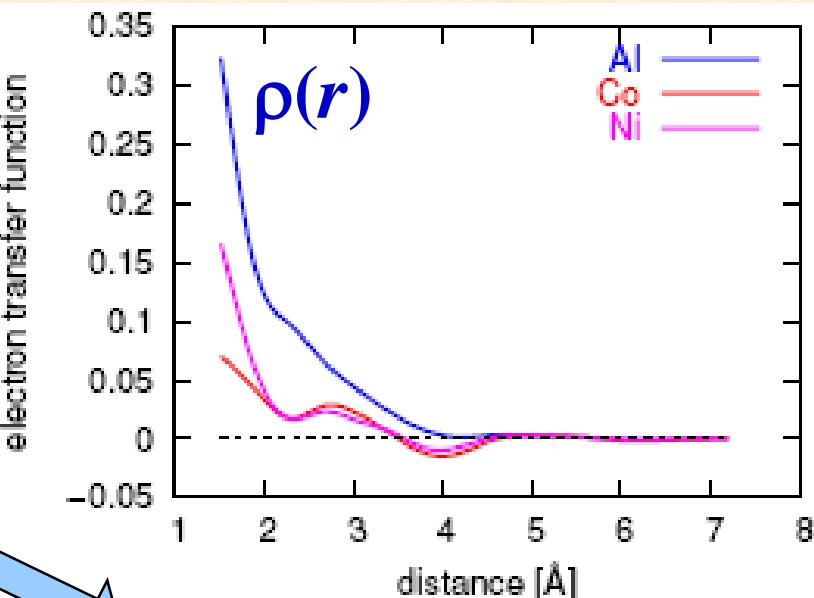
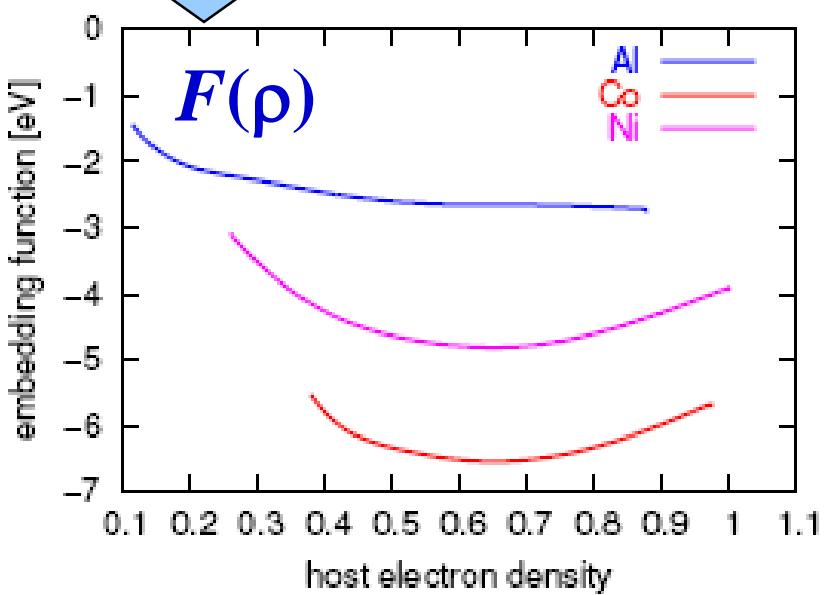
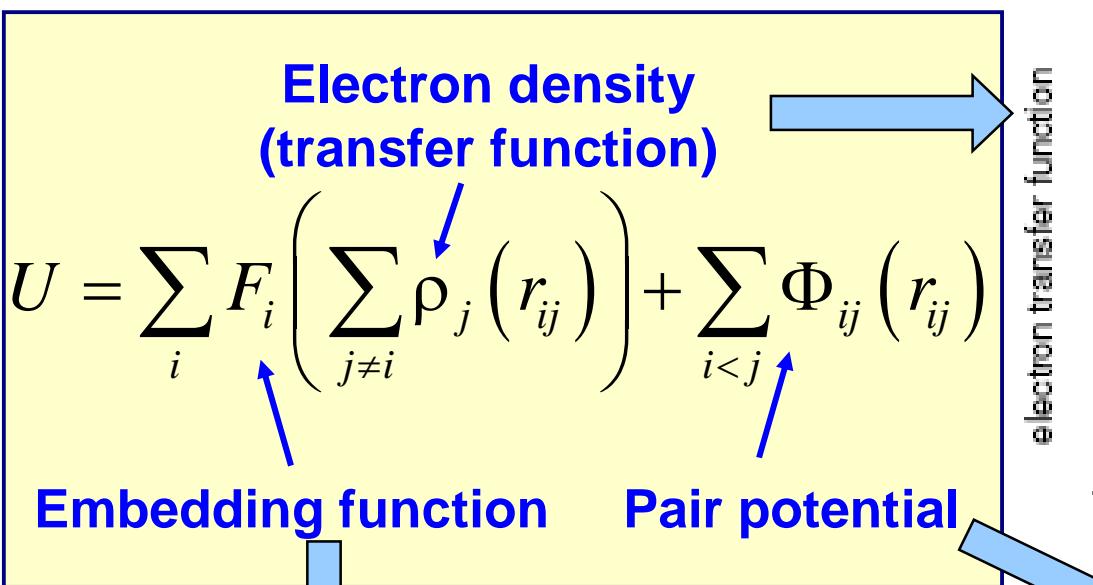
Embedding function

Pair potential

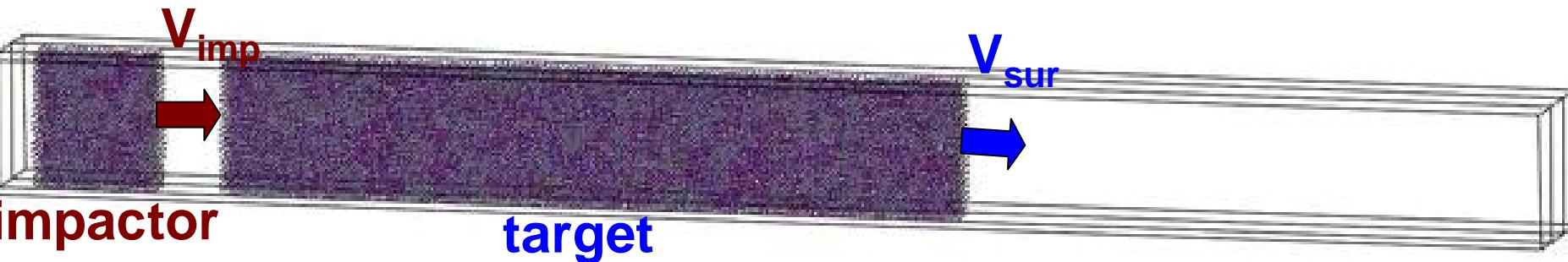
?  
≠  $\sum_i \sum_{j \neq i} U(\vec{r}_{ij})$



# Embedded Atom Method - EAM



# Atomistic model of spallation process at high rate shock\*



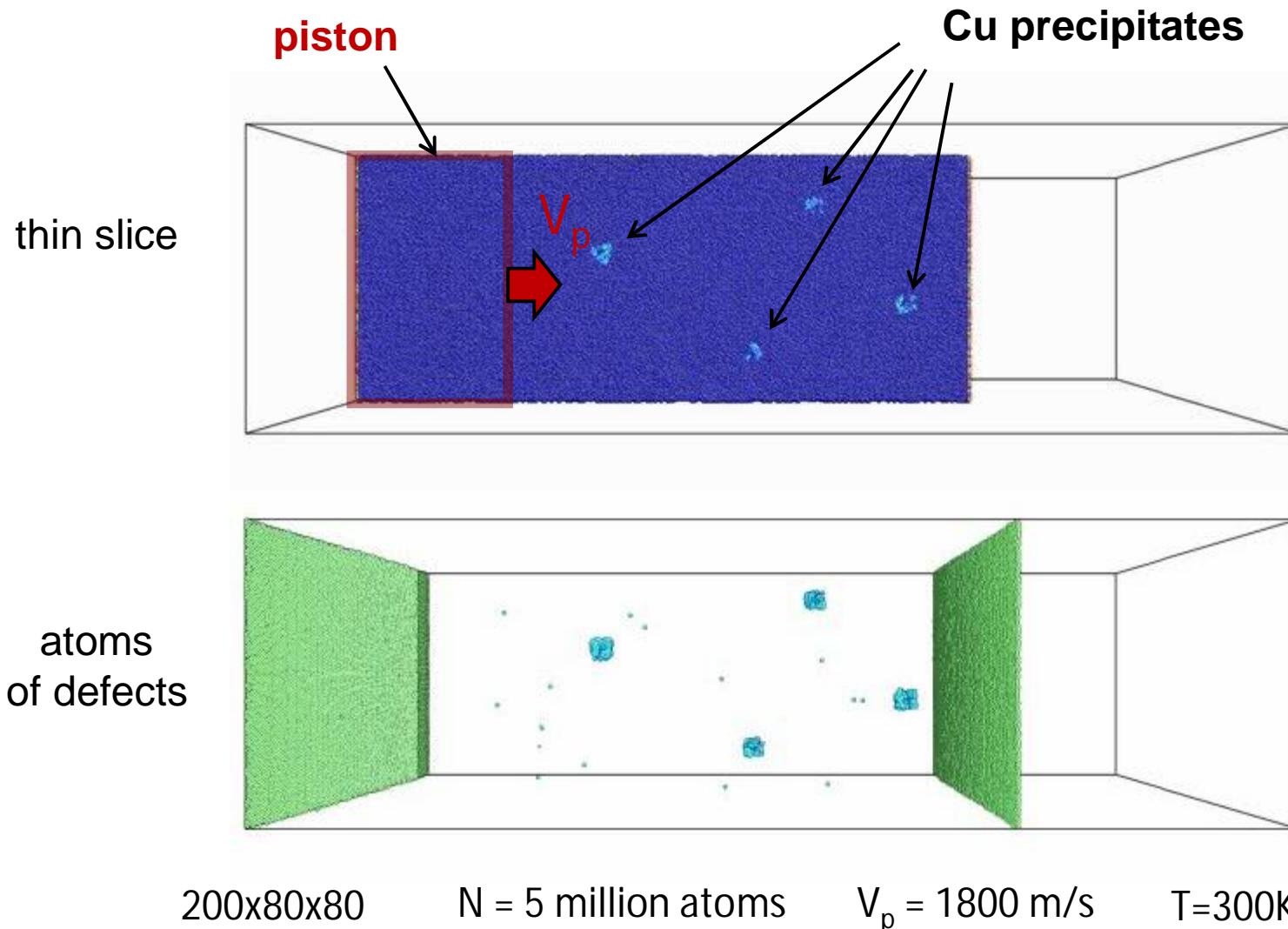
## Model parameters:

1.  $T = 300 \text{ K}$
2. Number of Cu atoms 112 000
3. Impactor / target mass ratio 1/6
4. Initial defect number density 0.05



\* A. Yu. Kuksin, G.E.Norman, V. V. Stegailov, and A. V. Yanilkin, Thermophysics, 2009, Vol. 18, No. 3, pp. 197–226.

# Shock wave in Al crystal with Cu precipitates



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# The ReaxFF Interatomic Potential

Developed by Adri van Duin:

van Duin ACT, Dasgupta S, Lorant F, Goddard WA, *J. Phys. Chem A.* 105 9396 (2001) (183 citations up to Feb 2010)

Describes bond formation and charge transfer in condensed phases, especially organics

Bonded interactions generated on-the-fly, based on distance-dependent bond-order functions.

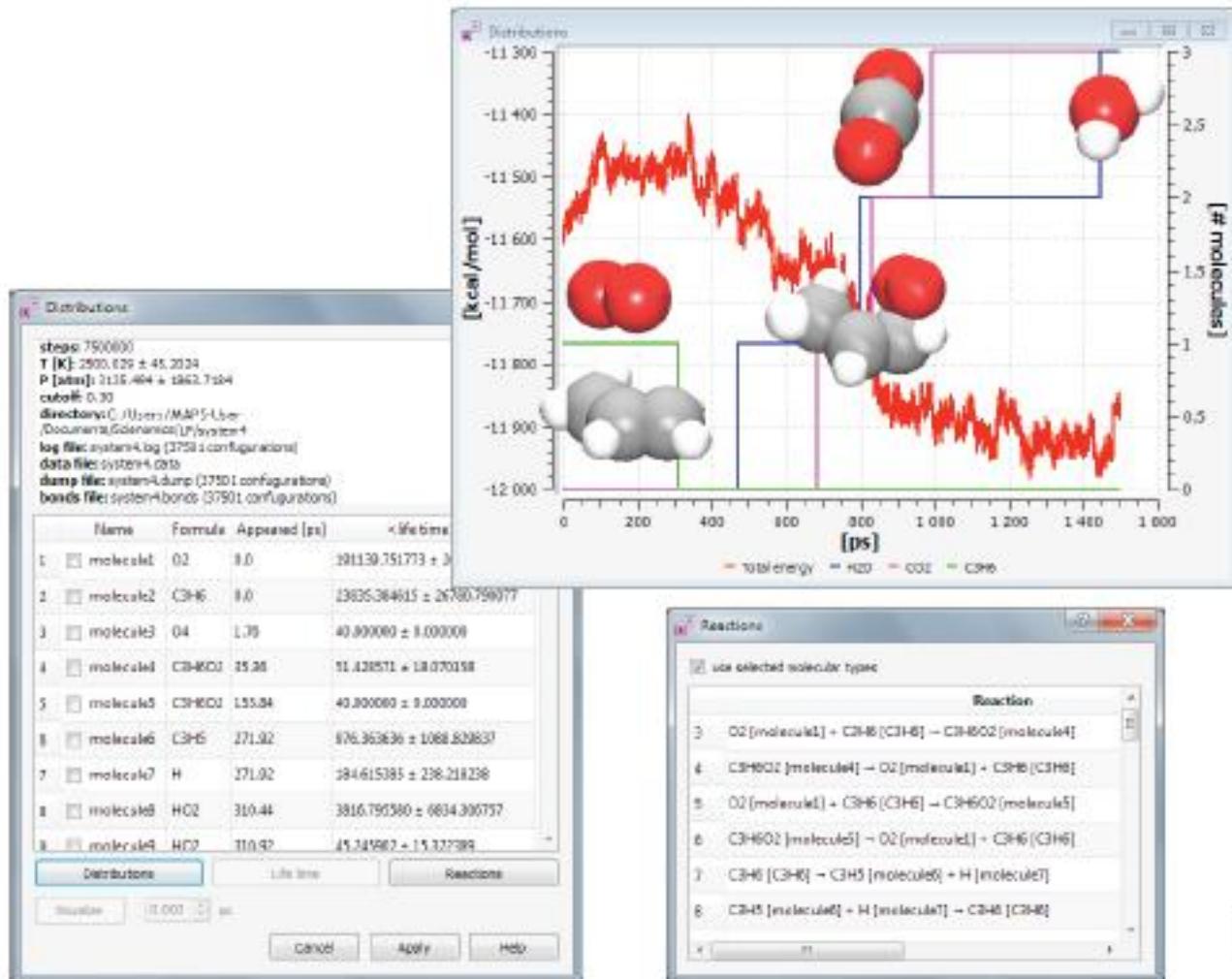
Bond-orders adjusted to compensate for atomic over/under-coordination

Atom charges computed using electro-negativity equalization i.e. minimizing quadratic function in  $N$  charges (Coulombic plus ionization energies)

$$\begin{aligned} E_{System} &= E_{bond} + E_{over/under} + E_{lp} + E_{pen} + E_{coa} + E_{hb} + E_{tors} + E_{conj} + E_{val} + E_{vdW} + E_{Coul} \\ &= E(\text{bond-order}) + E(\text{non-bond}) + E(\text{charge equilibration}) \end{aligned}$$



# The ReaxFF Interatomic Potential



*Butene oxidation, characteristic configuration obtained after 1.5 ns*

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# Interaction models and simulation techniques

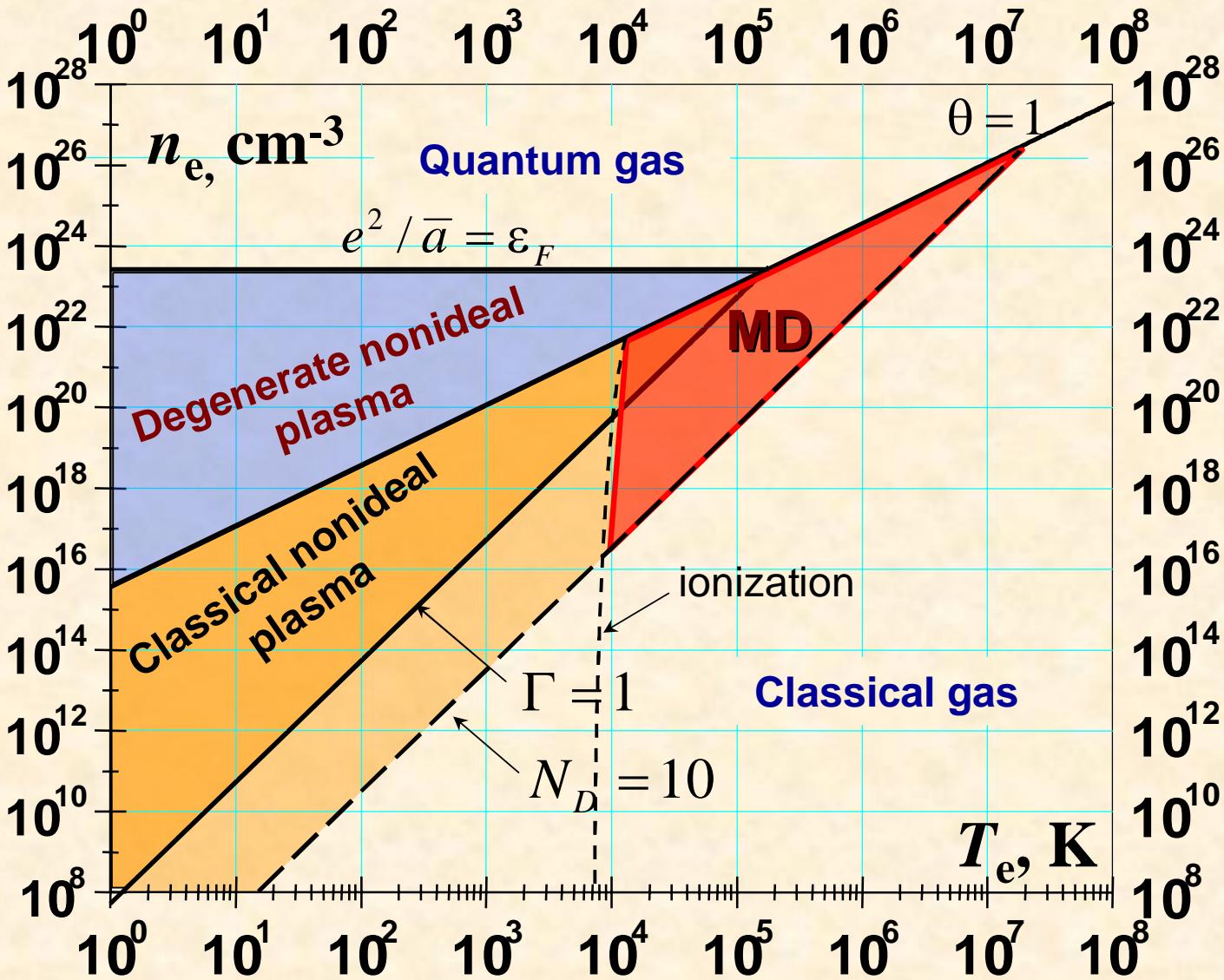
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# Density-Temperature Diagram



Nonideality parameter for electrons

$$\Gamma = \left( \frac{4\pi n_e}{3} \right)^{1/3} \frac{e^2}{kT}$$

Number of electrons in the Debye sphere

$$N_D = \frac{4\pi r_D^3}{3} n_e$$

Degeneracy parameter

$$\theta = \varepsilon_F / kT$$

# Breaking into the atom

## Approximations, restrictions and gains

### 1. BO approx. (adiabatic approx.)

No nonadiabatic processes (charge-transfer reactions, photochemistry)

### 2. Ground state

No electronic excitations, no electron-phonon coupling, etc

### 3. Classical approx. for nuclei movement

No proton transfer, atom tunneling, etc

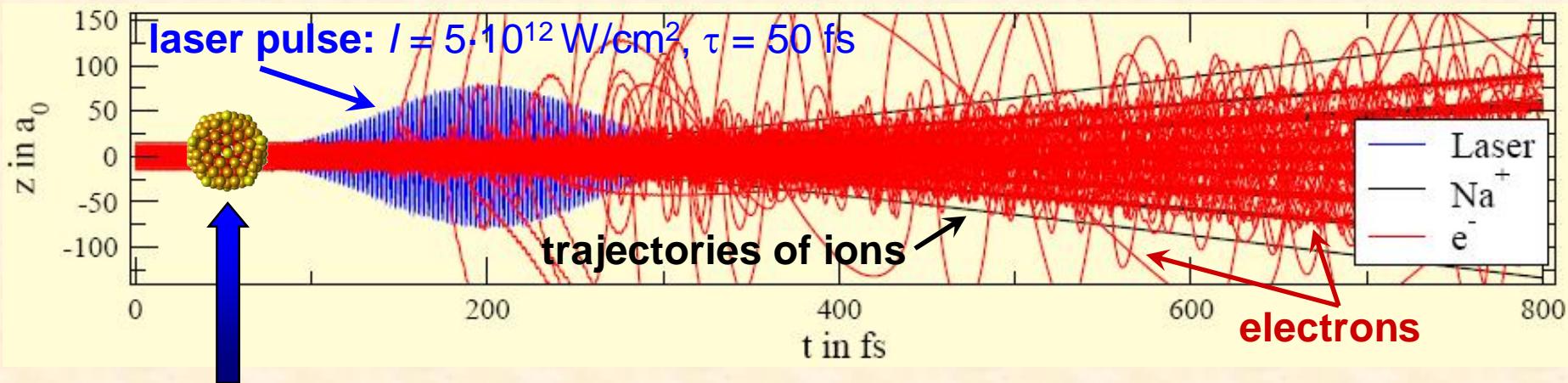
On the good side – big systems, long evolution times, nice parallelization and scaling

TD Schrödinger eq. – 3 atoms

MD –  $10^9$  atoms, up to milliseconds

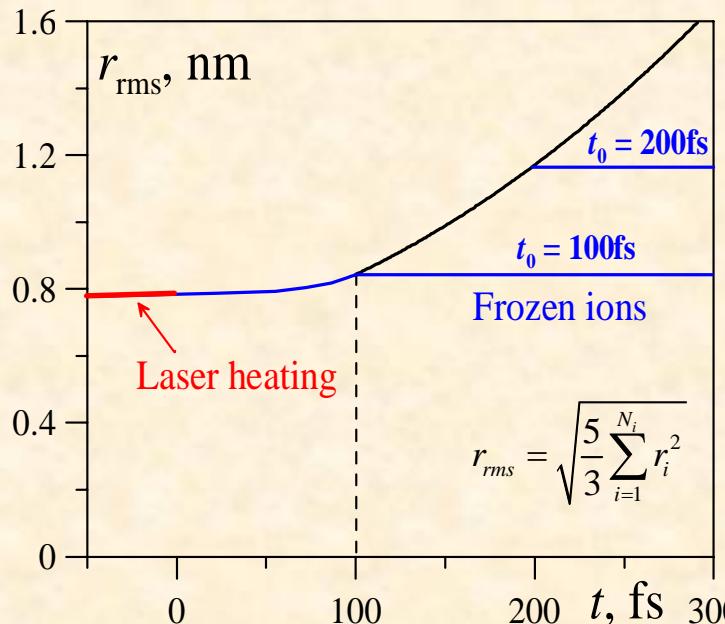
# MD simulations of ionized sodium clusters

## *Ionization and cluster expansion «Coulomb explosion»*



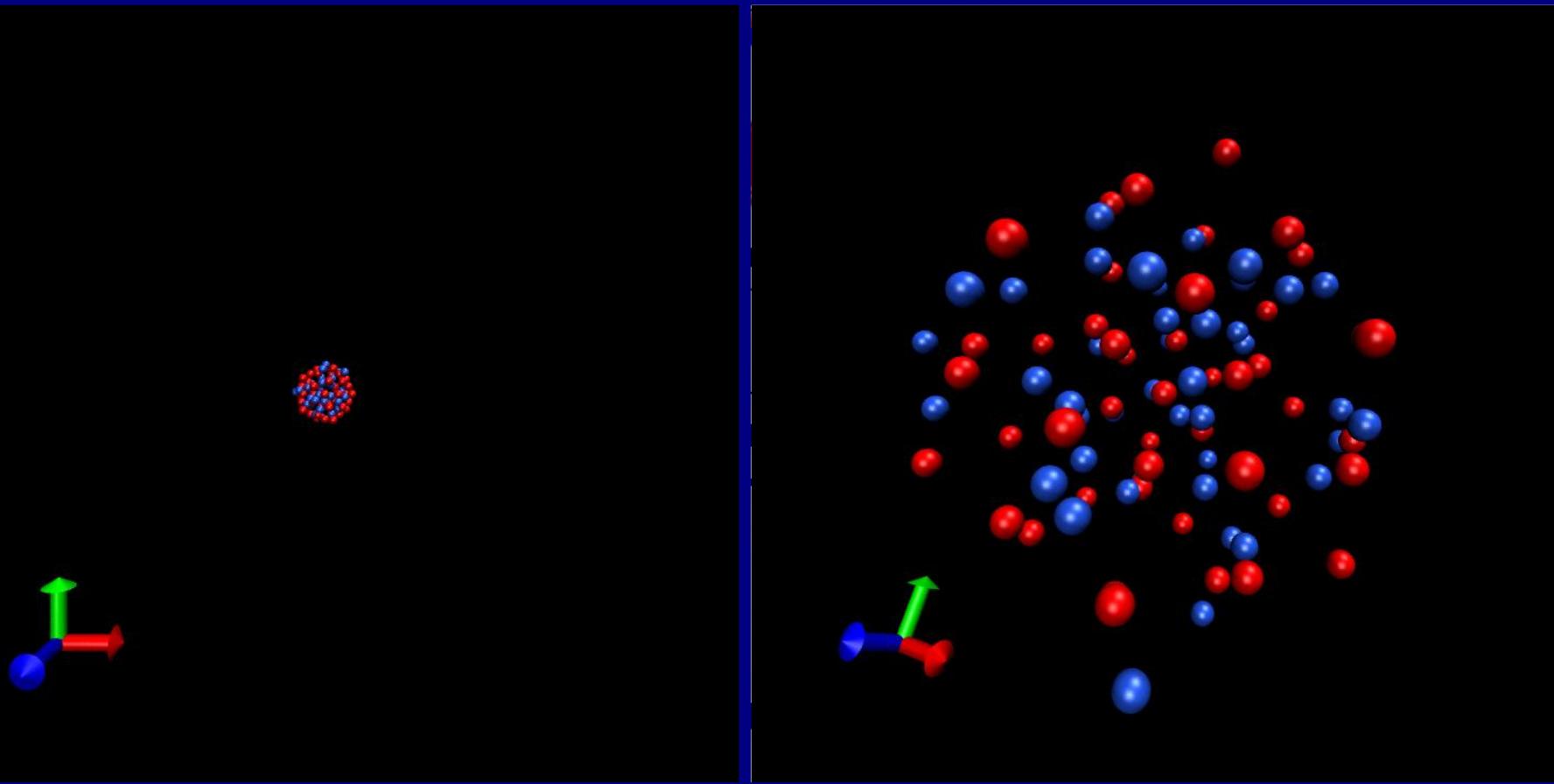
- In the initial state the ions are located in the nodes of Na<sub>55</sub> icosahedral crystal. Electrons are on top of ions.
- Ion-electron mass ratio is 41910
- Erf-like electron ion potential is used with  $U_{min} = -5.1 \text{ eV}$
- Typical times of:  
cluster expansion > 100fs  
electron oscillations < 1fs

## *Cluster expansion*

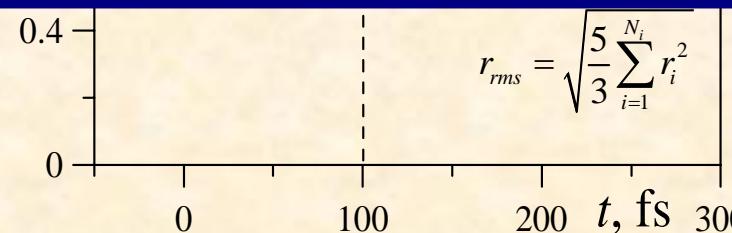


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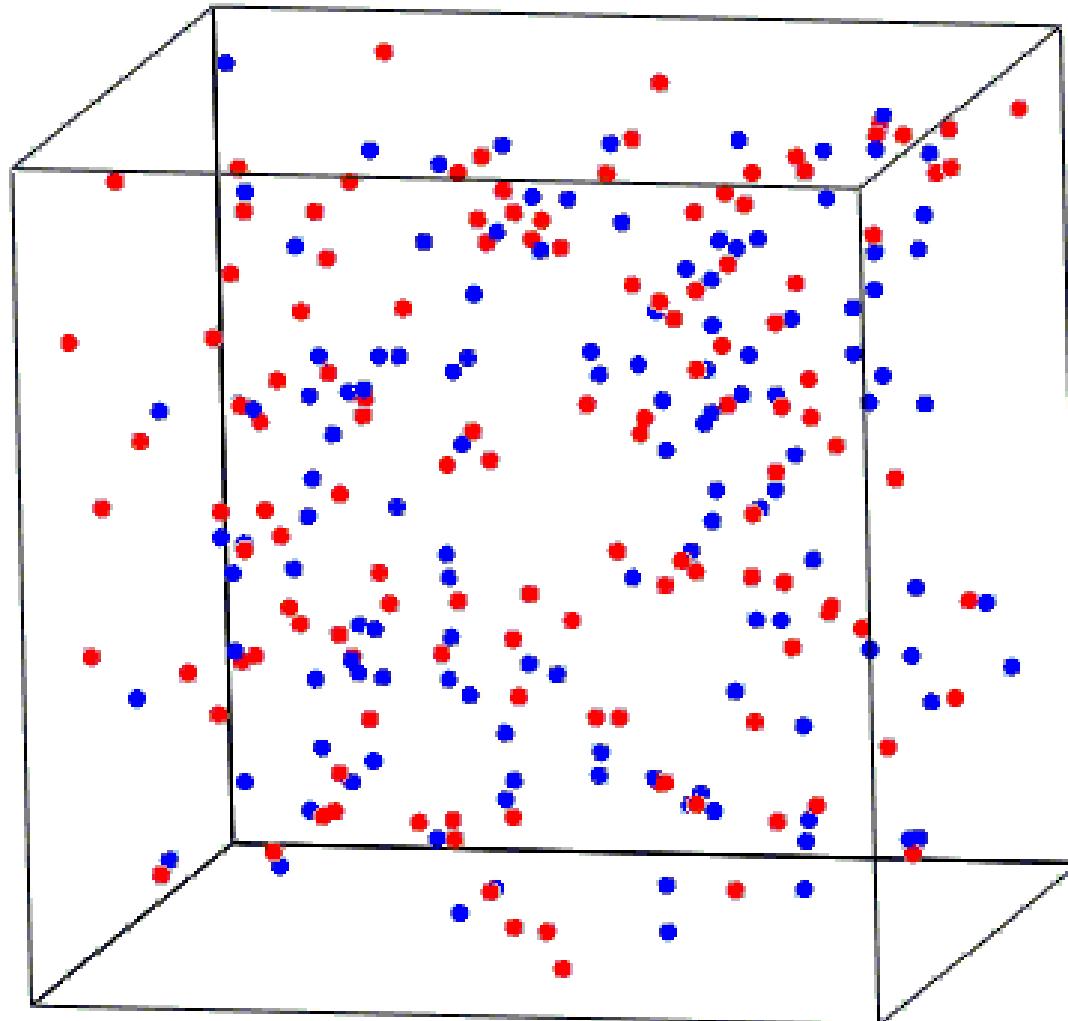


# Visualization of particle motion in MD cell

$N_{bound} = 0$

$t = 0$

- – electron
- – ion
- – bound electron
- – bound ion



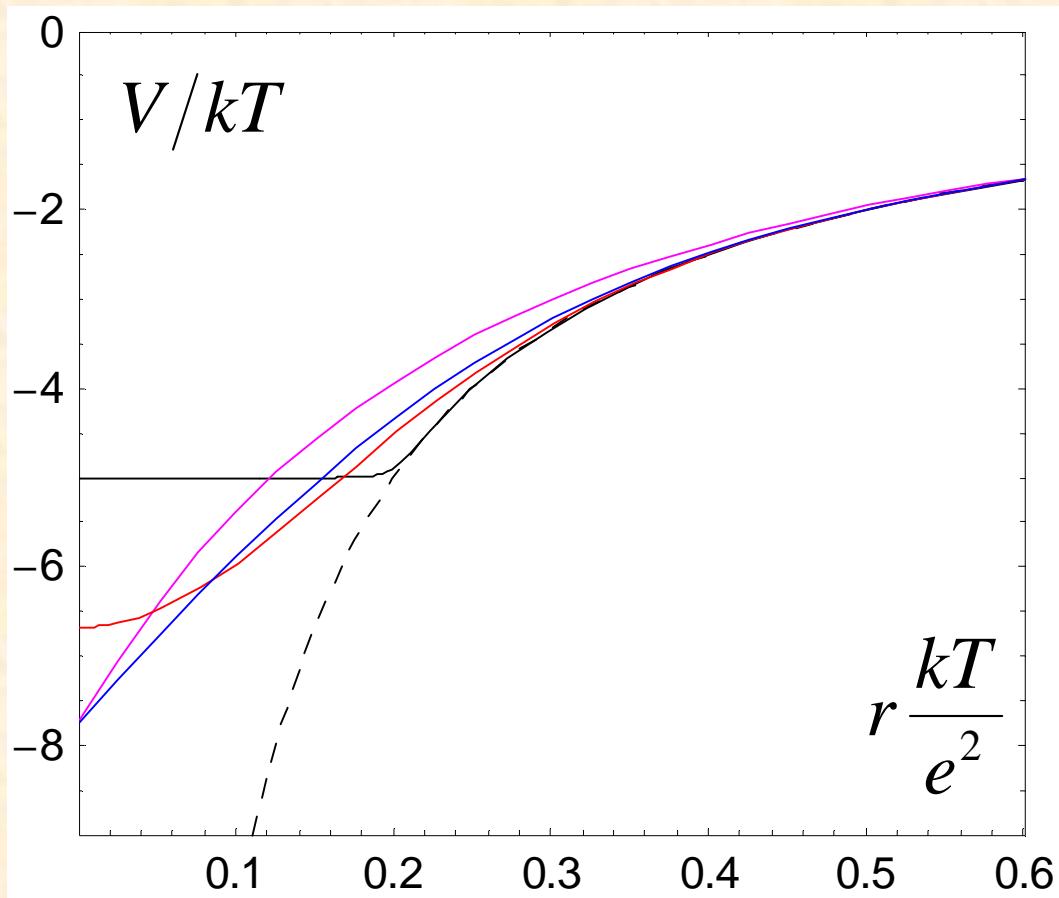
*An electron is marked as bound if it makes at least one complete revolution around an ion.*

$$N = 128$$

$$\Gamma = 1.28$$

$$M/m = 10$$

# Models for electron-ion interaction potentials



**Kelbg**  $\frac{1}{r} F\left(\frac{r}{\Lambda_{ei}}\right)$

$$F(x) = 1 - \exp(-x^2) + \sqrt{\pi}x(1 - \text{erf}(x)) \quad \Lambda_{ie} = \hbar/\sqrt{2mkT}$$

**Coulomb**  $\frac{1}{r}$

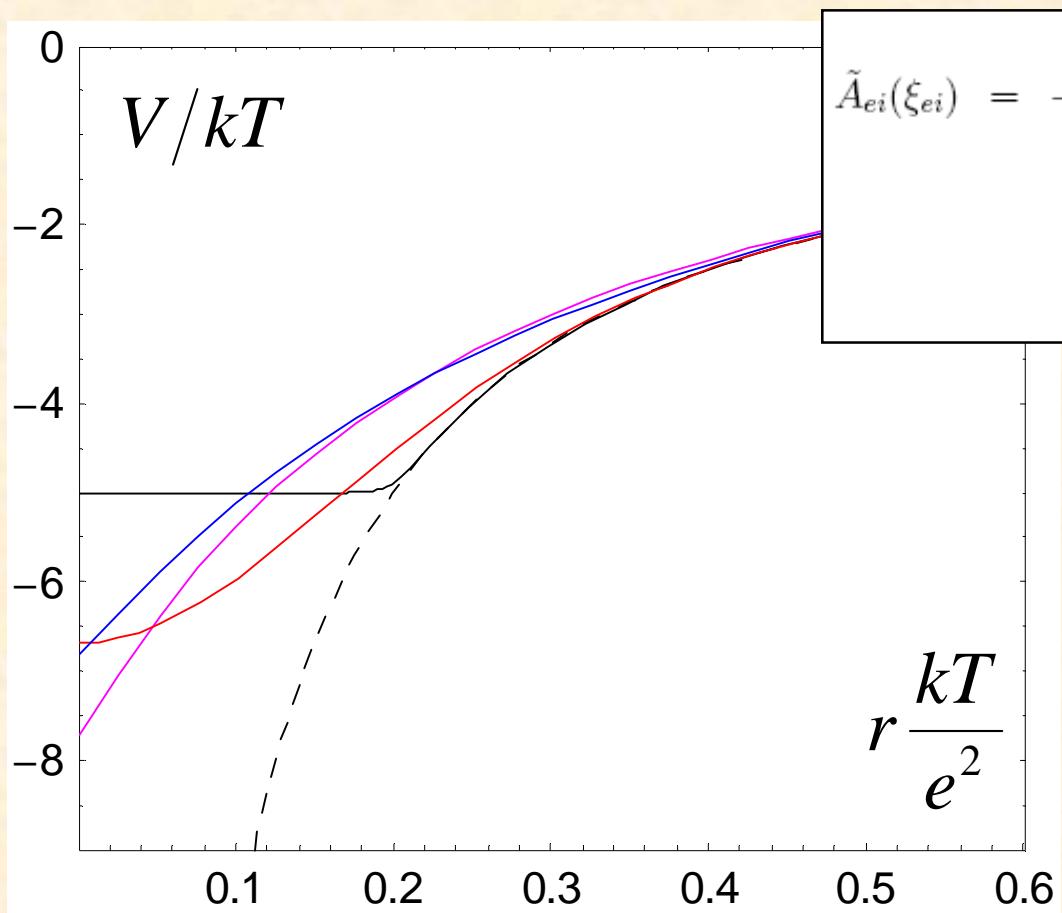
**Cut-off**  $\frac{1}{r}, \quad r > \frac{1}{\varepsilon}; \quad -\varepsilon, \quad r \leq \frac{1}{\varepsilon}$

**Deutsch**  $\frac{1}{r} \left[ 1 - \exp\left(-\frac{r}{\lambda_{ei}}\right) \right]$

$$\lambda_{ie} = \lambda_{th} = \hbar/\sqrt{mkT}$$

**Error function**  $\frac{1}{r} \text{erf}\left(-\frac{r}{\lambda_{ei}}\right)$

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$$\tilde{A}_{ei}(\xi_{ei}) = -\sqrt{\pi}\xi_{ei} + \ln \left[ \sqrt{\pi}\xi_{ie}^3 \left( \zeta(3) + \frac{1}{4}\zeta(5)\xi_{ie}^2 \right) + 4\sqrt{\pi}\xi_{ei} \int_0^\infty \frac{y \exp(-y^2) dy}{1 - \exp(-\pi\xi_{ei}/y)} \right]$$

**Deutsch**  $\frac{1}{r} \left[ 1 - \exp \left( -\frac{r}{\lambda_{ei}} \right) \right]$

$$\lambda_{ie} = \lambda_{th} = \hbar / \sqrt{mkT}$$

**Error function**  $\frac{1}{r} \operatorname{erf} \left( -\frac{r}{\lambda_{ei}} \right)$

**Corrected Kelbg**  $\frac{1}{r} \left[ F \left( \frac{r}{\Lambda_{ei}} \right) + r \frac{kT}{e^2} \tilde{A}_{ei} \left( \frac{e^2}{kT\Lambda_{ei}} \right) \exp \left( - \left( \frac{r}{\lambda_{ei}} \right)^2 \right) \right]$

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# Wave Packet Molecular Dynamics

Gaussian wave packet (WP) for a single particle:

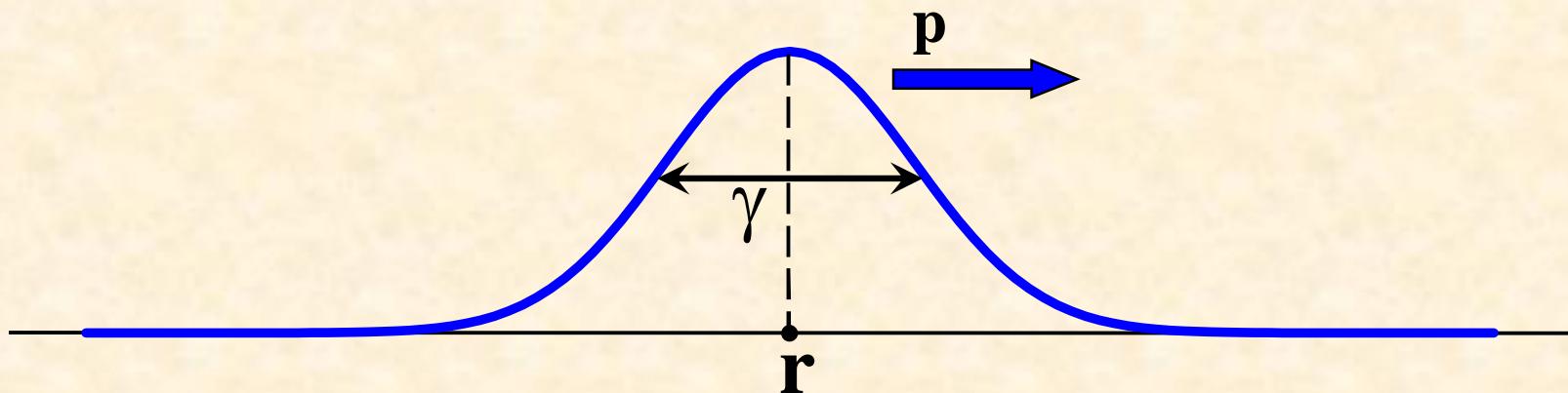
$$\varphi(\mathbf{x}, t) = \left( \frac{3}{2\pi\gamma^2} \right)^{3/4} \exp \left\{ - \left( \frac{3}{4\gamma^2} - \frac{ip_\gamma}{2\hbar\gamma} \right) (\mathbf{x} - \mathbf{r})^2 + \frac{i}{\hbar} \mathbf{p} \cdot (\mathbf{x} - \mathbf{r}) \right\}$$

“Physical” parameters (8 real numbers per particle):

$(\mathbf{r}, \mathbf{p})$  particle coordinate and momentum (3D vectors)

$\gamma$  width of the packet ( $\gamma > 0$ )

$p_\gamma$  “momentum” of the width



# Wave Packet Molecular Dynamics

## Hamiltonian

$$\hat{H} = \hat{K}_e + \hat{V}_{ei} + \hat{V}_{ee} + \hat{H}_{ext} = -\sum_k \frac{\hbar^2}{2m} \Delta_k - \sum_{k,i} \frac{eq_i}{|\hat{\mathbf{x}}_k - \mathbf{R}_i|} + \sum_{k < m} \frac{e^2}{|\hat{\mathbf{x}}_k - \hat{\mathbf{x}}_m|} + \hat{H}_{ext}$$

## Many-electron wave function

$$\Psi(\{\mathbf{x}_k\}, t) = \prod_k \varphi(\mathbf{x}_k, t) \quad (\text{Hartree approximation})$$

## Total energy

$$H = \langle \Psi | \hat{H} | \Psi \rangle = \sum_k \left( \frac{\mathbf{p}_k^2}{2m} + \frac{\mathbf{p}_{\gamma_k}^2}{2m} \right) + \sum_k \frac{9\hbar^2}{8m\gamma_k^2} + \sum_{k < l} \frac{e_k e_l}{r_{kl}} \operatorname{erf} \left( \frac{r_{kl}}{\sqrt{2(\gamma_k^2 + \gamma_l^2)/3}} \right) + H_{ex}$$

## Norm-matrix

$$N_{\alpha\beta} = \frac{\partial}{\partial q_\alpha^* \partial q_\beta} \ln \langle \Psi(\mathbf{q}^*) | \Psi(\mathbf{q}) \rangle$$

## Equations of motion

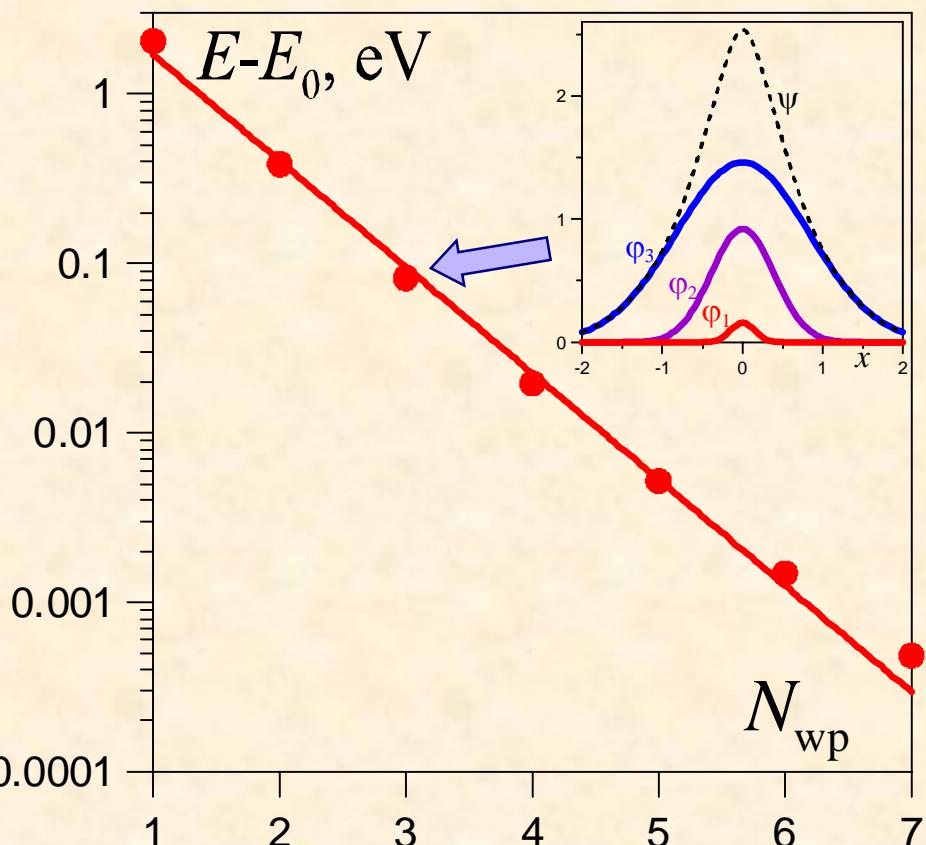
$$\sum_\alpha N_{\alpha\beta} \frac{dq_\alpha}{dt} = \frac{\partial H}{\partial q_\beta},$$

$$\dot{\mathbf{r}}_k(t) = \frac{\partial H}{\partial \mathbf{p}_k}, \quad \dot{\mathbf{p}}_k(t) = -\frac{\partial H}{\partial \mathbf{r}_k}, \quad \dot{\gamma}_k(t) = \frac{\partial H}{\partial p_{\gamma_k}}, \quad \dot{p}_{\gamma_k}(t) = -\frac{\partial H}{\partial \gamma_k}$$

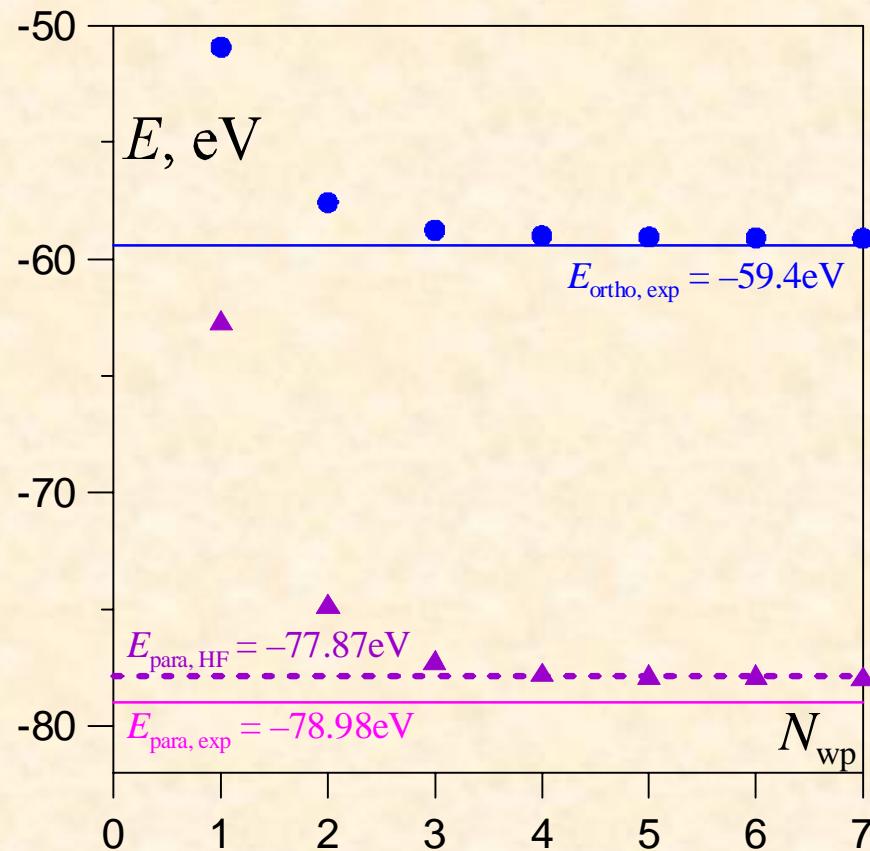
$$\mathbf{N} = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & -1 & 0 & 0 \\ 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & -1 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

# Ground state of simple atoms represented by multiple Gaussian wave packets

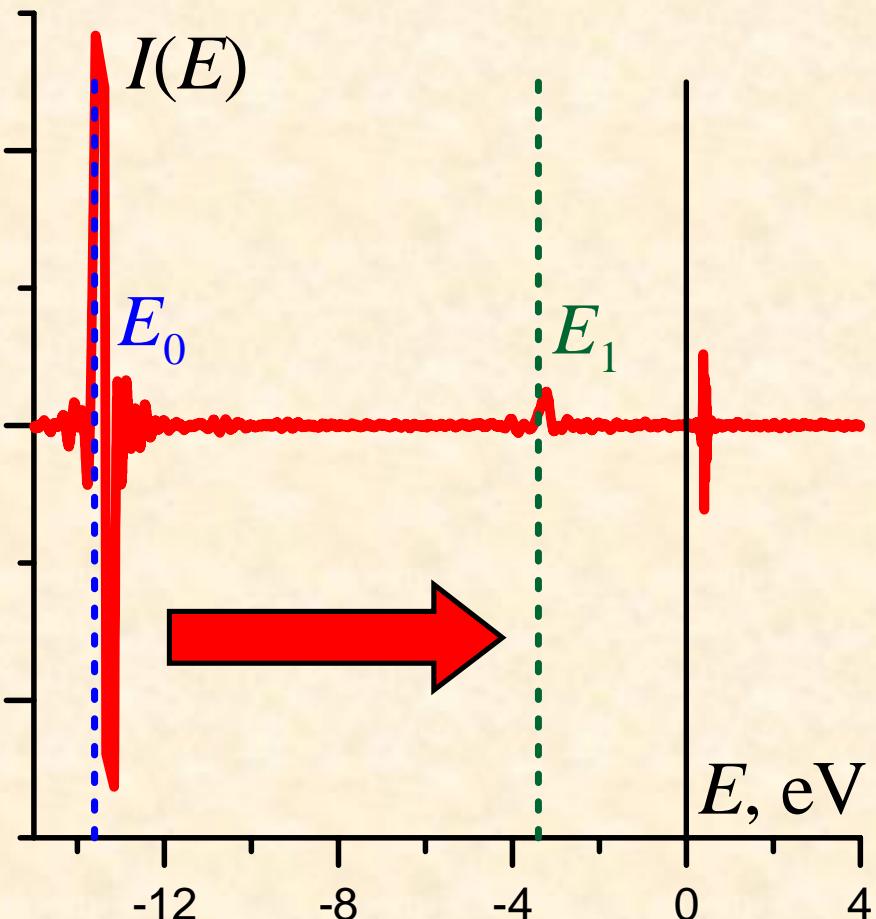
Hydrogen



Helium

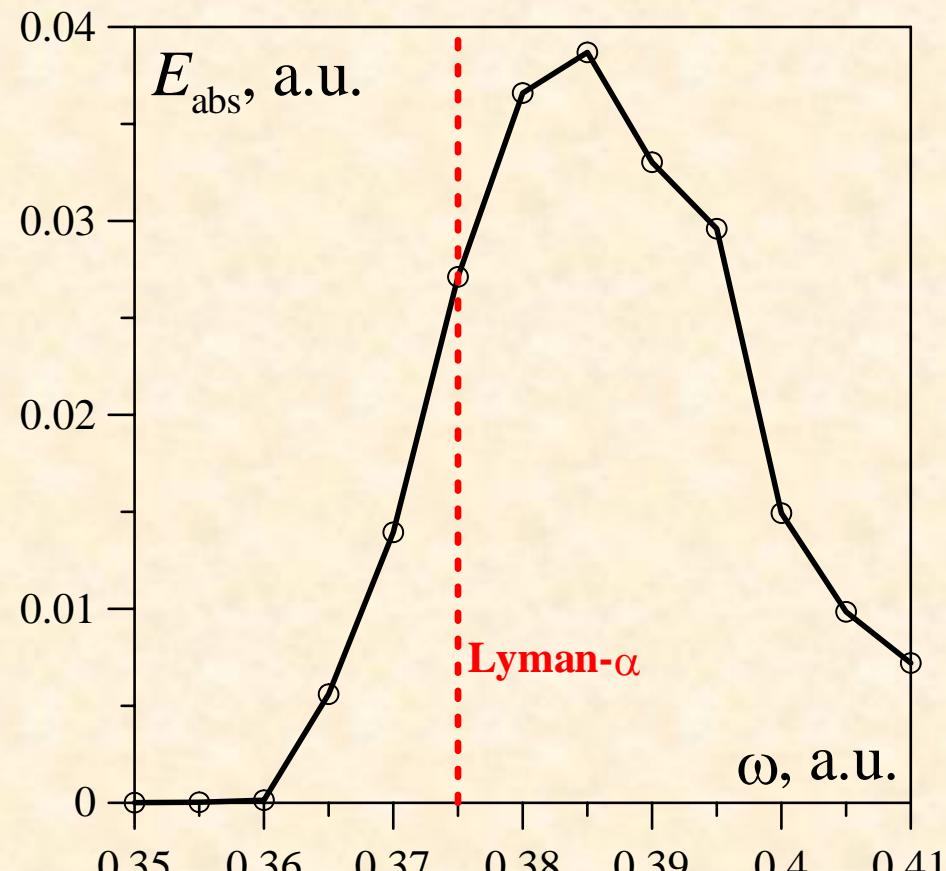


# Excited states of Hydrogen represented by multiple Gaussian wave packets



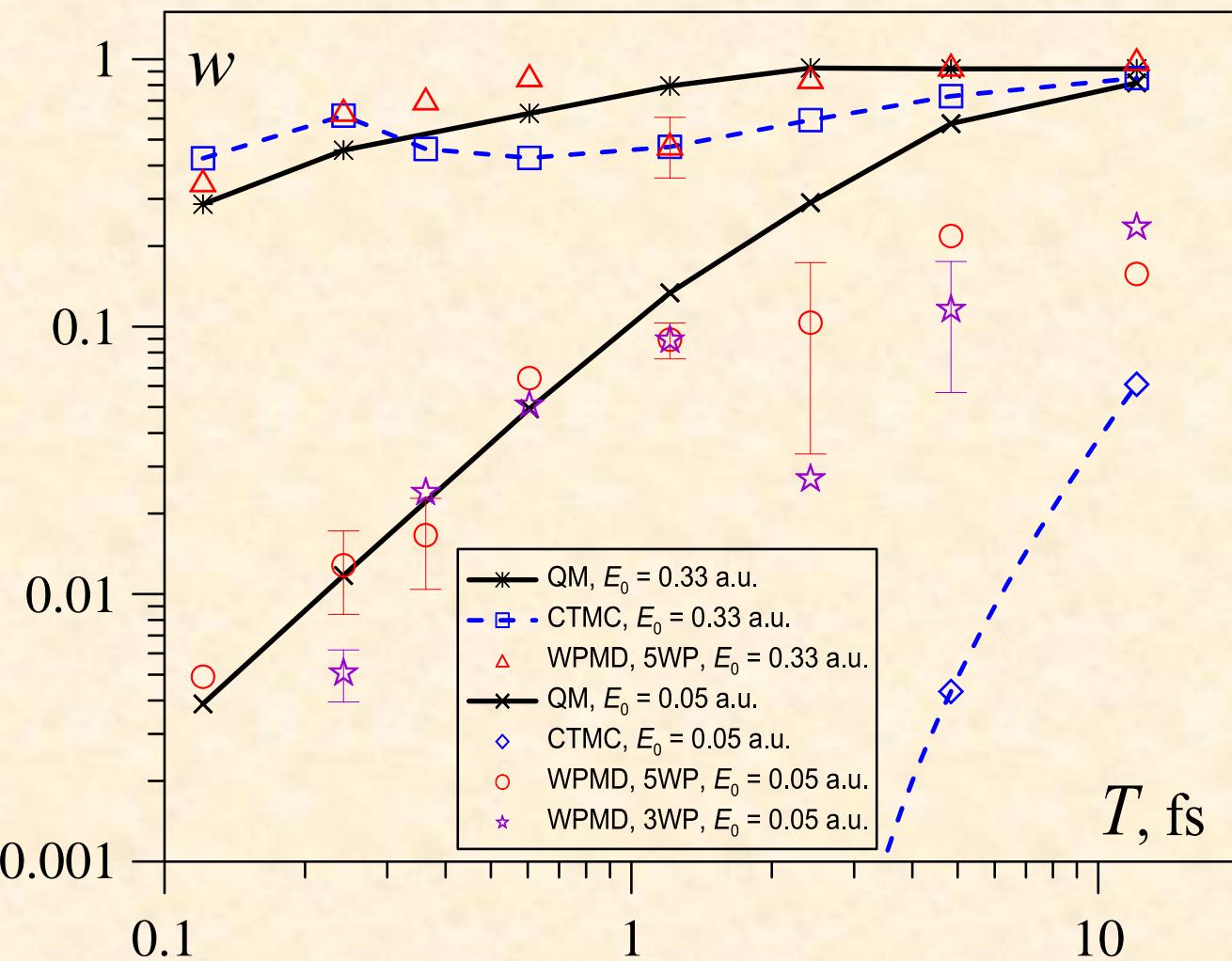
Spectrum of the time  
correlation function after  
excitation

$$N_{wp} = 5, T = 200 \text{ a.u.}, E_0 = 0.005 \text{ a.u.}$$



Absorbed energy depending on  
the laser frequency in the area  
of  $1s \rightarrow 2s$  transition

# Ionization of H(1s) atom by a laser pulse\*



Classical Trajectory  
Motne-Carlo (CTMC):

$$P = \frac{N_{E_{part} > 0}}{N_{tot}}$$

WPMD  
(1 electron, 3 WPs):

$$\Psi = \Psi_{\text{bound}} + \Psi_{\text{free}}$$

$$P = \frac{\langle \Psi_{\text{free}} | \Psi_{\text{free}} \rangle}{\langle \Psi | \Psi \rangle}$$

\* Comparison with J.P. Hansen, J. Lu, L.B. Madsen, H.M. Nilsen // Phys. Rev. A, 2001, V. 64, P. 033418.

# Electron force field approach\*

$$E_{\text{elec-elec}} = \frac{1}{4\pi\epsilon_0} \sum_{i < j} \frac{1}{r_{ij}} \text{Erf} \left( \frac{\sqrt{2}r_{ij}}{\sqrt{s_i^2 + s_j^2}} \right),$$

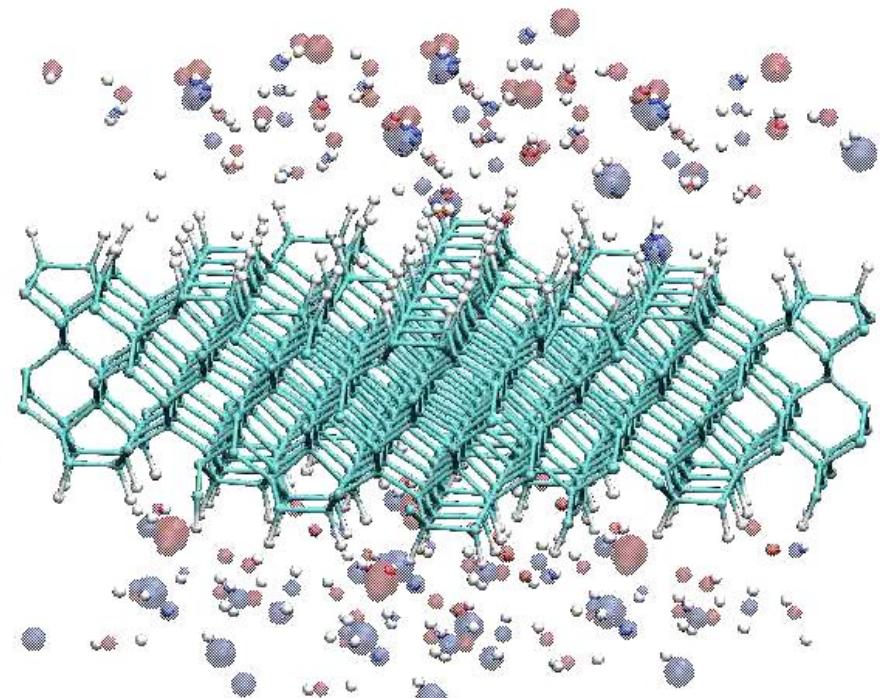
$$E_{\text{Pauli}} = \sum_{\sigma_i=\sigma_j} E(\uparrow\uparrow)_{ij} + \sum_{\sigma_i \neq \sigma_j} E(\uparrow\downarrow)_{ij},$$

$$E(\uparrow\uparrow)_{ij} = \left( \frac{S_{ij}^2}{1 - S_{ij}^2} + (1 - \rho) \frac{S_{ij}^2}{1 + S_{ij}^2} \right) \Delta T_{ij}$$

$$E(\uparrow\downarrow)_{ij} = \frac{\rho S_{ij}^2}{1 + S_{ij}^2} \Delta T_{ij},$$

$$\Delta T_{ij} = \frac{\hbar^2}{m_e} \left[ \frac{3}{6} \left( \frac{1}{\bar{s}_i^2} + \frac{1}{\bar{s}_j^2} \right) - \frac{6(\bar{s}_i^2 + \bar{s}_j^2) - 4\bar{r}_{ij}^2}{(\bar{s}_i^2 + \bar{s}_j^2)^2} \right], \quad S_{ij} = \left( \frac{2}{\bar{s}_i/\bar{s}_j + \bar{s}_j/\bar{s}_i} \right)^{3/2} e^{-\bar{r}_{ij}^2/(\bar{s}_i^2 + \bar{s}_j^2)},$$

$\rho = -0.2$ ,  $\bar{x}_{ij} = x_{ij} \times 1.125$ , and  $\bar{s}_i = s_i \times 0.9$ .



\* J.T. Su, W.A. Goddard III, *Excited Electron Dynamics Modeling of Warm Dense Matter*, Phys. Rev. Lett., 2007, v. 99, p. 185003.

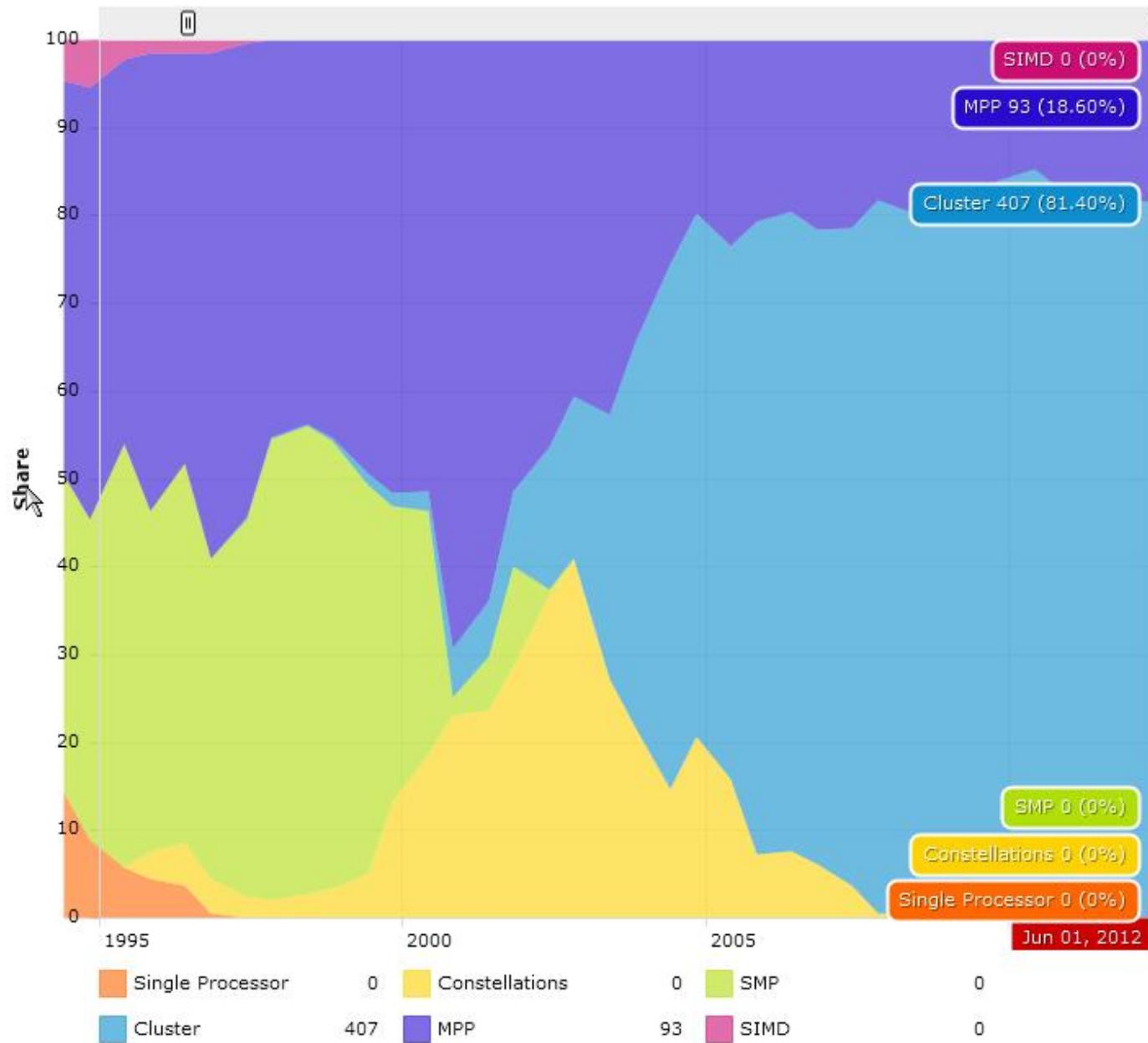
# PARALLEL EXECUTION



*LLNL Sequoia  
Supercomputer*



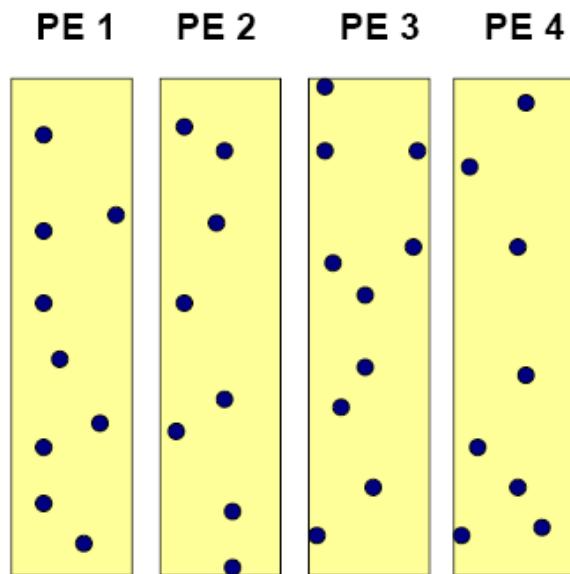
# Top-500: System Architecture



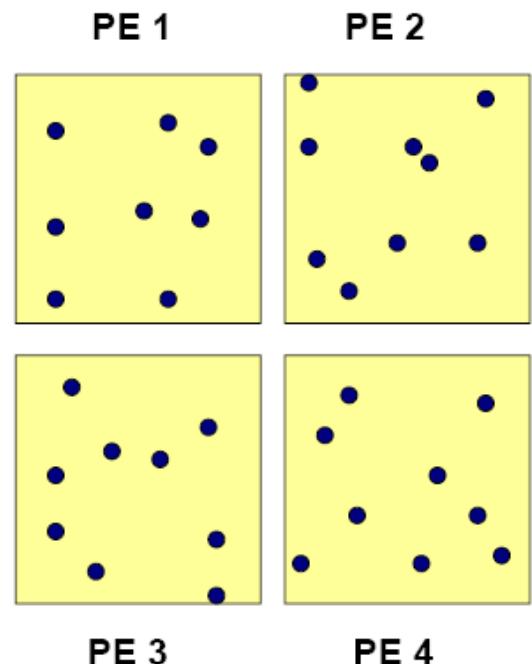
# Domain Decomposition

- Principle:
- Distribute the spatial domain most uniform among processors
  - Particles can move across different processors
  - Only local communications required (interacting particles are on the local and neighbored processors)

slab-splitting



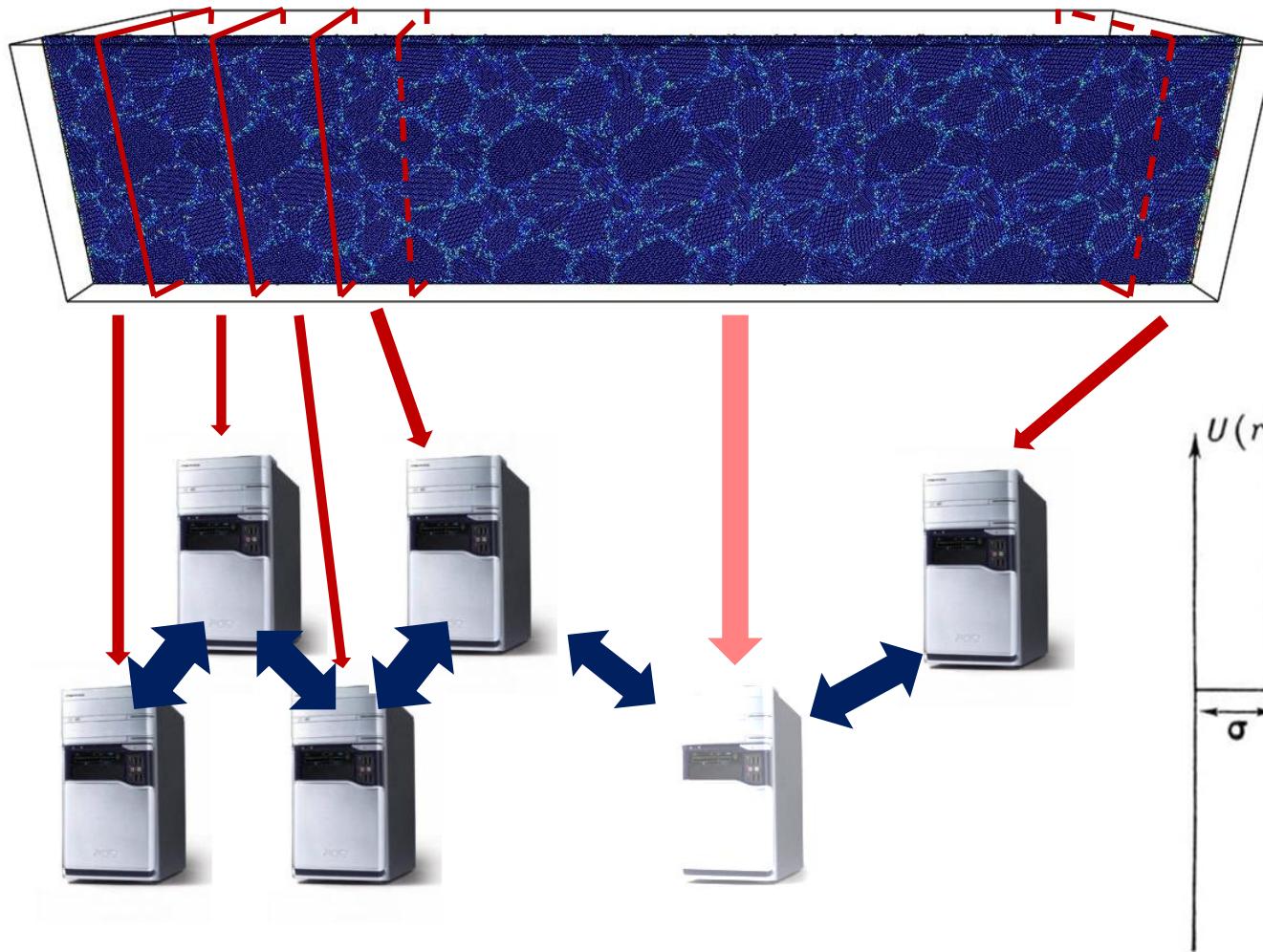
cube-splitting



small number of neighbor cells:  
2 neighbors

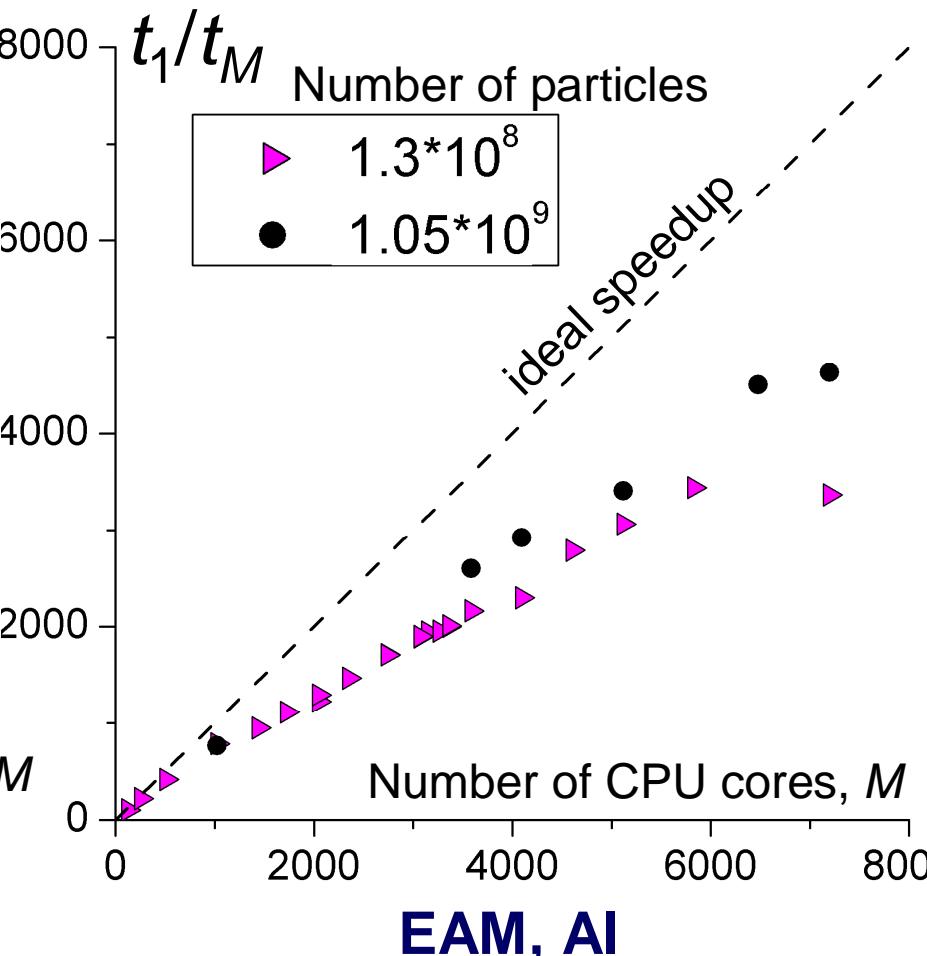
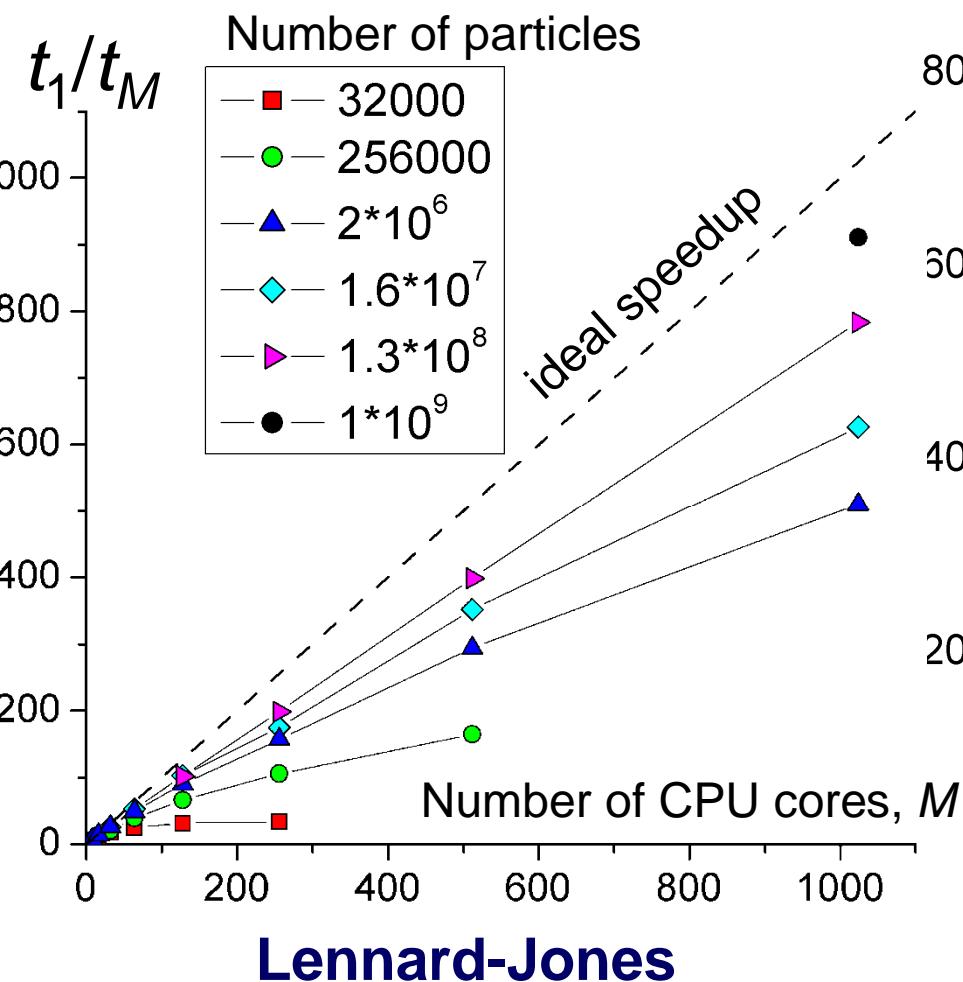
small surface area:  
8 / 26 neighbors (2-/3-dim)

# Domain decomposition



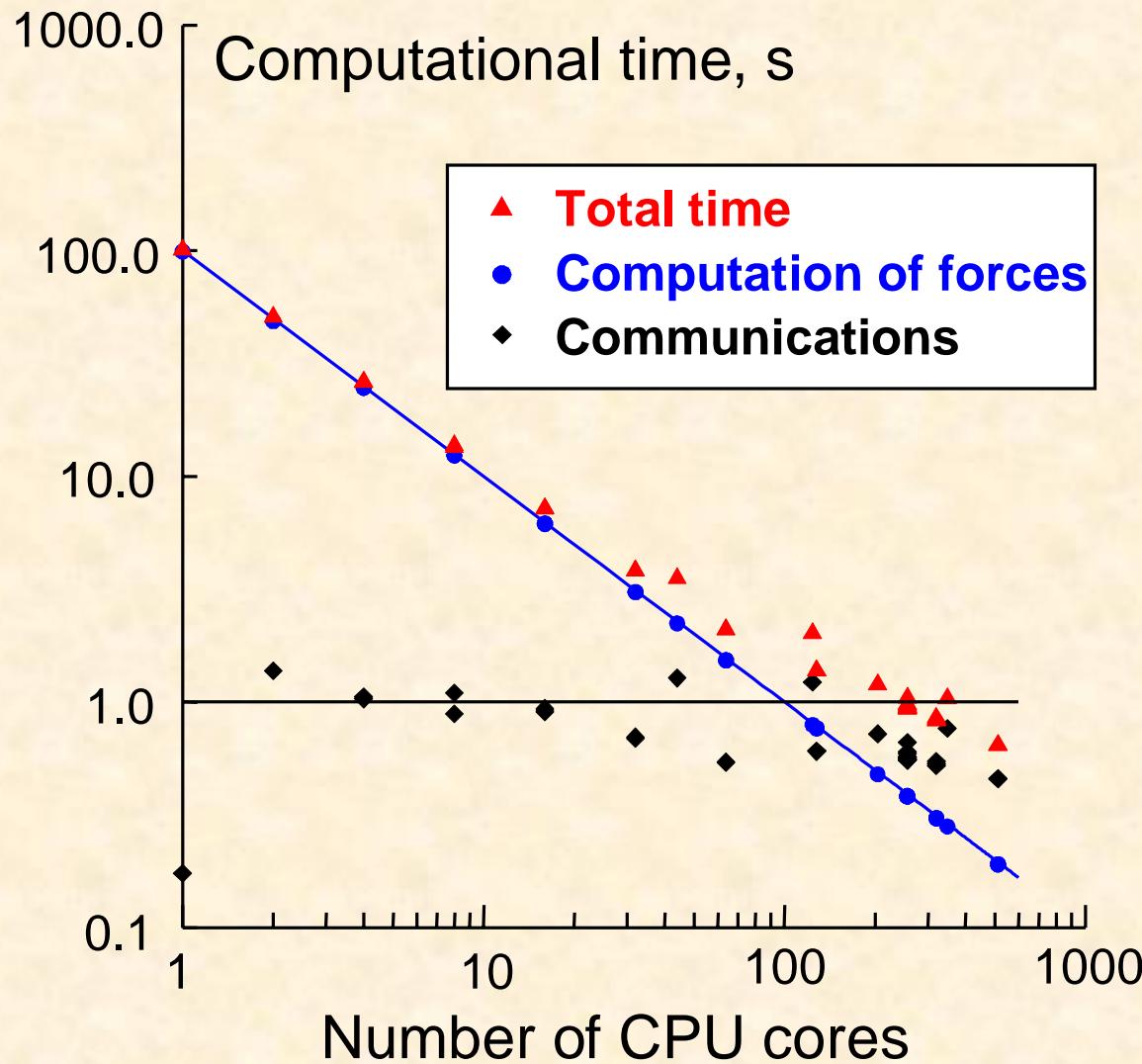
# Speedup depending on the number of CPU cores\*

*Simulations were performed at the MVS-100K cluster of JSCC RAS  
using LAMMPS*



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# CPU number limit due to interprocess communications



The number of particles  
is fixed to  
 $N = 32\,000$

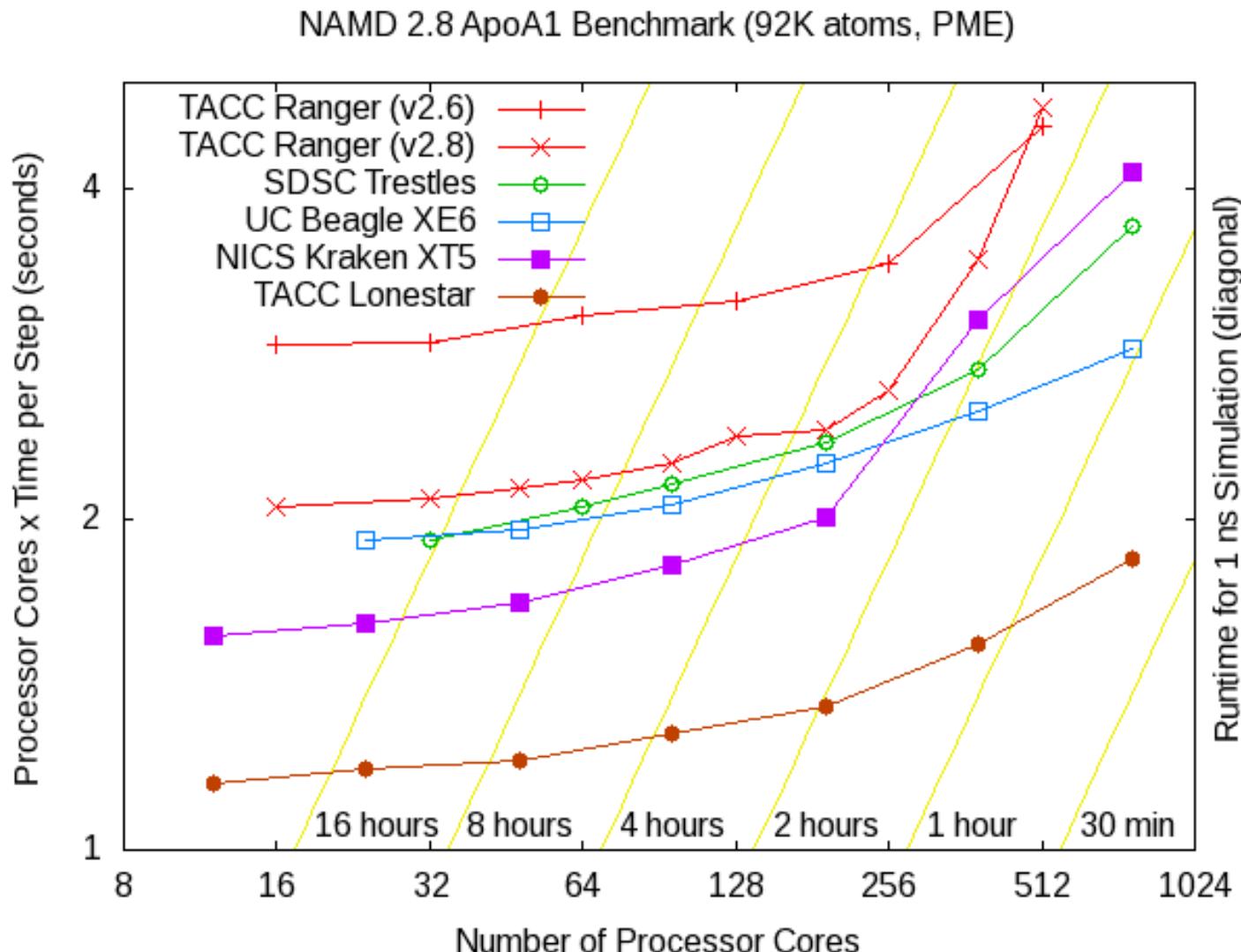
Lennard-Jones  
interaction potential  
with large cut-off length  
 $R_{cut} = 7.0$

Computing cluster  
MIPT–60

Application  
LAMMPS

# NAMD: weak scaling for different clusters

92,224 atoms, 12A cutoff + PME every 4 steps, periodic



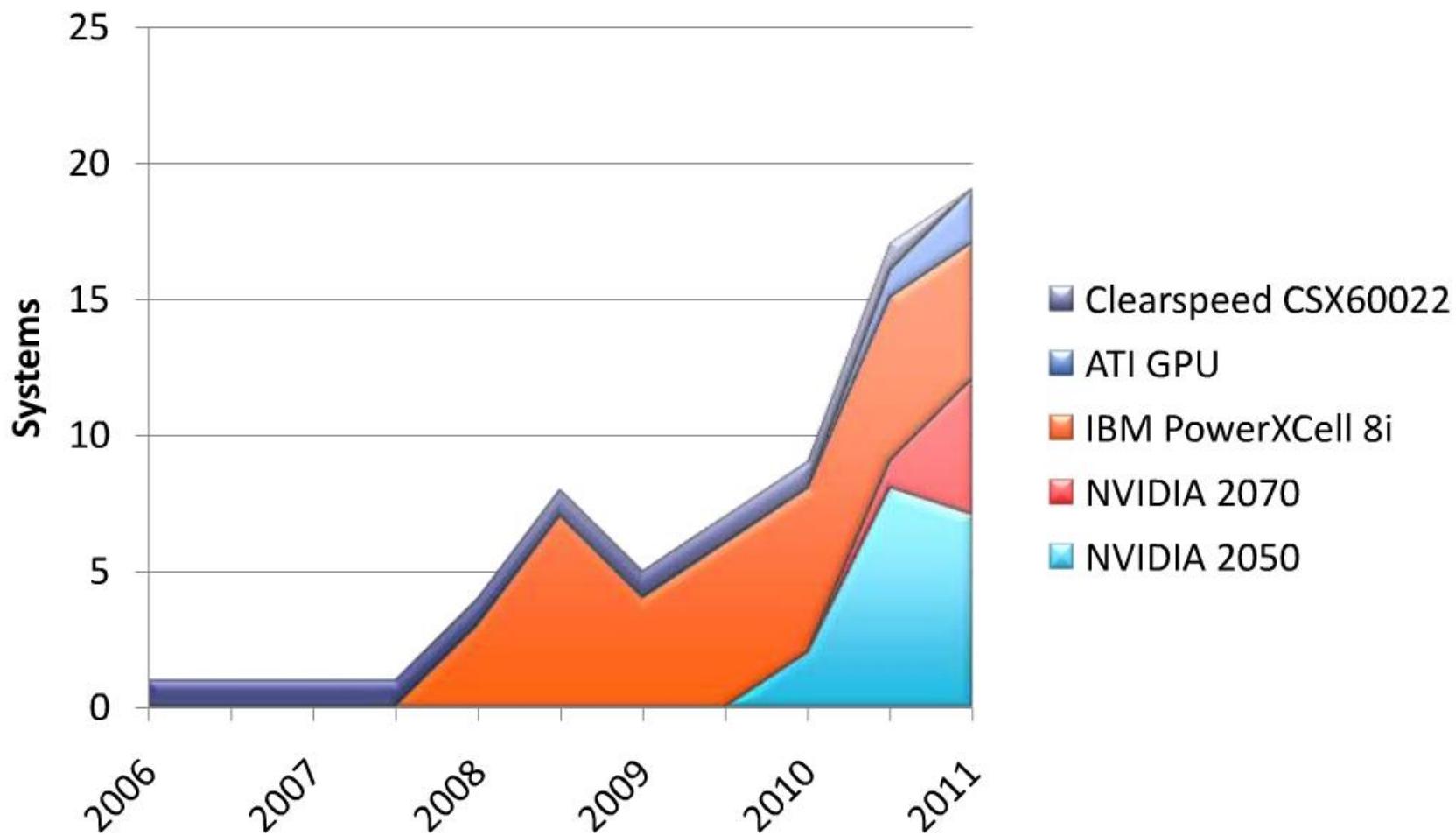


# ACCELERATION USING GPUs

# Top 500 Supercomputers (June 2012)\*

Rank	Site	Computer/Year Vendor	Cores	R <sub>max</sub>	R <sub>peak</sub>	Power
1	DOE/NNSA/LLNL United States	<b>Sequoia</b> - BlueGene/Q, Power BQC 16C 1.60 GHz, Custom / 2011 IBM	1572864	16324.75	20132.66	7890.0
2	RIKEN Advanced Institute for Computational Science (AICS) Japan	K computer, SPARC64 VIIIfx 2.0GHz, Tofu interconnect / 2011 Fujitsu	705024	10510.00	11280.38	12659.9
3	DOE/SC/Argonne National Laboratory United States	<b>Mira</b> - BlueGene/Q, Power BQC 16C 1.60GHz, Custom / 2012 IBM	786432	8162.38	10066.33	3945.0
4	Leibniz Rechenzentrum Germany	<b>SuperMUC</b> - iDataPlex DX360M4, Xeon E5-2680 8C 2.70GHz, Infiniband FDR / 2012 IBM	147456	2897.00	3185.05	3422.7
5	National Supercomputing Center in Tianjin China	<b>Tianhe-1A</b> - NUDT YH MPP, Xeon X5670 6C 2.93 GHz, NVIDIA 2050 / 2010 NUDT	186368	2566.00	4701.00	4040.0
6	DOE/SC/Oak Ridge National Laboratory United States	<b>Jaguar</b> - Cray XK6, Opteron 6274 16C 2.200GHz, Cray Gemini interconnect, NVIDIA 2090 / 2009 Cray Inc.	298592	1941.00	2627.61	5142.0
7	CINECA Italy	<b>Fermi</b> - BlueGene/Q, Power BQC 16C 1.60GHz, Custom / 2012 IBM	163840	1725.49	2097.15	821.9
8	Forschungszentrum Juelich (FZJ) Germany	<b>JuQUEEN</b> - BlueGene/Q, Power BQC 16C 1.60GHz, Custom / 2012 IBM	131072	1380.39	1677.72	657.5
9	CEA/TGCC-GENCI France	<b>Curie thin nodes</b> - Bullx B510, Xeon E5-2680 8C 2.700GHz, Infiniband QDR / 2012 Bull	77184	1359.00	1667.17	2251.0
10	National Supercomputing Centre in Shenzhen (NSCS) China	<b>Nebulae</b> - Dawning TC3600 Blade System, Xeon X5650 6C 2.66GHz, Infiniband QDR, NVIDIA 2050 / 2010 Dawning	120640	1271.00	2984.30	2580.0

# Accelerators in supercomputers



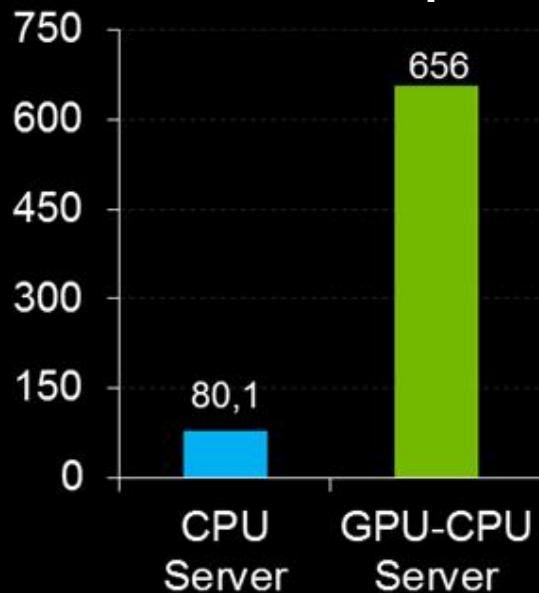
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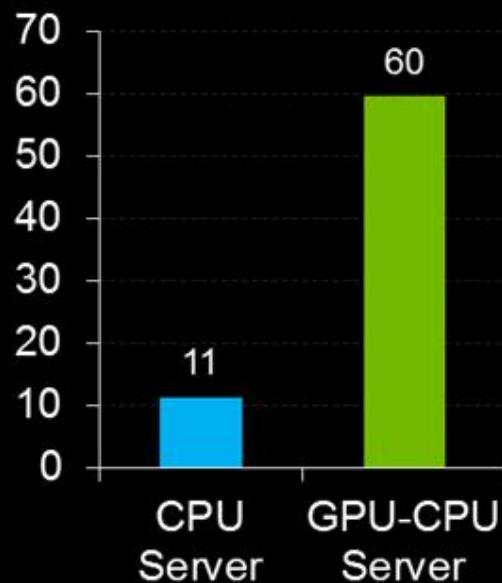
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# GPU vs CPU: Performance, Cost, Energy Saving\*

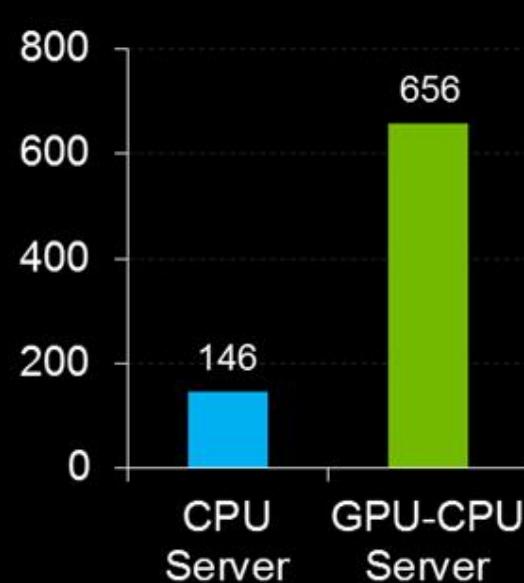
Linpack performance,  
GFlops



GFlops/\$K

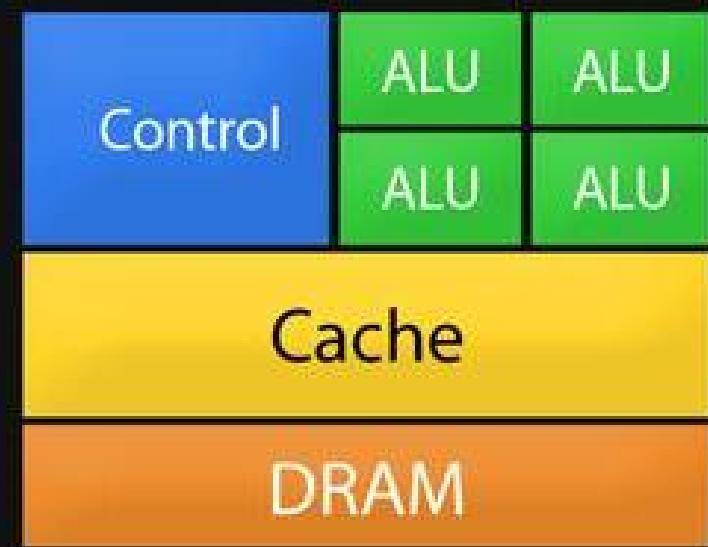


GFlops/KW



CPU 1U Server: 2x Intel Xeon X5550 (Nehalem) 2.66 GHz, 48 GB memory, \$7K, 0.55 kw  
GPU-CPU 1U Server: 2x Tesla C2050 + 2x Intel Xeon X5550, 48 GB memory, \$11K, 1.0 kw

# Comparison of CPU and GPU architectures\*



CPU



GPU

\*Original location: <http://www.chepr.ru/index.php?rasd=info&id=75>

# GPU-enabled MD simulation packages

**LAMMPS**

**Large-scale Atomic/Molecular Massively Parallel Simulator**  
Sandia National Lab, USA  
<http://lammps.sandia.gov>, Free.



**Highly Optimized Object Oriented Molecular Dynamics**  
Developers: J.A. Anderson, A. Travesset  
Iowa State University, Ames, IA 50011, USA  
<http://codeblue.umich.edu/hoomd-blue/>, Free.



**NAMD/VMD**  
University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign  
(UIUC), USA  
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**GROMACS +**



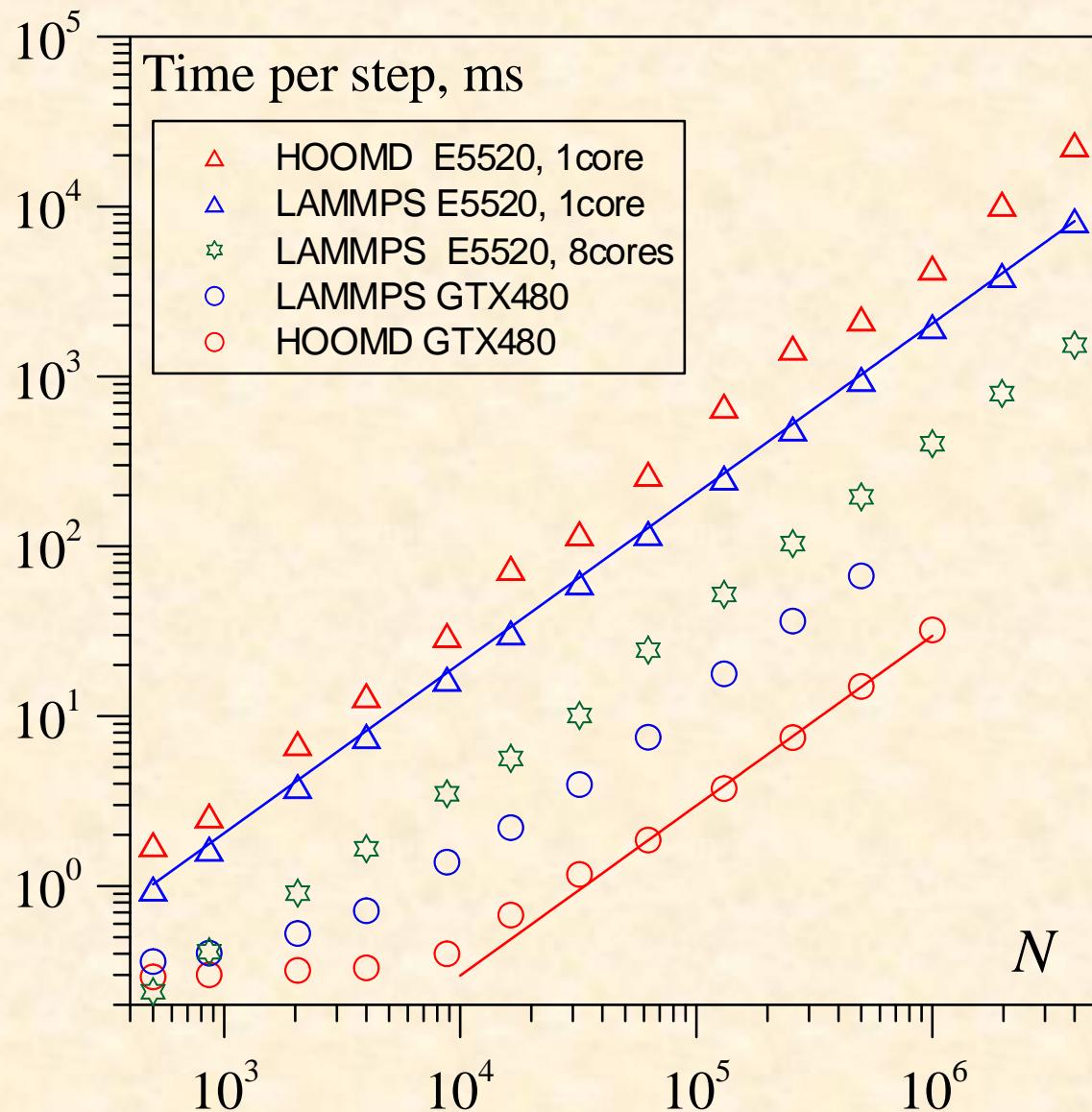
**MDGPU**

**ACE-MD**

**AMBER**

**HALMD**

# Time of a single step execution (the lower the better) for different number of particles



**Benchmarks for  
Lennard-Jones  
liquid:**

$\rho = 0.84$ ,  $T=0.64$ ,

$r_{cut} = 3$ ,  $r_{skin} = 0.8$

**MD simulation  
packages:**

LAMMPS (18 Feb 2011)

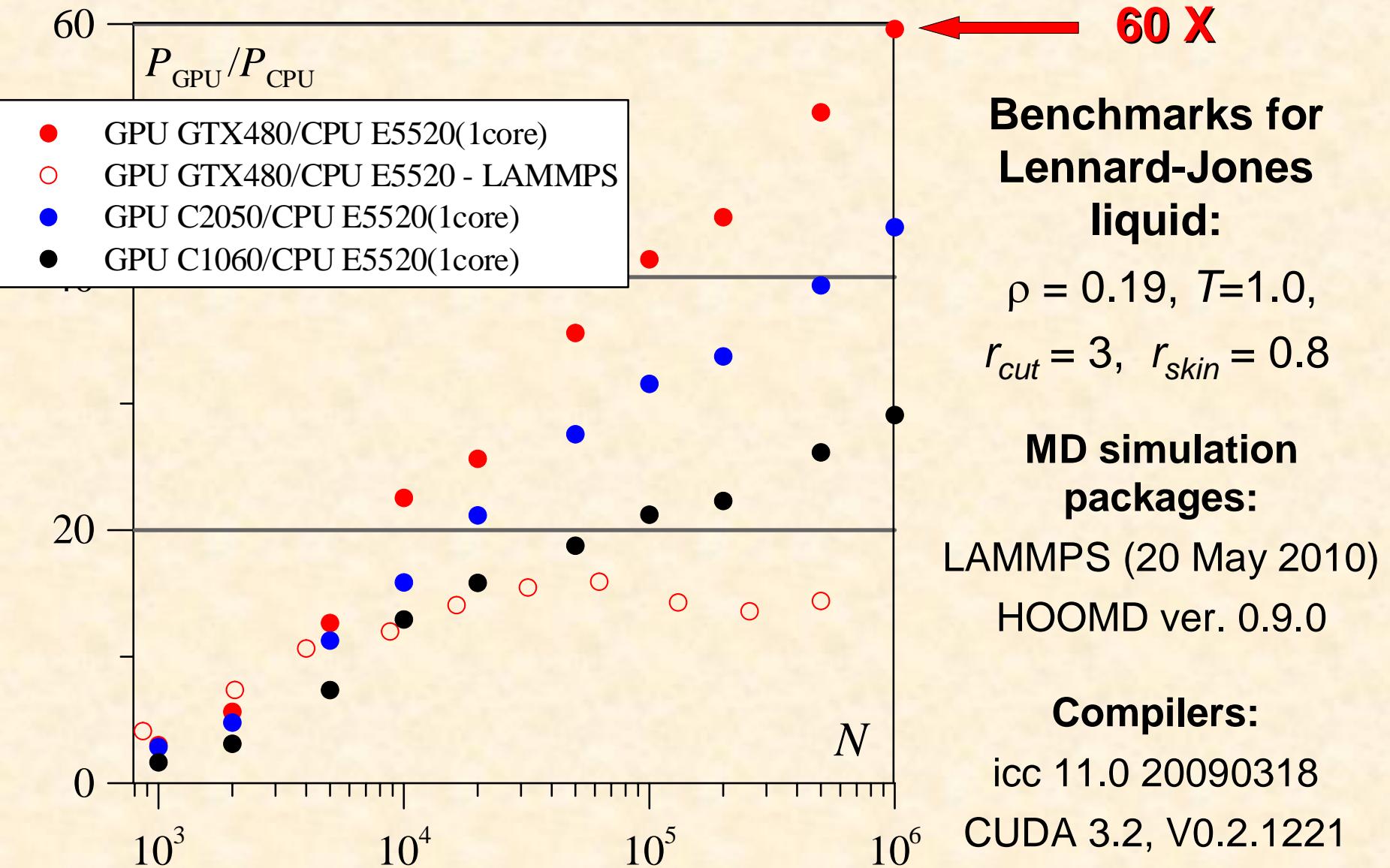
HOOMD ver. 0.9.1

**Compilers:**

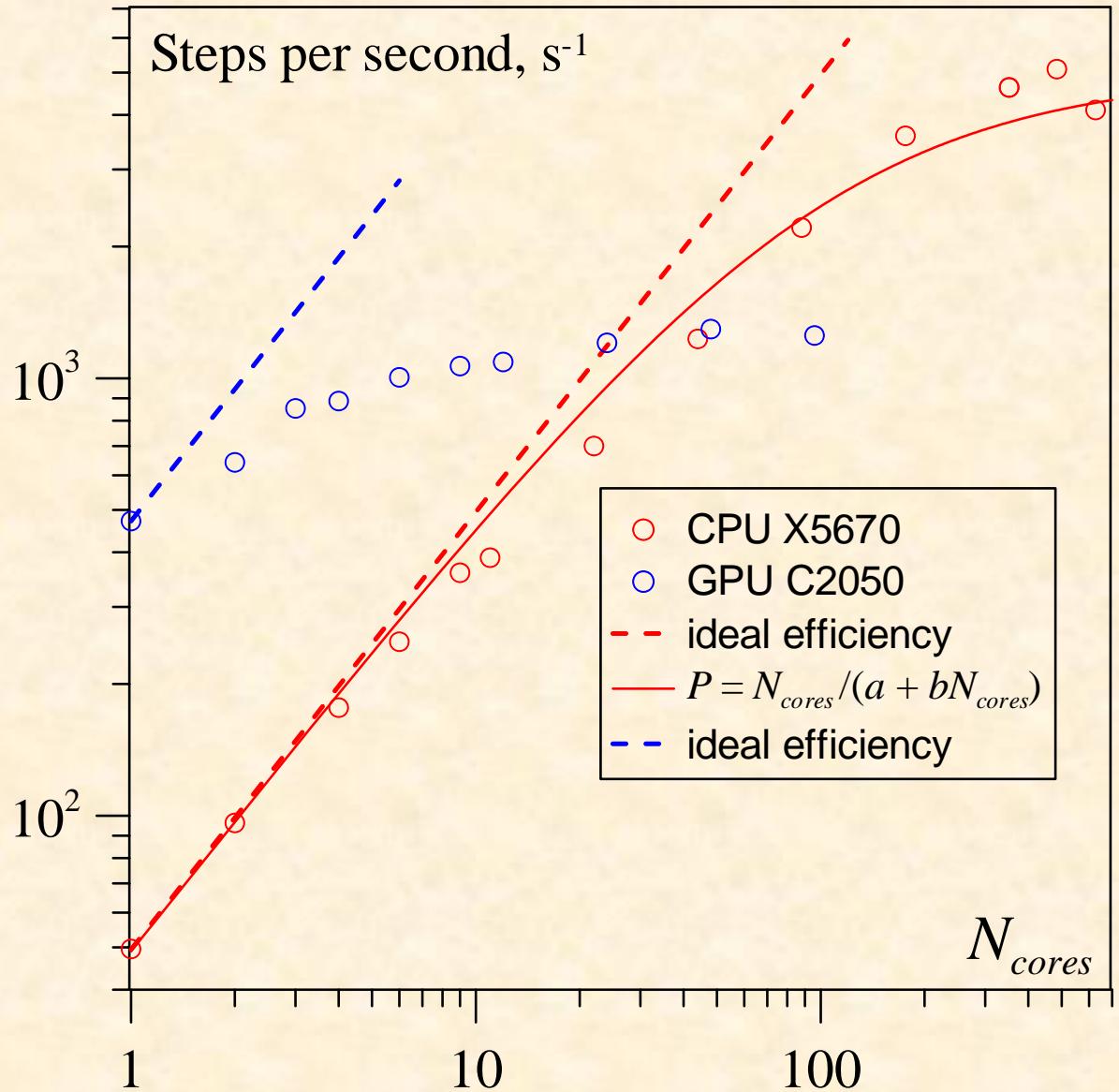
icc 11.0 20090318

CUDA 3.2, V0.2.1221

# Ratio between GPU and CPU performances depending on the number of particles



# Time of a single step execution for different number of CPU/GPU cores of the hybrid cluster



$N_{part} = 16 \cdot 10^3$

Benchmarks for  
LJ liquid:

$\rho = 0.19$ ,  $T=1.0$ ,

$r_{cut} = 3$ ,  $r_{skin} = 0.8$

MD simulation  
packages:

LAMMPS (5 Apr 2011)

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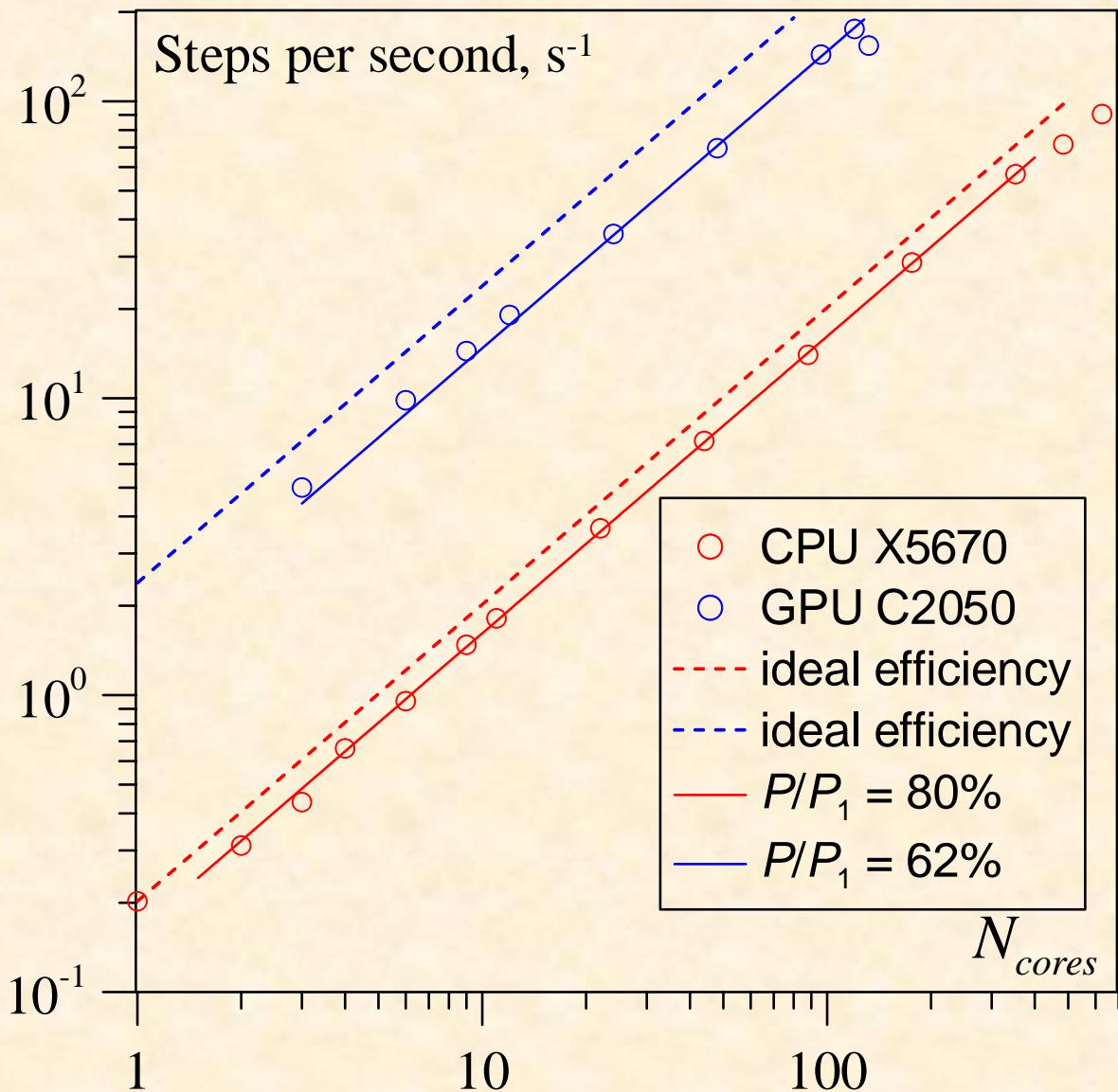
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CUDA 3.2, V0.2.1221

Cluster:

K100 (KIAM RAS)

# Time of a single step execution for different number of CPU/GPU cores of the hybrid cluster



$$N_{part} = 4 \cdot 10^6$$

Benchmarks for LJ liquid:

$$\rho = 0.19, T=1.0,$$

$$r_{cut} = 3, r_{skin} = 0.8$$

MD simulation packages:

LAMMPS (5 Apr 2011)

Compilers:

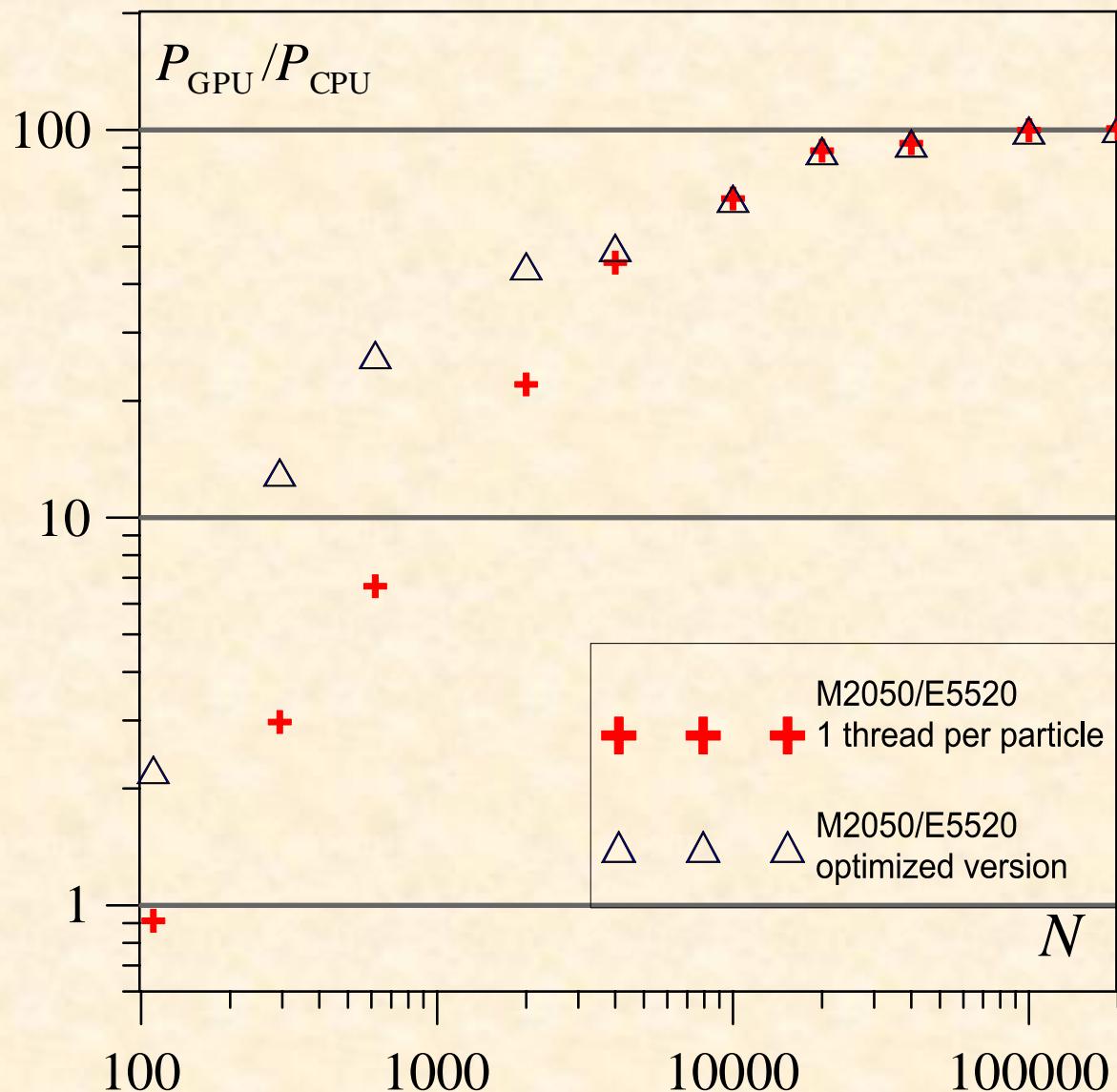
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CUDA 3.2, V0.2.1221

Cluster:

K100 (KIAM RAS)

# Ratio between GPU and CPU performances depending on the number of particles



**GPU:**  
NVIDIA Tesla M2050  
CUDA 4.0, V0.2.1221

**CPU:**  
Xeon E5520  
(Nehalem),  
2.27GHz, 8Mb L3  
Intel compiler  
ver. 11.0.083

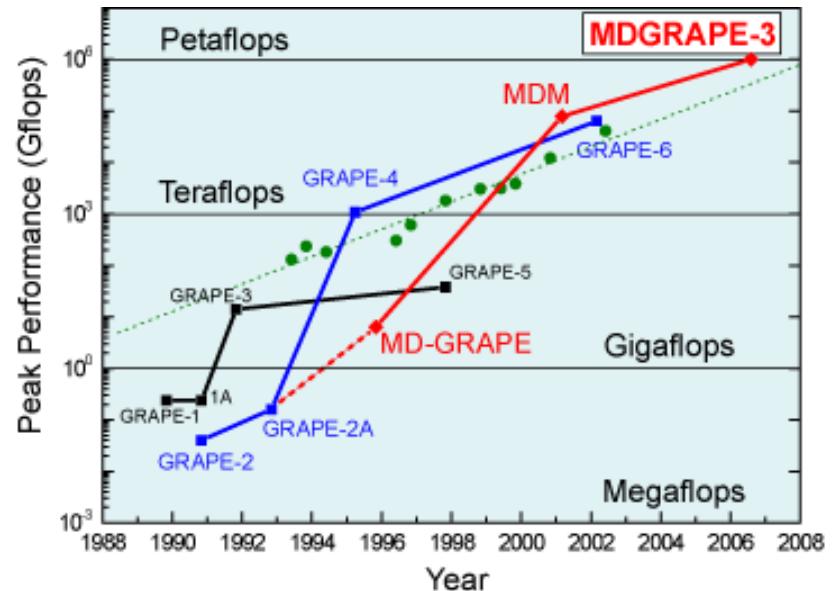
**Interactions:**  
Coulomb  
(long-range)

# RIKEN “Protein Explorer”: special purpose system for molecular dynamics



1 unit = Dual-core Intel Xeon CPU  
+  
24 MD-GRAPE chips

**201 units achieve 1 PFlops for MD**





# ATOMISTIC SIMULATIONS ON THE GRID

SEVEN  
THREE

# Requirements to Grid middleware

**MD (or MC) numerical experiment usually goes through a number of stages:**

Low level:

- prepare system in the initial state
- propagate it through the chain of other states
- obtain system properties from the MD trajectory



***need for workflow***

High level:

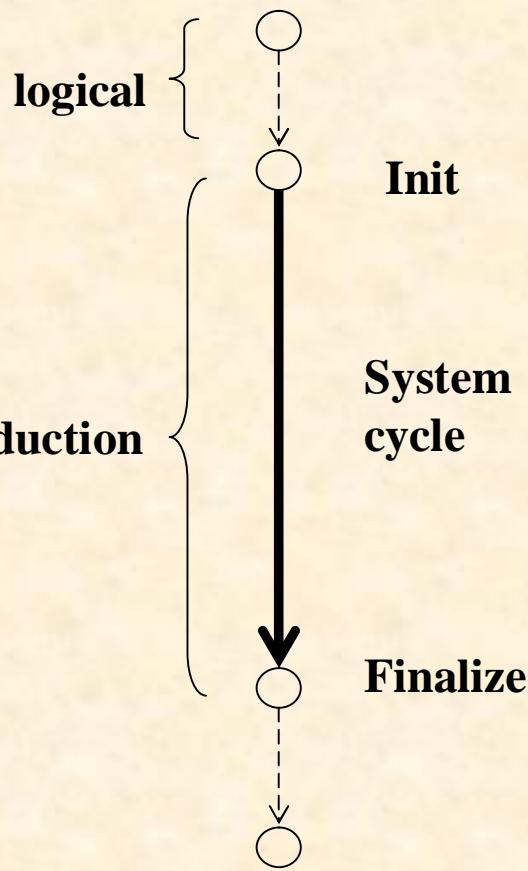
- average over a set of initial states
  - perform parameter sweep
  - perform optimal parameter search
- etc*



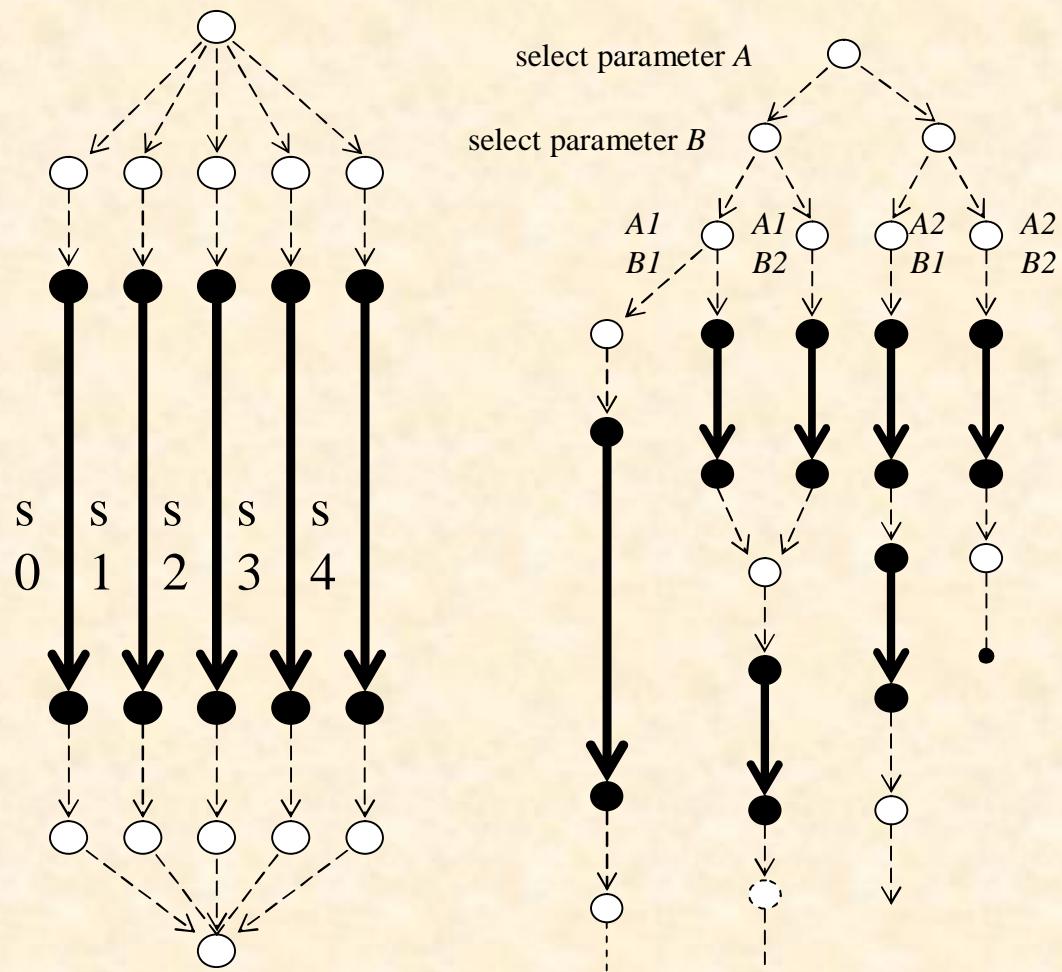
***need for predefined workflow scenarios***

# Scenarios and workflow graphs

## Graph elements



## Scenario examples

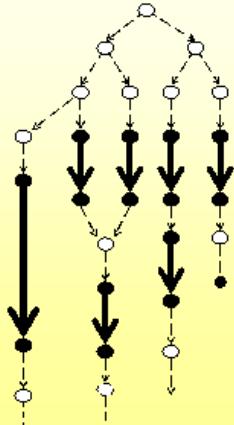


# Open source GridMD library

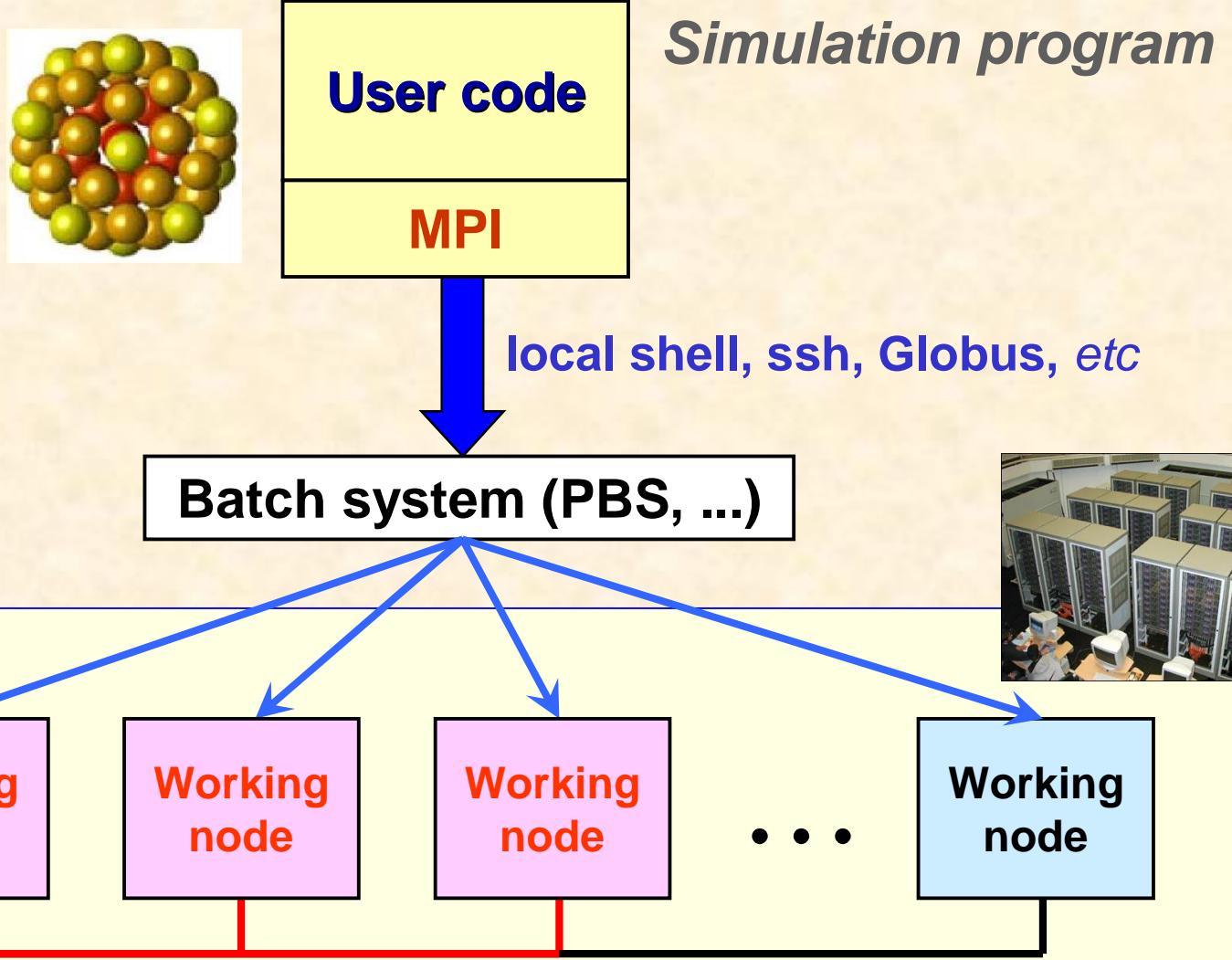
GridMD

*GridMD is a C++ class library intended for constructing simulation applications and running them in distributed environments*

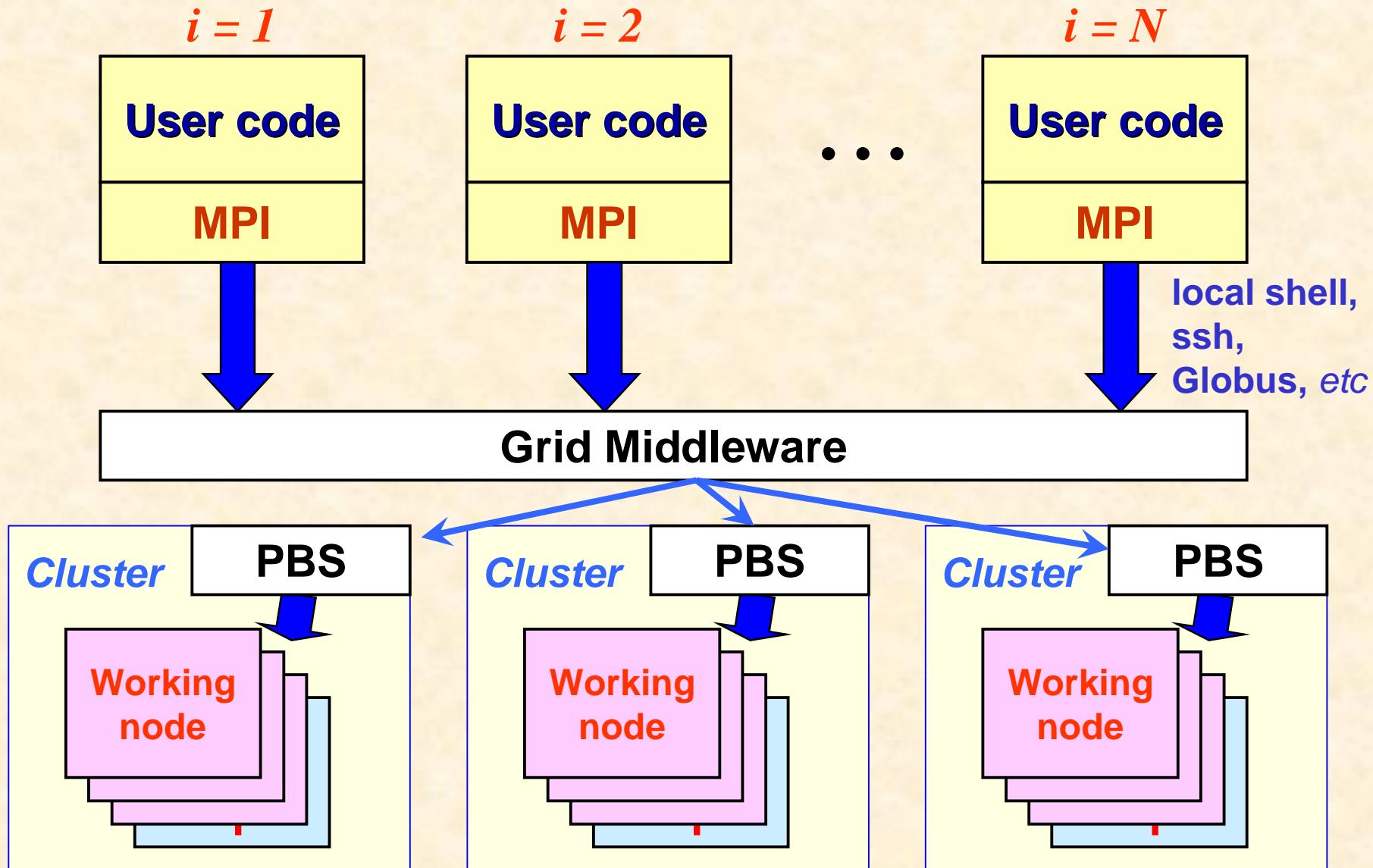
- Single application for serial (debug) and distributed execution
- Automatic workflow generation from GridMD function calls inside the main application
- Component architecture, easy interfacing to other MD packages.
- All required components for MD experiment: boundary conditions, thermodynamic ensembles, etc.)
- Support for various job managers
- Cross-platform design, compiled for Linux and Windows
- Open source code (available at <http://gridmd.sourceforge.net>)



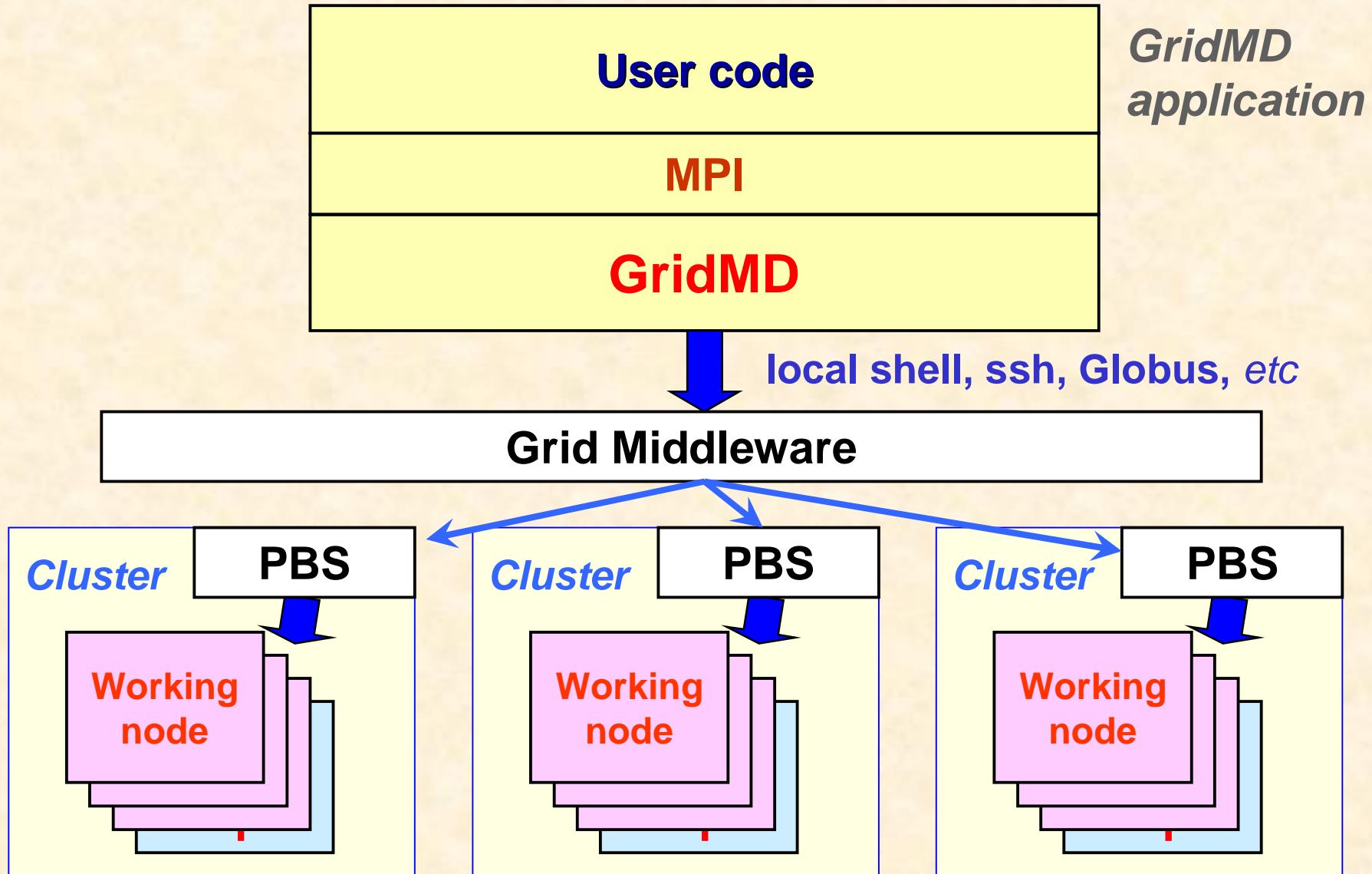
# Submission of the tasks to parallel and distributed systems



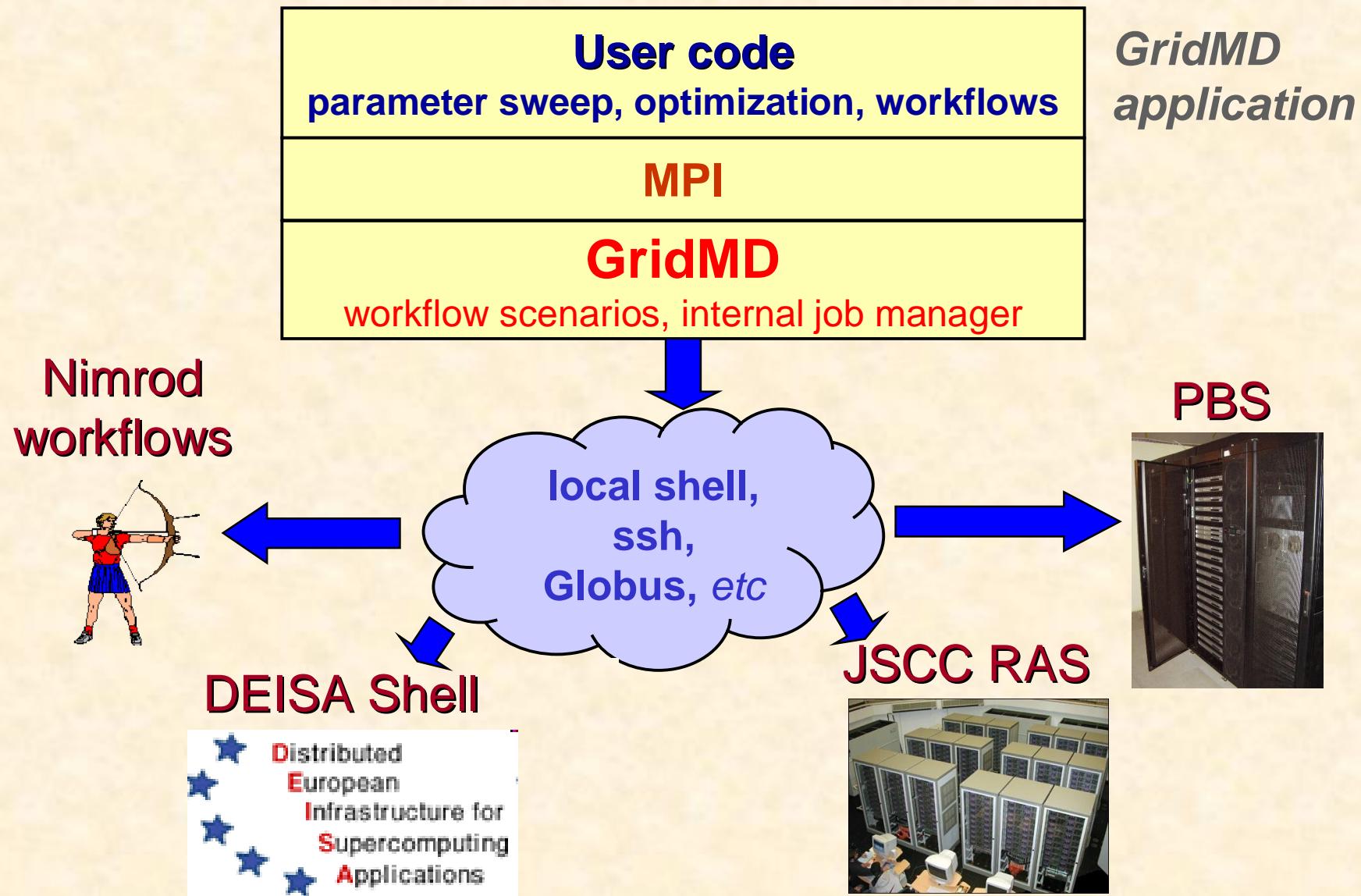
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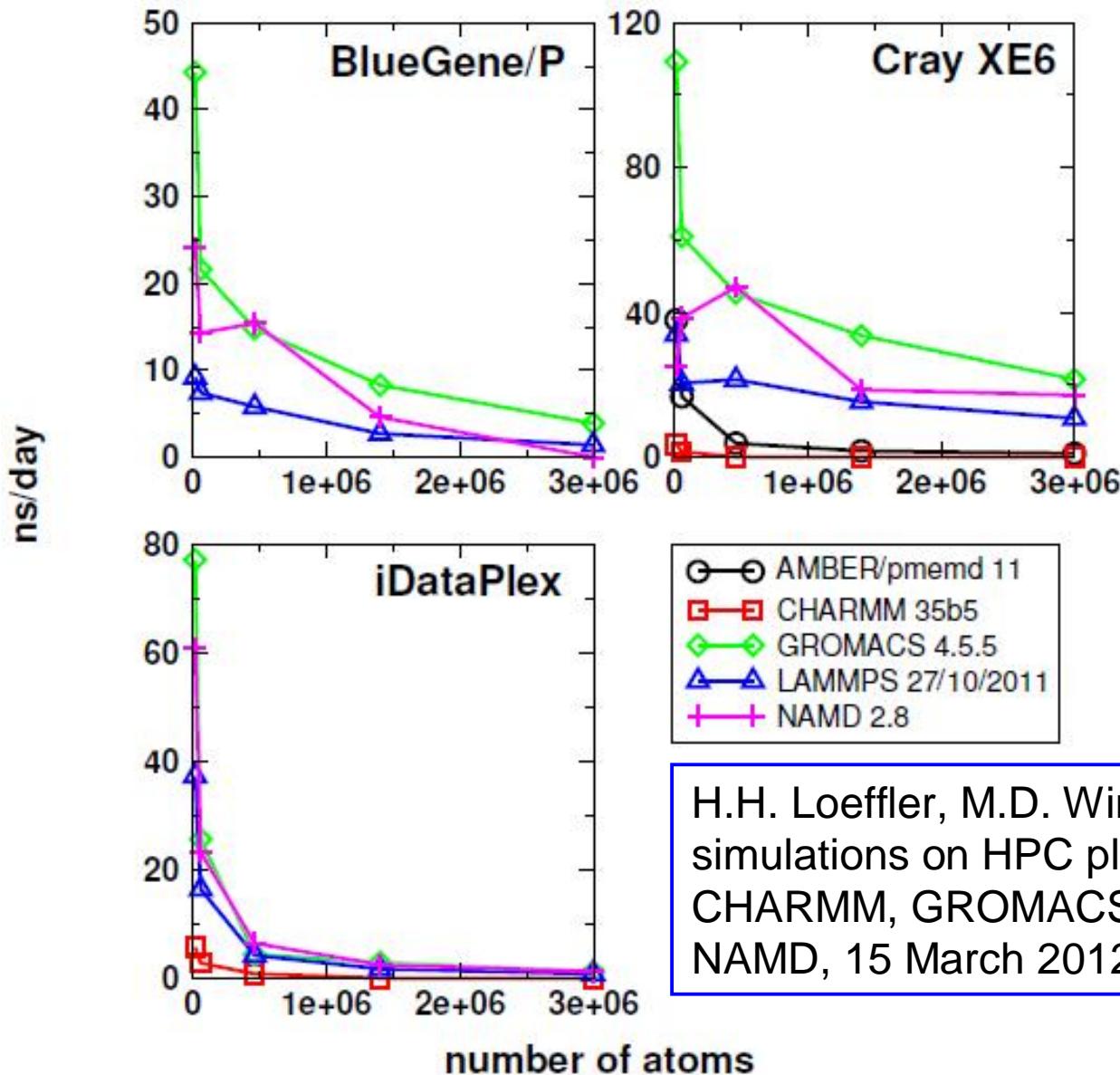
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# Open source packages for atomistic simulations

Package name	Language	GPU	Parallel	Min	MD	MC	Comment
<b>Adun</b>	C			+	+		User specified force field (FFML), QM/MM calculations with Empirical Valence Bond (EVB)
<b>DL_POLY*</b>	Fortran, C++, Java				+		General purpose MD, HDF5 output, Java GUI
<b>GROMACS</b>	C	+	MPI		+		High performance MD, designed for biological systems and polymers
<b>HALMD</b>	C++	++			+		High-precision MD for the large-scale simulation of simple and complex liquids, HDF5 output
<b>HOOMD-blue</b>	C++, Python	++		+	+		General-purpose MD highly optimized for GPUs
<b>LAMMPS</b>	C++	+	MPI	+	+	+	High parallel scalability, wide range of potentials and analysis tools
<b>MDynaMix</b>	Fortran		MPI		+		Parallel MD for AMBER force field
<b>MOIL</b>	Fortran, Tcl		MPI	+	+		Basic algorithms and force fields, Replica exchange, coarse-grained models, Tcl GUI
<b>NAMD/VMD</b>	C++	+	MPI				High parallel scalability, designed for biomolecular, visualization (VMD)
<b>RedMD</b>	C/C++	-		+	+	+	Coarse-grained models of proteins and nucleic acids
<b>TINKER</b>	Fortran		OpenMP	+	+	+	Simple MD, QM/MM, molecular design
<b>XMD</b>	C		pthreads	+	+	+	MD for metals and ceramics

# Benchmarks for bimolecular simulations



H.H. Loeffler, M.D. Winn, Large biomolecular simulations on HPC platforms: III. AMBER, CHARMM, GROMACS, LAMMPS and NAMD, 15 March 2012

# CONCLUSIONS

- Open source projects are particularly suitable for scientific research because they are customizable, extensible, implement a variety of ionization models and optimization techniques.
- Quasiclassical atomistic simulations of chemical reactions, ionization/recombination processes and electron-ion relaxation are still a challenge.
- GPUs can highly accelerate MD simulations in particular for long-ranged interactions.
- Averaging and parameter sweep lead allow to run simulations on Grid and Cloud environments.

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