

# Dual splitting based fast spectral sum-of-Gaussian method for quasi-2D electrostatic systems

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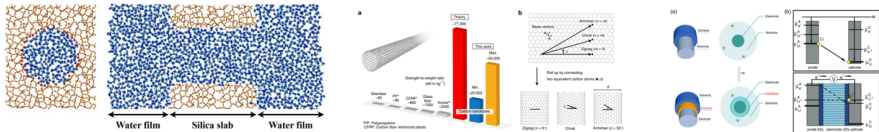
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# Molecular dynamics in different systems

- Molecular dynamics can be applied in different domains:
  - Triply periodic domain: protein folding/unfolding and DNA aggregation.
  - **Doubly periodic domain:** electrode–electrolyte interface and polyelectrolyte brushes.
  - Singly periodic domain: nanopores and nanotubes.
  - Non-periodic domain: acoustic scattering, non-parametric statistics, and machine learning.

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<sup>1</sup>Ian C Bourg and Carl I Steefel. "Molecular dynamics simulations of water structure and diffusion in silica nanopores". In: *The Journal of Physical Chemistry C* 116.21 (2012), pp. 11556–11564.

<sup>2</sup>Akira Takakura et al. "Strength of carbon nanotubes depends on their chemical structures". In: *Nature communications* 10.1 (2019), p. 3040.

<sup>3</sup>Chong Yan et al. "Toward critical electrode/electrolyte interfaces in rechargeable batteries". In: *Advanced Functional Materials* 30.23 (2020), p. 1909887.

# Quasi-2D electrostatic model

- Consider a system of  $N$  sources with charge  $q_n$  at position  $\mathbf{r}_n$  in  $\Omega = [-\frac{L_x}{2}, \frac{L_x}{2}] \times [-\frac{L_y}{2}, \frac{L_y}{2}] \times [-\frac{L_z}{2}, \frac{L_z}{2}]$ .
- Charge neutrality  $\sum_{i=1}^N q_i = 0$ .
- The system has periodicity in  $x, y$  direction, while it is free in  $z$  direction. Hence the Poisson's equation describes the electrostatic potential  $\Phi$  with

$$-\Delta\Phi(\mathbf{r}) = 4\pi \sum_{\mathbf{n} \in \mathcal{N}_2} \sum_{j=1}^N q_j \delta(\mathbf{r} - \mathbf{r}_j + \mathbf{n} \circ \mathbf{L})$$

where  $\mathcal{N}_2 = \{(m_x, m_y, 0), m_x, m_y \in \mathbb{Z}\}$  and  $\mathbf{L} = (L_x, L_y, L_z)$ .

- Free direction restriction need to be set by  $\nabla\Phi$  vanishes at  $z$ -direction. Also, one needs that  $\int_{\mathbb{R}} \int_{[-\frac{L_x}{2}, \frac{L_x}{2}] \times [-\frac{L_y}{2}, \frac{L_y}{2}]} \Phi(\mathbf{x}) d\mathbf{x} = 0$ .

# Source kernel splitting

- With these settings, one can use Green function to analytically get the solution (prime means the discarding of  $i = j$  and  $\mathbf{n} = \mathbf{0}$ )

$$\Phi(\mathbf{r}_i) = \sum_{j=1}^N \sum_{\mathbf{n} \in \mathcal{N}_2}' \frac{q_j}{|\mathbf{r}_{ij} + \mathbf{n} \circ \mathbf{L}|}$$

which converges slowly and causes unacceptable  $\mathcal{O}(N^2)$  complexity.

- So, the source  $f(\mathbf{r})$  is commonly decomposed into the near-field and far-field components that

$$f = f^{\mathcal{N}} + f^{\mathcal{F}}, \quad f^{\mathcal{N}} = f - (f * \tau), \quad f^{\mathcal{F}} = f * \tau$$

where  $\tau$  is an introduced screening function. Hence the potential can be splitted into

$$\Phi(\mathbf{r}_i) = \Phi^{\mathcal{N}}(\mathbf{r}_i) + \Phi^{\mathcal{F}}(\mathbf{r}_i) + \Phi_i^{\text{self}}$$

where  $\Phi_i^{\text{self}}$  is added to exclude the self-interactions.

# Notations on quasi-2D system

## Definition

Denote  $\dot{\mathbf{r}} = (x, y)$  and  $\dot{\mathbf{k}} = (k_x, k_y)$  for the periodic part of position and Fourier mode, where  $\dot{\mathbf{r}} \in \mathcal{R}^2$  and  $\dot{\mathbf{k}} \in \mathcal{K}^2$  with

$$\mathcal{R}^2 := \left\{ \dot{\mathbf{r}} \in \left[ -\frac{L_x}{2}, \frac{L_x}{2} \right] \times \left[ -\frac{L_y}{2}, \frac{L_y}{2} \right] \right\}, \quad \mathcal{K}^2 := \left\{ \dot{\mathbf{k}} \in \mathbb{R}^2 : \dot{k}_d \in \frac{2\pi}{L_d} \mathbb{Z}, \quad d = x, y \right\}.$$

## Definition

For any function on 2-periodic space  $g : \mathcal{K}^2 \times \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{C}$ , the mixing summation functional  $\mathcal{L}$  is defined by

$$\mathcal{L}[g(\mathbf{k})] = \mathcal{L}[g([\dot{\mathbf{k}}, k_z])] := \frac{1}{2\pi L_x L_y} \sum_{\dot{\mathbf{k}} \in \mathcal{K}^2} \int_{\mathbb{R}} g([\dot{\mathbf{k}}, k_z]) \, dk_z.$$

# Ewald2D decomposition: Formulation

- Hence, for any  $f([\mathbf{r}, z])$  in quasi-2D system, the Fourier transform is presented by

$$\hat{f}\left(\left[\mathbf{k}, k_z\right]\right):=\int_{\mathcal{R}^2}\int_{\mathbb{R}} f([\mathbf{r}, z]) e^{-i \mathbf{k} \cdot \mathbf{r}} e^{-i k_z z} d z d \mathbf{r}$$

with the inverse

$$f([\mathbf{r}, z])=\mathcal{L}\left[\hat{f}\left(\left[\mathbf{k}, k_z\right]\right) e^{i \mathbf{k} \cdot \mathbf{r}} e^{i k_z z}\right] .$$

- For Ewald summation, the screening function for splitting is selected to be

$$\tau(\mathbf{r})=\xi^3 \pi^{-3 / 2} e^{-\xi^2 r^2}, \quad \hat{\tau}(\mathbf{k})=e^{-k^2 / 4 \xi^2}$$

- The far-field potential is then

$$\Phi^{\mathcal{F}}\left(\mathbf{r}_i\right)=4 \pi \sum_{j=1}^N q_j \mathcal{L}\left[\frac{e^{-\left(k^2+k_z^2\right) / 4 \xi^2}}{k^2+k_z^2} e^{i \mathbf{k} \cdot \mathbf{r}_{ij}} e^{i k_z z_{ij}}\right] .$$

# Ewald2D decomposition: Challenges

- In the lattice-based method, the integral along z-axis is discretized using the trapezoidal rule on a uniform grid in Fourier space so that the FFT is feasible.
- **Singularity.** The point  $k_z = 0$  is singular when  $\mathbf{k} = \mathbf{0}$ .
- **Rapidly change.** When  $\mathbf{k} \neq \mathbf{0}$  but quite small, the integrand will vary rapidly when  $k_z$  is close to 0.
- In recent studies, the truncated kernel method (TKM)<sup>4</sup> and adaptive upsampling are introduced to address these issues<sup>56</sup>. However, the modified Green's function introduces additional oscillations in the Fourier space and a possibly unacceptable factor in the system of  $L_z \ll \min \{L_x, L_y\}$ .
- Quasi-2D problem is still open and interesting!

<sup>4</sup>Felipe Vico, Leslie Greengard, and Miguel Ferrando. "Fast convolution with free-space Green's functions". In: *Journal of Computational Physics* 323 (2016), pp. 191–203.

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# The bilateral series approximation of $1/r$

- The BSA is derived from a Gaussian integral<sup>78</sup>

$$\frac{1}{r} = 2 \int_0^\infty G_\sigma(rt) dt, \quad G_\sigma(r) = e^{-r^2/2\sigma^2} / \sqrt{2\pi\sigma^2}$$

employing geometrically spaced quadrature  $t = b^j$  ( $b > 1$  positive constant)

$$\mathcal{B}_b^\sigma(r) \triangleq 2 \log(b) \sum_{j=-\infty}^{\infty} b^{-j} G_\sigma(b^{-j}r) = \frac{2 \log(b)}{\sqrt{2\pi\sigma^2}} \sum_{j=-\infty}^{\infty} \frac{1}{b^j} \exp \left[ -\frac{1}{2} \left( \frac{r}{b^j \sigma} \right)^2 \right]$$

- The relative error of the BSA has the asymptotic bound as  $b \rightarrow 1$

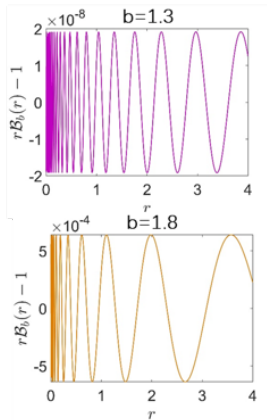
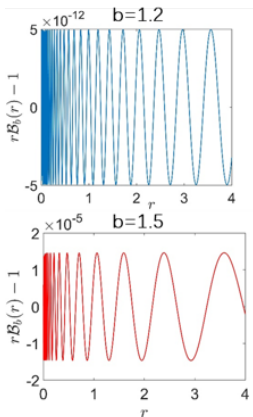
$$M_b = |\mathcal{B}_b^\sigma(r) - 1| \lesssim 2^{3/2} \exp \left( -\frac{\pi^2}{2 \log(b)} \right)$$

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# U-series decomposition of $1/r$

- The u-series<sup>10</sup> remains the far part of BSA

$$\mathcal{F}_b^\sigma(r) = \sum_{\ell=0}^{\infty} \omega_\ell e^{-r^2/s_\ell^2} \quad \begin{cases} w_\ell = (\pi/2)^{-1/2} b^{-\ell} \sigma^{-1} \ln b \\ s_\ell = \sqrt{2} b^\ell \sigma \end{cases}$$

and using the complement as the near part

$$\mathcal{N}_b^\sigma(r) = \begin{cases} 1/r - \mathcal{F}_b^\sigma(r), & \text{if } r < r_c \\ 0, & \text{if } r \geq r_c \end{cases}$$

- The cutoff  $r_c$  is selected as the smallest root of  $r\mathcal{F}_b^\sigma(r) - 1 = 0$ , such that the potential is exact up to the cutoff radius and it is continuous at the cutoff point.

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# SOG2D decomposition: Remove singularity!

- The u-series decomposition requires the screening function be

$$\tau(\mathbf{r}) = \frac{1}{4\pi} \sum_{\ell=0}^M \omega_{\ell} \left( \frac{6}{s_{\ell}^2} - \frac{4r^2}{s_{\ell}^4} \right) e^{-r^2/s_{\ell}^2}, \quad \hat{\tau}(\mathbf{k}) = \frac{\sqrt{\pi}}{4} \sum_{\ell=0}^M \omega_{\ell} s_{\ell}^3 k^2 e^{-s_{\ell}^2 k^2/4}$$

which removes the  $1/k^2$  from Laplacian operator

$$\Phi^{\mathcal{F}}(\mathbf{r}_i) = 4\pi \sum_{j=1}^N q_j \mathcal{L} \left[ \frac{\hat{\tau}(\mathbf{k}, \omega, s, M)}{k^2} e^{i\mathbf{k} \cdot \mathbf{r}_{ij}} \right]$$

- Explicitly, the far-field potential can be written by

$$\Phi^{\mathcal{F}}(\mathbf{r}_i) = \frac{\sqrt{\pi}}{2L_x L_y} \sum_{j=1}^N q_j \sum_{\ell=0}^M \omega_{\ell} s_{\ell}^3 \sum_{\mathbf{k} \in \mathcal{K}^2} \int_{\mathbb{R}} e^{-s_{\ell}^2(\mathbf{k}^2 + k_z^2)/4} e^{i\mathbf{k} \cdot \mathbf{r}_{ij}} e^{ik_z z_{ij}} dk_z$$

# Truncation Errors of SOG2D

- The truncation error of SOG2D decomposition is only from the deviation beyond the cutoff  $r_c$  ( $H$  denotes the Heaviside step function)

$$\phi_{\text{err}}(\mathbf{r}_i) := \sum_{\mathbf{n} \in \mathcal{N}_2} \sum_{j=1}^N q_j K(|\mathbf{r}_j - \mathbf{r}_i + \mathbf{n} \circ \mathbf{L}|), \quad K(r) = \left( \frac{1}{r} - \sum_{\ell=0}^M w_\ell e^{-r^2/s_\ell^2} \right) H(r - r_c)$$

- Follow the analysis in<sup>11</sup>, one finds it easily to get

## Theorem

*The following estimates provide the convergence rate of the potential and force error,*

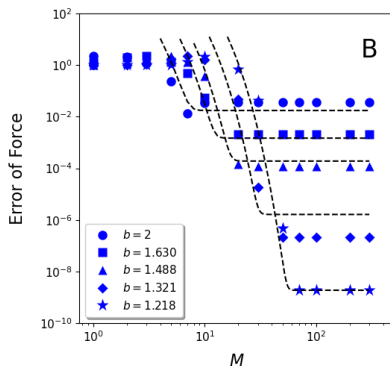
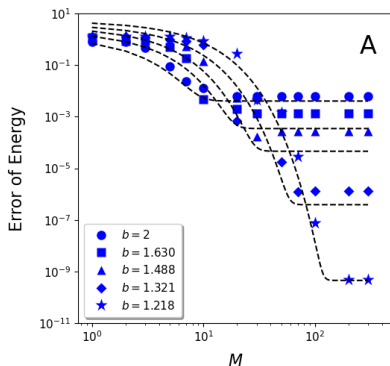
$$|U_{\text{err}}| \simeq O\left((\log b)^{-3/2} e^{-\pi^2/2 \log b} + b^{-M} + w_{-1} e^{-r_c^2/s_{-1}^2}\right)$$
$$|\mathbf{F}_{\text{err}}(\mathbf{r}_i)| \simeq O\left((\log b)^{-3/2} e^{-\pi^2/2 \log b} + b^{-3M} + w_{-1} (s_{-1})^{-2} e^{-r_c^2/s_{-1}^2}\right)$$

<sup>11</sup> Jiuyang Liang, Zhenli Xu, and Qi Zhou. Error estimate of the u-series method for molecular dynamics simulations. 2023.  
arXiv: 2305.05369 [math.NA].

# Numerical experiment: Random particle

$$U = C_1(\log b)^{-3/2} e^{-\pi^2/2 \log b} + C_2 b^{-M} + w_{-1} e^{-r_c^2/s_{-1}^2}$$

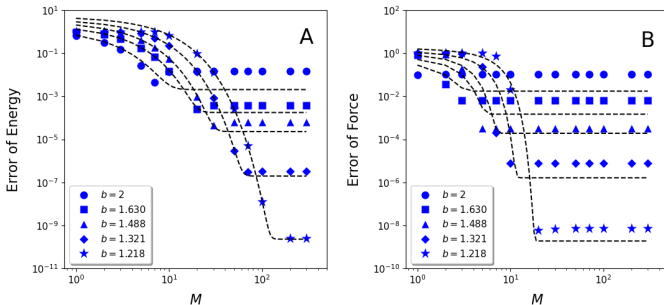
$$|\mathbf{F}(\mathbf{r}_i)| = C_1(\log b)^{-3/2} e^{-\pi^2/2 \log b} + C_2 b^{-3M} + w_{-1} (s_{-1})^{-2} e^{-r_c^2/s_{-1}^2}$$



# Numerical experiment: Quasi-2D NaCl

$$U = C_1(\log b)^{-3/2} e^{-\pi^2/2 \log b} + C_2 b^{-M} + w_{-1} e^{-r_c^2/s_{-1}^2}$$

$$|F(r_i)| = C_1(\log b)^{-3/2} e^{-\pi^2/2 \log b} + \text{exp}(-C_2 b^M) + w_{-1} (s_{-1})^{-2} e^{-r_c^2/s_{-1}^2}$$



Next, one can obtain a reasonable estimate of  $F_G^{\text{up}}(r_i)$  by finding the gradient of  $E_G^{\text{up}}$  (using Eq. (3.32)). Note that  $\mathcal{T}(r_{ij}, r_c)$  has zero derivative when  $r_{ij} \neq r_c$ , and has no definition at  $r_{ij} = r_c$ . One can simply take the continuous approximation and obtain

$$F_G^{\text{up}}(r_i) \simeq \frac{2 \log b}{\sqrt{\pi}} \sum_j \sum_{\ell=M+1}^{\infty} \frac{q_i q_j r_{ij}}{s_\ell^3} e^{-r_{ij}^2/s_\ell^2} = O\left(\frac{1}{s_M^3}\right). \quad (\text{B.7})$$



# Calculate method: by closed form?

- The far-field potential is now smooth without singularity

$$\Phi^{\mathcal{F}}(\mathbf{r}_i) = \frac{\sqrt{\pi}}{2L_x L_y} \sum_{j=1}^N q_j \sum_{\ell=0}^M w_{\ell} s_{\ell}^3 \sum_{\mathbf{k} \in \mathcal{K}^2} \int_{\mathbb{R}} e^{-s_{\ell}^2 (\mathbf{k}^2 + k_z^2)/4} e^{i\mathbf{k} \cdot \mathbf{r}_{ij}} e^{i k_z z_{ij}} d k_z$$

which also has a closed form

$$\Phi^{\mathcal{F}}(\mathbf{r}_i) = \frac{\pi}{L_x L_y} \sum_{j=1}^N q_j \sum_{\ell=0}^M w_{\ell} s_{\ell}^2 e^{-z_{ij}^2/s_{\ell}^2} \sum_{\mathbf{k} \in \mathcal{K}^2} e^{-s_{\ell}^2 \mathbf{k}^2/4} e^{i\mathbf{k} \cdot \mathbf{r}_{ij}}$$

- **By closed form:** Expensive  $\mathcal{O}(N^2)$ ! Earlier spectral Ewald methods such as periodization<sup>12</sup>, truncation<sup>13</sup>, or regularization<sup>14</sup> have made some improvements but still unsatisfied.

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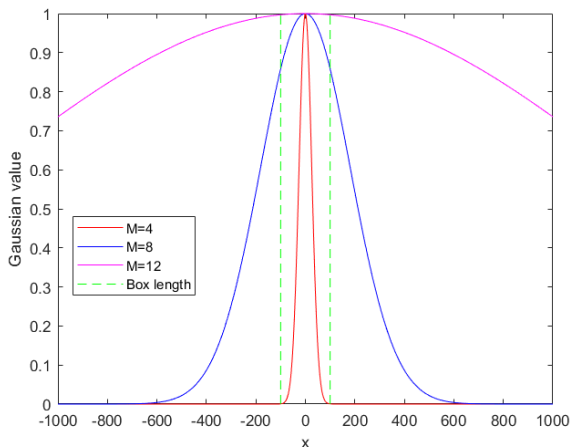
<sup>12</sup>Dag Lindbo and Anna-Karin Tornberg. "Fast and spectrally accurate Ewald summation for 2-periodic electrostatic systems". In: *The Journal of chemical physics* 136.16 (2012).

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<sup>14</sup>Franziska Nestler, Michael Pippig, and Daniel Potts. "Fast Ewald summation based on NFFT with mixed periodicity". In: *Journal of Computational Physics* 285 (2015), pp. 280–315.

# Calculate method: direct FFT accleration?

- Indiscriminately applying the FFT is not efficient, since there are different kind of Gaussians...



- Since bandwidth parameter  $s_\ell$  varies from medium to extreme large, the corresponding Fourier transforms will become rapidly decaying, which requires a large-scale zero-padding in FFT acceleration to achieve better resolution in the frequency domain.
- Quantitatively, for tolerance  $\epsilon$  and bandwidth  $s_\ell$ , the cutoff range in  $k$ -space need to be

$$s_\ell^2 K_{\max}^2 / 4 \geq -\log(\epsilon)$$

which causes the zero-padding number be directly proportional to

$$\mu \sim s_\ell L_z^{-1}$$

- This problem cannot be directly addressed by either the TKM or its variants<sup>1516</sup>, as the support set of the source term expands with increasing  $\ell$ , and truncating the Green's function proves inefficient.

<sup>15</sup>Felipe Vico, Leslie Greengard, and Miguel Ferrando. "Fast convolution with free-space Green's functions". In: *Journal of Computational Physics* 323 (2016), pp. 191–203.

<sup>16</sup>Leslie Greengard, Shidong Jiang, and Yong Zhang. "The anisotropic truncated kernel method for convolution with free-space Green's functions". In: *SIAM J. Sci. Comput.* 40.6 (2018), A3733–A3754.

# Low-rank Chebyshev approximation

- For far-field Gaussians with  $s_\ell \gg L_z$ , real-space Chebyshev approximation can be effectively resolve these part.

## Lemma

*Let the Chebyshev polynomial of degree  $n$  on  $[-1, 1]$  be defined by*

$$T_n(\cos(\theta)) = \cos(n\theta), \quad \theta \in [0, \pi].$$

*Let  $f(x)$  be a smooth function on the interval  $[-1, 1]$ . Then*

$$f(x) = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} ' a_n T_n(x),$$

*where the prime indicates that there a factor of  $1/2$  is multiplied in front of  $a_0$ , and the coefficients are strictly given by*

$$a_n = \frac{2}{\pi} \int_0^{\pi} f(\cos(\theta)) \cos(n\theta) d\theta$$

## Lemma

*The Chebyshev nodes of the first kind are the zeros of  $T_n(x)$ , given by*

$$\left\{ x_i = \cos \left[ \frac{(i-1/2)\pi}{P} \right], i = 1, \dots, P \right\}.$$

*We define the  $P \times P$  basis matrix  $\mathbf{V}$  by  $V(i, j) = T_j(x_i)$ . Given the vector of function values  $\mathbf{f} = (f(x_1), \dots, f(x_P))$ ,  $f(x)$  can be approximated by a  $P$ -term truncated Chebyshev series where the coefficients  $\mathbf{a} = (a_1, \dots, a_P)$  can be obtained as*

$$\mathbf{a} = \mathbf{V}^{-1} \mathbf{f}$$

*Given a set of  $N$  additional points  $\{y_j \in [-1, 1], j = 1, \dots, N\}$ , we define the  $N \times P$  evaluation matrix  $\mathbf{E}$  by  $E(j, n) = T_n(y_j)$ , so that  $\mathbf{Ea}$  is the value of the interpolant at the additional points.*

- From the two basic lemmas of Chebyshev approximation, one has the following error estimation for far-field Gaussians.

## Theorem

Assume  $s_\ell \geq \eta L_z$  with  $\eta > 0$ . By the Chebyshev interpolation, approximating the Gaussian function  $e^{-z^2/s_\ell^2}$  at the interval  $[-L_z/2, L_z/2]$  has an error bound

$$\left| e^{-z^2/s_\ell^2} - \sum_{n=0}^{P-1} a_n T_n(z) \right| \leq \frac{1}{2P!(2\eta)^P}$$

- Hence, for given  $\alpha > 0$ , we do the following dual splitting for far-field SOGs that
  - Mid-ranged.**  $s_\ell \leq \alpha L_z$ .
  - Long-ranged.**  $s_\ell > \alpha L_z$ .
- Denote  $\mathcal{M}_1$  the critical term, then the far-field potential

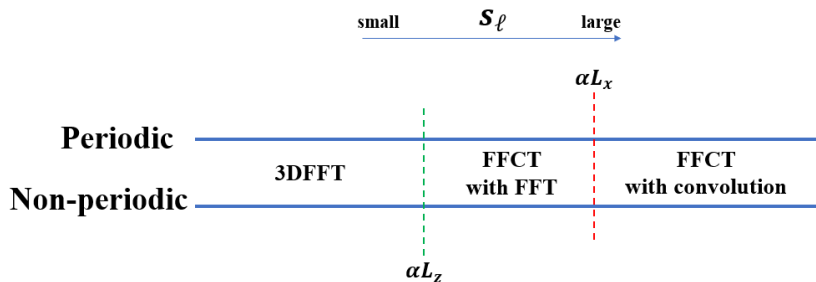
$$\Phi^{\mathcal{F}} = \sum_{\ell=0}^{\mathcal{M}_1} \Phi_\ell^{\mathcal{F}} + \sum_{\ell=\mathcal{M}_1+1}^M \Phi_\ell^{\mathcal{F}} := \Phi^{\mathcal{M}_1} + \Phi^{\mathcal{M}_2}$$

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# Overview of algorithm idea

- Based on dual splitting and different geometry of simulation box, FSSOG can be described by the following schema.





## Mid-range part: Fourier spectral solver

- Since the mid-range Gaussians have relatively short effect range, the accuracy of Fourier spectral solver on z-direction can be promised.
- To directly calculate the following expression is expensive

$$\Phi^{\mathcal{M}_1}(\mathbf{r}_i) = 4\pi \sum_{j=1}^N q_j \mathcal{L} \left[ \frac{\hat{\tau}^{\mathcal{M}_1}(\mathbf{k}, \omega, s, M)}{k^2} e^{i\mathbf{k} \cdot \mathbf{r}_{ij}} \right]$$

- Hence a window function  $W$  with compact support is introduced for calculating more effectively.
- A trivial fact is

$$1 \equiv \hat{W}(\mathbf{k}) [\hat{W}(\mathbf{k})]^{-2} \hat{W}(\mathbf{k})$$

so one can insert those components into the potential

$$\Phi^{\mathcal{M}_1}(\mathbf{r}_i) = 4\pi \mathcal{L} \left[ \hat{W}(\mathbf{k}) e^{i\mathbf{k} \cdot \mathbf{r}_i} \frac{\hat{\tau}^{\mathcal{M}_1}(\mathbf{k}, \omega, s, M)}{|\mathbf{k}|^2} [\hat{W}(\mathbf{k})]^{-2} \sum_{j=1}^N q_j \hat{W}(\mathbf{k}) e^{-i\mathbf{k} \cdot \mathbf{r}_j} \right]$$

- **Step 1: Gridding.** Interpolate all sources into uniform real grids

$$H(\mathbf{r}) = \sum_{j=1}^N q_j W(\mathbf{r} - \mathbf{r}_j)_*$$

- **Step 2: R2F.** Using 3D-FFT to get

$$\hat{H}(\mathbf{k}) := \sum_{j=1}^N q_j \hat{W}(\mathbf{k}) e^{-i\mathbf{k} \cdot \mathbf{r}_j}$$

- **Step 3: Scaling.** Multiplicating scaling factor for each Fourier mode

$$\hat{H}(\mathbf{k}) := \frac{\hat{\tau}^{\mathcal{M}_1}(\mathbf{k}, \omega, s, M)}{|\mathbf{k}|^2} [\hat{W}(\mathbf{k})]^{-2} \hat{H}(\mathbf{k})$$

- **Step 4: F2R.** Using 3D-IFFT to get  $\tilde{H}(\mathbf{r}, z)$ .
- **Step 5: Gathering.** Using Plancherel's theorem to gather all contributions (with compact support) into sources by

$$\Phi^{\mathcal{M}_1}(\mathbf{r}_i) = 4\pi \int_{\mathbb{R}} \int_{\mathcal{R}^2} \tilde{H}(\mathbf{r}_j, z_j) W(\mathbf{r}_i - \mathbf{r}_j)_* W(z_i - z_j) d\mathbf{r}_j dz_j$$

# Window functions

- **Gaussian window**<sup>17</sup>. Fast, smooth, decay rapidly in Fourier space, need to be truncated.

$$W_G(x) = \begin{cases} e^{-\alpha(x/w)^2}, & |x| \leq w \\ 0, & \text{otherwise} \end{cases} \quad \widehat{W}_{G, \text{ untrunc}}(k) = \sqrt{\frac{\pi}{\alpha}} w e^{-k^2 w^2 / 4\alpha}$$

- **Kaiser-Bessel window**<sup>18</sup>. Require a significantly smaller half-width to achieve the same target accuracy. Need to be truncated.

$$W_{KB}(x) = \begin{cases} \frac{I_0(\beta \sqrt{1-(x/w)^2})}{I_0(\beta)}, & |x| \leq w \\ 0, & \text{otherwise} \end{cases} \quad \widehat{W}_{KB}(k) = \frac{2w \sinh\left(\sqrt{\beta^2 - k^2 w^2}\right)}{I_0(\beta) \sqrt{\beta^2 - k^2 w^2}}$$

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<sup>17</sup>Dag Lindbo and Anna-Karin Tornberg. "Spectral accuracy in fast Ewald-based methods for particle simulations". In: *Journal of Computational Physics* 230.24 (2011), pp. 8744–8761.

<sup>18</sup>J Kaiser and R Schafer. "On the use of the I 0-sinh window for spectrum analysis". In: *IEEE Transactions on Acoustics, Speech, and Signal Processing* 28.1 (1980), pp. 105–107.

- **Cardinal B-spline window**<sup>19</sup>. Finite support, easy and fast to implement, polynomial degree of smoothness.

$$M_2(x) = \begin{cases} 1 - |x - 1|, & 0 \leq x \leq 2 \\ 0, & \text{otherwise} \end{cases} \quad M_p(x) = \frac{x}{p-1} M_{p-1}(x) + \frac{p-x}{p-1} M_{p-1}(x-1)$$

- **Exponential of semicircle window**<sup>20</sup>. Achieve high precision w.r.t. KB window with the same width, cheaper to evaluate. Unknown of its Fourier transform, not differentiable at endpoints.

$$W_{\text{ES}}(x) = \begin{cases} \frac{e^{\beta \sqrt{1-(x/w)^2}}}{e^{\beta}}, & -w \leq x \leq w \\ 0, & \text{otherwise.} \end{cases}$$

<sup>19</sup> Ulrich Essmann et al. "A smooth particle mesh Ewald method". In: *J. Chem. Phys.* 103.19 (1995), pp. 8577–8593.

<sup>20</sup> Alexander H Barnett, Jeremy Magland, and Ludvig af Klinteberg. "A parallel nonuniform fast Fourier transform library based on an "exponential of semicircle" kernel". In: *SIAM Journal on Scientific Computing* 41.5 (2019), pp. C479–C504.

# Long-range part: Fourier-Chebyshev spectral solver

- For the long-range contribution

$$-\Delta \Phi^{\mathcal{M}_2}(\mathbf{r}) = (f * \tau^{\mathcal{M}_2})(\mathbf{r})$$

we will utilize a Fourier solver for the first two periodic dimensions, and a well-conditioned Chebyshev solver for the free dimension.

$$-\frac{\partial^2 \widehat{\Phi}^{\mathcal{M}_2}(\mathbf{k}, z)}{\partial z^2} + k^2 \widehat{\Phi}^{\mathcal{M}_2}(\mathbf{k}, z) = \widehat{f * \tau^{\mathcal{M}_2}}(\mathbf{k}, z)$$

- Indeed, we apply a basis expansion in the function space by

$$f(x, y, z) = \sum_{l=-\infty}^{+\infty} \sum_{m=-\infty}^{+\infty} \sum_{n=0}^{+\infty} f_{l,m,n} e^{i\frac{2\pi}{L_x} l x} e^{i\frac{2\pi}{L_y} m y} T_n^{L_z/2}(z)$$

which allows us to reduce all differential(integral) relation of functions into corresponding relation of basis. Denote  $T_n(z) = T_n^{L_z/2}(z)$  for convenience.

## Lemma

Let  $f(x)$  be a smooth function on  $[-1, 1]$  given by a Chebyshev series  $f(x) = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} a_n T_n(x)$ . Then the integral of  $f$  has a Chebyshev expansion of the form

$$\int_{-1}^x f(t) dt = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} b_n T_n(x) + b_0,$$

where  $b_0$  is a constant term and other coefficients are given by

$$b_n = \frac{1}{2n} (a_{n-1} - a_{n+1}).$$

The double integral of  $f$  also has an expansion of the form

$$\int_{-1}^x \int_{-1}^{\tau} f(t) dt d\tau = \sum_{n=2}^{\infty} c_n T_n(x) + c_1 x + c_0,$$

where  $c_1 = b_0$ ,  $c_0$  is a constant term and

$$c_n = \frac{1}{2n} \left[ \frac{a_{n-2} - a_n}{2(n-1)} - \frac{a_n - a_{n+2}}{2(n+1)} \right].$$

- Hence with the  $P$ -term Chebyshev expansion

$$\frac{\partial^2 \widehat{\Phi}^{\mathcal{M}_2}}{\partial \mathbf{z}^2}(\dot{\mathbf{k}}, z) = \sum_{n=0}^{P-1} \hat{a}_n(\dot{\mathbf{k}}) T_n(z), \quad \widehat{\Phi}^{\mathcal{M}_2}(\dot{\mathbf{k}}, z) = \sum_{n=0}^{P-1} \hat{c}_n(\dot{\mathbf{k}}) T_n(z)$$

and

$$\widehat{f * \tau^{\mathcal{M}_2}}(\dot{\mathbf{k}}, z) = \sum_{n=0}^{P-1} \hat{f}_n(\dot{\mathbf{k}}) T_n(z),$$

one can derive the coefficients relation that

$$-\hat{a}_n(\dot{\mathbf{k}}) + \frac{\dot{k}^2 L_z^2}{4} \hat{c}_n(\dot{\mathbf{k}}) = \hat{f}_n(\dot{\mathbf{k}}), \quad n = 0, \dots, P-1 \quad (1)$$

- From the lemma above, one can represent  $\hat{c}_n$  as terms of  $\hat{a}_n$ . So here are  $P$  equations for  $P+2$  free unknowns,  $\hat{a}_0, \dots, \hat{a}_{P-1}, \hat{c}_1, \hat{c}_0$ . The two extra restriction will be offered by boundary conditions so that the integration coefficients  $\hat{c}_1, \hat{c}_0$  can be determined.
- $\dot{\mathbf{k}} = \mathbf{0}$  will cause irreducibility of that system, for which we can apply Chebyshev-FGT<sup>21</sup> to obtain this contribution with only linear cost.

<sup>21</sup>Johannes Tausch and Alexander Weckiewicz. "Multidimensional fast Gauss transforms by Chebyshev expansions". In: *SIAM Journal on Scientific Computing* 31.5 (2009), pp. 3547–3565.

# FFT acceleration for Fourier-Chebyshev solver

- Similar from Fourier spectral solver, we can define

$$\widehat{\Phi}_W^{\mathcal{M}_2}(\dot{\mathbf{k}}, z) = \frac{1}{\widehat{W}(\dot{\mathbf{k}})} \widehat{\Phi}^{\mathcal{M}_2}(\dot{\mathbf{k}}, z), \quad \widehat{H}_W(\dot{\mathbf{k}}, z) := W * \widehat{f * \tau^{\mathcal{M}_2}}(\dot{\mathbf{k}}, z)$$

- Hence the equation will turn to

$$-\frac{\partial^2 \widehat{\Phi}_W^{\mathcal{M}_2}(\dot{\mathbf{k}}, z)}{\partial z^2} + \dot{\mathbf{k}}^2 \widehat{\Phi}_W^{\mathcal{M}_2}(\dot{\mathbf{k}}, z) = [\widehat{W}(\dot{\mathbf{k}})]^{-2} \widehat{H}_W(\dot{\mathbf{k}}, z) := \widetilde{\widehat{H}}_W(\dot{\mathbf{k}})$$

- And the final gathering step can also be implemented

$$\Phi^{\mathcal{M}_2}(\dot{\mathbf{r}}, z) = \int_{\mathcal{R}^2} \Phi_W^{\mathcal{M}_2}(\dot{\mathbf{r}}_j, z) W(\dot{\mathbf{r}} - \dot{\mathbf{r}}_j)_* d\dot{\mathbf{r}}_j$$

from the solver of

$$\Phi_W^{\mathcal{M}_2}(\dot{\mathbf{r}}_j, z) = \sum_{n=0}^{P-1} c_n(\dot{\mathbf{r}}_j) T_n(z)$$



# How to implement Gridding step?

- Different from 3DFFT, the gridding step poses a significant challenge since the Chebyshev polynomials do not have corresponding convolution theorem.

$$H_W(\mathbf{r}, z) = W * f * \tau^{\mathcal{M}_2}(\mathbf{r}, z)$$

- Since  $s_l > \alpha L_z$ , the  $Q$ -term Taylor expansion reads

$$e^{-z^2/s_\ell^2} = \sum_{n=0}^{Q-1} \frac{1}{n!} \left(-\frac{z^2}{s_\ell^2}\right)^n + O\left(\frac{z^{2Q}}{s_\ell^{2Q}}\right)$$

- One can also represents  $\tau^{\mathcal{M}_2}$  by the same series

$$\tau^{\mathcal{M}_2}(\mathbf{r}, z) = \sum_{n=0}^{Q-1} A_n(\mathbf{r}) \left(\frac{z^2}{L_z^2}\right)^n \quad (2)$$

where

$$A_n(\mathbf{r}) = \begin{cases} \sum_{\ell=\mathcal{M}_1+1}^M \frac{w_\ell}{4\pi n!} e^{-\mathbf{r}^2/s_\ell^2} \left(\frac{6}{s_\ell^2} - \frac{4\mathbf{r}^2}{s_\ell^4} + 4n\right) \left(\frac{L_z^2}{s_\ell^2}\right)^n, & n = 0, 1, \dots, Q-2, \\ \sum_{\ell=\mathcal{M}_1+1}^M \frac{w_\ell}{\pi(Q-2)!} e^{-\mathbf{r}^2/s_\ell^2} \left(\frac{L_z^2}{s_\ell^2}\right)^{Q-1}, & n = Q-1, \end{cases}$$

- **Step 1: Gridding.** It can be done hierarchically on  $N_x \times N_y \times P$  Uniform-Chebyshev mixing grids

$$H_W^n(\mathbf{r}, z) = W * f * \left( \frac{z^2}{L_z^2} \right)^n = \sum_{j=1}^N q_j W(\mathbf{r} - \mathbf{r}_j) \left[ \frac{(z - z_j)^2}{L_z^2} \right]^n, \quad n = 0, \dots, Q-1,$$

- **Step 2: RC2FC.** Hierarchically using 2DFFT to evaluate  $\hat{H}_W^n(\mathbf{k}, z)$ .
- **Step 3: Scaling and Integrating.** Using precomputed coefficients  $\hat{A}_n(\mathbf{k}) = 2\pi \int_0^\infty J_0(kr) A_n(r) r dr$  to calculate

$$\hat{H}_W(\mathbf{k}, z) = \sum_{n=0}^{Q-1} \hat{H}_W^n(\mathbf{k}, z) \hat{A}_n(\mathbf{k})$$

- **Step 4: FC2FCs.** Convert  $\hat{H}_W(\mathbf{k}, z)$  on Fourier-Chebyshev grids into Fourier-Chebyshev series for solving equation.

# Boundary condition

- For the last two conditions, we adopt Dirichlet-type BC at  $z = \pm L_z/2$  of

$$\hat{\Phi}_W^{\mathcal{M}_2}(\mathbf{k}, z) = \frac{1}{\hat{W}(\mathbf{k})} \cdot \pi \sum_{\ell=\mathcal{M}_1+1}^M w_\ell s_\ell^2 e^{-s_\ell^2 k^2/4} \sum_{j=1}^N q_j e^{-i\mathbf{k} \cdot \mathbf{r}_j} e^{-(z-z_j)^2/s_\ell^2}$$

- One just needs to compute

$$\mathcal{B}_W^\ell(\mathbf{r}, \pm L_z/2) = \sum_{j=1}^N q_j W(\mathbf{r} - \mathbf{r}_j)_* e^{-(\pm L_z/2 - z_j)^2/s_\ell^2} \quad (3)$$

and apply 2DFFT to get  $\hat{\mathcal{B}}_W^\ell(\mathbf{k}, \pm L_z/2)$ , so that the BC reads

$$\hat{\Phi}_{\pm L_z/2}^{\mathcal{M}_2}(\mathbf{k}) = \pi \sum_{\ell=\mathcal{M}_1+1}^M w_\ell s_\ell^2 e^{-s_\ell^2 k^2/4} \hat{W}^{-2}(\mathbf{k}) \hat{\mathcal{B}}_W^\ell(\mathbf{k}, \pm L_z/2)$$

- **Step 5: SolEqn.** The full system then can be expressed by

$$\begin{pmatrix} \mathbf{A} & \mathbf{B} \\ \mathbf{C} & \mathbf{D} \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} \hat{\mathbf{a}} \\ \hat{c}_0 \\ \hat{c}_1 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} \hat{\mathbf{f}} \\ \hat{\Phi}_{L_z/2}^{\mathcal{M}_2} \\ \hat{\Phi}_{-L_z/2}^{\mathcal{M}_2} \end{pmatrix}$$

where  $\mathbf{B}$  is  $P \times 2$ ,  $\mathbf{C}$  is  $2 \times P$ ,  $\mathbf{D}$  is  $2 \times 2$ , and  $\mathbf{A}$  is a  $P \times P$  pentadiagonal matrix with only 3 nonzero diagonals. Hence the Schur complement and FEBS method can be applied to efficiently solve

$$(\mathbf{CA}^{-1}\mathbf{B} - \mathbf{D}) \begin{pmatrix} \hat{c}_0 \\ \hat{c}_1 \end{pmatrix} = \mathbf{CA}^{-1}\hat{\mathbf{f}} - \begin{pmatrix} \hat{\Phi}_{L_z/2}^{\mathcal{M}_2} \\ \hat{\Phi}_{-L_z/2}^{\mathcal{M}_2} \end{pmatrix}$$

and coefficients  $\hat{\mathbf{a}} = (\hat{a}_0, \dots, \hat{a}_{P-1})$  can be obtained by back-substitution

$$\hat{\mathbf{a}} = \mathbf{A}^{-1} \left( \hat{\mathbf{f}} - \mathbf{B} \begin{pmatrix} \hat{c}_0 \\ \hat{c}_1 \end{pmatrix} \right)$$

- **Step 6: FCs2RCs.** Using 2DFFT to obtain  $\Phi_W^{\mathcal{M}_2}(\mathbf{r}_j, z)$  (in the form of Chebyshev series).
- **Step 7: Gathering.** Using Plancherel's theorem to gather all contributions (with compact support) into sources by

$$\Phi^{\mathcal{M}_2}(\mathbf{r}, z) = \int_{\mathcal{R}^2} \Phi_W^{\mathcal{M}_2}(\mathbf{r}_j, z) W(\mathbf{r} - \mathbf{r}_j)_* d\mathbf{r}_j$$

## Remark

The fast Fourier-Chebyshev solver applies FFT to accelerate the calculation of  $x, y$ -direction. Indeed, for isotropic system with  $L_x = L_y = L_z$ , there are only two possible cases for judging mid-range or long-range Gaussians. As for the long-range Gaussian, the Fourier method only requires a small amount of grids. Therefore, the direct convolution in Fourier-space can also be effective.

# FSSOG v.s. Former algorithms

- **TKM+Upsampling<sup>22</sup>.**

- Need a nearly  $\sqrt{d} + 1$  optimized upsampling factor on FFT/IFFT process. Even worse in  $Lz \ll \min\{Lx, Ly\}$  systems.
- The non-zero mode and zero mode in periodic directions need to be calculated separately in FFT/IFFT part, costing approximatively.

- **Fourier-Chebyshev solver<sup>23</sup>.**

- It only fits for those sources with nearly compact support, since Chebyshev approximation does not have analogous convolution theorem, and hence all interpolation nodes effect on each sources.

- **FSSOG.**

- No extra zero-padding. Modified by Chebyshev solver to reduce cost.
- The non-zero mode and zero mode can be disposed uniformly.
- Better smoothness w.r.t. Ewald splitting. Better energy conservation in NVE ensemble.

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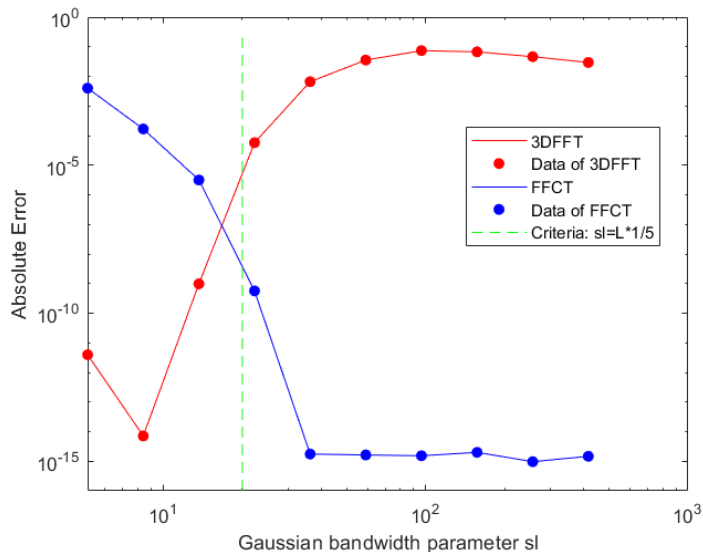
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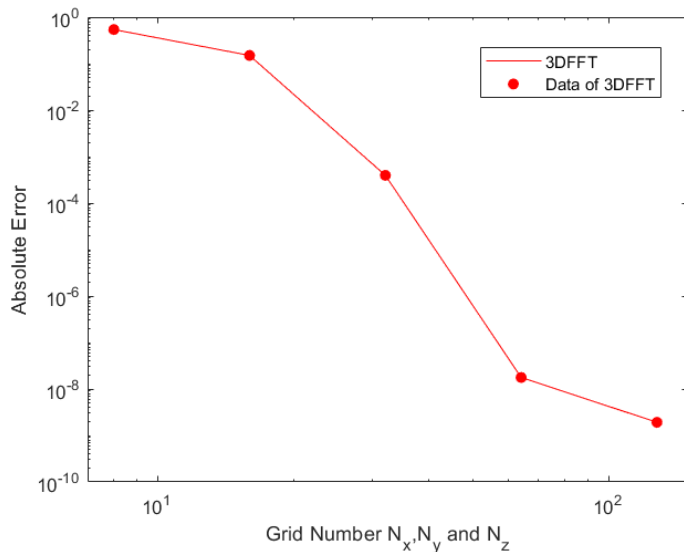
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# Importance of dual splitting

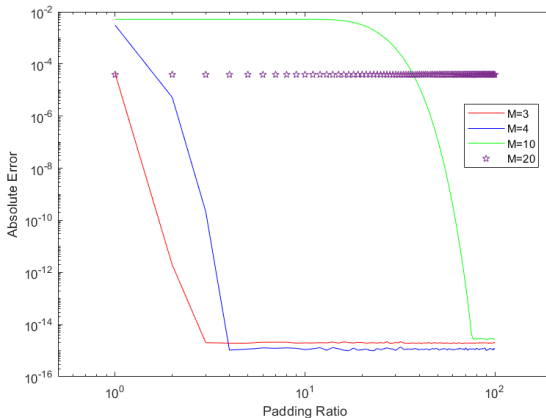




# FSSOG Spectral convergence

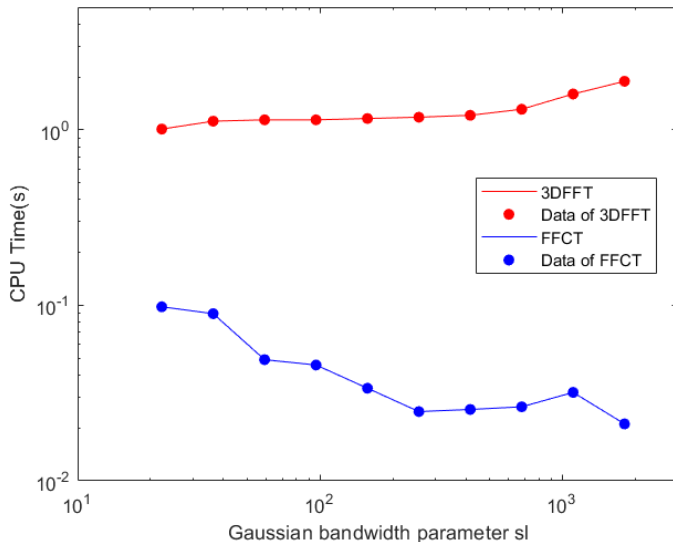


# Inefficient of zero-padding 3DFFT



Gaussian Term	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12
Zero-padding ratio	0.4	1.2	2.8	5.4	10	16	29	49	79	139

# Time consumption: zero-padding V.S. FFCT



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- We develop an efficient and accurate FSSOG method for solving quasi-2D systems, which is based on u-series splitting and dual splitting of far-field potentials.
- The FSSOG has rigorous mathematical foundation for achieving the given accuracy, and it can provide a prior parameter selection without the information of particles.
- **Future works:** Continue to give more numerical examples to illustrate the high efficiency of FSSOG; Finish the article from FSSOG note; Design the random batch SOG2D method based on this fast spectral method.

Thank you for listening!