



## Assignment Sheet Nr. 6

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## 1 Exercise 8.1

### 1.1 a)

Since no particles are infinitesimally close to one another, the radial distribution function should go to zero in the limit  $r \rightarrow 0$ .

What the computation of the radial distribution function via numerical methods basically consists of is counting the number of particles that are at a certain distance to one another and creating a histogram as a function of  $r$ .

However due to the fact that the number of particles in  $[r, r + dr]$  scales with the corresponding area one normalizes with an isotropic distribution which is given by  $area * (N/A_{total})$ .

Given for instance a square grid on which the particles reside: For small  $r$  the possible lie relatively far apart and one sees the distinctive peaks in the structure of  $g(r)$ . For  $r$  to infinity however the possible  $r$  within  $[r, r + dr]$  get infinitely close to each other. This results in the physical phenomenon that the different bins in the histogram get similar. Due to the normalization to isotropic density, this results in the limit  $g(r) \rightarrow 1$  for  $r$  to inf. In statistical physics this can be interpreted as particles' positions being uncorrelated for infinite distances.

### 1.2 b)

`ViewMDfunctions.cpp` `voublerdf(particle*p, int N, const double BoxL, const int Nbins)` //where `double >`

### 1.3 c)

i) The code from which the function `rdf(particle* p, int N, const double BoxL, const int Nbins)` is called is located in the file `"distrib.cpp"`. View **random** `conf_gNbins = 500.png` for the graph. A random configuration corresponds to isotropic distribution. Due to the normalization `p, int N, const double BoxL, const int Nbins)` is called is located in `"square_lattice.cpp"`. The particles reside  $7/6$ . The analytical results for the possible distances and thus  $\langle r^2 \rangle$  can be found via Pythagorean theorem.

### 1.4 d)

The code that calls the function above for this exercise lies inside `"nose_hoover.cpp"`. The radial Hoover thermostat can be observed in `"g_nose_hoover.png"`. The sampling begins at `tau = 1.0`; `"ts_eqil.png"` shows the diagram of the energies and it can be observed that the system is well equilibrated at `1.0`;

## 2 8.2

a)-c) For the function that is used to calculate the MSD, view `"double MSD(particle* p0, particle* p, int N, const double BoxL)"` inside `"MDfunctions.cpp"`. The time average is replaced with an ensemble average over the particles using the `[0, 0.05]`. Observing the graph in `"MSD.png"` it is visible that  $MSD(t)$  is of degree one beyond that point.