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H1a: Classical scattering by a central potential

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Introduction

Molecular dynamics is a simulation of the movement of atoms and molecules. What is of interest in such a simulation is e.g. the trajectories of the atoms given specific surrounding parameters such as temperature, pressure, crystal formation etc. For this homeproblem we study the dynamics of aluminium atoms in a FCC crystal lattice.

Problem 1

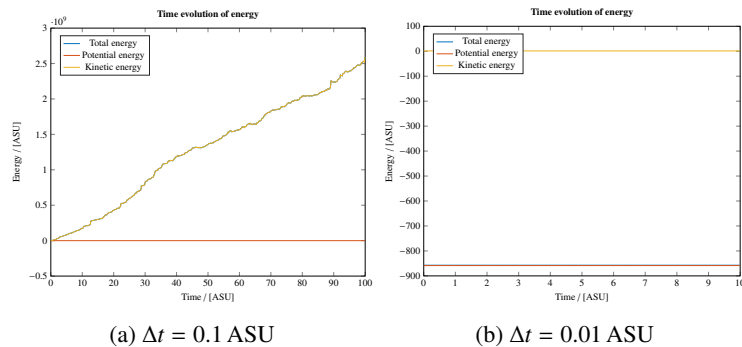


Figure 1: For the different energy simulations, the same number of timesteps was used but the lengths of the different timesteps makes them evolve over different times.

As a starting point we first look at scattering from a hard-sphere potential. We also consider the Lennard–Jones potential, which is depicted in Figure 2. (*Always refer to Figures in the text.*)

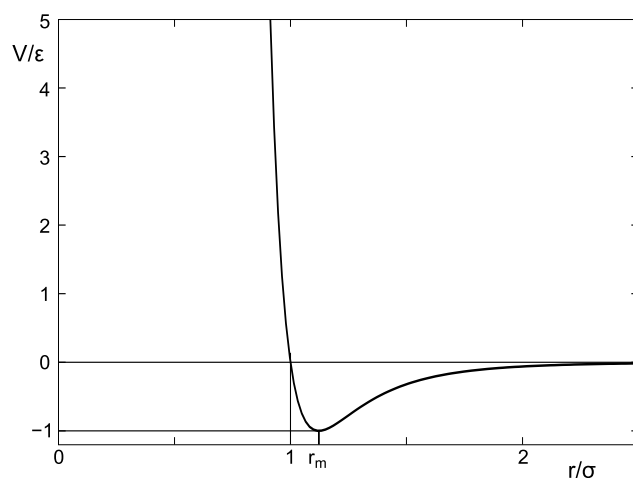


Figure 2: The Lennard–Jones potential. Make sure you label and have units on all axes! Also make sure that labels etc. are legible and that, if you print in black and white, that you use different line styles when required to differentiate between curves. In MATLAB you can export any figure to an .eps file from File → Export... in the Figure window.

Problem 2

In the following we give an example of how to produce a table. Use the code for Table 1 as a template.

Table 1: A dummy table

Col. 1	Col. 2	Col. 3
the	quick	brown
fox	jumps	over
the	lazy	dog

Problem 3

If you find some part of the code particularly interesting you may include it in the text, otherwise it should be included in the appendix. If you do want to include code the following commands will print the text directly, with no \LaTeX commands executed:

```
% Hello world ten times in MATLAB
for i = 1 : 10
    fprintf('Hello world %d!\n',i);
end
```

```
# Hello world ten times in Python
for i in range(10):
    print 'Hello world %d!' % i
```

Problem 4

At some point it may be appropriate to include equations. It is done in the following way:

$$V(r) = 4\epsilon \left[\left(\frac{\sigma}{r} \right)^{12} - \left(\frac{\sigma}{r} \right)^6 \right] \quad (1)$$

Do number and reference all your equations.

Concluding discussion

Use your favourite flavor of \LaTeX to compile the file:

```
xelatex template.tex
pdflatex template.tex
latex template.tex
```

should all work. If you use `pdflatex` or `xelatex`, included figures need to be in `pdf`, `jpg`, or `png` format. If you want to include `eps` figures, you can easily convert them to `pdf` using the command

```
ps2pdf -dEPSCrop figure.eps figure.pdf
```

References

- [1] Leslie Lamport, *\LaTeX : A Document Preparation System*. Addison Wesley, Massachusetts, 2nd Edition, 1994.

A Source Code

Include all source code here in the appendix. Keep the code formatting clean, use indentation, and comment your code to make it easy to understand. Also, break lines that are too long. (Keep them under 80 characters!)

A.1 Calculating pi using matlab: pi.m

```
1 % Generate random points inside a centered square of area 4
2 trials = 1e6;
3 x = 2*rand(trials,1) - 1;
4 y = 2*rand(trials,1) - 1;
5
6 % Distance of points to (0,0)
7 r = sqrt(x.^2 + y.^2);
8
9 % Fraction of points inside unit circle
10 frac_inside = sum(r < 1)/trials;
11
12 fprintf('Pi is approximately %.6f.\n', 4*frac_inside);
```

A.2 Calculating pi using python: pi.py

```
1 #!/usr/bin/env python
2
3 from pylab import *
4
5 # Generate random points inside a centered square of area 4
6 trials = 1e6
7 x = 2*rand(trials,1) - 1
8 y = 2*rand(trials,1) - 1
9
10 # Distance of points to (0,0)
11 r = sqrt(x**2 + y**2)
12
13 # Fraction of points inside unit circle
14 frac_inside = sum(r < 1)/trials
15
16 sys.stdout.write('Pi is approximately %.6f.\n' % (4*frac_inside))
```

A.3 Calculating pi using C: pi.c

```
1 #include <stdio.h>
2 #include <stdlib.h>
3 #include <time.h>
4 #include <math.h>
5
6 #define TRIALS 1e8
7
8 int main() {
9     float* x = malloc(TRIALS*sizeof(float));
10    float* y = malloc(TRIALS*sizeof(float));
11    int inside = 0;
12
13    /* Seed RNG with current time */
14    srand((unsigned)time(NULL));
15
16    /* Generate random points inside a centered square of area 4
17       and count the proportion that falls within the unit circle. */
18    int i;
19    for (i = 0; i < TRIALS; i++) {
20        x[i] = 2.0 * (rand()/(RAND_MAX+1.0)) - 1.0;
21        y[i] = 2.0 * (rand()/(RAND_MAX+1.0)) - 1.0;
22        if (sqrt(x[i]*x[i]+y[i]*y[i]) < 1.0) {
23            inside++;
24        }
25    }
26
27    free(x);
28    free(y);
29
30    printf("Pi is approximately %.6f.\n", 4.0*inside/TRIALS);
31
32    return 0;
33 }
```