

# LAMMPS Polymorphic version of Noritake's potential

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## 1 The potential

Noritake's potential [1] is composed of a sum of two and three body contributions. The pair part is given by

$$U_{\text{duet}} = \frac{1}{4\pi\epsilon_0} \frac{Z_i Z_j e^2}{r} + f_0 b_{ij} \exp\left(\frac{a_{ij} - r_{ij}}{b_{ij}}\right) + \frac{c_{ij}}{r_{ij}^6} + D_{ij} \exp(-\beta_{ij} r_{ij}) + D'_{ij} \exp(-\beta'_{ij} r_{ij}),$$

whereas the three body part reads

$$U_{\text{triplet}} = -f \{ \cos[2(\theta_{ijk} - \theta_0)] - 1 \} \sqrt{k_{ij} k_{ik}},$$

with

$$k_{ij} = \frac{1}{\exp[g_r(r_{ij} - r_m)] - 1}.$$

## 2 LAMMPS polymorphic

Apart from the Coulombic contribution (which can be added later through the LAMMPS hybrid pair\_style), Noritake's potential can be mapped into LAMMPS polymorphic pair\_style [2, 3] through the following relations:

$$\begin{aligned}
\eta_{ij} &= \delta_{ij}(\eta = 0), \quad \xi_{ij} = 0 \\
U_{IJ} &= f_0 b_{ij} \exp\left(\frac{a_{ij} - r_{ij}}{b_{ij}}\right) + \frac{c_{ij}}{r_{ij}^6} + D_{ij} \exp(-\beta_{ij} r_{ij}) + D'_{ij} \exp(-\beta'_{ij} r_{ij}) \\
V_{IJ} &= 1 \\
F_{IJ} &= X \\
P_{JIK}(\Delta r) &= P_{IK}(\Delta r) = \left\{ \frac{1}{\exp[g_r(r - r_m)] - 1} \right\}^{1/2} \\
W_{IJ} &= \left\{ \frac{1}{\exp[g_r(r - r_m)] - 1} \right\}^{1/2} \\
G_{JIK} &= f \left[ (2 \cos^2 \theta - 1) \cos 2\theta_0 - 2\sqrt{1 - \cos^2 \theta} \cos \theta \sin 2\theta_0 - 1 \right], \quad (-\pi \leq \theta \leq 0).
\end{aligned}$$

**Note:** In private communication with one of the authors I was told that the function  $k_{ij}$  has a cutoff  $r_c = r_m$  making this function purely negative. Thus it is necessary to take its absolute value when calculating  $P_{JIK}$  and  $W_{IJ}$ .

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