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Fall Recap

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Transition State Theory (TST)

Background:

- Developed to explain chemical reaction rates
- Assumes particles behave classically

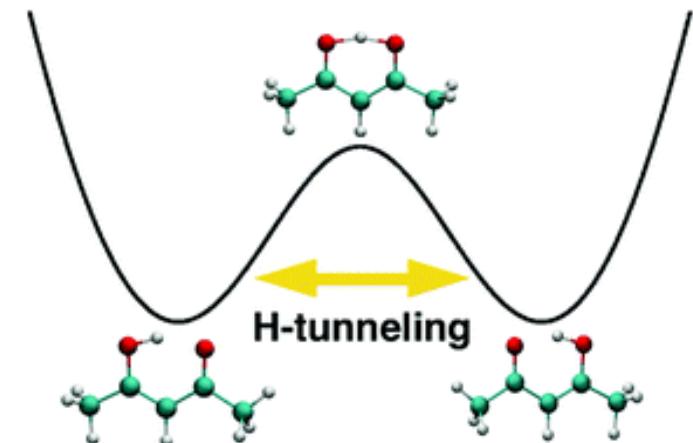
Arbitrary Elementary Rxn.



$$\text{rate} = k [A]^a + [B]^b$$

Examples:

- Nuclear reactions
- R-H functionalization rxns in catalysis



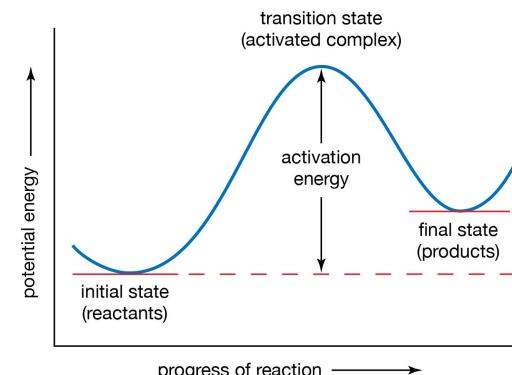
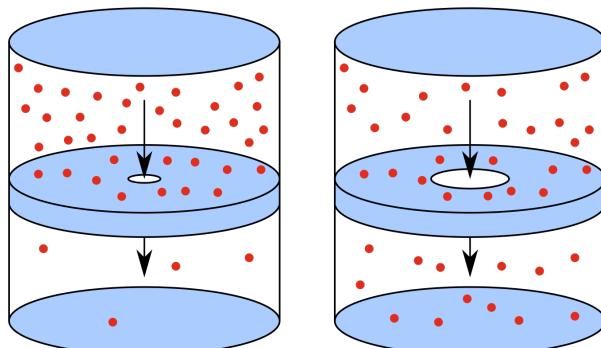
Quantum Effusion

Overview:

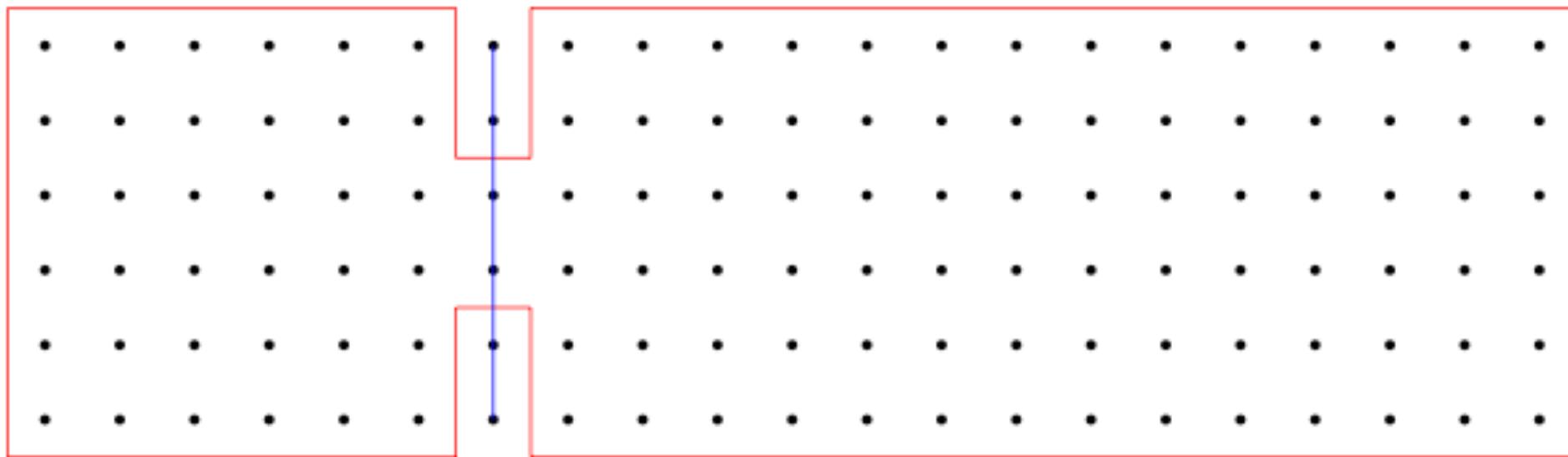
- Use modified 2D Particle-in-a-Box (P.I.B.) to model effusion → find exact thermal rate constants

Goal:

- Compare exact results to validate ring polymer molecular dynamics (RPMD) results → Quantum Transition State Theory (QTST)

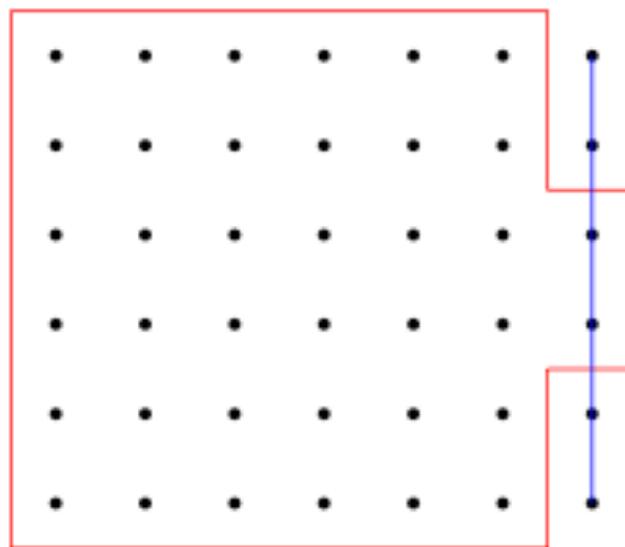


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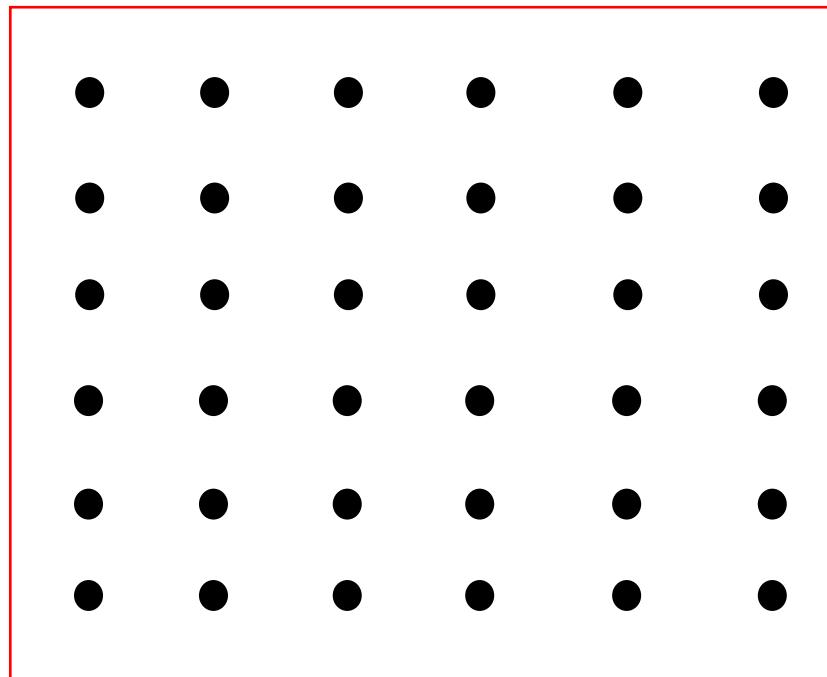


Sigurðarson, A.E. Calculation of the Quantum Mechanical Effusion Rate out of a 2D Box. BSc. Dissertation, School of Engineering and Natural Sciences University of Iceland, 2021.

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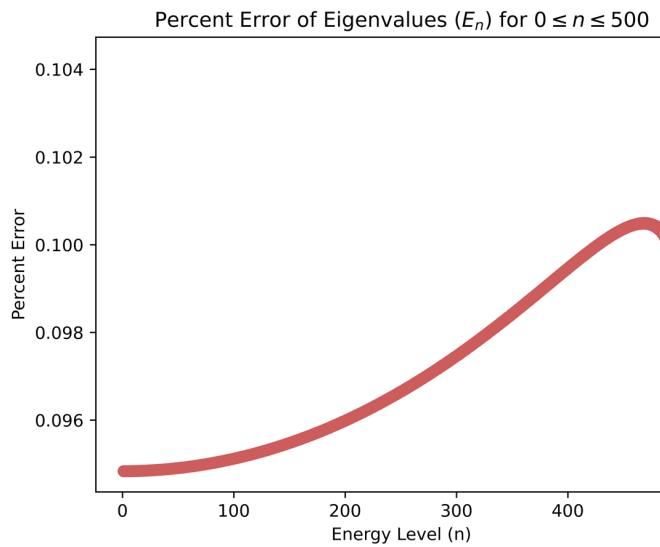
Walls $\rightarrow \psi = 0$
Inside the Box $\rightarrow \psi \neq 0$

Methods

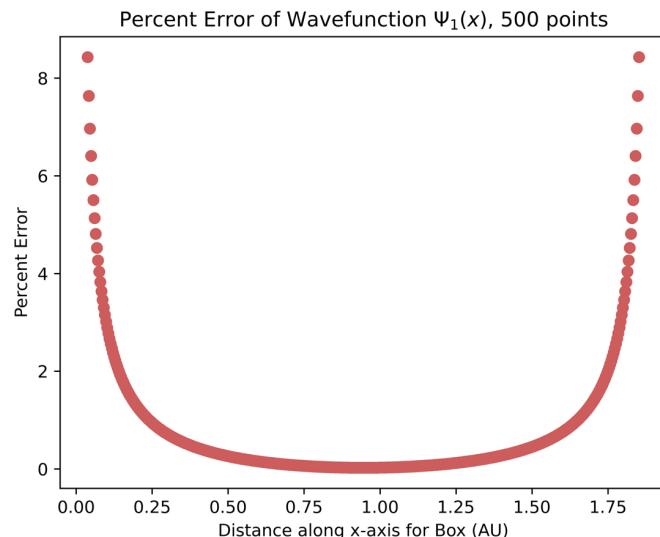
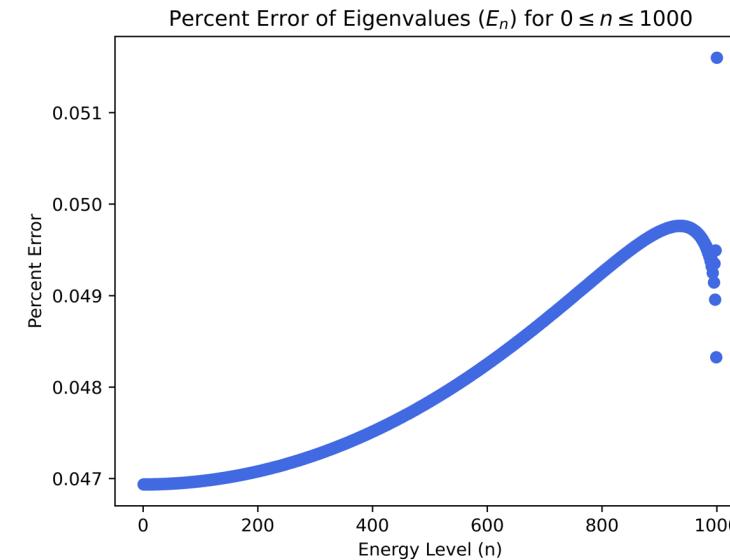
- Construct Hamiltonian Matrix
- Solve Time-Independent Schrödinger Equation ($\hat{H}\psi = E\psi$) at each point in the box
- Return eigenvalues and eigenvectors

$$\begin{bmatrix} \bullet & \bullet & \bullet \end{bmatrix} \xrightarrow{\text{Apply weights}} \begin{bmatrix} -\frac{\pi^2}{3} & \frac{2}{12} & -\frac{2}{2^2} \\ \frac{2}{1^2} & -\frac{\pi^2}{3} & \frac{2}{1^2} \\ -\frac{2}{2^2} & \frac{2}{1^2} & -\frac{\pi^2}{3} \end{bmatrix} * -\frac{\hbar^2}{2m} \frac{d^2}{dx^2}$$

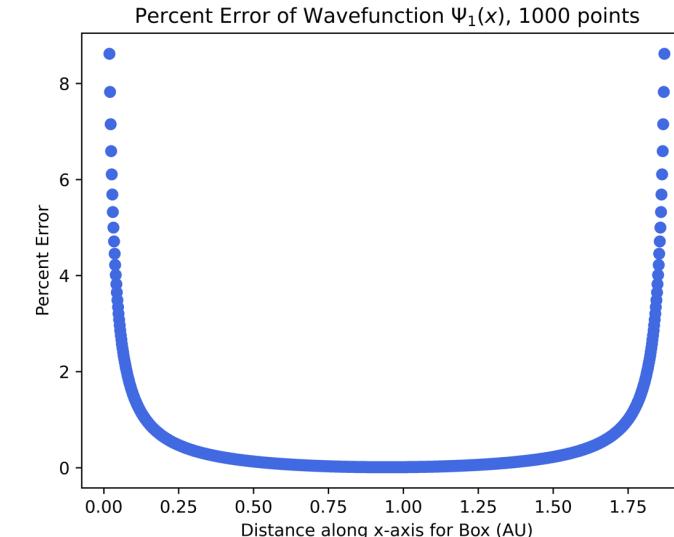
P.I.B. in \mathbb{R}^1



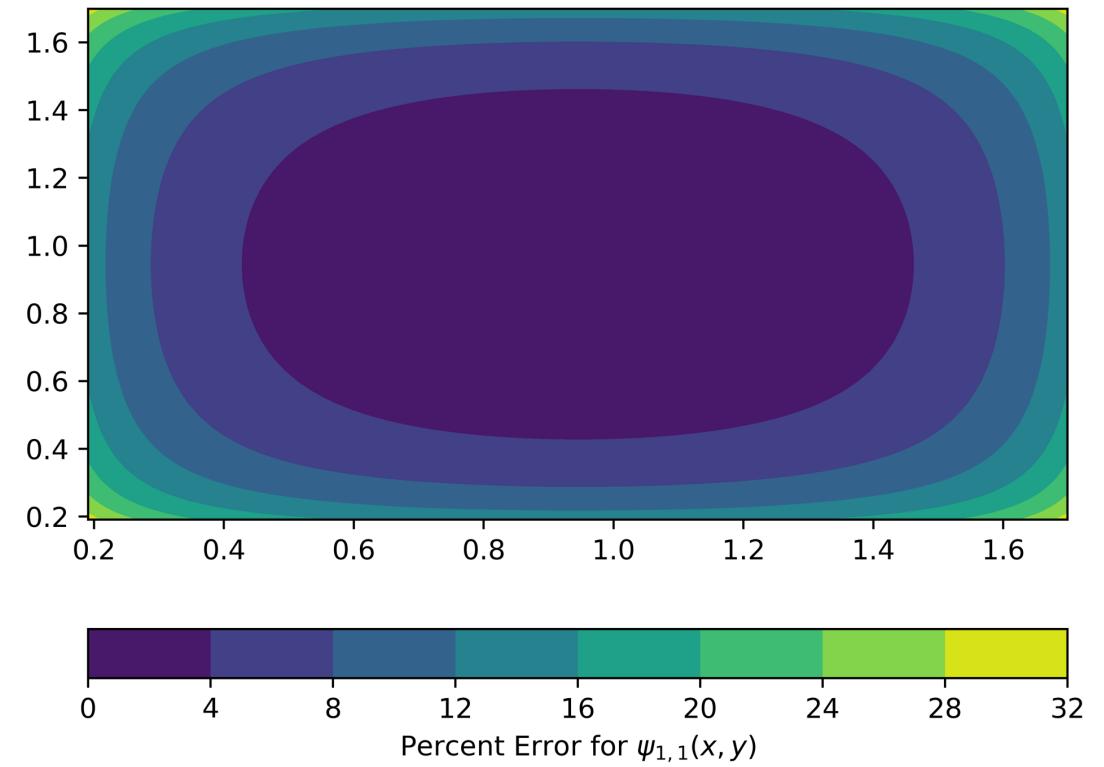
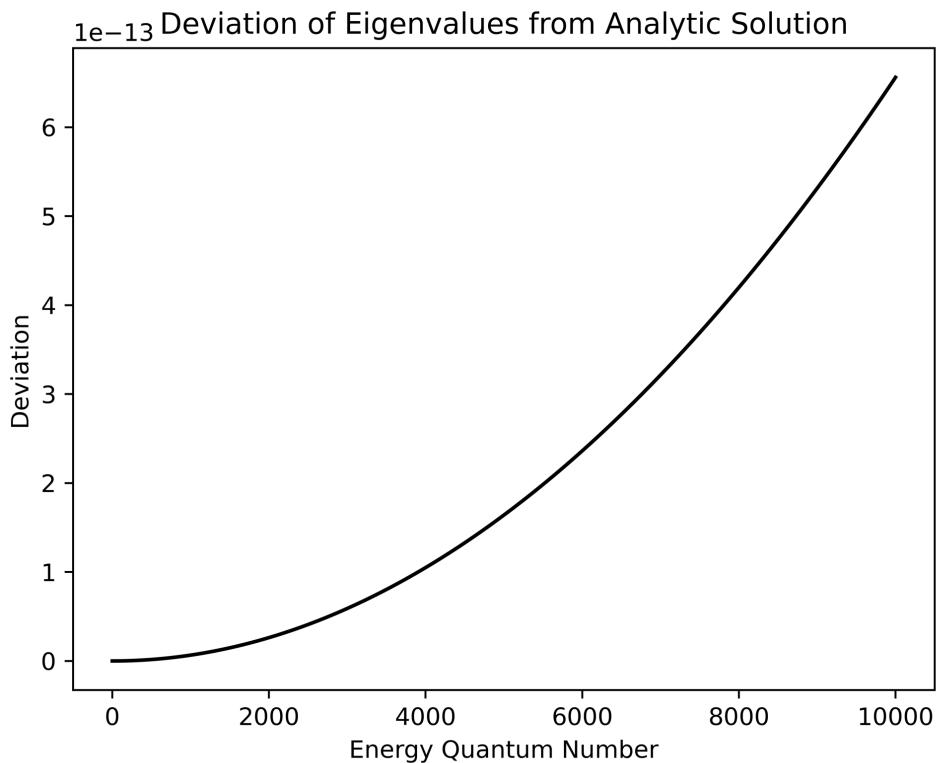
Inc. # of Points →



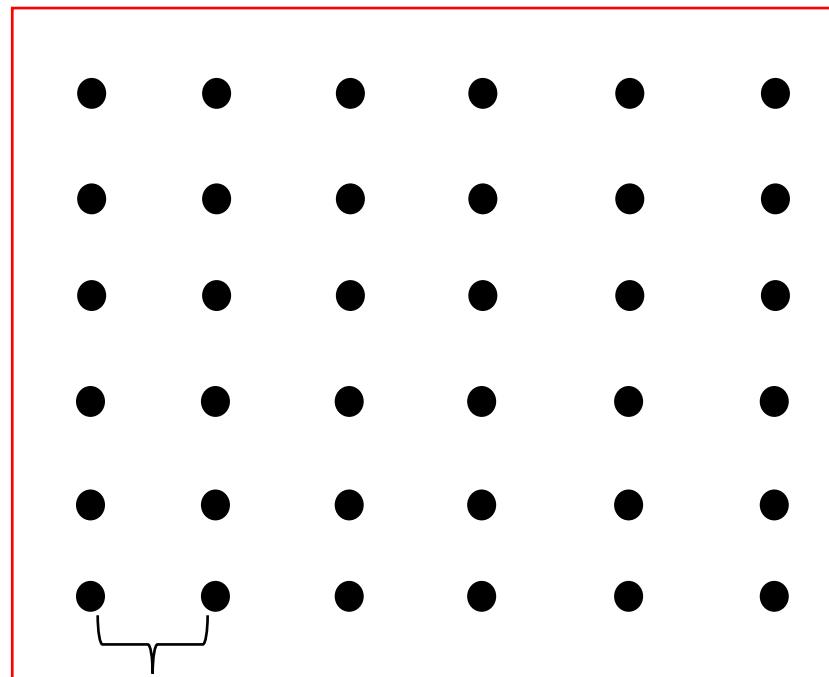
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P.I.B. in \mathbb{R}^2

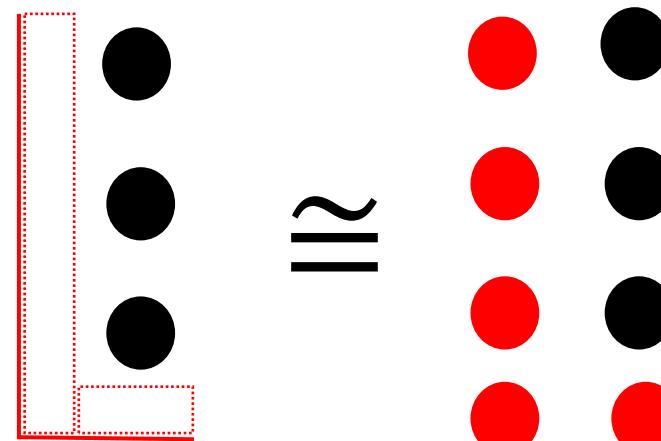
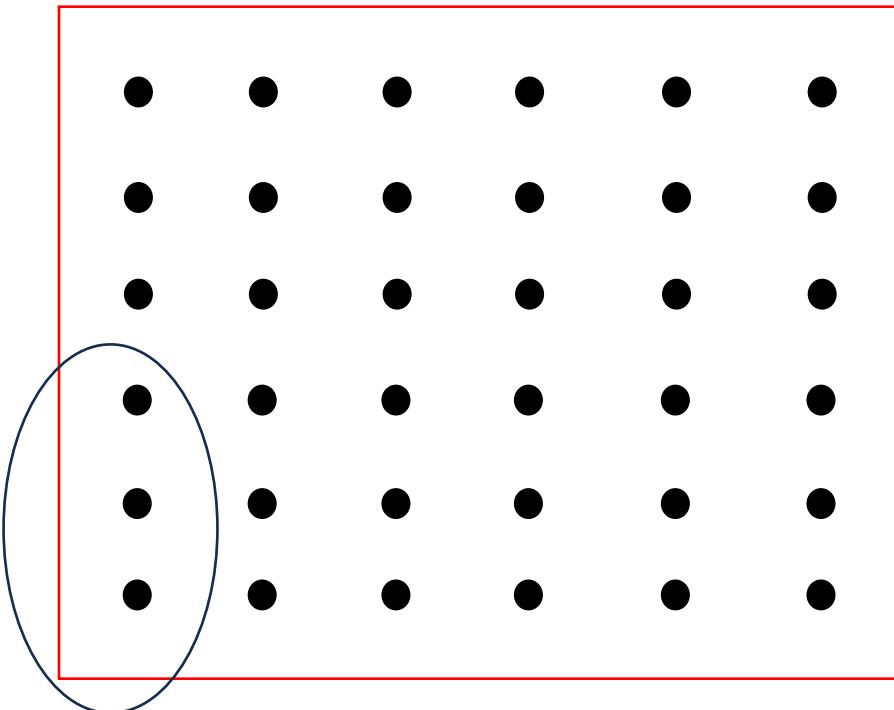


Grid Spacing Issue



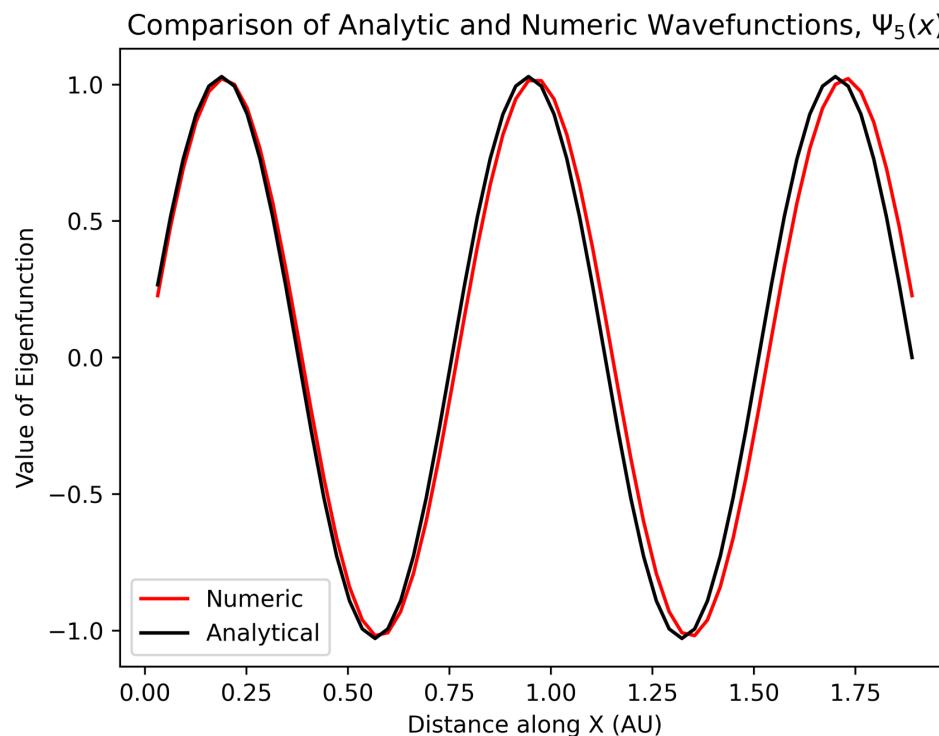
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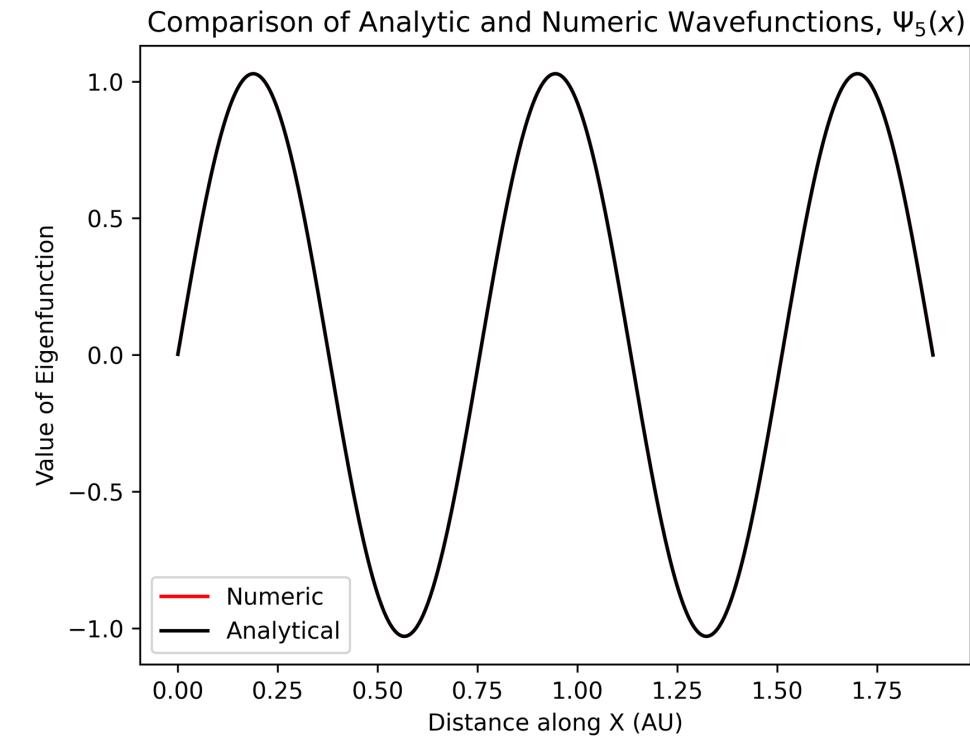


$$dx, dy = \frac{(L_{max} - L_{min})}{nx, ny \pm 1}$$

Increasing Points on Spacing Issue in \mathbb{R}^1



$\psi_5(x)$ where $nx = 60$

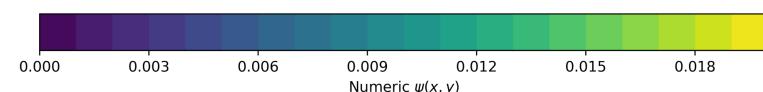
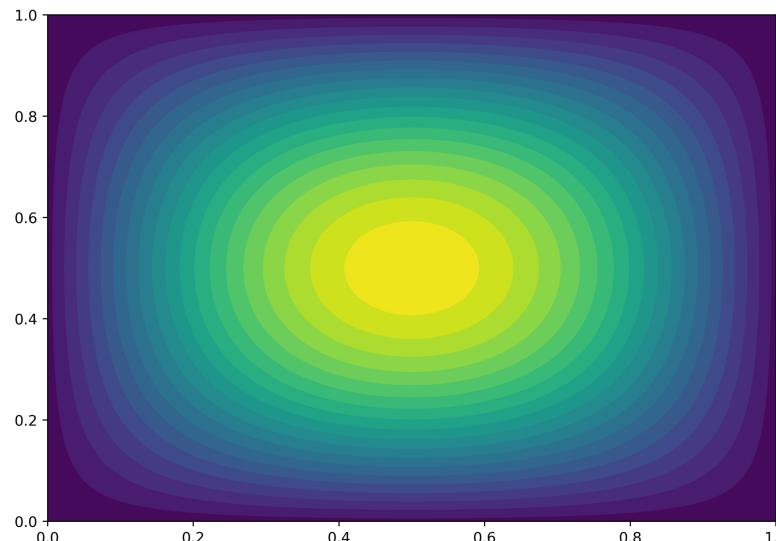


$\psi_5(x)$ where $nx = 600$

Future Avenues

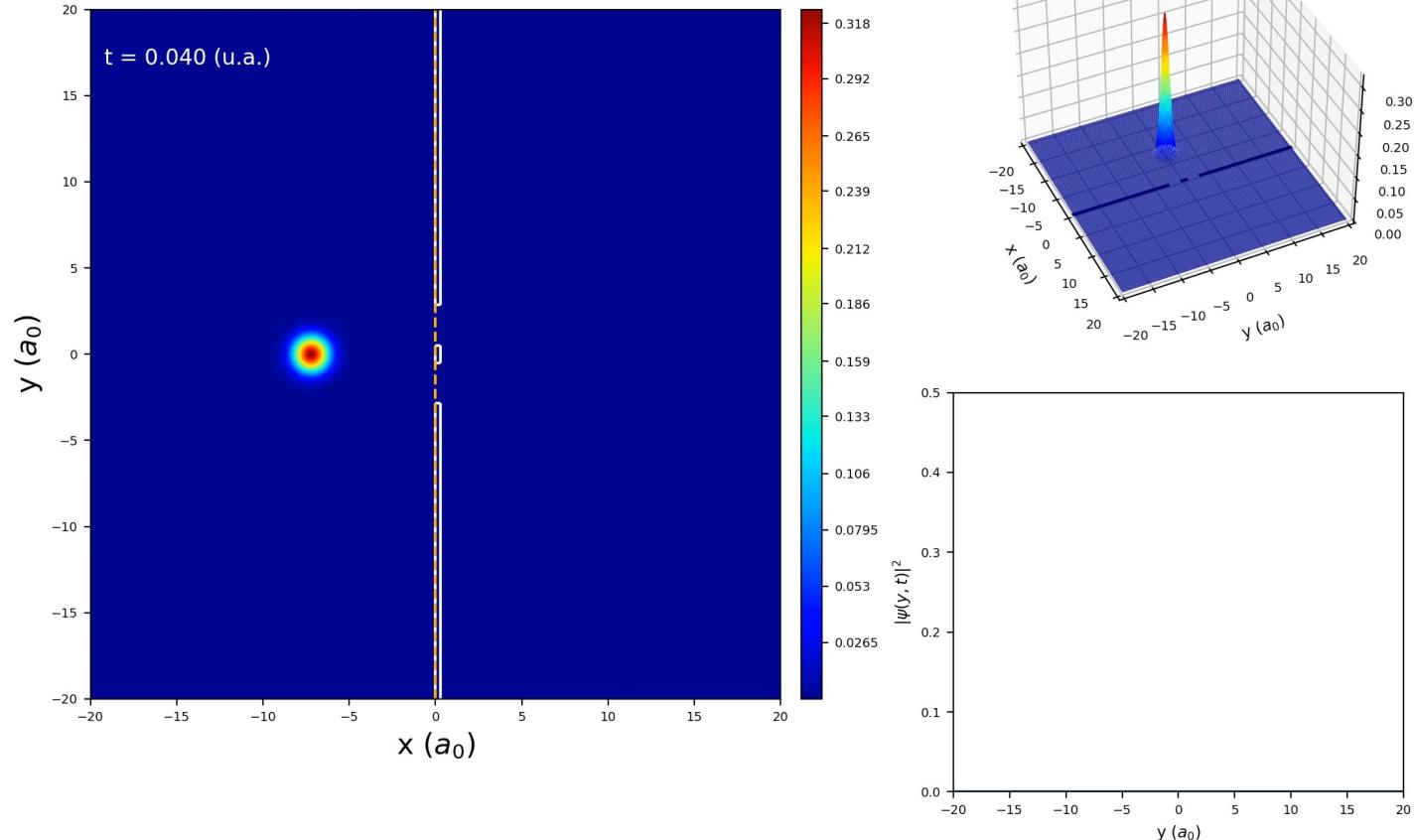
- Consider alternative population of Hamiltonian

$$\begin{bmatrix} \bullet & \bullet & \bullet \end{bmatrix} \xrightarrow{\text{Apply weights}} \begin{bmatrix} -2 & 1 & 0 \\ 1 & -2 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 & -2 \end{bmatrix}$$

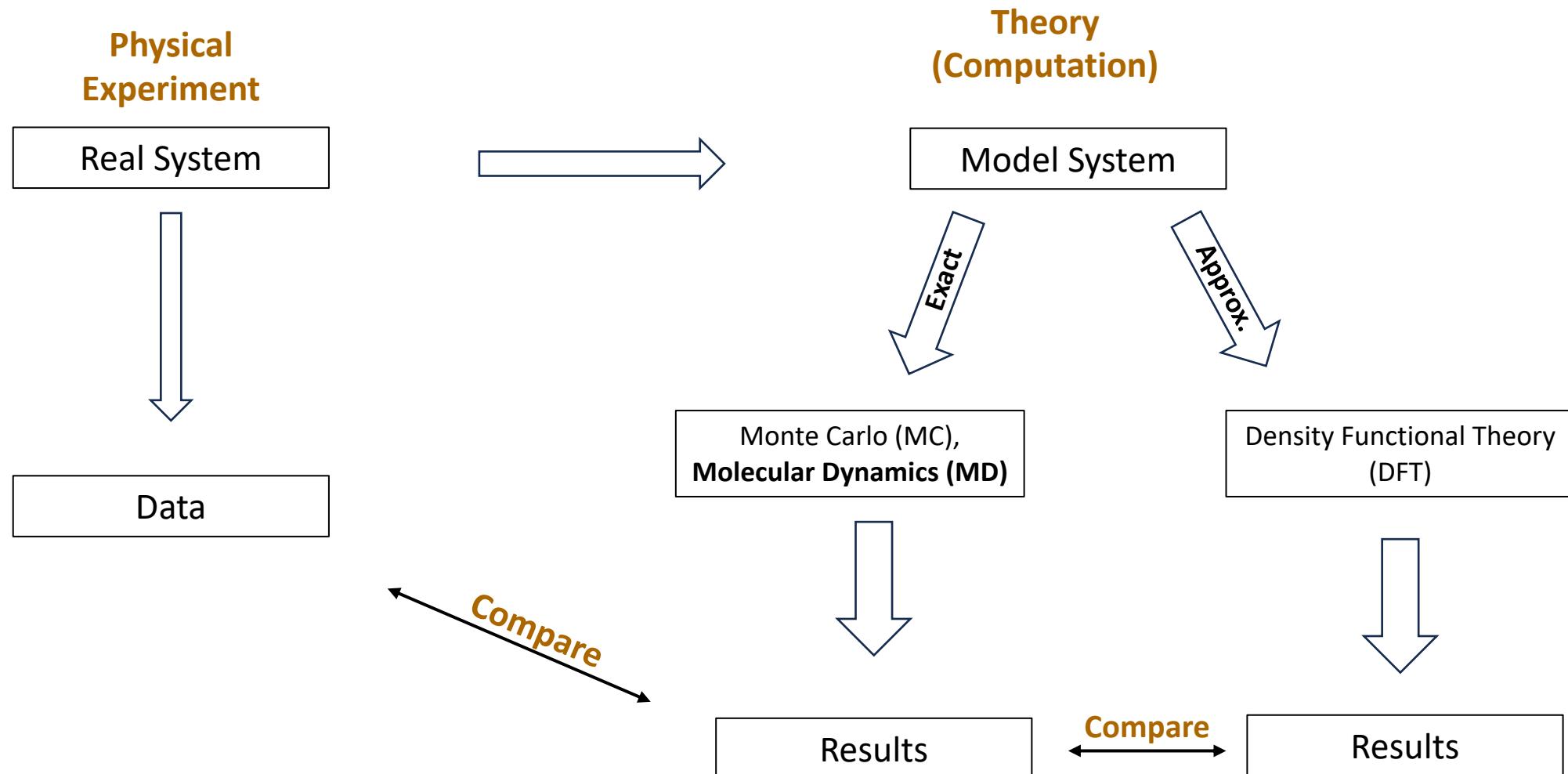


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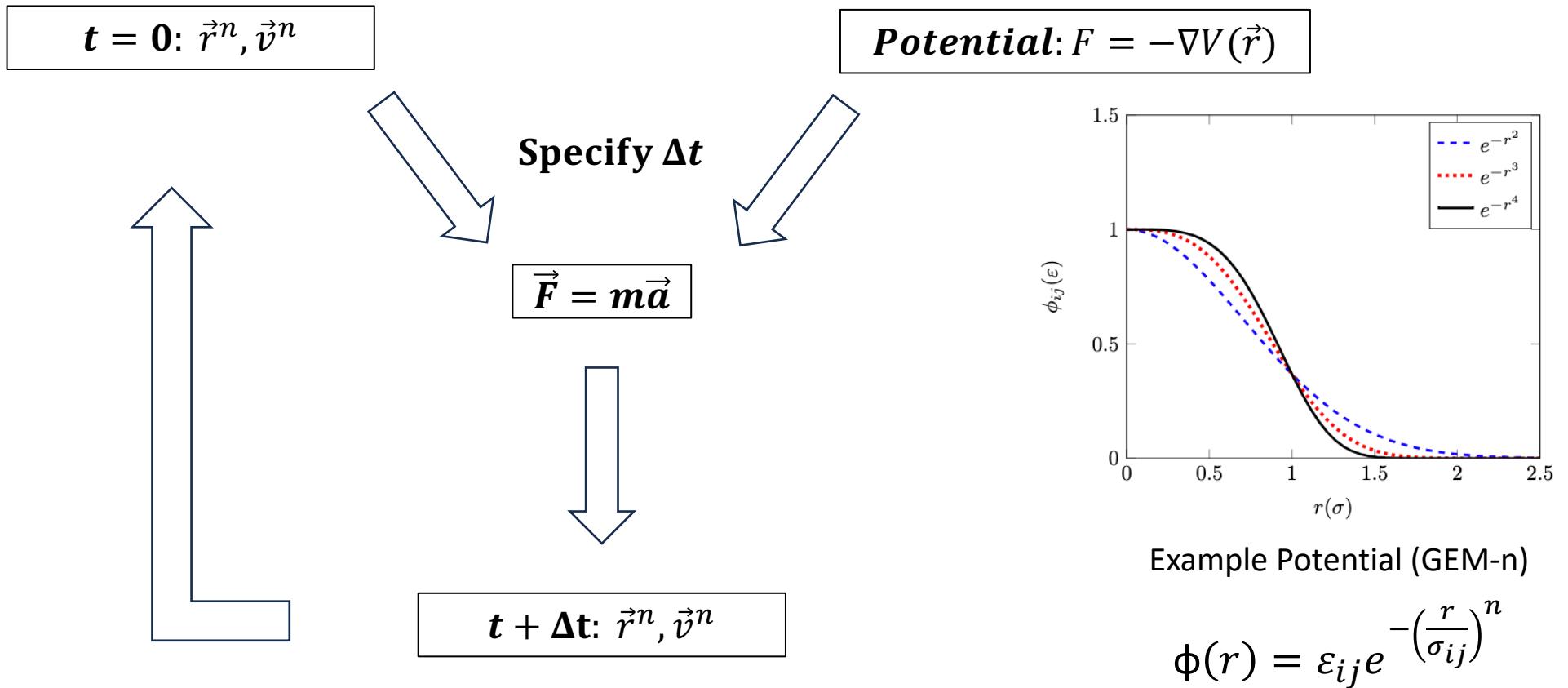
- Wavepacket Diffraction



“Experiment” in Stat Mech



Molecular Dynamics Schematic



Cluster Crystals

Experimental Results

- Confirmed by experiment to exist
- Self-assembling structure
- Dendrimers can be used to improve efficiency of drug molecules among other features

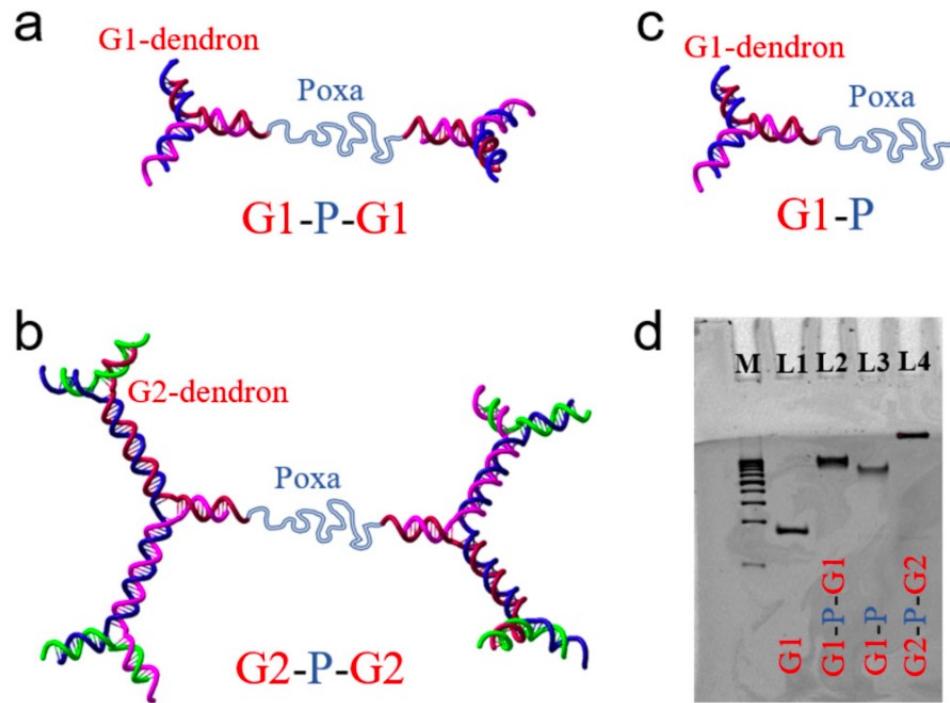
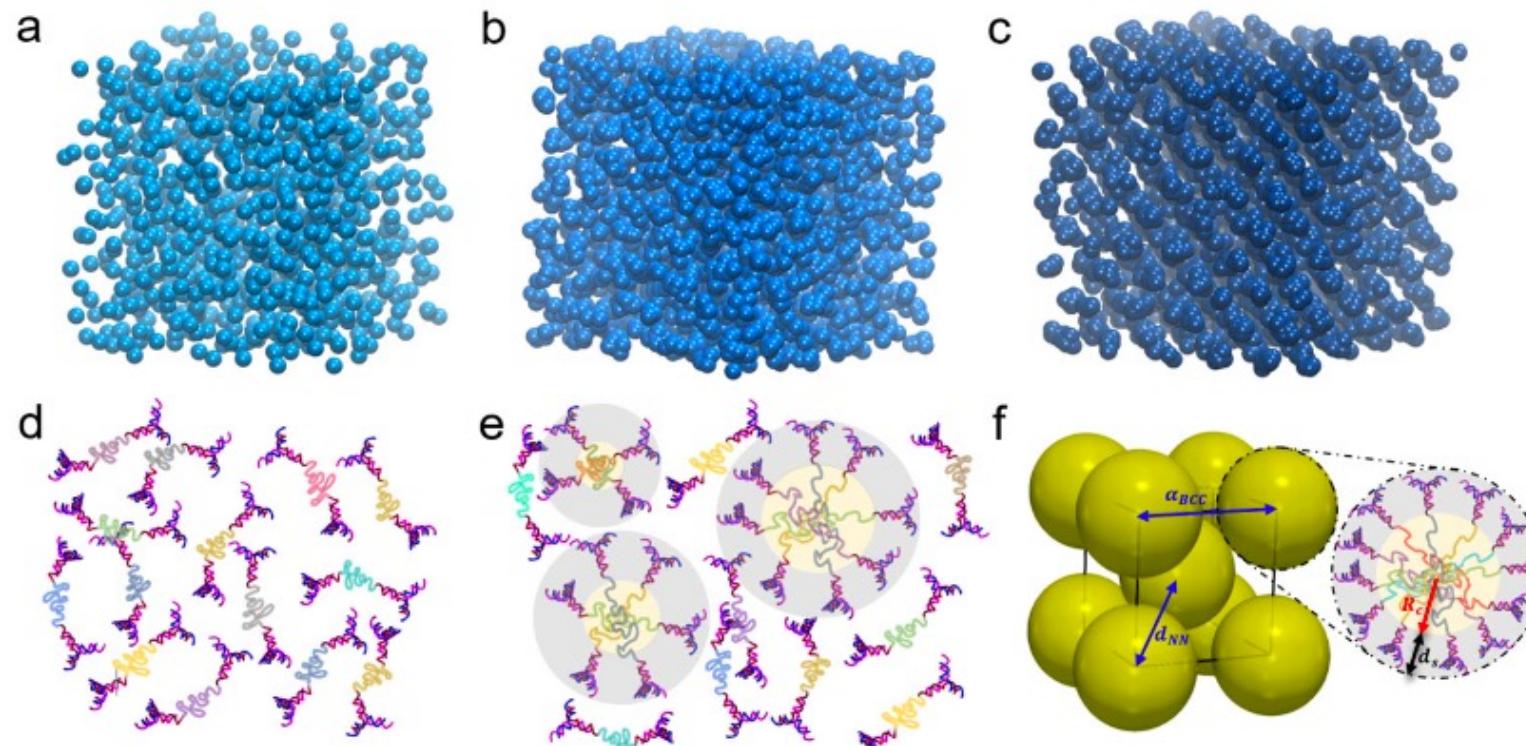


Fig. 1 Schematics and characterization of the tethered all-DNA dendrons.
a First generation of dendritic-linear-dendritic triblock (G1-P-G1). b Second generation of dendritic-linear-dendritic triblock (G2-P-G2). c First generation of dendritic-linear diblock (G1-P). d Non-denaturing polyacrylamide gel electrophoresis (PAGE) analysis. 10% PAGE: Lane M contains 50 base-pair (bp) DNA markers. Lanes 1–4 contain G1, G1-P-G1, G1-P, and G2-P-G2, respectively.

Cluster Crystals

Coarse-Graining → model particles as a sphere

- Main consideration is the physics



GEM-n

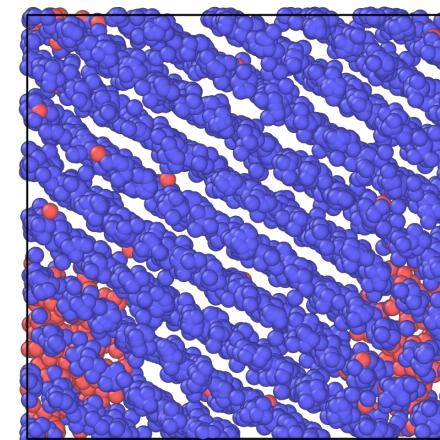
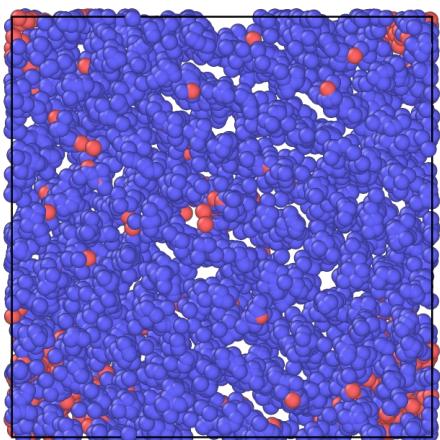
Explore interactive potential defined by:

$$\phi_{ij}(r) = \varepsilon_{ij} e^{-\left(\frac{r}{\sigma_{ij}}\right)^n}$$

$n \leq 2$: No Crystallization

$n > 2$: Crystallization

- Only repulsive interactions



GEM-n Overview

1

- GEM-2, GEM-4 Two Particle Types
- Compare to published results

S. D. Overduin and C. N. Likos 2009 EPL 85 26003.

$$\phi_{1,1}(r) = \varepsilon_{1,1} e^{-\left(\frac{r}{\sigma_{1,1}}\right)^{n_{1,1}}}$$
$$\phi_{1,2}(r) = \varepsilon_{1,2} e^{-\left(\frac{r}{\sigma_{1,2}}\right)^{n_{1,2}}}$$
$$\phi_{2,2}(r) = \varepsilon_{2,2} e^{-\left(\frac{r}{\sigma_{2,2}}\right)^{n_{2,2}}}$$

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- GEM-4 Single Particle Type
- Compare to Collaborator's thesis

Mladek, B.M. Exotic phenomena in the phase behaviour of soft matter systems. Ph.D. Dissertation, Vienna University of Technology, 2007.

$$\phi_{1,1}(r) = \varepsilon_{1,1} e^{-\left(\frac{r}{\sigma_{1,1}}\right)^{n_{1,1}}}$$

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- Dimer System
- Novel

$$\phi_{1,1}(r) = \varepsilon_{1,1} e^{-\left(\frac{r}{\sigma_{1,1}}\right)^{n_{1,1}}}$$
$$\phi_{1,2}(r) = \varepsilon_{1,2} e^{-\left(\frac{r}{\sigma_{1,2}}\right)^{n_{1,2}}}$$
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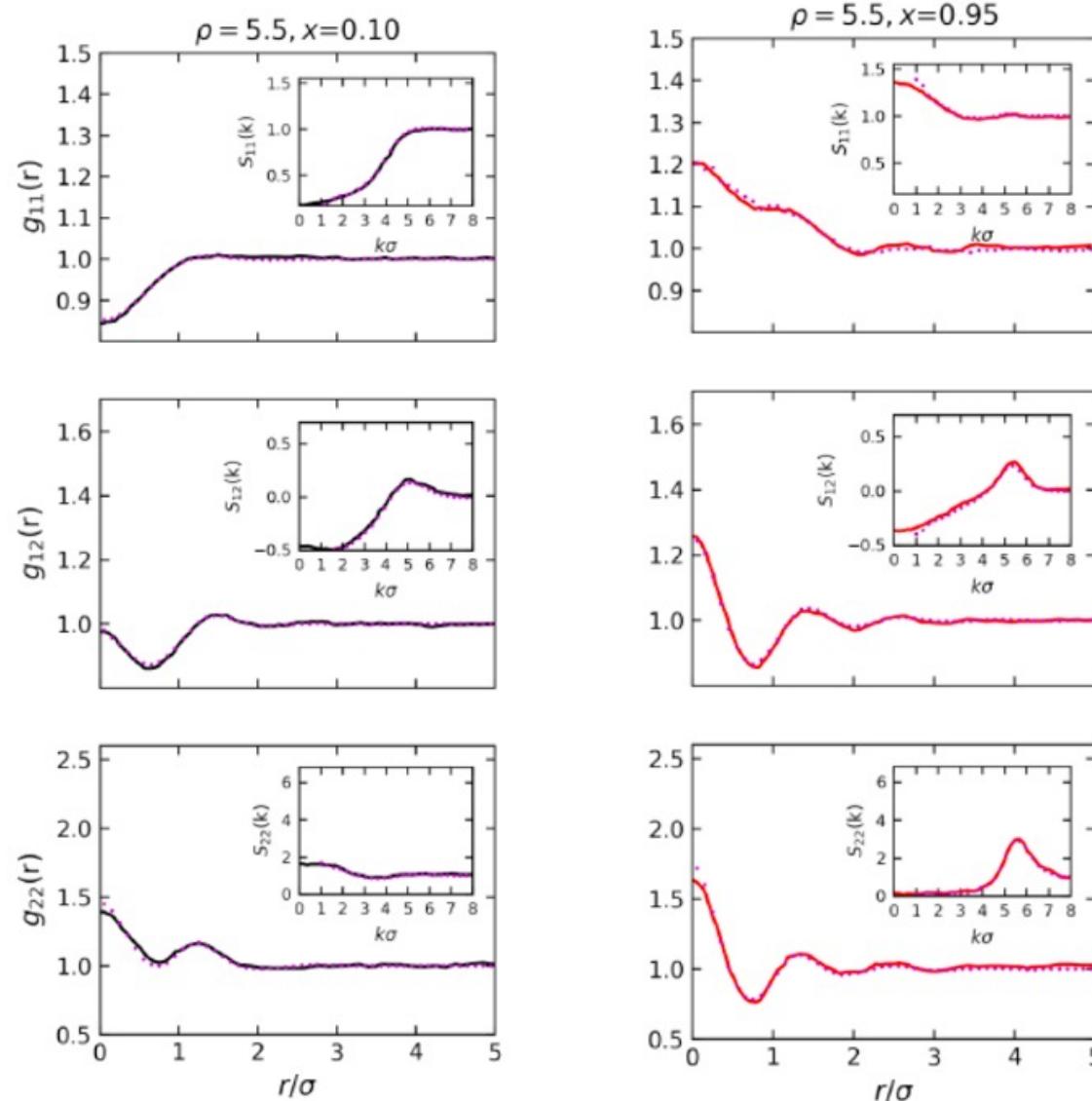
* {N, V, T} Ensemble
for All *

DFT/MD GEM-2,GEM-4 Comparison: $\frac{k_B T}{\varepsilon} = 1.0$

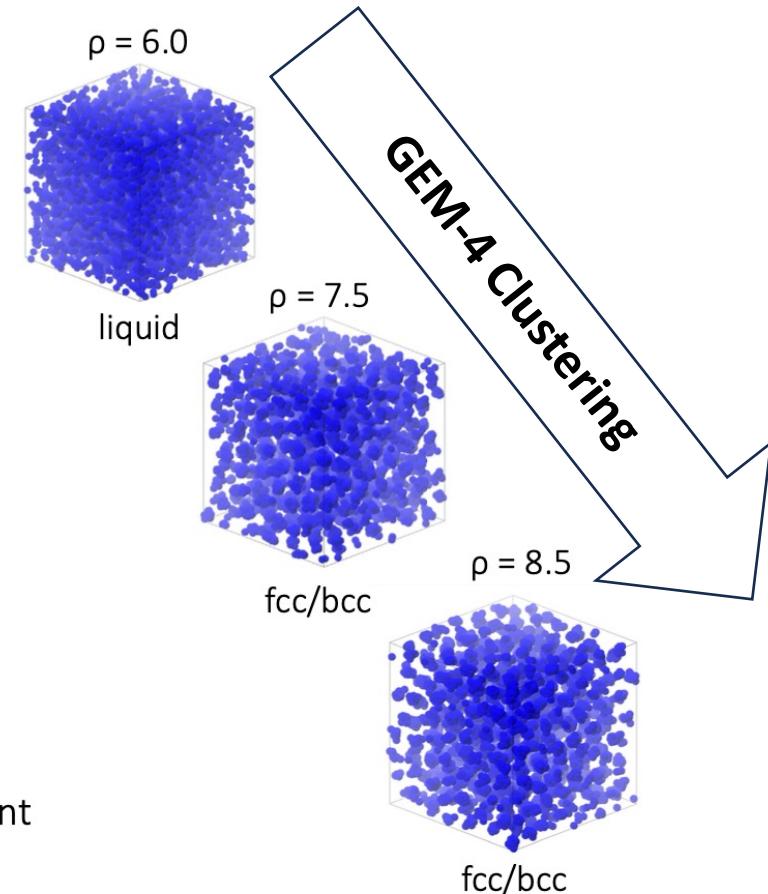
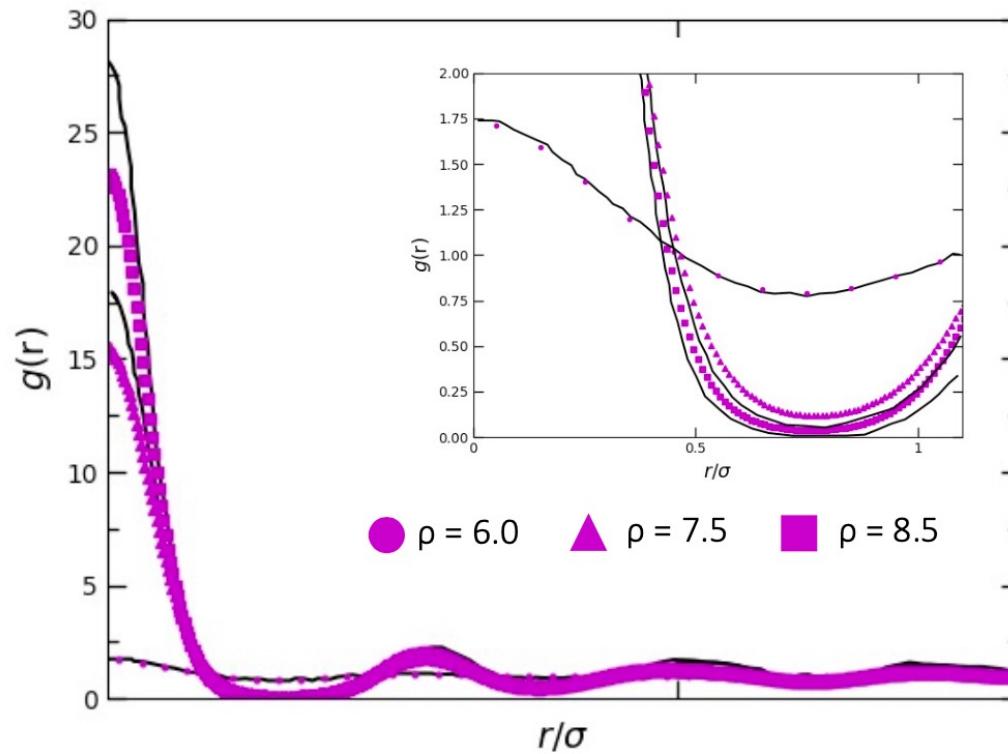
$$\phi_{1,1}(r) = \varepsilon e^{-\left(\frac{r}{\sigma}\right)^2}$$

$$\phi_{1,2}(r) = \varepsilon e^{-\left(\frac{r}{1.07\sigma}\right)^3}$$

$$\phi_{2,2}(r) = \varepsilon e^{-\left(\frac{r}{\sigma}\right)^4}$$

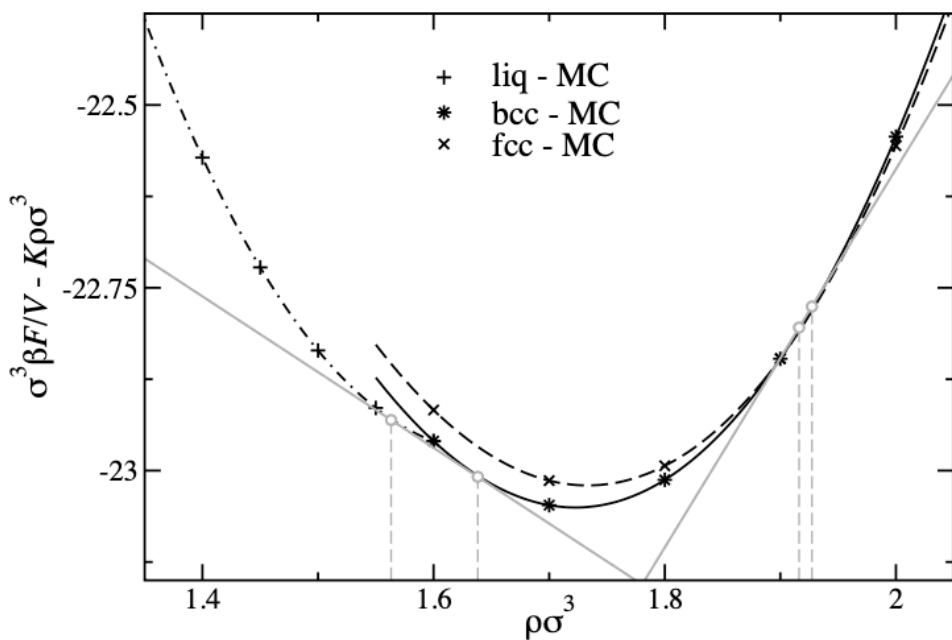


MC/MD GEM-4 Comparison: $\frac{k_B T}{\varepsilon} = 1.1$

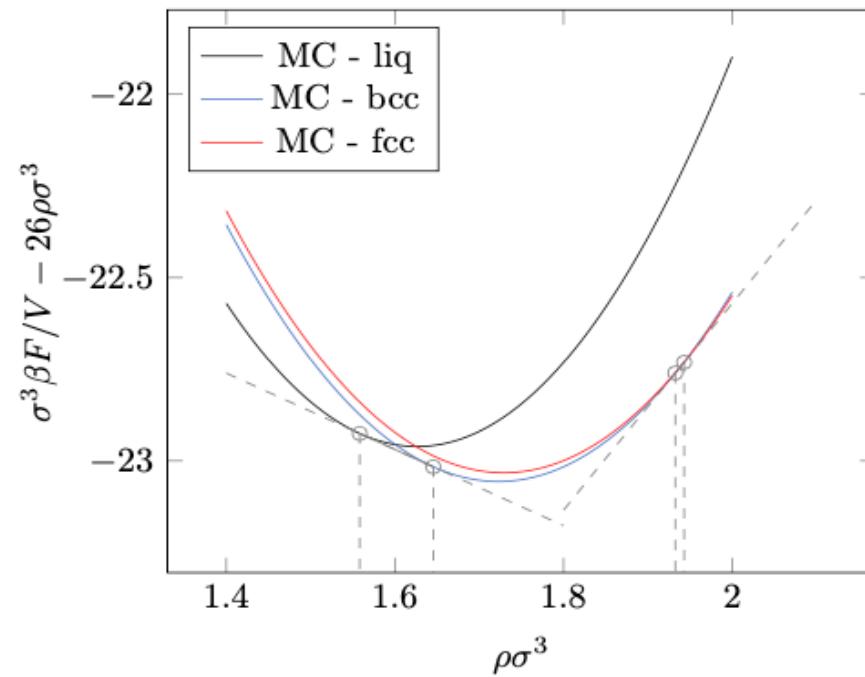


$$\phi_{1,1}(r) = \varepsilon e^{-\left(\frac{r}{\sigma}\right)^4}$$

Coexistence Recreation: $\frac{k_B T}{\varepsilon} = 0.2$

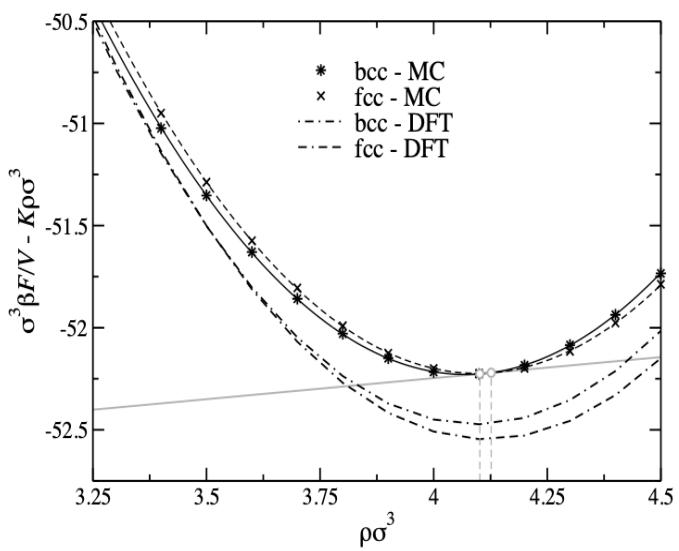
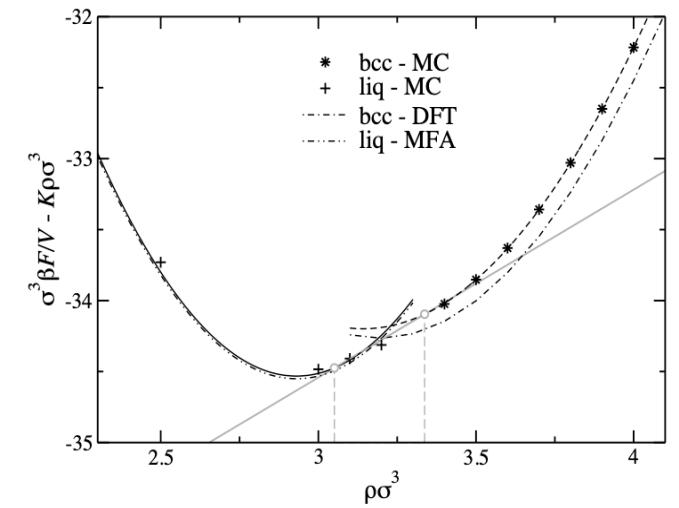


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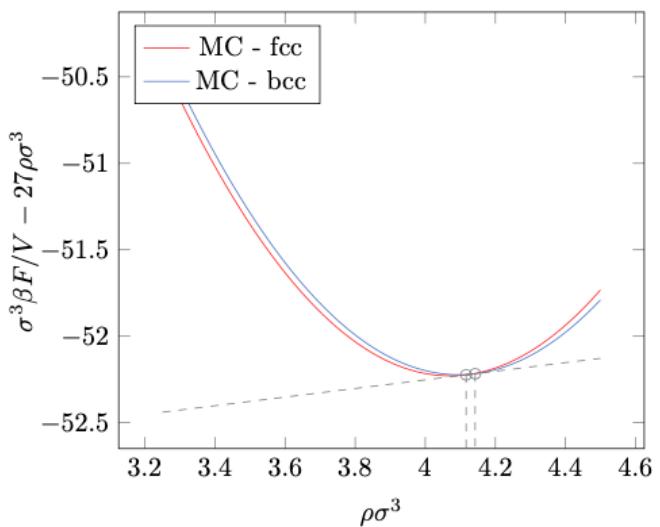
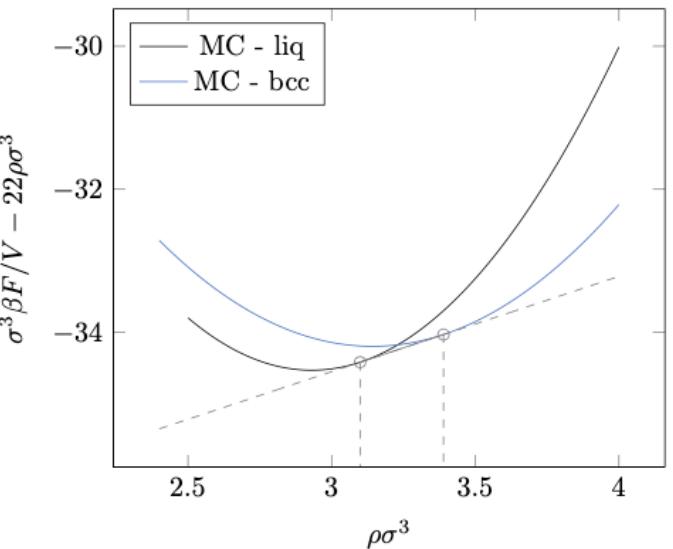


Recreation

Coexistence Recreation: $\frac{k_B T}{\varepsilon} = 0.5$



Originals



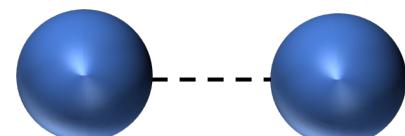
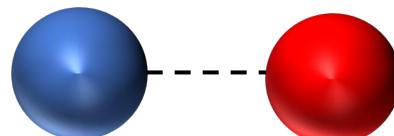
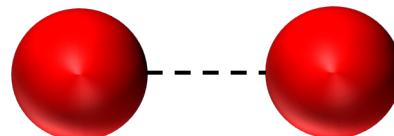
Recreations

Dimers

$$\textbf{GEM-2: } \phi_{1,1}(r) = \varepsilon_{1,1} e^{-\left(\frac{r}{\sigma_{1,1}}\right)^n}$$

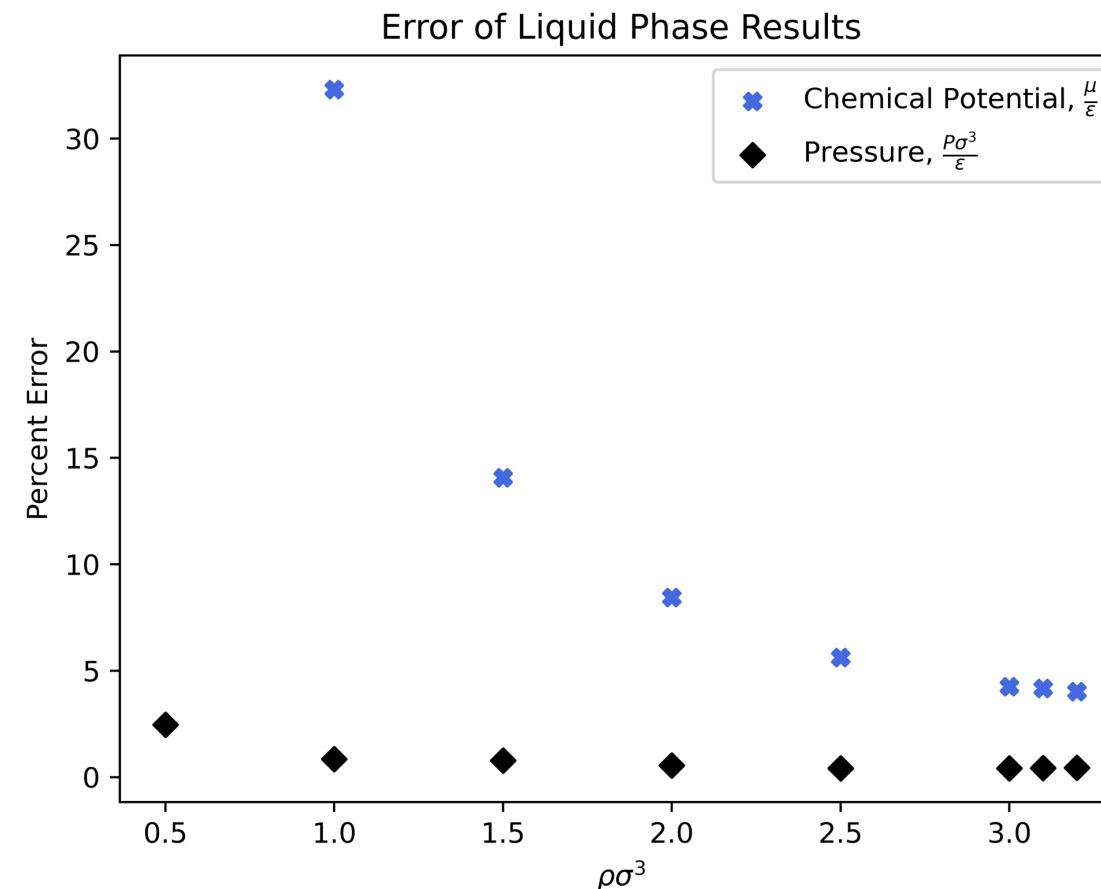
$$\textbf{GEM-2,4: } \phi_{1,2}(r) = \varepsilon_{1,2} e^{-\left(\frac{r}{\sigma_{1,2}}\right)^n}$$

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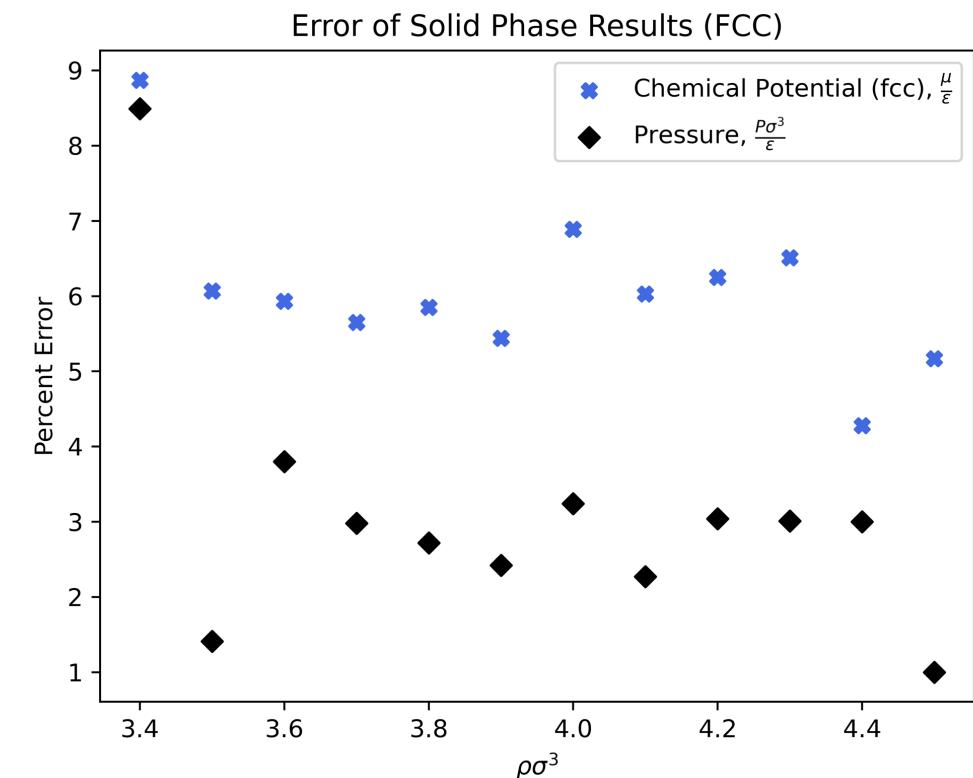
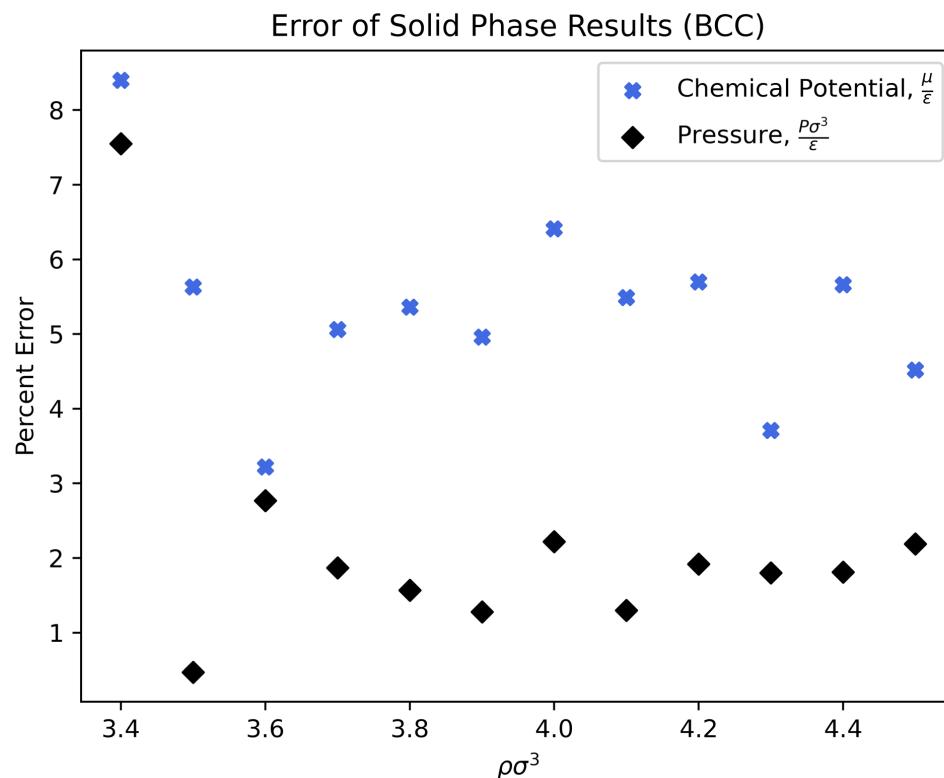
Dimer vs. GEM-4

Test Dimer system where $\epsilon_{2,2}$ and $\epsilon_{2,4} = 0$; $\frac{k_B T}{\epsilon} = 0.5$



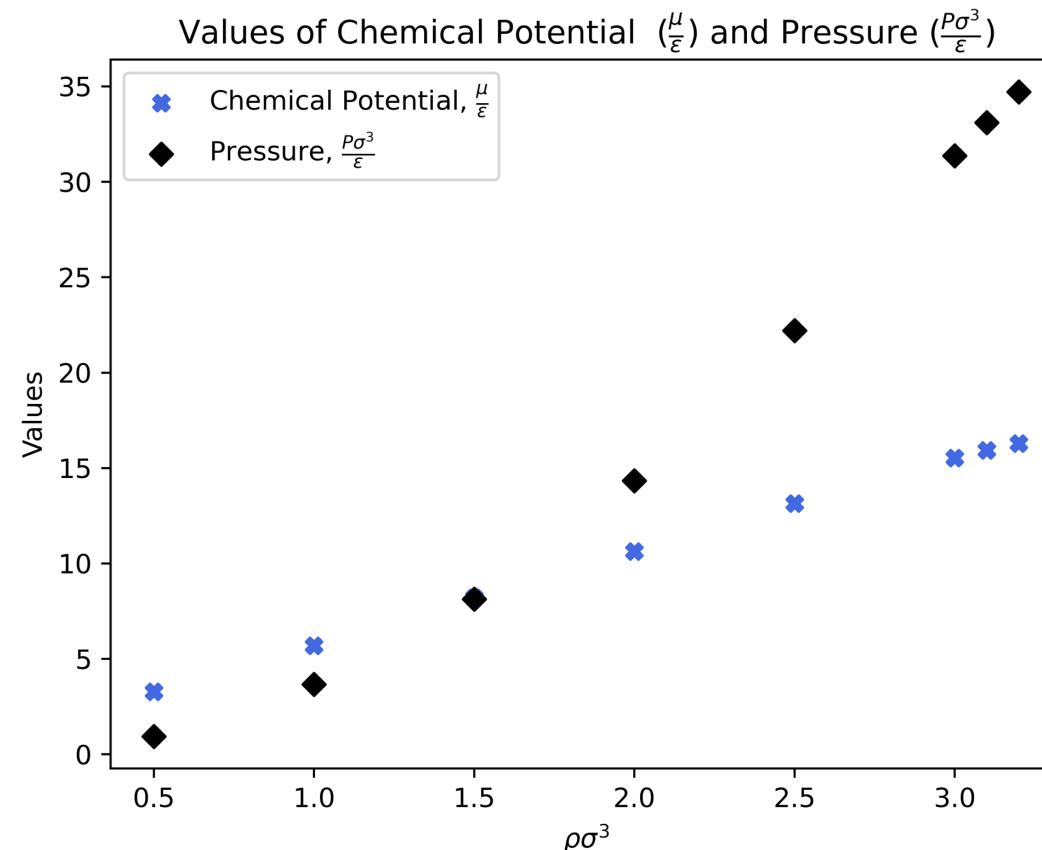
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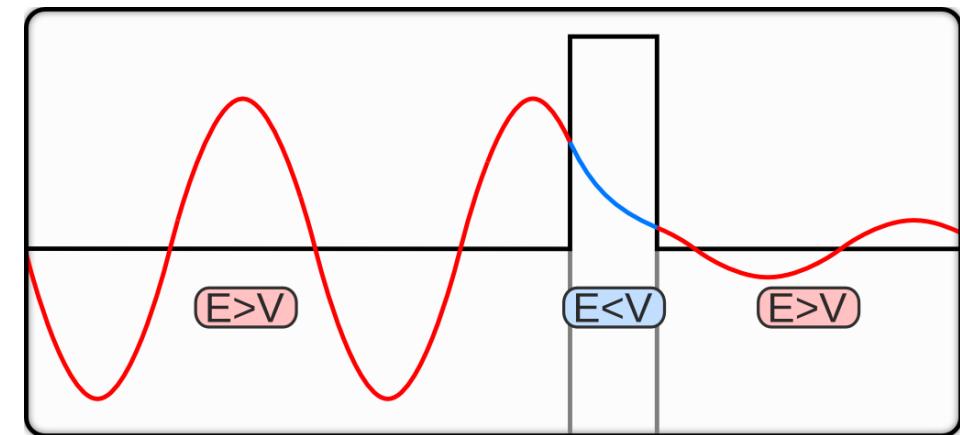
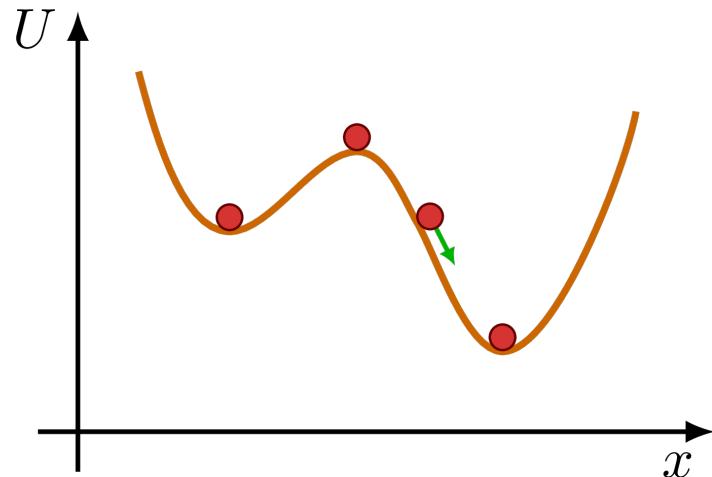
Dimer system where $\varepsilon_{2,2}$ and $\varepsilon_{2,4} \neq 0$



Thank You!
Any Questions?

Tunneling and Zero Point Energy

Tunneling:



Zero Point Energy:

$$E_n = \frac{\hbar^2 \pi^2}{8ml^2} \rightarrow \Delta x \Delta p \approx \hbar \rightarrow \Delta x \sim l \rightarrow \Delta p \sim \frac{\hbar}{l} \rightarrow E_{min} = \frac{\Delta p^2}{2m} \neq 0$$

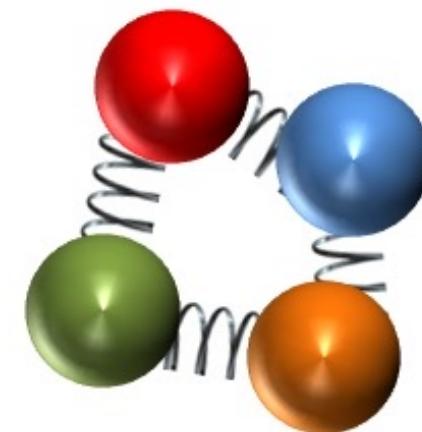
RPMD

Classical Mechanics



Classical Particle

Quantum Mechanical Path Integral



Ring Polymer

RPMD

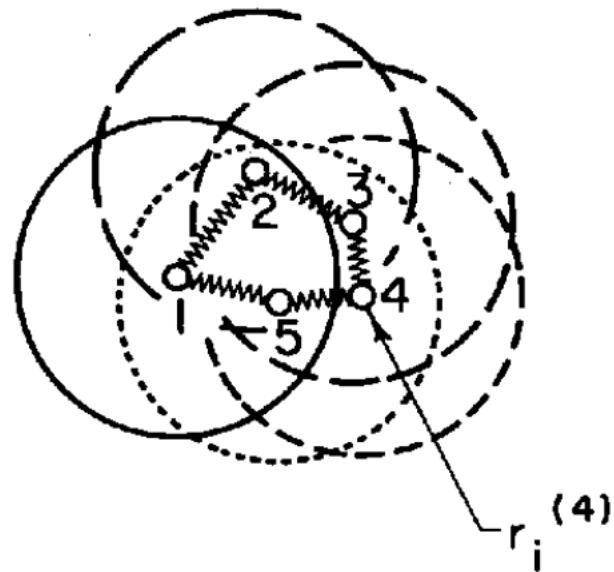
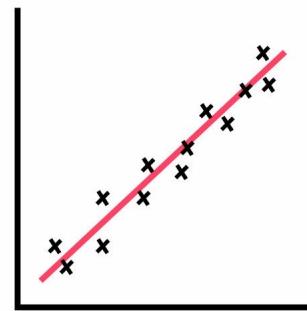


FIG. 1. A molecule in the classical isomorphism with $P = 5$, and the meaning of the coordinates $r_i^{(t)}$. The numbered small circles represent the locations of the i th atom at the P different states (points on a quantum path). Equivalently, the numbers label the P distinguishable atoms in the i th molecule of the isomorphic classical fluid. The large circles represent schematically the interaction spheres associated with the different atoms. The wavy lines depict the harmonic springs whose Boltzmann factors are proportional to the single particle $\rho_0(r_i^{(t)}, r_i^{(t+1)}; \beta/P) = E(|r_i^{(t)} - r_i^{(t+1)}|; \beta/P)$.

Correlation Functions

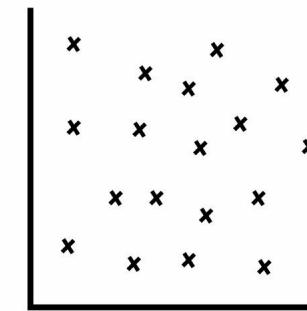
- Describes a statistical relationship between quantities



Positive
Correlation



Negative
Correlation



No
Correlation

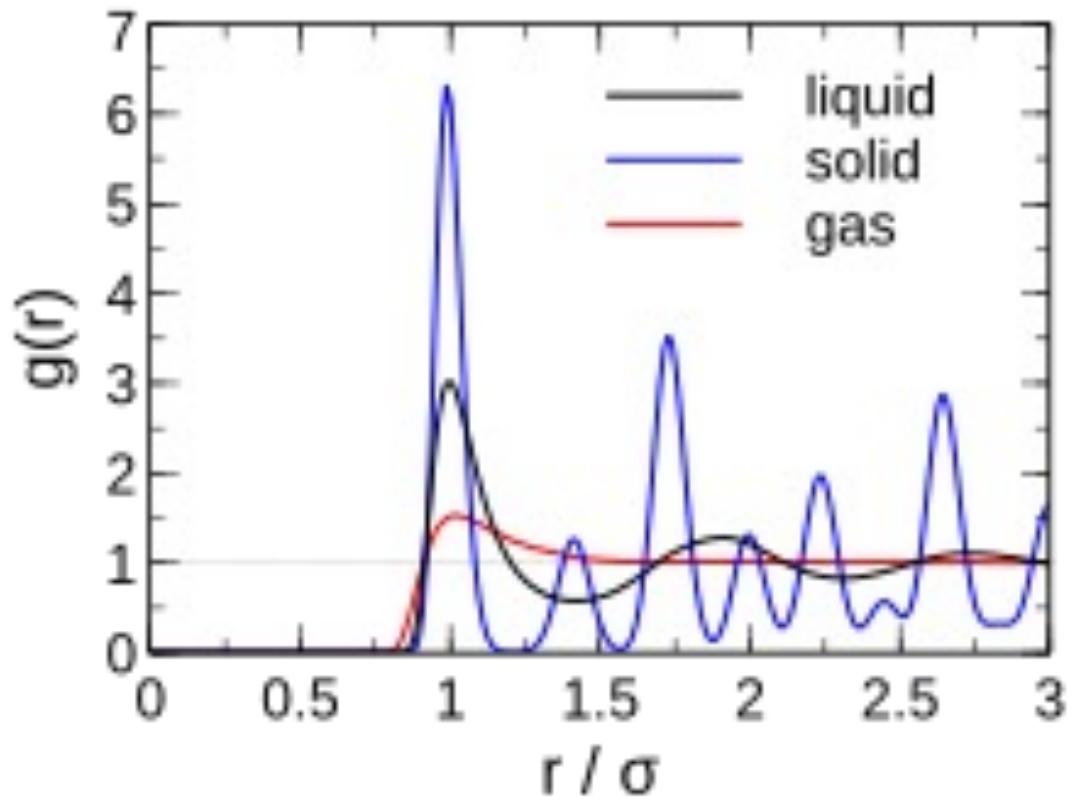
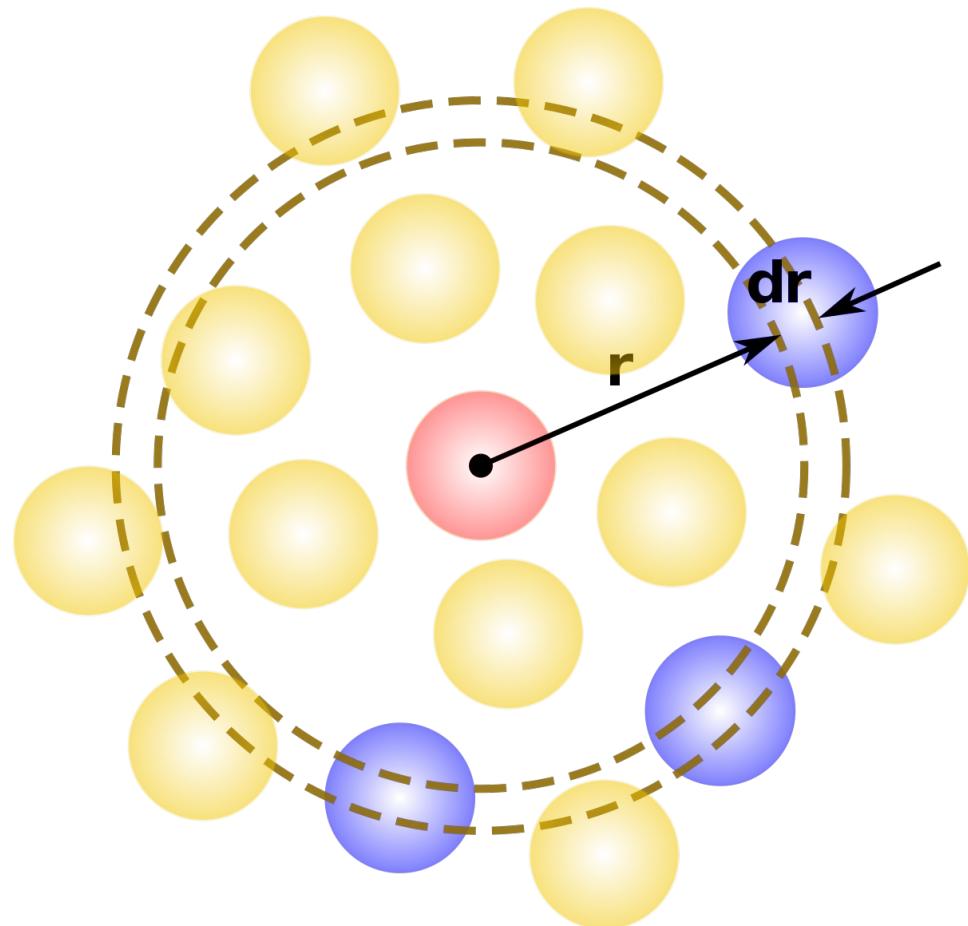
Kinetics with Correlation Functions

Flux: Number of particles per unit time through a point, $x = s$

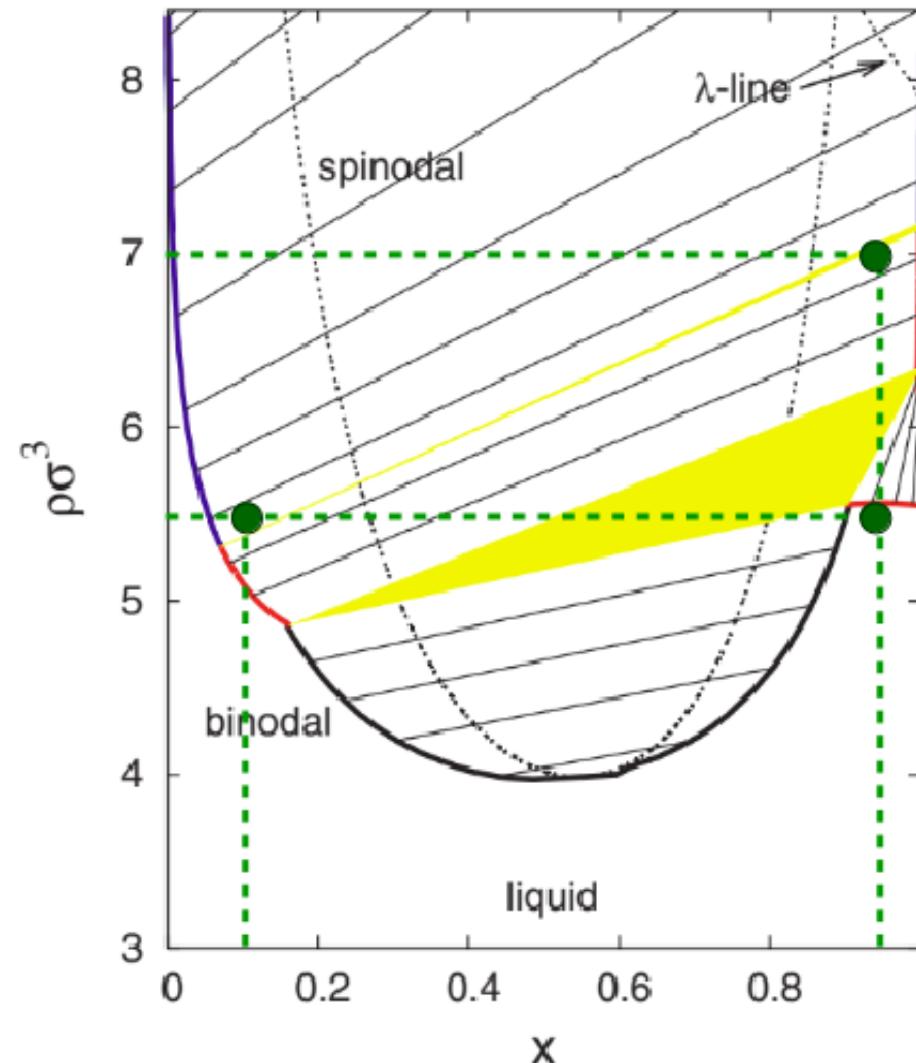
$$\hat{F}(s) = -\frac{i\hbar}{2m} \left\{ \delta(x - s) \frac{d}{dx} + \frac{d}{dx} \delta(x - s) \right\}$$

$$j(s, t) \equiv \langle \psi | \hat{F}(s) | \psi \rangle = -\frac{i\hbar}{2m} \left\{ \psi(s, t)^* \frac{\partial \psi(s, t)}{\partial s} - \frac{\partial \psi(s, t)^*}{\partial s} \psi(s, t) \right\}$$

Radial Distribution Function, $g(r)$



Likos Phase Diagram



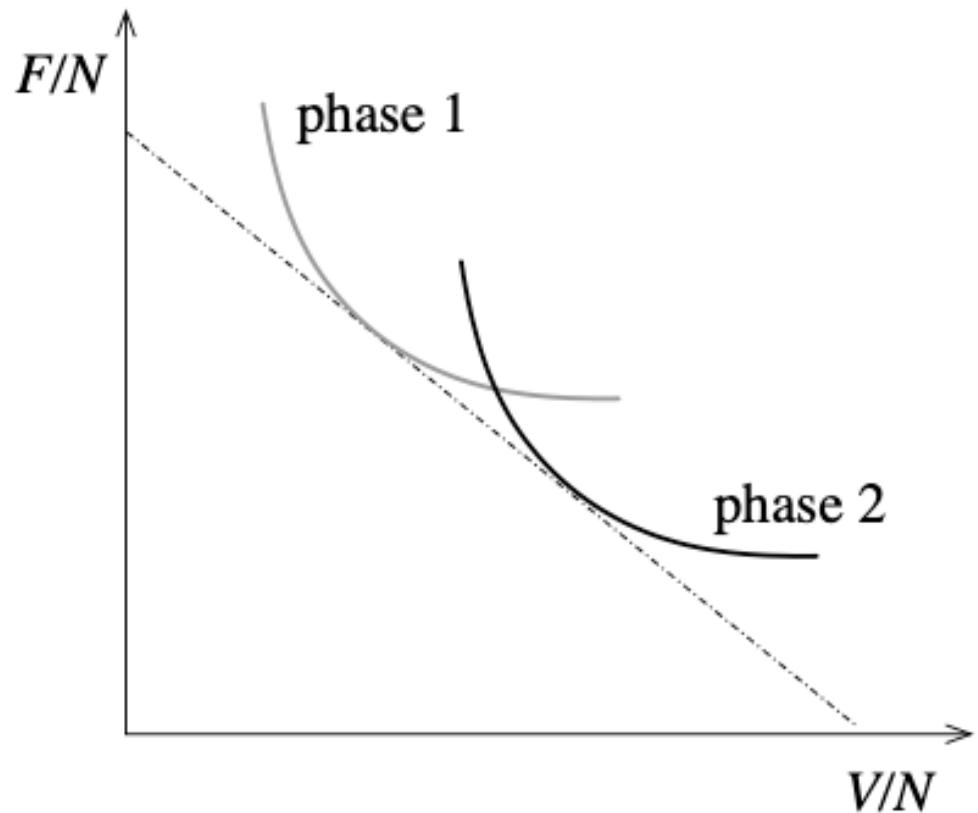
Langevin Dynamics

Langevin thermostat maintains temperature by modifying Newton's Eqns. of motion

$$\dot{p}_i = -\nabla F_i - \xi_i p_i + F(t) \quad \begin{cases} V(x) = \text{Potential} \\ F(t) \equiv \text{random force} \\ \xi \equiv \text{friction constant} \end{cases}$$

$$\dot{r}_i = \frac{p_i}{m_i} \quad \sigma_i^2 = 2 m_i \gamma_i k_B T / \Delta t$$

Common Tangent Construction



$$P_1 = P_2 \rightarrow P = -\left(\frac{\partial F}{\partial V}\right) \rightarrow \text{Equal Slopes}$$

$$\mu = \frac{F}{N} + \frac{PV}{N}$$

$$\mu_1 = \mu_2 \rightarrow \text{Equal Intercept}$$

Coexistence

Determine coexistence by the following:

$$0 = \mu_c = \frac{F(\mu_c) + P(\mu_c) - \mu(\mu_c)N}{N_c}$$

μ_c is the work necessary to introduce a new lattice site

- All other quantities are constrained by μ_c leading to the expression above (Note: {N, V, T} Ensemble)

Methods of Acquisition:

- Density Functional Theory (DFT) $\rightarrow F(\mu_c)$
- Widom Insertion $\rightarrow \mu(\mu_c)$
- LAMMPS logfile $\rightarrow P(\mu_c)$

Mladek Phase Diagram

| $k_B T/\varepsilon$ | structure | $\rho\sigma^3$ | n_c | $\beta F/N$ | μ/ε | $P\sigma^3/\varepsilon$ |
|---------------------|-----------|----------------|--------|-------------|-------------------|-------------------------|
| 0.5 | liquid | 0.5 | - | -0.259 | 1.18 | 0.66 |
| | | 1.0 | - | 2.143 | 3.34 | 2.26 |
| | | 1.5 | - | 4.343 | 5.39 | 4.83 |
| | | 2.0 | - | 6.451 | 7.39 | 8.32 |
| | | 2.5 | - | 8.508 | 9.34 | 12.70 |
| | | 3.0 | - | 10.505 | 11.18 | 17.78 |
| | | 3.1 | - | 10.900 | 11.51 | 18.80 |
| | | 3.2 | - | 11.277 | 11.81 | 19.75 |
| | | 3.4 | 6.900 | 11.993 | 11.75 | 19.54 |
| | | 3.5 | 7.096 | 12.328 | 12.00 | 20.42 |
| | | 3.6 | 7.300 | 12.658 | 12.26 | 21.34 |
| | | 3.7 | 7.492 | 12.984 | 12.52 | 22.31 |
| | | 3.8 | 7.692 | 13.308 | 12.79 | 23.32 |
| | | 3.9 | 7.892 | 13.628 | 13.05 | 24.33 |
| 4.5 | bcc | 4.0 | 8.100 | 13.946 | 13.31 | 25.37 |
| | | 4.1 | 8.300 | 14.262 | 13.59 | 26.44 |
| | | 4.2 | 8.492 | 14.575 | 13.86 | 27.60 |
| | | 4.3 | 8.688 | 14.887 | 14.13 | 28.76 |
| | | 4.4 | 8.896 | 15.196 | 14.39 | 29.89 |
| | | 4.5 | 9.088 | 15.503 | 14.67 | 31.11 |
| | | 5.0 | 10.072 | 17.020 | 16.02 | 37.51 |
| | | 3.4 | 7.004 | 12.015 | 11.70 | 19.37 |
| | | 3.5 | 7.207 | 12.346 | 11.95 | 20.23 |
| | | 3.6 | 7.410 | 12.674 | 12.20 | 21.13 |
| | | 3.7 | 7.613 | 12.999 | 12.45 | 22.07 |
| | | 3.8 | 7.813 | 13.318 | 12.73 | 23.06 |
| | | 3.9 | 8.020 | 13.635 | 12.99 | 24.06 |
| | | 4.0 | 8.219 | 13.950 | 13.25 | 25.12 |
| 4.5 | fcc | 4.1 | 8.418 | 14.263 | 13.52 | 26.19 |
| | | 4.2 | 8.621 | 14.572 | 13.79 | 27.30 |
| | | 4.3 | 8.824 | 14.880 | 14.05 | 28.42 |
| | | 4.4 | 9.031 | 15.187 | 14.32 | 29.55 |
| | | 4.5 | 9.230 | 15.492 | 14.58 | 30.72 |

Table C.2: MC results for the cluster size n_c , free energy F , chemical potential μ and pressure P at fixed temperature $k_B T = 0.5$ for various densities and structures in equilibrium (i.e., $\mu_c = 0$). Error estimates in the various values are as follows: $n_c : \pm 0.005$, $\beta F/N : \pm 0.001$, $\mu/\varepsilon : \pm 0.02$, $P\sigma^3/\varepsilon : \pm 0.01$

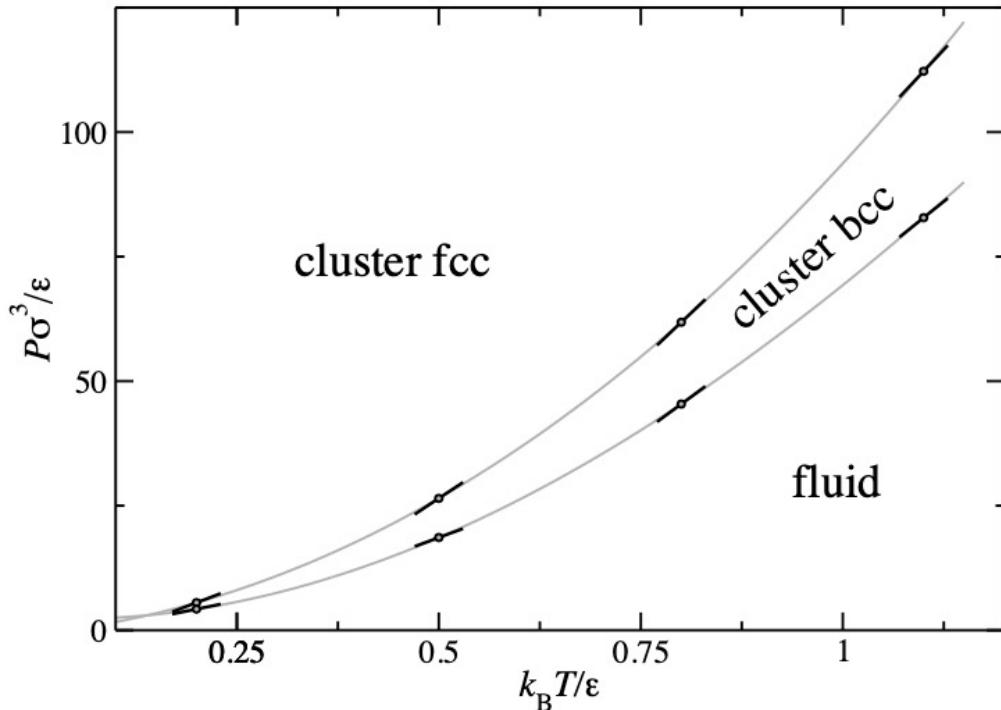


Figure 7.53: P - T phase diagram (points) as obtained from MC simulations with the corresponding Clausius-Clapeyron tangents (black segments) to the coexistence curve. The grey lines interpolate the simulation data and are guides to the eye. Their intersection point indicates a triple point at $k_B T/\varepsilon \approx 0.15$.