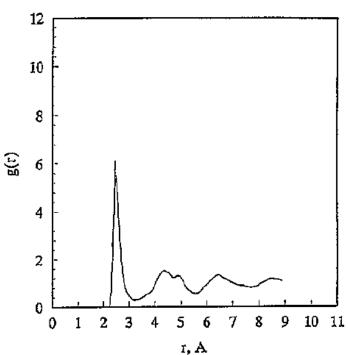
Interpretation of RDF and material identification

RDF



- (a) Explain if this is a solid, liquid, or gas. Justify your answer briefly.
- (b) What do the peaks mean? Explain the meaning of the first three peaks from the left.
- (c) Which of the below shown materials is the one shown in the RDF? Explain briefly why.

1.	Bulk	copper	[
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2. Carbon nanotube []

3. Liquid argon

4. Liquid nickel []

Analysis of molecular dynamics simulation runs

In the list below, mark those properties for which you need dynamical information of your system (that is, more than one snapshot in time):

Radial distribution function (RDF)

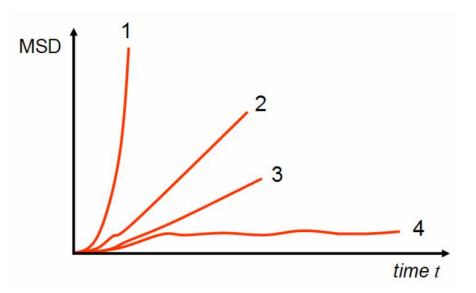
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Mean square displacement function (MSD)

3. Temperature []

Mean Squared Displacement function

For the graphs shown below, indicate which one is a liquid, gas or solid.



For the liquids identified above, indicate in the graph how you can determine the diffusion constant D

Solution can be done graphically, sketch sufficient.

Lecture 5 - questions

- 1. Explain the definition and interpretation of the Radial Distribution Function (RDF). What type of information can you extract?
- 2. Using the RDF, can you distinguish between a metal and a polymer?
- 3. What is particular about the RDF of water? Would that hold for other materials (give examples)?
- 4. Describe the different types of chemical bonds.
- 5. Describe the parameters in the LJ potential. What are the limitations?

- 6. Were the goals of today's lecture clear?
- 7. Was today's lecture clear?
- 8. Did you feel that today's lecture contributed to your understanding of the topic?
- 9. What could have been improved in order to make this lecture more useful?