

# 591V Multiscale Materials Modeling

## Computational Lab-1

# Outline: Today's class

## **Outline:**

Part A: Simulation tools (nanoHUB etc.)

Example: Deformation of nanowire

Part B: Visualization (VMD)

Examples: visualize the output file, make snapshots and movie.

## **Objectives:**

1. Everyone has account on nanoHUB, logged in, reviewed tools
2. Basic idea of how to use nanoHUB
3. Everyone has VMD downloaded and installed and done some basic tests

# PART A: nanoHUB website

Limited code development required

We will use a website-driven simulation  
framework

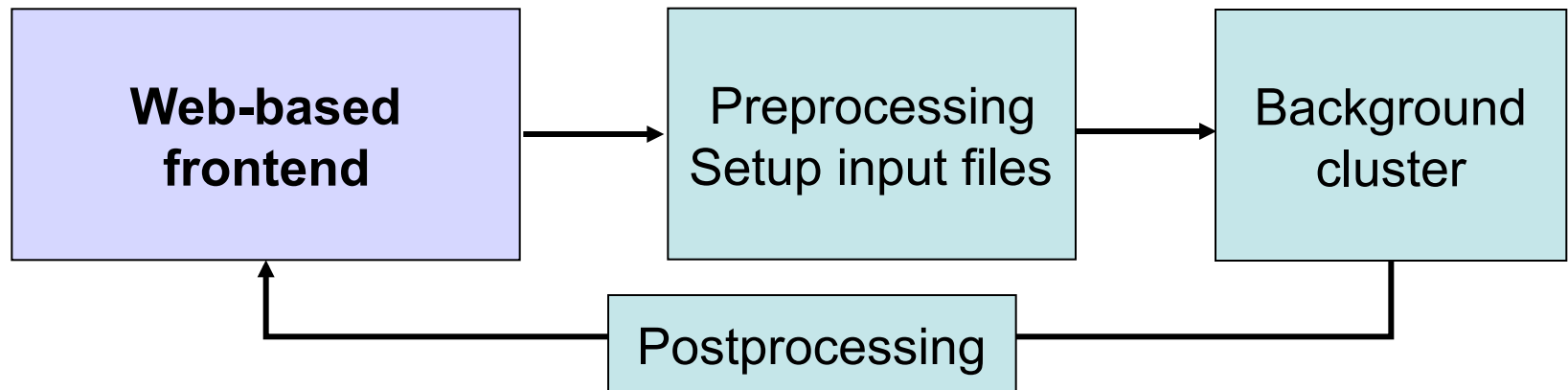
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# Web-enabled high performance computing

- Run complex code through simple web interface
- Submission of jobs to queuing system (background), notification per email when job is done

## Benefits

- Avoid coding and complexities of particular codes
- Make complex simulation tools available to broad community



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## Nanowire Tensile Deformation Lab

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Simulates tensile deformation of a copper nanowire



Version 1.2 - published on 15 Feb 2011

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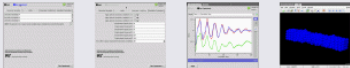
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**Description** This tool allows the user to simulate the effects of applying tensile stress at each end of a Copper nanowire.

**Credits** Software Tools for Academics and Researchers Office of Educational Innovation and Technology Massachusetts Institute of Technology

**Cite this work** Researchers should cite this work as follows:

Markus Buehler; Justin Riley; Joo-Hyoung Lee; Jeffrey C Grossman (2011), "Nanowire Tensile Deformation Lab," DOI: 10254/nanohub-r9559.3. (DOI: 10254/nanohub-r9559.3).

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**Carbon nanotube based fixed-fixed NEMS** : Simulates pull-in behavior of Carbon nanotube based NEMS with fixed-fixed boundary conditions,... - in Tools

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**MSE 640 Lecture 12: Diffraction contrast imaging, Part 2** - in Online Presentations

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**evanescent modes considered?**  
- asked by Debanjan Basu, in Answers

*I take courses on nanoHUB.org to understand the device semiconductor physics needed to design and prototype nano devices, and the courses on nanoHUB ...»*

Jay Morreale, p-brane LLC (2012) - in Notable Quotes

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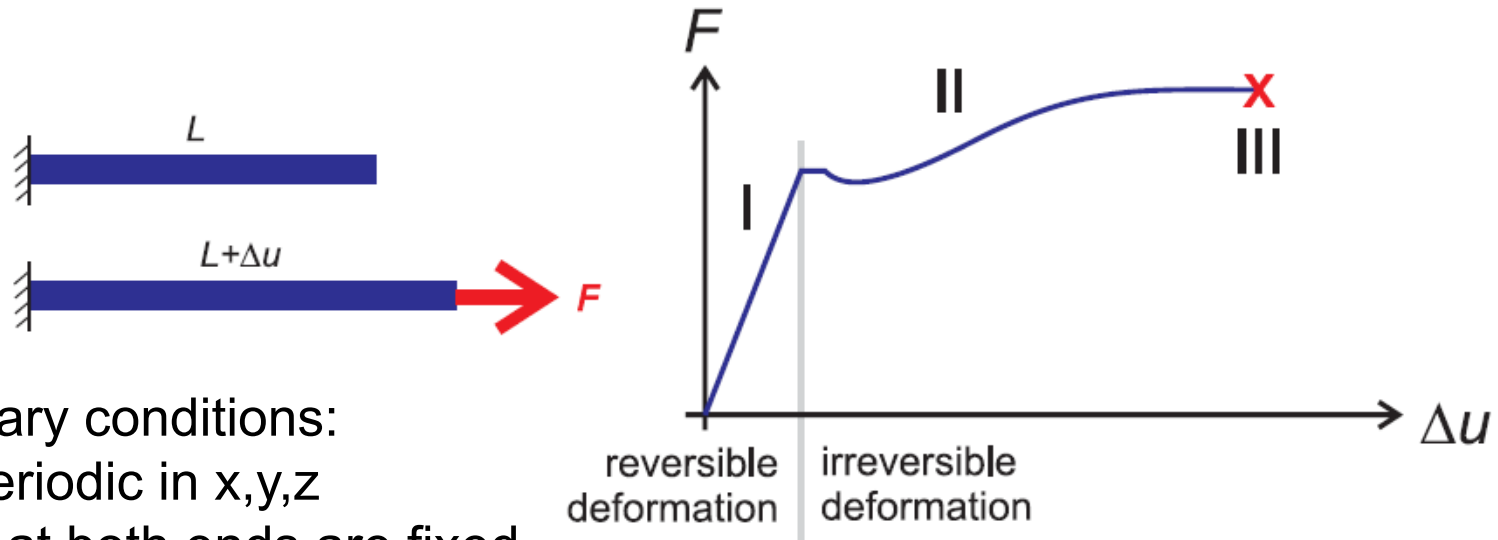
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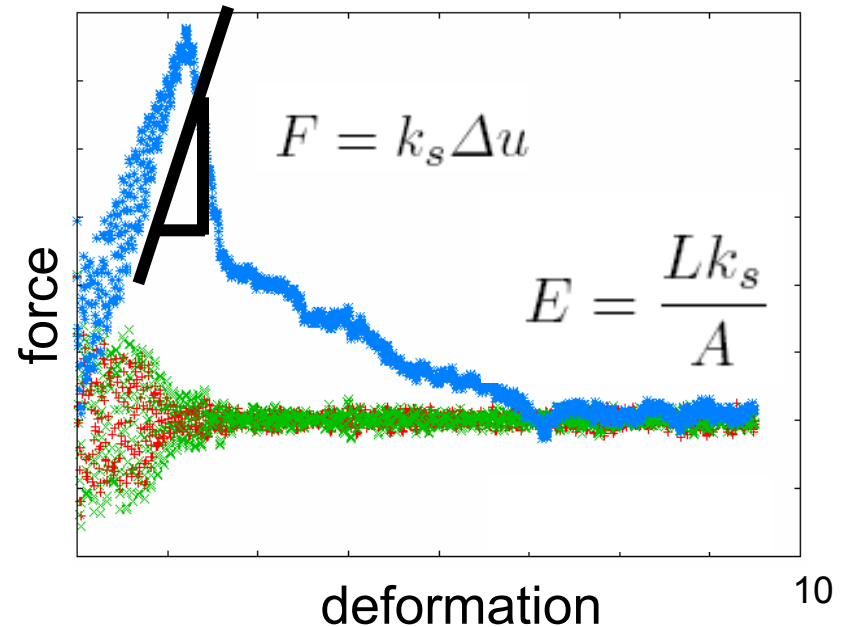
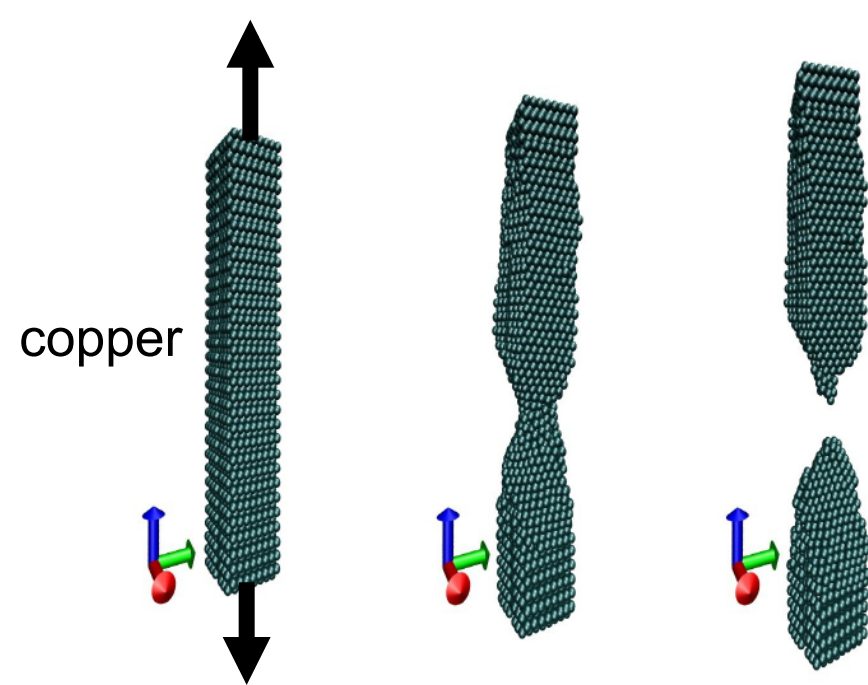
**Molecular Dynamics Showcase Builder**  
in Tools, 09 Nov 2015

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# Example: Stretching nanowire



Boundary conditions:  
Non-periodic in  $x, y, z$   
Atoms at both ends are fixed.





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## Nanowire Geometry

Unit cells x-direction: 4 + -

Unit cells y-direction: 4 + -

Unit cells z-direction: 4 + -

change to 20

## Defects

Add ellipsoidal defect?: ☐ no

Center X-coordinate: 0.5

Center Y-coordinate: 0.5

Center z-coordinate: 0.5

Equatorial radius (along x): 3

Equatorial radius (along y): 3

Polar radius (along z): 3

**NOTE:** This geometry is for a Copper nanowire modeled using an embedded atom model (EAM) potential.

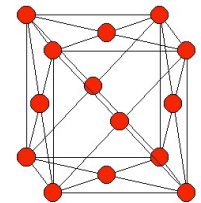
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FCC lattice  
has 4 atoms  
per unit cell

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## Restrict Atomic Motion

Restrict upper atomic motion X: ☐ noRestrict lower atomic motion X: ☐ noRestrict upper atomic motion Y: ☐ noRestrict lower atomic motion Y: ☐ noRestrict upper atomic motion Z: ☒ yesRestrict lower atomic motion Z: ☒ yes

&lt; Input

Boundary Conditions &gt;





### Boundary Conditions

Apply periodic boundary conditions in X: ☐ no

Apply periodic boundary conditions in Y: ☐ no

Apply periodic boundary conditions in Z: ☐ no

Displacement upper part X: 0

Displacement lower part X: 0

Displacement upper part Y: 0

Displacement lower part Y: 0

Displacement upper part Z: 0.1

Displacement lower part Z: -0.1

How often to apply displacement boundary conditions: 20



Boundary  
conditions

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### Simulation Parameters

Starting temperature: 0.00000000000001

Maximum number of steps: 1000



Time step: 0.25

How often is energy and stress information written:

5



How often is check-point information written:

100



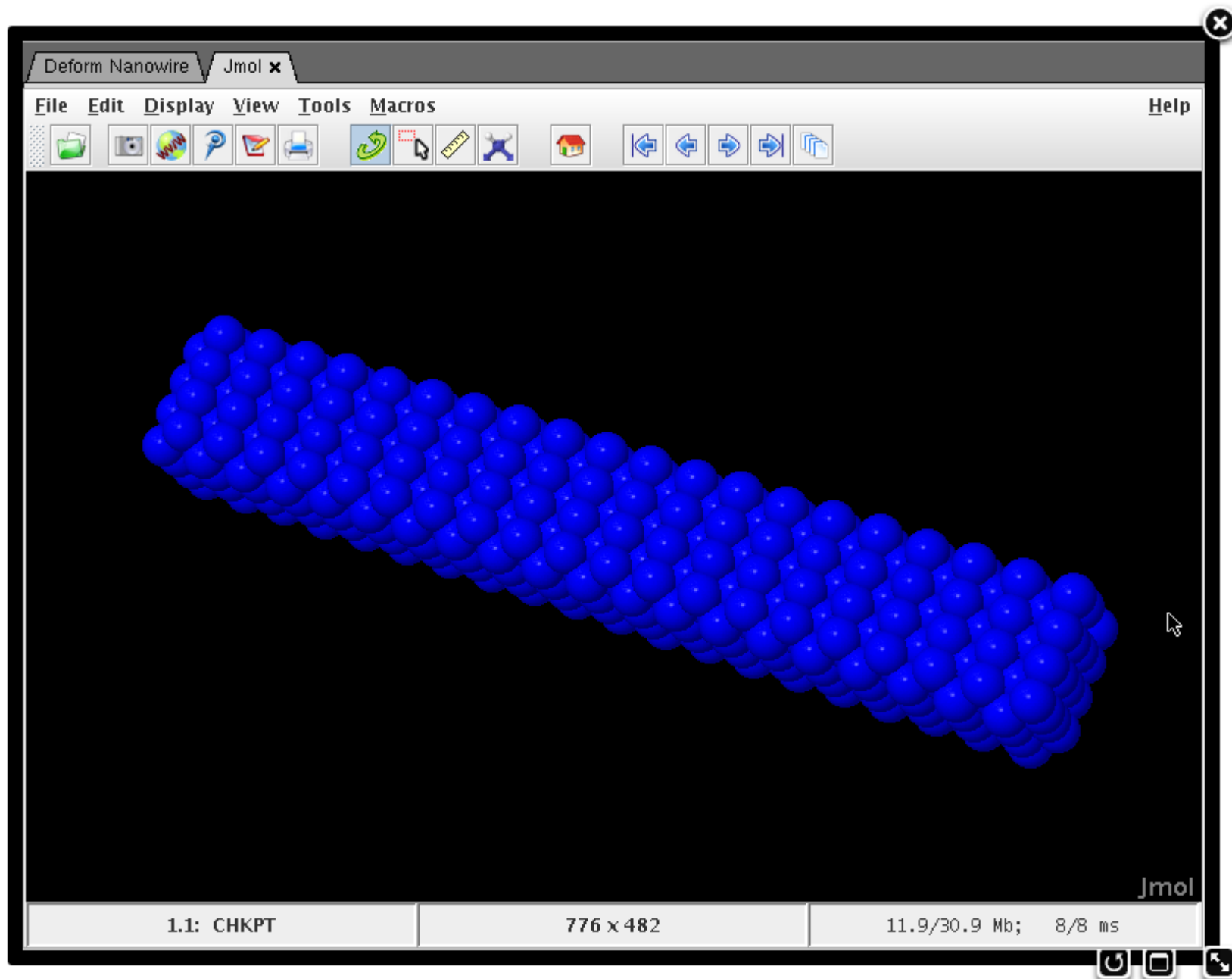
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Deform Nanowire
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Result: Initial Crystal (XYZ)

0	1	63.546	0.000000	0.000000	50.000000
1	1	63.546	1.278096	1.278096	51.807500
2	1	63.546	0.000000	2.556191	50.000000
3	1	63.546	1.278096	3.834287	51.807500
4	1	63.546	0.000000	5.112382	50.000000
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## PART B: Visualization

# Visualization of results

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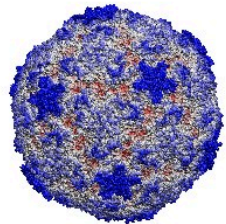
Visual Molecular Dynamics

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Immersive out-of-core visualization of large-size and long-timescale molecular dynamics trajectories, LNCS, 2011 **NEW**  
VMD 1.9 released for MacOS X, Unix, and Windows (March 2011) **NEW**  
Fast Analysis of Molecular Dynamics Trajectories with Graphics Processing Units — Radial Distribution Function Histogramming, J. Comp. Phys, 2011 **NEW**  
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Setting up a simple stereo system  
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Immersive Molecular Visualization and Interactive Modeling with Commodity Hardware, ISVC 2010  
GPU-Accelerated Molecular Modeling Coming of Age, JMGM, 2010  
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- **Blue Waters (64-bit Cray XK7)** (NCSA Blue Waters (64-bit Cray XK7) MPI, CUDA, OpenGL Pbuffers, TachyonL-OptiX)
- **LINUX\_64 OpenGL, CUDA, TachyonL-OptiX** (Linux (RHEL 5.5 and later) 64-bit Intel/AMD x86\_64 SSE, with CUDA and TachyonL-OptiX)
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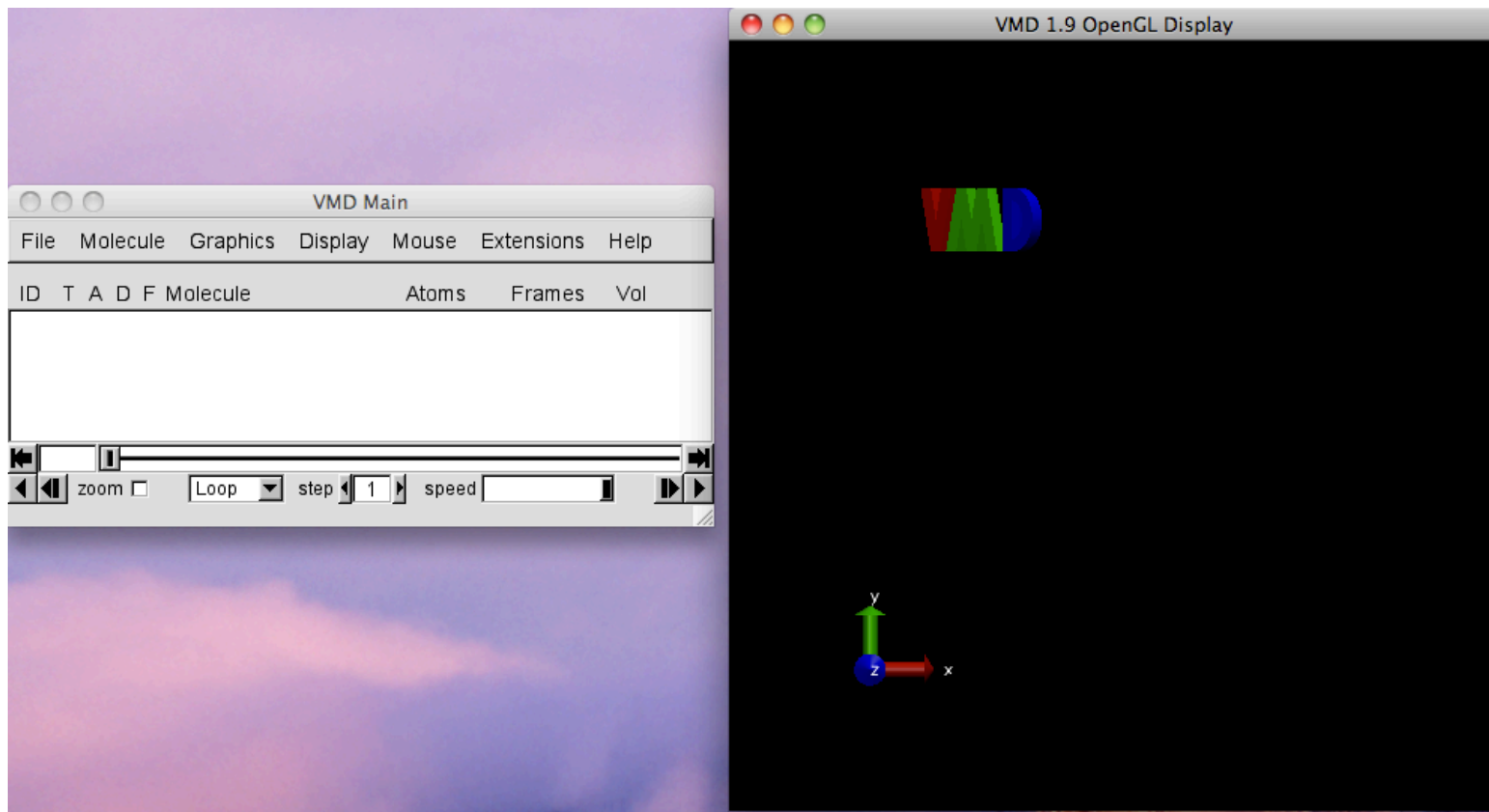
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