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# **5: Atomistic Applications with LAMMPS**

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# **Example research studies using LAMMPS**



Sorts of problems which can be addressed using atomistic systems in LAMMPS

Water interaction w/ self-assembled monolayers Ionomer morphologies Nanoparticle coating structures Self-assembly of lipid surfaces Soft material rheology Wetting and surface properties of complex fluids

Go to lammps.sandia.gov for many more examples.



# **Motivation: atomistic nanoparticles**





### Advantages:

- Well-defined building blocks
- Well-defined interatomic potentials
  - Capture mesoscale effective forces as emergent phenomena

### **Disadvantages:**

- Computationally intensive (limits simulation size & duration)
- Difficult to construct



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# **Classical MD Basics (review)**

#### • Each of N particles is a point mass

- atom
- group of atoms (united atom)
- macro- or meso- particle

#### Particles interact via empirical force laws

- − all physics in energy potential  $\rightarrow$  force
- pair-wise forces (LJ, Coulombic)
- many-body forces (EAM, Tersoff, REBO)
- molecular forces (springs, torsions)
- long-range forces (Ewald)

#### Integrate Newton's equations of motion

- **F** = ma
- set of N, coupled ODEs
- advance as far in time as possible

Properties via time-averaging ensemble snapshots (vs MC sampling)





# **Timescale in Classical MD (review)**

Timescale of simulation is most serious bottleneck in MD

#### • Timestep size limited by atomic oscillations:

- C-H bond = 10 fmsec  $\rightarrow$  ½ to 1 fmsec timestep
- Debye frequency =  $10^{13} \rightarrow 2$  fmsec timestep

#### • Reality is often on a much longer timescale:

- protein folding (msec to seconds)
- polymer entanglement (msec and up)
- glass relaxation (seconds to decades)
- nanoparticle rheology (milliseconds to seconds)
- Even smaller timestep in tight-binding or quantum-MD



## **Overview**

- 1. Atom styles
- 2. Potentials
- 3. Ensembles, thermostats and barostats
- 4. Modeling solvents explicitly
- 5. Useful fixes
- 6. Useful computes

## 7. Rheology examples

- 1. Water viscosity
- 2. Diffusion in nano-confinement
- 3. Nanoparticle interaction forces
- 4. High-rate (shock) compression on hydrocarbon polymers





Molecular

Charge

Full

Atom styles are often determined by the potential being used.



# **Potentials or Force Fields**

A significant advantage to LAMMPS is the availability of many standard interatomic interaction potentials

LAMMPS features

Hybrid potentials

Standard library potentials (e.g. KIM)

Advanced potentials (e.g. COMB, eFF, GAP/SNAP)

Comparison between potentials is easy!

Molecular constraints

bonds, angles and dihedral interactions

- create and break on the fly

SHAKE algorithm for specific bonds and angles

**Rigid structures** 



none	hybrid	hybrid/overlay	<u>adp</u>
airebo	born	born/coul/long	buck
buck/coul/cut	buck/coul/long	colloid	comb
coul/cut	coul/debye	coul/long	dipole/cut
dpd	dpd/tstat	dsmc	eam
eam/alloy	eam/fs	eim	gauss
gayberne	gran/hertz/history	gran/hooke	gran/hooke/history
hbond/dreiding/lj	hbond/dreiding/morse	lj/charmm/coul/charmm	lj/charmm/coul/charmm/implicit
lj/charmm/coul/long	lj/class2	lj/class2/coul/cut	lj/class2/coul/long
lj/cut	lj/cut/coul/cut	lj/cut/coul/debye	lj/cut/coul/long
lj/cut/coul/long/tip4p	lj/expand	lj/gromacs	lj/gromacs/coul/gromacs
lj/smooth	1j96/cut	lubricate	meam
morse	peri/lps	peri/pmb	reax
rebo	resquared	soft	<u>sw</u>
table	tersoff	tersoff/zbl	yukawa
yukawa/colloid			



### Lennard-Jones type interactions

none	hybrid	hybrid/overlay	adp
airebo	born	born/coul/long	buck
buck/coul/cut	buck/coul/long	colloid	comb
coul/cut	coul/debye	coul/long	dipole/cut
dpd	dpd/tstat	dsmc	eam
eam/alloy	eam/fs	eim	gauss
gayberne	gran/hertz/history	gran/hooke	gran/hooke/history
hbond/dreiding/lj	hbond/dreiding/morse	lj/charmm/coul/charmm	lj/charmm/coul/charmm/implicit
lj/charmm/coul/long	lj/class2	lj/class2/coul/cut	lj/class2/coul/long
lj/cut	lj/cut/coul/cut	lj/cut/coul/debye	lj/cut/coul/long
lj/cut/coul/long/tip4p	lj/expand	lj/gromacs	lj/gromacs/coul/gromacs
lj/smooth	lj96/cut	lubricate	meam
morse	peri/lps	peri/pmb	reax
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gayberne	gran/hertz/history	gran/hooke	gran/hooke/history
hbond/dreiding/lj	hbond/dreiding/morse	lj/charmm/coul/charmm	lj/charmm/coul/charmm/implicit
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lj/cut	lj/cut/coul/cut	lj/cut/coul/debye	lj/cut/coul/long
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### Coarse-grain interactions

none	hybrid	hybrid/overlay	adp
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#### Meta interactions

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# **Selected LAMMPS soft matter potentials**

#### Bonded type interactions



#### LAMMPS allows for more complex interactions

- SPC/E and TIP3P water models
- OPLS force field for SAMs
- CHARMM, AMBER, COMPASS (class 2), etc.



**Non-bonded Lennard-Jones interaction** 

#### Harmonic bonded interactions

- Bond
- Angle
- Dihedral

Long-range coulomb interaction with Ewald and PPPM





**Ensembles, thermostats and barostats** 

**Definition of atomic temperature** 

size and neighborhood dependent from velocity distr.

**Major thermostats** 

Langevin (damping and kicking)

**Nose-Hoover (velocity scaling)** 

Freedom to redefine to specific dimensions or regions

**Example of thermostat in shear** 

**Example of temperature bath** 



**Ensembles, thermostats and barostats** 

**Definition of atomic pressure** 

**Major barostats** 

**Pressure/stress measurements** 

virial and per-atom

Again, freedom to redefine to specific dimensions or regions



# **Modeling solvents explicitly**

Explicit modeling of solvents raises significant issues with computational expense, system size and equilibration times. Consider the following before attempting a large-scale explicit solvent simulation:

- System building
- System equilibration
- System size effects
- Implicit modeling



## **Useful fixes**

### **Boundaries**

boundary vs fix\_walls

### Constraints

fix\_shake, fix\_rigid, fix\_freeze

### Deformations

fix deform

Adding/removing atoms and/or bonds



# **Useful computes for rheology**

Mean-square-displacement

Radial distribution function (i.e. g(r))

Atoms-to-Continuum User package

Per-atom stress tensor stress/atom

**Center-of-mass and Radius of gyration** 



# **Rheology examples with input scripts**

1. Viscosity of water

2. Diffusion in nano-constrained fluid layer

3. Nanoparticle drag and interaction forces

4. High-rate compression response



#### Sample Research: Viscosity of water

Objective: Measure the shear viscosity of liquid water at various temperatures and pressures

Procedure: Apply the NEMD (Muller-Plathe) method for momentum transfer





#### Sample Research: Viscosity of water

See accompanying files water\_viscosity.data water\_viscosity.in



#### Sample Research: Diffusion in nano-constrained fluid layer

Objective: Measure the diffusion coefficient in a thin layer of water confined between two hydrophobic self-assembled monolayers

Procedure: Measure 2D mean-square displacement and calculate diffusion





### Sample Research: Diffusion in nano-constrained fluid layer

See accompanying files water\_SAM\_diffusion.data water\_SAM\_diffusion.in



#### **Sample Research: Forces Between Nanoparticles**

Objective: Measure the forces between two PEO coated silica nanoparticles in an explicit water solvent

Procedure: Move particles through the solvent at constant velocity and measure the aggregated force which acts back on the nanoparticle





#### **Sample Research: Forces Between Nanoparticles**

See accompanying files nanoparticle.data nanoparticle.in



#### Sample Research: Shock studies in hydrocarbon foam

Objective: Measure shock response of polymer foam

Procedure: Apply shock driver method and measure pressure, density, temperature and hot spot formation behind the shock front



#### Sample Research: Shock studies in hydrocarbon foam



See accompanying files shock.data shock.in



