

Coarse-graining using the VOTCA package

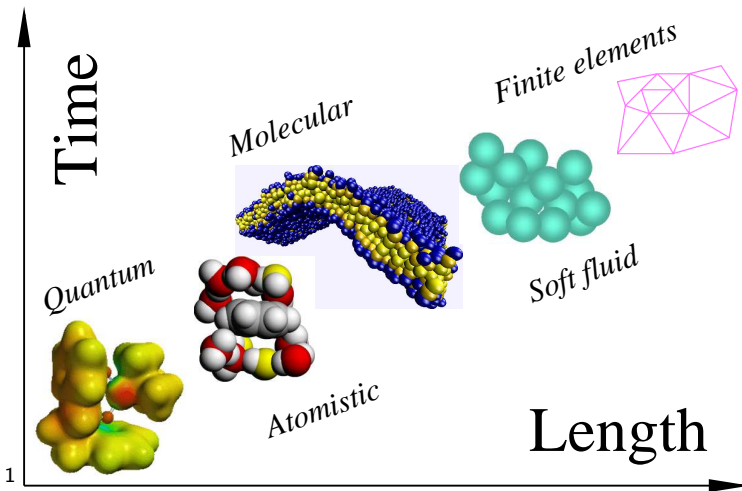
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Introduction

Time- and length-scales



¹D. Andrienko and K. Kremer, 2007

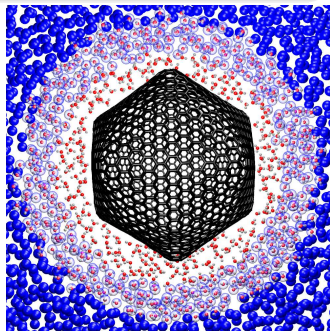
Introduction

Systematic Coarse-Graining

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Find a simplified model, which reproduces selected properties of a given (atomistic) reference system.

- Bottom-up approach
- Reduce number of degrees of freedom
- Enhance accessible range of time- and length-scales
- Link atomistic and coarse-grained representations



Introduction

Mapping

Mapping matrix

$$\underbrace{\vec{R}}$$

Vector
of all
coarse-grained
coordinates

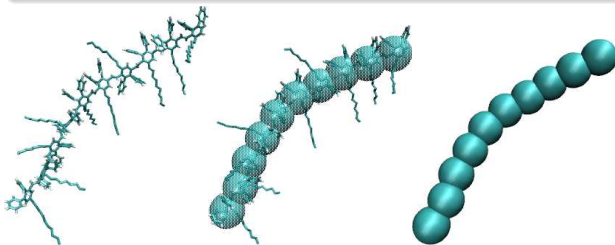
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$$\underbrace{\hat{M}}$$

Mapping matrix
(block diagonal)

$$\underbrace{\vec{r}}$$

Vector
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Methods

Coarse-Graining

Systematic Coarse-Graining

Is there a force-field for the coarse-grained model which reproduces a certain property?

- Structure (e.g. bond distribution or two-body correlations):
 - Boltzmann inversion
 - Iterative Boltzmann inversion
 - Inverse “Monte Carlo”
- Forces → Force matching (multi-body PMF)
- Free energy → Simplex (MARTINI force-field)
- Further properties:
 - Pressure → Pressure correction
 - Diffusion → Thermostat (friction constant fitting)
 - Kirkwood-Buff Integral → Ramp correction

Incomplete list!

Methods

Boltzmann Inversion

- Canonical sampling → Boltzmann distribution

$$P(\{q\}) = \exp\left[-\frac{U(\{q\})}{k_B T}\right]$$

- Assumption: Independent degrees of freedom

$$P(\{q\}) = P(q_1) P(q_2) \cdots P(q_N)$$

Invert the Boltzmann Distribution

$$U(q) = -k_B T \ln P(q)$$

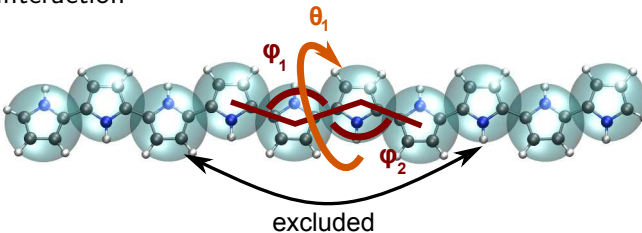
- Used for bonded interactions in e.g. polymers

¹W. Tschöp et al., Acta Polymerica **49**, 61-74 (1998)

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Separation ansatz

- “Special trajectory” to decouple bonded and non-bonded interactions
- Create exclusion list for all atoms that do not share an bonded interaction



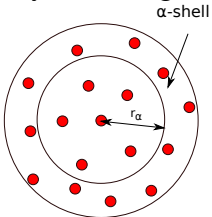
- Derive non-bonded interactions via a different method

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Methods

Iterative procedures for non-bonded interactions

- Try to fit target distribution function (e.g. $g(r)$)



$g(r)$: radial distribution function

S_α : number of particles in alpha-shell

$$S_\alpha = \frac{N(N-1)}{2} \frac{4\pi r_\alpha^2 \Delta r}{V} g(r_\alpha)$$

- Initial guess for iterative process

$$U_0 = -k_b T \ln g(r)$$

- Run coarse-grained simulations, adjust potential to fit distribution function

$$U_{n+1} = U_n + \Delta U_n$$

Methods

Iterative Boltzmann inversion

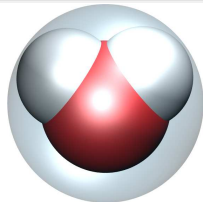
Potential Update²

$$\Delta U_n(r) = k_B T \ln \frac{g_n(r)}{g^{\text{Ref}}(r)} = U_{\text{PMF}}^{\text{Ref}}(r) - U_{\text{PMF},n}(r)$$

where the potential of Mean Force is:

$$g(r) = e^{-U_{\text{PMF}}(r)/k_B T}$$

- Fits selected distribution functions
- Cross-correlations neglected in update



²D. Reith et al., J. Comp. Chem. **24**, 1624-1636 (2003).

Methods

Inverse Monte Carlo

Potential Update³

Expanding number of interacting particle pairs S_α at distance α up to first order in the potential U :

$$\begin{aligned} \mathcal{H} &= \sum_{\alpha} S_{\alpha} U_{\alpha} \rightarrow \langle S_{\alpha} \rangle \cong \int S_{\alpha} e^{-\mathcal{H}/k_B T} \\ \Delta \langle S_{\alpha} \rangle &= \sum_{\gamma} \frac{\partial \langle S_{\alpha} \rangle}{\partial U_{\gamma}} \Delta U_{\gamma} \\ &= \sum_{\gamma} \frac{\langle S_{\alpha} \rangle \langle S_{\gamma} \rangle - \langle S_{\alpha} S_{\gamma} \rangle}{k_B T} \Delta U_{\gamma} \\ &\stackrel{\text{Def}}{=} \langle S_{\alpha} \rangle - S_{\alpha}^{\text{Ref}} \end{aligned}$$

- Fits selected distribution functions
- Update accounts for cross-correlations

³A. Lyubartsev and A. Laaksonen, Phys. Rev. E **52**, 3730-3737 (1995).

Methods

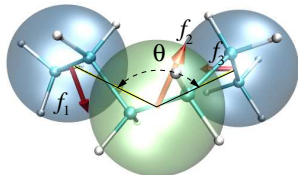
Force matching (Multiscale coarse-graining)

Basic Idea⁴

Minimize:

$$\chi^2 = \left\langle \sum_{I \in \text{CG}} |\vec{F}_I^{\text{CG}} - \sum_{i \in I} w_i f_i^{\text{Ref}}|^2 \right\rangle_{\text{Ensemble}}$$

- Not iterative
- Splines used to represent F_I^{CG}
→ linear least squares fit
- Tries to match multibody PMF
(motivated from liquid state theory)



⁴S. Izvekov and G. Voth, J. Chem. Phys. **123**, 134105 (2005).

Votca

Design Concepts

- Consistent implementation most of these methods → Allow for direct comparison
- Platform for the implementation of new methods
- Integrate existing sampling programs (e.g. MD codes)

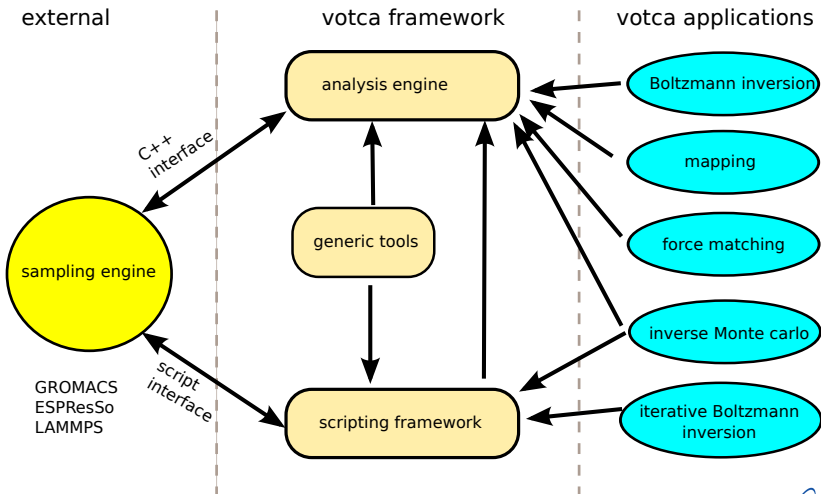
Parts of VOTCA⁵ - www.votca.org

- Mapping engine
 - Parallel analysis framework
 - Iterative coarse-graining
 - Charge transport modules
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- Ohloh: 10 Person Years / 39.8k Lines / \$ 528.4K
 - 15 Developers
 - Packages in Fedora, OpenSuse, Gentoo

⁵V. Rühle, C. Junghans et al, J. Chem. Theo. Comp. 5 (12), 3211 (2009) & Macromol. Theo. Simul. 20, 472 (2011)

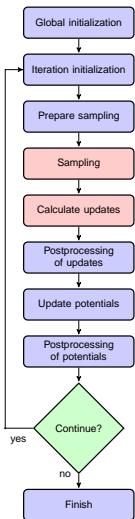
Votca

Votca Components



Votca

Iterative Coarse-Graining



Basic Idea

Iterative process until a desired accuracy:

$$U_{n+1}^{\text{CG}} = U_n^{\text{CG}} + \Delta U(\text{nth CG Simulation})$$

- Automated
- Steering options in XML file
- Customizable (e.g. replace sampling engine)
- Partially parallelized
- Post-processing options:
 - Smoothing
 - Spline fitting
 - Inter/Extrapolation
 - Additional corrections

Examples

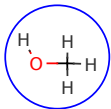
Overview

Examples from the Paper⁶

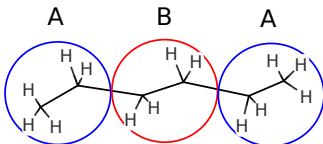
- SPC/E water - good reference system?
- Methanol - finite size effects in IMC
- Hexane - limited basis set
- Propane - multicomponent example



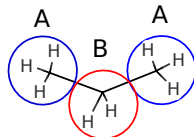
water



methanol



hexane

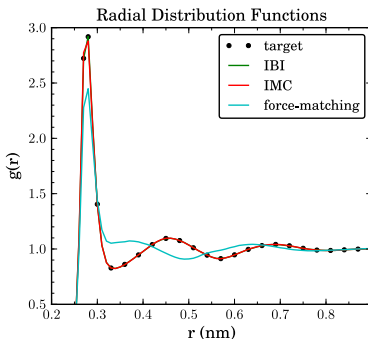
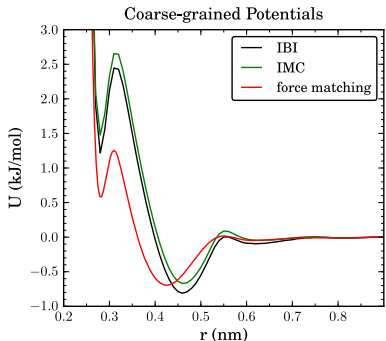


propane

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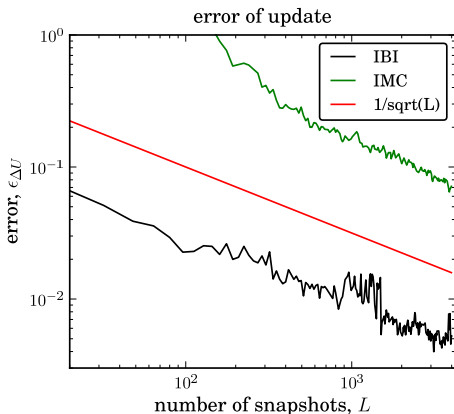
SPC/E water



- IBI and IMC have similar potentials and both reproduce the radial distribution function
- Force-matching potential is similar, but RDF is wrong
→ pair potential not a good approximation

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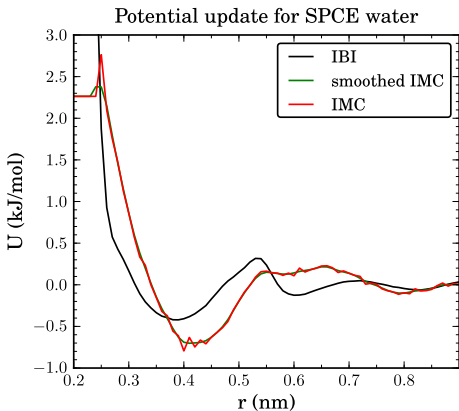
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- Errors calculated using jackknife analysis
- IMC needs more data to calculate update
- Smoothing applied to IMC update

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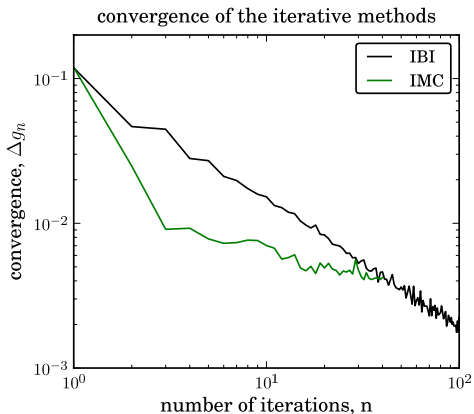
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- Potential update has less sharp features than potential or RDF
→ smoothing of ΔU instead of U
- Only a few snapshots required for IBI if smoothing is applied

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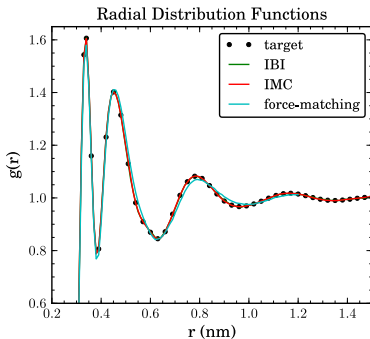
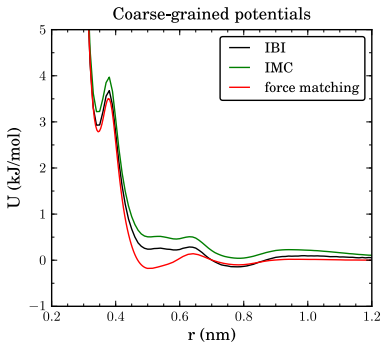
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- IMC converges faster than IBI
- Convergence of IMC reaches a plateau
- Computational costs for both runs are comparable

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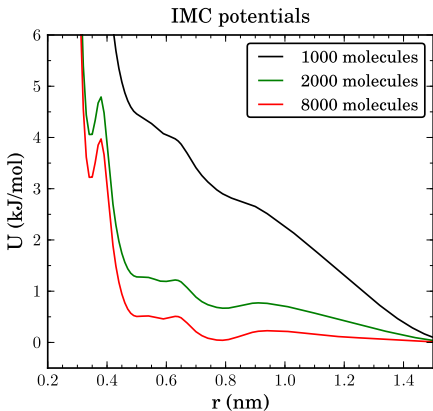
Liquid Methanol



- All methods reproduce the radial distribution function
- Force- and structure-based methods give similar potentials

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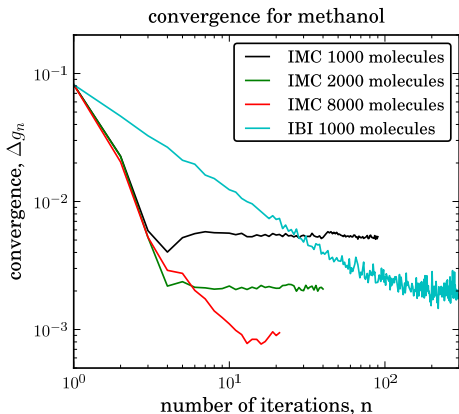
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- IMC update sensitive to system size
- Need for bigger systems
- Problem arises due to cross-correlations

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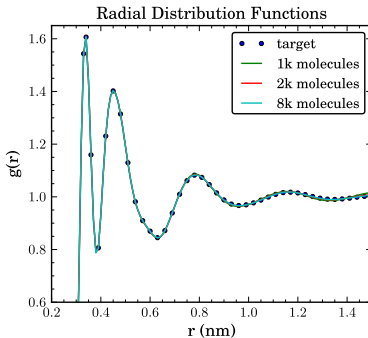
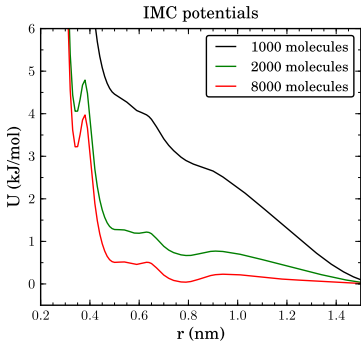
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- Small systems + IMC results in deviations of RDF at large distances
- Bigger system have increased computational costs

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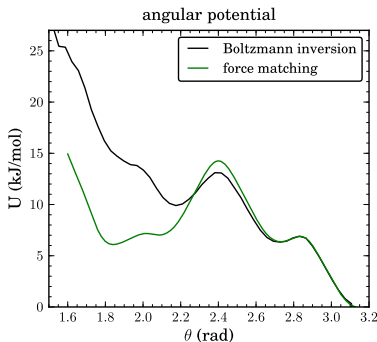
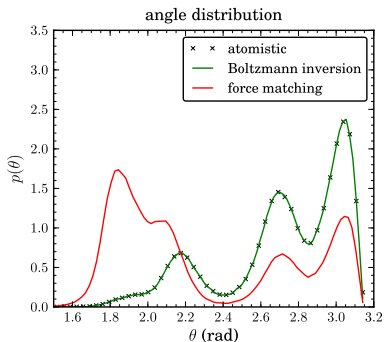
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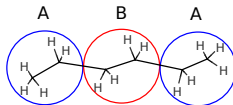
- Completely different potentials give similar RDFs
- Is the RDF a good measure to parameterize for?

Examples

Hexane - Single molecule in vacuum



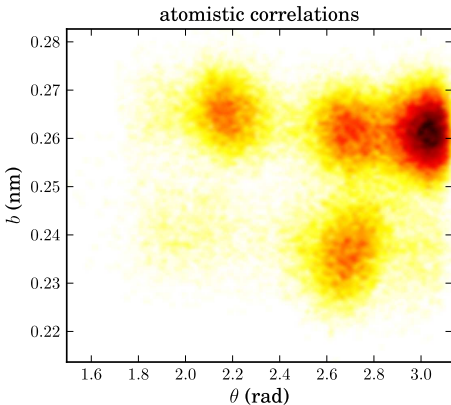
- Single molecule of hexane
- Force-matching does not reproduce angle distribution \rightarrow hybrid approaches⁷



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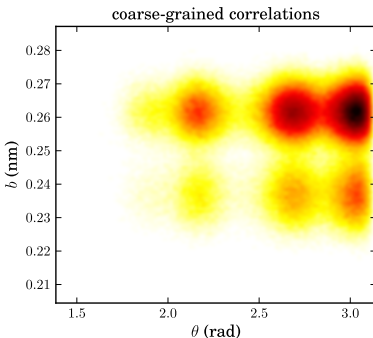
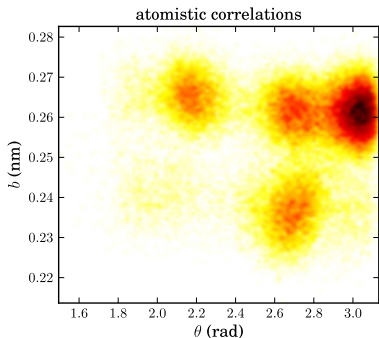
Hexane - Single molecule in vacuum



- Bonds + angles are correlated
- Correlations wrong with the given IBI potentials
- Additional cross-coupling term needed

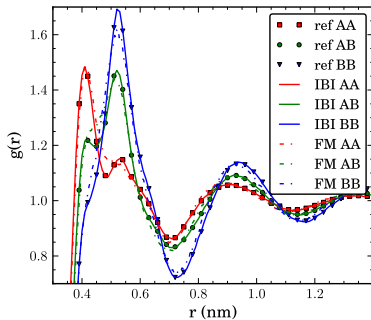
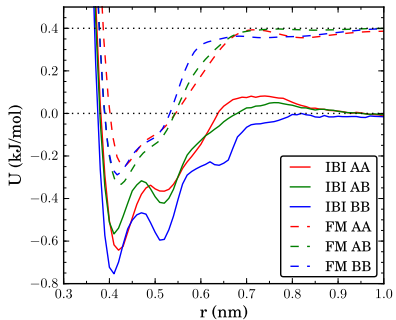
Examples

Hexane - Single molecule in vacuum



Examples

Liquid Propane



- Multi component example (inner and outer beads)
- Bonded interaction by Boltzmann inversion
- Different update schemes possible

Conclusion

Be careful⁸:

- CG models never reproduce all properties
- Correlations in interactions
- System size
- Completeness of the CG force-field
- CG force-fields parameterized at a specific state point
- Dynamics

⁸V. Rühle, C. Junghans et al, J. Chem. Theo. Comp. 5 (12), 3211 (2009)

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Features to come in Votca 1.3:

- IBI for bonded interactions ✓
- Relative Entropy method (✓)
- Optimization of potential with functional form ✓
- More optimizers and targets properties (✓)
- Kirkwood-Buff correction ✓

Conclusion

Team

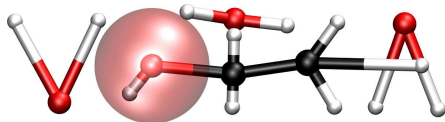
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Versatile Object-oriented Toolkit for Coarse-graining Applications

Modular C++ kernel
Scripting for iterative workflow
Simple integration of other simulation packages

Iterative Boltzmann inversion
Inverse Monte Carlo
Force matching

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interface to ESPResSo

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parallel analysis engine

force-matching

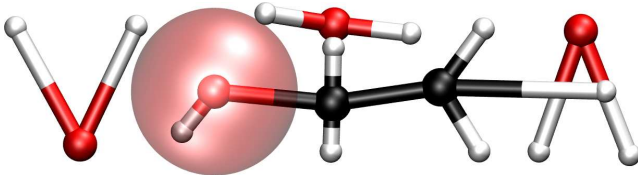
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Package

Linus Torvalds:

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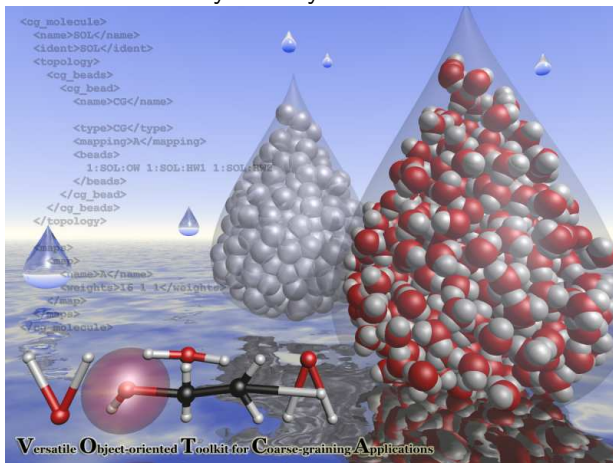
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- It's free
- All examples are in the tutorial
- It's flexible and expandable

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