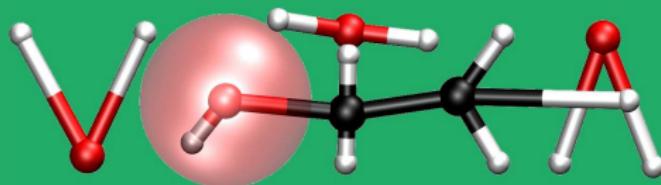




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Versatile Object-oriented Toolkit for Coarse-graining Applications



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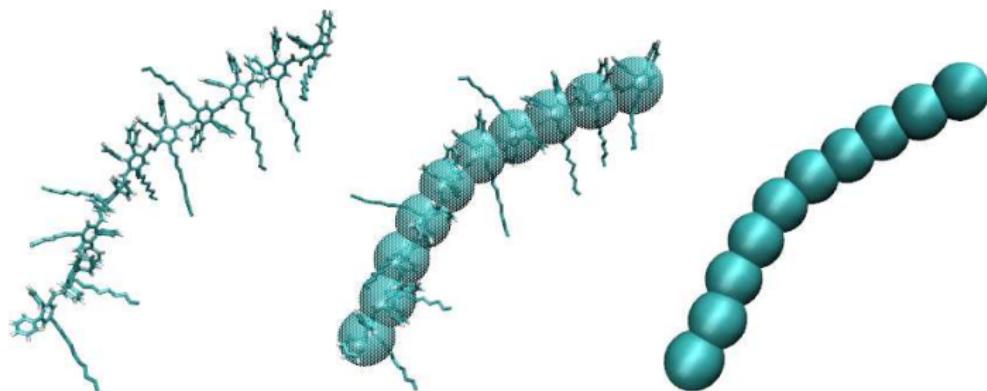
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Why coarse-graining?

- Validate the physics of a low resolution model
- Throw away “unimportant” degrees of freedom
- Link time- and length-scales





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Bottom-up coarse-graining

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Basic idea

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

- Forces → Force matching¹

$$\min |\vec{F}_I^{\text{CG}} - \sum_{i \in I} f_i^{\text{Ref}}|^2$$

- Two-body correlations (e.g. $g(r)$) → iterative methods:

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

- Pressure → Pressure correction
- Diffusion → Friction constant fitting

¹S. Izvekov and G. Voth, J. Chem. Phys. **123**, 134105 (2005).



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Potential Update

- Iterative Boltzmann inversion²

$$\Delta U_n^{CG}(r) = k_B T \ln \frac{g_n^{CG}(r)}{g^{\text{Ref}}(r)}$$

- Inverse “Monte Carlo”³

$$\Delta U_n^{CG}(r) = \sum_{r'} A_n^{-1}(r, r') \left(g_n^{CG}(r') - g^{\text{Ref}}(r') \right) ,$$

where

$$A_n(r, r') \sim < g_n^{CG}(r) g_n^{CG}(r') > - < g_n^{CG}(r) > < g_n^{CG}(r') >$$

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

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



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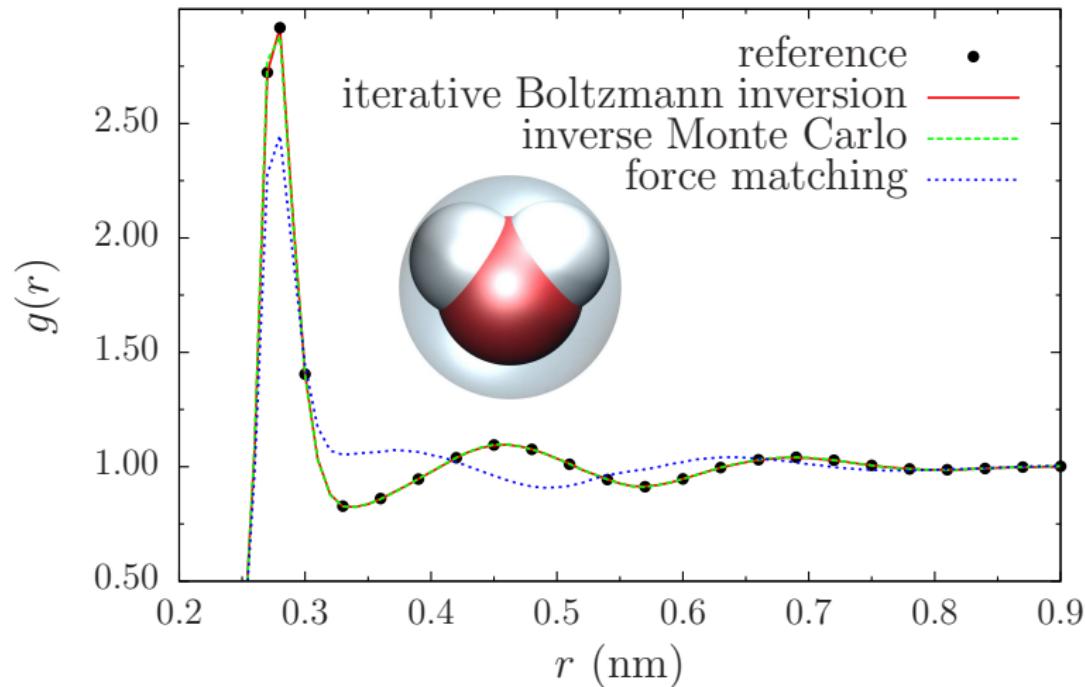
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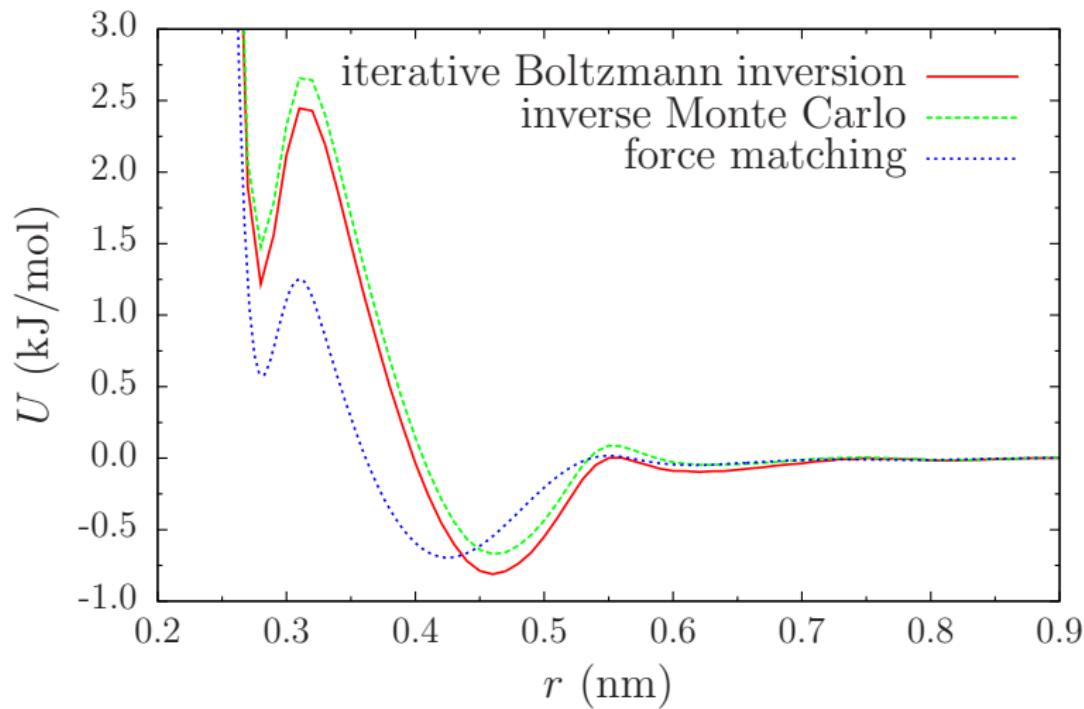
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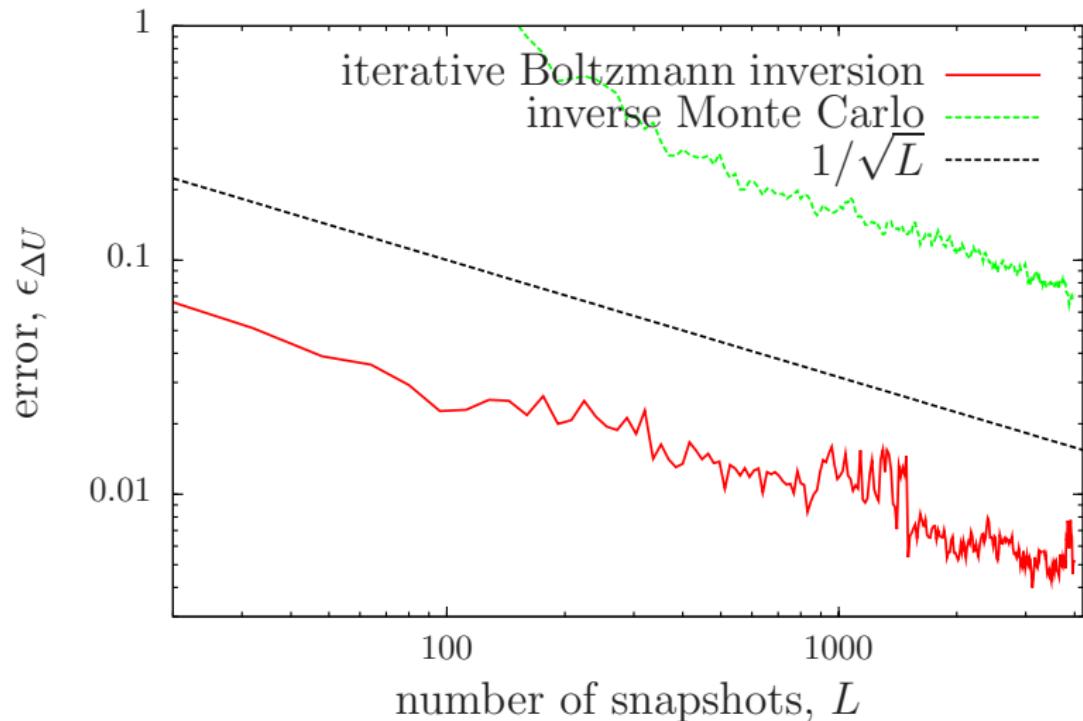
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Average error of the potential update





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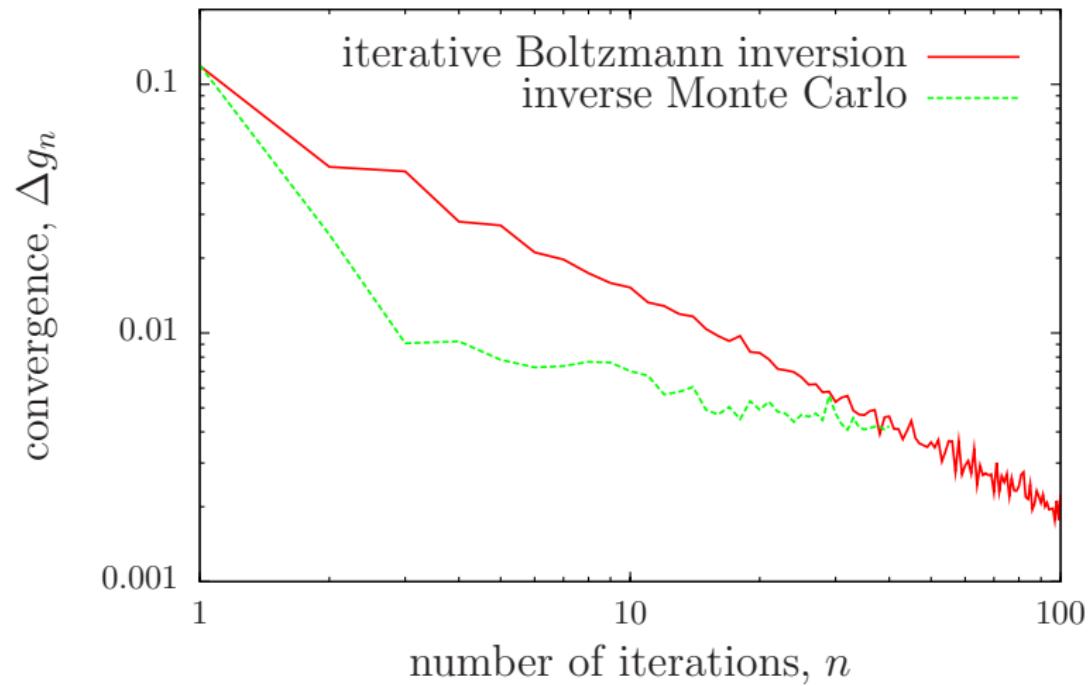
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Deviation of reference and current $g(r)$





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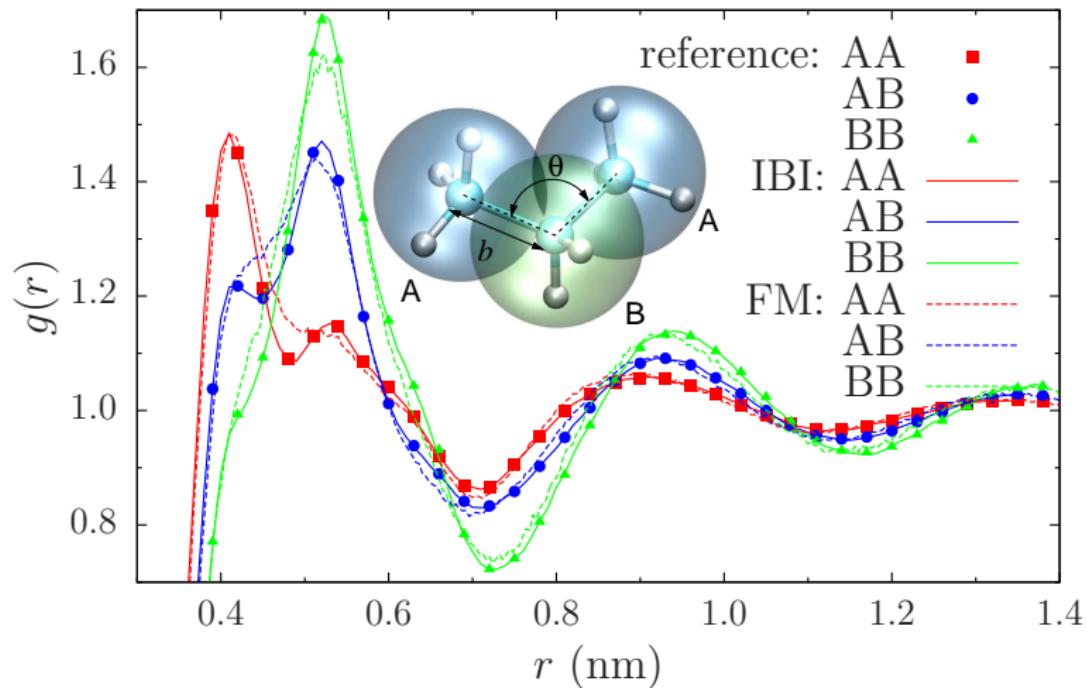
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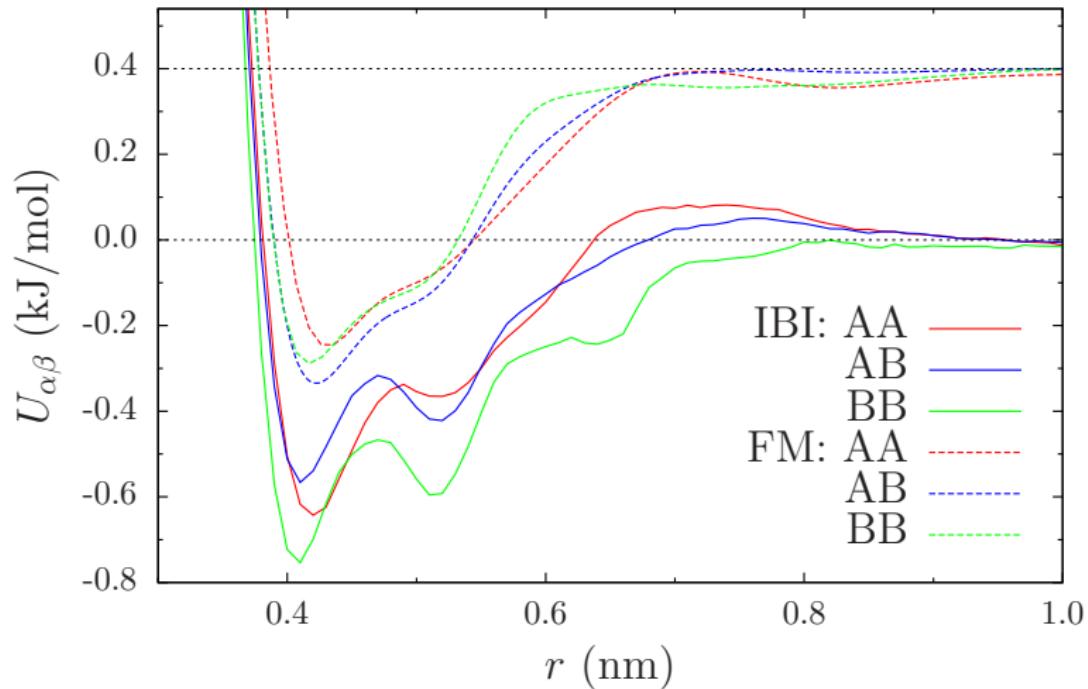
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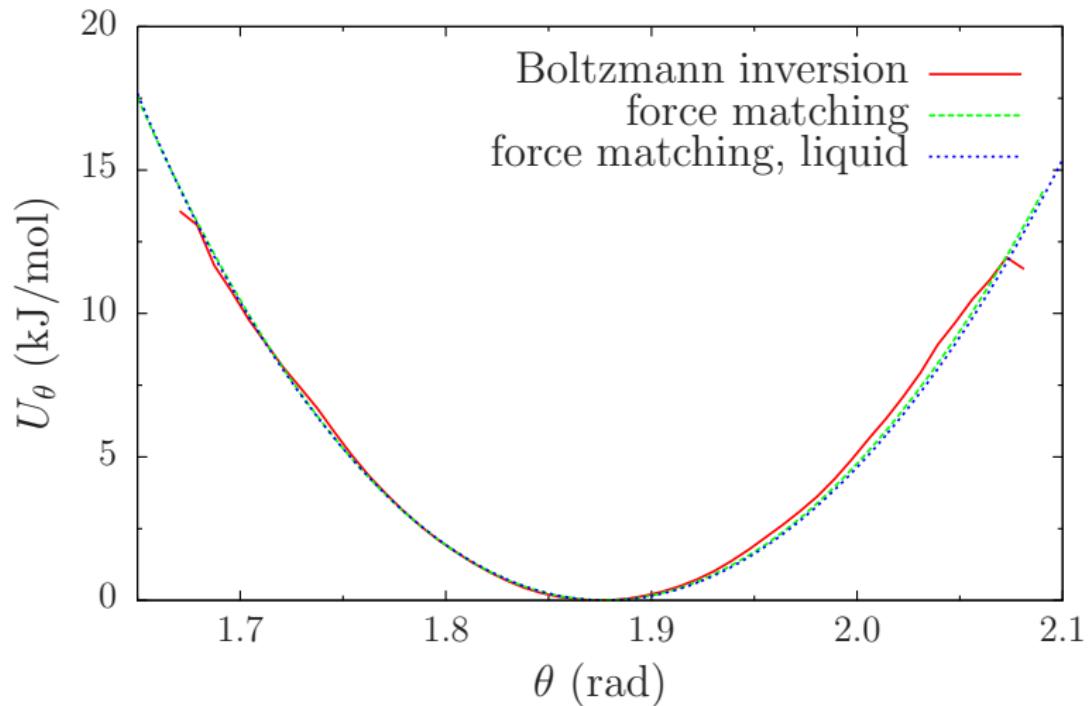
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Liquid Hexane - Single molecule in vacuum

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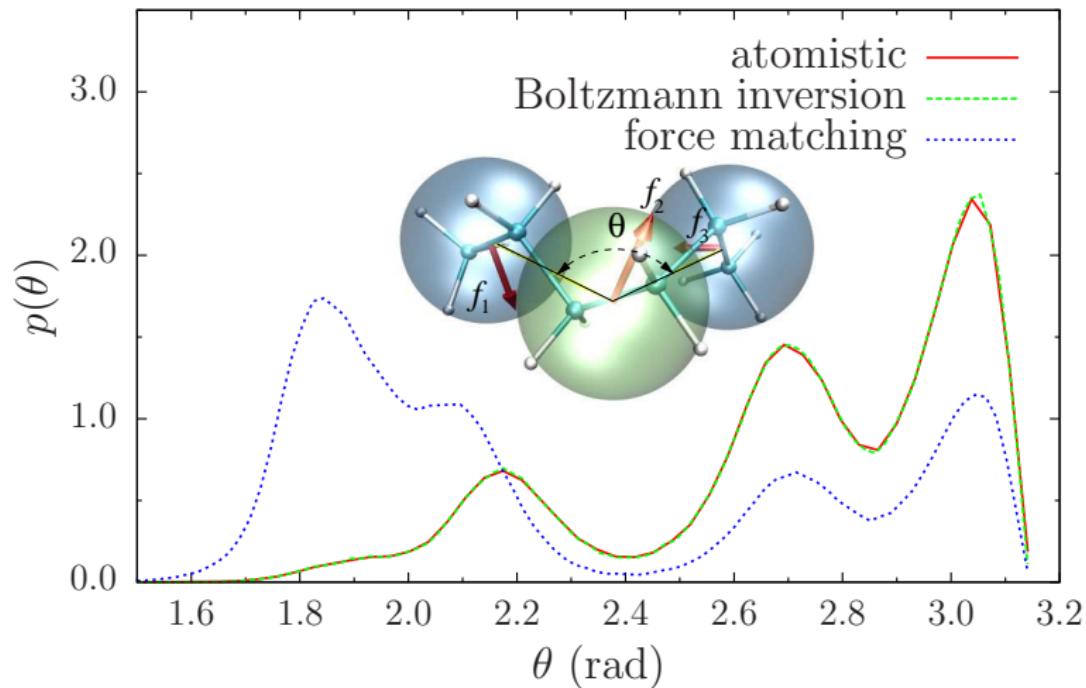
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Probability density





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Be careful⁴:

- CG models never reproduce all features
- Completeness of the CG force field (basis sets)
- Correlations in parameters
- CG force fields are made for a part of the phase space only
- Dynamics in multicomponent system

⁴J. Chem. Theo. Comp. doi: 10.1021/ct900369w (2009)



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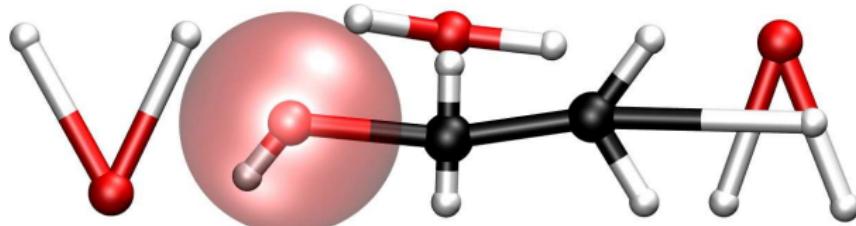
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Linus Torvalds:

Talk is cheap, show me the code.



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Modular C++ kernel

Iterative Boltzmann inversion

Scripting for iterative workflow

Inverse Monte Carlo

Simple integration of other simulation packages

Force matching

- It's free
- All examples are in the tutorial
- Release: Dec 1st

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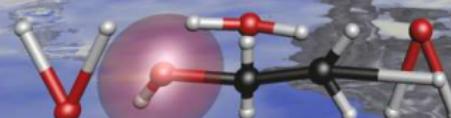
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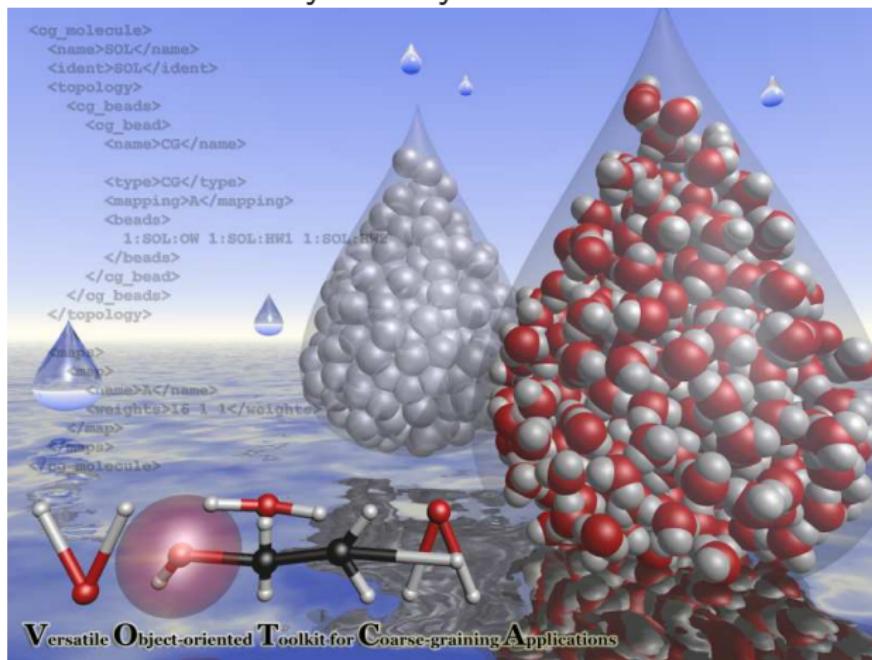
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