

Sampling: intro to MD

and intro to enhanced  
sampling

# How do we integrate Newton's Equ's

$$(1) \vec{q}(t+d\tau) \approx \vec{q}(t) + d\tau \left. \frac{d\vec{q}}{dt} \right|_{t=\tau} + \frac{d\tau^2}{2} \left. \frac{d^2\vec{q}}{dt^2} \right|_{t=\tau} + O(d\tau^3)$$

$$\approx \vec{q}(t) + d\tau \vec{v}(t) + d\tau^2 \frac{1}{2} \vec{a}(t) \quad \left[ \text{Remember: } d = v\tau + \frac{1}{2}a\tau^2 \right]$$

Remember  $a_i(t) = - \frac{\partial U(\vec{q}(t))}{\partial q_i} \cdot \frac{1}{m_i} \equiv F_i/m$

Also would need  $U(\tau+d\tau)$ , can do by finite diff

$$\left[ \vec{v} = d\vec{q}/d\tau \approx \frac{\vec{q}(t+d\tau) - \vec{q}(t)}{d\tau} \right] \text{ or by expanding}$$

$\vec{v}(t+d\tau) \approx \vec{v}(t) + d\tau \vec{a}(t) + O(d\tau^2)$ , but people came up with schemes that are better.

Example, could have written:

$$(2) \vec{q}(t-d\tau) = \vec{q}(t) - d\tau \left. \frac{d\vec{q}}{dt} \right|_{t=\tau} + \frac{d\tau^2}{2} \left. \frac{d^2\vec{q}}{dt^2} \right|_{t=\tau} + O(d\tau^3)$$

$$\text{(add (1)+(2))} \Rightarrow \vec{q}(t+d\tau) + \vec{q}(t-d\tau) = 2\vec{q}(t) + d\tau^2/m \vec{F}(t)$$

$$(3) \frac{(1)-(2)}{d\tau} \Rightarrow \vec{v}(t) \approx (\vec{q}(t+d\tau) - \vec{q}(t-d\tau)) / 2d\tau$$

Verlet 1967, alternate these two eqns

→ Good idea to have time reversibility  
these equations are invariant under  $d\tau \rightarrow -d\tau$

Another variant, using this backwards idea

$$(\vec{q}(t+d\tau), -\vec{v}(t+d\tau)) \rightarrow (\vec{q}(t), -\vec{v}(t))$$

note

$$\begin{cases} v = dq/dt \\ -v = dq/d(-t) \end{cases}$$

$$(4) \vec{q}(t) = \vec{q}(t+d\tau) - d\tau \vec{v}(t+d\tau) + d\tau^2 \frac{1}{2} \vec{F}(t)$$

$$(5) \text{Sub } 1 \rightarrow 4 \Rightarrow U(t+d\tau) = U(t) + \frac{d\tau}{2m} [F(t+d\tau) + F(t)]$$

Alternate 1 & 5,

lets go back to formal description

$$dP/dt = -\frac{\partial H}{\partial q} \quad \frac{dq}{dt} = \frac{\partial H}{\partial p}$$

$$-i\mathcal{L}A = \{H, A\} = \sum_{i=1}^N \frac{\partial H}{\partial q_i} \frac{\partial}{\partial p_i} - \frac{\partial H}{\partial p_i} \frac{\partial}{\partial q_i}$$

$$dA/dt = \{A, H\}$$

$$\Rightarrow A(t) = e^{+i\mathcal{L}t} A(0),$$

can rewrite  $\mathcal{L} = \mathcal{L}_p + \mathcal{L}_q$  ← analogous for  $N$  particles

$$+i\mathcal{L}_p = -\frac{\partial H}{\partial q} \frac{\partial}{\partial p} \quad +i\mathcal{L}_q = +\frac{\partial H}{\partial p} \frac{\partial}{\partial q}$$

$$\text{if } H = p^2/2m + U$$

$$\Rightarrow +i\mathcal{L}_p = +F \frac{\partial}{\partial(mv)} = +\frac{F}{m} \frac{\partial}{\partial v}$$

$$\Rightarrow +i\mathcal{L}_q = +v \frac{\partial}{\partial q}$$



Now,  $e^{A+B} \neq e^A e^B$  unless  $[A, B] = AB - BA = 0$   
 and can show that  $[+i\gamma_p, +i\gamma_q] \neq 0$ , don't commute

however  
 Trotter Factorization  $e^{A+B} = \lim_{P \rightarrow \infty} \left[ e^{A/2P} e^{B/P} e^{A/2P} \right]^P$

so  $e^{+iL\Delta t} \approx \left[ \underbrace{e^{+i\gamma_p \frac{\Delta t}{2}}}_P \underbrace{e^{+i\gamma_q \Delta t}}_Q \underbrace{e^{+iL_p \Delta t/2}}_P \right]^M + O(M\Delta t^3)$   
 (one scheme)  $\xrightarrow{\text{error increases w/time}}$   $O(\Delta t^2)$

Now  $e^{c d/dx} g(x) = g(x+c)$

why?  $g(x+c) = g(x) + c \frac{d}{dx} g(x) + \frac{c^2}{2} \frac{d^2}{dx^2} g(x) + \dots = e^{c d/dx} g(x)$   
 $e^{c d/dx} = 1 + c \frac{d}{dx} + \frac{c^2}{2} \frac{d^2}{dx^2} + \dots$

Applying once to  $A = \{q_0, v_0\}$ ,  $\underline{P} A = \{q_0, v_0 + \frac{v_1}{F/m} \Delta t/2\}$   $F_0 = F(q_0)$

$\underline{Q} \underline{P} A = \{q_0 + v_1 \Delta t, v_0 + F_0/m \Delta t/2\} = \{q_0 + \underbrace{v_0 \Delta t + \frac{F_0 \Delta t^2}{m}}_{v_1}, v_1\}$

$\underline{P} \underline{Q} \underline{P} = \{q_0 + v_0 \Delta t + \frac{F_0 \Delta t^2}{m}, v_0 + \frac{F_0 + F_1}{2m} \Delta t\}$   $\leftarrow$  velocity verlet ass'n

Seems overly complicated, but this formulation allowed for many advanced methods to be derived using splitting schemes.

Eg. RESPA, evolve slow and fast forces

Separately, eg  $U(q) = U_{\text{spring}}(q) + U_{\text{other}}(q)$   
 $T_{\text{fast}} = T_{\text{fast}} \frac{d}{dp} + iL_{\text{fast}}$ ,  $T_{\text{slow}} = T_{\text{slow}} \frac{d}{dp}$  ↑ expensive

Then can do  $e^{T_{\text{slow}} t} \left[ e^{T_{\text{fast}} t/m} e^{T_{\text{slow}} t/m} \right]^n$  (Tuckerman 1992)

but  $e^{T_{\text{fast}} t/m} \approx \left[ e^{T_{\text{fast}} \frac{\Delta t}{2n}} e^{T_{\text{slow}} \frac{\Delta t}{2n}} e^{T_{\text{fast}} \frac{\Delta t}{2n}} \right]^n$

Can save a lot of computer time if long range forces vary slowly

Also, error in methods grow as  $\Delta t^{2 \text{ or } 3}$ ,

how small should  $\Delta t$  be. In practice, for

fastest motion in system,  $\omega = \sqrt{k/m}$ ,

$\tau = 2\pi/\omega$ , want  $\Delta t < \tau$ , maybe  $\Delta t < \tau/5$

\* C-H bond  $\tau < 10 \text{ fs}$  so MD sim  $\Delta t \sim 2 \text{ fs}$   
 $\omega / \text{rigid CH} \dots$

# Enhanced Sampling

We said before that the time avg

$$\langle A \rangle = \lim_{N \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1}{N} \sum_{i=1}^N A(x_i) \quad \text{for } N \text{ unc samples}$$

or  $N = T/\Delta t$  and time steps is true if  
the system is ergodic, ie sees all the states

The problem in real simulation is  $N \neq \infty$ ,  
 $N \sim (1 - 10^{10})$

This works for some problems, but there  
is a very common problem.



$$F(x) = -kT \log \int \delta(M(\vec{z}) - \vec{x}) e^{-\beta U(\vec{z})} d\vec{z} - F_0$$

(Potential of mean force)

$$\text{Rate } A \rightarrow B \propto e^{-\beta \Delta U^\ddagger} \quad \text{or} \quad e^{-\beta \Delta F^\ddagger}$$