

WP1@Spoke 2

b) Theoretical research projects in domains already using HPC solutions

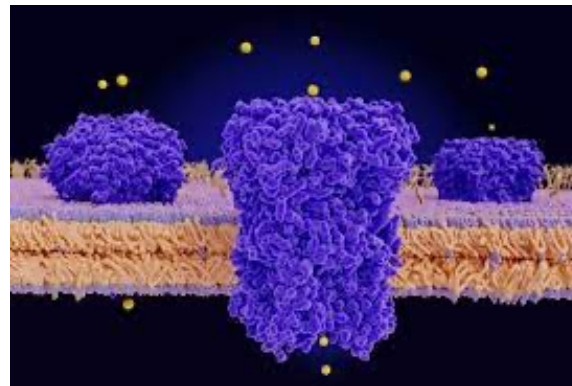
5) Physics of complex systems

HPC Methods:

- Lattice Boltzmann
- Molecular dynamics
- Monte Carlo

General topics of Use Cases:

- complex fluid dynamics
- non-equilibrium statistical models
- biological models



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Lattice Boltzmann Methods for complex fluids

Based on phase-space discretized form of the Boltzmann equation

$$\partial_t f + \xi_\alpha \partial_\alpha f + \frac{F_\alpha}{\rho} \partial_{\xi_\alpha} f = \Omega(f)$$

Discretizing both in real and velocity space

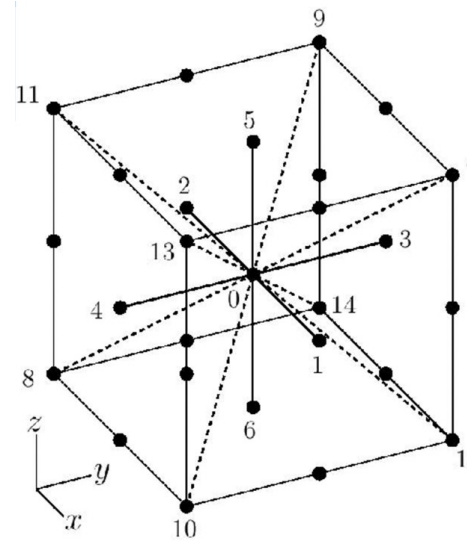
$$f_i(\vec{r} + \vec{\xi}_i \Delta t, t + \Delta t) - f_i(\vec{r}, t) = \mathcal{C}(\{f_i\}, t)$$

$$\mathcal{C}(\{f_i\}, t) = -\frac{1}{\tau} (f_i - f_i^{eq}) \quad \text{BGK approximation}$$

Mass and momentum density are defined as

$$\sum_i f_i^{eq} \xi_{i\alpha} = \rho u_\alpha \quad \sum_i f_i^{eq} = \rho$$

$$\sum_i f_i^{eq} \xi_{i\alpha} \xi_{i\beta} = \rho u_\alpha u_\beta - \sigma_{\alpha\beta}$$



D3Q15 geometry

- The equilibrium distribution functions are expanded up to a given order in the fluid velocity u .
- The expansion coefficients are determined imposing the above constraints.
- The Navier-Stokes equations can be formally derived from the lattice Boltzmann equation in the long wave length limit through Chapman-Enskog expansion

Lattice Boltzmann Method

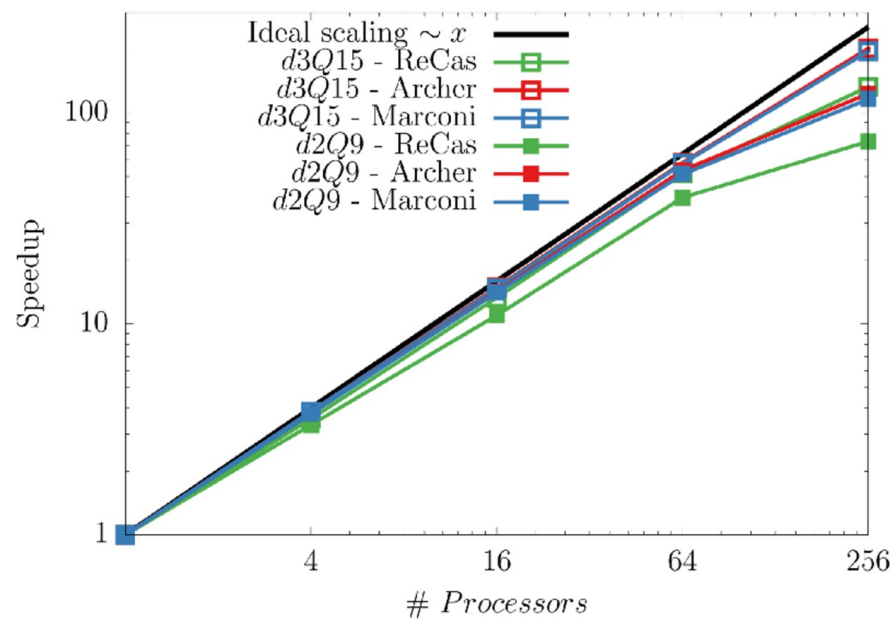
Numerical implementation of LBM must face some computational issues

- Memory resources
- Long processing times



"Be wise..." parallelize

- Mpi protocol
- Distributed memory system

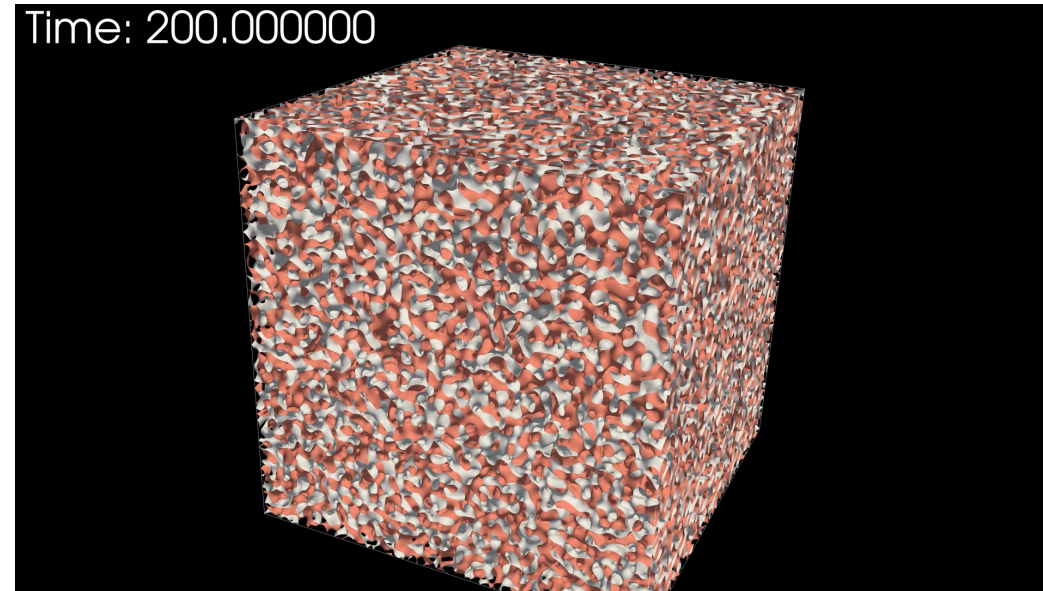


HPC facilities in Bologna, Bari and Edinburgh

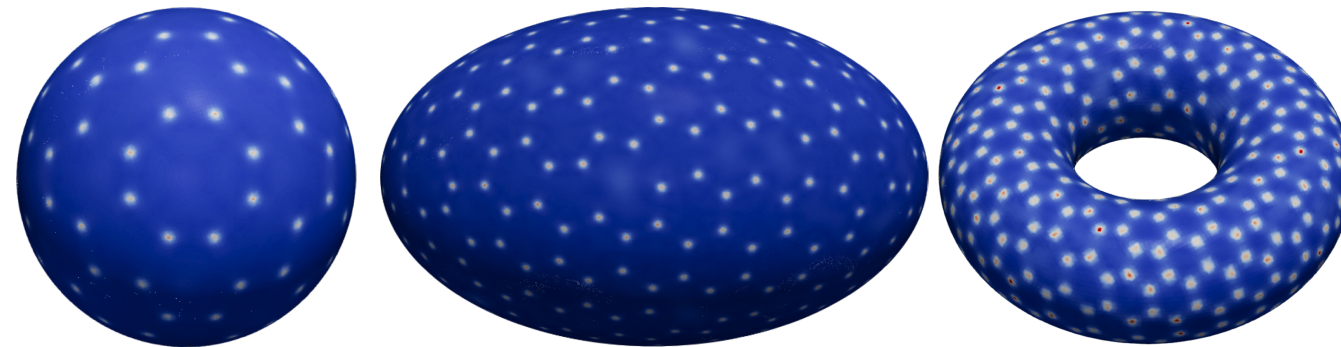
Ghost cell method can be implemented to solve the problem of stencils computation on the boundaries between computational subdomains

Complex (liquid crystals, mixtures, etc) fluids

Dynamics of
multi-phase
fluid mixtures



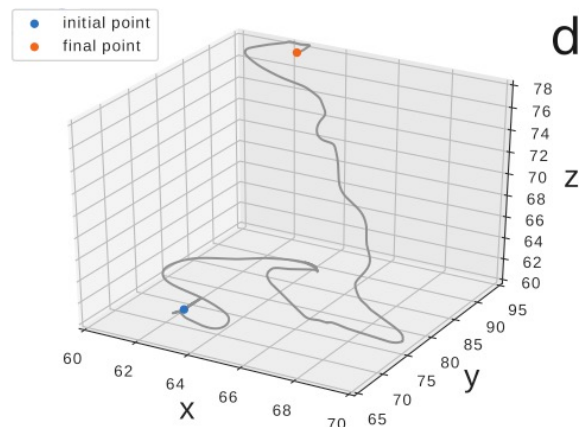
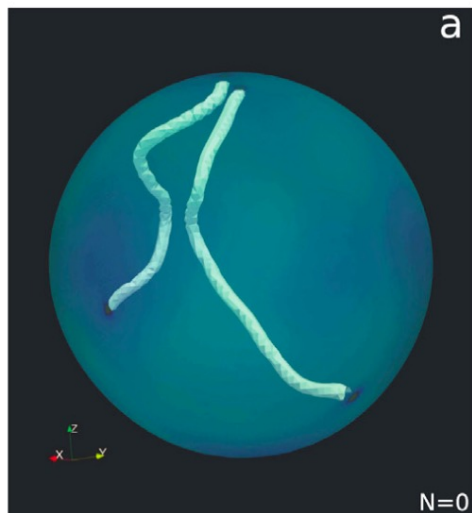
Topological properties of
confined
chiral liquid crystals



[Cholesteric shells: two-dimensional blue fog and finite quasicrystals](#)
LN Carena, G Gonnella, D Marenduzzo, G Negro, E Orlandini
Physical Review Letters 128 (2), 027801 (2022)

Active fluids

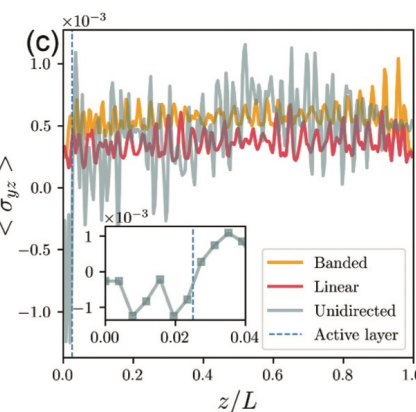
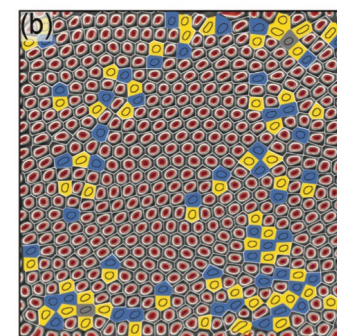
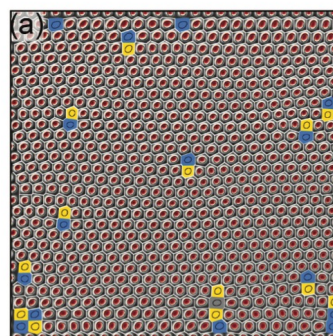
Self-motility of active droplets



[Rotation and propulsion in 3D active chiral droplets](#) LN Carena, G Gonnella, D Marenduzzo, G Negro
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[Chaotic and periodical dynamics of active chiral droplets](#) LN Carena, G Gonnella, D Marenduzzo, G Negro
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Morphology and rheology of active fluids

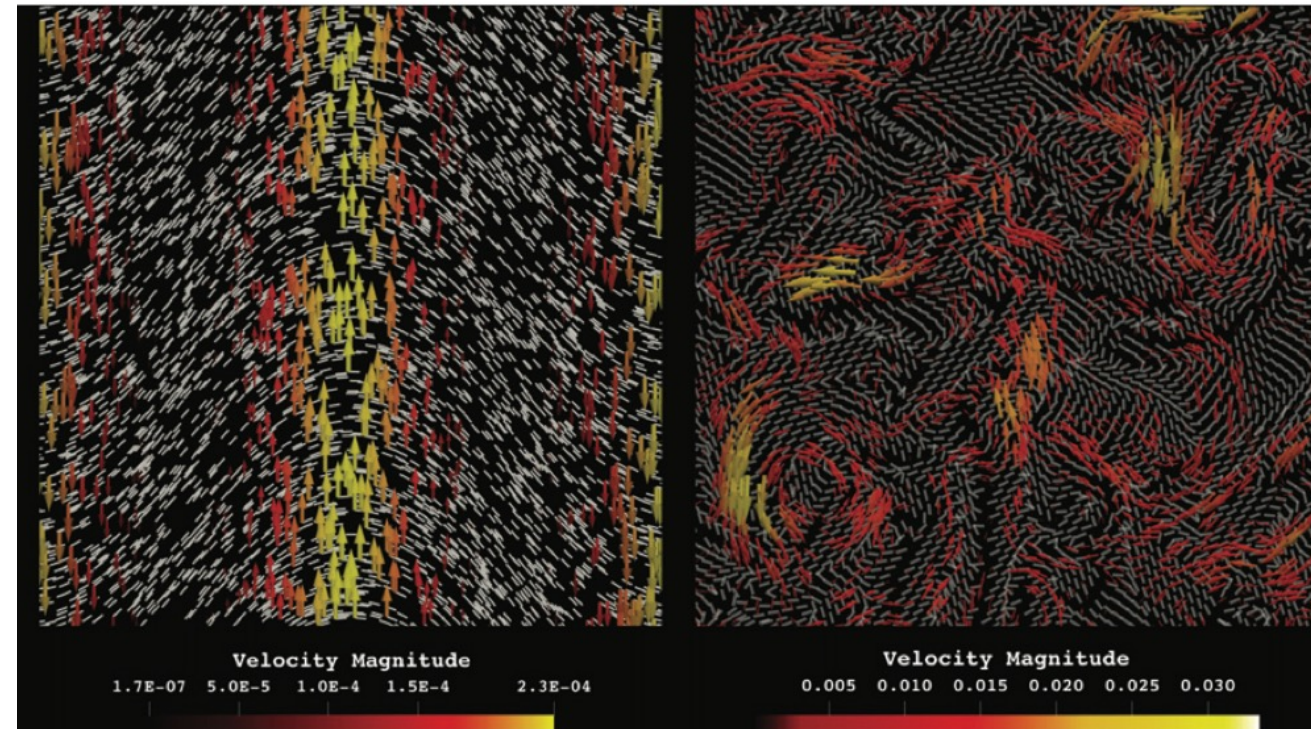
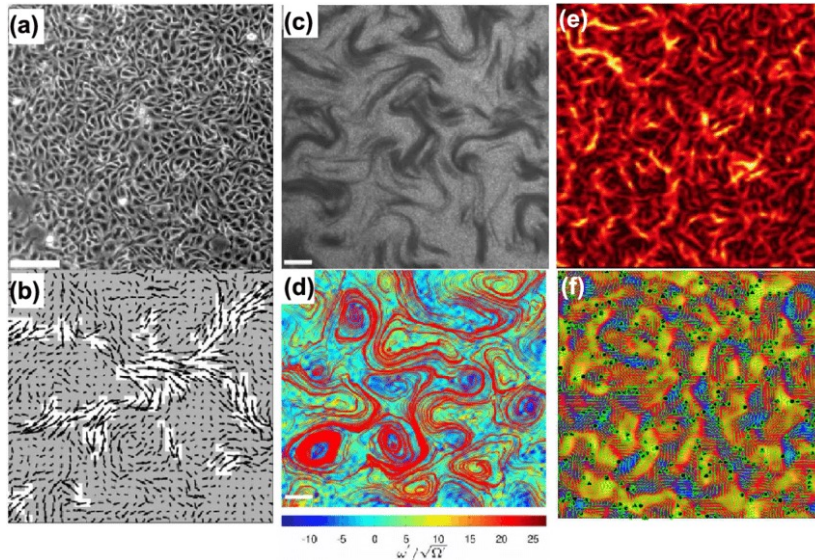


Emergence of negative viscosity states in active polar emulsions

[Activity-induced isotropic-polar transition in active liquid crystals](#) MG Giordano, F Bonelli, LN Carena, G Gonnella, G Negro
 Europhysics Letters 133 (5), 58004

Active fluids

Active Turbulence



No signal of non-linear hydrodynamical transfer and turbulent cascades in active nematic gels

[Cascade or not cascade? Energy transfer and elastic effects in active nematics](#)

LN Carena, L Biferale, G Gonnella
Europhysics Letters 132 (4), 44003 (2021)

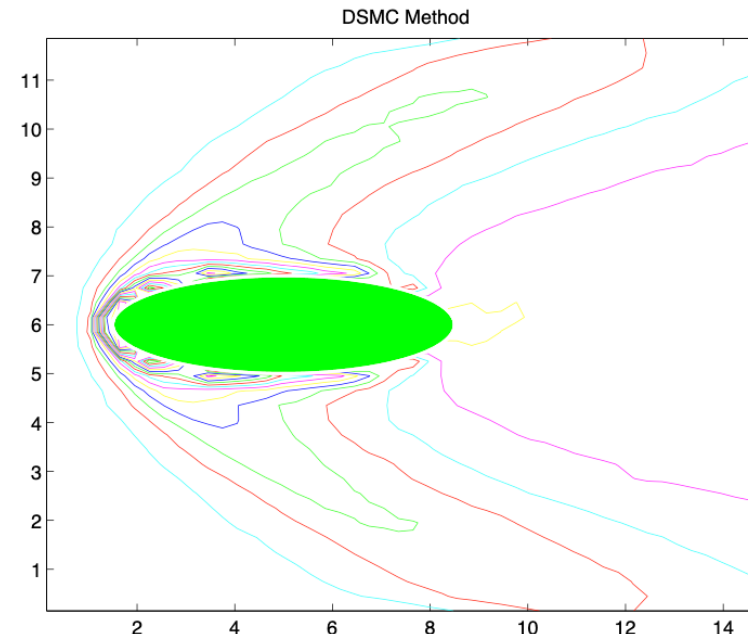
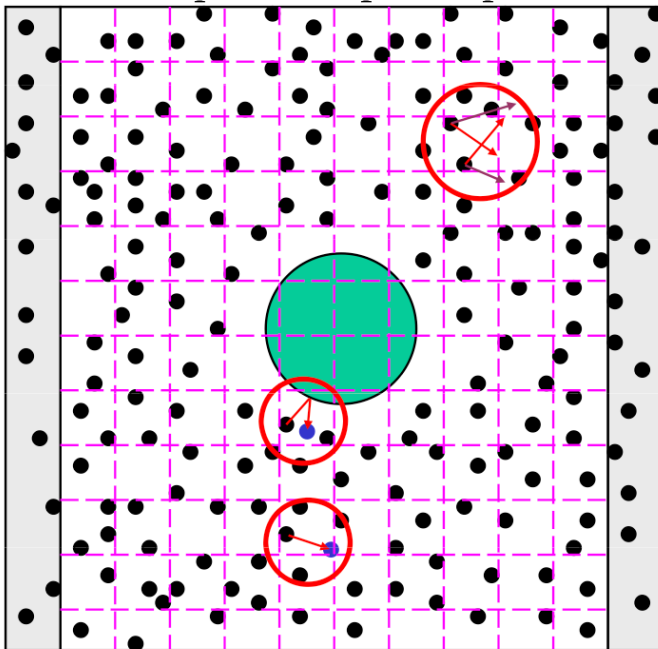
[Multiscale control of active emulsion dynamics](#)

LN Carena, L Biferale, G Gonnella
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General complex systems methods

Introducing an intermediate step between particle systems and fluid models: the so-called **kinetic level**. These models, characterized by **Boltzmann equations**, deal with a quantity, the distribution function, which is the density of particles in phase-space (say position and velocity).

The essential idea of **Monte Carlo** or **particle** simulations for the Boltzmann equation is to return to the particle description with a number of particles small enough to make the situation computationally treatable but "sufficiently close" to the physical situation.

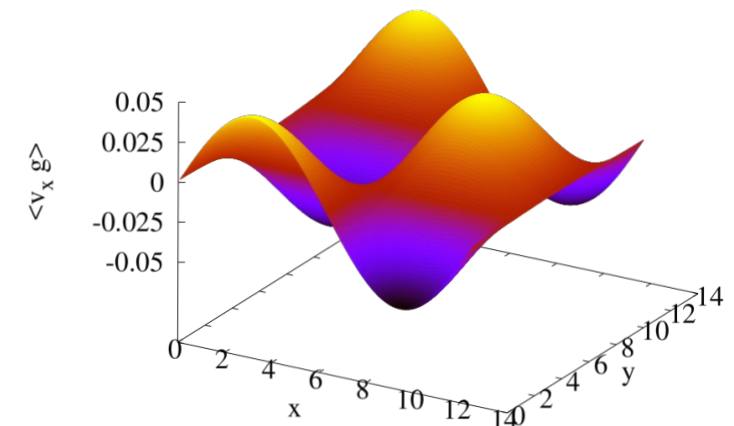
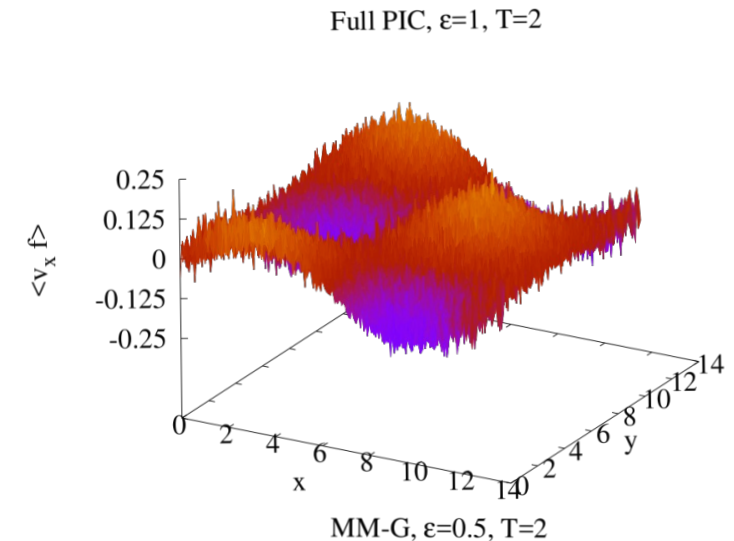


Fluid dynamics and rarefied flows

Monte Carlo methods for fluid dynamics and rarefied flows. We plan to develop new stochastic based methods for the resolution of flows out of equilibrium. In particular we will address the resolution of the Boltzmann and of the Fokker-Planck equations. The focus is on efficiency and low variance methods by coupling the solution of deterministic equilibrium flows with non equilibrium stochastic solvers.

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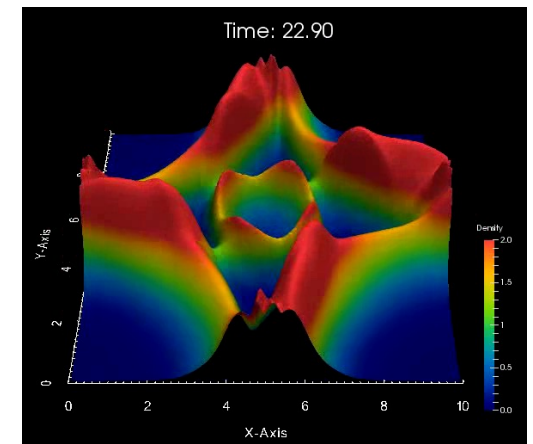
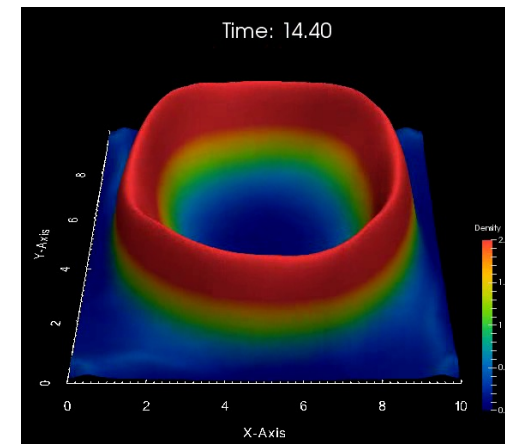
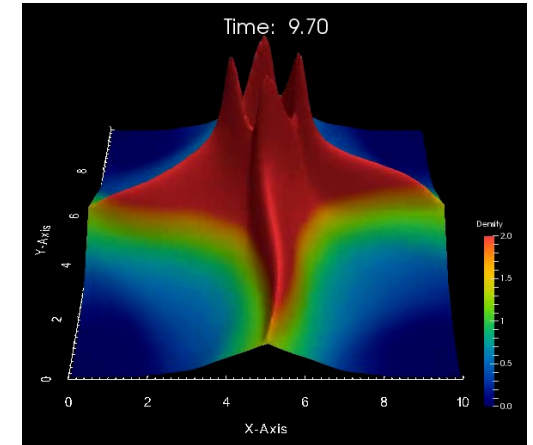
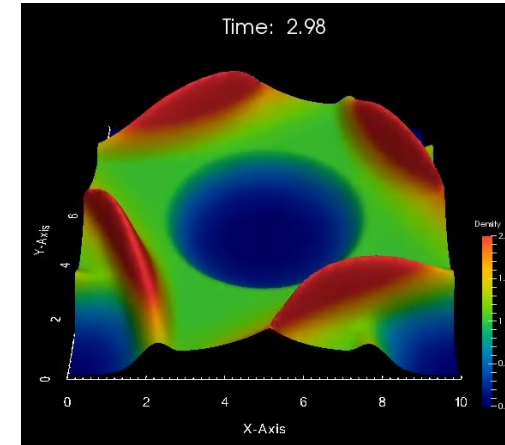


Emergence behavior in living biological systems

Understanding of the emergence behavior in living biological systems and humanity. The focus here is in the description of complex systems such as organisms, human behaviors and economics. Knowledge, social stratification, opinion dynamics and spread of fake news will be considered as prototypes of complex dynamics. The capability of dealing with large amount of data and to infer about these dynamics will be out of the main goal of this WP. We will also consider data-driven approaches in which experimental information measured from real-world systems will be inserted into the model to calibrate the parameters.

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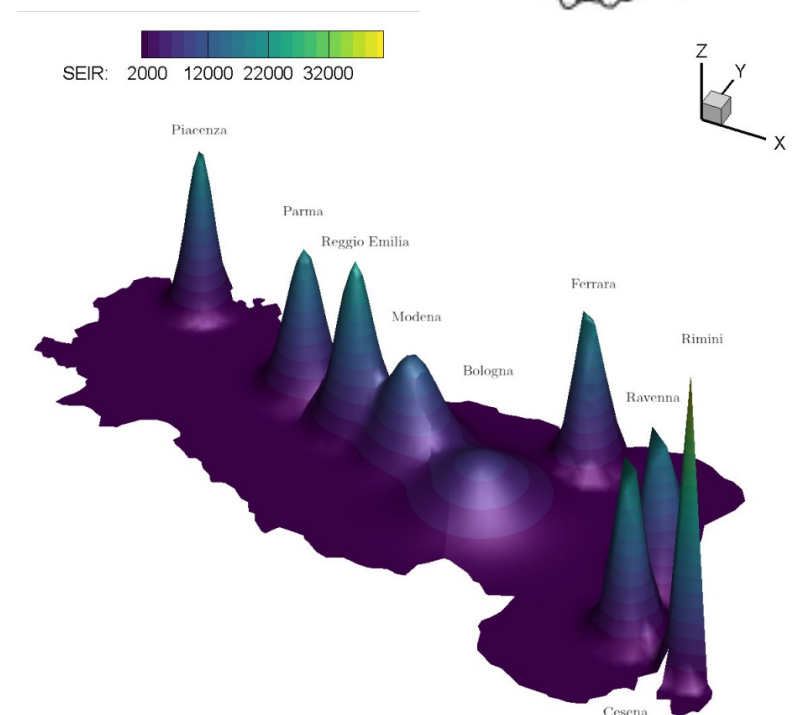
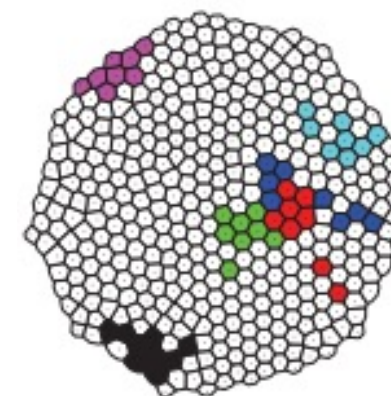
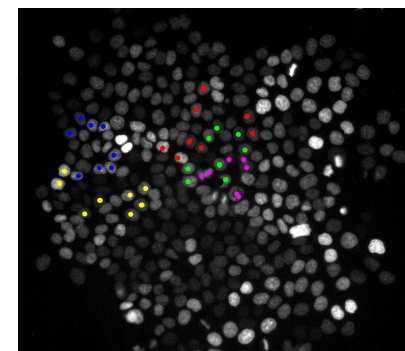


Medical applications

Medical applications such as modeling and simulations of the spread of viruses (Covid-19) through spatially dependent multiscale approaches will be addressed. An important role will be played by the contact dynamics analysis and modeling. The growth, the spread and the control of tumor cells will be studied. For these new models, particle methods and fitting with the data will be also considered. The role of uncertainty in the data will be also discussed and addressed for the construction of reliable models.

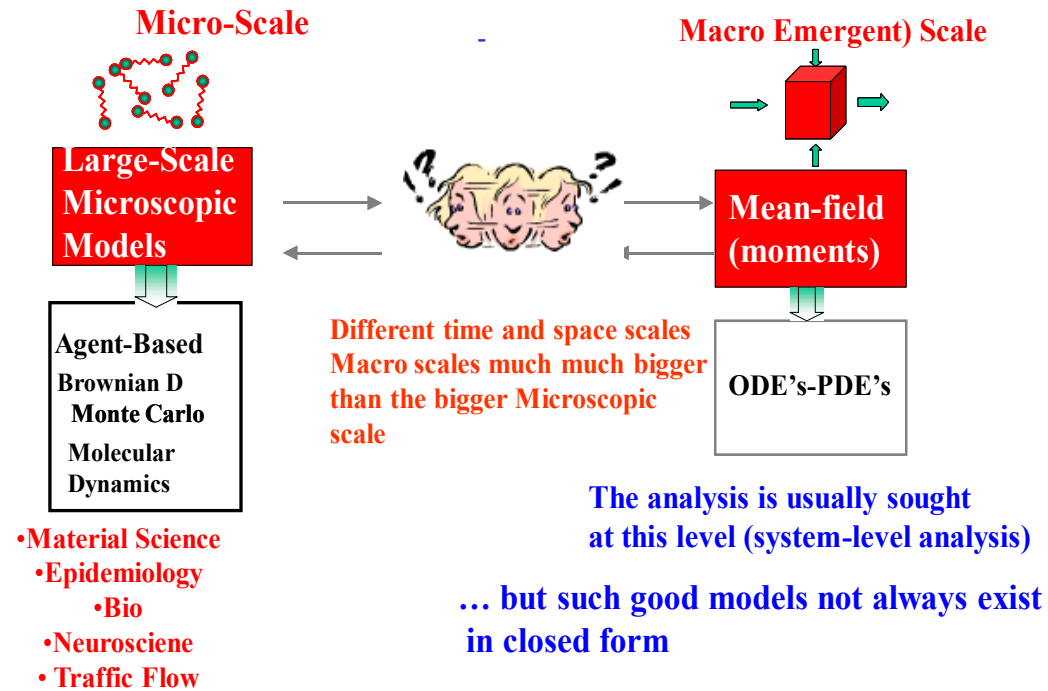
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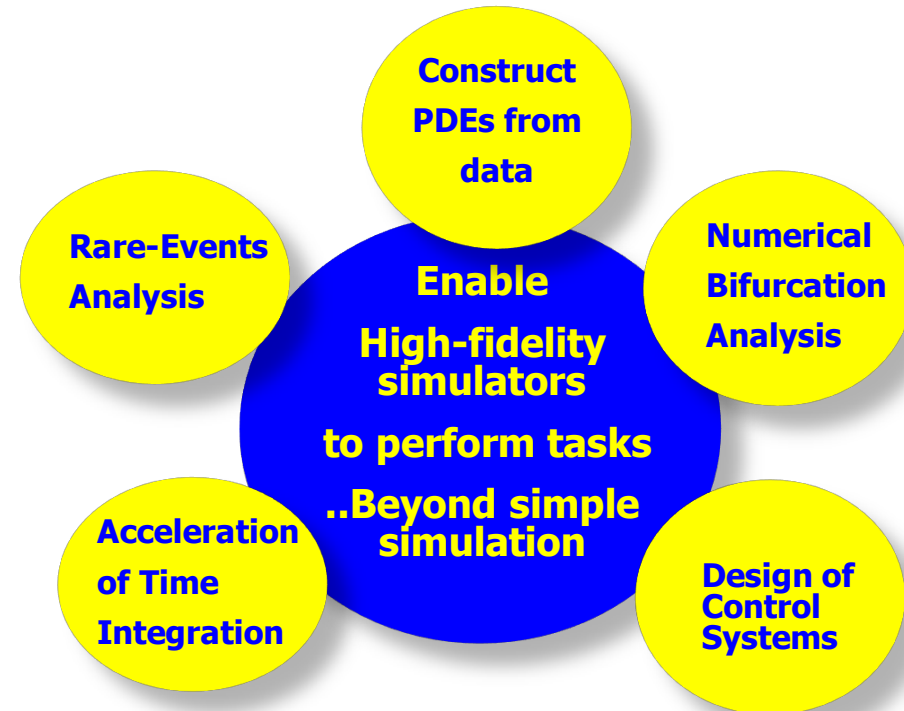


Bridge the gap between micro and macro scales of Complex Systems

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Objectives



What if physics are known in a more detailed (microscopic) level?



...but there is no description (in moments of distribution) of the macroscopic behavior;

**SIMULATION:
LIKE EXPERIMENTS**

i.e. run atomistic-based models for many units (atoms, agents etc) and for different parameters and for long time to get macroscopic (system-level) information

MICRO-scopic

MACRO-scopic

**EQUATION-FREE
METHODS**

**Physics-Informed
Machine Learning**

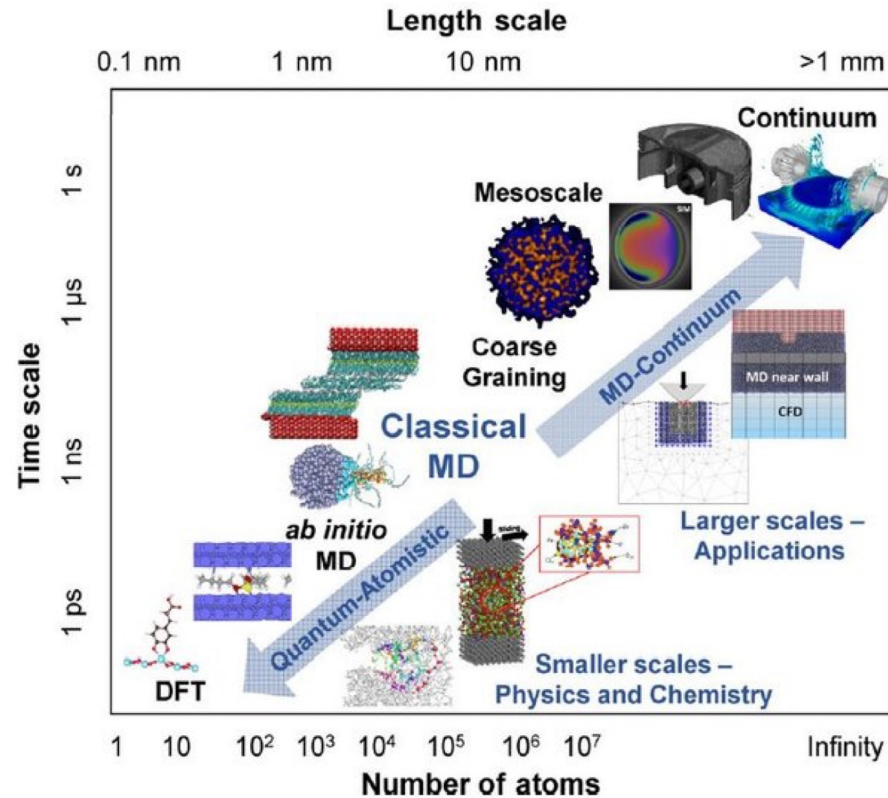
CONTROL

OPTIMIZATION

AIM: Systematically bridge the gap between Micro-scopic and Macro-scopic (system-level) World

But good macroscopic models do not always exist in closed form

Molecular Dynamics Methods

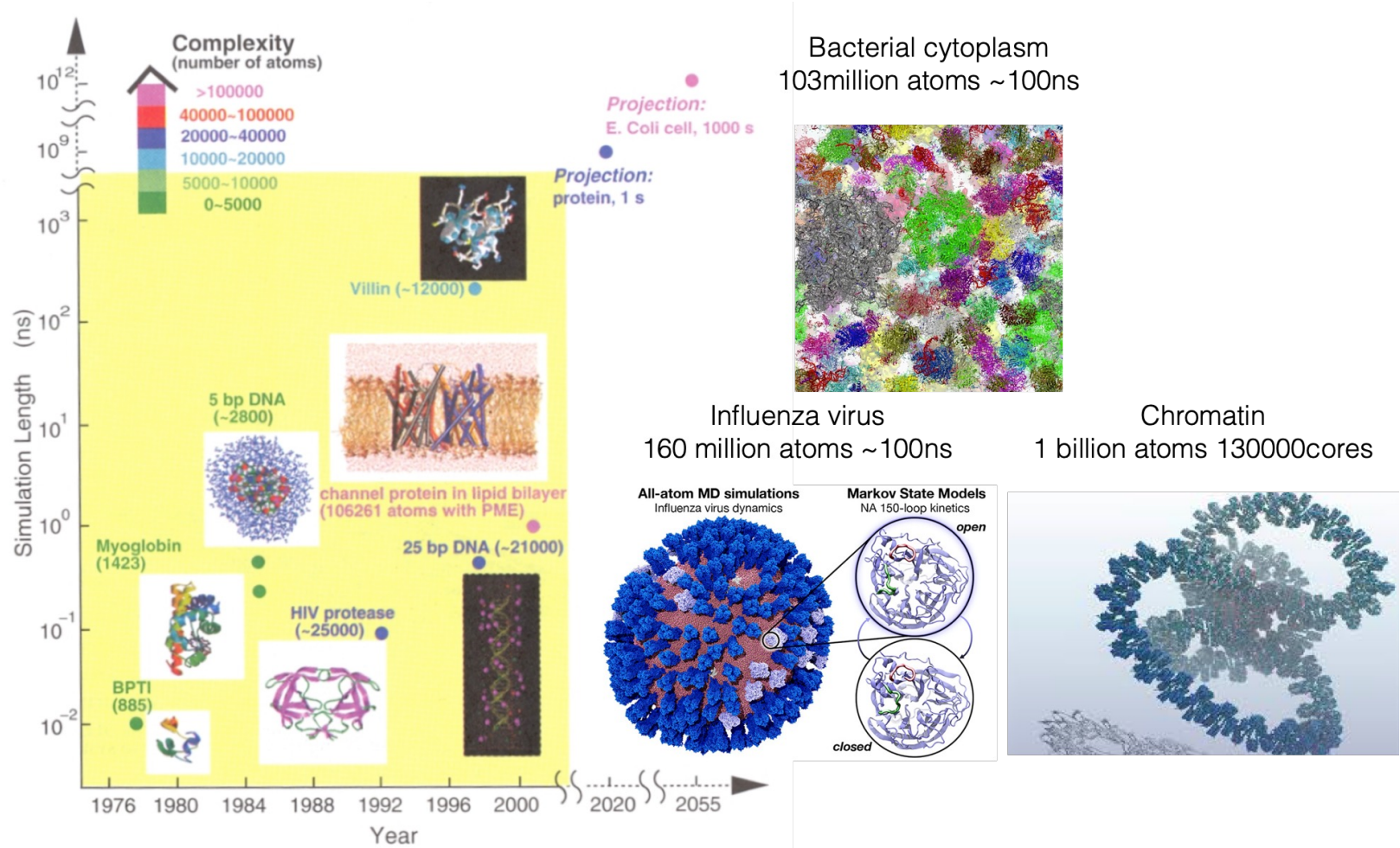


Basic elements are atoms (as a whole, no electrons, protons) or group of atoms in more coarse-grained systems

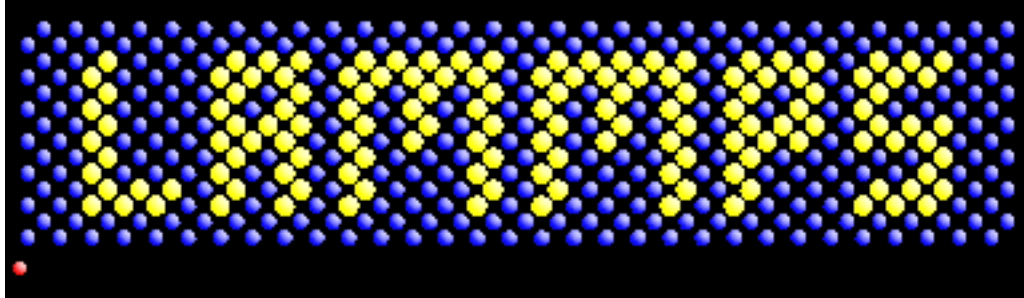
They are considered as classical objects (no quantum mechanics involved, only Newton's equation of motions.)

Molecular Dynamics Methods

General outlook of MD by system's dimension (for biological structures)



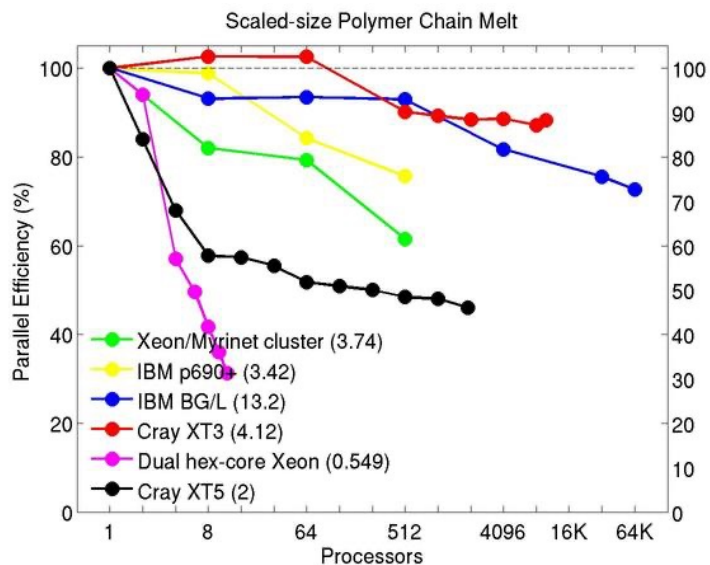
Molecular Dynamics Methods



LAMMPS is a classical molecular dynamics code with a focus on materials modeling.

It's an acronym for **Large-scale Atomic/Molecular Massively Parallel Simulator**.

It can be used with multiple CPUs and with a GPU



- Bead-spring polymer melt with 100-mer chains and FENE bonds:
- 32,000 atoms for 100 timesteps
 - reduced density 0.8442 (liquid)
 - force cutoff of $2^{(1/6)}$ sigma
 - neighbor skin = 0.4 sigma
 - neighbors/atom = 5 (within force cutoff)
 - NVE time integration

OCCAM: Hybrid Particle-Field Parallel MD Simulations

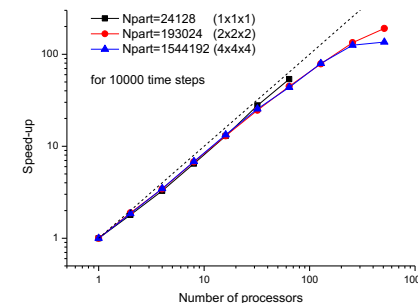
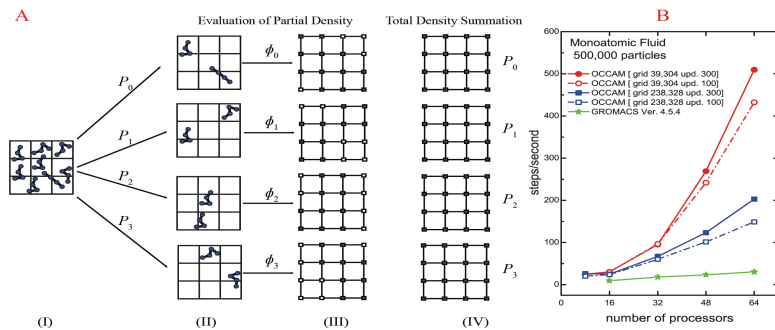
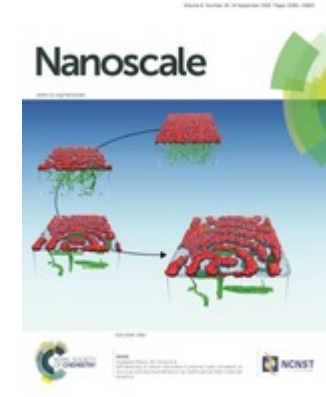
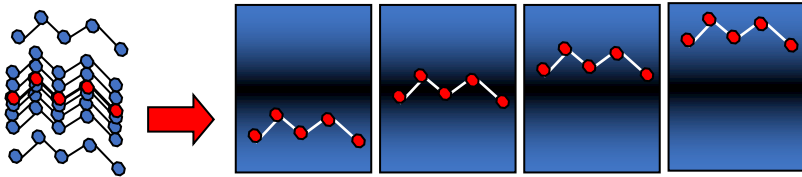
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Parallel OCCAM for distributed memory (Implementation of MPI interface for CPU, multi GPU in progress)



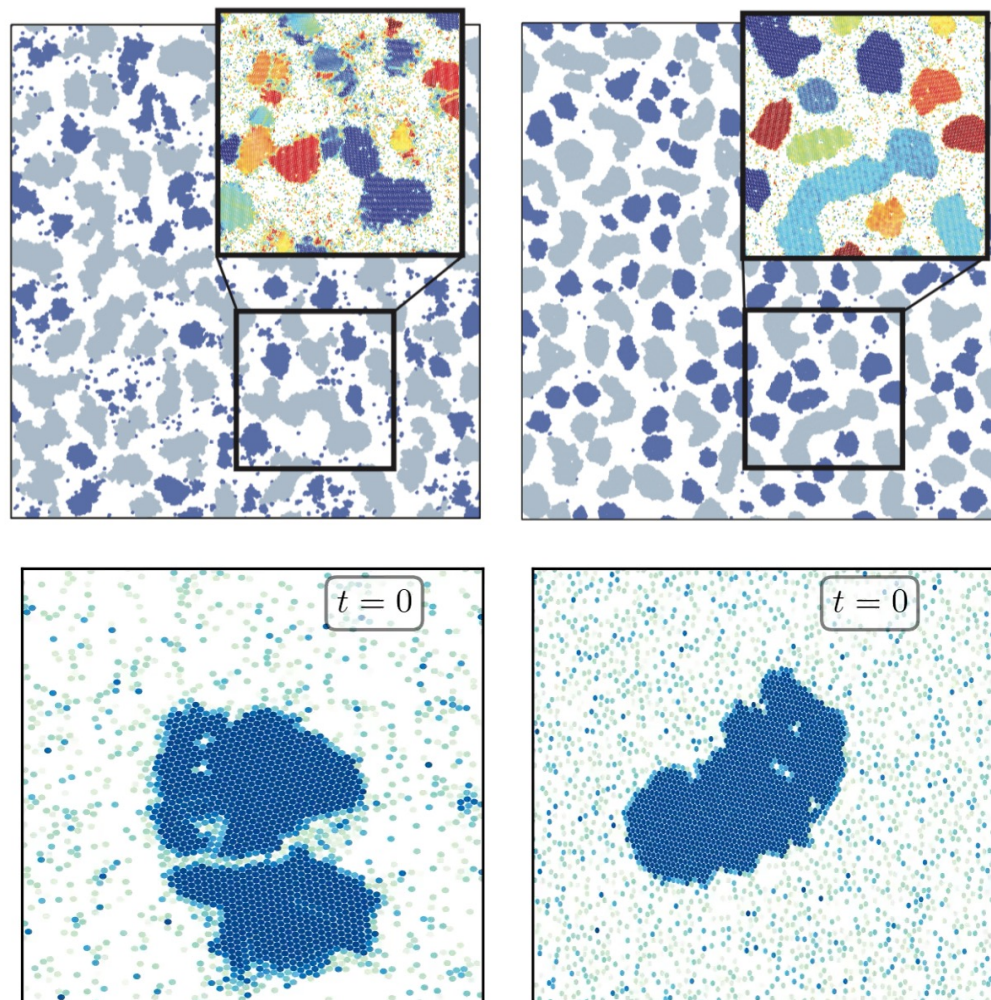
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Complex Molecular Architectures using Field Theory

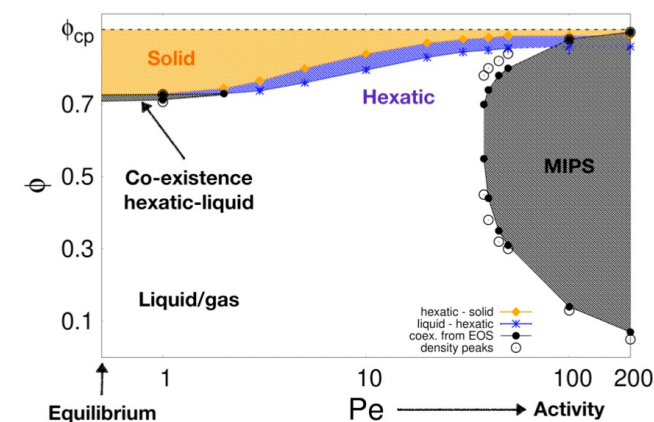


Active self-propelled particles

Active (with repulsion) Passive (with attraction)



- Micro and macro phase separation of active systems
- Self-organization and dynamics of active clusters
- Phase diagram

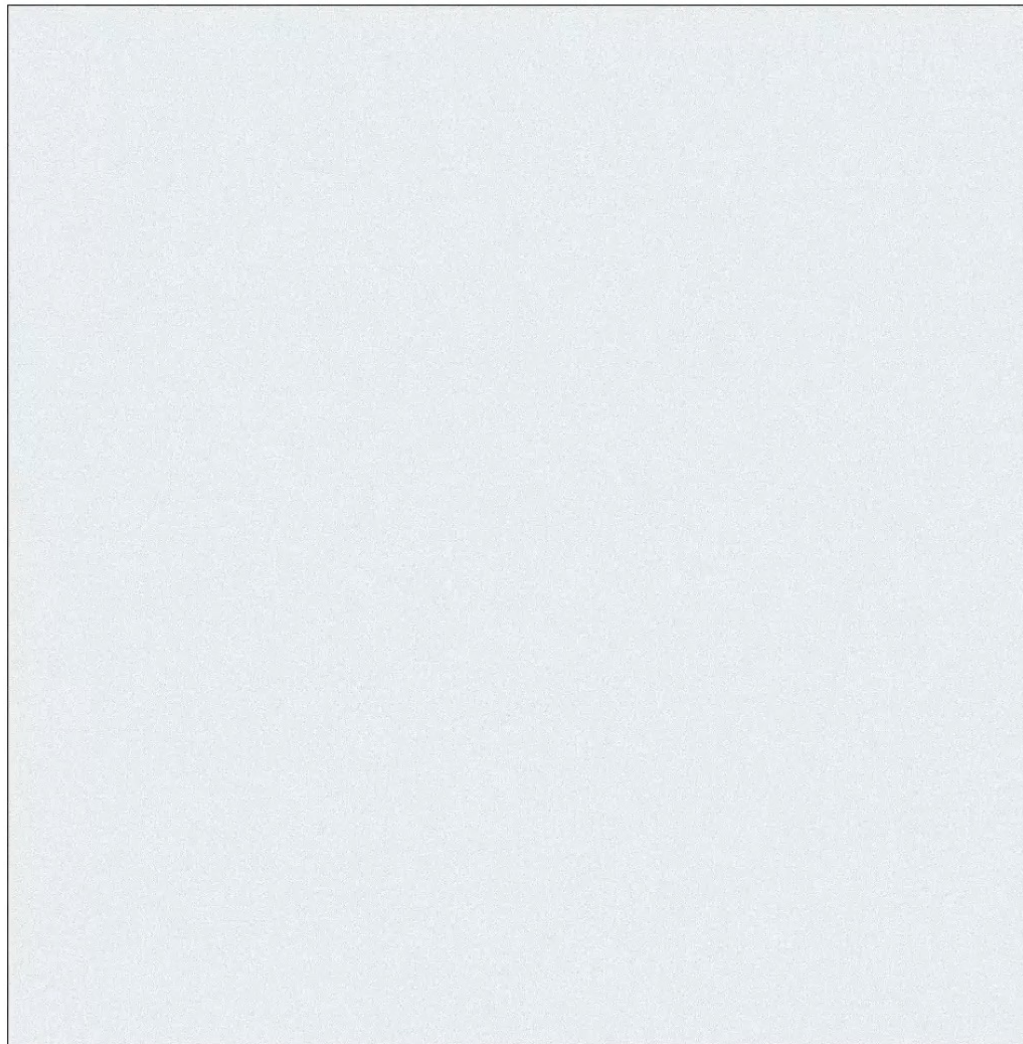


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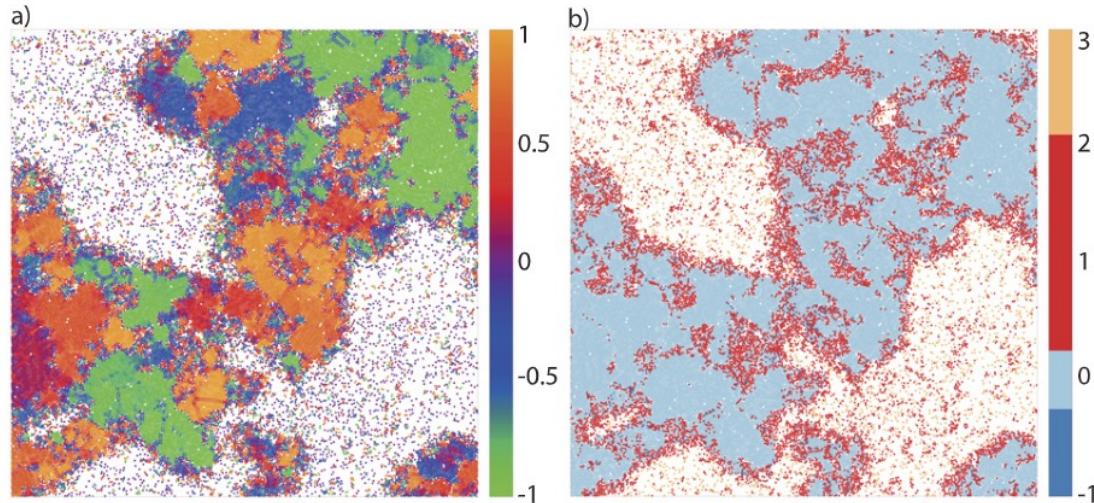
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Active self-propelled particles



Cluster tracking for 1024^2 particles
using clustering algorithms

Non-equilibrium statistical mechanics



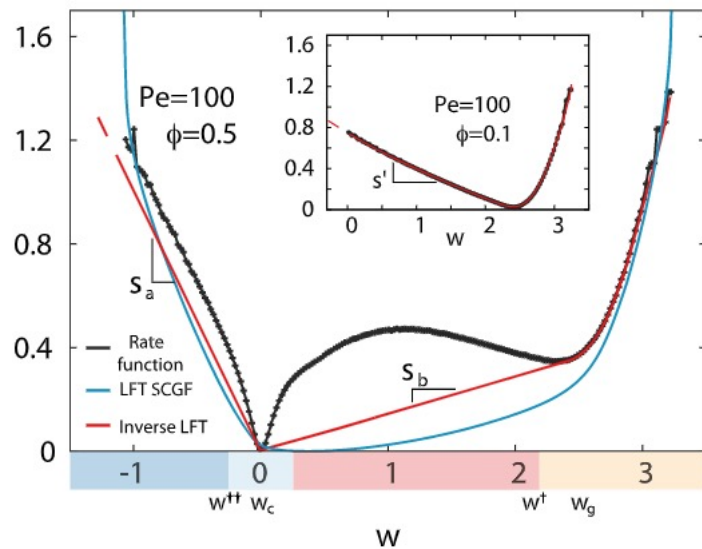
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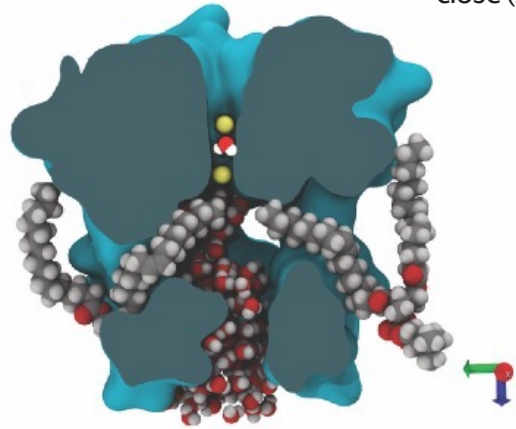
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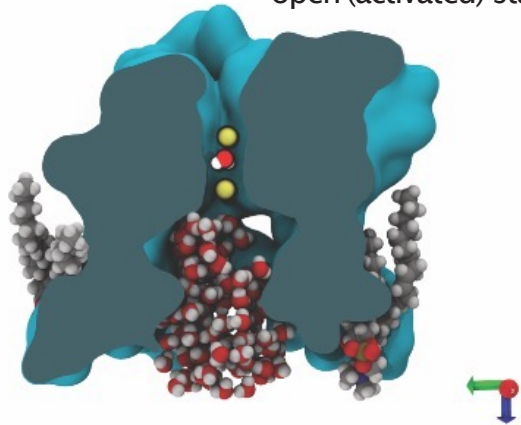


Model for lipid bilayers and ion channels

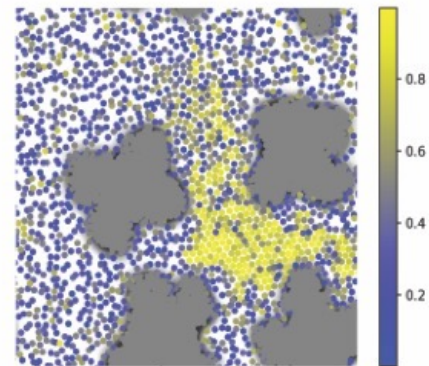
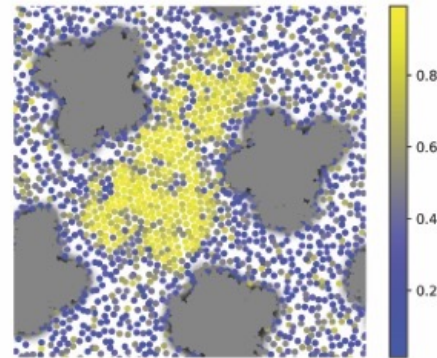
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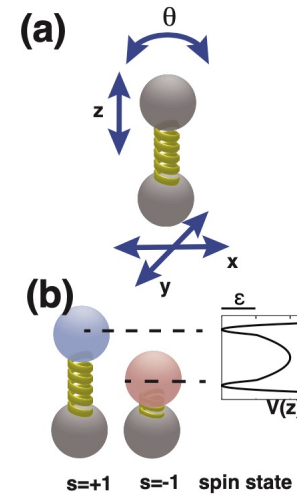
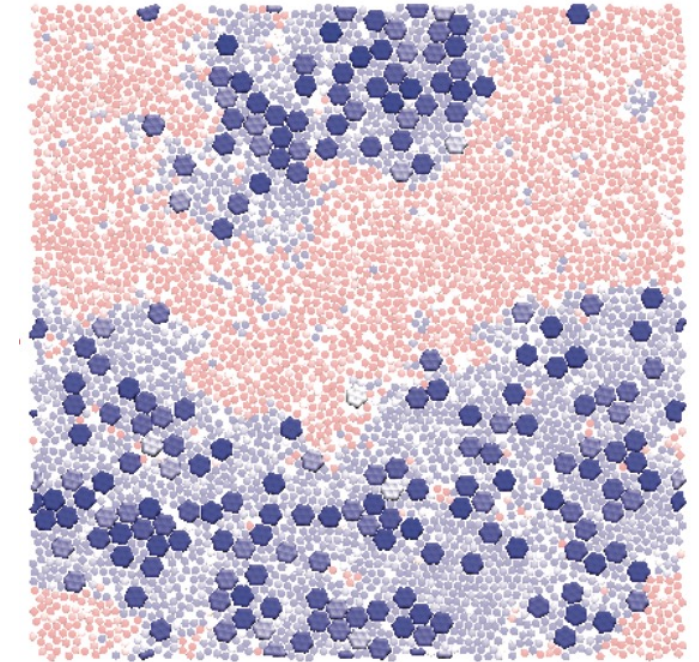
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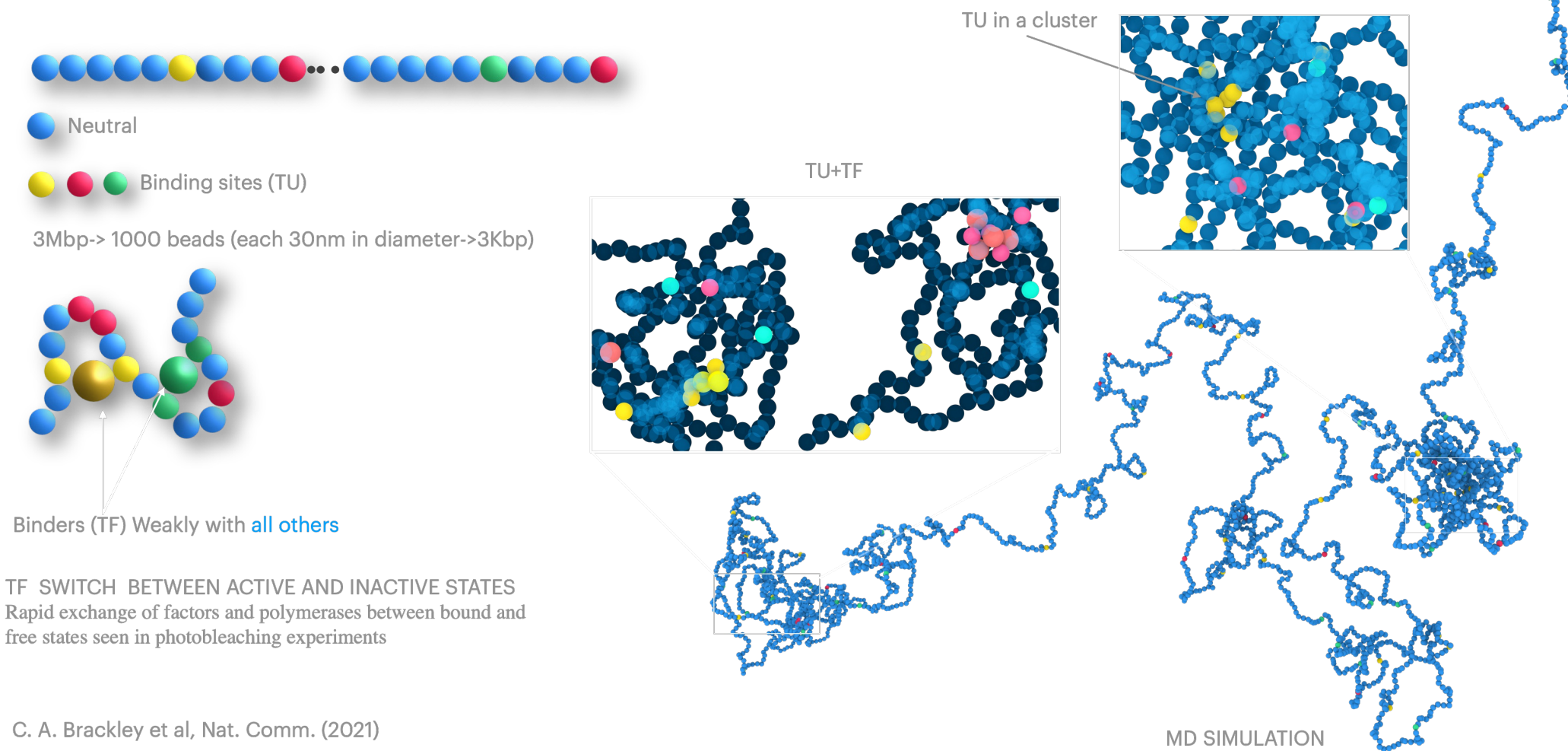


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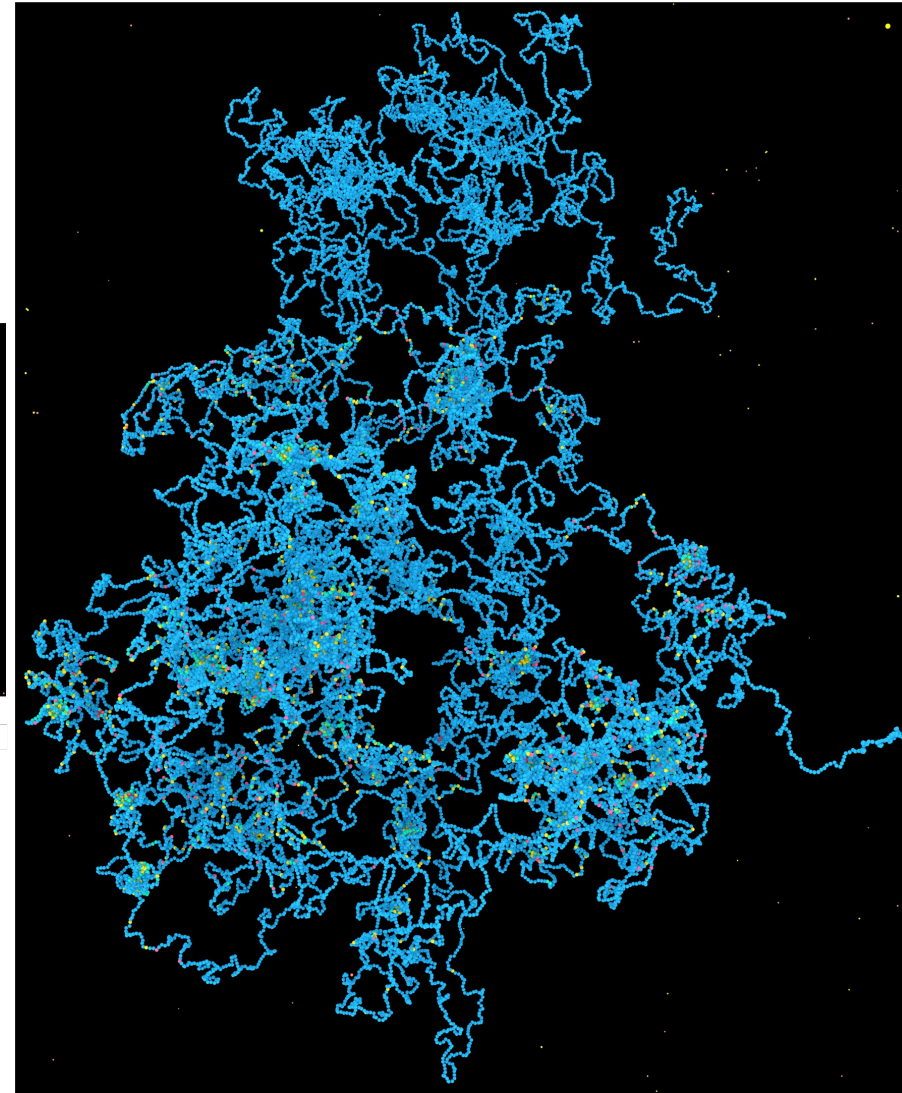
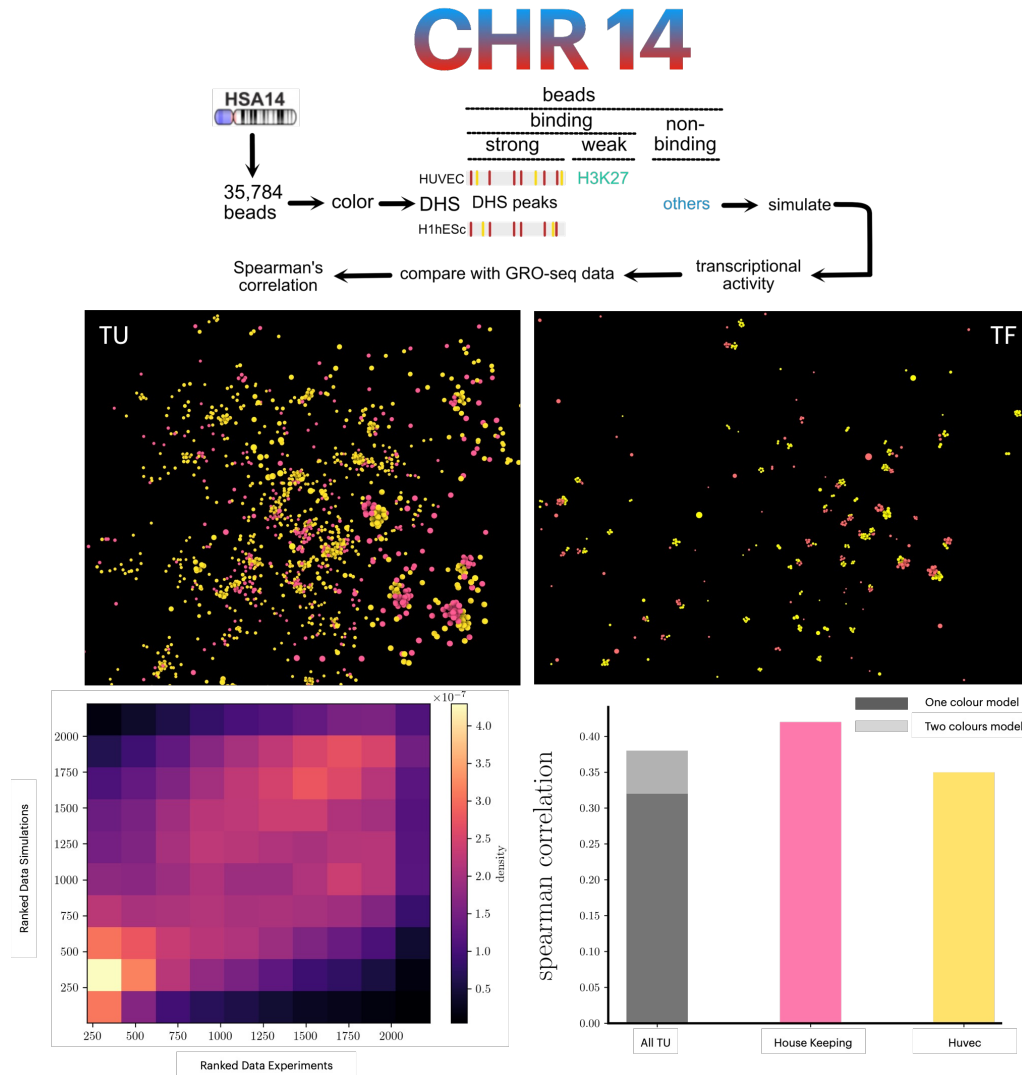


Model for chromatin

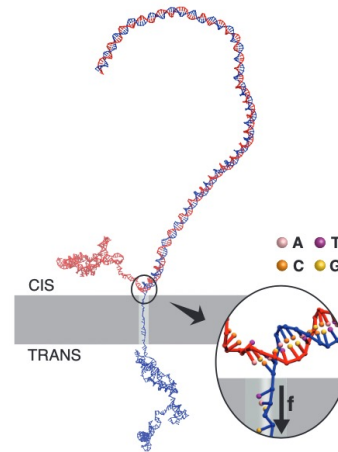
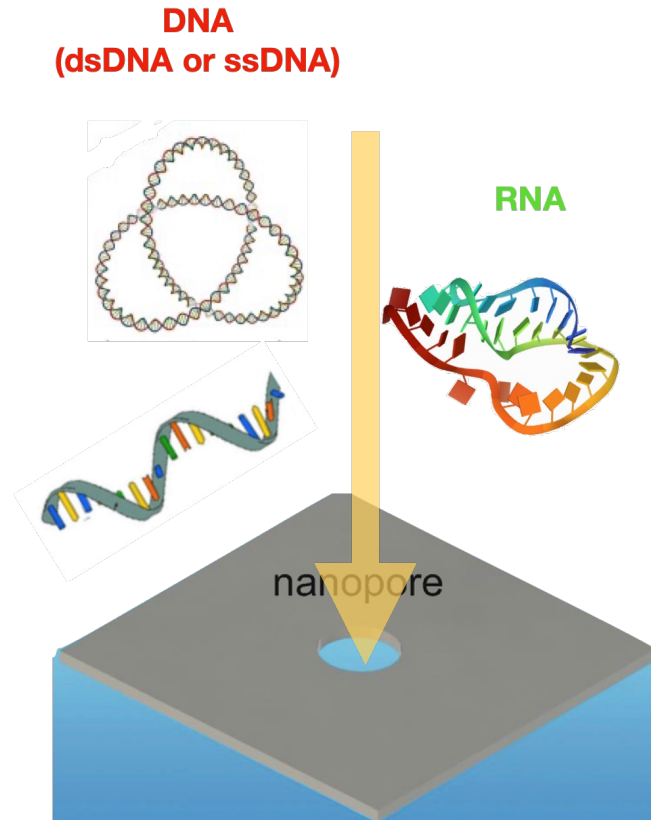
POLYMER MODEL FOR GENE ORGANIZATION AND TRANSCRIPTION



Model for chromatin



Translocation of biopolymers



Detection of knots and other topological structures
Study the **impact** of different topologies **on translocation**
See how topological structures are **exploited by nature**

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