Transient Time Correlation Function

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What I am going to talk about:

- Structure of the simulations;
- Some results from a simple case study;
- Transient Time Correlation Function method;
- Next steps.

Simulation method



Figure: Schematic diagram of the simulation algorithm¹

¹Todd and Daivis, Nonequilibrium molecular dynamics: theory, algorithms and applications $\langle \square \rangle \langle \square \rangle$

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Simulation method



Figure: Schematic diagram of the simulation algorithm with mappings²

²Todd and Daivis, *Nonequilibrium molecular dynamics: theory, algorithms and applications*

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$$(x_i, y_i, z_i, p_{xi}, p_{yi}, p_{zi}) \longrightarrow (x_i, y_i, z_i, p_{xi}, p_{yi}, p_{zi})$$

• $(x_i, y_i, z_i, p_{xi}, p_{yi}, p_{zi}) \longrightarrow (x_i, y_i, z_i, -p_{xi}, -p_{yi}, -p_{zi})$
• $(x_i, y_i, z_i, p_{xi}, p_{yi}, p_{zi}) \longrightarrow (-x_i, y_i, z_i, -p_{xi}, p_{yi}, p_{zi})$
• $(x_i, y_i, z_i, p_{xi}, p_{yi}, p_{zi}) \longrightarrow (-x_i, y_i, z_i, p_{xi}, -p_{yi}, -p_{zi})$

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Figure: Schematic of the system³

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Figure: Schematic of the model for the wall atoms⁴

⁴Maffioli et al., "Slip and stress from low shear rate nonequilibrium molecular dynamics: The transient-time correlation function technique" $\rightarrow \langle \mathcal{D} \rangle \rightarrow \langle \mathbb{R} \rangle \rightarrow \langle \mathbb{R} \rangle$

Results: shear pressure



Figure: The shear pressure is computed at the interface between the wall and the fluid using the Method of Planes.

Results: velocity profile



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For a generic phase variable B, the TTCF states the following

$$\langle B(t)
angle = \langle B(0)
angle + \int_0^t \langle \Omega(0)B(s)
angle ds,$$

where $\Omega(0)$ is the dissipation function at t = 0 and for the considered system it is such that:

$$\Omega := -\beta \dot{U} = -\beta \sum_{i}^{NI} k(r_{xi}^{w} - r_{xi}^{I})v,$$

where v is the velocity of the walls, k is the harmonic constant for the springs and $r_{xi}^w - r_{xi}^l$ is the displacement between each wall atom and its lattice cite, along x direction.



Results: TTCF with different dissipation function



Figure: TTCF computed using Ω relative only to the top wall.

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The next step is to exploit the Transient Time Correlation Function to compute quantities of interest, such as the slip velocity or the slip length, for a system of water and graphene.



Todd, Billy D and Peter J Daivis. Nonequilibrium molecular dynamics: theory, algorithms and applications. Cambridge University Press, 2017.
 Maffioli, Luca et al. "Slip and stress from low shear rate nonequilibrium molecular dynamics: The transient-time correlation function technique". In: *The Journal of Chemical Physics* 156.18 (2022), p. 184111.

The slip length can be easily derived from $v_t = b \frac{\partial v}{\partial z}$



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