



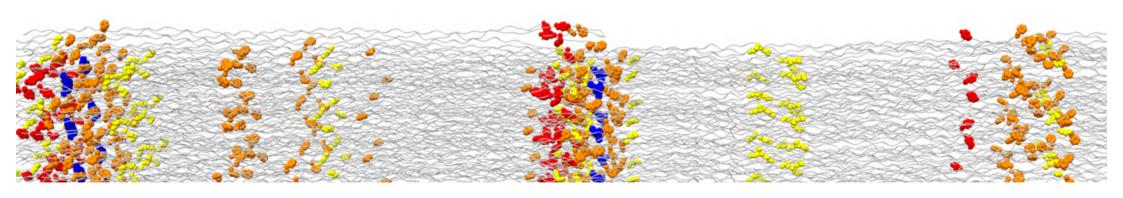


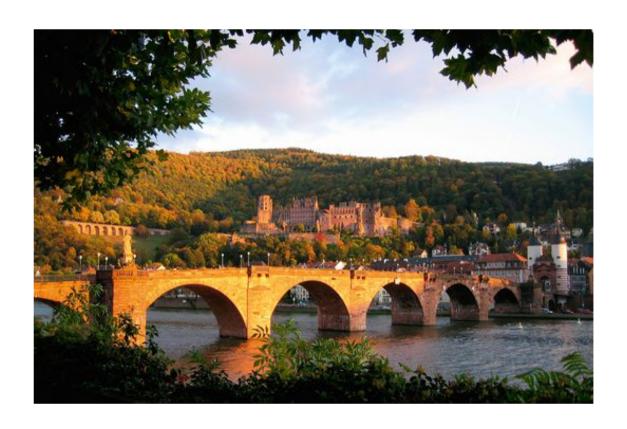


HPC for biomaterials:

Why does it hurt to play soccer (and baseball)?

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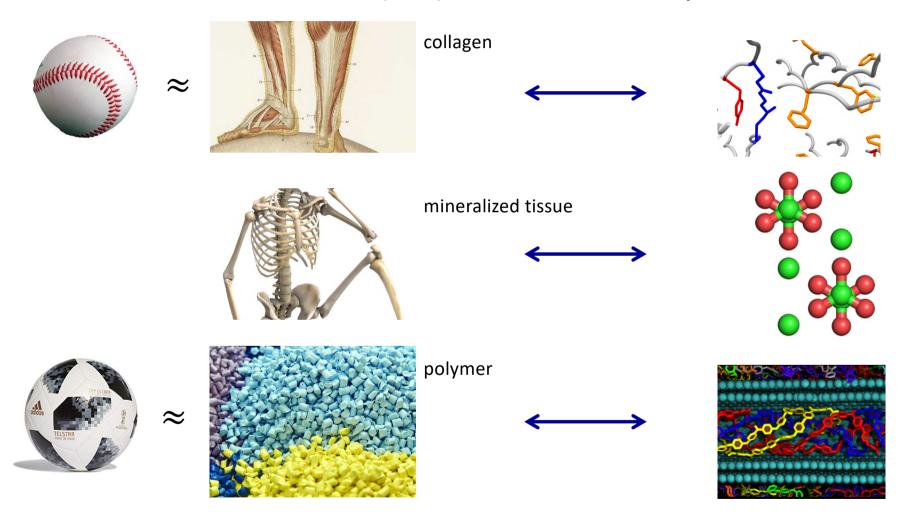








MOLECULAR (bio)mechanics – why?



Strain and fracture: force distribution

conventional design tools: force distribution

in constructions, cars ...



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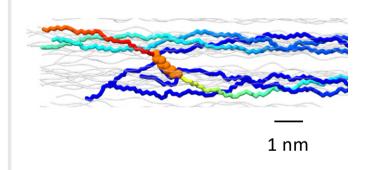
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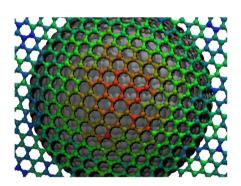
new: force distribution in (bio)molecules

e.g. in collagen

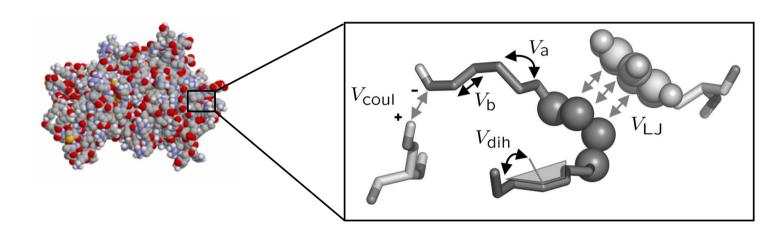


microscopic structures: ~ 10⁻⁹ *meters*

in graphene



Forces from classical Molecular Dynamics

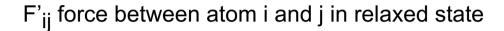


$$E = \sum_{bonds} \frac{k_i}{2} (l_i - l_{i,0})^2$$

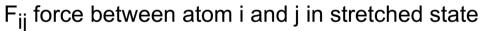
$$+ \sum_{angles} \frac{k_i}{2} (\Theta_i - \Theta_{i,0})^2$$
bonded interactions
$$+ \sum_{torsions} \frac{V_n}{2} (1 + cos(n\omega - \gamma))$$

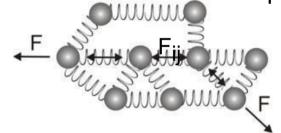
$$+ \sum_{i=1}^{N} \sum_{j=i+1}^{N} (4\epsilon_{ij} ((\frac{\sigma_{ij}}{r_{ij}})^{12} - (\frac{\sigma_{ij}}{r_{ij}})^6) + (\frac{q_i q_j}{4\pi\epsilon_0 r_{ij}}))$$
non-bonded interactions

Forces from classical Molecular Dynamics





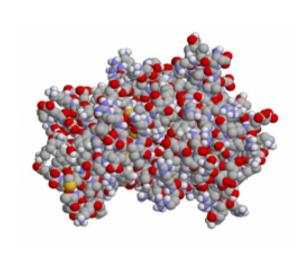




change in pairwise forces $\Delta F_{ij} = F_{ij} - F'_{ij}$

Proteins: a jiggling and wiggling (Feynman)

Mean velocity:



$$\hat{v} = \sqrt{\frac{2RT}{M}}$$

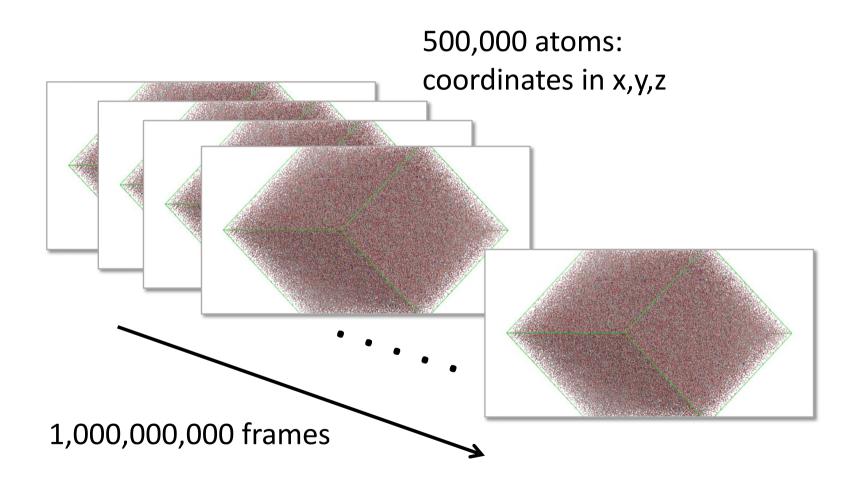
R: gas constant

T: temperature

M: molar mass

-> roughly 100-1000 m/s

Molecular Dynamics



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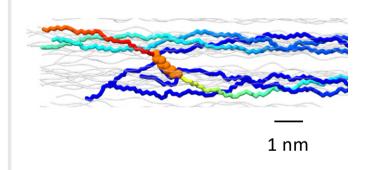
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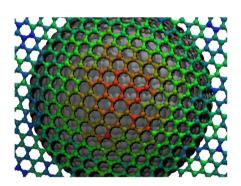
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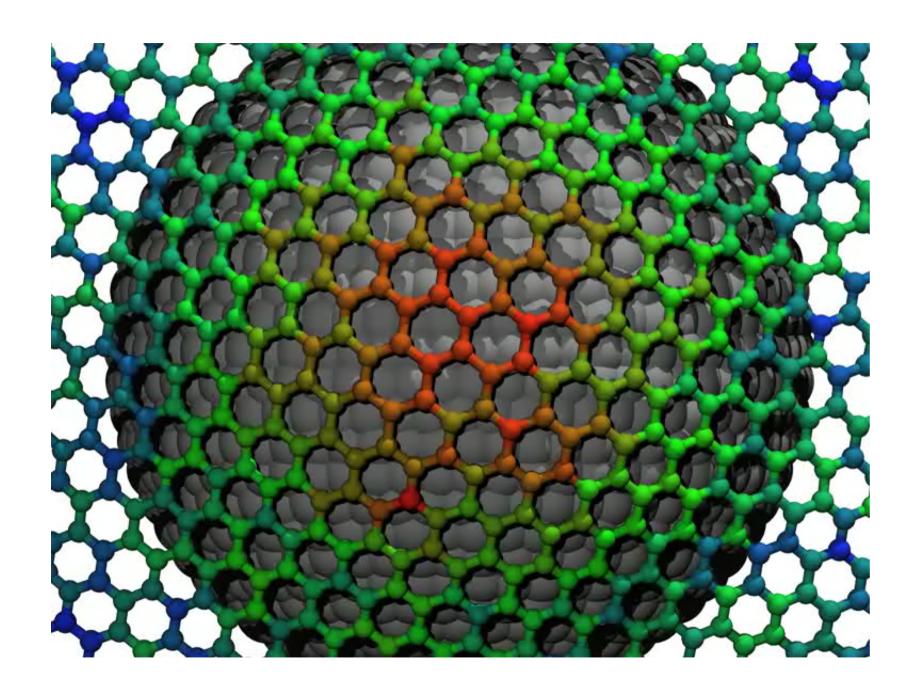
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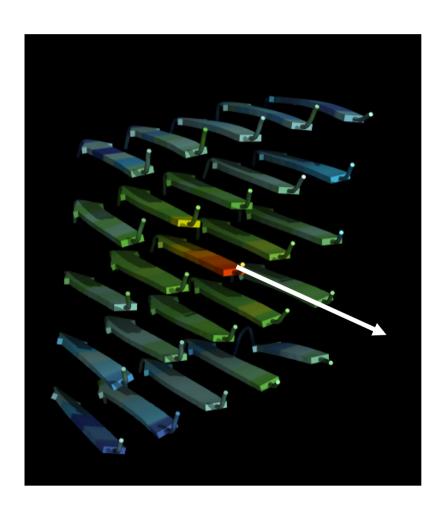
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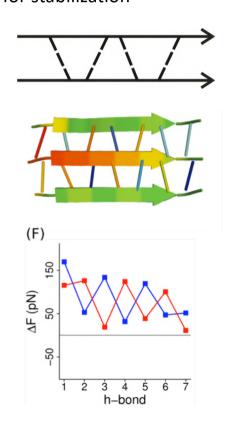




Mechanics of silk fibers

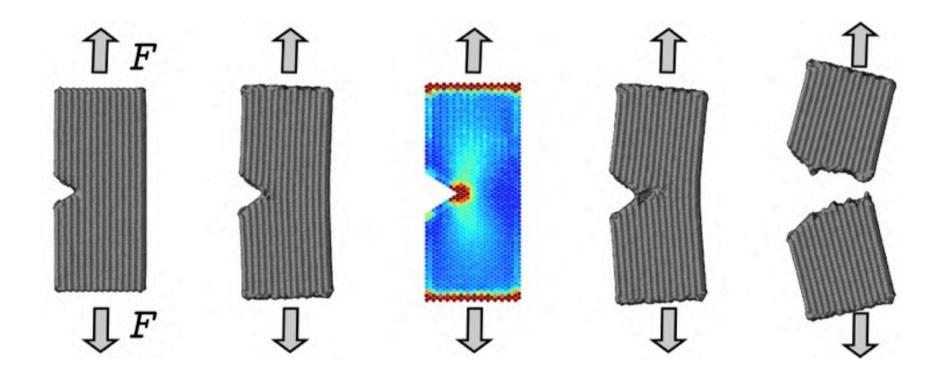


zigzag pattern of hydrogen bonds crucial for stabilization

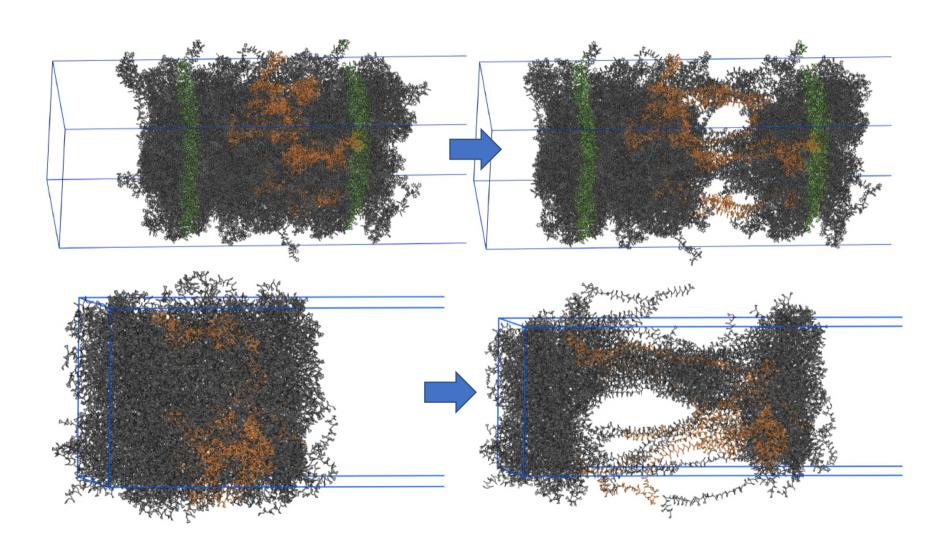




Mechanics of bone & teeth: Rupture mechanisms and stress concentration of flawed biominerals



Mechanics of polymer nanocomposites



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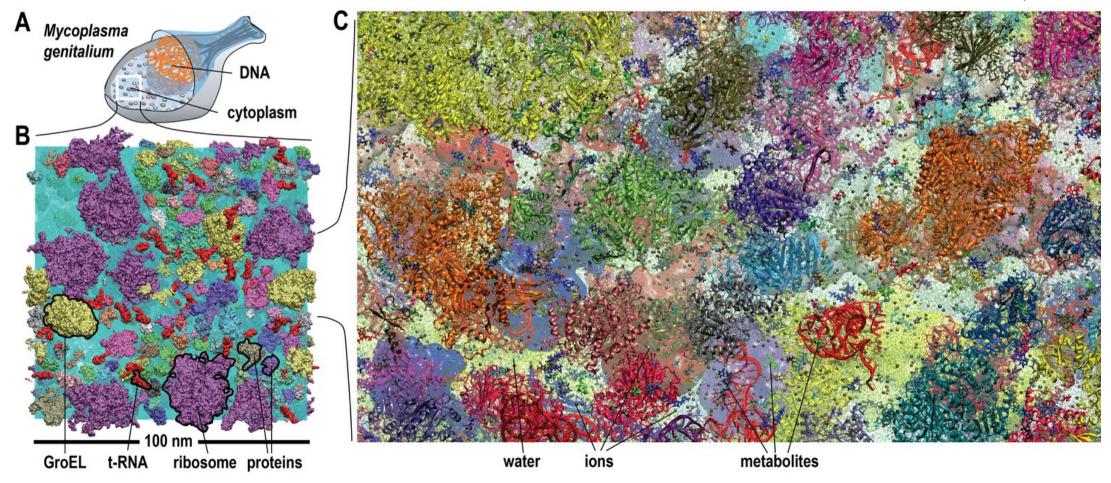




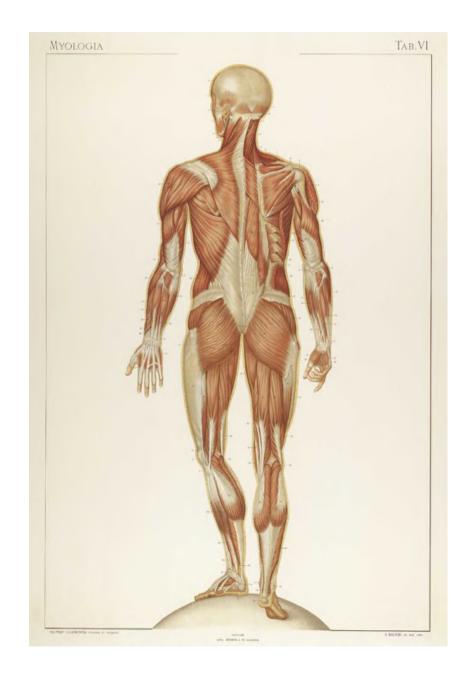
Molecular Dynamics & HPC

among the largest Molecular Dynamics simulations of a biological system

Yuji Sugita, Michael Feig and co-workers at RIKEN, on K-Computer







Collagen: major load-bearing structure of the body

Anatomic plate from Laskowski's "Anatomie normale du corps humain" (1894), illustrations by Sigismond Balicki

