# Coupling First Principles Molecular **Dynamics with Advanced Sampling**

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Outline

- Motivation for coupling
   FPMD + enhanced sampling
- 2. Introduction to enhanced sampling and SSAGES-Qbox
- 3. Examples of the coupling
- Hands-on demonstration (LCRC)



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# The need for FPMD: materials with dynamical and electronic properties



# **Computational challenges**

**Complications:** 

- Many degrees of freedom
- Finite simulation time (hard to satisfy ergodicity condition)
- Unlikely transitions due to high free energy barrier (>>kT)



Rare events: Phase transition, chemical reaction, ion transport, ...

What can we do? Parallel computing, hardware, **software/simulation techniques** 

Coupling FPMD with enhanced sampling



CV based methods, e.g, umbrella sampling, metadynamics, adaptive biasing force Non-CV based methods, e.g., parallel tempering (replica-exchange)

# Examples of FPMD and enhanced sampling

With Metadynamics

### Structural changes in SiO<sub>2</sub>

R. Martonak. D. Donadio, A. R. Orrganov. And M. Parrinello. Nature Mater. 5, 623 (2006)



Figure 2 Transition from the  $3 \times 2$  structure to stishovite. **a**–**e**, Two steps of the transition from the  $3 \times 2$  structure (**a**) to stishovite (**e**). Elimination of the kinking of octahedral chains proceeds via an intermediate  $6 \times 2$  structure (**c**). The arrows denote the presence of corner-sharing octahedra in the transition states (**b**) and (**d**).



**Figure 4 Transition from coesite to the**  $\alpha$ **-PbO**<sub>2</sub> **phase. a**–**d**, Structural evolution during the transition from coesite (**a**) to the  $\alpha$ -PbO<sub>2</sub> phase (**d**). Intermediate states (**b**) and (**c**) show the initial growth and competition of chains of octahedra in different planes.

### Chemical reaction of CO<sub>2</sub> and water

G. A. Gallet, G. Pietruccci, W. Andreoni. JCTC, 8, 4029 (2012)





 $CO_2 + n H_2O \rightarrow H_2CO_3 + (n-1) H_2O$ 

# FPMD and enhanced sampling



### Molecular adsorption and reaction on surfaces

C. Guo, H-F. Wang, P. Hu, et al. JPCC, 122, 21478 (2018)



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**Replica** exchange

# Computational framework for FPMD-enhanced sampling simulations



E. Sevgen, F. Giberti, H. Sidky, J. Whitmer, G. Galli, F. Gygi, J. de Pablo, JCTC, 14, 2882 (2018)

Greater user flexibility and expanded engines via PySAGES

https://github.com/SSAGESLabs/PySAGES



# Applications to solid-state and surface reactions using SSAGES-Qbox



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### Adaptive biasing with machine learning methods



### Free energy calculations: with and without neural networks



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## The need to identify critical points on the free energy surface



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### Opportunities for simulating complex chemical reactions

# Applications to solid-state and surface reactions



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# Creating quantum bits using defects in semiconductors



### **Motivation for FPMD + enhanced sampling:**

- Defect formation at high temperatures,
   T > 1000 K
- Bond breaking and formation
- Strong electronic properties
- Limited accuracy for defects and for solids using force fields (i.e., classical MD)



Spin defects can be reoriented controllably without destroying it



Using hybrid DFT, see J. Skone, M. Govoni, G. Galli, Phys. Rev. B, 2014

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Opportunities for discovering of spin defects using dynamical simulations and *ab initio* methods

• Need for systems with strong dynamical

and electronic descriptions

• Development of enhanced sampling

strategies tailored to FPMD applications

• Discovery of new chemical species and materials from *ab initio* 





# Example: Dichloroethane isomerization



CV: CI-C-C-CI angle

Learning objectives:

- 1. Setting up enhanced sampling with FPMD
- 2. Understanding SSAGES and Qbox inputs/outputs
- 3. Analyzing raw data for free energy calculations





Eclipsed conformations (energy max)

# Commands: log into LCRC and prepare the system

### 1. Logging into LCRC with X-forwarding

ssh -X -Y [username]:bebop.lcrc.anl.gov

### 2. Copy the tutorial files

 $\mathsf{cd}$ 

cp -r /lcrc/project/MICCoM-train/qbox-ssages\_tutorial/dichloroethane/.

### 3. Equilibration using Qbox

cd dichloroethane/step1\_eqm *Open input files (e.g., use vi/vim):* md.i, job-b.sbatch

# 4. Submit jobsbatch --job-name=qs\_eqm job-b.sbatch*Takes about 4-5 minutes*

5. [Optional, while waiting] Testing X-forwarding
Try both login node & interactive node
module load gcc/8.2.0-xhxgy33 mesa/21.0.3-uottzmb vmd/1.9.3
Vmd

If fails, download VMD to a local computer https://www.ks.uiuc.edu/Development/Download/download.cgi?PackageName=VMD

### **1.** Logging in interactively to analyze eqm results

salloc -N 1 -n 1 -p knlall -t 01:00:00 -A miccom-train module load gcc/8.2.0-xhxgy33 mesa/21.0.3-uottzmb vmd/1.9.3 module load gnuplot/5.0.6

### 2. Analyze qbox output

e.g., Changes in the Kohn-sham energy (etotal) and constant of the motion (econst) ../../scripts/econste.plt md.r ../../scripts/temp\_ion.plt md.r

e.g., molecular dynamics trajectory
python2 ../../scripts/qbox\_xyz.py md.r > md.xyz

vmd md.xyz

### 1. FPMD with ABF using qbox-ssages

cd ~/dichloroethane/step2\_eqm/ cd single\_walker/

### 2. Single-walker ABF simulation

cd single\_walker/ *Open input files (e.g., use vi/vim):* md.i, input.json, job-b.sbatch

sbatch --job-name=qs\_1w job-b.sbatch

### 3. Analyze results

cd results *Open output files (e.g., use vi/vim):* Nworld, F\_out

#### Calculate free energy by integrating the mean forces

python ../../../scripts/ABF\_integrator.py gnuplot plot 'G\_integrated,txt' u 1:2

### Apply unit conversions and define free energy min

stats 'G\_integrated,txt' u 1:2
plot 'G\_integrated,txt' u (\$1/pi\*180):((\$2-STATS\_min\_y)\*627.5) w lp



Dihedral angle (deg)

### 1. Post-process abf data

module load anaconda/4.4.0
python ../../.scripts/Qbox-xml-cleaning.py -i ssages\_out\_0\_run\_0.xml -o
ssages\_clean.xml
python2 ../../.scripts/qbox\_xyz.py ssages\_clean.xml > dce\_out.xyz

### 2. Interactive login to analyze enhanced sampling result

salloc -N 1 -n 1 -p knlall -t 01:00:00 -A miccom-train module load gcc/8.2.0-xhxgy33 mesa/21.0.3-uottzmb vmd/1.9.3 module load gnuplot/5.0.6

vmd dce\_out.xyz
[Compare this with that of step1\_eqm]

gnuplot plot 'cvs0.dat' u 1:2 w p

#### 1. Multi-walker ABF simulation

cd multi\_walker/ *Open input files (e.g., use vi/vim):* md\*.i, input.json, job-b.sbatch

#Note: Using bdwall nodes in Bebop
sbatch --job-name=qs\_4w job-b.sbatch

#### 2. Analyze results

cd results

gnuplot plot for [i=0:3] 'cvs'.i.'.dat' u 1:2

#Repeat steps 1&2 in Slide 24

**3. restart from a previous ABF simulation** cd ../restart *Check changes in input.json!*