

# EFFICIENT MOLECULAR DYNAMICS: THERMOSTATS, BAROSTATS AND MULTIPLE TIME STEPS

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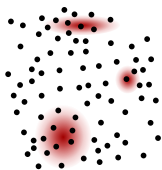


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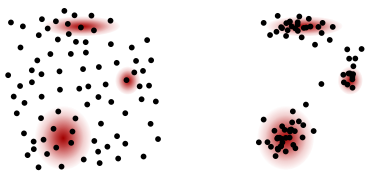


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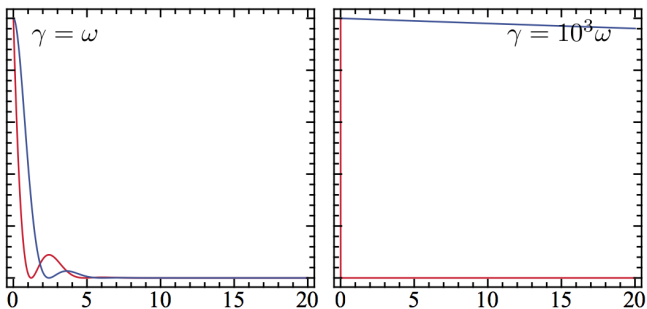


Figure : Auto correlation function for the potential and kinetic energy

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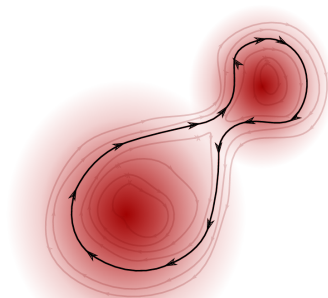
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$$dH/dt = 0$$

**Figure :** Dynamics conserves energy

$$\begin{aligned}\dot{\vec{x}} &= \frac{d}{dt} \vec{x} \\ &= \left[ \dot{\vec{q}} \cdot \frac{\partial}{\partial \vec{q}} + \dot{\vec{p}} \cdot \frac{\partial}{\partial \vec{p}} \right] \vec{x} \\ &= \left[ \frac{\vec{p}}{m} \cdot \frac{\partial}{\partial \vec{q}} - \frac{\partial V}{\partial \vec{q}} \cdot \frac{\partial}{\partial \vec{p}} \right] \vec{x} \\ &= iL_H \vec{x}\end{aligned}$$

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$$e^{\tau(A+B)} = [e^{\Delta\tau/2A} \cdot e^{\Delta\tau B} \cdot e^{\Delta\tau/2A}]^M + \mathcal{O}(\Delta\tau^{-3}) \quad \Delta\tau = \tau/M$$

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The Velocity Verlet algorithm!

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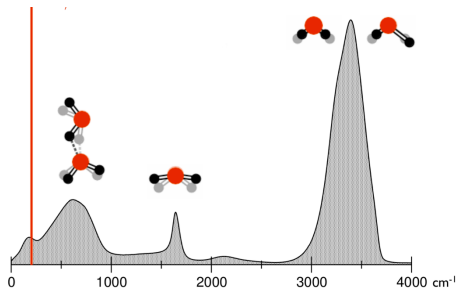


Figure : Presence of multiple time scales in a system

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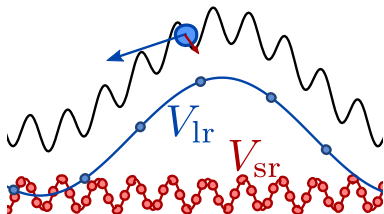


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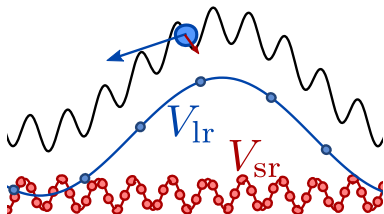


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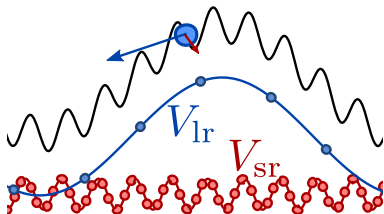


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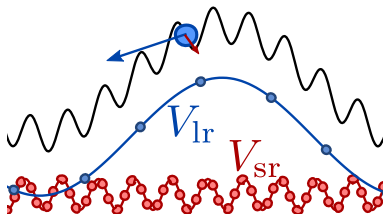


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# MTS: THE REALITY

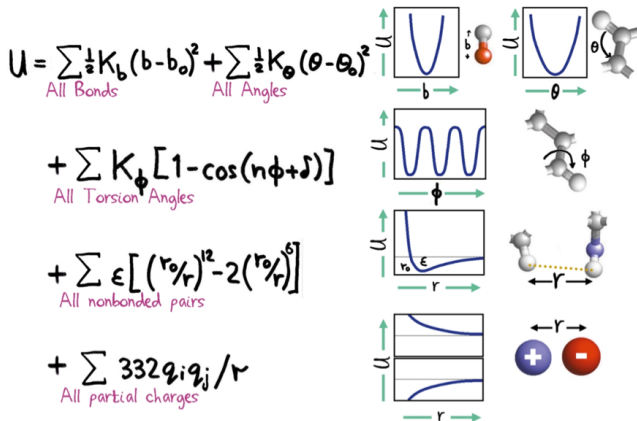


Figure : Range separation is trivial

[<http://www.omnia.md/blog/2014/11/6/how-to-train-your-force-field>]

What about the *ab initio* framework ?

$$\left[ -\frac{\hbar^2}{2m} \nabla^2 + V(\hat{r}) \right] \psi(r) = E \psi(r)$$

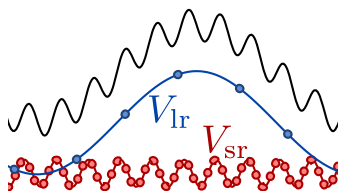


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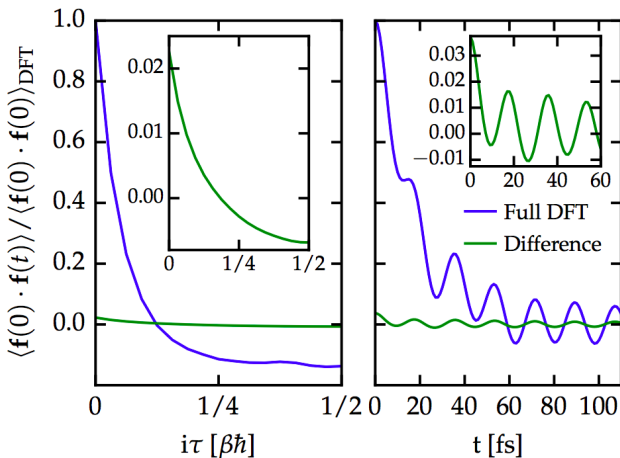


Figure : How to choose the "cheap potential"?

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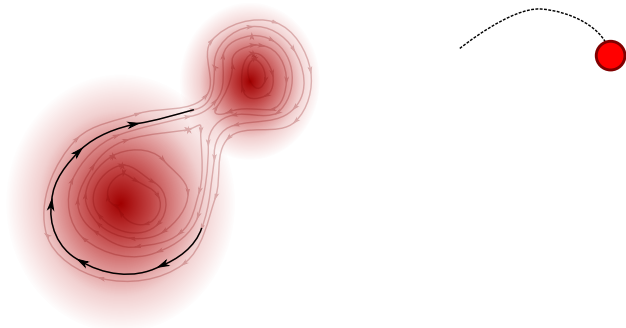


Figure : A problem of ergodicity

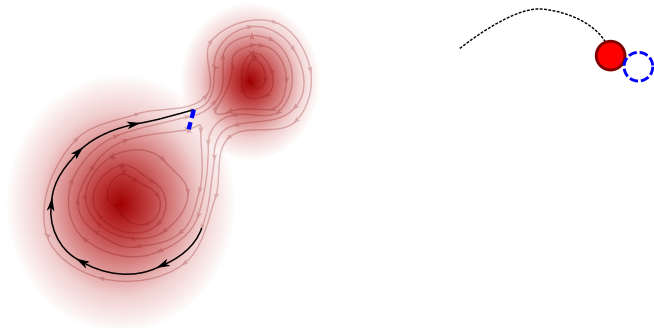


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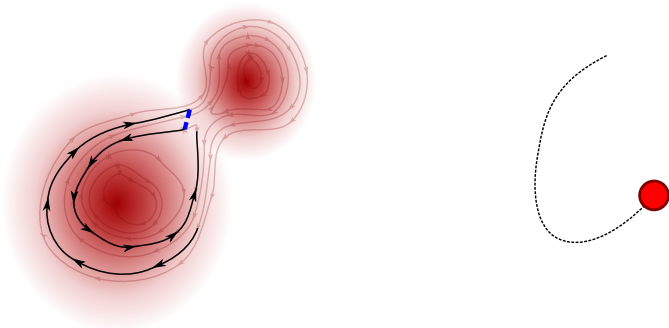


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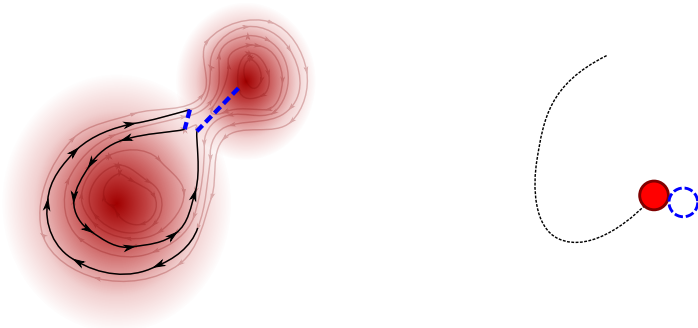


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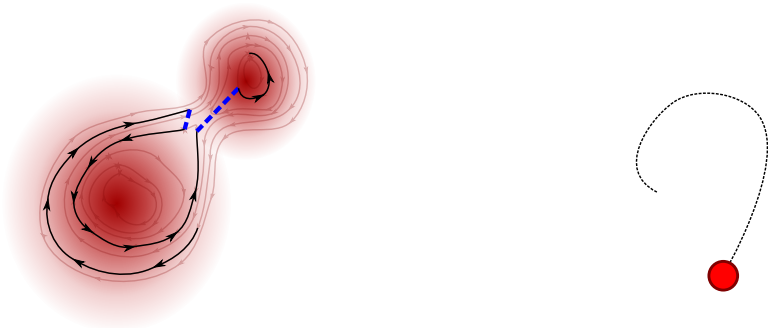


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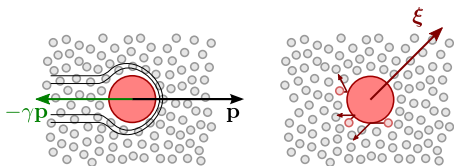


Figure : A white noise Langevin thermostat

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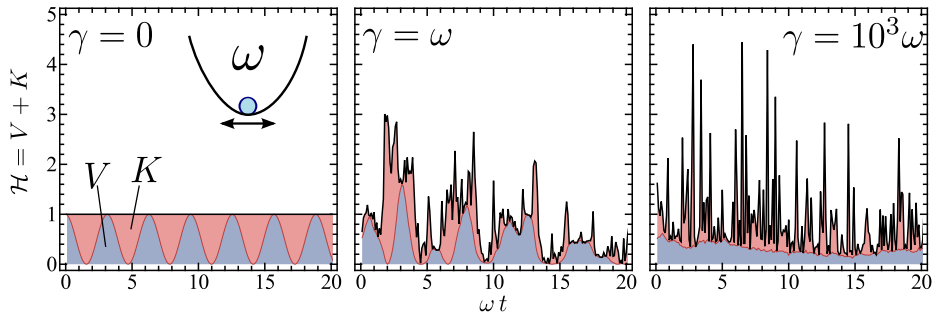
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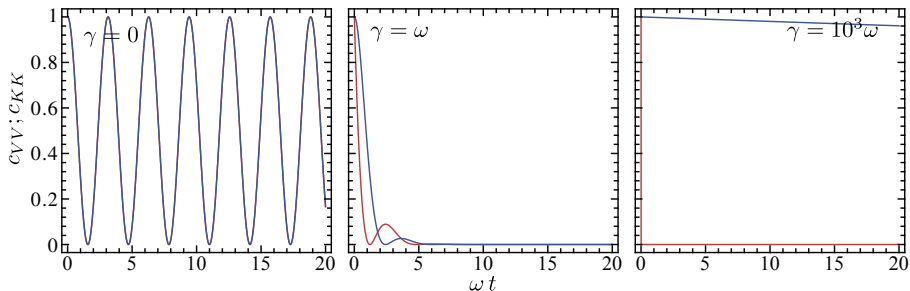
Can we measure how efficient a Langevin thermostat is ?



**Figure :** Under damped, optimally damped and over damped regimes

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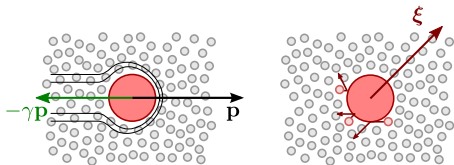
Can we measure how efficient a Langevin thermostat is ?



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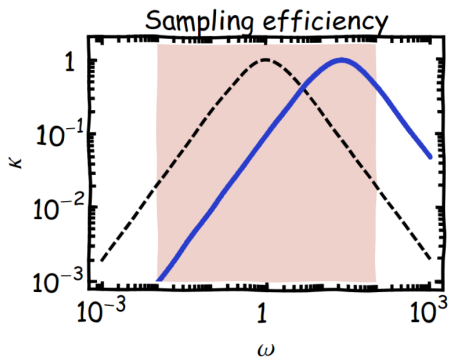


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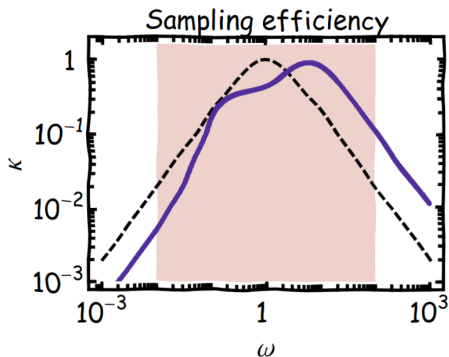


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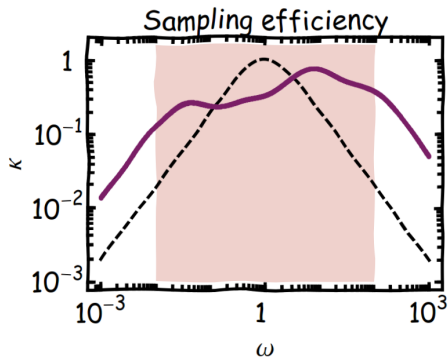


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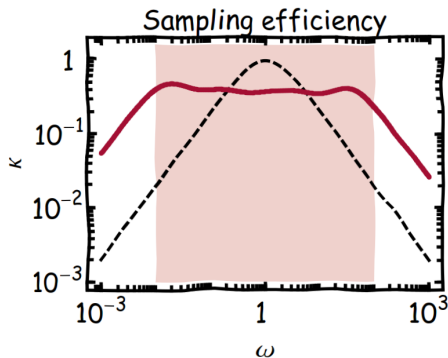
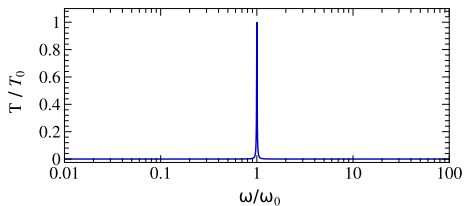


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# WRAPPING UP

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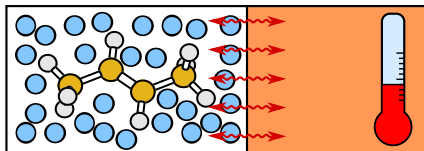
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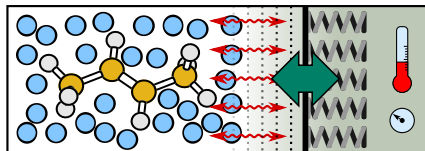
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