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Background

Car-Parrinello MD study of
chemical reactions in water

Rare events, free energy
methods, sampling methods

Hybrid multiscale MD

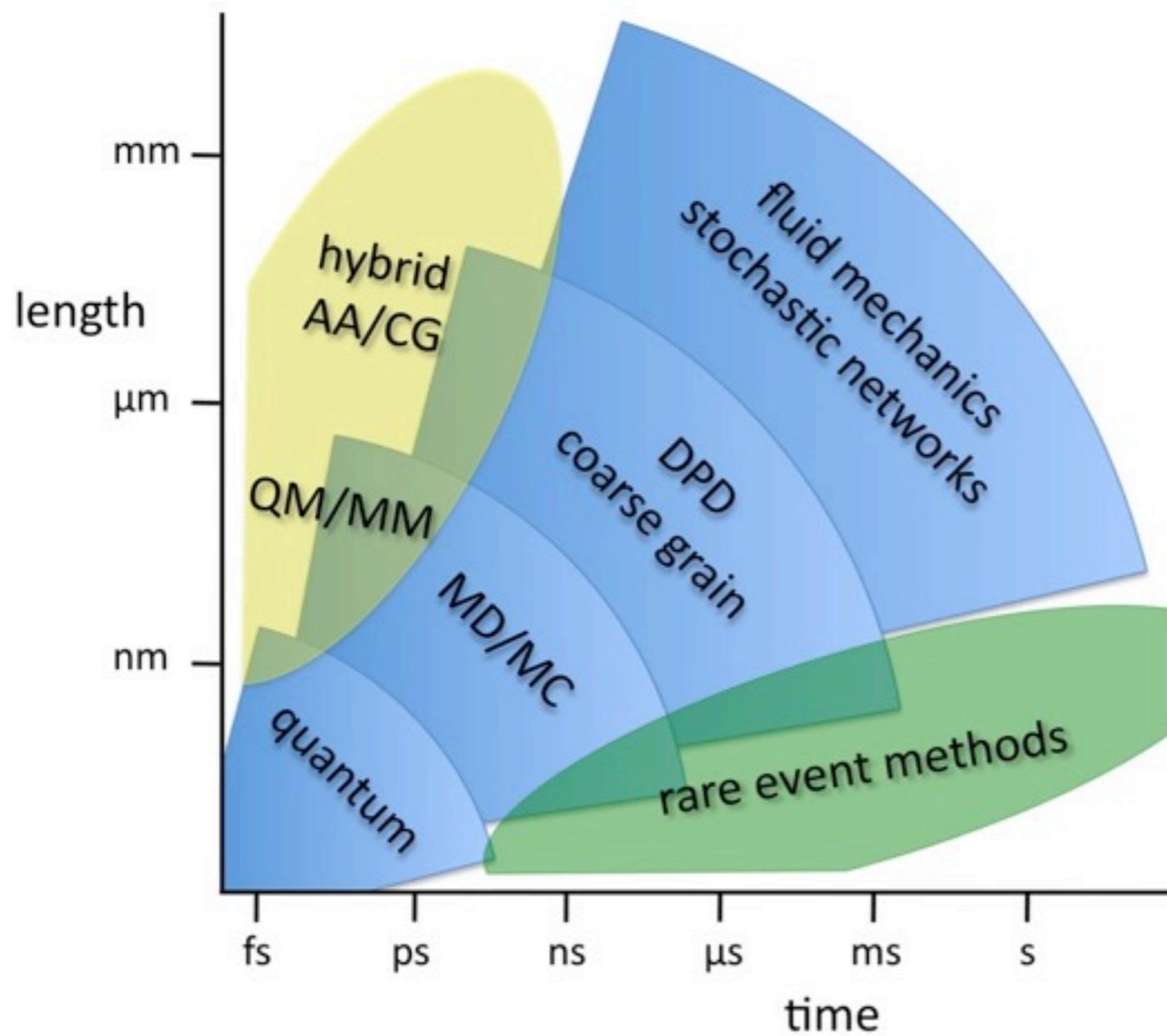
Photoactive proteins

Electro-chemistry, redox
reactions

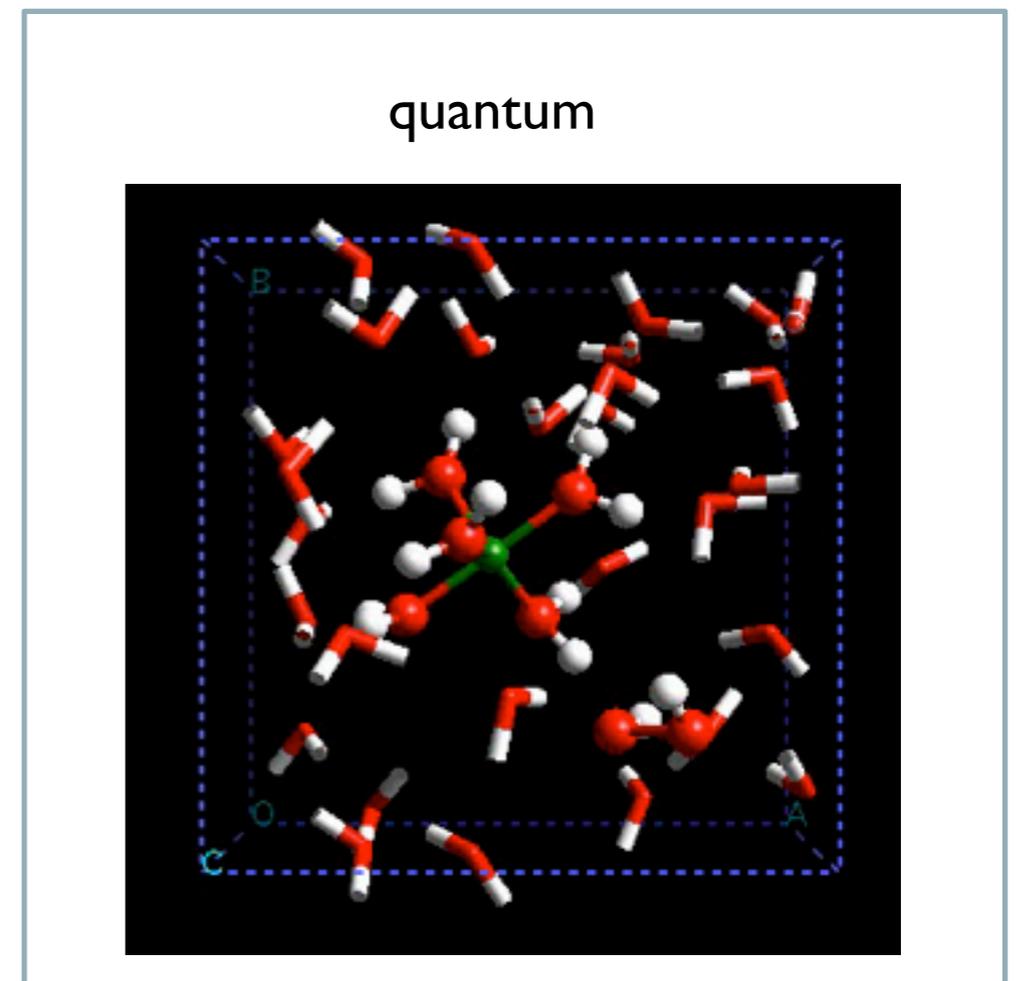
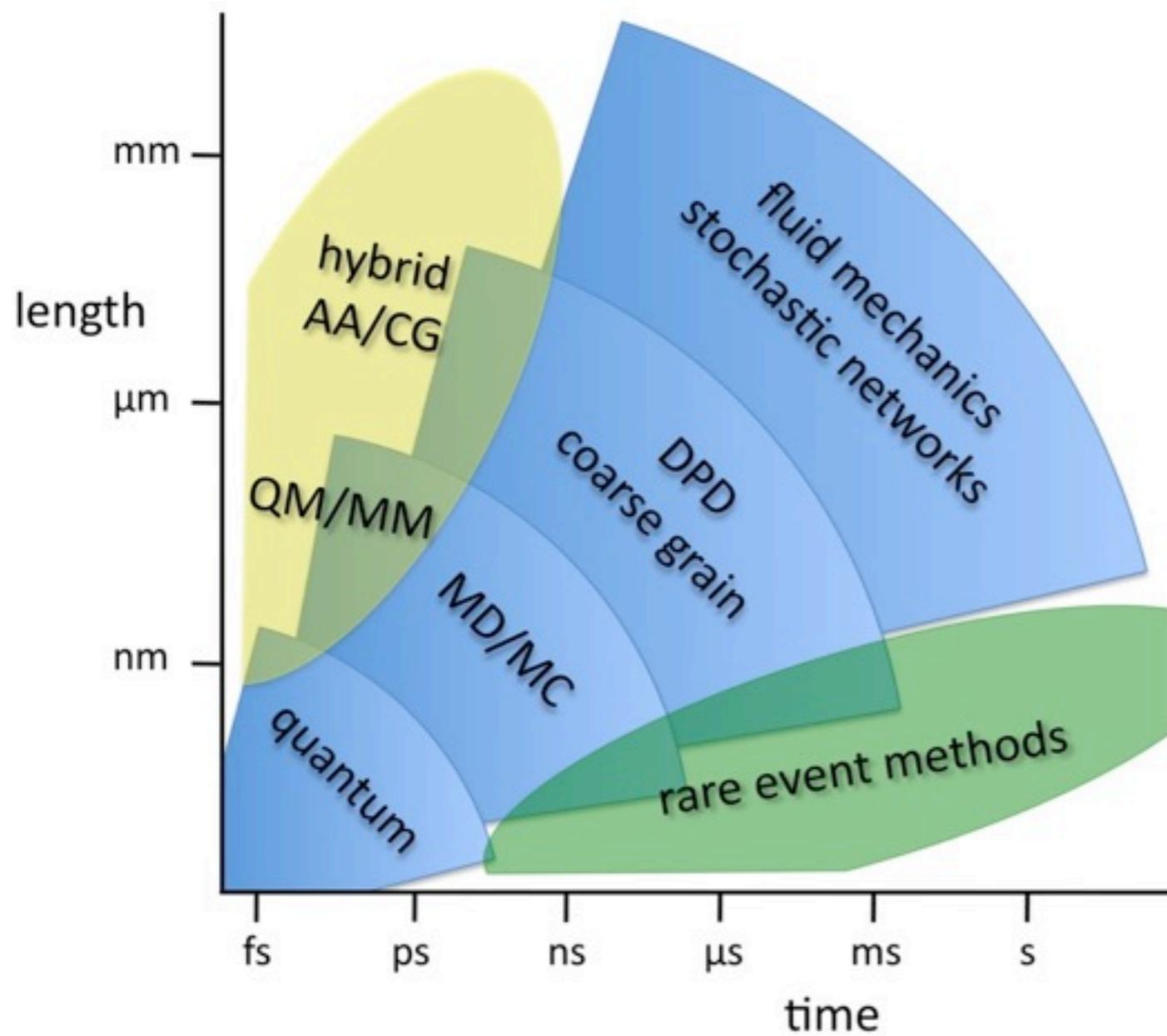
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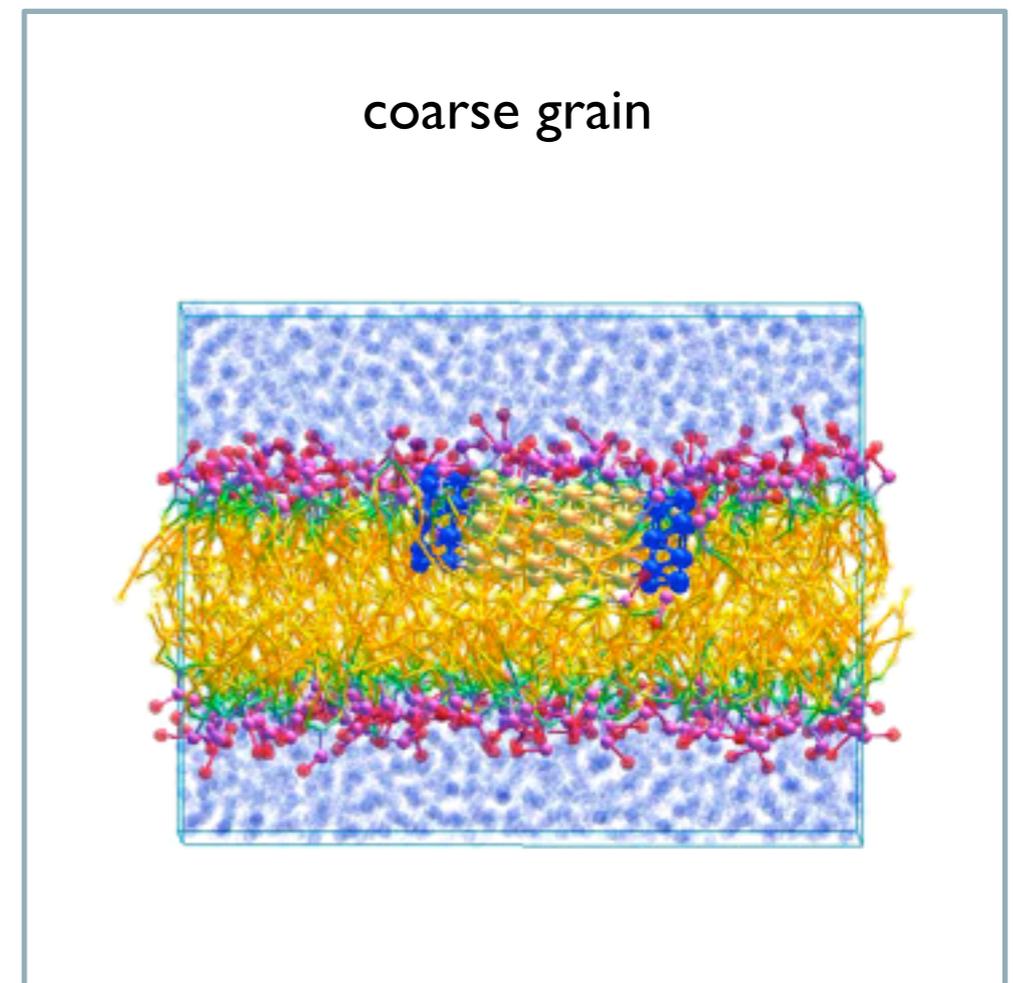
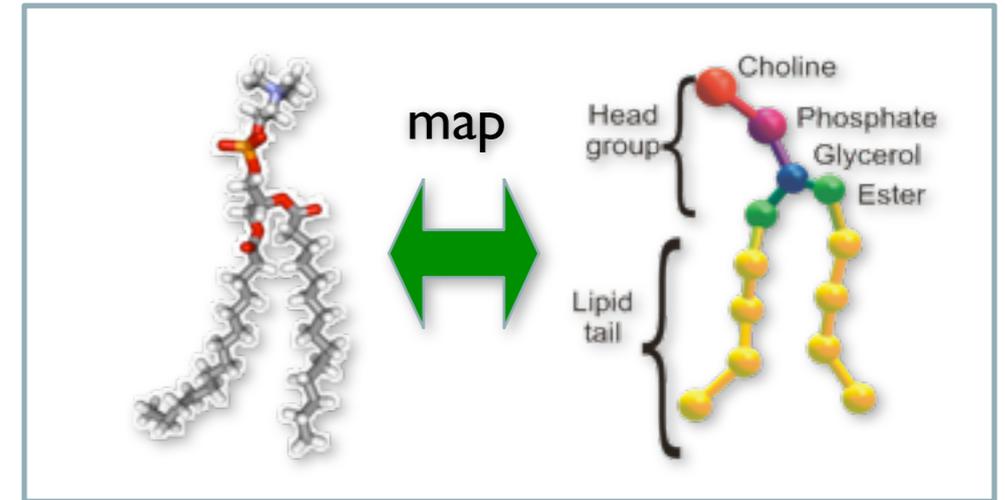
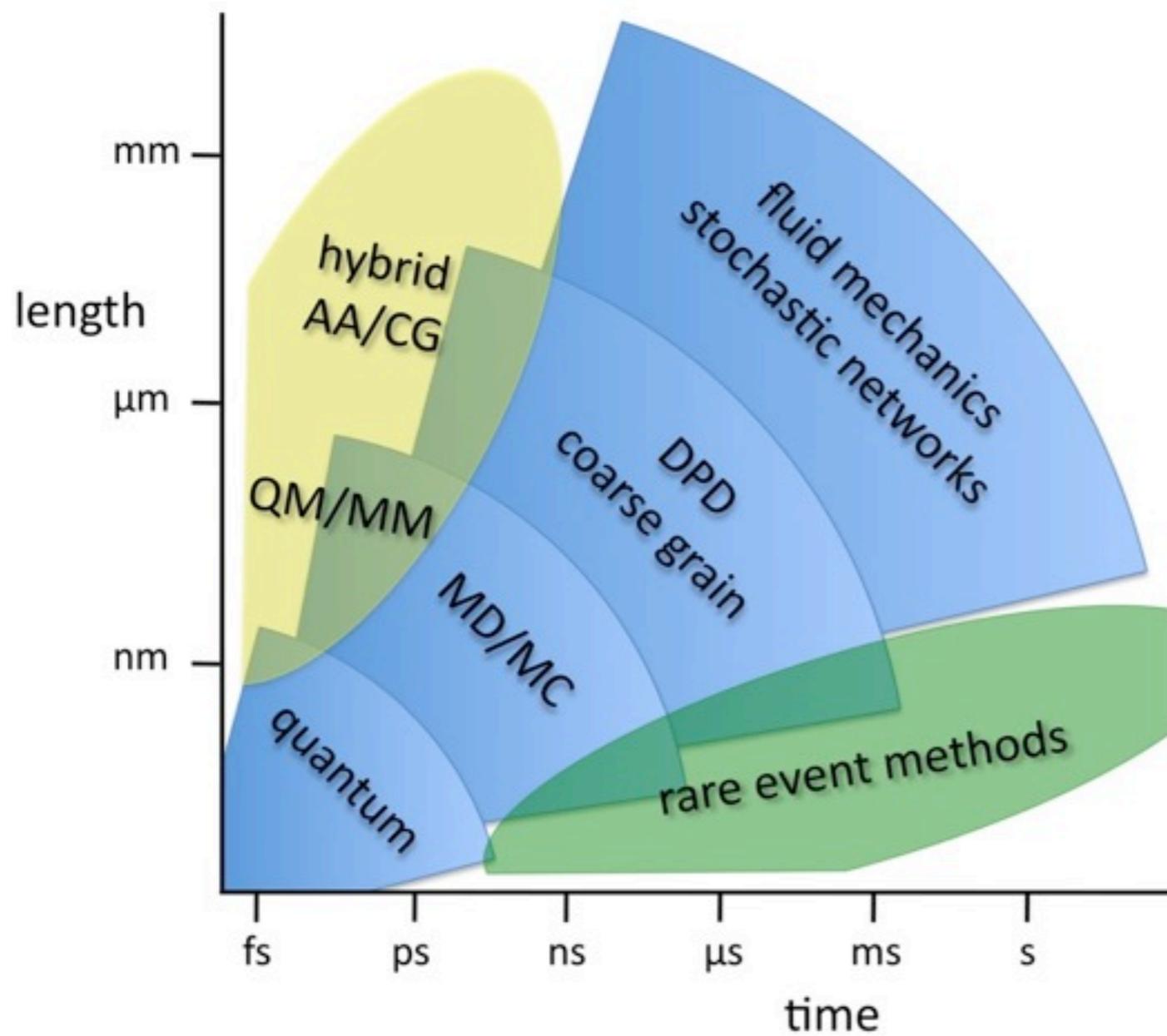
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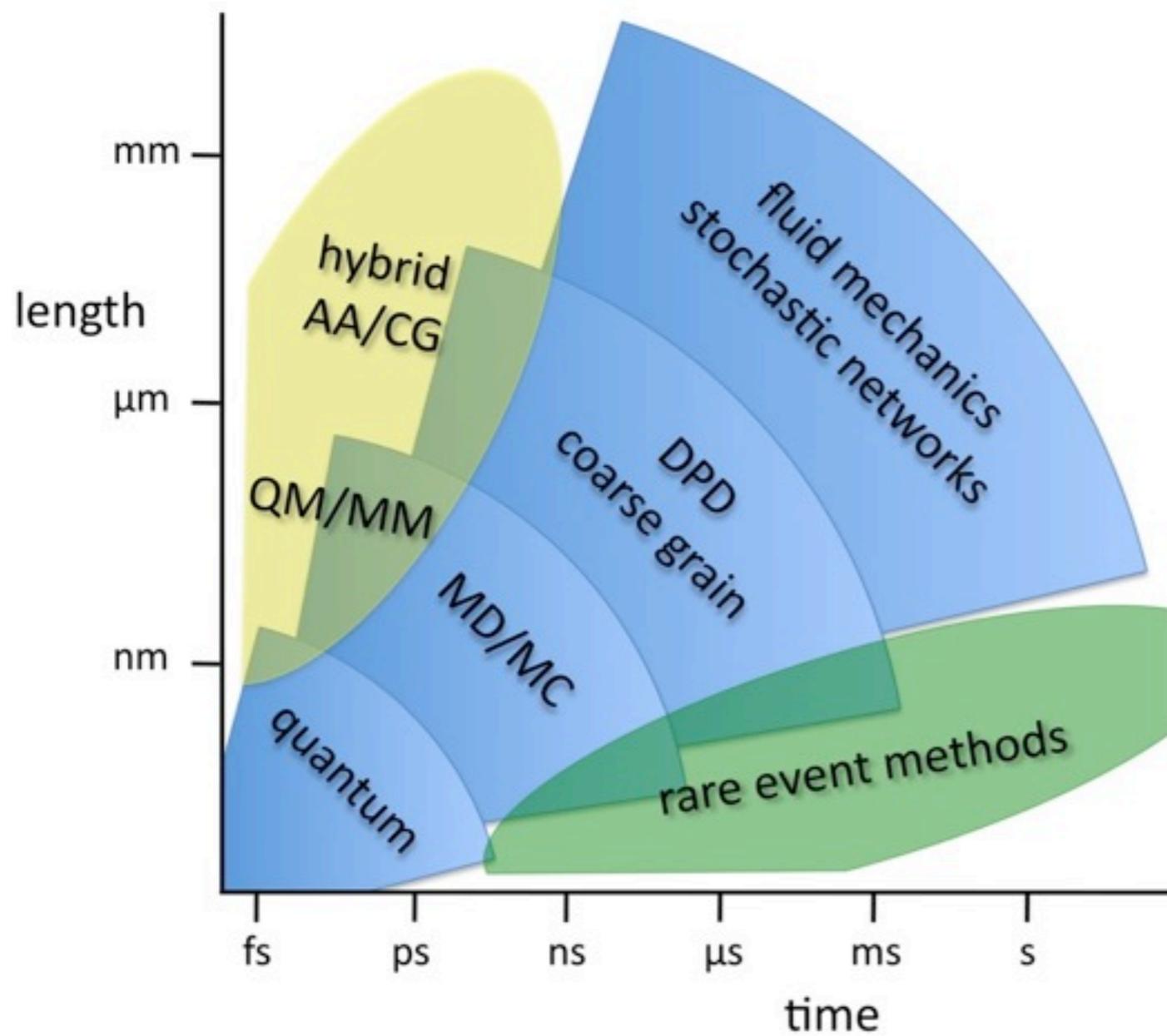
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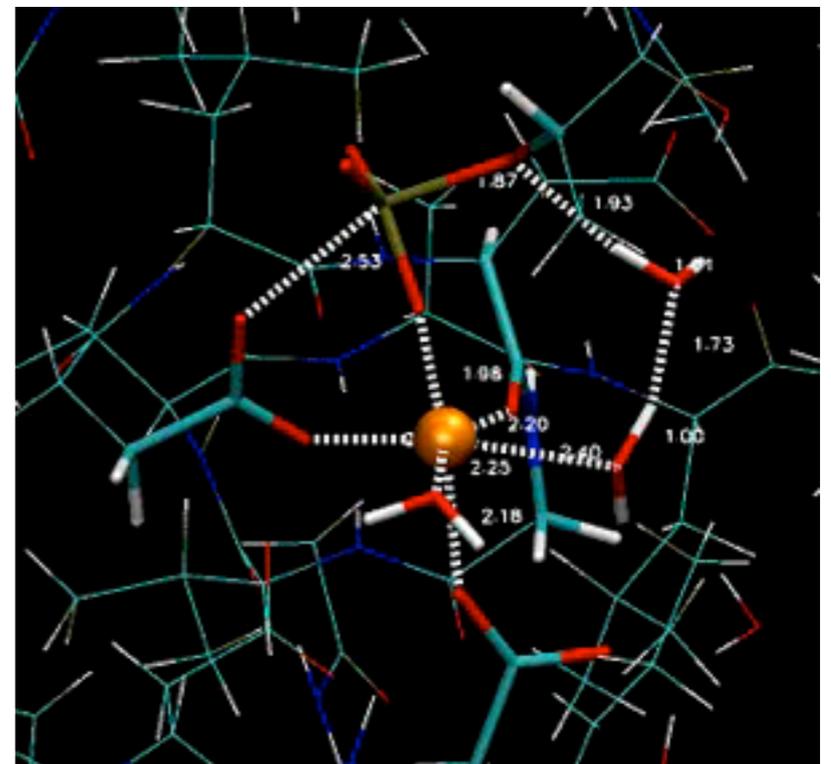
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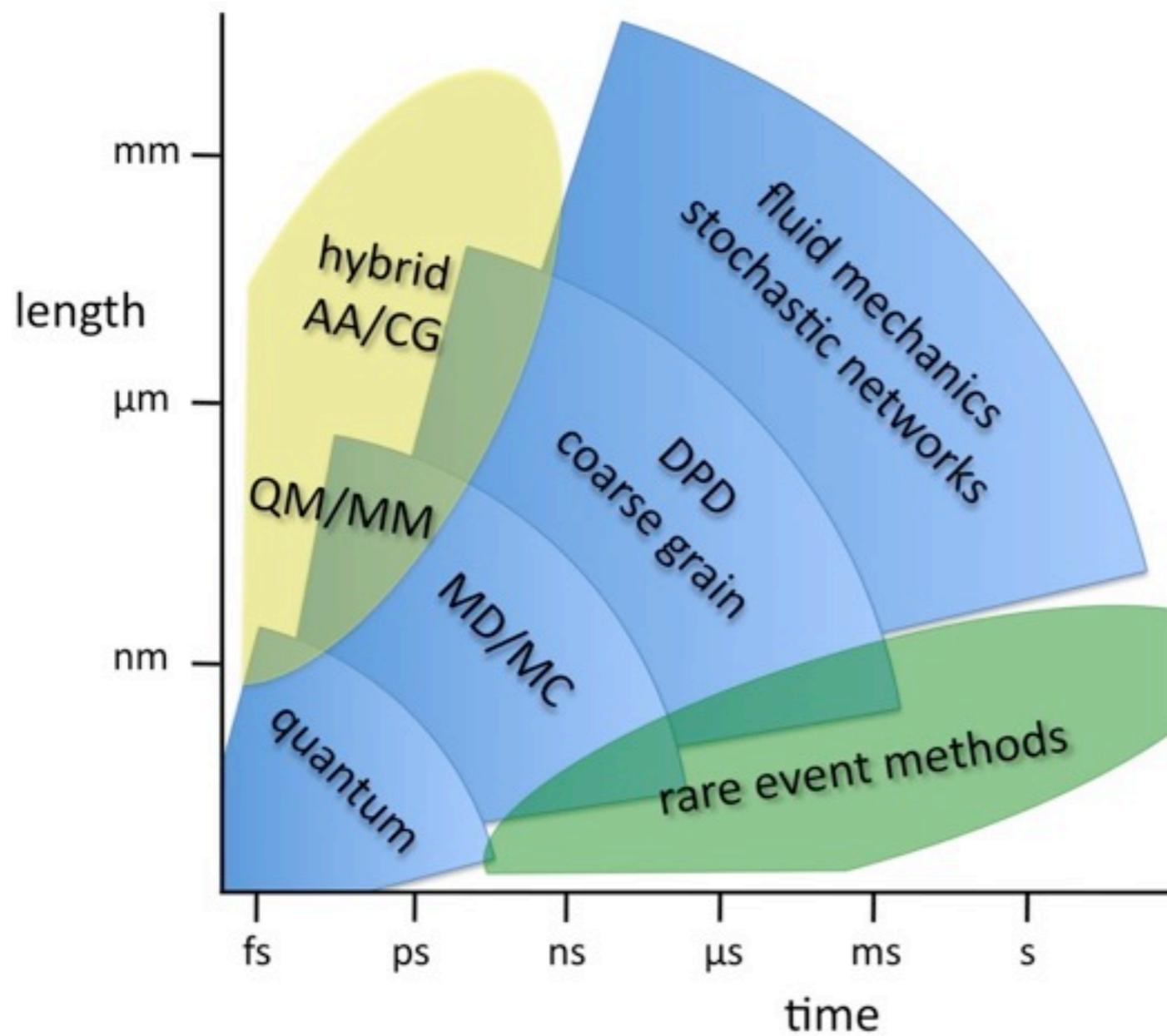
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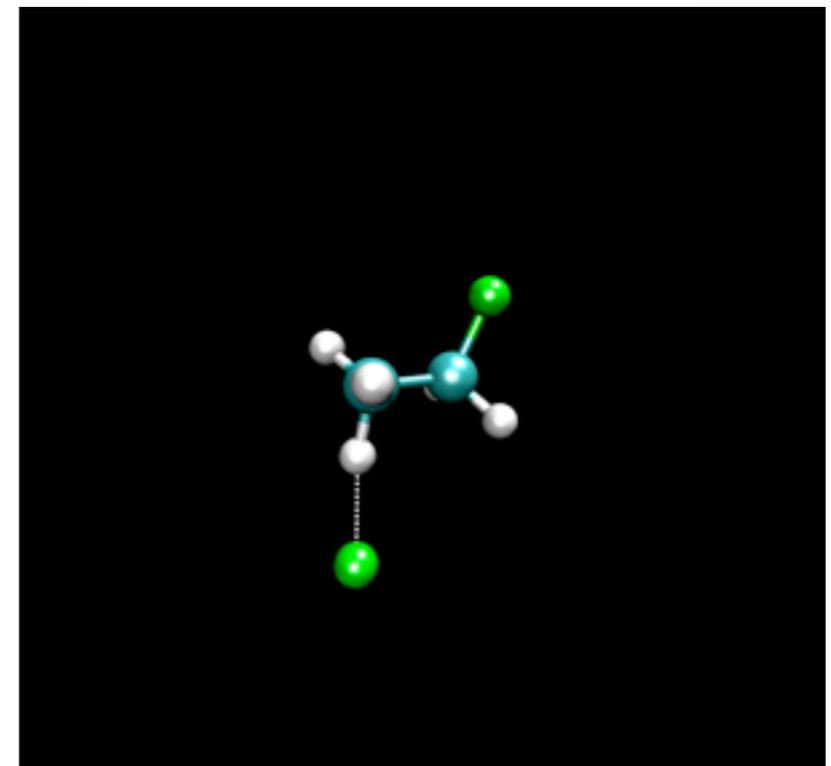
hybrid QM/MM



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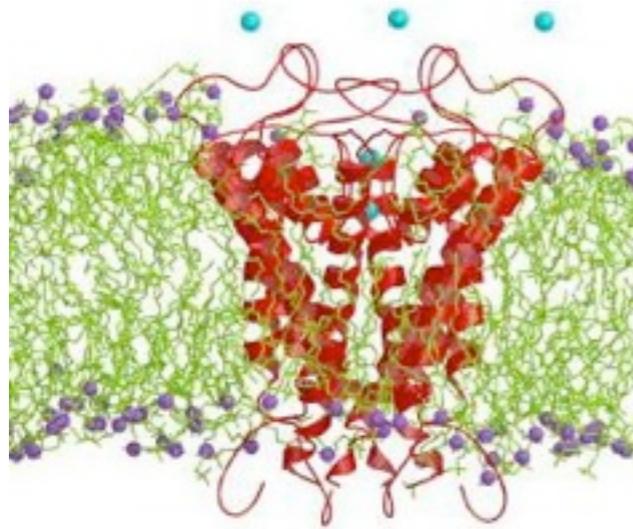


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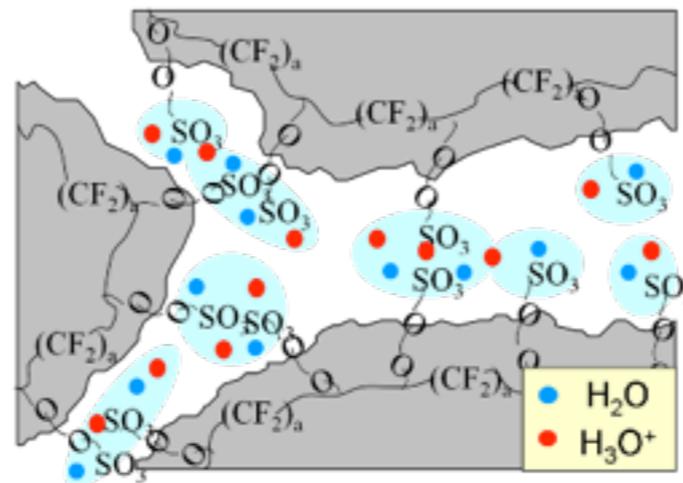


Multiscale systems

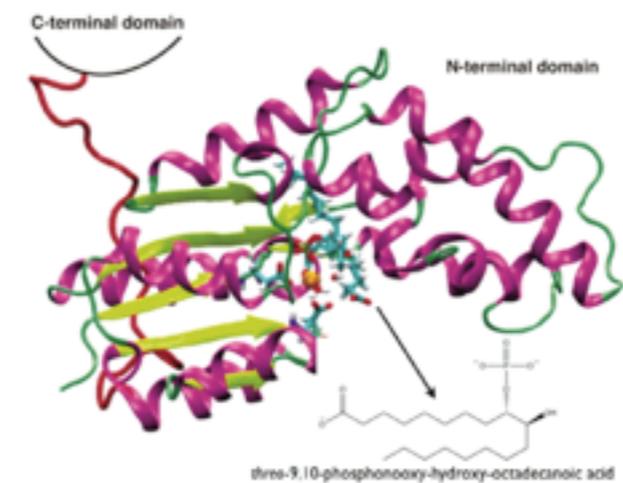
Molecular systems may exhibit phenomena on a range of scales in time, space or energy that are coupled to each other



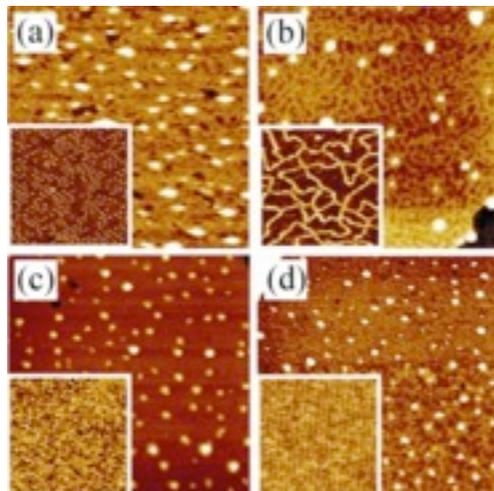
Potassium or proton transport channel



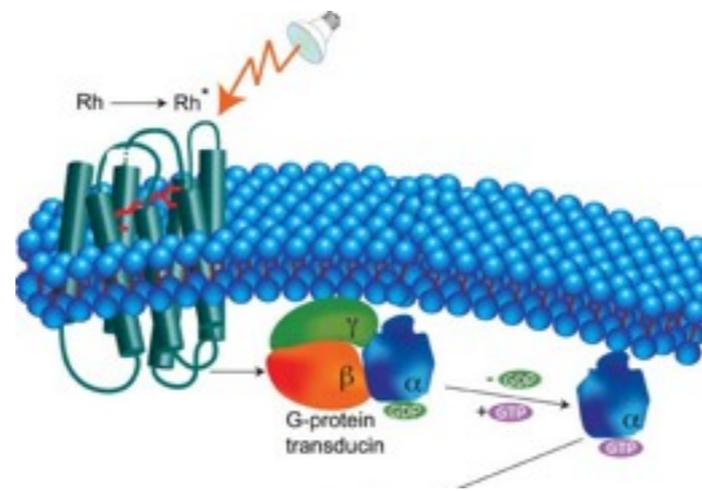
Ion and molecule diffusion in polyelectrolyte



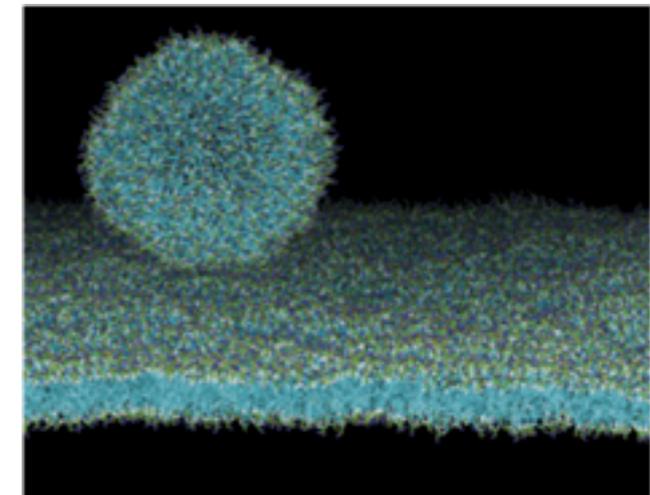
Enzymatic catalysis



Nanoparticle assembly on a drying surface



Signal transduction in G-coupled sensor proteins



vesicle-membrane fusion

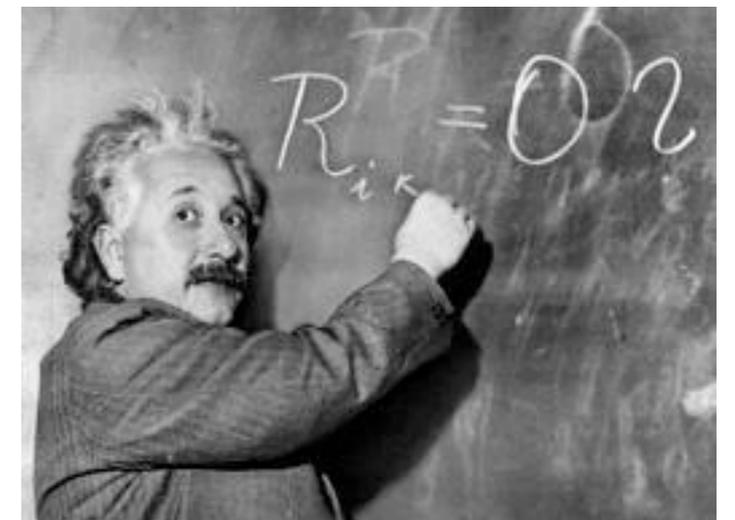
The Schrödinger equation cannot be solved for the entire system...

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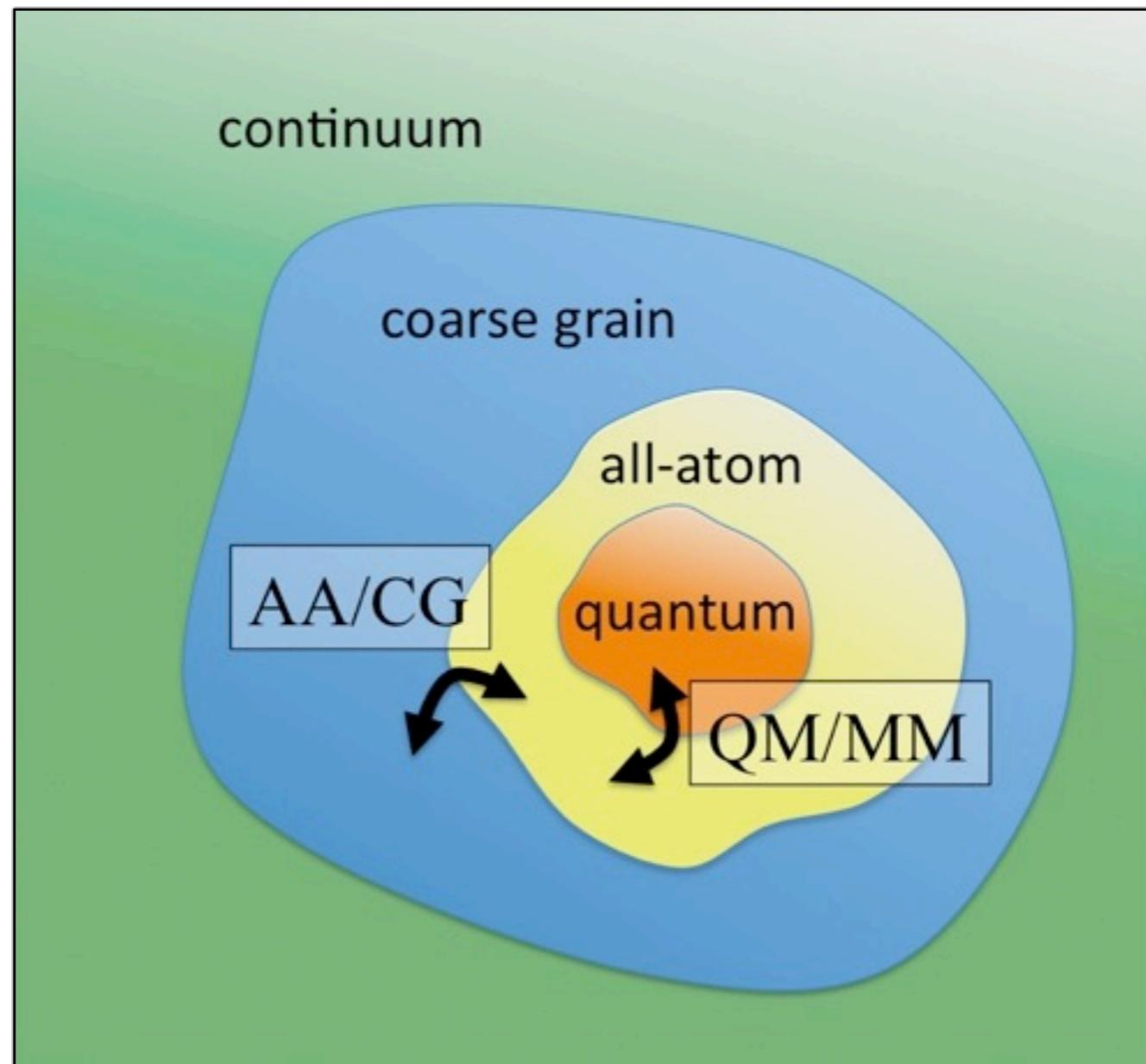
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Multiscale systems

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Multiscale methods



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Lecture I

Q M / M M

Theoretical Studies of Enzymic Reactions :
Dielectric, Electrostatic and Steric Stabilization of the Carbonium Ion in the
Reaction of Lysozyme

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A general method for detailed study of enzymic reactions is presented. The method considers the complete enzyme-substrate complex together with the surrounding solvent and evaluates all the different quantum mechanical and classical energy factors that can affect the reaction pathway. These factors

QM/MM pioneers

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[U. Chandra Singh, Peter A. Kollman](#)

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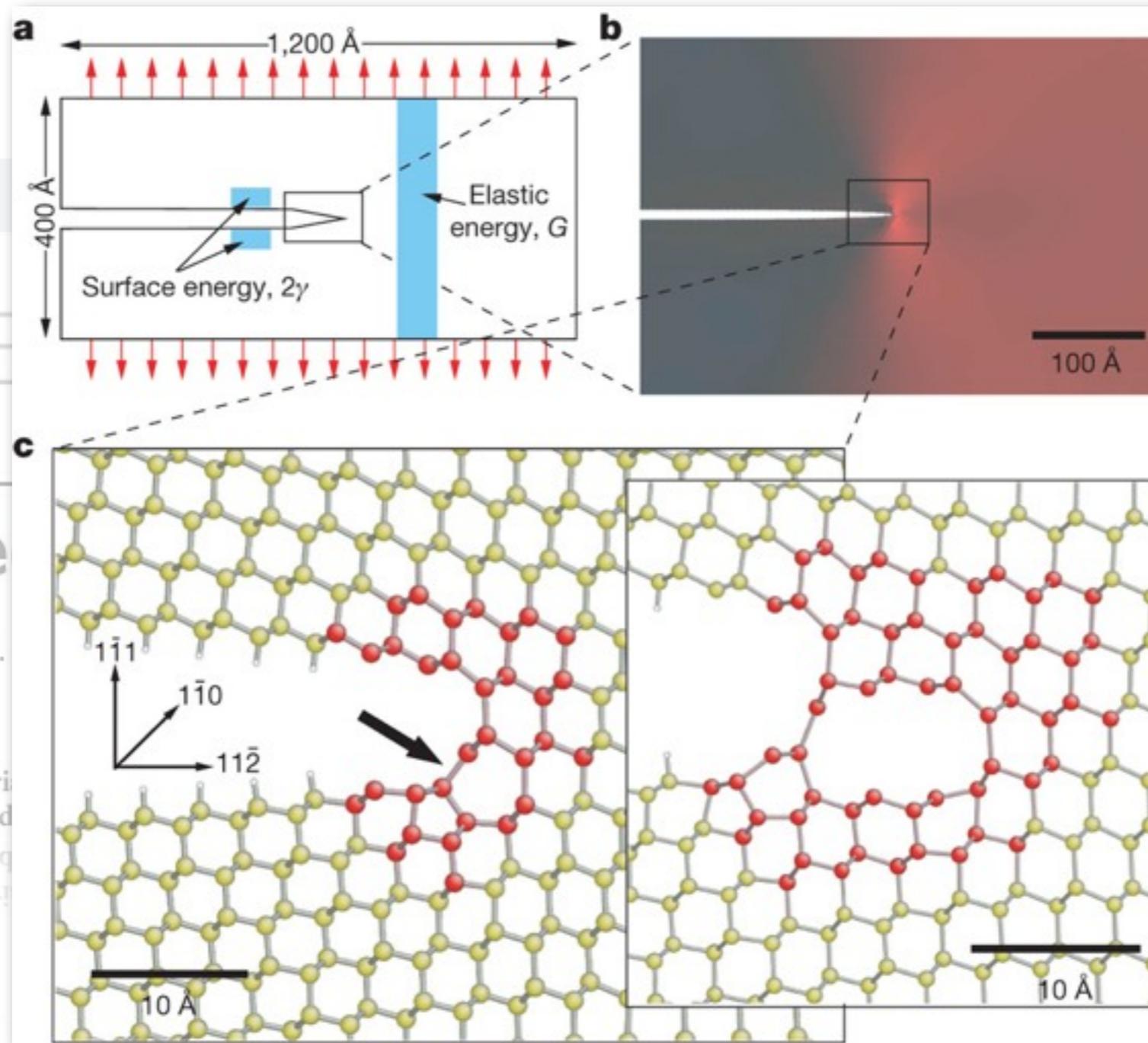
Low-speed fracture instabilities in a brittle crystal

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When a brittle material is loaded to the limit of its strength, it fails by the nucleation and propagation of a crack¹. The conditions for the nucleation and propagation of a crack, the conditions for When a brittle material is loaded to the limit of its strength, it fails

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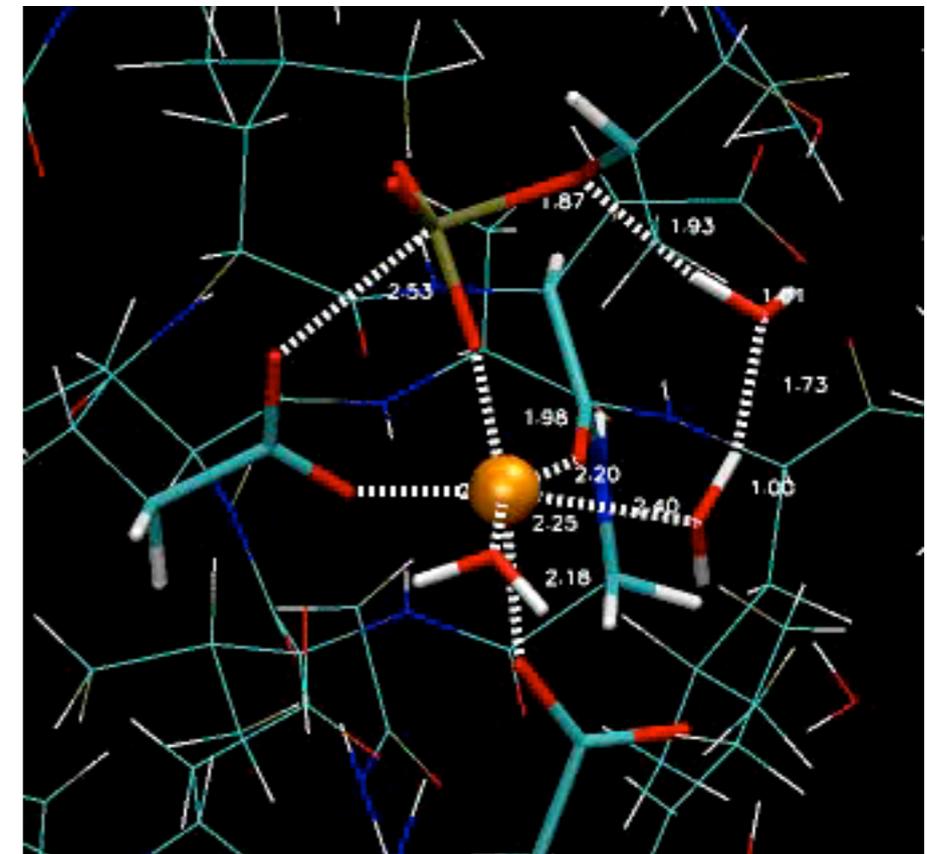
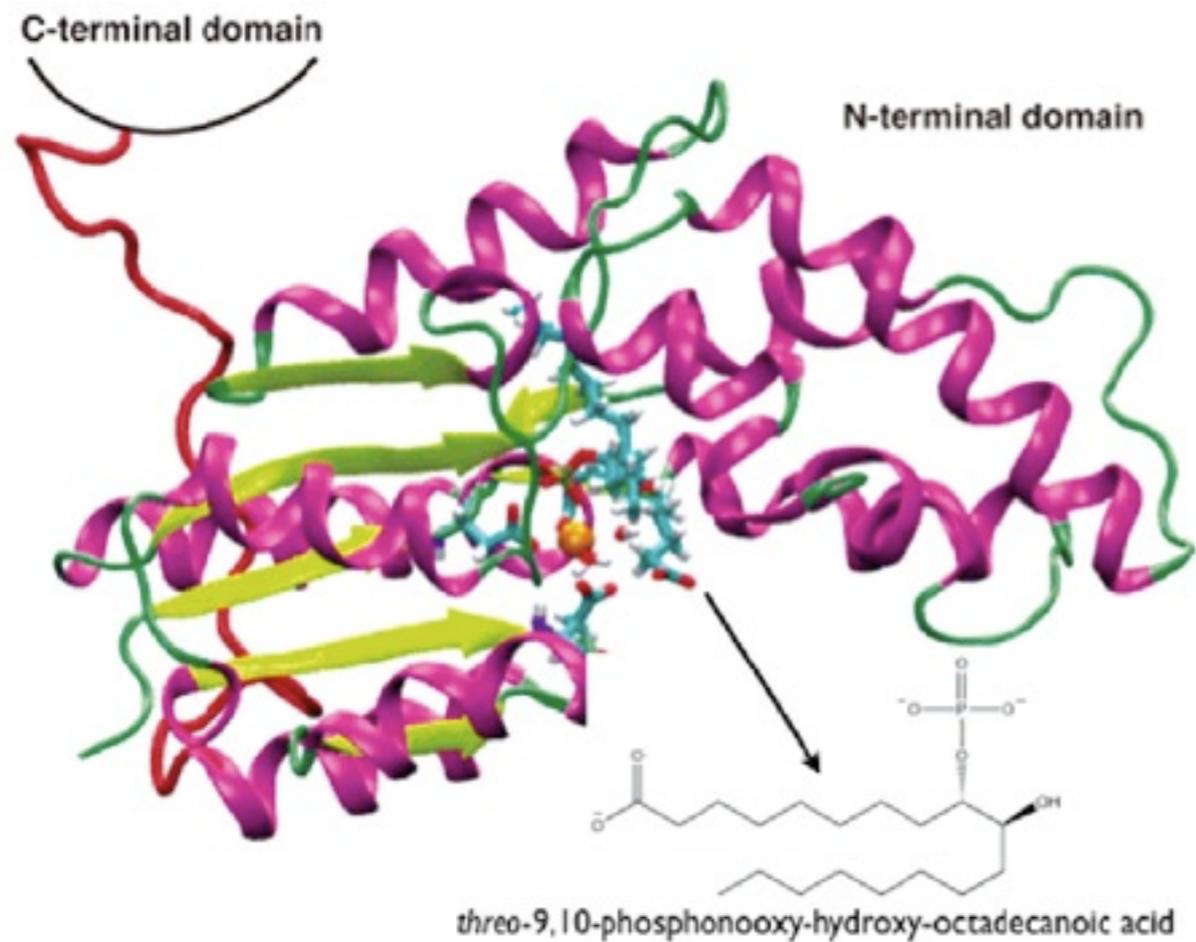
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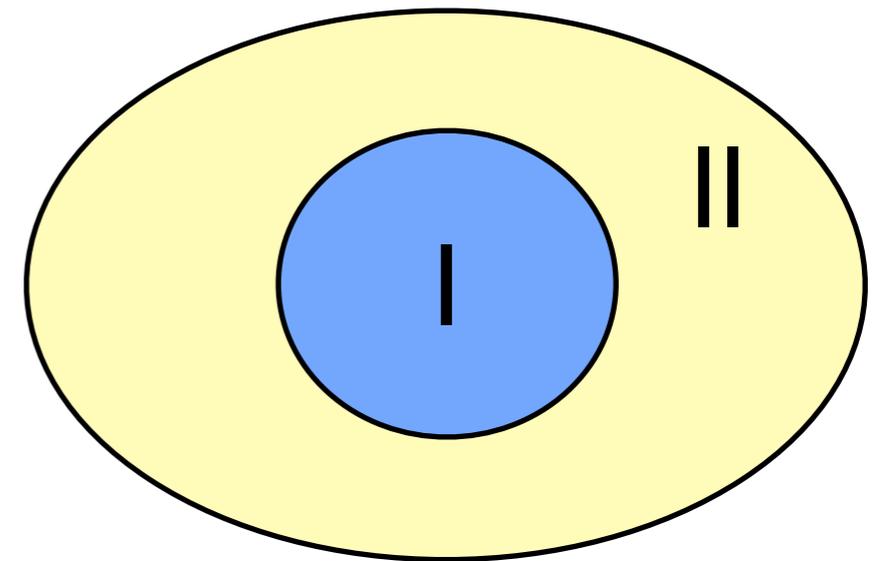
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Proton Shuttles and Phosphatase Activity in Soluble Epoxide Hydrolase



QM/MM Energy function

Coupling between the
QM and MM regions



$$E_{\text{tot}} = E_{\text{QM}}(I) + E_{\text{MM}}(II)$$

I: QM
II: MM

$$E_{\text{tot}} = E_{\text{MM}}(I + II) + E_{\text{QM}}(I) - E_{\text{MM}}(I)$$

$$E_{\text{tot}} = E_{\text{QM}}(I) + E_{\text{MM}}(II) + E_{\text{QM-MM}}(I, II)$$

Electronic structure calculation

$$\hat{H}\psi = E\psi$$

Semi-empirical

Tight binding, AM1, PM3,...

Density Functional Theory

Hartree-Fock

MP2, CC, CI, CAS-PT2,...

Most QM/MM calculations use a semi-empirical approach for the QM part. The Car-Parrinello molecular dynamics community (CPMD, CP2K) uses DFT.

Kohn-Sham

$$E_0(\mathbf{R}) = \min_{\Psi_i} E_{\text{KS}}[\Psi_i, \mathbf{R}_i]$$

$$\begin{aligned} E_{\text{KS}}[\Psi_i, \mathbf{R}_i] &= \frac{1}{2} \sum_i \int d\mathbf{r} \psi_i^*(\mathbf{r}) \nabla^2 \psi_i(\mathbf{r}) + \int d\mathbf{r} V_N(\mathbf{r}) \rho(\mathbf{r}) \\ &+ \frac{1}{2} \int d\mathbf{r} d\mathbf{r}' \frac{\rho(\mathbf{r}) \rho(\mathbf{r}')}{|\mathbf{r} - \mathbf{r}'|} + E_{\text{xc}}[\rho(\mathbf{r})] \end{aligned}$$

$$\rho(\mathbf{r}) = 2 \sum_i \psi_i^*(\mathbf{r}) \psi_i(\mathbf{r})$$

$$\int d\mathbf{r} \psi_i^*(\mathbf{r}) \psi_j(\mathbf{r}) = \delta_{ij}$$

Molecular Mechanics

- Empirical Forcefield based on pair-wise potential functions
- Commonly used in classical molecular dynamics simulations
- MM2, AMBER, CHARMM, UFF, CFF, CVFF, GROMOS, OPLS,...

$$\begin{aligned}
 V_{\text{MM}}(\mathbf{R}) &= \frac{1}{2} \sum_{N_b} k_b (b - b_0)^2 + \frac{1}{2} \sum_{N_a} k_a (a - a_0)^2 && \text{bonds + bends} \\
 &+ \sum_{N_t} k_t [1 + \cos(mt - t_0)] + \frac{1}{2} \sum_{N_o} k_o (o - o_0)^2 && \text{dihedral +} \\
 &&& \text{out-of-plane} \\
 &+ \sum_I \sum_{J>I} \left(\frac{C_{12,IJ}}{R_{IJ}^{12}} - \frac{C_{6,IJ}}{R_{IJ}^6} + \frac{q_I q_J}{R_{IJ}} \right) && \text{Vanderwaals +} \\
 &&& \text{electrostatics}
 \end{aligned}$$

... + Charge-Dipole
Dipole-Dipole

Coupling QM and MM

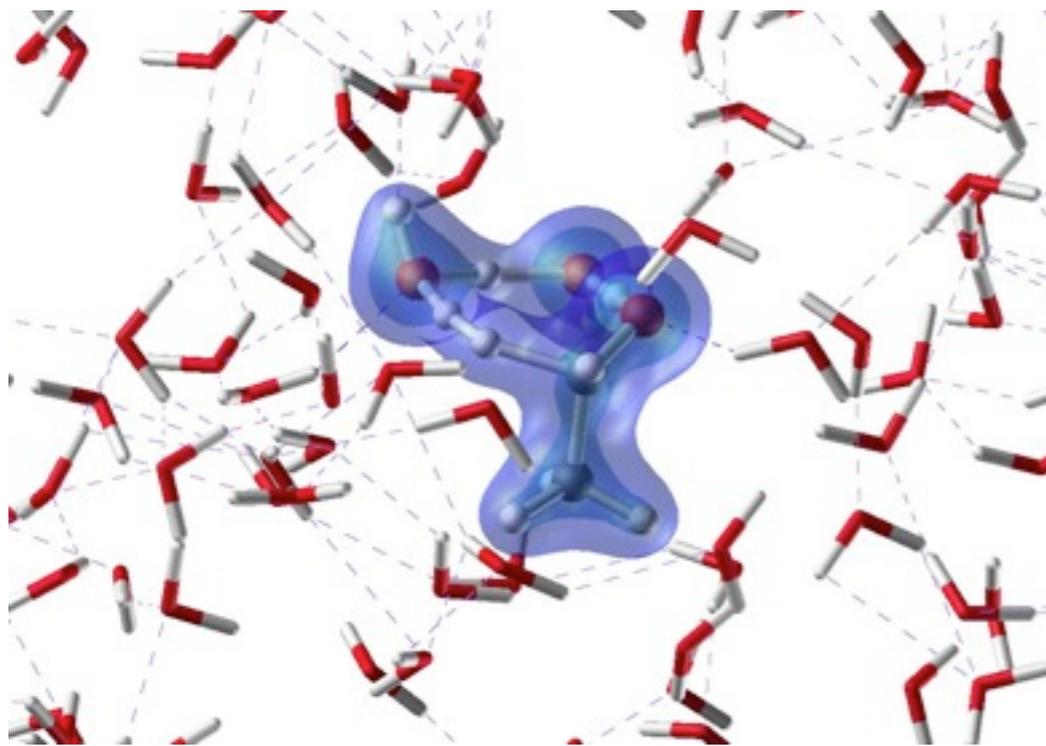
- Mechanical embedding only: bonds, angles, VdW
- Electrostatic embedding only: point charges-
- Electrostatic + mechanical

- QM system feels MM environment
- MM environment feels QM system via MM interactions
- MM environment feels QM system in a self-consistent manner

Electrostatic coupling

Electrostatic coupling is needed to include environment interaction in the QM system.

- polarization of electron density



- MM charges interact with electron density
 - can become a very large sum

$$V_{\text{QM/MM}} = \sum_{i \in \text{MM}} q_i \int \frac{\rho_{\text{QM}}(r)}{|r - r_i|} dr$$

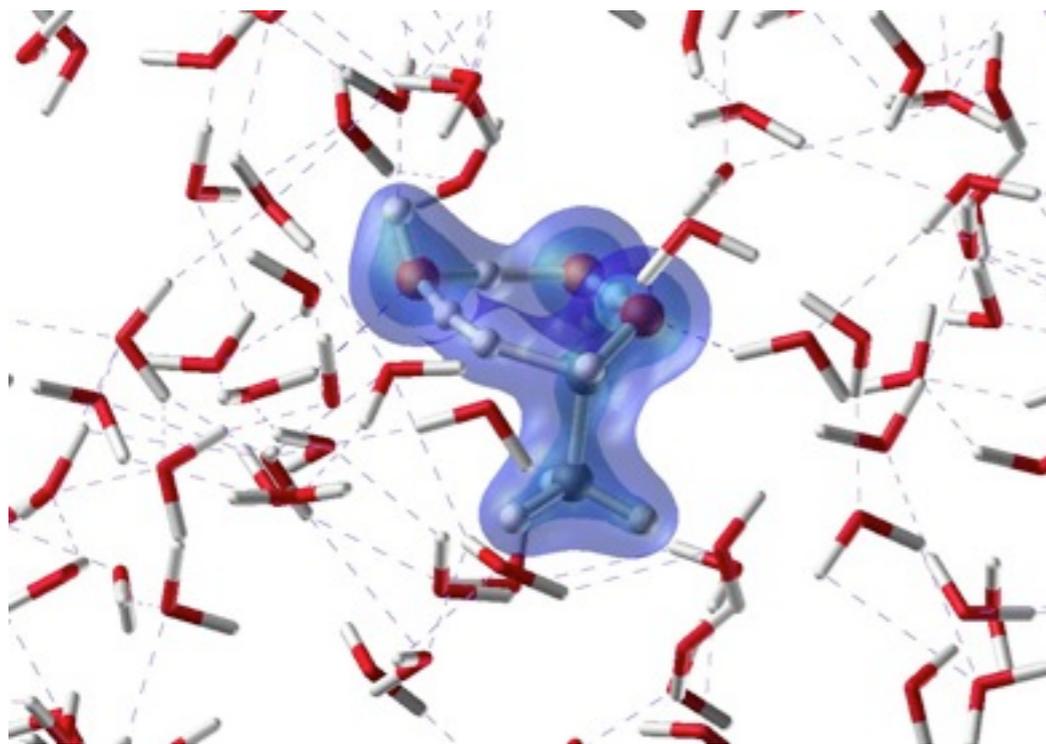
- MM charges interact with QM charges
 - QM charges are obtained from density
 - but how? population analysis not rigorous
 - more efficient but more approximate

$$V_{\text{QM/MM}} = \sum_{i \in \text{MM}} \sum_{j \in \text{QM}} \frac{q_i q_j(\rho_{\text{QM}})}{|r_j - r_i|}$$

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No MM Pauli repulsion

- charge spilling into MM part
 - charge delocalization
 - MM pseudopotentials

MM multipole expansion

Polarization is one-way

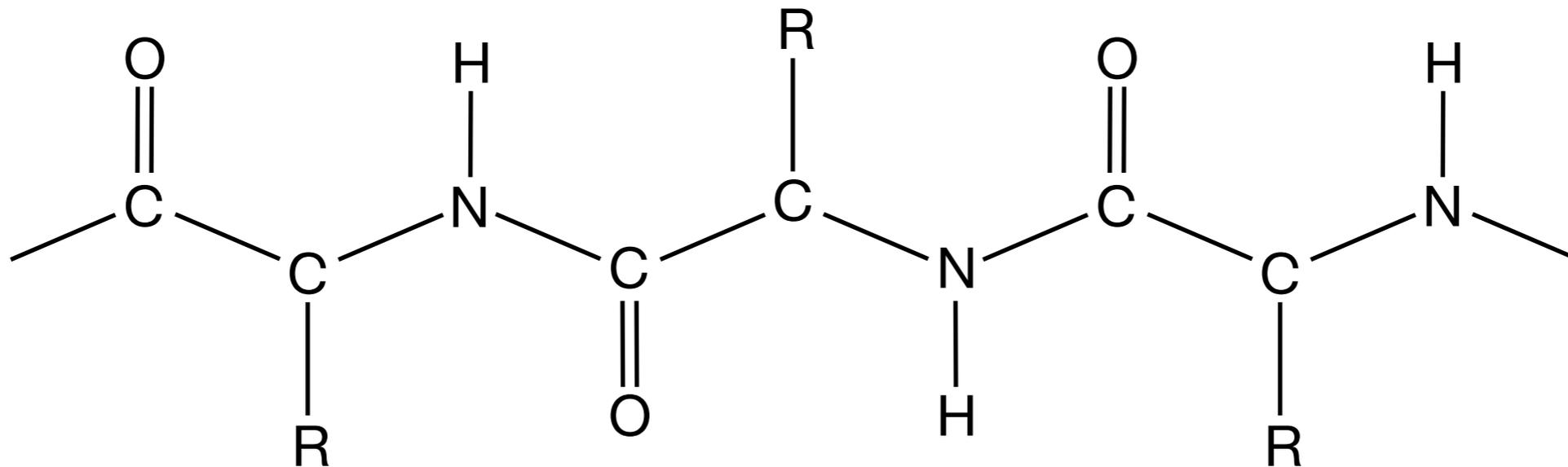
- polarizable forcefield

Periodic boundary conditions?

- Ewald
- Reaction Field

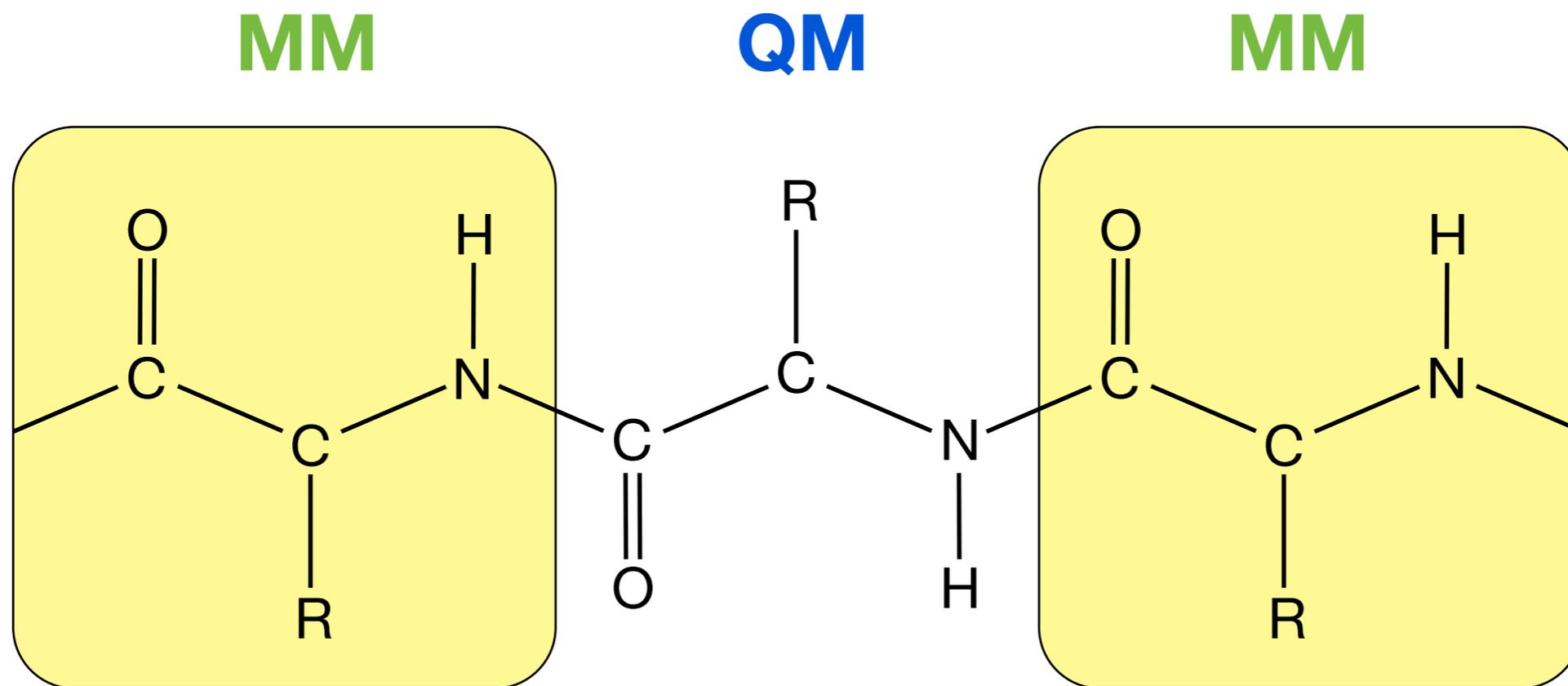
QM/MM partitioning

Cutting through chemical bonds: QM/MM bonds
Example: peptide chain



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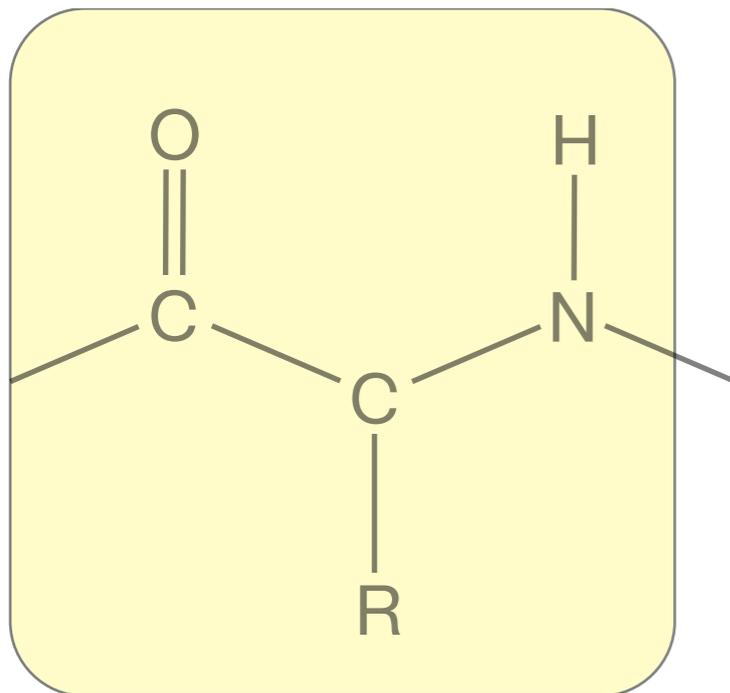
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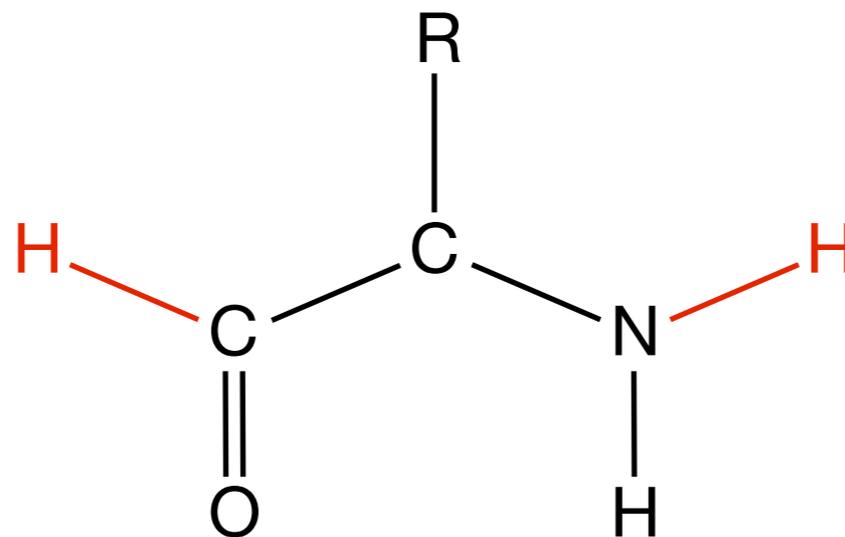
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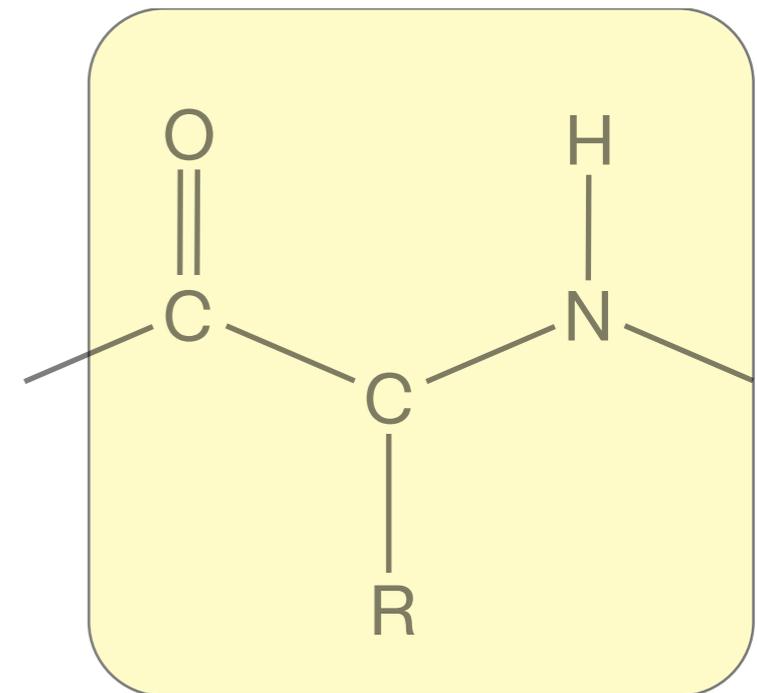
MM



QM



MM



Add link atoms

- only seen by QM atoms?
- H, CH₃, halogen atom
- Electronegativity of link atom should match MM part
- What about spectroscopy, excited states?

Or use frozen orbitals (“frozen bonds”)

Improving MM

Force matching, fitting, learning on the fly,...

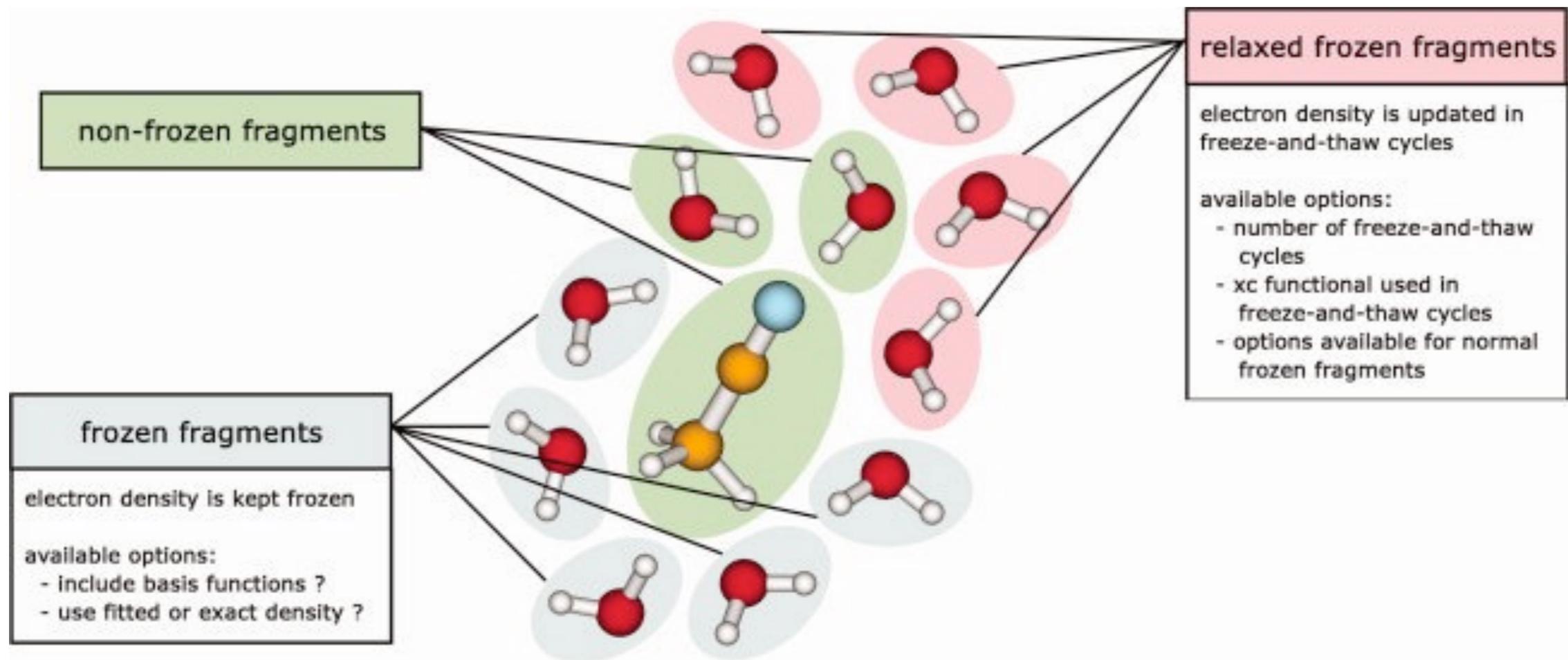
Lecture 2

Density

Embedding

Frozen density embedding

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J. Comput. Chem. **29** 1011–1018 (2008)

Frozen density embedding

The total density is a sum of the densities ρ_I and ρ_{II} in different regions or subsystems

Density ρ_{II} of the environment is kept fixed

The total density $\rho_{\text{tot}} = \rho_I + \rho_{II}$ is obtained by optimizing ρ_I

KS-like equation with embedding term due to ρ_{II}

$$\left[-\frac{\nabla^2}{2} + V_{\text{eff}}^{\text{KS}}[\rho_I](\mathbf{r}) + V_{\text{eff}}^{\text{emb}}[\rho_I, \rho_{II}](\mathbf{r}) \right]$$

$$\phi_i^{(I)}(\mathbf{r}) = \varepsilon_i \phi_i^{(I)}(\mathbf{r}), \quad i = 1, \dots, N_I.$$

$$V_{\text{emb}}^{\text{eff}}[\rho_I, \rho_{II}](\mathbf{r}) = \sum_{A_{II}} -\frac{Z_{A_{II}}}{|\mathbf{r} - \mathbf{R}_{A_{II}}|} + \int \frac{\rho_{II}(\mathbf{r}')}{|\mathbf{r}' - \mathbf{r}|} d\mathbf{r}'$$

$$+ \left. \frac{\delta E_{\text{xc}}[\rho]}{\delta \rho} \right|_{\rho=\rho_{\text{tot}}} - \left. \frac{\delta E_{\text{xc}}[\rho]}{\delta \rho} \right|_{\rho=\rho_I}$$

$$+ \left. \frac{\delta T_s[\rho]}{\delta \rho} \right|_{\rho=\rho_{\text{tot}}} - \left. \frac{\delta T_s[\rho]}{\delta \rho} \right|_{\rho=\rho_I},$$

Embedding potential

- approximate kinetic energy functional (Thomas-Fermi, PW91k)
- accurate for weakly bound systems

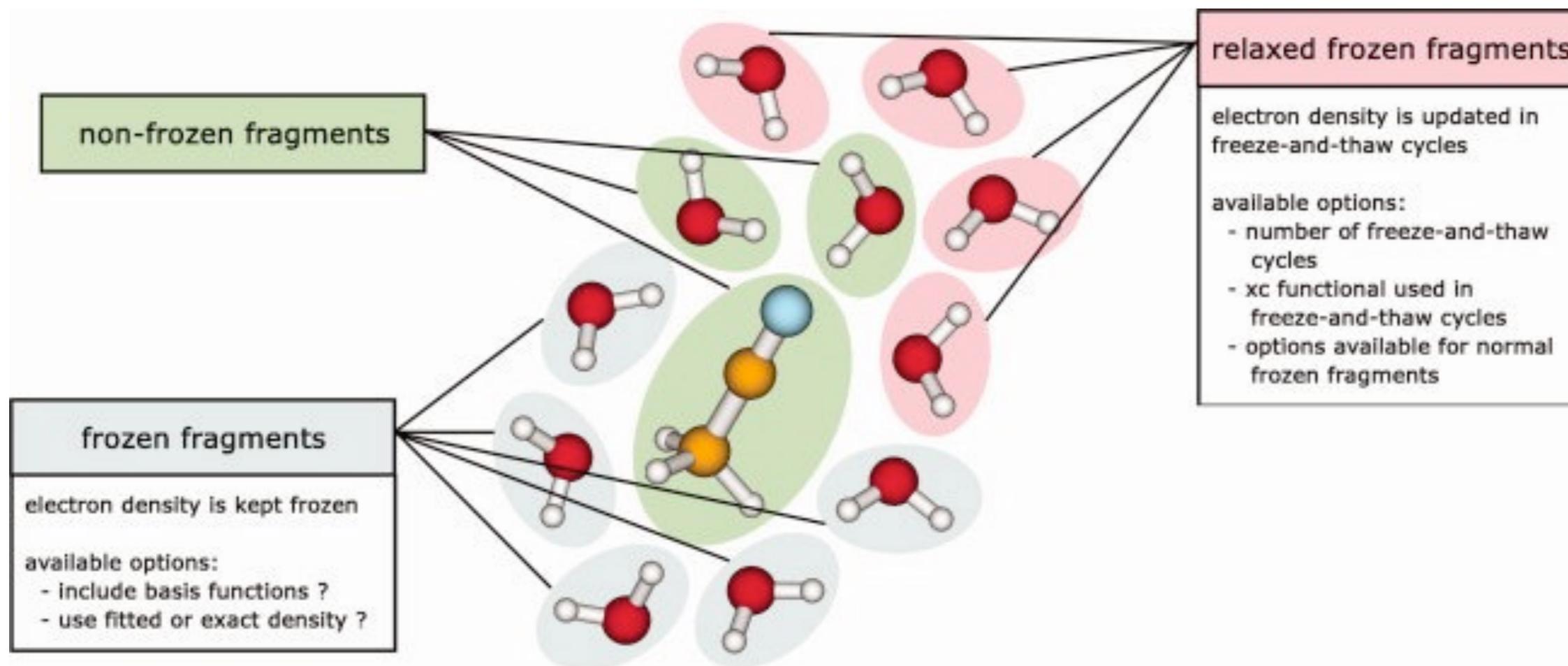
non-additive kinetic energy functional

$$T_s^{\text{nadd}}[\rho_I, \rho_{II}] = T_s[\rho_I + \rho_{II}] - T_s[\rho_I] - T_s[\rho_{II}]$$

If $\rho_{\text{tot}} - \rho_{II}$ is positive definite and non-interacting v_s representable, the solution give exact ground-state.

Frozen density embedding

Acetonitrile and 15, 25, 40 water molecules



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Frozen density embedding

Example application: NMR shifts for Acetonitrile-Water clusters

Table 1. Solvent Shifts $\Delta\sigma$ of the Nitrogen NMR Shielding in Acetonitrile–Water Clusters with 15, 25, and 40 Water Molecules, Respectively.

	15 H ₂ O $\Delta\sigma$ (ppm)		25 H ₂ O $\Delta\sigma$ (ppm)		40 H ₂ O $\Delta\sigma$ (ppm)	
Isolated	0.0		0.0		0.0	
SumFrag	12.6		11.9		11.8	
1 H ₂ O relaxed	12.9	+0.3	12.3	+0.4	11.9	+0.1
2 H ₂ O relaxed	13.3	+0.4	12.7	+0.4	12.4	+0.5
3 H ₂ O relaxed	13.7	+0.4	13.3	+0.6	13.1	+0.7
8 H ₂ O relaxed	14.6	+0.9	13.9	+0.6	14.0	+0.9
13 H ₂ O relaxed	15.3	+0.7	14.7	+0.8	14.7	+0.7
23 H ₂ O relaxed			15.2	+0.5	14.6	-0.1
38 H ₂ O relaxed					14.6	0.0
Supermolecule	14.0		13.1		12.5	

In the FDE calculations, the closest two water molecules have been included in the nonfrozen subsystem, for the remaining frozen fragments different approximations have been employed. For comparison, also the results of a conventional, supermolecular calculation are given. See text for details.

Frozen density embedding

Example application: NMR shifts for Acetonitrile-Water clusters

Table 2. Wall Clock Time (in Minutes) Required for the Calculation of the Nitrogen NMR Shielding in Acetonitrile–Water Clusters with 15, 25, and 40 Water Molecules, Respectively, on 8 Dual Processor Nodes of an Intel Xeon 3.4 GHz Cluster, Using Different Approximations for the Frozen Density (see text for details).

	15 H ₂ O	25 H ₂ O	40 H ₂ O
Isolated	0.4	0.4	0.4
SumFrag	1.7	2.1	2.9
1 H ₂ O relaxed	2.6	3.1	4.3
2 H ₂ O relaxed	2.8	3.6	5.0
3 H ₂ O relaxed	3.0	3.8	5.0
8 H ₂ O relaxed	3.6	5.2	6.2
13 H ₂ O relaxed	4.0	5.3	7.2
23 H ₂ O relaxed		7.1	9.4
38 H ₂ O relaxed			12.8
Supermolecule	8.5	29.8	103.5

Polarizable QM/MM

Discreet reaction field model

Solvent is represented by charges q_s and polarizabilities α_s places at positions \mathbf{r}_s

Kohn-Sham like equations

$$\left[-\frac{\nabla^2}{2} + V_{\text{eff}}^{\text{KS}}[\rho](\mathbf{r}) + V^{\text{DRF}}[\rho](\mathbf{r}) \right] \phi_i(\mathbf{r}) = \varepsilon_i \phi_i(\mathbf{r})$$

$i = 1, \dots, N.$

with a Coulomb term due to permanent charges and a many-body polarization term:

$$\begin{aligned} V^{\text{DRF}}[\rho](\mathbf{r}) &= V^{\text{el}}(\mathbf{r}) + V^{\text{pol}}[\rho](\mathbf{r}) \\ &= \sum_s \frac{q_s}{|\mathbf{r} - \mathbf{R}_s|} + \sum_s \boldsymbol{\mu}_s^{\text{ind}} \cdot \frac{(\mathbf{r} - \mathbf{R}_s)}{|\mathbf{r} - \mathbf{R}_s|^3} \end{aligned}$$

The MM induced atomic dipole:

$$\boldsymbol{\mu}_s^{\text{ind}} = \alpha_s \left[\mathbf{F}_s^{\text{init}} + \sum_{t, t \neq s} \mathbf{T}_{st}^{(2)} \boldsymbol{\mu}_t^{\text{ind}} \right]$$

with \mathbf{T} the screened dipole interaction tensor of interaction between sites.

Field \mathbf{F} at site s is due to QM charge distribution, QM nuclei, MM charges, MM dipoles.

Self-consistent procedure!

Implicit solvent models

Polarizable Continuum Model (C-PCM, D-PCM)

COSMO: a new approach to dielectric screening in solvents with explicit expressions for the screening energy and its gradient

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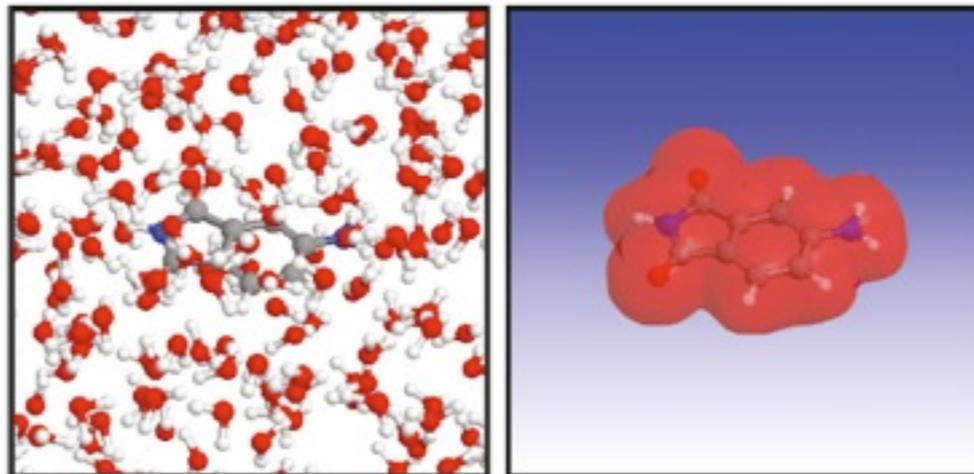
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Continuum Solvation model (COSMO)

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A. Klamt and G. Schüürmann

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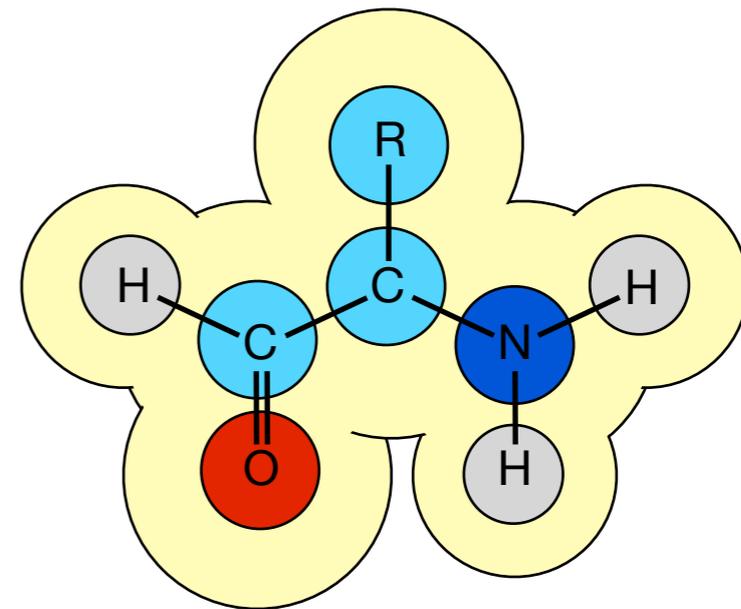
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Implicit solvent models

Solute molecule in continuous solvent

Based on Onsager's reaction field method

- Solute is treated explicitly at QM level
- Only electrostatic solvent-solute interactions
- Solute is placed in a void cavity
 - shape of cavity is important; different methods
 - should contain most of solute electron density
 - should exclude the solvent
 - e.g. iso-density surface
 - or iso-energy surface (with He/Ar atom), SAS
 - or simply van der Waals radii
- Solvent is represented by continuous dielectric medium
- Charge distribution of the solute, inside the cavity, polarizes the dielectric continuum, which in turn polarizes the solute charge distribution



$$-\nabla^2 V(\vec{r}) = 4\pi\rho_M(\vec{r}) \quad \text{within } C$$

$$-\epsilon\nabla^2 V(\vec{r}) = 0 \quad \text{outside } C$$

Summary QM/MM

Many algorithms and implementations available

QSite, Jaguar program, Schrödinger

QM: Hartree Fock, DFT, MP2

GROMACS-CPMD (Rothlisberger)

QM: DFT/plane-waves

QMMM Minnesota, (Truhlar)

QM package: GAMESS, Gaussian, ORCA + MM package: TINKER

ChemShell TCL interface (Daresbury)

Combines: GAMESS-UK, DL_POLY, MNDO97, TURBOMOLE, CHARMM, GULP, Gaussian94

ONION, IMOMM (Morokuma)

also in ADF: DFT + Amber/Sybyl forcefields

QM/MM can not (yet) be used as a black box method

- many parameters
- quality of QM model, MM model
- quality of QM/MM coupling
- be careful: for every approach a situation can be concocted such that it will fail