

Normal mode splitting of Langevin dynamics

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Partitioned Langevin equations

We select different (diagonal) damping matrices $\hat{\Gamma}$ and $\bar{\Gamma}$ for spaces C and C^\perp , respectively.

$$\Gamma = \mathbf{P}_f \hat{\Gamma} + \mathbf{P}_f^\perp \bar{\Gamma}.$$

We can split the Langevin equation (1) into

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where $\hat{\mathbf{x}} = \mathbf{P}_x \mathbf{x}$, $\hat{\mathbf{v}} = \mathbf{P}_x \mathbf{v}$ and $\hat{\mathbf{f}} = \mathbf{P}_f \mathbf{f}$ in C , $\bar{\mathbf{x}} = \mathbf{P}_x^\perp \mathbf{x}$, $\bar{\mathbf{v}} = \mathbf{P}_v^\perp \mathbf{v}$ and $\bar{\mathbf{f}} = \mathbf{P}_f^\perp \mathbf{f}$ in C^\perp .

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Langevin Impulse ($\hat{L}\hat{I}$) discretization

A half step using $\hat{L}\hat{I}$, cf. Skeel & Izaguirre, *Mol. Phys.* **100**:3885, 2002

half kick:

$$\mathbf{v}^{n+\epsilon} = \mathbf{v}^n - \frac{\Delta t}{2} \mathbf{M}^{-1} \mathbf{P}_f \nabla_{\mathbf{x}} U(\mathbf{x}^n),$$

fluctuation-slow:

$$\mathbf{v}^{n+\frac{1}{2}} = \exp(-\gamma\Delta t) \mathbf{v}^{n+\epsilon} + \sqrt{\tau_2} \sqrt{2\gamma k_B T} \mathbf{M}^{-1} \mathbf{P}_f \mathbf{M}^{\frac{1}{2}} \mathbf{z}_1^{n+1},$$

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fluctuation-fast:

$$\tilde{\mathbf{x}}^k = \left[G \left(\tilde{\mathbf{x}}^{k-1} \right) \right]^k, \text{ with } \tilde{\mathbf{x}}^0 = \mathbf{x}^{n+\epsilon},$$

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Discretization of split Langevin equations (cont.)

Where γ and $\bar{\gamma}$ are the scalar Langevin damping coefficients for C and C^\perp subspaces respectively. Constants are given by

$$\begin{aligned}\tau_1 &= \frac{1 - \exp(-\gamma\Delta t)}{\gamma}, & \tau_2 &= \frac{1 - \exp(-2\gamma\Delta t)}{2\gamma} \\ \tau_3 &= \frac{\tau_1 - \tau_2}{\sqrt{\tau_2}}, & \tau_4 &= \sqrt{\Delta t - \frac{\tau_1^2}{\tau_2}} \\ \zeta^{n+1} &= \tau_3 \mathbf{z}_1^{n+1} + \tau_4 \mathbf{z}_2^{n+1}\end{aligned}$$

The minimizer G is equivalent to the overdamped MTS integrator for

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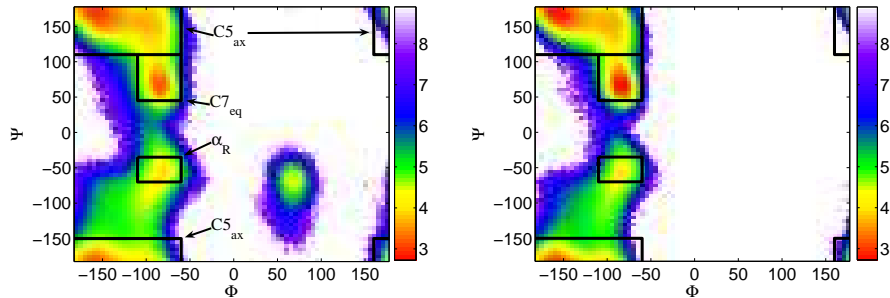
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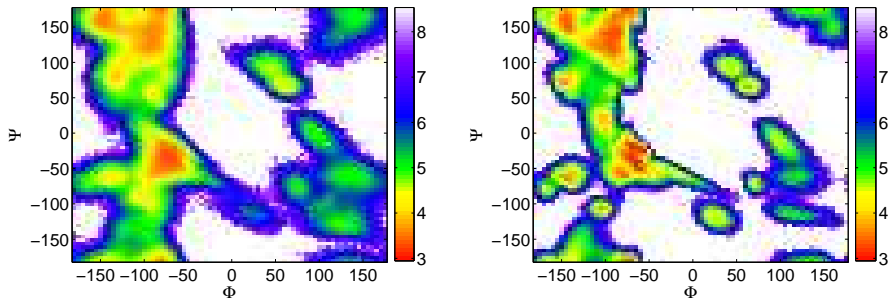
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Comparison of alanine dipeptide Ramachandran free energy plots for (a) Langevin Impulse $\Delta t = 1$ fs and (b) NML with 22 modes (of 66) propagated $\Delta t = 5.5$ fs. Data obtained from 500 ns trajectories with $\gamma = 91$ ps⁻¹. The color-bar represents the free energy in kcal mol⁻¹ and the RMSD free energy difference between the Figures is 0.119 kcal mol⁻¹, which compares well with the Multiple Time Step Diffusive Langevin Method RMSD of 0.17 kcal mol⁻¹



Sampling results for BPTI

Comparison of BPTI Ramachandran free energy plots for (a) Langevin Impulse $\Delta t = 1$ fs, $\gamma = 91$ ps⁻¹ and (b) NML with 300 modes propagated (of 2646) with $\Delta t = 20$ fs and $\gamma = 30$ ps⁻¹. Data for all 55 backbone dihedral $\Phi - \Psi$ pairs from 3 ns trajectories. The color-bar represents the free energy in kcal mol⁻¹ and the RMSD free energy difference between the Figures is 0.2 kcal mol⁻¹



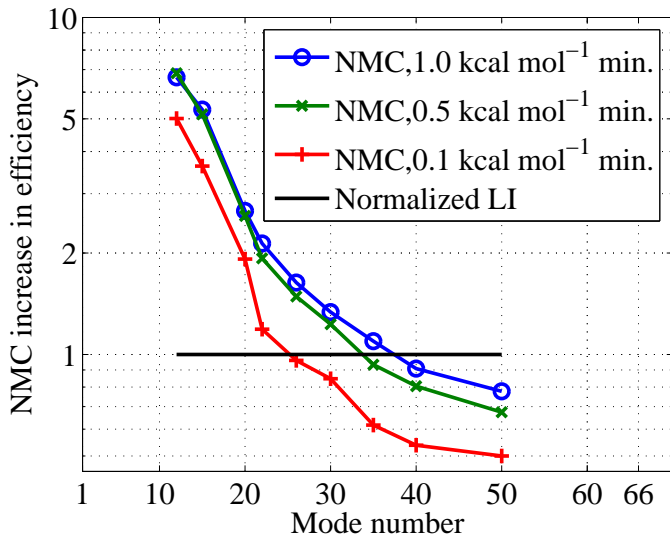
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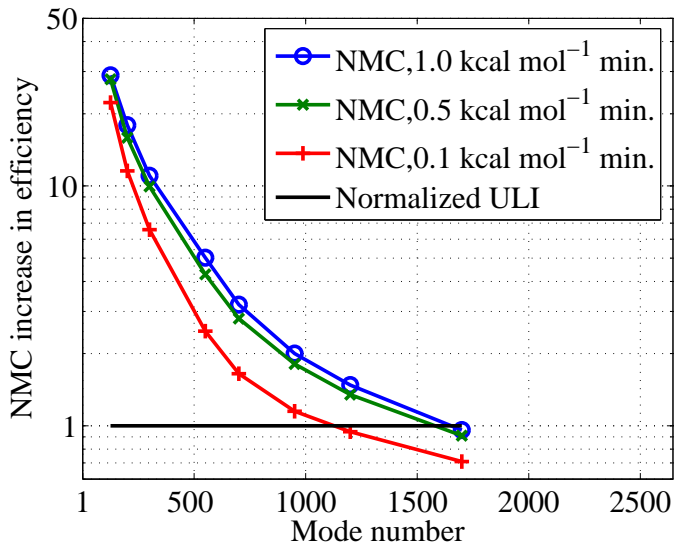
$$2c_A k_{AB} = \frac{P_{TP}}{\langle t_{TP} \rangle}, \quad (11)$$

where c_A is mole fraction of A (0.5). Formula: [Best & Hummer, PNAS 102:6732 \(2005\)](#).

Efficiency results for AD



Efficiency results for BPTI



Discussion

Our splitting of the Langevin equation for biomolecules produces a method that overdamps high frequency modes and propagates correctly low frequency modes.

CPU time speedups in excess of an order of magnitude for 882 atom protein for sampling; speedup of 2 for 22 atom AD for kinetics and sampling.

Rediagonalization is our next major area of study. Improved over other methods though.

Possible optimizations include Krylov subspace diagonalization, improved minimizers, and enhanced integrators for Langevin dynamics with non-diagonal tensors.

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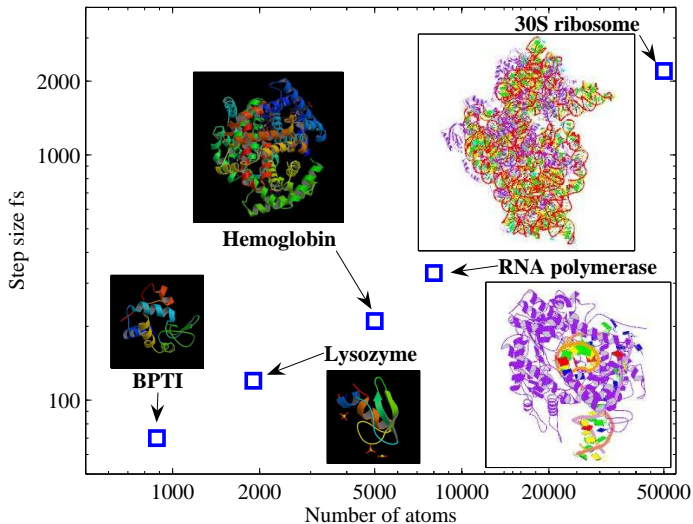
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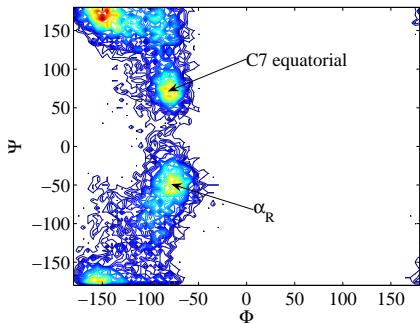
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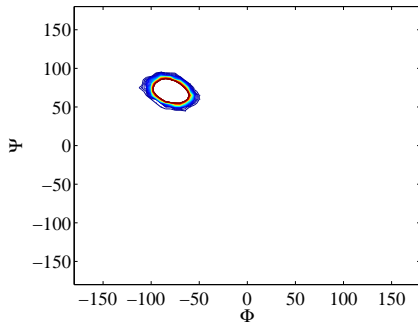
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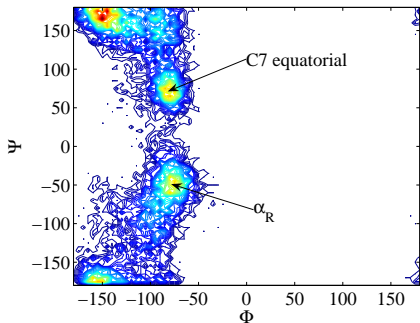
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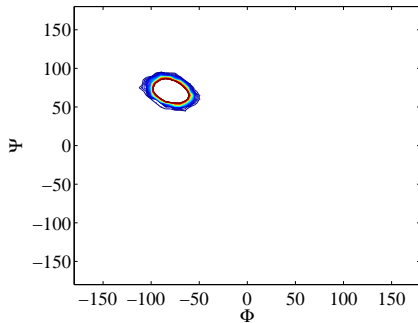
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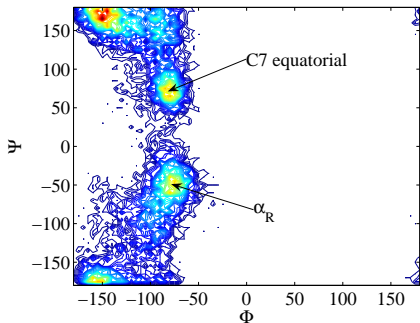
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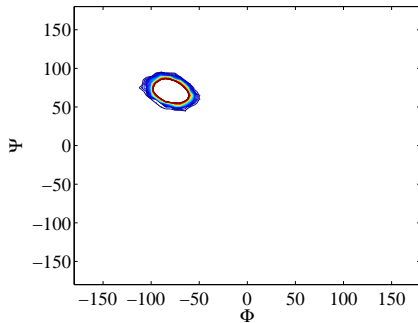
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