

# MD simulation of a single water molecule

## Specifications

### Geometry of the water molecule

We use the specification for the flexible TIP3P-FB water model (Wang, Martinez, Pande, J. Phys. Chem. Lett., 5:1885, 2014), which is used in the Amber MD force field. Distances are here given in nanometers.

```
In[1]:= distanceOH = Quantity[0.1011811, "nm"]
```

```
Out[1]= 0.101181 nm
```

```
In[2]:= distanceHH = Quantity[0.1638684, "nm"]
```

```
Out[2]= 0.163868 nm
```

The water molecule can be viewed as an isosceles triangle, with oxygen at the top and the two H atoms at the base. Determine first the distance of the oxygen atom from the base:

```
In[3]:= dOH = QuantityMagnitude[distanceOH]
```

```
Out[3]= 0.101181
```

```
In[4]:= dHH = QuantityMagnitude[distanceHH]
```

```
Out[4]= 0.163868
```

```
In[5]:= eq = (dHH / 2) ^ 2 + h ^ 2 == dOH ^ 2
```

```
Out[5]= 0.00671321 + h^2 == 0.0102376
```

```
In[6]:= soln = Solve[eq, h]
```

```
Out[6]= { {h → -0.0593667}, {h → 0.0593667} }
```

```
In[7]:= hsol = soln[[2, 1, 2]]
```

```
Out[7]= 0.0593667
```

Define now the positions of the atoms:

```
In[8]:= ROxygen = {0., 0., 0.}
```

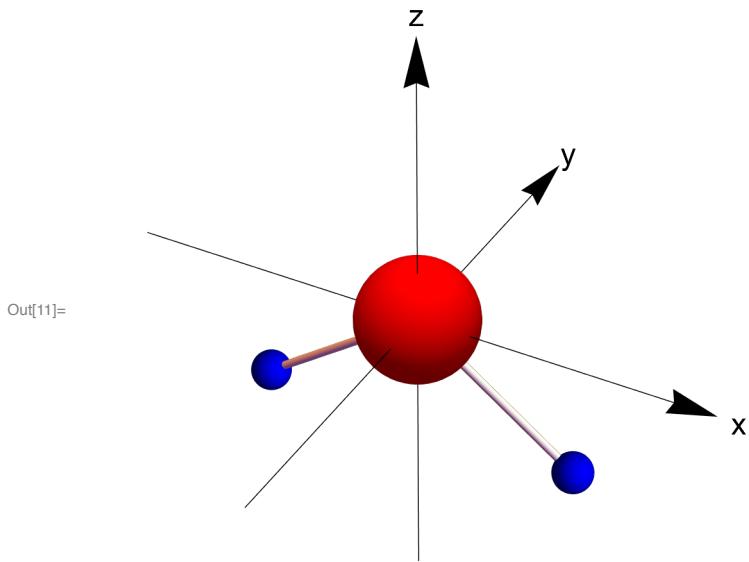
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Out[8]= {0., 0., 0.}
```

```
In[9]:= RH1 = {dHH / 2, 0, -hsol}
```

```
Out[9]= {0.0819342, 0, -0.0593667}
```

```
In[10]:= RH2 = {-dHH / 2, 0, -hsol}
Out[10]= {-0.0819342, 0, -0.0593667}

In[11]:= Graphics3D[{Red, Sphere[R0xygen, 0.03]}, {Blue, Sphere[RH1, 0.01]}, {Blue, Sphere[RH2, 0.01]}, Tube[{R0xygen, RH1}, 0.002], Tube[{R0xygen, RH2}, 0.002], Arrow[{{-0.15, 0, 0}, {0.15, 0, 0}}], Arrow[{{0, -0.15, 0}, {0, 0.15, 0}}], Arrow[{{0, 0, -0.15}, {0, 0, 0.15}}], Text[Style["x", 16], {0.16, 0, 0}], Text[Style["y", 16], {0, 0.16, 0}], Text[Style["z", 16], {0, 0, 0.16}], Boxed → False]
```



## Atomic masses

Here a.m.u. is the atomic mass unit

```
In[12]:= massH = Quantity[1, "amu"]
```

```
Out[12]= 1 u
```

```
In[13]:= massO = Quantity[16, "amu"]
```

```
Out[13]= 16 u
```

```
In[14]:= UnitConvert[massH, "kg"]
```

```
Out[14]= 1.66053907 × 10-27 kg
```

```
In[15]:= UnitConvert[massO, "kg"]
```

```
Out[15]= 2.65686251 × 10-26 kg
```

## Potential

This is the force constant of flexible TIP3P water potential of the Amber MD program

```
In[16]:= Na = Quantity[1, "AvogadroNumber"]
```

```
Out[16]= 1 Avogadro number
```

```
In[17]:= Ktip3pAmber = Quantity[553.0, "kcal/Angstroms^2"] / Na
```

```
Out[17]= 553. kcalth / (Avogadro number Å2)
```

This is the force constant in a.m.u/ps<sup>2</sup>

```
In[18]:= Ktip3p = UnitConvert[Ktip3pAmber, "amu/picoseconds^2"]
```

```
Out[18]= 231375. u/ps2
```

The same force constant for O-H, and H-H

```
In[19]:= K12 = QuantityMagnitude[Ktip3p]
```

```
Out[19]= 231375.
```

```
In[20]:= K13 = QuantityMagnitude[Ktip3p]
```

```
Out[20]= 231375.
```

```
In[21]:= K23 = QuantityMagnitude[Ktip3p]
```

```
Out[21]= 231375.
```

Combined position vector

```
In[22]:= r = {x1, y1, z1, x2, y2, z2, x3, y3, z3}
```

```
Out[22]= {x1, y1, z1, x2, y2, z2, x3, y3, z3}
```

Subvectors for O, H1, H2

```
In[23]:= rOxygen = r[[1 ;; 3]]
```

```
Out[23]= {x1, y1, z1}
```

```
In[24]:= rH1 = r[[4 ;; 6]]
```

```
Out[24]= {x2, y2, z2}
```

```
In[25]:= rH2 = r[[7 ;; 9]]
```

```
Out[25]= {x3, y3, z3}
```

Distances

```
In[26]:= dOH
```

```
Out[26]= 0.101181
```

```
In[27]:= dHH
```

```
Out[27]= 0.163868
```

Functional form of the potential

$$\text{In}[28]:= \mathbf{U} = K_{12} (\text{Sqrt}[(rOxygen - rH1) . (rOxygen - rH1)] - dOH)^2 + \\ K_{13} (\text{Sqrt}[(rOxygen - rH2) . (rOxygen - rH2)] - dOH)^2 + \\ K_{23} (\text{Sqrt}[(rH2 - rH1) . (rH2 - rH1)] - dHH)^2$$

$$\text{Out}[28]= 231375. \left( -0.101181 + \sqrt{(x1 - x2)^2 + (y1 - y2)^2 + (z1 - z2)^2} \right)^2 + \\ 231375. \left( -0.101181 + \sqrt{(x1 - x3)^2 + (y1 - y3)^2 + (z1 - z3)^2} \right)^2 + \\ 231375. \left( -0.163868 + \sqrt{(-x2 + x3)^2 + (-y2 + y3)^2 + (-z2 + z3)^2} \right)^2$$

The potential for the equilibrium position vanishes

$$\text{In}[29]:= \mathbf{U} /. \{x1 \rightarrow \text{ROxygen}[[1]], y1 \rightarrow \text{ROxygen}[[2]], z1 \rightarrow \text{ROxygen}[[3]], x2 \rightarrow \text{RH1}[[1]], \\ y2 \rightarrow \text{RH1}[[2]], z2 \rightarrow \text{RH1}[[3]], x3 \rightarrow \text{RH2}[[1]], y3 \rightarrow \text{RH2}[[2]], z3 \rightarrow \text{RH2}[[3]]\}$$

$$\text{Out}[29]= 0.$$

## Forces

$$\text{In}[30]:= \text{MatrixForm}[\mathbf{F} = -\text{Grad}[\mathbf{U}, \mathbf{r}]]$$

$$\text{Out}[30]//\text{MatrixForm}=$$

$$\begin{aligned} & -\frac{462750. (x1-x2) \left( -0.101181 + \sqrt{(x1-x2)^2 + (y1-y2)^2 + (z1-z2)^2} \right)}{\sqrt{(x1-x2)^2 + (y1-y2)^2 + (z1-z2)^2}} - \frac{462750. (x1-x3) \left( -0.101181 + \sqrt{(x1-x3)^2 + (y1-y3)^2 + (z1-z3)^2} \right)}{\sqrt{(x1-x3)^2 + (y1-y3)^2 + (z1-z3)^2}} \\ & -\frac{462750. (y1-y2) \left( -0.101181 + \sqrt{(x1-x2)^2 + (y1-y2)^2 + (z1-z2)^2} \right)}{\sqrt{(x1-x2)^2 + (y1-y2)^2 + (z1-z2)^2}} - \frac{462750. (y1-y3) \left( -0.101181 + \sqrt{(x1-x3)^2 + (y1-y3)^2 + (z1-z3)^2} \right)}{\sqrt{(x1-x3)^2 + (y1-y3)^2 + (z1-z3)^2}} \\ & -\frac{462750. \left( -0.101181 + \sqrt{(x1-x2)^2 + (y1-y2)^2 + (z1-z2)^2} \right) (z1-z2)}{\sqrt{(x1-x2)^2 + (y1-y2)^2 + (z1-z2)^2}} - \frac{462750. \left( -0.101181 + \sqrt{(x1-x3)^2 + (y1-y3)^2 + (z1-z3)^2} \right) (z1-z3)}{\sqrt{(x1-x3)^2 + (y1-y3)^2 + (z1-z3)^2}} \\ & \frac{462750. (x1-x2) \left( -0.101181 + \sqrt{(x1-x2)^2 + (y1-y2)^2 + (z1-z2)^2} \right)}{\sqrt{(x1-x2)^2 + (y1-y2)^2 + (z1-z2)^2}} + \frac{462750. (-x2+x3) \left( -0.163868 + \sqrt{(-x2+x3)^2 + (-y2+y3)^2 + (-z2+z3)^2} \right)}{\sqrt{(-x2+x3)^2 + (-y2+y3)^2 + (-z2+z3)^2}} \\ & \frac{462750. (y1-y2) \left( -0.101181 + \sqrt{(x1-x2)^2 + (y1-y2)^2 + (z1-z2)^2} \right)}{\sqrt{(x1-x2)^2 + (y1-y2)^2 + (z1-z2)^2}} + \frac{462750. (-y2+y3) \left( -0.163868 + \sqrt{(-x2+x3)^2 + (-y2+y3)^2 + (-z2+z3)^2} \right)}{\sqrt{(-x2+x3)^2 + (-y2+y3)^2 + (-z2+z3)^2}} \\ & \frac{462750. \left( -0.101181 + \sqrt{(x1-x2)^2 + (y1-y2)^2 + (z1-z2)^2} \right) (z1-z2)}{\sqrt{(x1-x2)^2 + (y1-y2)^2 + (z1-z2)^2}} + \frac{462750. (-z2+z3) \left( -0.163868 + \sqrt{(-x2+x3)^2 + (-y2+y3)^2 + (-z2+z3)^2} \right)}{\sqrt{(-x2+x3)^2 + (-y2+y3)^2 + (-z2+z3)^2}} \\ & \frac{462750. (x1-x3) \left( -0.101181 + \sqrt{(x1-x3)^2 + (y1-y3)^2 + (z1-z3)^2} \right)}{\sqrt{(x1-x3)^2 + (y1-y3)^2 + (z1-z3)^2}} - \frac{462750. (-x2+x3) \left( -0.163868 + \sqrt{(-x2+x3)^2 + (-y2+y3)^2 + (-z2+z3)^2} \right)}{\sqrt{(-x2+x3)^2 + (-y2+y3)^2 + (-z2+z3)^2}} \\ & \frac{462750. (y1-y3) \left( -0.101181 + \sqrt{(x1-x3)^2 + (y1-y3)^2 + (z1-z3)^2} \right)}{\sqrt{(x1-x3)^2 + (y1-y3)^2 + (z1-z3)^2}} - \frac{462750. (-y2+y3) \left( -0.163868 + \sqrt{(-x2+x3)^2 + (-y2+y3)^2 + (-z2+z3)^2} \right)}{\sqrt{(-x2+x3)^2 + (-y2+y3)^2 + (-z2+z3)^2}} \\ & \frac{462750. \left( -0.101181 + \sqrt{(x1-x3)^2 + (y1-y3)^2 + (z1-z3)^2} \right) (z1-z3)}{\sqrt{(x1-x3)^2 + (y1-y3)^2 + (z1-z3)^2}} - \frac{462750. (-z2+z3) \left( -0.163868 + \sqrt{(-x2+x3)^2 + (-y2+y3)^2 + (-z2+z3)^2} \right)}{\sqrt{(-x2+x3)^2 + (-y2+y3)^2 + (-z2+z3)^2}} \end{aligned}$$

The sum of all forces is zero and there is no global translational acceleration

$$\text{In}[31]:= \mathbf{FOxy} = \mathbf{F}[[1 ; ; 3]] // \text{Simplify};$$

$$\text{In}[32]:= \mathbf{FH1} = \mathbf{F}[[4 ; ; 6]] // \text{Simplify};$$

$$\text{In}[33]:= \mathbf{FH2} = \mathbf{F}[[7 ; ; 9]] // \text{Simplify};$$

$$\text{In}[34]:= \mathbf{FOxy} + \mathbf{FH1} + \mathbf{FH2}$$

$$\text{Out}[34]= \{0., 0., 0.\}$$

The forces on the atoms are zero in the equilibrium configuration

```
In[35]:= F0 = F /. {x1 → ROxygen[[1]], y1 → ROxygen[[2]], z1 → ROxygen[[3]], x2 → RH1[[1]],  
y2 → RH1[[2]], z2 → RH1[[3]], x3 → RH2[[1]], y3 → RH2[[2]], z3 → RH2[[3]]}  
Out[35]= {0., 0., 0., 0., 0., 0., 0., 0.}
```

## Initialization of positions and velocities

### Positions

```
In[36]:= R0 = Flatten[{ROxygen, RH1, RH2}]  
Out[36]= {0., 0., 0., 0.0819342, 0, -0.0593667, -0.0819342, 0, -0.0593667}
```

### Velocities

```
In[37]:= kT = Quantity[1, "BoltzmannConstant"] * Quantity[293, "Kelvins"]  
Out[37]= 293 K k
```

$$\text{Thermal velocity of oxygen } v_{\text{th},O} = \sqrt{\frac{kT}{M_O}}$$

```
In[38]:= UnitConvert[Sqrt[kT / massO], "nanometers/picoseconds"]  
Out[38]= 0.390203276 nm/ps
```

```
In[39]:= vthOxygen =  
QuantityMagnitude[UnitConvert[Sqrt[kT / massO], "nanometers/picoseconds"]]  
Out[39]= 0.390203276
```

$$\text{Thermal velocity of hydrogen } v_{\text{th},H} = \sqrt{\frac{kT}{M_H}}$$

```
In[40]:= UnitConvert[Sqrt[kT / massH], "nanometers/picoseconds"]  
Out[40]= 1.560813105 nm/ps
```

```
In[41]:= vthH1 = QuantityMagnitude[UnitConvert[Sqrt[kT / massH], "nanometers/picoseconds"]]  
Out[41]= 1.560813105
```

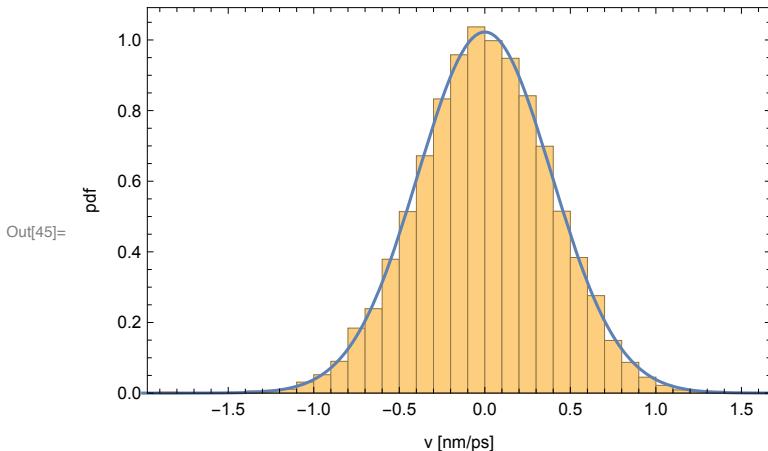
```
In[42]:= vthH2 = QuantityMagnitude[UnitConvert[Sqrt[kT / massH], "nanometers/picoseconds"]]  
Out[42]= 1.560813105
```

Chose velocities drawn from a Maxwell distribution

```
In[43]:= V0oxy = RandomVariate[NormalDistribution[0, vthOxygen], 3]  
Out[43]= {-0.00529634, 0.125866, -0.0146292}
```

```
In[44]:= vsample = RandomVariate[NormalDistribution[0, vthOxygen], 10 000];
```

```
In[45]:= Show[Histogram[vsample, 30, PDF, Frame -> True, FrameLabel -> {"v [nm/ps]", "pdf"}],  
Plot[PDF[NormalDistribution[0, vthOxygen], v], {v, -2, 2}]]
```



```
In[46]:= V0h1 = RandomVariate[NormalDistribution[0, vthH1], 3]
```

```
Out[46]= {-0.15357, -0.552495, -0.509473}
```

```
In[47]:= V0h2 = RandomVariate[NormalDistribution[0, vthH2], 3]
```

```
Out[47]= {-0.148851, -0.397633, -3.23434}
```

Vector of all initial velocities. These velocities include still a global translational and

```
In[48]:= V0 = Flatten[{V0oxy, V0h1, V0h2}]
```

```
Out[48]= {-0.00529634, 0.125866, -0.0146292, -0.15357,  
-0.552495, -0.509473, -0.148851, -0.397633, -3.23434}
```

## Mass matrix

```
In[49]:= mH = QuantityMagnitude[massH]
```

```
Out[49]= 1
```

```
In[50]:= m0 = QuantityMagnitude[mass0]
```

```
Out[50]= 16
```

Diagonal mass matrix for a convenient formulation of the MD algorithm

```
In[51]:= MatrixForm[M = DiagonalMatrix[N[{m0, m0, m0, mH, mH, mH, mH, mH, mH}]]]
```

```
Out[51]/MatrixForm=
```

$$\begin{pmatrix} 16. & 0. & 0. & 0. & 0. & 0. & 0. & 0. & 0. \\ 0. & 16. & 0. & 0. & 0. & 0. & 0. & 0. & 0. \\ 0. & 0. & 16. & 0. & 0. & 0. & 0. & 0. & 0. \\ 0. & 0. & 0. & 1. & 0. & 0. & 0. & 0. & 0. \\ 0. & 0. & 0. & 0. & 1. & 0. & 0. & 0. & 0. \\ 0. & 0. & 0. & 0. & 0. & 1. & 0. & 0. & 0. \\ 0. & 0. & 0. & 0. & 0. & 0. & 1. & 0. & 0. \\ 0. & 0. & 0. & 0. & 0. & 0. & 0. & 1. & 0. \\ 0. & 0. & 0. & 0. & 0. & 0. & 0. & 0. & 1. \end{pmatrix}$$

Inverse mass matrix

```
In[52]:= MatrixForm[Minv = Inverse[M]]
Out[52]//MatrixForm=
```

$$\begin{pmatrix} 0.0625 & 0. & 0. & 0. & 0. & 0. & 0. & 0. & 0. \\ 0. & 0.0625 & 0. & 0. & 0. & 0. & 0. & 0. & 0. \\ 0. & 0. & 0.0625 & 0. & 0. & 0. & 0. & 0. & 0. \\ 0. & 0. & 0. & 1. & 0. & 0. & 0. & 0. & 0. \\ 0. & 0. & 0. & 0. & 1. & 0. & 0. & 0. & 0. \\ 0. & 0. & 0. & 0. & 0. & 1. & 0. & 0. & 0. \\ 0. & 0. & 0. & 0. & 0. & 0. & 1. & 0. & 0. \\ 0. & 0. & 0. & 0. & 0. & 0. & 0. & 1. & 0. \\ 0. & 0. & 0. & 0. & 0. & 0. & 0. & 0. & 1. \end{pmatrix}$$

## MD integrator using the velocity Verlet algorithm

### Integration time step, trajectory length

Integration time step

```
In[53]:= Δt = 0.000001;
```

Number of steps for the full trajectory

```
In[54]:= Nt = 15 000;
```

Number of steps in the equilibration phase

```
In[55]:= NtEq = 5000;
```

Gap between scaling steps for the velocities

```
In[56]:= NgapScale = 50;
```

### Initialize empty trajectories

```
In[57]:= Rtraj = Table[Table[0, 9], Nt];
```

```
In[58]:= Vtraj = Table[Table[0, 9], Nt];
```

### MD loop

```
In[59]:= Rn = R0
```

```
Out[59]= {0., 0., 0., 0.0819342, 0, -0.0593667, -0.0819342, 0, -0.0593667}
```

```
In[60]:= Vn = V0
```

```
Out[60]= {-0.00529634, 0.125866, -0.0146292, -0.15357,
-0.552495, -0.509473, -0.148851, -0.397633, -3.23434}
```

```
In[61]:= Ekin0 = V0.M.V0 / 2
```

```
Out[61]= 5.74348
```

```
In[62]:= Fn = F /. Table[r[[k]] → Rn[[k]], {k, 1, 9}]
```

```
Out[62]= {0., 0., 0., 0., 0., 0., 0., 0.}
```

```

In[63]:= EkinTh = mO * 3 * vth0xygen^2 / 2 + mH * 3 vthH1^2 / 2 + mH * 3 vthH2^2 / 2
Out[63]= 10.96261897

In[64]:= EkinTh = QuantityMagnitude[UnitConvert[9 * kT / 2, "amu*nm^2/ps^2"]]
Out[64]= 10.96261897

In[65]:= Do[If[Mod[i, 1000] == 0, Print["Step: ", i]];
RnPlus1 = Rn + Δt * Vn;
FnPlus1 = F /. Table[r[[k]] → RnPlus1[[k]], {k, 1, 9}];
VnPlus1 = Vn + Δt * Minv.(Fn + FnPlus1) / 2;
EkinNPlus1 = VnPlus1.M.VnPlus1 / 2;
If[i ≤ NtEq,
  If[Mod[i, NgapScale] == 0, α = Sqrt[EkinTh / EkinNPlus1], α = 1], α = 1];
VnPlus1Scaled = α * VnPlus1;
Rtraj[[i]] = RnPlus1;
Vtraj[[i]] = VnPlus1Scaled;
EkinNPlus1Scaled = VnPlus1Scaled.M.VnPlus1Scaled / 2;
Rn = RnPlus1;
Vn = VnPlus1Scaled;
Fn = FnPlus1, {i, 1, Nt}]

Step: 1000
Step: 2000
Step: 3000
Step: 4000
Step: 5000
Step: 6000
Step: 7000
Step: 8000
Step: 9000
Step: 10 000
Step: 11 000
Step: 12 000
Step: 13 000
Step: 14 000
Step: 15 000

```

## Kinetic, potential and total energy

```

In[66]:= EkinTraj = Table[Vtraj[[i]].M.Vtraj[[i]] / 2, {i, 1, Nt}];
In[67]:= EpotTraj = Table[U /. Table[r[[k]] → Rtraj[[i, k]], {k, 1, 9}], {i, 1, Nt}];
In[68]:= EtotTraj = Table[Vtraj[[i]].M.Vtraj[[i]] / 2 + U /.
Table[r[[k]] → Rtraj[[i, k]], {k, 1, 9}], {i, 1, Nt}];

```

```
In[69]:= ListLinePlot[{EkinTraj, EpotTraj, EtotTraj},  
PlotRange -> All, PlotLegends -> {"Ekin", "Epot", "Etot"},  
AxesLabel -> {"time step", "Energy [a.m.u. nm2/ps2]"}]
```

