# Simulation of Materials - 2010 Using TANU SC Facilities

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  - Thermal Transport Alper Kinaci, Justin Haskins, Cem Sevik
  - Si-Ge nanocrystals, nanowires Dundar Yilmaz, Cem Sevik



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TAMU Super Computing Facility

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# Design/Characterization Through Modeling Paradigm





# Multiscale Simulation and Modeling Hierarchy







Planar shock-spall simulations are designed via following plate-target configuration 50-200 ps duration time Target size : 768000 atoms (flyer is half in size) 8.4nm x 8.4nm x 200nm (4.2x4.2 and 16.8x16.8 were also examined) A target length of 1.2 micron was also attempted



# Void Nucleation

For Up= 0.5 km/s, Viewed along the shock direction.

Atomeye program is used for visualization







# Shear strain at different shock loadings







# Rarefaction, Spallation in Pd with grain boundary









M. Mani-Biswas, T. Cagin, "Shape memory effect in MOFs", to be submitted.

# Simulation Studies on Carbon-Nanotube Scaffold for Hydrogen Storage



#### **Mousumi Mani Biswas**











#### Sca

- (6,6), diameter 8.14 Å
- (9,9), diameter 12.20 Å
- (12,12), diameter 16.27 Å
- (15,15) diameter 20.34 Å
- (18, 18) diameter 24.4 Å,



Crosslinking agent, methylene di-aniline (length ~11 Å), attached after every

- 4 layers (4L), distance 9.8 Å,
- 7 layers (7L), distance 17.2 Å
- 9 layers (9L) distance 22.1 Å
- 12 layers (12L) distance 29.5 Å
- of benzene rings (on the CNT) along the length of the tube.





4

3

2

3.5

2.5

1.5

0.5

1

0

3



**Pressure (bar)** 

- Maximum total capacity 3.86 wt% at 298K, 100 bar without reaching saturation and 14.4 wt% with (18,18), 12L scaffold, at 77 K,100 bar
- Sorption capacity at 77 K matches reported values by other researchers,
  - Darkrim and Levesque reported a total capacity of 11.2 wt% at 10 MPa (100 bar), 77 K with tube diameter 22 Å and inter-tube spacing of 11 Å.
- Capacity of Ar filled tubes (closed tubes) is half of open tubes.

**Pressure (bar)** 





#### Empty Scaffold- side view



#### (6,6) 12L, 77K

#### Scaffold- Top view





### High Interaction near the linker & inside tube wall







Li has almost vertical alignment along the tube wall, occupying the center point of the benzene ring (similar to the observation by other researchers)

Tubes are charged. Some lithium attached on the linker also.





### 298 K w/o Li



### 298 K with Li



#### 243 K with Li



Thickness of high interaction zone increases in presence of Li<sup>+1</sup>



Metal Organic Framework (MOF) for High Capacity Hydrogen Storage and Delivery M. Mani Biswas, T. Cagin

- Crystalline material
  - Metal oxide clusters at vertexes,
  - Connected by organic linkers.
- Porous, large surface area (2500 5000 m<sup>2</sup>/gm)
- Low density (0.59 gm/cc)
- Crystals can be designed
  - Geometry, pore size can be varied (3.8 30 Å)
  - Linker molecule of different chemistry can be chosen
  - Selective storage of guest molecule inside free volume
    - Hydrogen gas storage, gas separation
    - Drug delivery vehicle
- Designable property
  - Catalysis, molecular detection





Ref: Li, H.; Eddaoudi, M.; O.Keeffe, M.; Yaghi, O. M., (1999) Design and synthesis of an exceptionally stable and highly porous metal-organic framework, *Nature*, 402, p. 276.





Theoretical Investigation using Classical MD simulations and Quantum Level calculationproperties of Metal Organic Frameworks (MOF) for efficient hydrogen storage and delivery







Domain Wall: Interface of polarization domains



http://www.materials.leeds.ac.uk/ luec/ActMats/Domain2.jpg Determine piezoelectric
 response and macroscopic
 polarization

o Fatigue switchable polarization

- O Used in many applications
  - RAM
  - Actuators
  - Transducers
  - Sensors

Zhang, Cagin, Goddard, PNAS 103, 14695 (2006); Cagin et al, CMES 24, 215 (2008); Majdoub, Sharma, Cagin, PRB 78, 12407 (2008); PRB 77, 125424 (2008) J. Haskins, A. Kinaci, T. Cagin in progress.





Simulations excel in investigating nanostructures and the origin of bulk properties.







PZT nanotubes for memory devices

Nonlinearly strained cantilever polarization enhancement





### Temperature behavior of PZT calculated by polarizable



Time (ps)



### Hysteresis behavior of PT and PZT.





The simulations shows characteristic ferroelectric hysteresis behavior.





# **Transport Properties**



Diffusion of water in Peptide Nanotubes is faster compared with equivalent diameters of CNTS.

Self Diffusion Coeficient

$$\left\langle \left(x(t+\Delta t)-x(t)\right)^2\right\rangle = 6*D*t$$

Einstein's Relationship

DETAILS From the analysis of curves of mean square displacement along axial direction.



System	Diameter (A)	Diff. coeff. (calc) $cm^2/s$ (1 * 10 <sup>5</sup> )
Bulk water	_	2.17
12-peptide	14	1.23
(15,15) CNT	15	0.41
8-peptide	8.8	0.41
(9,9) CNT	8.6	0.25
(8,8) CNT	7.2	0.13



time (ps)



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# **Mechanical Properties**



Stress-Strain



SIDE CHAIN- SIDE CHAIN INTERTUBULAR HYDROPHOBIC INTERACTIONS

HYDROGEN BONDING INTERACTION ALONG THE NANOTUBES



Experimental Young Modulus reported for Peptide Nanotubes :19GPa. Self-Assembled Peptide Nanotubes Are Uniquely Rigid Bioinspired Supramolecular Structures. Nano Lett., 2005, 5 (7), pp 1343 § 1346



 $\Delta E = \frac{Vo}{2} \sum C_{IJ} \eta_{I} \eta_{J} + \frac{Vo}{6} \sum C_{IJK} \eta_{I} \eta_{J} \eta_{K}$ 

Cij	value(Gpa)	value(Gpa)	
C11	8.09	C66	0.77
C22	10.16	C12	6.56
C33	19.65	C13	9.56
C44	1.23	C14	0.57
C55	1.23	C23	9.59





# CPNTs as Artificial Ion Channels Ion Transport in presence of Electric Field



Cl- ions between the nanotubes

K+ ions inside the nanotube

Selectivity for cations was observed in the CPNT channel.



Simulation Details:

CPNT membrane was solvated and ionized with 0.5M of KCL and 0.5M NaCl respectively. Minimization, Heating, NPT dynamics (equilibration) NVT simulation at equilibrated system under effect of E field Different Electric Fields were applied along z direction. E= 0V/nm. 0.1 V/nm, 0.2 V/nm. 0.3 V/nm, 0.4 V/nm, 0.5 V/nm 12-peptide and 10-peptide channels were studied







#### 0.5 0.4 - KCI - NaCl 0.3 MSD 0.2 0.1 0.0 -25 5 10 15 20 30 35 time (ps)

Comparison in radial distribution function peaks and Diffusion coefficients was in good agreement with ion transport in similar ion channels (1).

(1) Hu, Z. Q. & Jiang, J. W. Biophys J 95, 4148-4156 (2008).

Comparison of	Diffusion	Coefficients
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Ion	Diffusion Coeff. [m <sup>2</sup> /s]
K+	$0.07 \ge 10^{-11}$
Na+	$0.09 \ge 10^{-11}$







# Investigations of Magnetic Materials using TAMU Supercomputing Facilities

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<u>Faculty</u> Tahir Çağin, CHEN Ibrahim Karaman, MEEN Jairo Sinova, PHYS

> Ferromagnetic ordering in  $L2_1$ Ni<sub>2</sub>MnIn. Calculated with VASP on **hydra**. Image rendered with VESTA.

Case Study #1 Magnetic Shape Memory Alloys



http://www.dynamicpatents.com/tag/medtronic/

**Goal**: Predict vibrational stability of different SMA phases. Use phonon dispersions to derive thermodynamic properties of each phase.

### **Technical Details**:

High symmetry phase

- Cubic structure w/ 16 atoms
- 2×2×2 supercell = 128 atoms
- 3 independent displacements that break *all* symmetry
- Low symmetry phase
- Tetragonal structure w/ 8 atoms
- 2×2×2 supercell = 64 atoms
- 6 independent displacements that break *all* symmetry

Need 9 sets of DFT calculations on 64/128-atom structures with no simplifying symmetry.



# ©ase Study #1 Magnetic Shape Memory Alloys

**Results**: Phonon dispersion calculations reveal vibrational instability in high-symmetry SMA phase.

Ni<sub>2</sub>MnIn shows same vibrational instability as Ni<sub>2</sub>MnGa.

Phonon dispersion of L21 NiMnIn



Phonon dispersion of L10 NiMnIn





# Case Study #1 Magnetic Shape Memory Alloys

**Results**: Thermodynamics of free energy surfaces show no tetragonal  $\leftrightarrow$  cubic phase transformation at finite temperatures.



Case Study #2 Hall Conductivity in Magnetic Metals

**Goal**: Understand how relativistic effects (i.e. spin-orbit coupling) alter electron population in energy bands.

### **Technical Details**:

Magnetic iron lattice w/
2 possible spin states
per electron (up or down)

Spin-orbit coupling makes spin direction-dependent
Magnetic "vector" on each electron is assigned 3 components



J. Inoue and H. Ohno. Science: 309 (2005).

Need to populate iron's 8 valence electrons, each with 3 magnetic degrees of freedom, into 40 energy bands along 4 high-symmetry lines in the 1<sup>st</sup> Brillouin zone. Numerical precision requires evaluation at 500 points along each line.



# Hall Conductivity in Magnetic Metals

**Results**: DFT with spin-orbit coupling can generate electronic band diagrams with band "anti-crossings."

These crossings can be used to estimate the intrinsic contribution to the anomalous Hall conductivity in a ferromagnetic metal.



Case Study #2







**Performance:** Dimensionless figure of merit ZT

$$ZT = \frac{\sigma S^2}{(\kappa_e + \kappa_L)}T$$

- $\sigma$  : electrical conductivity
- κ : thermal conductivity (κelectronic + κlattice)
- S : Seebeck coefficient

# **Predicting Thermoelectric Performance**

# Lattice contribution

K

- MD force field fitting to correct phonon dispersion

- Lattice thermal conductivity by Green-Kubo fluctuation-dissipation theory or direct thermal gradient application

### Electronic contribution S, σ, κ<sub>e</sub>

- Ground state electronic band structure calculations using density functional theory

- Boltzmann Transport calculations over electronic bands in relaxation time approximation



### ThermoElectrics, Performance Criteria: Figure of Merit



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К<sub>е</sub>

 $K_{I}$ 

#### **Problem :** Inter-dependence of $\sigma$ , $\kappa$ and S through carrier concentration.

**Carrier Concentration** 



- GF Wang and T. Cagin, Phys. Rev. B 75 (2007) 075201
- C. Sevik, T. Cagin, in progress
- A. Kinaci, C. Sevik, T. Cagin, in progress



# **Transport Properties From Ab initio Theory**

Choice Add University







New trends in thermoelectrics: Complex oxides and structural miniaturization (superlattices, nanowire, quantumdots ...)



properties of SrTiO3





### **Transport Coefficients of La and Nb Doped SrTiO3**



Predicted transport coefficients of La doped SrTiO3 at different La concentrations

<sup>a</sup>Ohta et al. (2005), <sup>b</sup>Muta et al. (2003)

Predicted transport coefficients of Nb doped SrTiO3 at different Nb concentrations

<sup>a</sup>Ohta et al. (2005), <sup>b</sup>Kato et al. (2007)

#### Almost perfect match of S-T behavior between experimental and simulation

A. Kinaci, C. Sevik and T. Cagin, "Electronic Transport Properties of SrTiO3 and its Alloys: Sr1-xLaxTiO3 and SrTi1-xMxO3, M = Nb,Ta", submitted to PRB



### Modeling of Thermal Transport Thermal Management Systems Thermoelectrics



Develop and Apply molecular level methods for thermal transport.

Molecular Dynamics and Boltzmann Transport Equation based simulation methods are developed, implemented and applied in studying these problem.





### **Phonon Scattering in Ultra-Thin Superlattices**





# Stress-Corrosion Cracking (SCC) in Fe

- Concerns vast range of application
- Combined influence of stress & corrosive environment
- SCC is proved to be connected to GB
  - introduction of impurity element
  - giving no sign of warnings



(Source: Corrosion testing lab)





• Carbon ties strongly

Binding energy

• GB0 & GB+/-2 are favorite sites: geometry other than chemistry



### Behavior of Sulfur segregation



Fig. Average binding energy of Sulfur as function of layer occupation



# of S occupation in one layer



Tab. Behavior of GB cell under S attachment a, b, c - size of GB cell in x, y, and z dimaentions, respectively d - distance between GB3 & GB-3

layer	# of occ.	a, Å	b, Å	c, Å	d, Å	- Eb/S, eV
clean cell	0	6.92	7.99	20.29	3.15	
GB0	1	6.92	8.00	20.47	3.51	-5.14
	2	6.92	8.03	20.60	3.61	-5.22
	3	6.96	8.00	20.75	3.68	-5.11
	4	6.96	8.02	20.84	4.27	-5.06
GB0 & GB2	8	6.89	7.96	22.12	5.36	-4.86
GB0 & GB2 & GB-2	12	6.94	8.02	22.12	4.95	-4.46



8S

12 S

- z-expansion due to GB separation
- S atoms expose repulsive forces
- interactions around GB broken



### Behavior of GB cell under P, N, C and B attachment



Elements	# of occ.	∆a, Å	Δb, Å	Δc, Å	Δd, Å	- Eb/S, eV
Р	1	0.00	0.00	0.19	0.34	-6.78
	2	0.00	0.00	0.37	0.45	-7.46
	4	0.01	0.02	0.60	1.15	-7.41
	8	-0.04	-0.06	0.80	1.14	-6.22
	12	0.10	-0.14	1.13	1.25	-5.91
N	1	0.03	-0.01	-0.02	0.29	-8.80
	2	0.02	0.05	-0.03	0.39	-8.95
	4	0.09	-0.01	0.04	0.41	-7.92
	8	0.16	-0.10	-0.08	0.17	-8.15
	12	0.22	-0.21	-0.30	-0.25	-7.74
С	1	0.02	0.00	-0.01	0.25	-9.38
	2	0.02	0.04	-0.02	0.31	-9.40
	4	-0.02	-0.01	0.21	0.56	-8.85
	8	-0.05	-0.05	0.13	0.39	-7.92
	12	-0.19	-0.23	0.53	0.33	-7.42
В	1	-0.01	-0.01	0.08	0.25	-7.98
	2	-0.01	-0.02	0.18	0.27	-7.96
	4	-0.04	-0.04	0.40	0.81	-7.94
	8	-0.07	-0.10	0.20	0.61	-6.98
	12	-0.16	-0.18	0.50	0.52	-6.39



Fig. Comparative separation of Fe  $\Sigma$ 3 (111) GB under the attack of different impurity atoms (S, P, N, C, B)







Fig. Behavior of Fe  $\Sigma$ 3 (111) GB due to the precipitation of C, B, P and N

- The same binding tendency to a specific locations at GB
- Little interactions from impurity particles on the same layer
- S & P causes the separation of GB, which may initiate cracks
- B & C have little effects on GB mechanical properties
- N weakens the GB structure through formations of cavities and voids





### First Principles DFT+U studies on (Ce,Th) O2 alloys

- Structure, Mechanics, Dynamics, Alloying of CeO2 and ThO2
- C. Sevik, T. Cagin, "Mechanical and electronic properties of CeO2, ThO2, and (Ce, Th)O2 alloys" submitted to Phys Rev B. (2009)

Calculated lattice parameters, mechanical properties for CexTh1-xO16.

	a0	B0	C11	C12	C44	Alloy
LSDA+U	5.571	214	379	131	104	Ce1Th7O16
LDA	5.507	216	386	131	95	
LSDA+U	5.548	215	382	132	101	Ce2Th6O16
LDA	5.488	215	385	130	92	
LSDA+U	5.500	213	382	129	96	Ce4Th4O16
LDA	5.448	210	379	126	87	
LSDA+U	5.450	215	386	130	88	Ce6Th2O16
LDA	5.405	209	377	125	79	
LSDA+U	5.425	216	388	130	85	Ce7Th1O16
LDA	5.383	208	376	124	76	



#### High speed particle impact on atomic scale

- Radiation damage, degradation and embitterment (nuclear material shields, space gadgets etc.)
- Ion implantation, deposition (semiconductor device  $\sigma$  production)
- Surface modification (surface hardening, corrosion resistance etc.)







#### **Molecular Dynamics simulations of irradiation process**



Thermal spike and following thermalization in Cu-Ni superlattice



Simulation of microstructure evolution under irradiation in Cu-Ni superlattice



### **Coarse Grain Molecular Dynamics**

Groups of atoms represented by a single bead

- Used for complex molecules in biosciences (proteins, DNA)
- Used in simulations of entangled polymer melts

CG-PMMA model: 6 beads







### Polyimide-nanotube composites for electro-active materials

A. Chakrabarty, T. Cagin, Polymer J., (2010)

- (ß CN)APB/ODPA Polyimide
- Piezoelectric polyimide
- Exceptional thermal, mechanical, and dielectric properties
- Amorphous in nature
- Potential use in high temperature application







# Magnetic Shape Memory Alloys

-Ni<sub>2</sub>MnIn

- Heusler alloy structure ۲ - L21 in austenite phase
- Ferromagnetic due to • separation of magnetic moments residing on Y atoms
- Ni<sub>2</sub>MnGa most extensively studied, with reported recoverable strains  $\approx 10\%$  in the martensite phase





http://sun.vmi.edu/hall/afpics.htm



http://www.riken.jp/labwww/nanomag/research/heusler e.html







# Magnetostructural Coupling in Ni<sub>2</sub>MnIn

We apply volumeconserving strains to determine the magnetomechanical response: -tetragonal shear

$$\varepsilon = \begin{bmatrix} \delta & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & \delta & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & \frac{-\delta^2 - 2\delta}{(\delta + 1)^2} \end{bmatrix}$$

-pure shear

$$\varepsilon = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & \delta & 0 \\ \delta & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & \frac{\delta^2}{1 - \delta^2} \end{bmatrix}$$







