Simulation Methods for Condensed Matter Systems GCI - Computational Physics Group

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Our Realm

developing and application of computational methods, at various length scales, for condensed phase materials: static, dynamical, electronic and optical properties

systems: surface/interfaces, biomolecules, polymers, liquid, amorphous and crystalline phases

Methods

- Classical MD, quantum MD
- Coarse Grained
- Classical and Quantum MonteCarlo
- DFT and Many Body derived methods

Main Research Lines

- Rare events methods for energy and biology (Ciccotti-Bonella)
- Mixed quantum-classical dynamics methods (Ciccotti-Bonella)
- Coupled electron-ion Quantum MonteCarlo Pierleoni)
- Classical MD applied to Nanostructures (Bonella, Chiodo)
- Excited states dynamics (Bonella)
- Electronic and optical properties of nanostructures and molecules (Chiodo)

solid state physics

- ab initio study of reduced-dimensionality systems (surfaces, interfaces, nanocrystals) and of organic-inorganic hybrid systems
- Ground state properties: Density Functional Theory DFT
- Excited state properties: Time Dependent DFT, and Many Body Perturbation Theory based techniques (GW, sc-COSHEX, BSE)

Most Recent Applications

- hydropathicity of small biologic molecules
- hydrogen and hydrogen-helium in extreme conditions (J. Chem. Phys. 134, 184505 (2011))
- polymeric solutions (Soft Matter 8, 5151-5167 (2012))
- silver self-aggregated nanostructures (Nanoscale, 4, 2362-2371 (2012))
- solid state hydrogen storage in sodium alanates (Phys. Chem. Chem. Phys. 13, 10546 (2011))
- oxides for PV and PC applications (J. Chem. Phys. 135, 244704 (2011))
- d-metal surfaces (Phys. Rev. Lett. 108, 126402 (2012))

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