

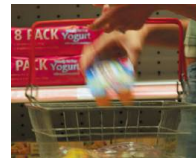
# CONTAMINATION DES ALIMENTS EMBALLES



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WHY ARE THEY SO INDISPENSABLE ?  
SHIFTING NEEDS ?



# SOURCES OF CONTAMINATION = PACKAGING MATERIALS

CONTAMINANTS = PACKAGING SUBSTANCES (additives, monomers, residuals)



*Non food grade materials may be recycled with food grade materials.*





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### Food Contact Materials - Emerging Issues

The use of **recycled materials** and the design of **active and intelligent food packaging** are new trends. Active packaging is intended to extend the shelf life of the packaged food, while intelligent packaging monitors the conditions of packaged foods to give information about the quality of the food. Under review is how far these new packaging systems are covered by existing legislation and its amendments and/or new Directives are necessary to address these items.

The current approach for the authorisation and control of substances used in food contact materials is cautious in estimating the potential exposure of the consumer to these substances. Approaches which take better account of the actual **exposure of the consumer to food contact materials** in risk assessment are under discussion.

The use of **mathematical modelling** to predict migration, which can reduce the amount of tests to be undertaken, has been recently introduced into legislation. Practical examples for the application of this new concept are described in the "[Practical Guide](#)." 

[ITX in babymilk](#) 

Standing Committee on the Food Chain and Animal Health, Section Toxicological Safety, [Conclusions](#)  of the meeting of 30 November 2005 with respect to the presence of isopropylthioxanthone (ITX) in milk for babies and other products.

#### Commission statement on EFSA Opinion on ITX

The European Commission has noted EFSA's advice of 9 December 2005 that the presence of ITX (2-Isopropylthioxanthone) in food, whilst undesirable, does not raise health concerns at the levels reported. ITX is a

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## Chemical found in baby food jars

**Baby food manufacturers have been urged to change the way they package their products amid fears over cancer.**

The European Food Safety Authority says it has found traces of a potentially dangerous chemical in some jars.

Officials said there was no need for parents to stop giving their children food from jars because the cancer risk is extremely low.

However, they recommended that manufacturers consider introducing safer packaging.

### Cancer-causing chemical

The chemical, semicarbazide (SEM), has been found in very small quantities in some jars of food.

The authority said the chemical was not found in any particular type of food but rather food that was packaged in a specific way.

This included food sold in glass jars with metal lids, containing sealant gaskets.

The report says: "The foods that have been reported to contain SEM include baby foods, fruit juices, jams and preserves, honey



Many babies are given food from jars

**“ The risk to consumers resulting from the possible presence of semicarbazide in foods, if any, is judged to be very small ”**

Dr Sue Barlow,

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"The risk is extremely small"

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# SAFE FOOD PACKAGING PORTAL

Welcome to our research server

This site is dedicated to the development of **decisions tools** based on *numerical simulation* and *databases* for the **food packaging** community.

- The initial idea is to translate in a short way laboratory made computational tools into operative tools:
- for **compliance verification** according to the EU plastics directive 2002/72/EC,
  - to optimize the design of **safe packaging** materials (with reduced migration),
  - to assess the contamination level of packaged food available on the market (**risk assessment**),
  - to contribute to the evaluation of the **consumer exposure** to substances originating from plastic materials

Click [here](#) to see some snapshots (the content depends on previous runs). Videos are freely available in the section "virtual experiments". Publications, which are relevant with the content of this site, are given [here](#).

**Visitors/users**, who are mainly interested in **COMPLIANCE TESTING** of food contact materials (FCM), are invited to follow first this link and to take a look at this webinar.

### Functionalities which have been implemented via a web interface:

- molecular calculations, 3D visualization, search of molecules
- decision trees,
- simulation of the diffusion in 1D and 2D (free geometry),
- recycled materials with functional barriers (with processing and storage considerations).

### Current developments (testing phase) based on probabilistic simulation/modeling include:

- MIGRARISK**: modeling under uncertainties and variabilities (application to the risk of contamination of foodstuffs by substances originating from packaging materials),
- EXPORISK**: exposure assessment at the scale of a group/pattern of consumers, households (for restricted users).

- Food packaging safety (QSPR-MS)
  - getting started
  - search molecules
  - classification of D
  - robust D values
  - strong D overestimates
  - monolayer materials
  - multilayer materials
  - research group
- Recycled materials (PROCESS STORAGE)
  - getting started
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  - effect of dilution (long term)
  - effect of partitioning (long term)
  - effect of Biot number (long term)
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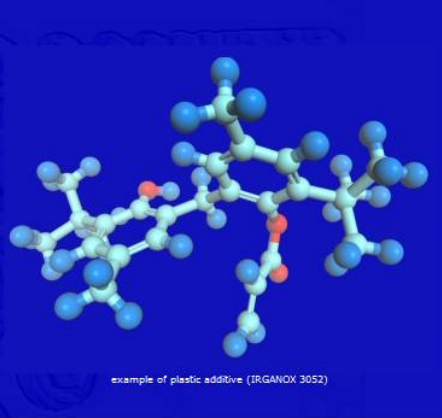
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project description (English)  
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- LAST IMPROVEMENTS (non exhaustive)**
- new databases (EaD, EaK, S, EaS), HTML code within database fields
  - on line databases on D and K values
  - multilayers improvements
  - better communication between modules
  - crossed links between pages
  - advanced search of molecules
  - fast preview of molecules
  - some new videos
  - presentation of Luigi Rossi (DG SANCO, EU Commission)

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## 2 QUESTIONS VERROUS

**NOTRE DEMARCHE:** UTILISER NOS CONNAISSANCES « *PHYSICO-CHIMIQUES* » POUR EVALUER LE RISQUE DE CONTAMINATION DES ALIMENTS EMBALLEES ET L'EXPOSITION DU CONSOMMATEUR



**EVALUATION DE L'EXPOSITION DU CONSOMMATEUR A PARTIR DE DONNEES DE CONTAMINATION SIMULEES (MULTISOURCES, PRATIQUES DES MENAGES)**

Niveau de difficulté: faible à moyen



**PREDIRE LES COEFFICIENTS DE DIFFUSION DES ADDITIFS DANS LES MATRICES PLASTIQUES PAR SIMULATION DE LA DYNAMIQUE MOLECULAIRE**

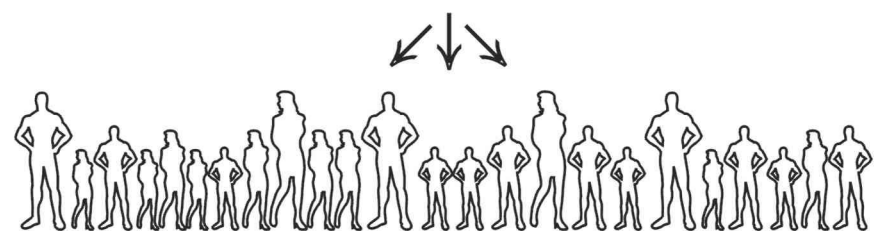
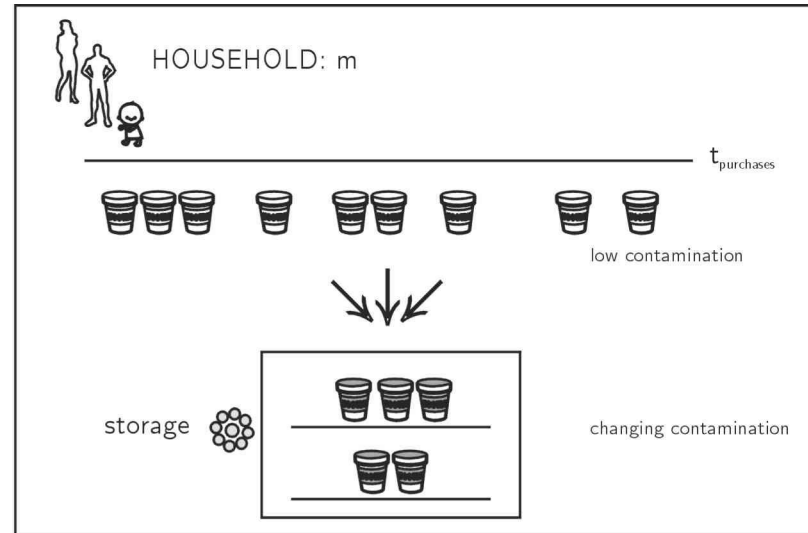
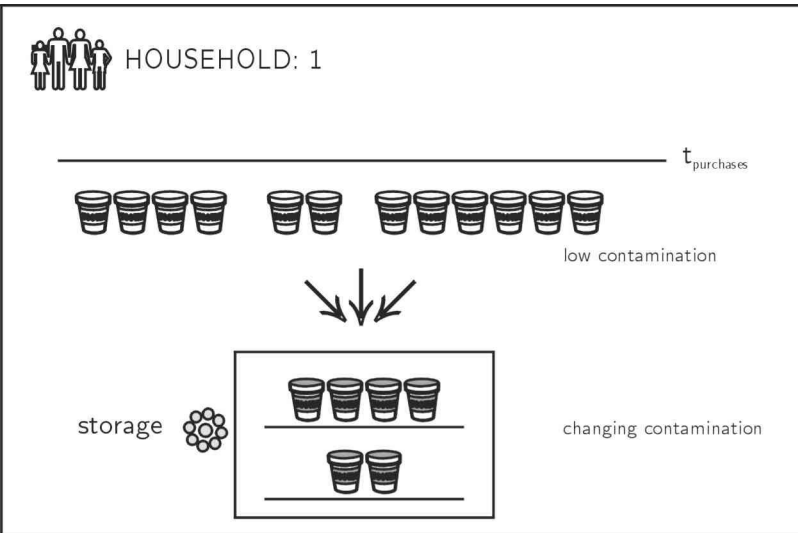
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# EVALUATION DE L'EXPOSITION DU CONSOMMATEUR A PARTIR DE DONNEES DE CONTAMINATION SIMULEES



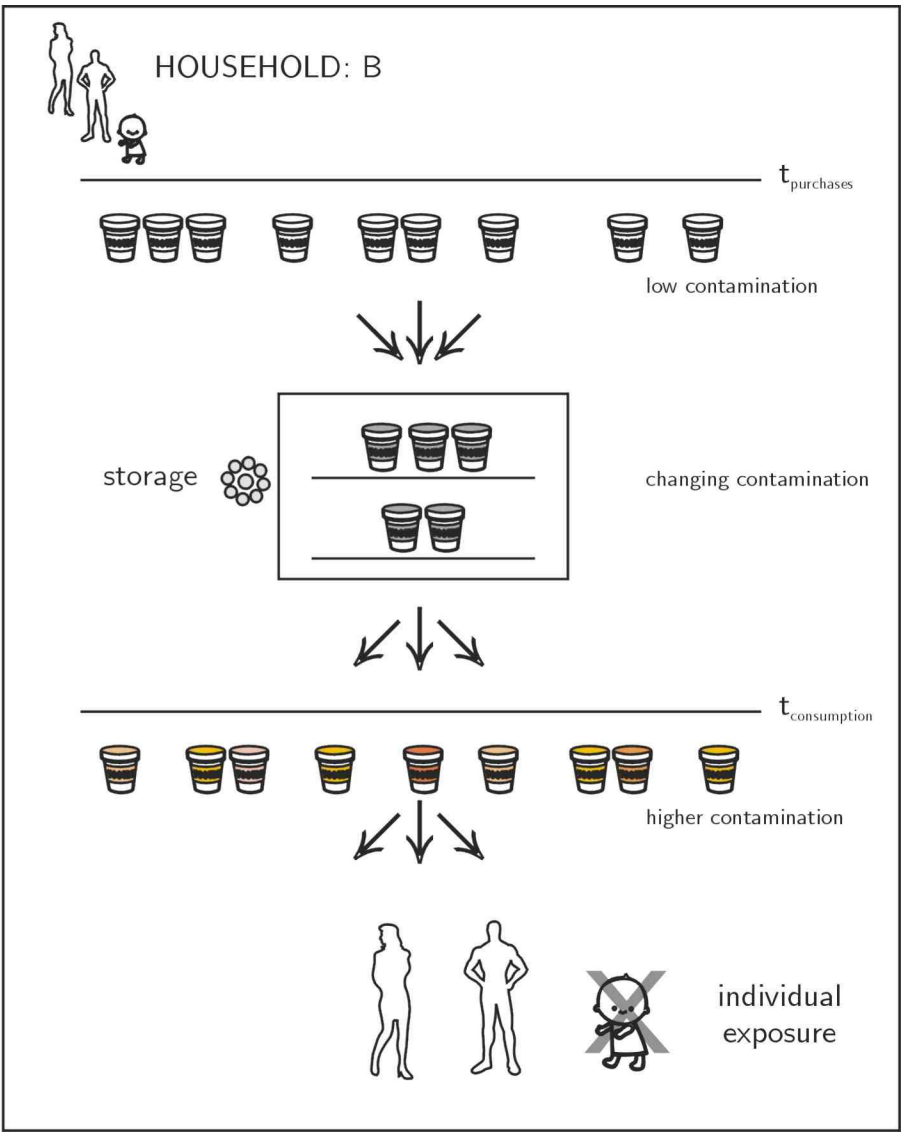
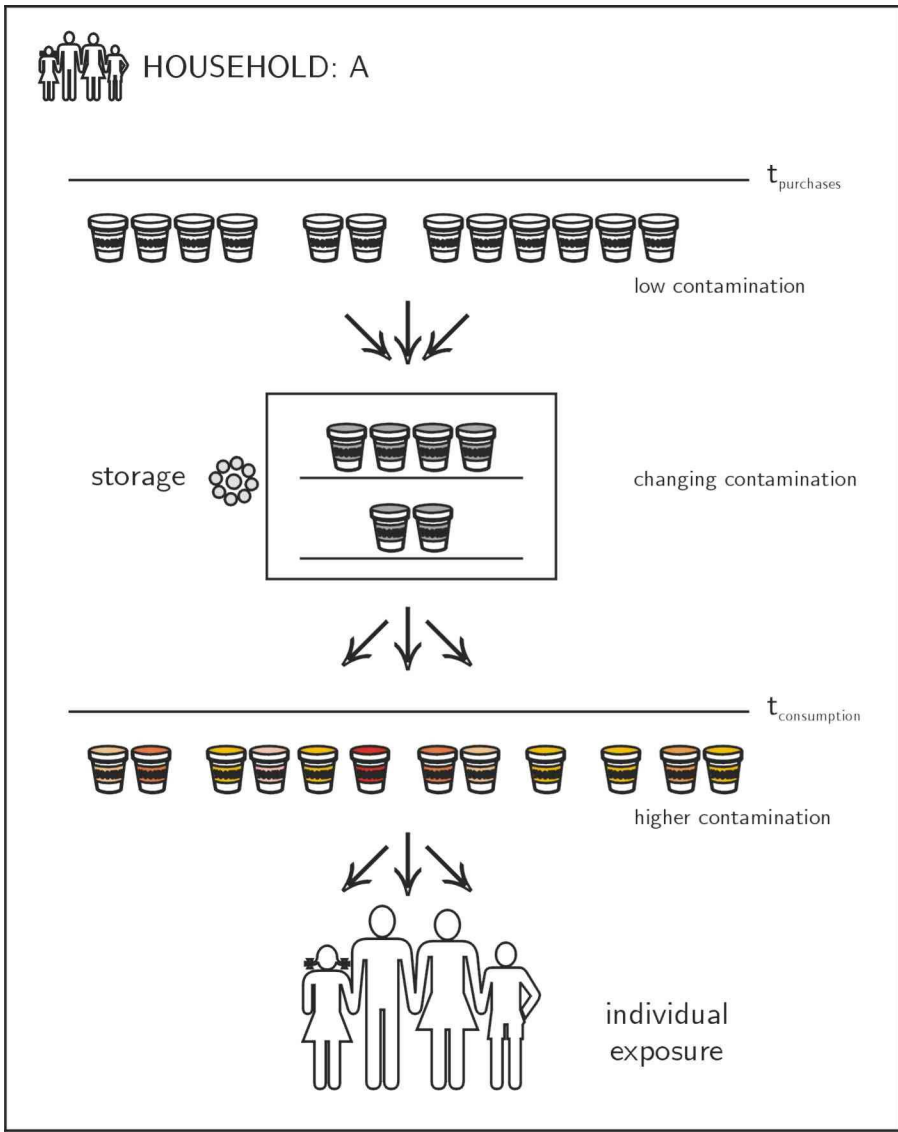
# CONVENTIONAL DESCRIPTION

## CONTAMINATION AND CONSUMPTION ARE INDEPENDENT



individual exposure

# OBJECTIVES: DETAILED RISK ANALYSIS



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$$E_{k^{th} \text{ individual}} = \frac{1}{365} \cdot \sum_{i=1}^{\overbrace{N_k}^{\text{yearly consumption}}} \underbrace{M_0|_i}_{\text{food weight}} \cdot \underbrace{C_F|_i}_{\text{contamination}}^{(Fo|_i, Bi, K, L)}$$

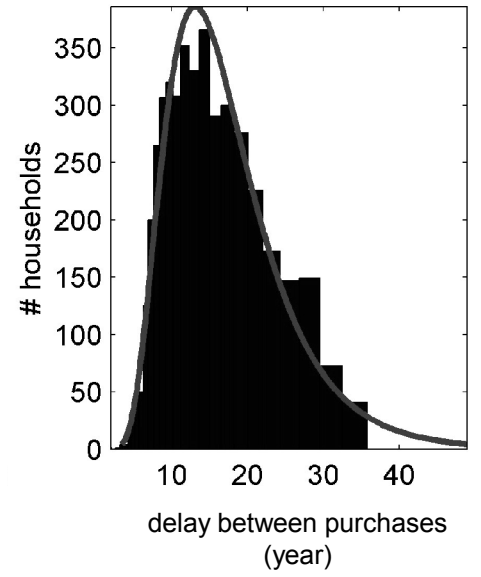
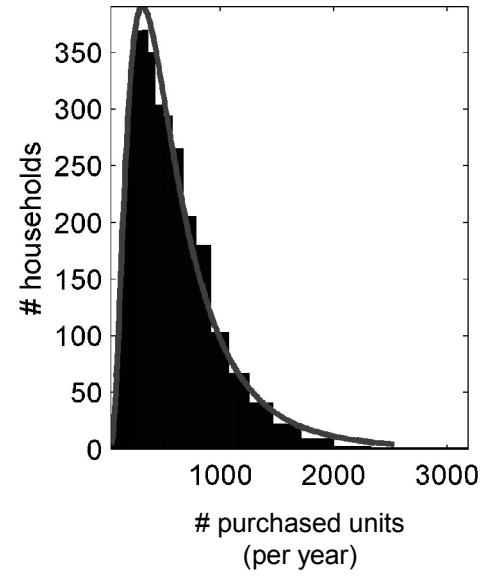
kg·day<sup>-1</sup>·person<sup>-1</sup>


$$p_r(E \leq y)_{\text{household / individual scale}} = f \left( \begin{array}{l} \text{food product } \mathbf{s}, \text{ packaging material } \mathbf{s}, \text{ migrant } [\mathbf{s}] \\ \text{storage cond } \mathbf{s}, \text{ uncertainty} \\ \text{consumption scenario } \mathbf{s} \end{array} \right)$$

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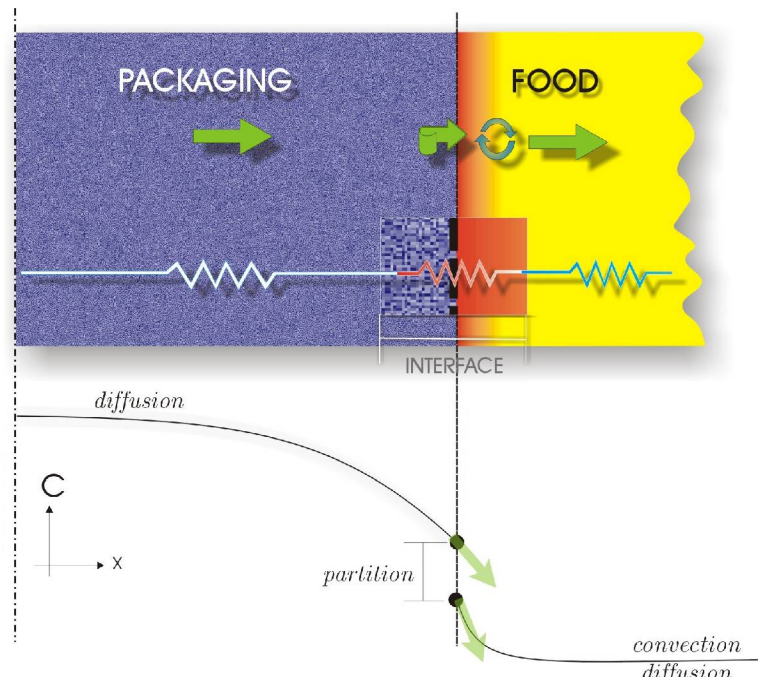
 PURCHASE DATA  
(ex. yogurts)



 OUR KNOWLEDGE  
(physico-chemistry  
Scenarios)

$$p_r(C_F \leq x) = \int \left( \begin{array}{l} \text{food, packaging, migrant [s]} \\ \text{storage cond., uncertainty} \end{array} \right)$$

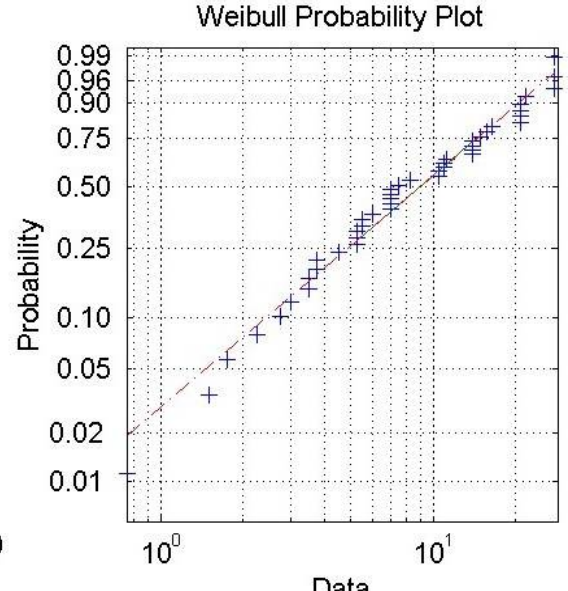
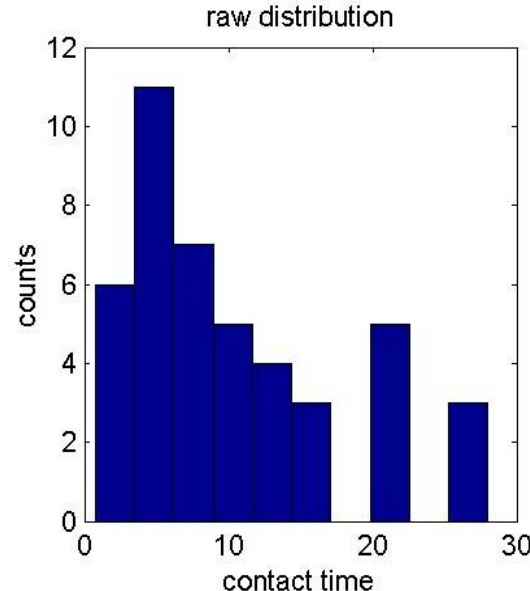
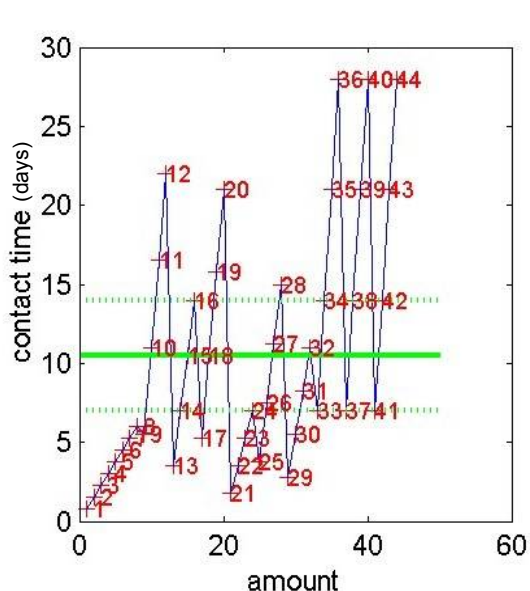
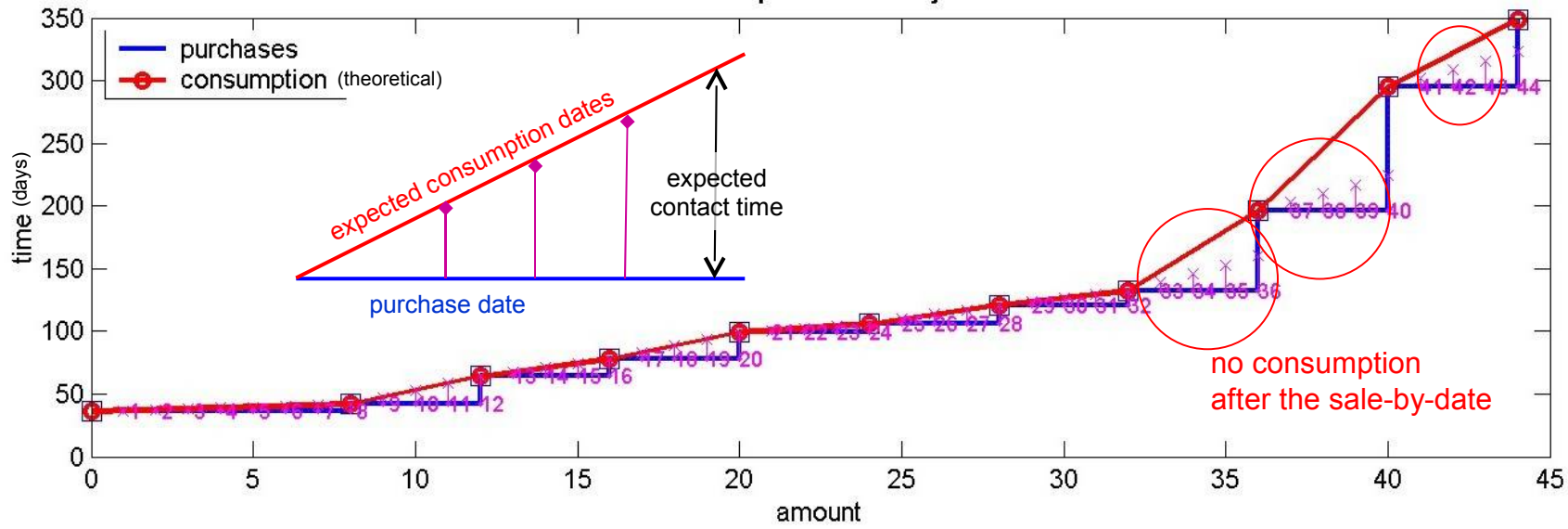
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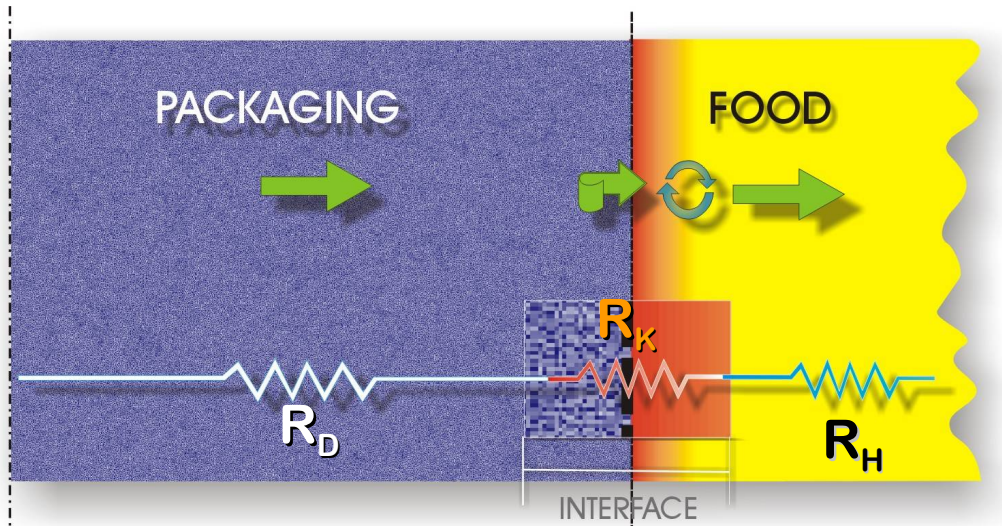
# FROM PURCHASE DATA TO CONTACT TIMES

EXAMPLE:  
YEARLY PURCHASE  
OF YOGURTS OF  
A HOUSEHOLD

Food contact time reconstruction  
from product history



# FROM CONTACT TIMES TO THE CONTAMINATION PREDICTION



$0 \leq u \leq 1$	Brownian density [-]
$Fo = \frac{t \cdot D}{l^2}$	dimensionless time [-]
$x^* = \frac{x}{l}$	dimensionless position [-]
$L = \frac{V_{\text{pack}} \rho_{\text{pack}}}{V_{\text{food}} \rho_{\text{food}}}$	dilution coefficient [-]
$K = \frac{v(1)}{u(1)}$	partition coefficient [-]
$Bi = \frac{R_D}{R_H} = \frac{h \cdot l}{D}$	Biot number [-]

$h$	mass transfer coefficient [m·s <sup>-1</sup> ]
$D$	diffusion coefficient [m <sup>2</sup> ·s <sup>-1</sup> ]
$t$	contact time [s]
$l$	thickness of the layer in contact [m]
$c_0$	initial concentration in packaging [kg·kg <sup>-1</sup> ]

Transport equation  $\frac{\partial u}{\partial Fo} = \frac{\partial u}{\partial x^*} \quad 0 \leq x^* \leq 1$

BC & IC  $\begin{cases} j^* = -\frac{\partial u}{\partial x^*} \Big|_{x^*=1} = Bi \cdot K \cdot \left( u_{x^*=1} - \frac{\bar{v}^*}{K} \right) ; \frac{\partial u}{\partial x^*} \Big|_{x^*=0} = 0 \\ u_{(x,Fo=0)} = 1 \end{cases}$

Migrant balance  $\begin{cases} \bar{u} + \frac{\bar{v}_\infty}{L} \cdot \bar{v}^* = 1 \\ \bar{v}_\infty = \left( \frac{1}{K} + \frac{1}{L} \right)^{-1} \end{cases}$

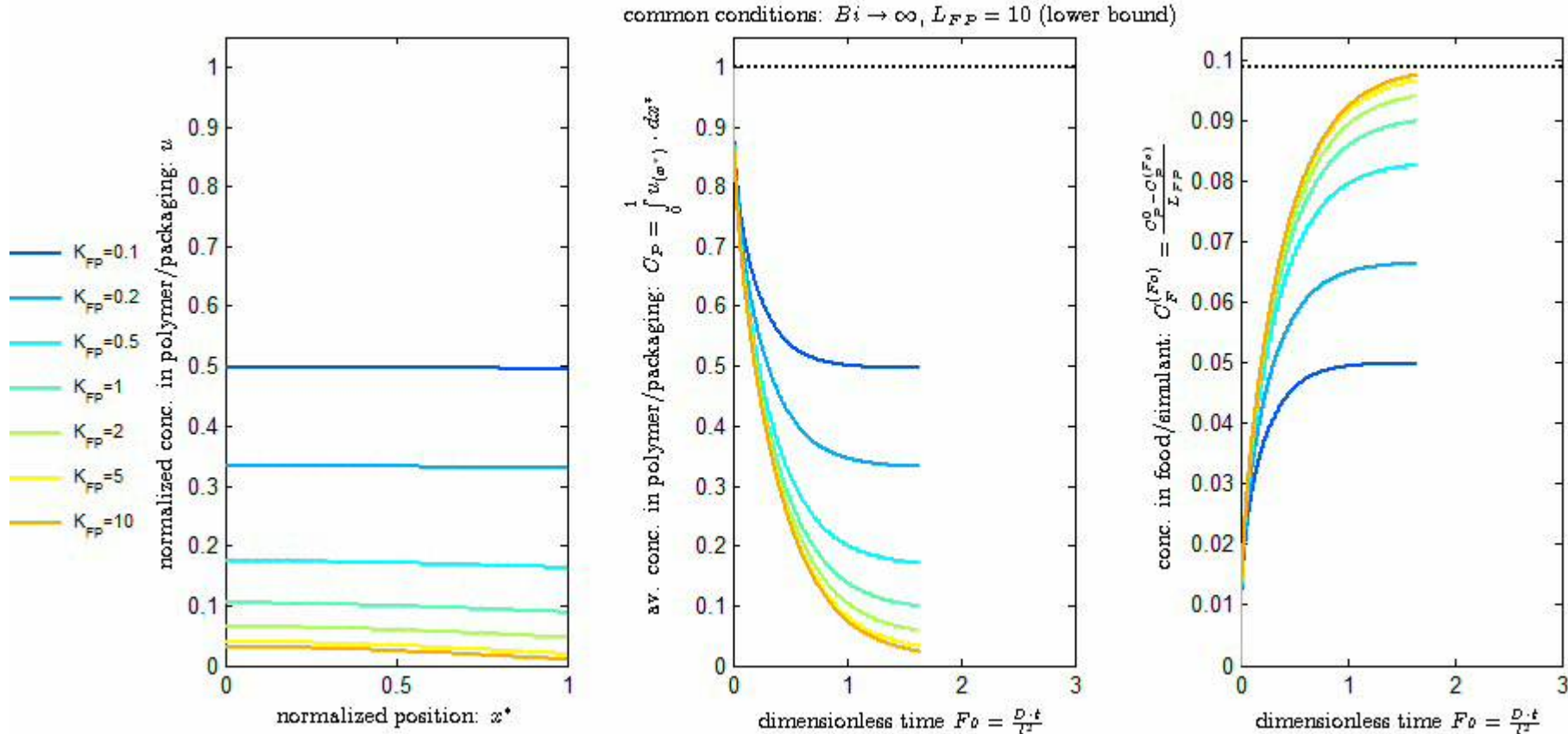
Concentration in food:  $c_F$

$$c_F(Fo, Bi, K, L) = c_0 \cdot \bar{v}_\infty(K, L) \cdot \bar{v}^*(Fo, Bi, K, L)$$

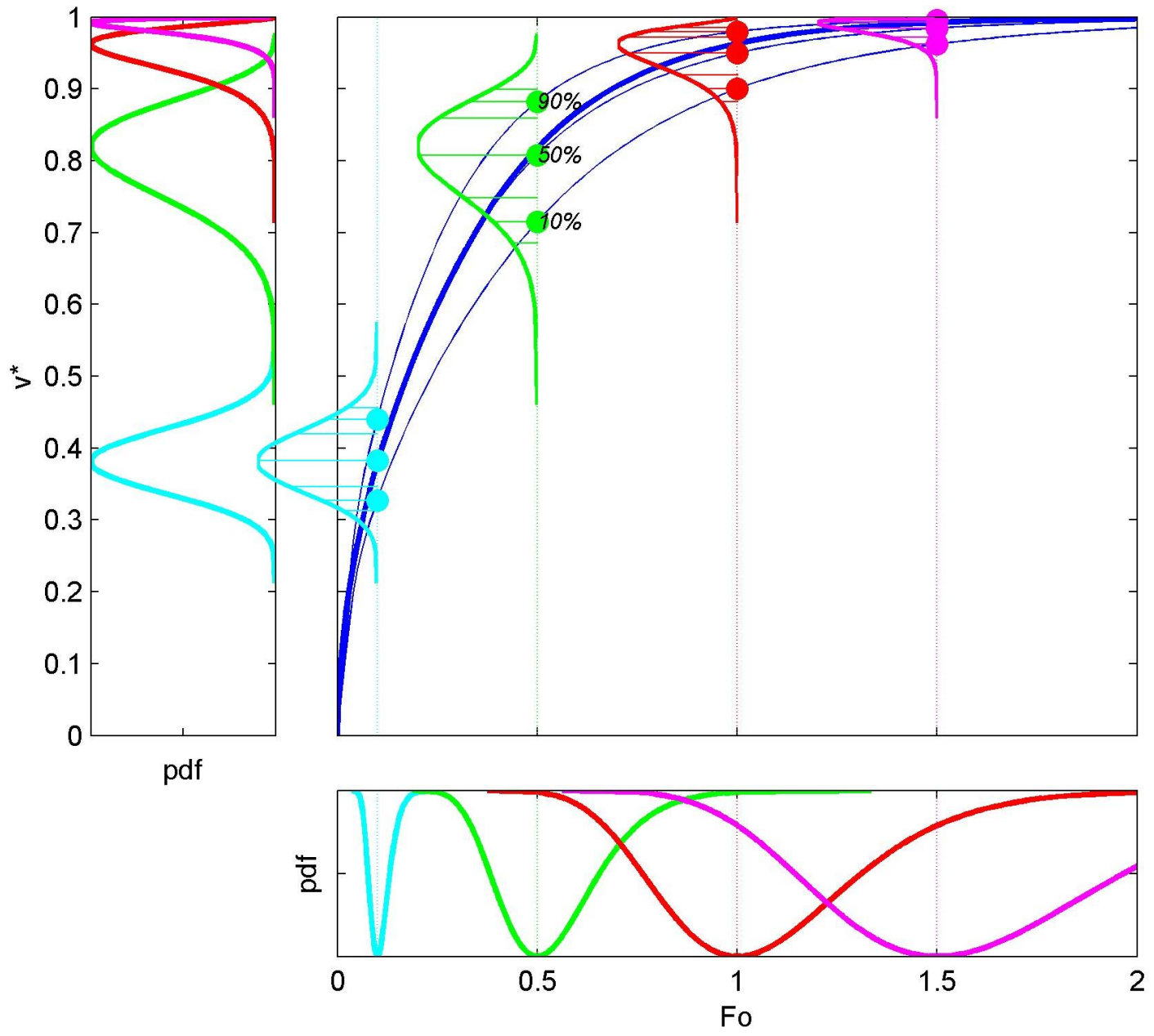
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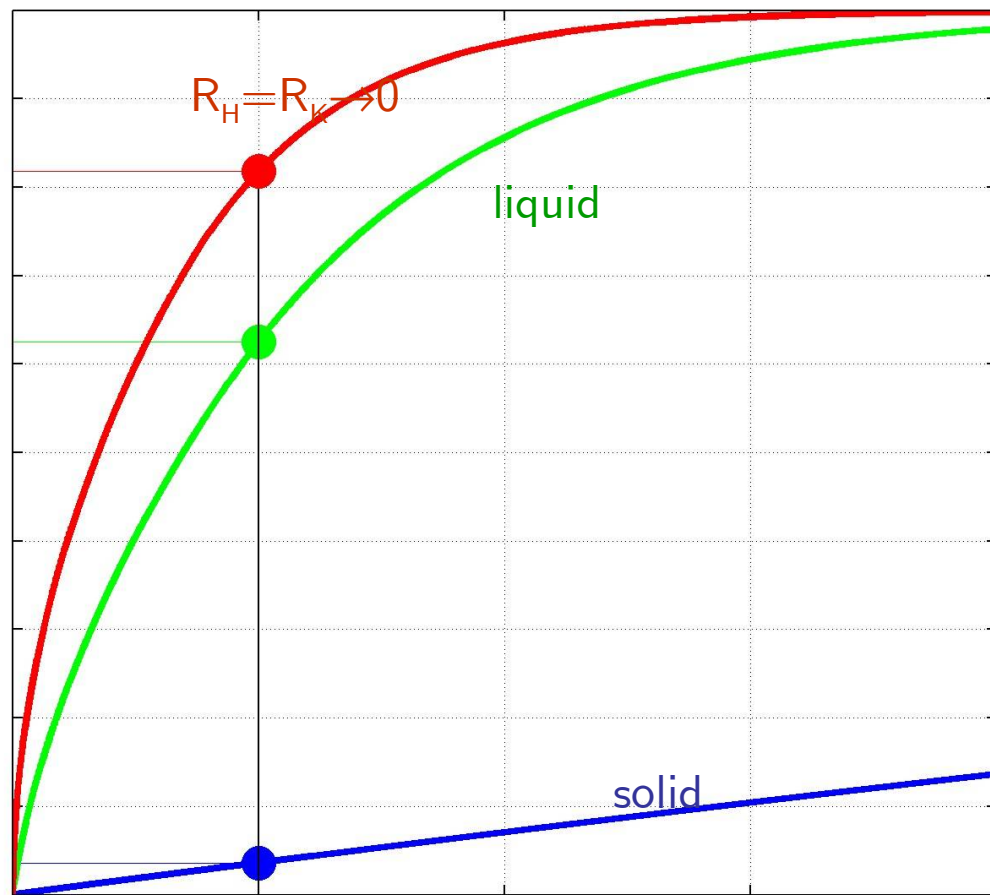
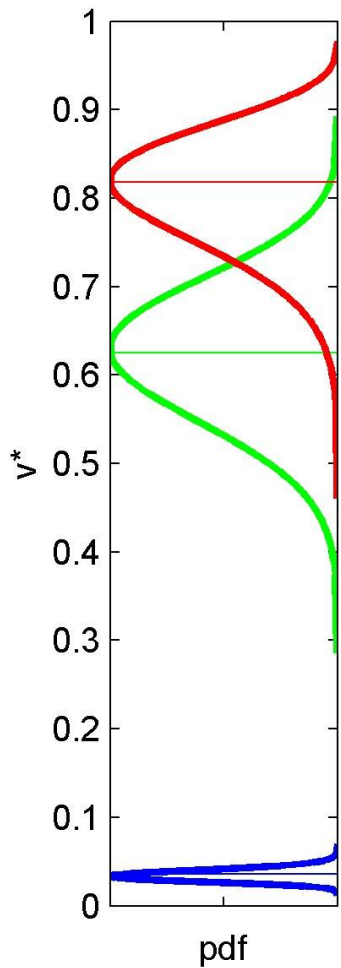


# FROM CONTACT TIMES TO THE CONTAMINATION PREDICTION



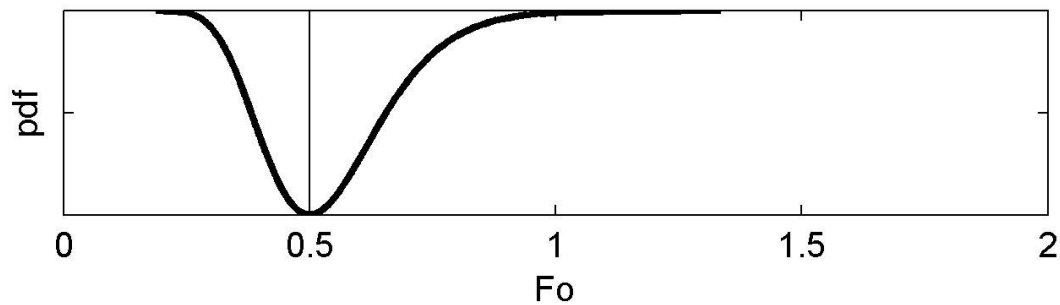
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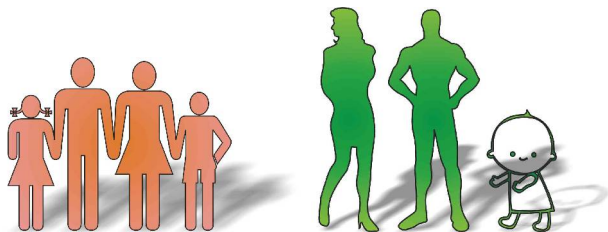
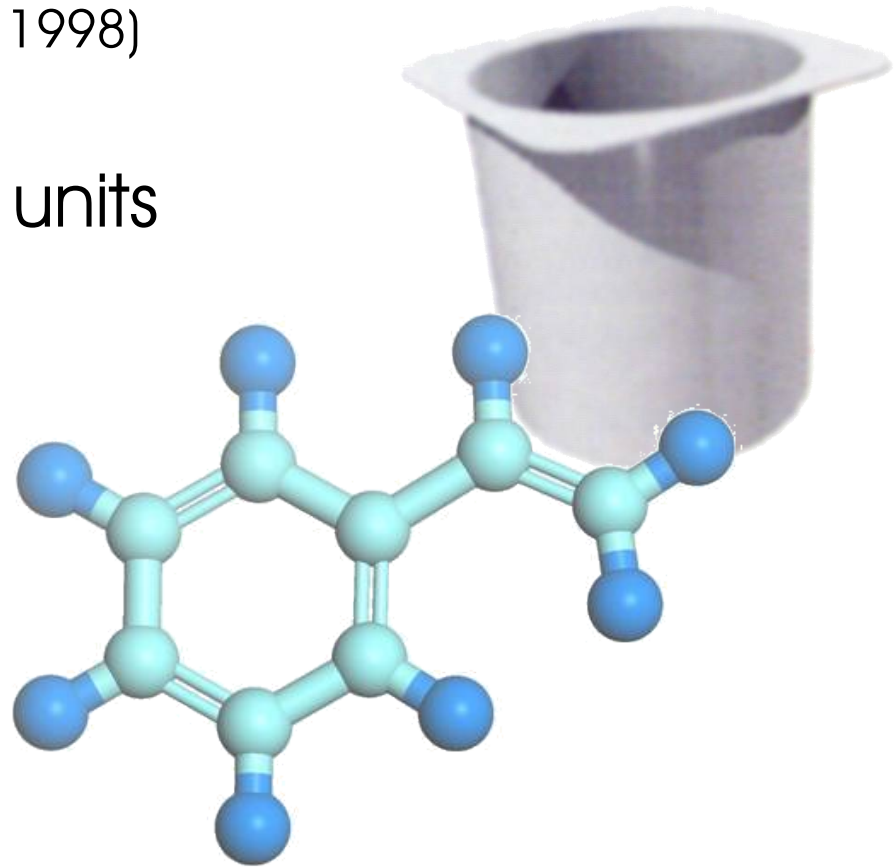
$$D^* \sim \log_{10} N(0, s_D)$$



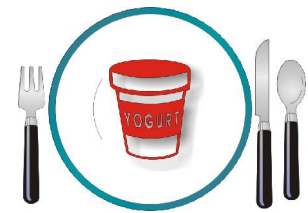
# EXAMPLE: EXPOSURE TO STYRENE FROM YOGURTS PACKED IN PS



6122 Households (year 1998)  
221,190 Purchases  
1,930,257 Purchased units

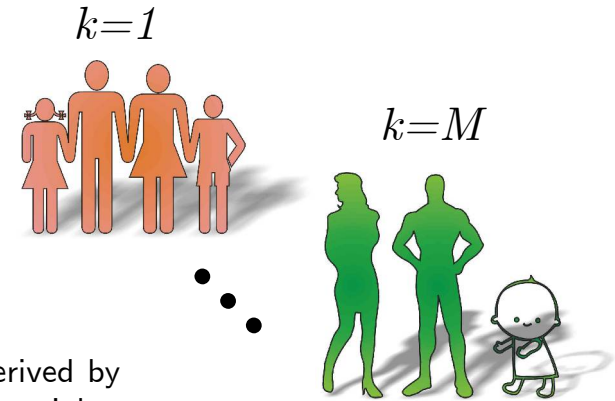


# EXAMPLE: EXPOSURE TO STYRENE FROM YOGURTS PACKED IN PS



For an household  $k$ , of size  $P_k$ , the exposure of the “typical” consumer,  $E_k$ , that consumes  $N_k$  yoghurts in pots of weight  $M_0$  (typically 0.125 kg), is efficiently calculated by factorizing  $E_k$  as a sum of  $N_k$  independent variables:

$$E_k = \frac{c_0 \cdot \bar{v}_\infty^*}{365 \cdot P_k} \cdot \sum_{i=1}^{N_k} \bar{v}_i^* (Fo_i, Bi, K, L)$$



Exposure of a population of  $M=4,671$  households (14,649 persons) is finally derived by combining the independent distributions of  $\{E_k\}_{k=1...4671}$  respectively to the weights  $\{P_k\}_{i=1...4671}$ .

$$pdf \left[ \sum_{i=1}^{N_k} \bar{v}_i^* \right] ?$$

$$\begin{aligned} V_\Sigma^{(N_k)} &= V_1 \otimes \dots \otimes V_i * \dots \otimes V_{N_k} = \\ &= V_\Sigma^{(P_1^n)} \otimes V_\Sigma^{(P_1^n)} = \underbrace{V_\Sigma^{(P_1^{n-1})} \otimes V_\Sigma^{(P_2^{n-1})}}_{V_\Sigma^{(P_1^n)}} \otimes \underbrace{V_\Sigma^{(P_3^{n-1})} \otimes V_\Sigma^{(P_4^{n-1})}}_{V_\Sigma^{(P_2^n)}} \\ &= \underbrace{V_\Sigma^{(P_1^{n-2})} \otimes V_\Sigma^{(P_2^{n-2})}}_{V_\Sigma^{(P_1^{n-1})}} \otimes \underbrace{V_\Sigma^{(P_3^{n-2})} \otimes V_\Sigma^{(P_4^{n-2})}}_{V_\Sigma^{(P_2^{n-1})}} \otimes \underbrace{V_\Sigma^{(P_5^{n-2})} \otimes V_\Sigma^{(Q_6^{n-2})}}_{V_\Sigma^{(P_3^{n-1})}} \otimes \underbrace{V_\Sigma^{(P_7^{n-2})} \otimes V_\Sigma^{(P_8^{n-2})}}_{V_\Sigma^{(P_4^{n-1})}} \\ &= \dots \end{aligned}$$

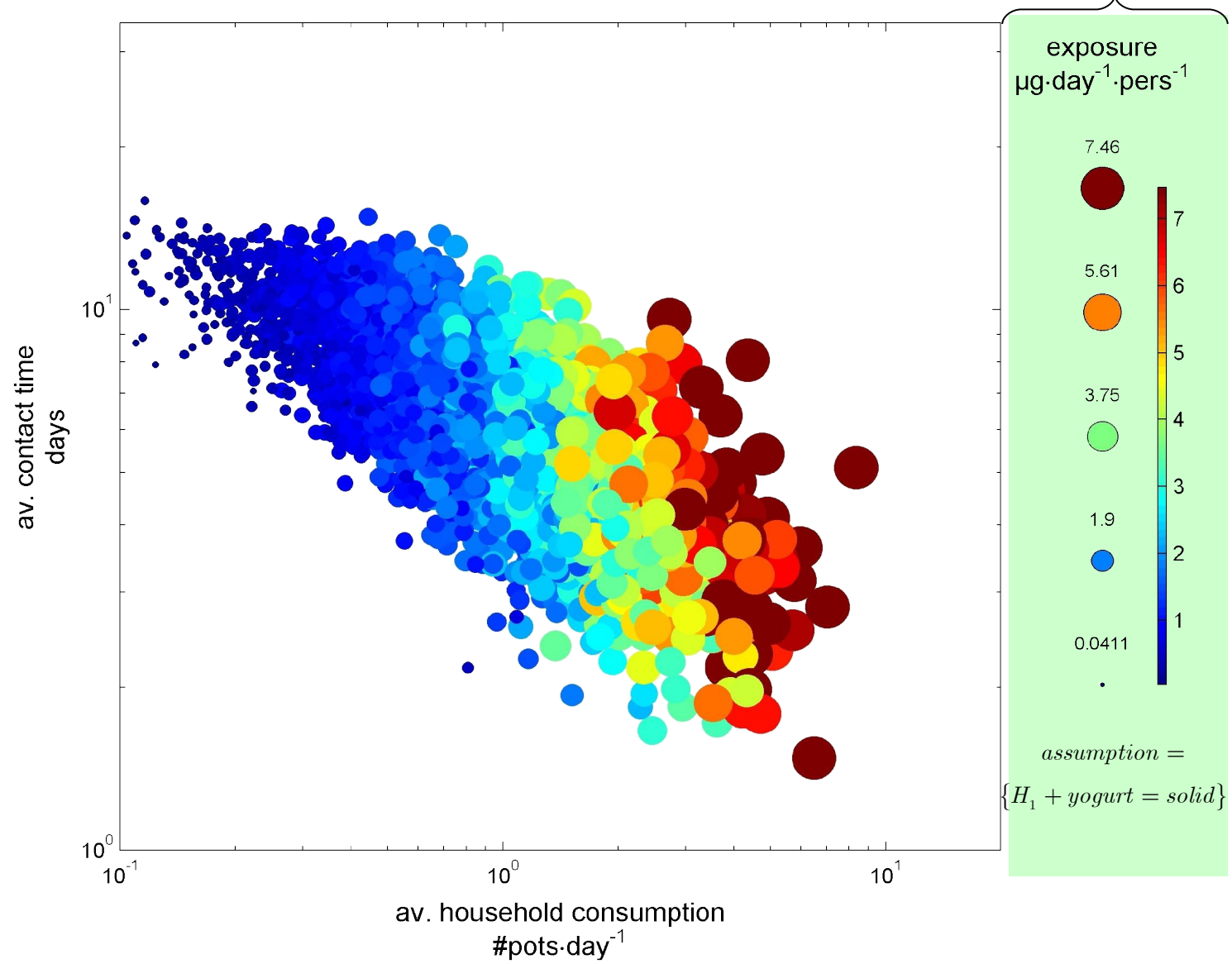
$$V_i = pdf \left[ \{ \bar{v}_i^* \}_{i=1...N_k} \right]$$

$$\bigcup_{j=1}^{N_k} P_j^1 = 1 \dots N_k$$

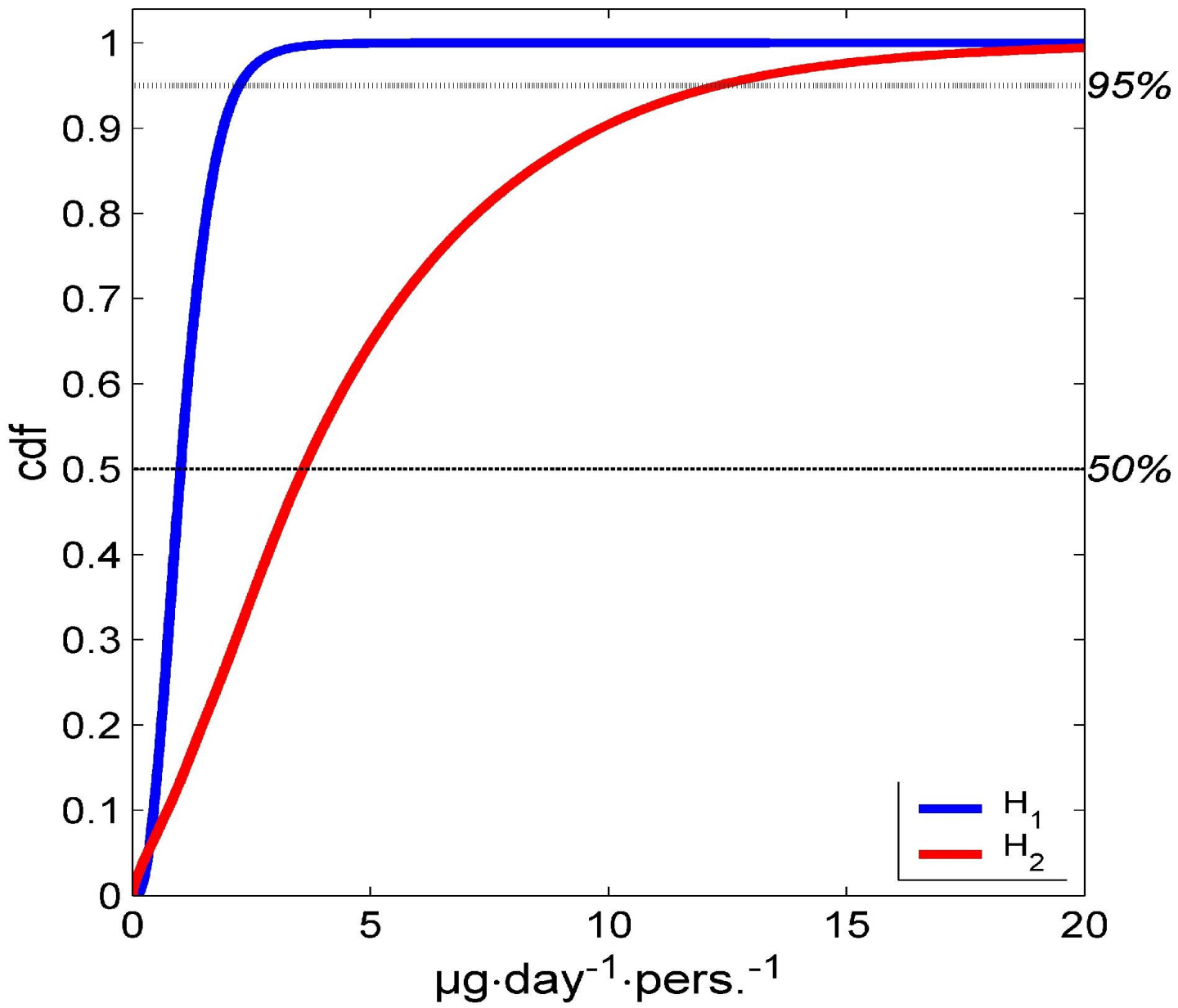
# EXAMPLE: EXPOSURE TO STYRENE FROM YOGURTS PACKED IN PS



95<sup>th</sup> percentile



# EXAMPLE: EXPOSURE TO STYRENE FROM YOGURTS PACKED IN PS





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# Estimation of human exposure to styrene and ethylbenzene

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## Abstract

In the present studies, human exposure to styrene and to ethylbenzene (EB) is assessed on the basis of literature data. Total styrene and total EB exposure result from inhalation and from food intake. Styrene and EB inhaled represent the greatest proportion of the total intake. Styrene and EB content in food is mainly caused by migration from polymer packaging material. The daily styrene exposure is estimated to range from 18.2 to 55.2 µg/person, corresponding to an annual exposure of 6.7 to 20.2 mg/person. The daily EB exposure is estimated to be about 130 µg/person, corresponding to an annual exposure of 46 mg/person. Cigarette smoking is another important factor for styrene and EB intake by smokers. © 2000 Elsevier Science Ireland Ltd. All rights reserved.

*Keywords:* Styrene; Ethylbenzene; Human exposure

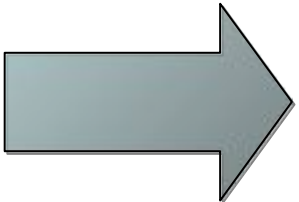
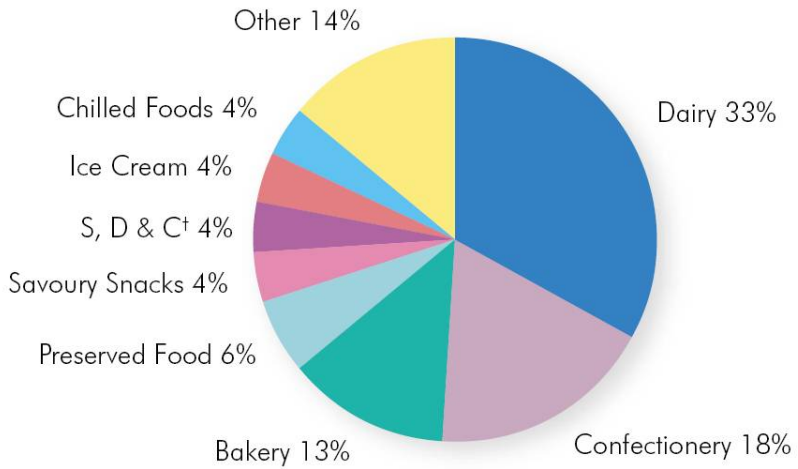
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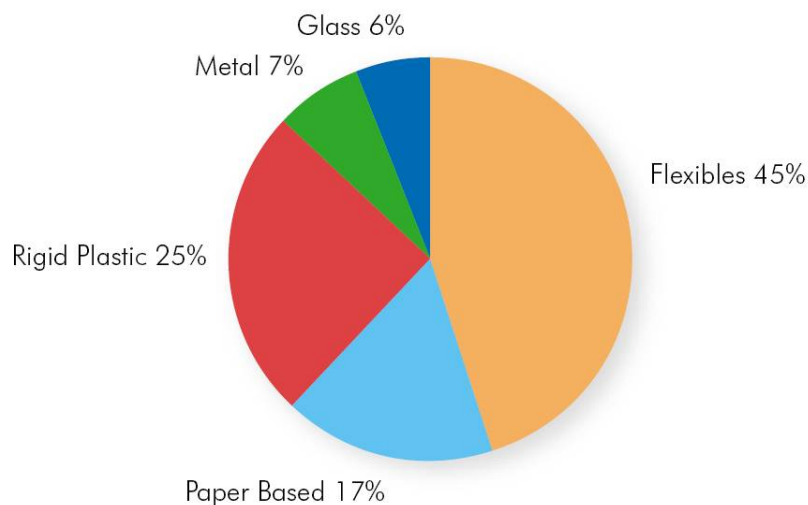
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- > 200 Packaging types
- > 300 Contaminants
- Variable industrial practices
- Variable household practices



ONLINE SOFTWARES AND DATABASES (EU VALIDATED)



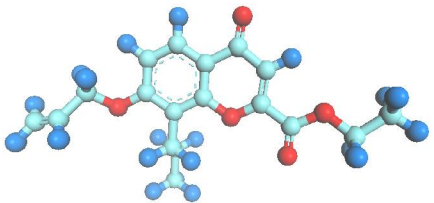
# PREDIRE LES COEFFICIENTS DE DIFFUSION DES ADDITIFS DANS LES MATRICES PLASTIQUES PAR SIMULATION DE LA DYNAMIQUE MOLECULAIRE



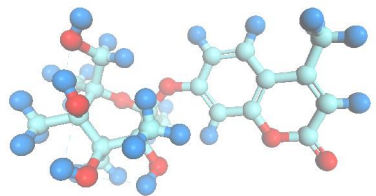
Question de recherche très générale  
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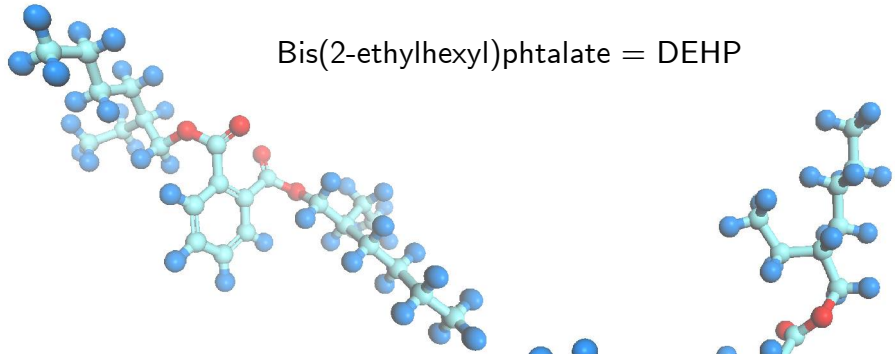
# TYPICAL CONTAMINANTS



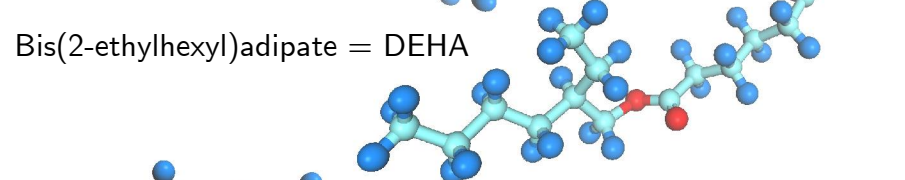
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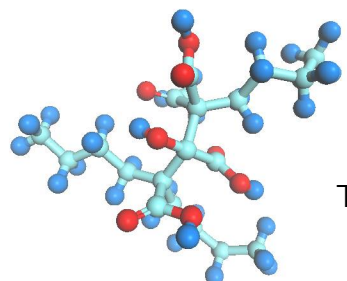
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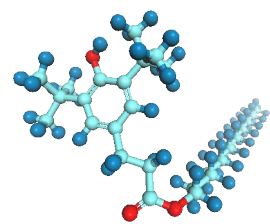
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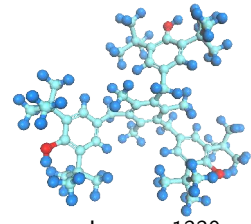
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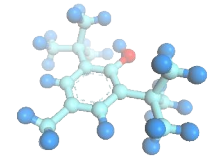
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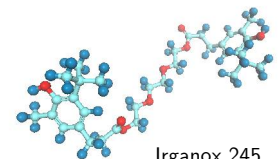
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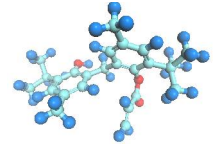
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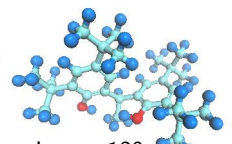
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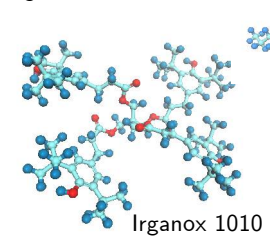
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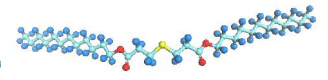
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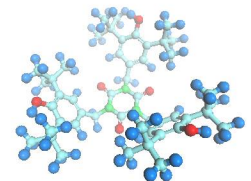
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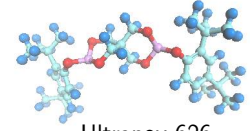
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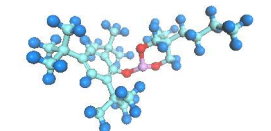
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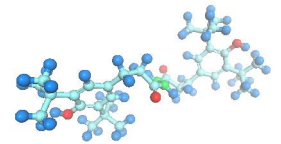
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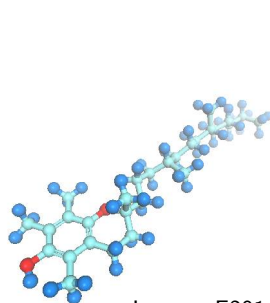
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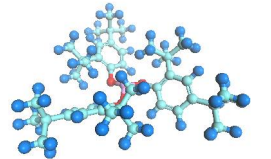
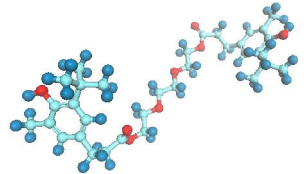
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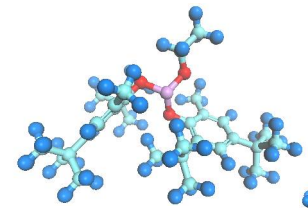
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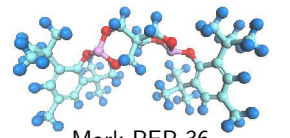
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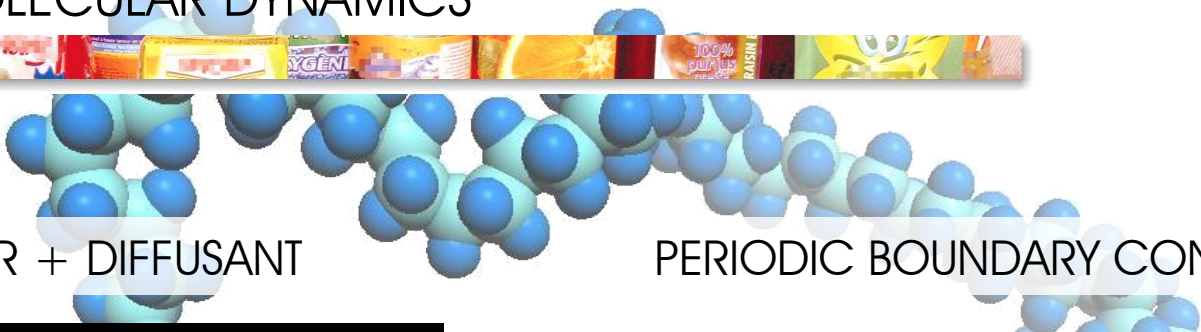


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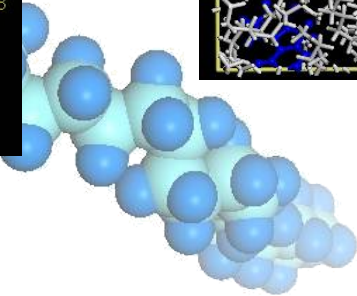
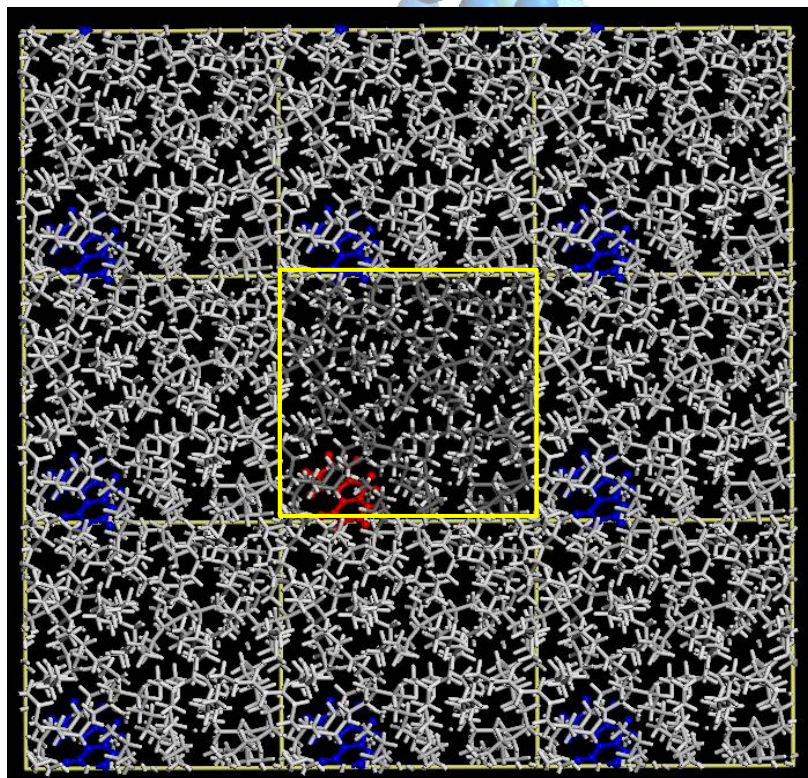
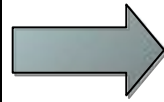
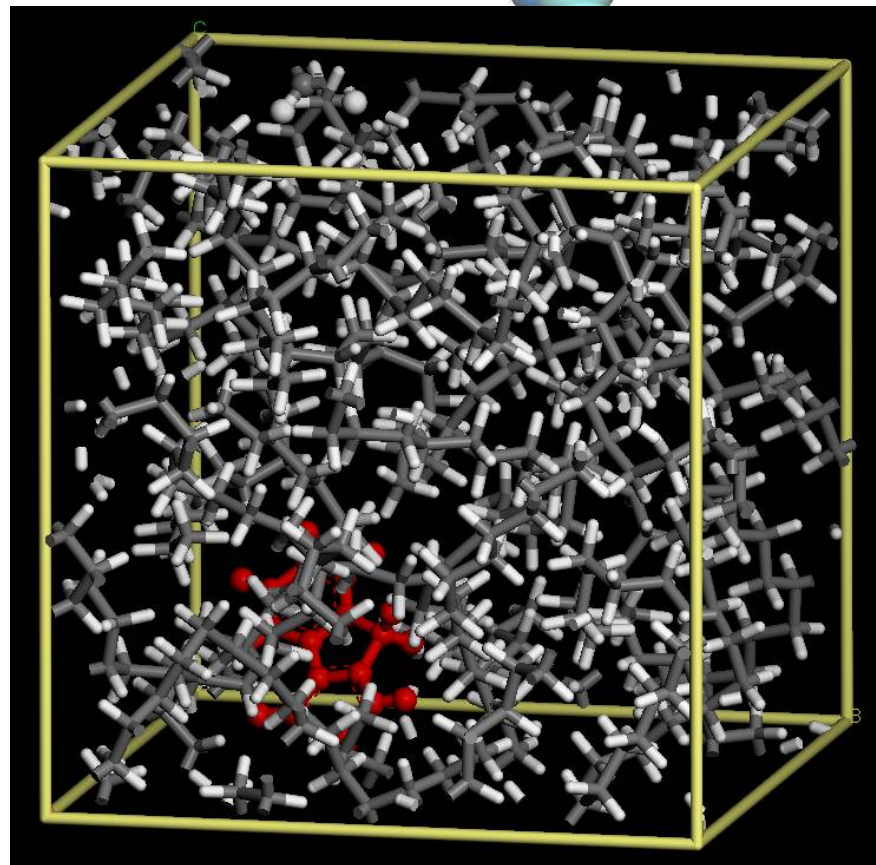
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# PRINCIPLES OF MOLECULAR DYNAMICS



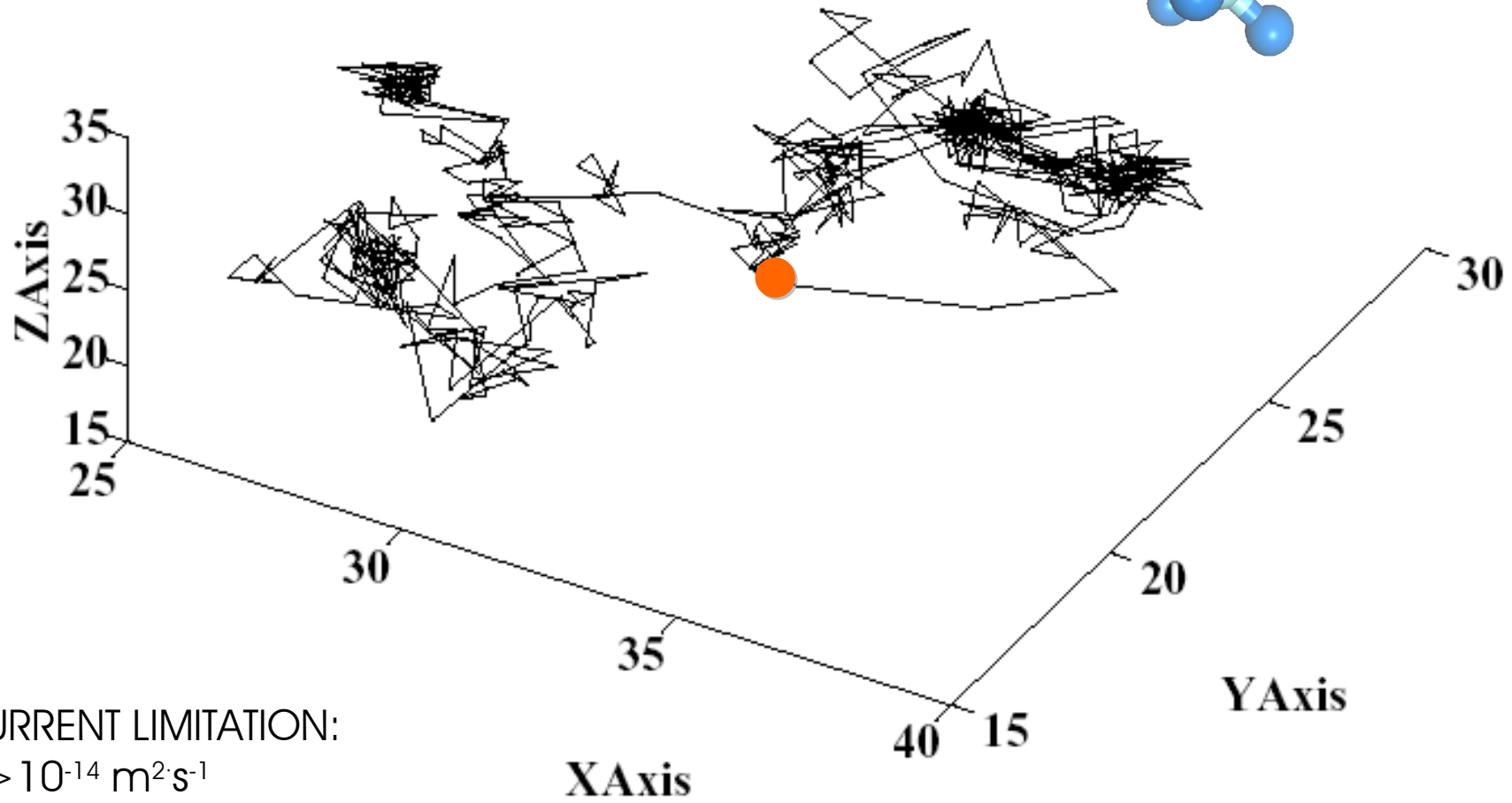
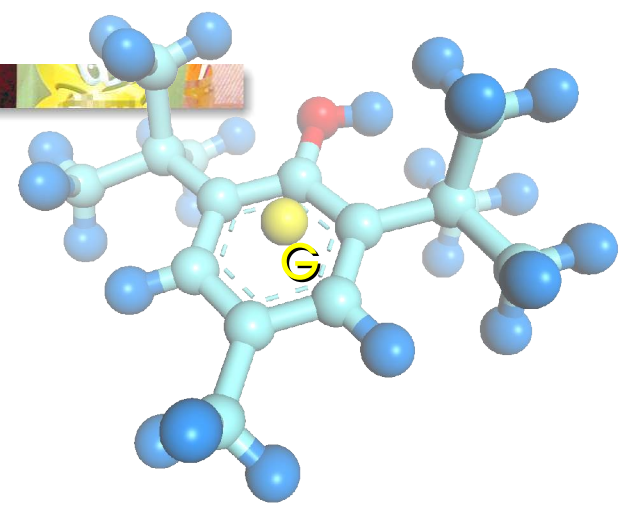
CELL = POLYMER + DIFFUSANT

PERIODIC BOUNDARY CONDITIONS



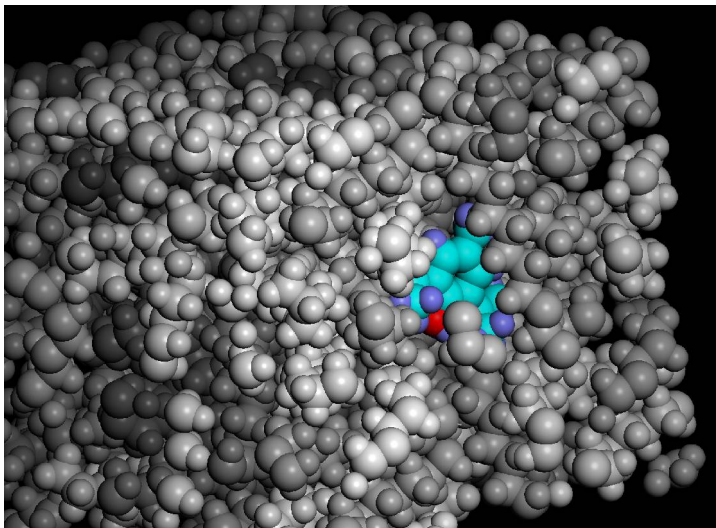
# DERIVATION OF D FROM THE CENTER OF MASS

$$D_{Einstein} = \lim_{t \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1}{6} \cdot \frac{\partial}{\partial t} \underbrace{\left\langle \left( \vec{x}_G^{(t)} - \vec{x}_G^{(t_0)} \right)^2 \right\rangle}_{msd}$$

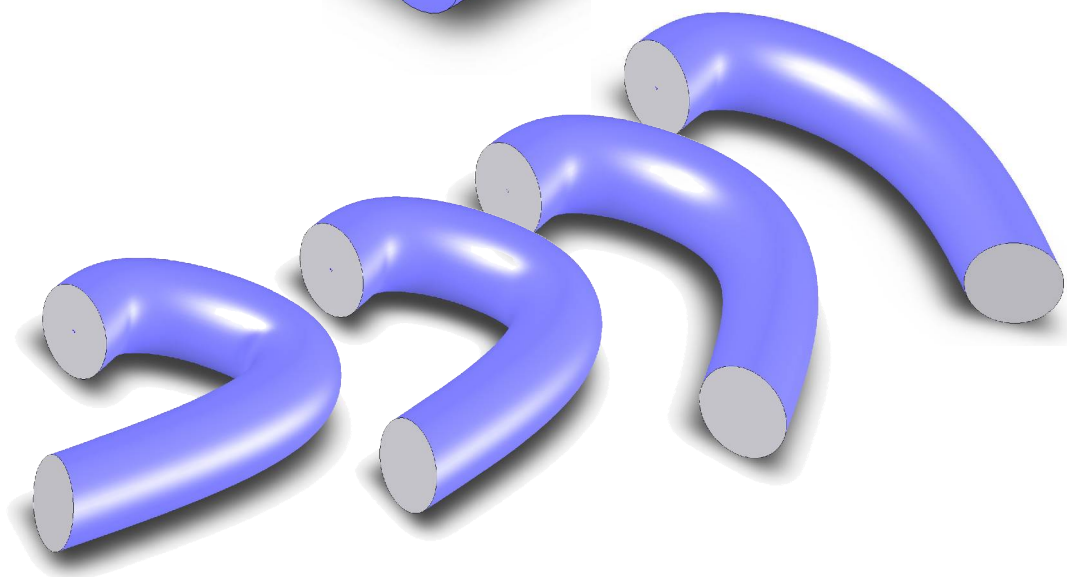
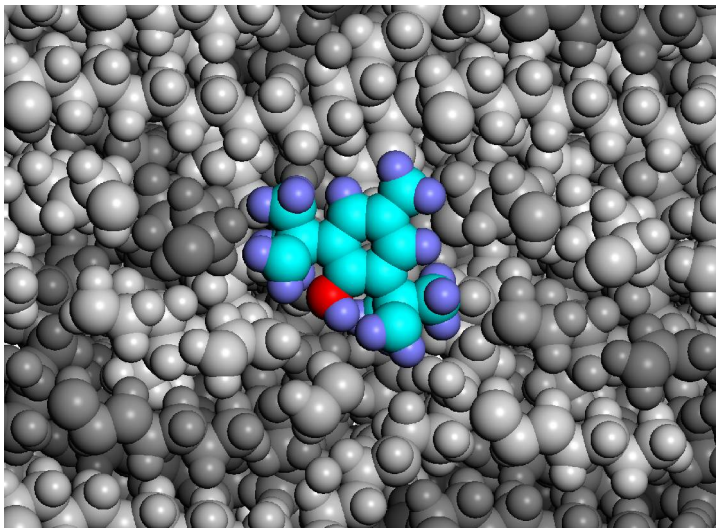
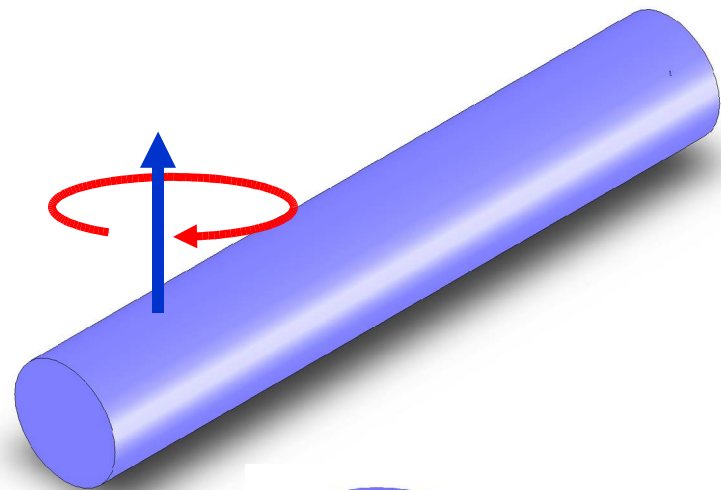


CURRENT LIMITATION:  
 $D > 10^{-14} \text{ m}^2 \cdot \text{s}^{-1}$

# TRANSLATION MECHANISMS OF MEDIUM-SIZED MOLECULES IN DENSE MEDIA



TRANSLATION  
BY REORIENTATION  
(RIGID BODY)

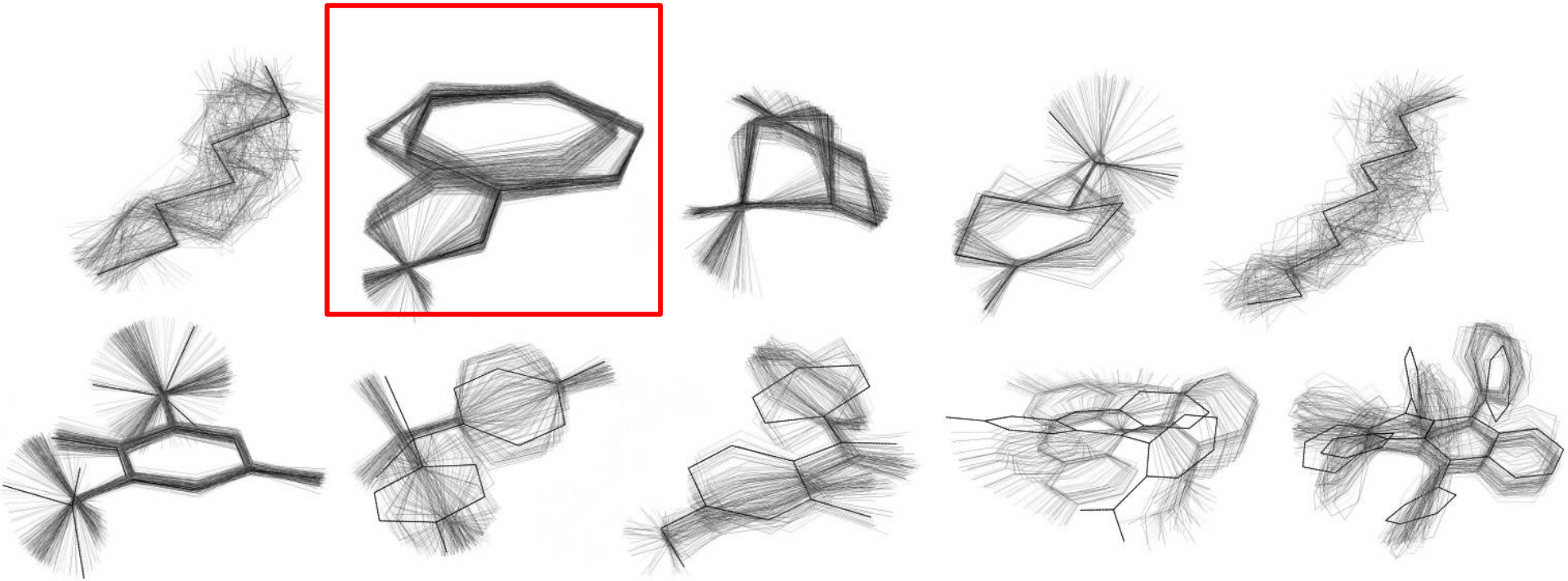


TRANSLATION  
BY CONTOUR FLUCTUATION  
(DEFORMABLE BODY)

# NON-TRANSLATING FLUCTUATIONS = MICROSTATES

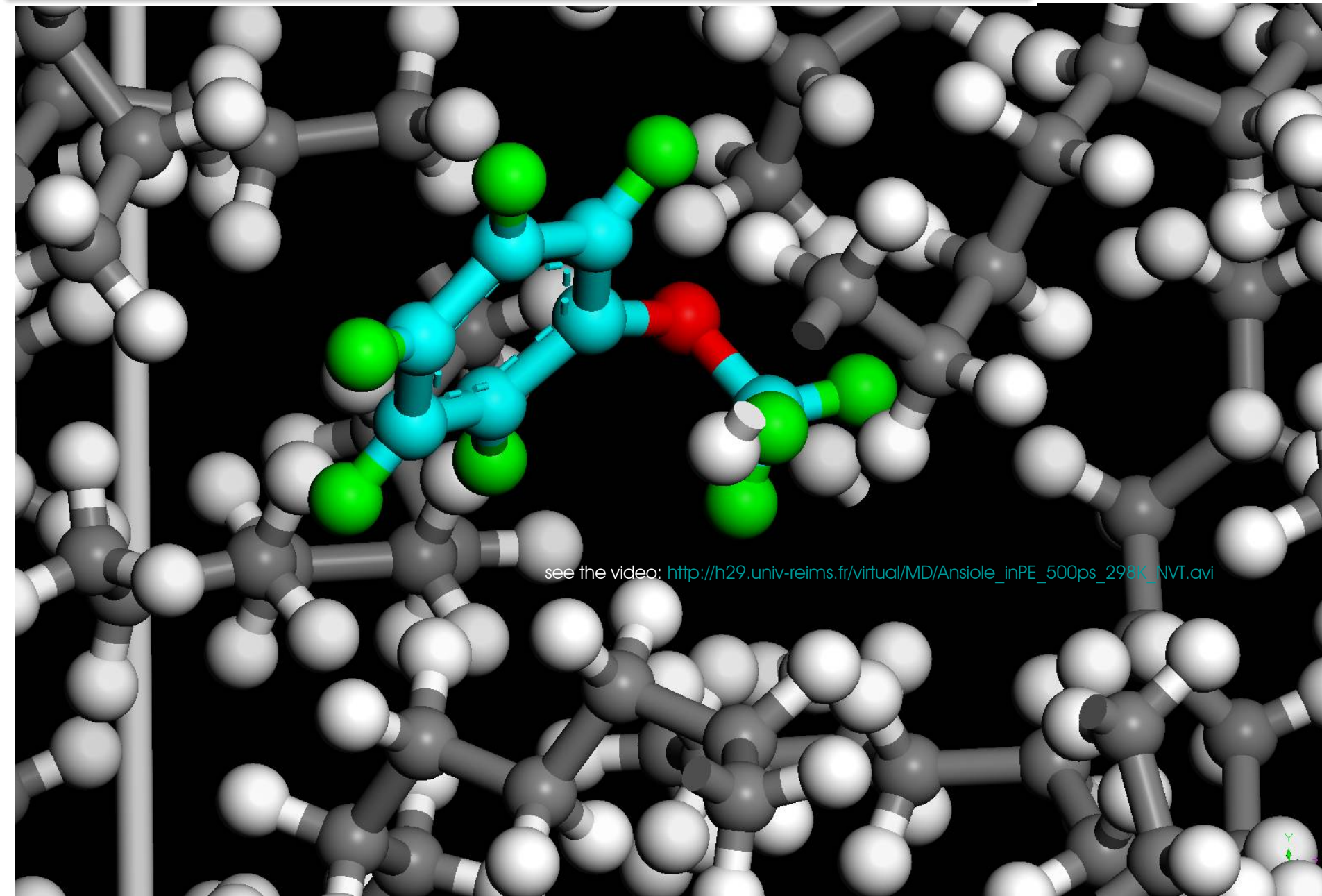


ANISOLE

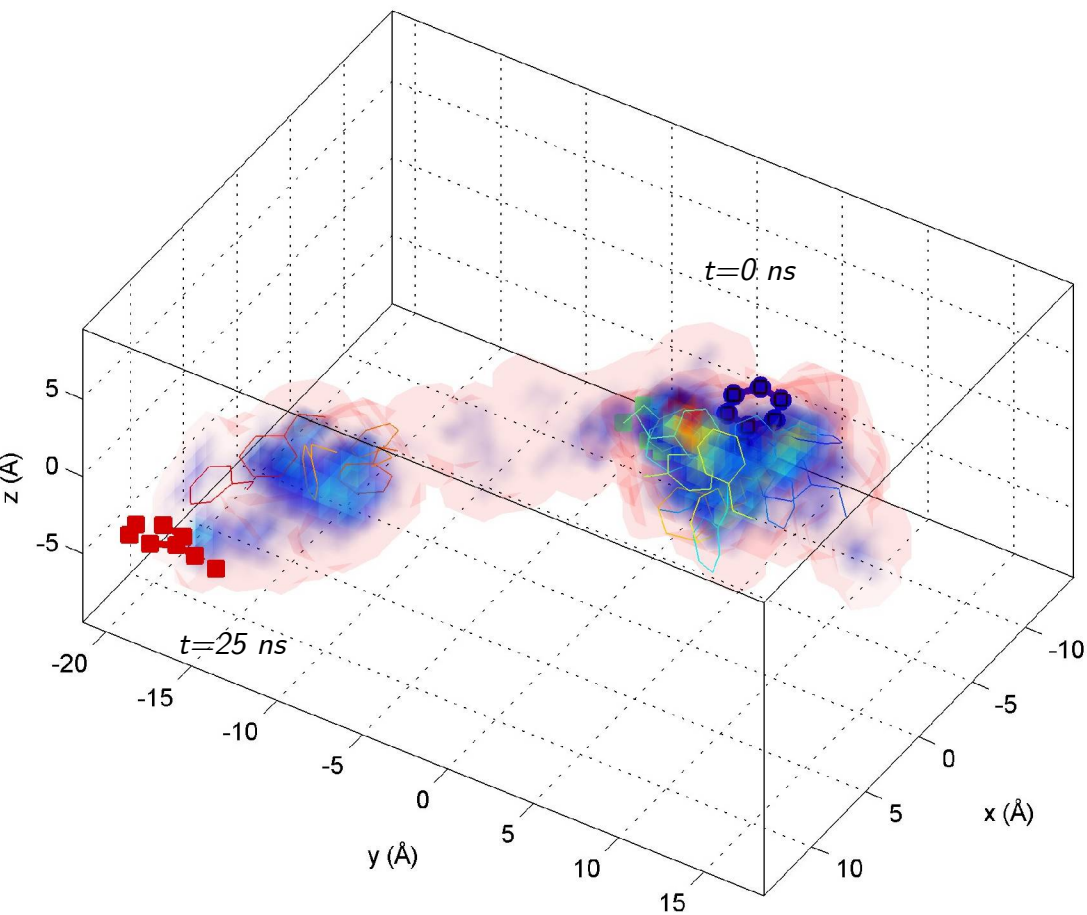


ALL SAMPLED CONFORMATIONS HAVE THE SAME CENTER OF MASS  
(NO TRANSLATION)

# ENTROPIC TRAPPING IN DENSE MEDIA: INFREQUENT TRANSLATIONS







HOW TO DETECT  
A HOP (= TRANSLATION)  
IN A FRACTAL TRAJECTORY ?



HOW TO PREDICT  
CONFINEMENT ?  
(distribution of waiting times)

residence time ( $\text{ps} \cdot \text{Å}^{-3}$ )

see the videos

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2a

$$MSD \left( \begin{array}{c} \text{simulation time} \\ \hat{t} \end{array}, \begin{array}{c} \text{time scale} \\ \overline{\tau} \end{array} \right) = \left. \left\langle \left\| \vec{x}_{G,t} - \vec{x}_{G,t-\tau} \right\|^2 \right\rangle_{t-4.5 \cdot \tau \leq t \leq t+5.5 \cdot \tau} \right\} \begin{array}{l} \text{TOTAL} \\ \text{VARIANCE} \\ \text{AT THE} \\ \text{SCALE } \tau \end{array}$$

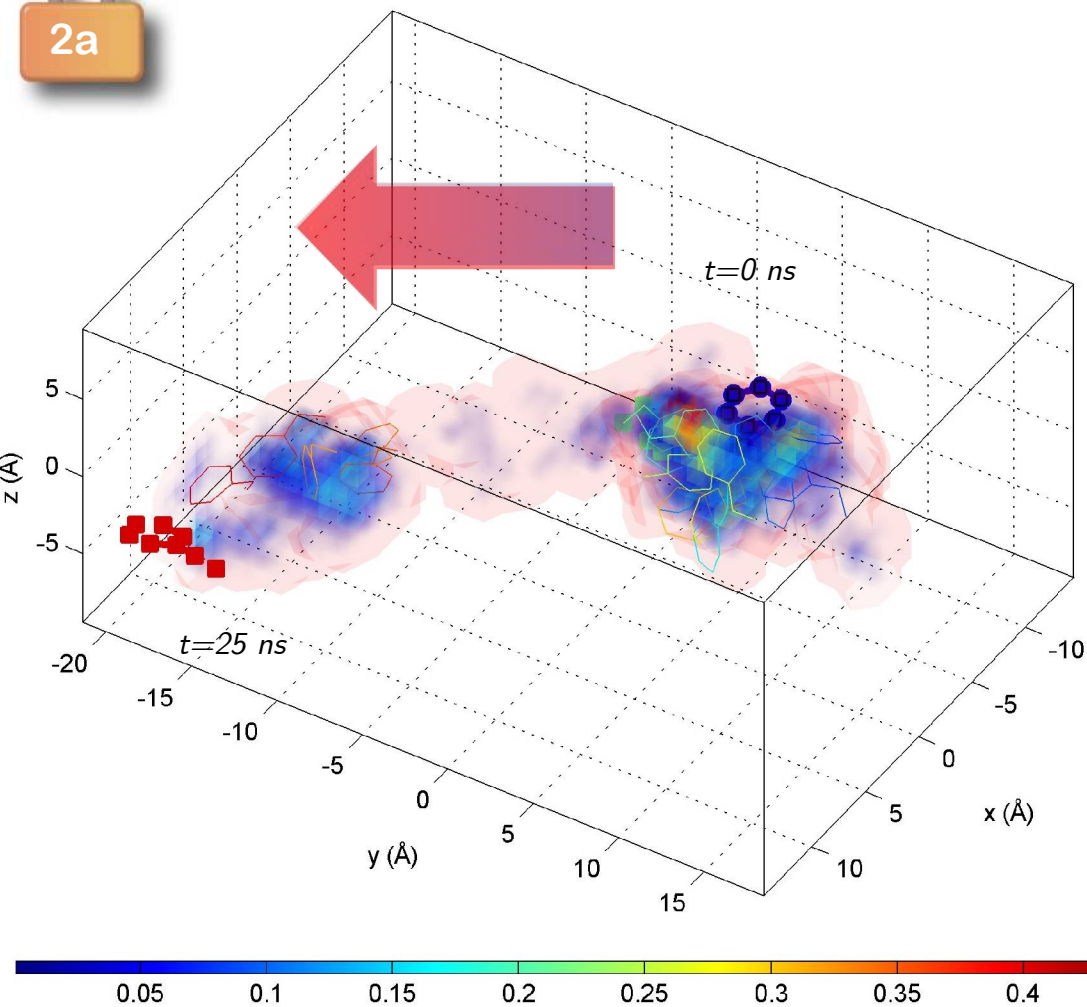
**V**

$$MSC(t, \tau) = \vec{x}'_i : \left\{ \begin{array}{l} \text{related to a} \\ \text{molecular frame} \end{array} \right\}$$

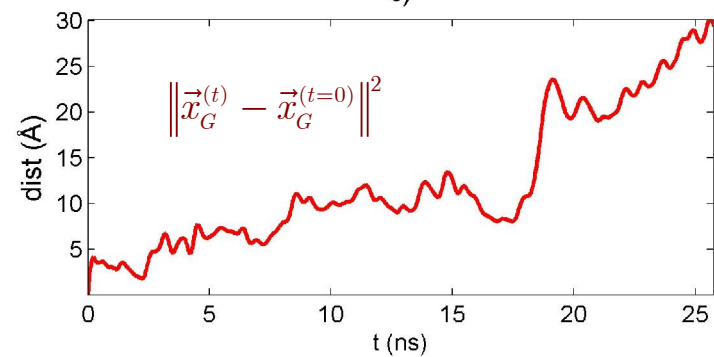
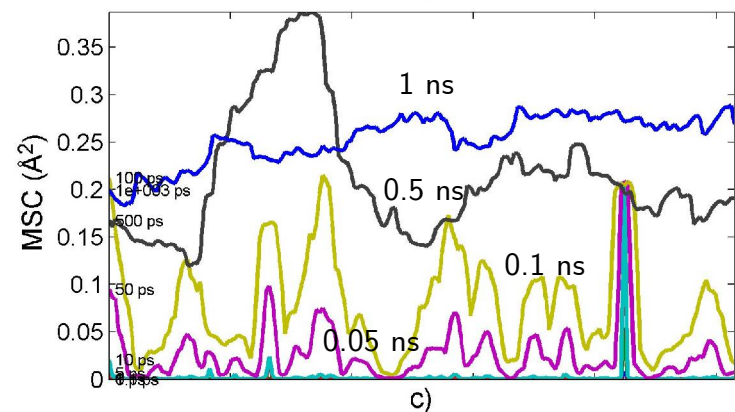
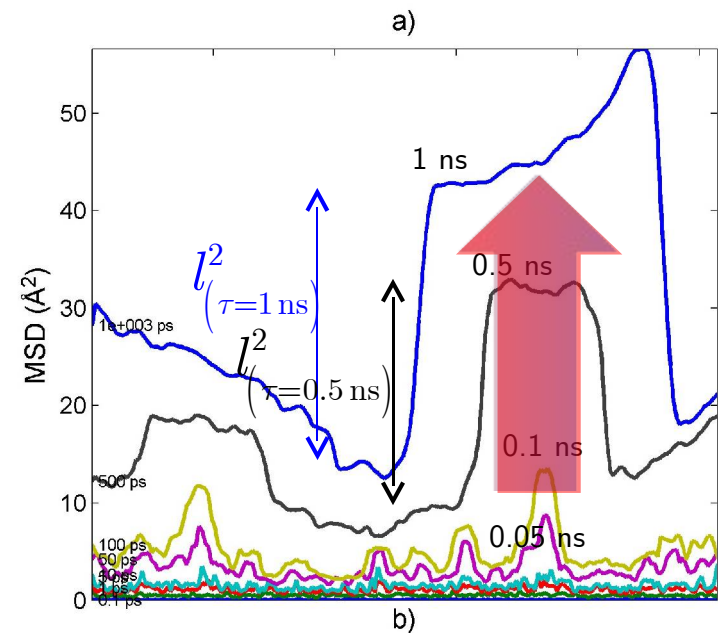
$$\frac{\left\langle m_i \left\| \left( \vec{x}'_{i,t} - \vec{x}'_{G,t} \right) - \left( \vec{x}'_{i,t-\tau} - \vec{x}'_{G,t-\tau} \right) \right\|^2 \right\rangle_{t-4.5 \cdot \tau \leq t \leq t+5.5 \cdot \tau, i=1..n}}{\left\langle m_i \right\rangle_{t-4.5 \cdot \tau \leq t \leq t+5.5 \cdot \tau, i=1..n}}$$

CONTOUR LENGTH FLUCTUATION

2a

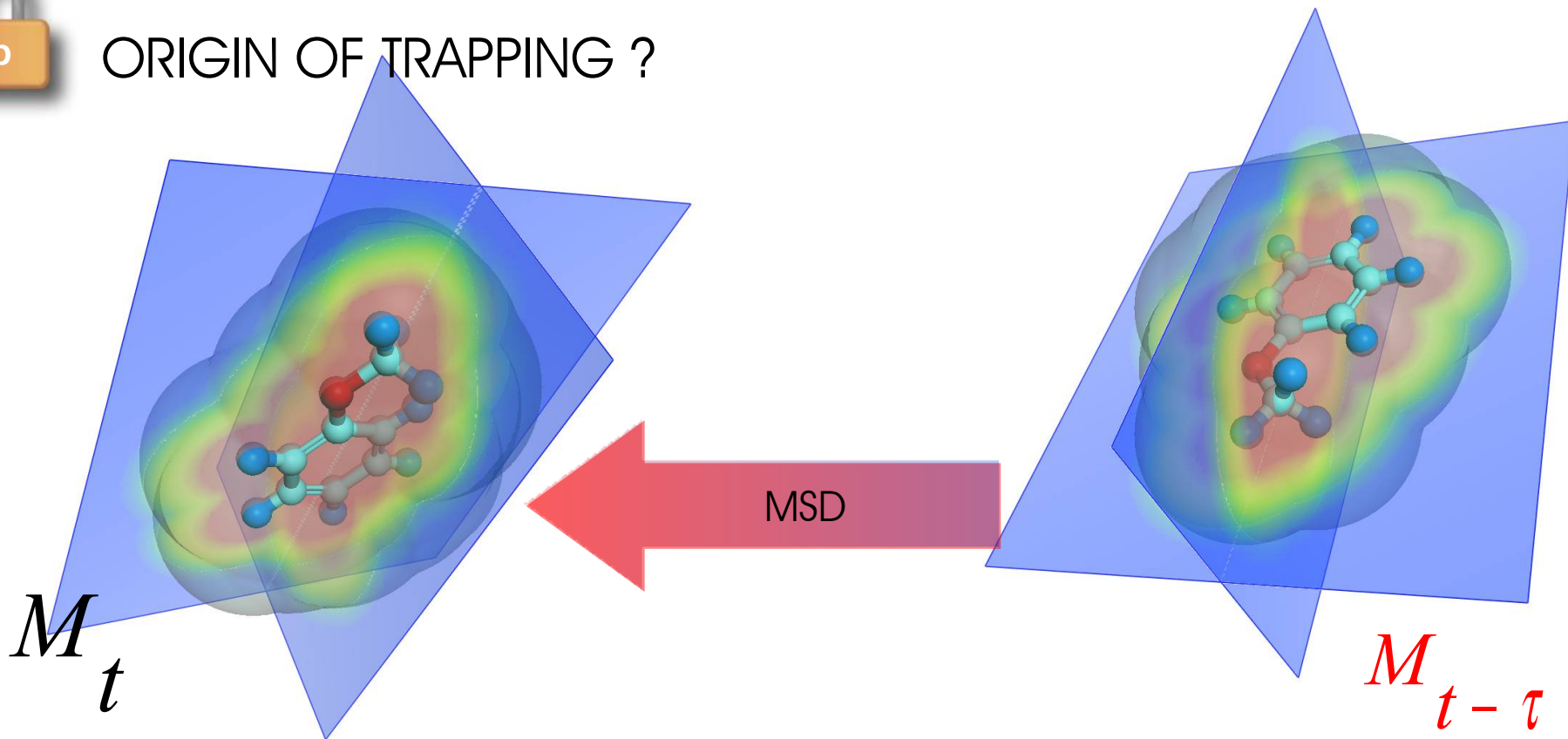


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HOP IF  $\text{MSD} > \text{MSC}$ 

2b

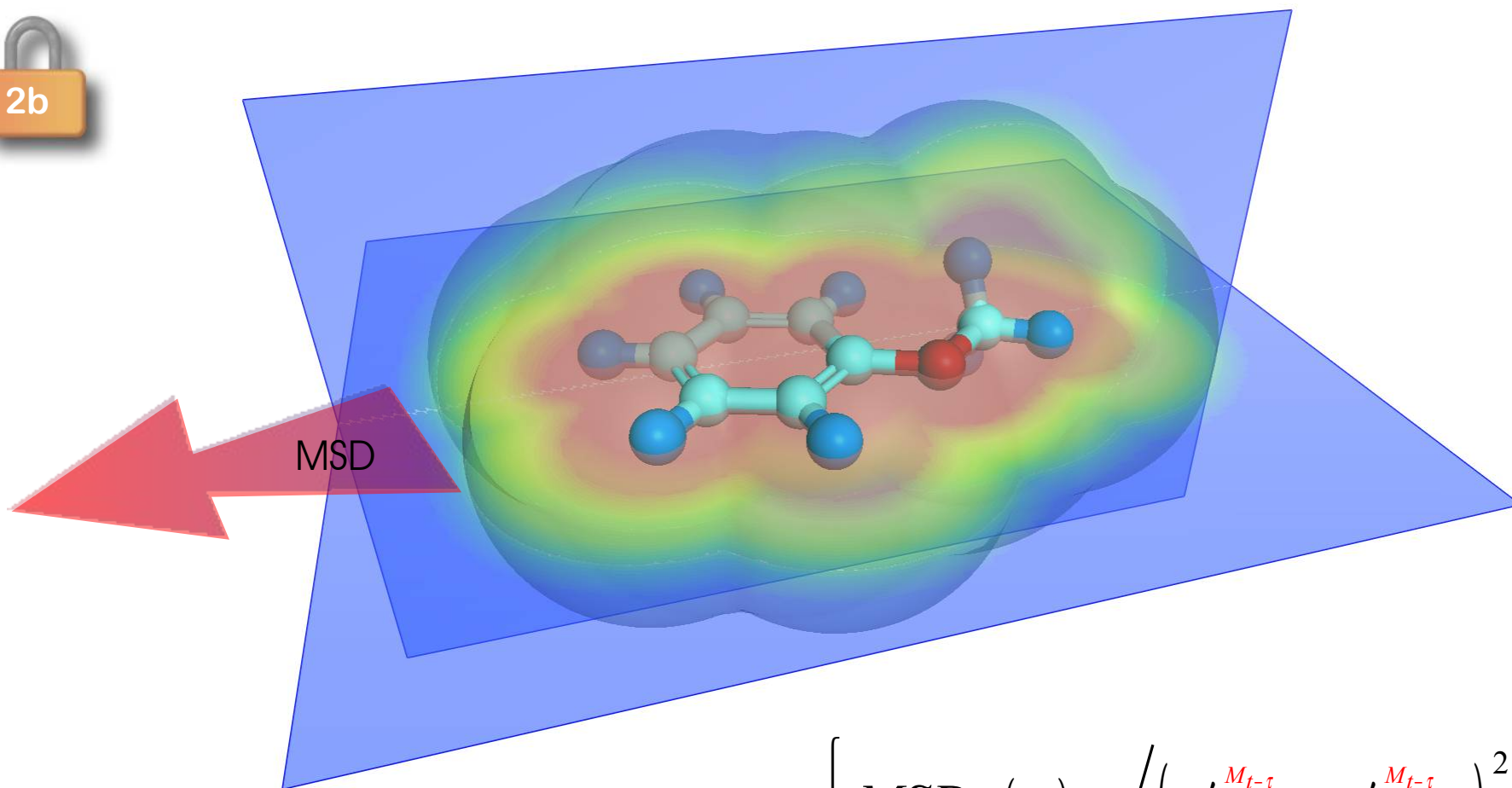
# ORIGIN OF TRAPPING ?



TRAPPING IS RELATED TO PRIVILEGED DIRECTIONS OF TRANSLATION  
IN THE FRAME OF THE DIFFUSANT ?

HOW TO EXPRESS MSD IN A MOVING-DEFORMABLE FRAME ????

2b

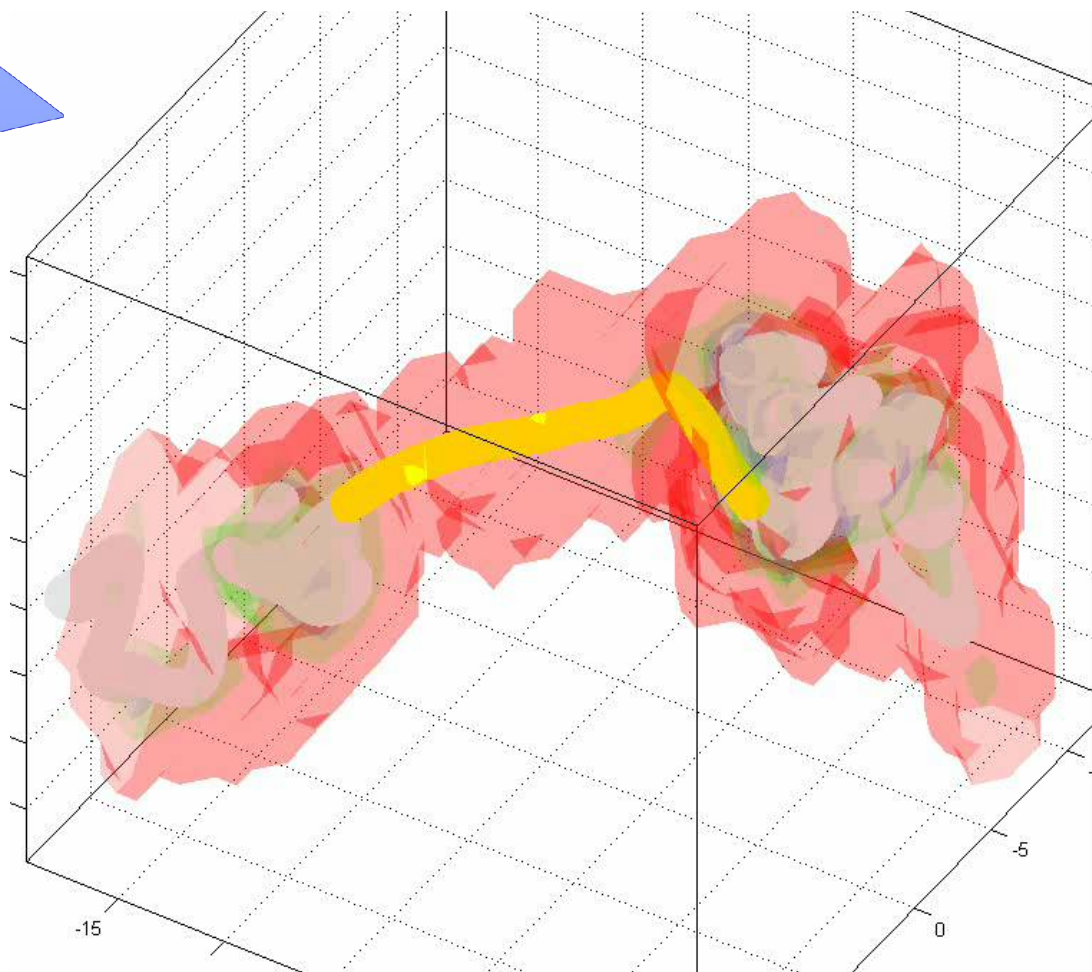
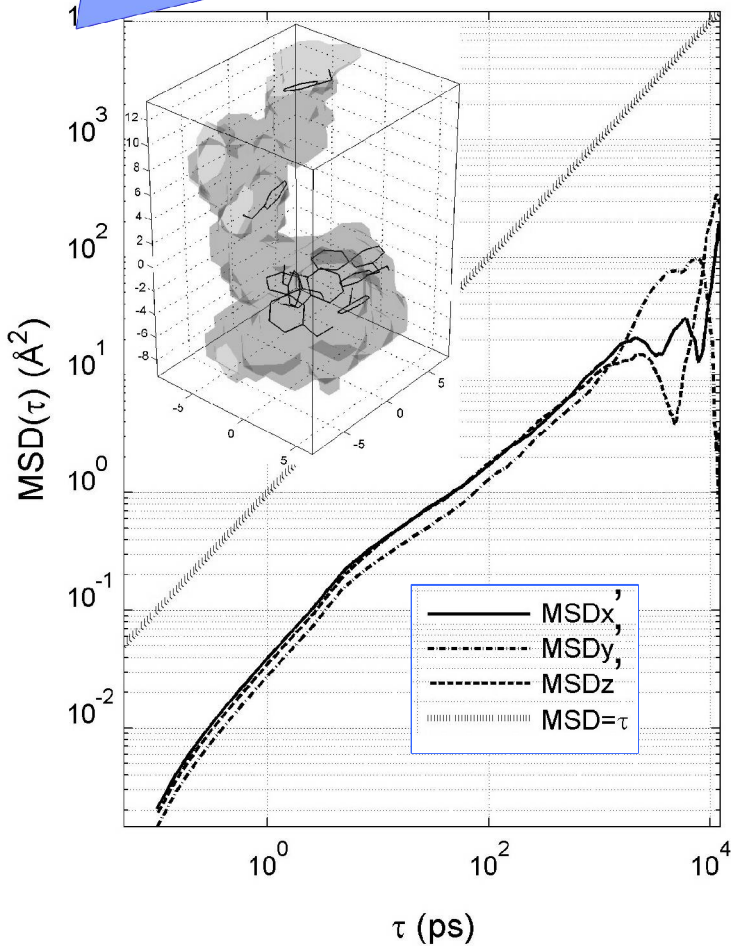
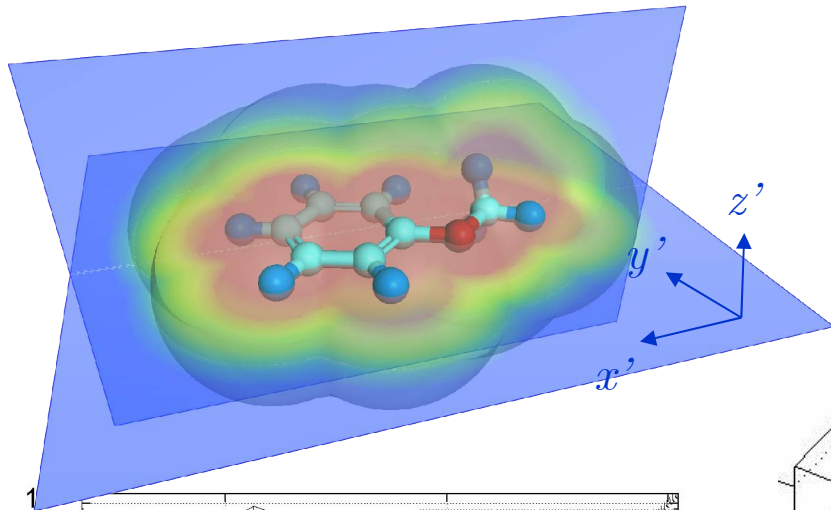


$M_{t-\tau}$  REFERENCE MOLECULAR FRAME  
(chosen in the past)

$\forall \tau$  : ORTHOGONAL DECOMPOSITION BUT NOT OPTIMAL (TIME CORRELATION)

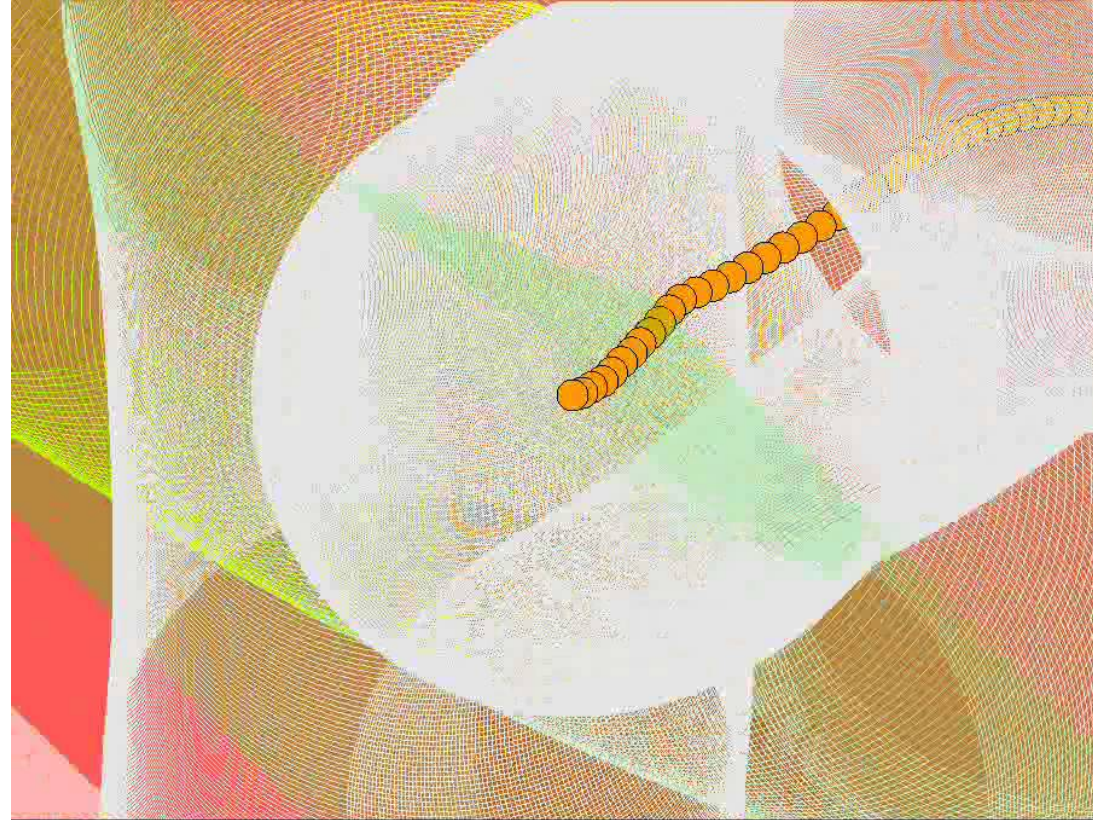
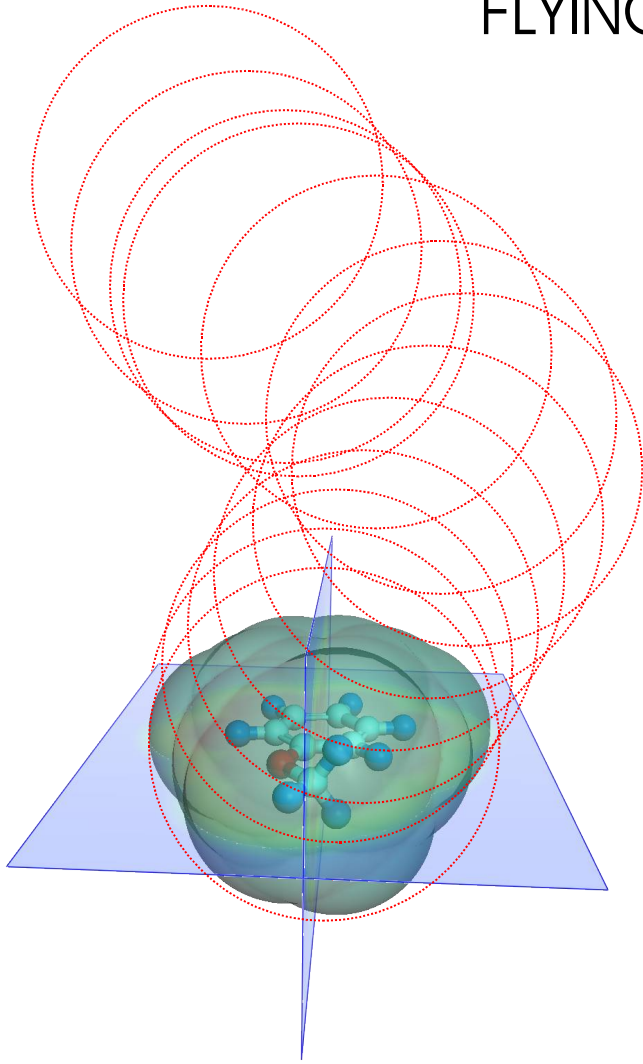
$$MSD(\tau) = MSD_{x'}(\tau) + MSD_{y'}(\tau) + MSD_{z'}(\tau)$$

$$\left\{ \begin{array}{l} MSD_{x'}(\tau) = \left\langle \left( x'_{G,t}{}^{M_{t-\tau}} - x'_{G,t-\tau}{}^{M_{t-\tau}} \right)^2 \right\rangle_t \\ MSD_{y'}(\tau) = \left\langle \left( y'_{G,t}{}^{M_{t-\tau}} - y'_{G,t-\tau}{}^{M_{t-\tau}} \right)^2 \right\rangle_t \\ MSD_{z'}(\tau) = \left\langle \left( z'_{G,t}{}^{M_{t-\tau}} - z'_{G,t-\tau}{}^{M_{t-\tau}} \right)^2 \right\rangle_t \end{array} \right.$$



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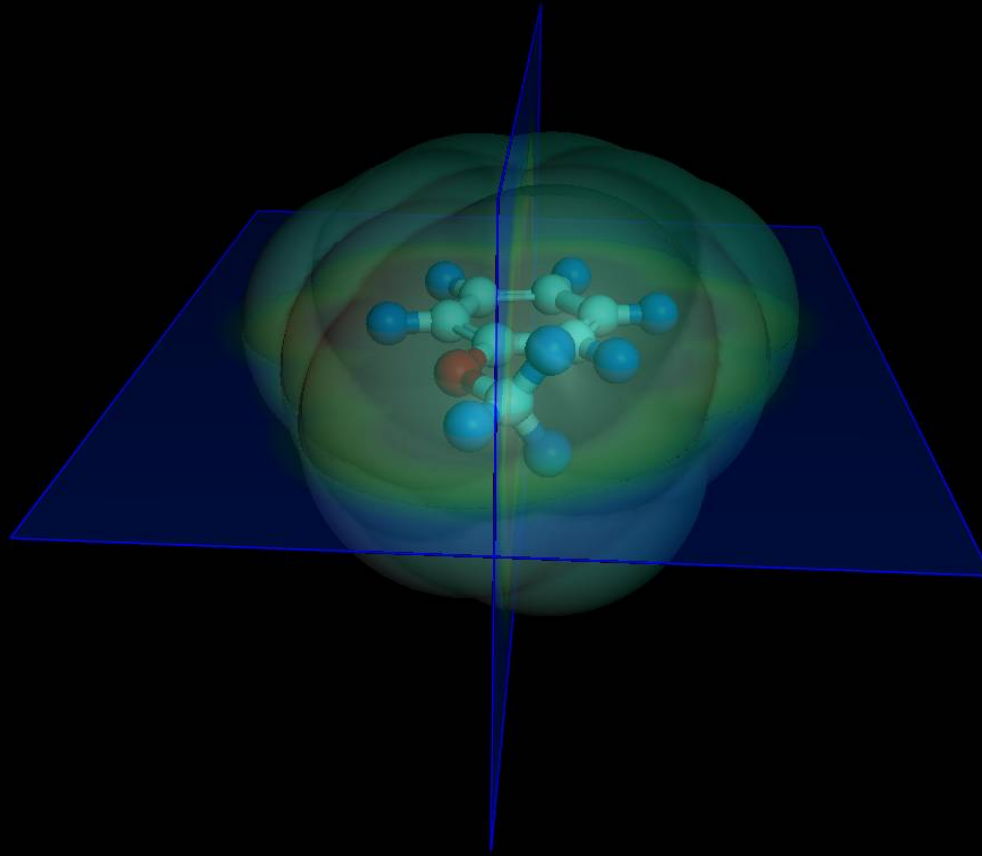
# FLYING WITH ANISOLE IN HDPE (25 ns, smoothed trajectories)



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**NEXT STEP:** TO RELATE THE "TUBE SHAPE" TO THE CONFIGURATIONS OF POLYMER CHAINS

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