



Motivation

Recent results [1] show that

- Simple liquids show strong correlations (e.g. Lennart-Jones)
- Multiple interaction liquids like methanol (van der Waals and Hydrogen bonding) show weak correlations
- Methanol becomes strongly correlating as temperature is taken to extreme along an isochor

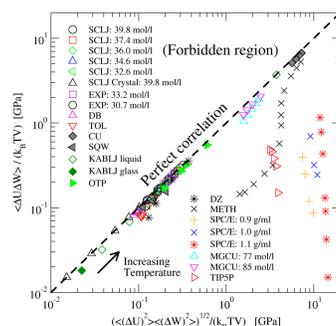


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The results suggests that

- Correlation increases with increasing density along isotherms

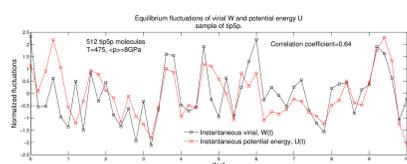
Systems studied

- Single-component Lennart-Jones. $N=864$ particles; same parameters used as in reference [2]
- 3-site model of methanol [3]. $N=1728$ particles
- United-atom model [4] ionic liquid 1-Butyl-3-methylimidazolium Nitrate, $[\text{BMIM}]^+[\text{NO}_3]^-$. $N=210$ of each ion.
- TIP5P water model [5]. $N=512$

Simulation details

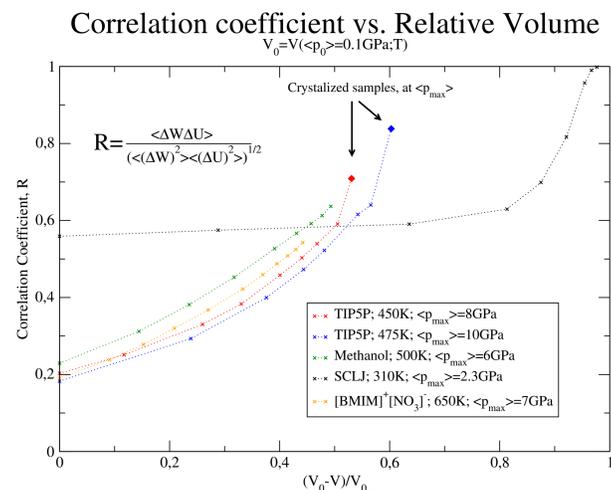
- Pressure was changed along isotherms by varying the density
- Systems were equilibrated in the NVT-ensemble
- Data was collected from 10 ns long production runs in the NVT-ensemble

Snap-shot of studied quantities



Normalized equilibrium fluctuations in potential energy and virial.

Results



Calculated cross-correlation between instantaneous equilibrium fluctuations in Virial, W , and potential energy, U , as a function of relative volume. Averages are calculated over full length of simulations (10 ns) after equilibration.

First comment on results

The results imply

- Single-component Lennart-Jones liquid is not always strongly correlating as suggested by figure in the *Motivation* box
- Density wins over temperature

Second comment on results

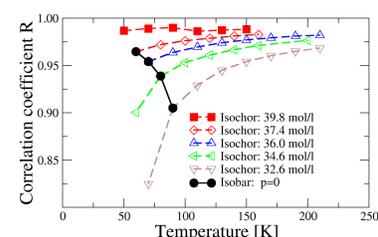


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- The figure explains the weak correlation of the single-component Lennart-Jones liquid.
- Can be seen by extrapolating the 0-isobar to high temperature state-points

Conclusion

The simulations imply

$$\left(\frac{\partial R}{\partial \rho}\right)_T > 0$$

- Not all liquids become strongly correlating - they crystalize on their way

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