Car and Parrinello meet Green and Kubo

simulating atomic heat transport from equilibrium ab-initio molecular dynamics

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why should we care?

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ab initio simulations

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 $\dot{\mathbf{P}} = \frac{\mathrm{d}}{\mathrm{dt}} \frac{1}{4} \sum_{I \neq J} \Gamma_{IJ} v(|\mathbf{R}_I - \mathbf{R}_J|) (\mathbf{R}_I - \mathbf{R}_I)$



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insights from classical mechanics









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density-functional theory

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64 molecules, T=385 K expt density @ac

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$$\kappa_{
m DFT} = 0.74 \pm 0.12 \ {
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 $\kappa_{
m expt} = 0.60$

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Ab Initio Green-Kubo Approach for the Thermal Conductivity of Solids

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ulations: Because of the limited time scales accessible in aiMD runs, thermodynamic fluctuations dominate the HFACF, which in turn prevents a reliable and numerically stable assessment of the thermal conductivity via Eq. (2).



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$$\log(\kappa) = \lambda + C_0 + 2\sum_{n=1}^{P^*} C_n \pm \sigma \sqrt{\frac{4P^* - 2}{N^*}}$$

	Ar	(100 ps)	10 %
$\Delta\kappa$	H ₂ O	(100 ps)	5 %
$=\langle \kappa \rangle$	a-SiO ₂	(100 ps)	12 %
	c-MgO	(500 ps)	15 %

hurdles towards an ab initio Green Kubo theory

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sensitive to the form of the potential. The widely used Green-Kubo relation [14] does not serve our purposes, because in first-principles calculations it is impossible to uniquely decompose the total energy into individual contributions from each atom.

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ulations: Because of the limited time scales accessible in aiMD runs, thermodynamic fluctuations dominate the HFACF, which in turn prevents a reliable and numerically stable assessment of the thermal conductivity via Eq. (2).



summary

- heat currents are intrinsically ill-defined at the atomic scale;
- energy conservation and extensivity make heat-transport coefficients independent of such an indeterminacy;
 - this *gauge invariance* of thermal transport makes it possible to compute thermal transport coefficients from DFT using equilibrium AIMD and the Green-Kubo formalism;
- The statistical theory of time series can be leveraged to significantly improve the accuracy of the transport coefficients estimated from MD.



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Gauge Invariance of Thermal Transport Coefficients

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