

# CHEM 498Q / 630Q

Molecular modelling of proteins

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# Molecular dynamics

“Putting the thermal fluctuations  
back into a protein structure”

## Basic techniques :

Simulation of a system  
undergoing thermal fluctuations

- Conformational sampling / searching
- Exploration of dynamics
- Debye–Waller factors (x-ray)
- Diffusion coefficients
- IR spectra
- NMR observables
- Raman spectra

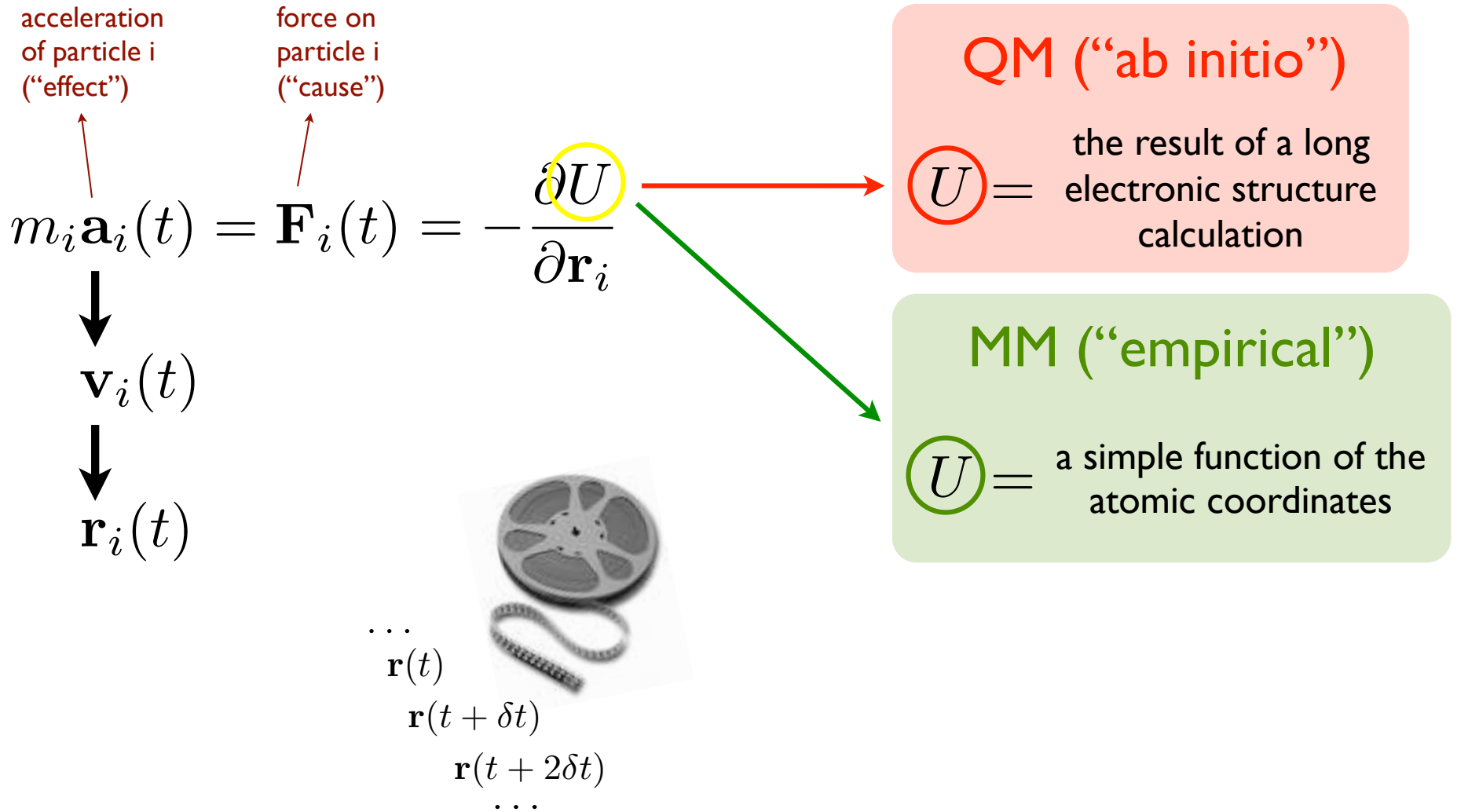
## Advanced techniques :

Free energy calculations

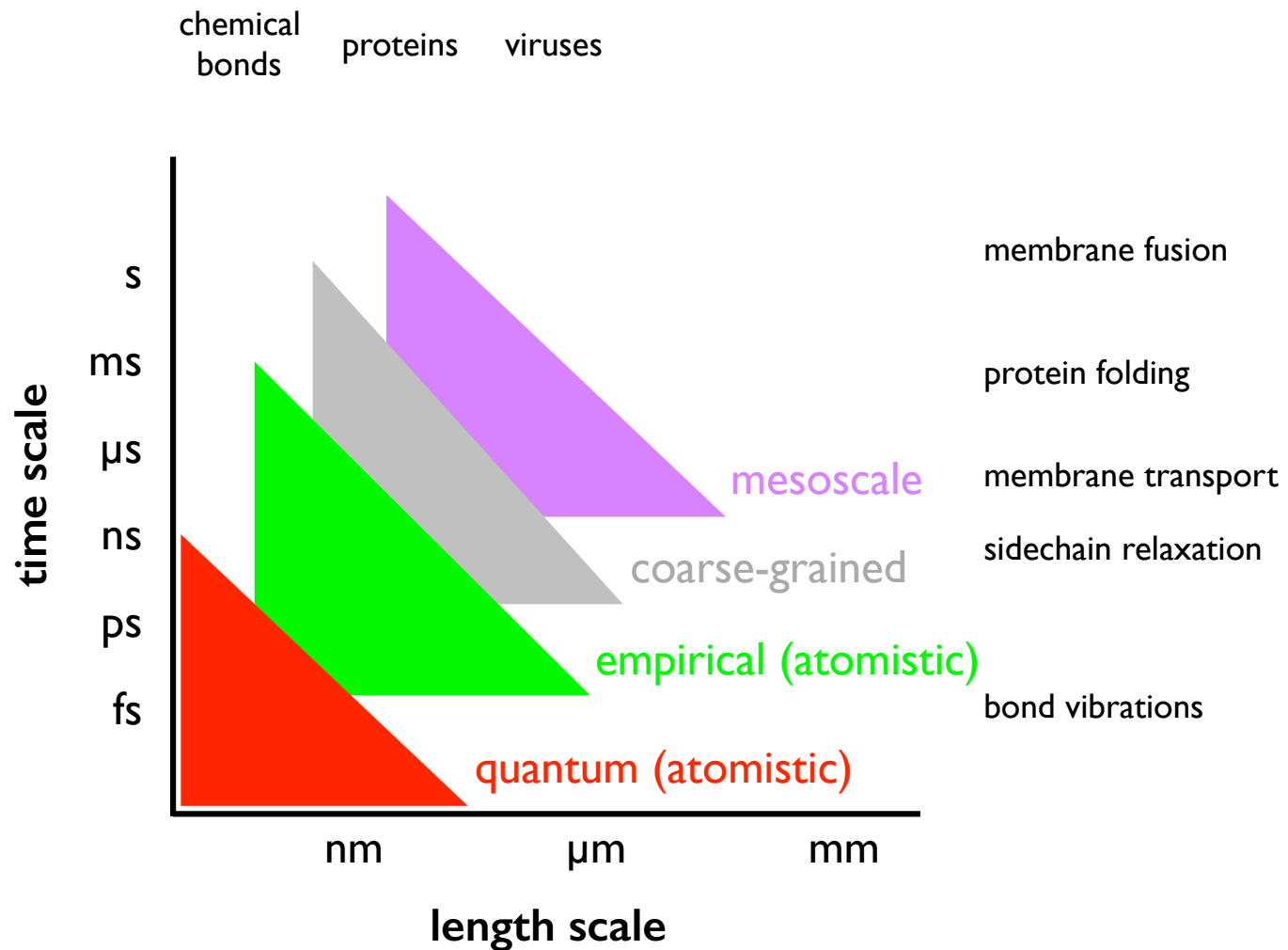
- Reaction profiles (conformational change, substrate permeation, etc.)
- Binding free energies of ligands
- Partition constants (“log  $P$ ”)
- Thermodynamic effects of a mutation
- $pK_a$  calculations
- Rate constants / kinetics

# Molecular dynamics

## Newton's equations



# Tell me how you calculate the forces...



(figure adapted from: Nielsen et al.,  
*J. Phys.: Cond. Mat.* 2004, 16, R481)

# Potential energy functions commonly used in molecular dynamics simulations of proteins

**CHARMM** (proteins, nucleic acids, lipids)

[http://mackerell.umaryland.edu/CHARMM\\_ff\\_params.html](http://mackerell.umaryland.edu/CHARMM_ff_params.html)

MackKerell *et al.*, “All-Atom Empirical Potential for Molecular Modeling and Dynamics Studies of Proteins”, *J. Phys. Chem. B* 1998, 102, 3586–3616.

Vanommeslaeghe *et al.*, “CHARMM General Force Field (CGenFF): A force field for drug-like molecules compatible with the CHARMM all-atom additive biological force fields”, *J. Comp. Chem.* 2010, 31, 671-690.

**Amber** (proteins, nucleic acids)

<http://ambermd.org/#ff>

Cornell *et al.*, “A second generation force field for the simulation of proteins and nucleic acids”, *J. Am. Chem. Soc.* 1995, 117, 5179–5197.

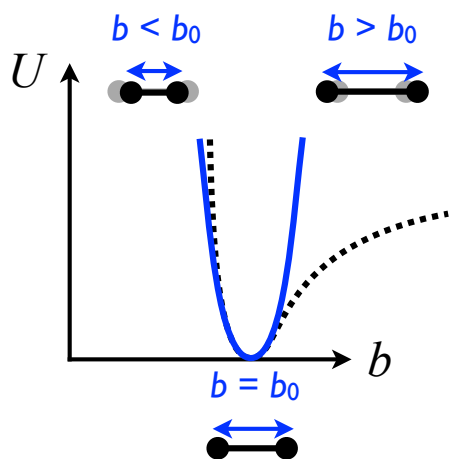
Ponder and Case, “Force fields for protein simulations”, *Adv. Prot. Chem.* 2003, 66, 27–85.

# Empirical force fields

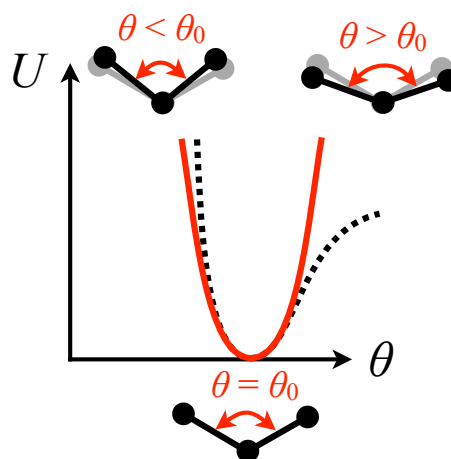
Energy calculated using a simple formula, in terms of the positions (x,y,z) of the individual atoms forming the molecule.

$$U = \sum_{\text{bonds}} k_b (b - b_0)^2 + \sum_{\text{angles}} k_\theta (\theta - \theta_0)^2 + \dots$$

**bond strength**  
(depends on the type of bond: single, double, atoms involved, etc.)



Bond lengths oscillate around their equilibrium values



Bond angles oscillate around their equilibrium values

**Note:**  
These *harmonic* approximations are OK as long as we're interested only in thermal, quasi-classical vibrations (involving heavy atoms).

## par\_all22\_prot.inp (CHARMM)

```
BONDS
!
!V(bond) = Kb(b - b0)**2
!
!Kb: kcal/mole/A**2
!b0: A
!
!atom type Kb          b0
!
C      C      600.000    1.3350 ! ALLOW ARO HEM
          ! Heme vinyl substituent (KK, from propene (JCS))
CA     CA     305.000    1.3750 ! ALLOW  ARO
          ! benzene, JES 8/25/89
CE1    CE1    440.000    1.3400  !
          ! for butene; from propene, yin/adm jr., 12/95
CE1    CE2    500.000    1.3420  !
          ! for propene, yin/adm jr., 12/95
CE1    CT2    365.000    1.5020  !
          ! for butene; from propene, yin/adm jr., 12/95
CE1    CT3    383.000    1.5040  !
          ! for butene, yin/adm jr., 12/95
CE2    CE2    510.000    1.3300  !
          ! for ethene, yin/adm jr., 12/95
CP1    C      250.000    1.4900 ! ALLOW PRO
          ! 6-31g* AcPrONH2, PrONH2, 6-31g*//3-21g AcPrONHCH3 RLD 4/23/93
CP1    CC     250.000    1.4900 ! ALLOW PRO
          ! 6-31g* AcPrONH2, PrONH2, 6-31g*//3-21g AcPrONHCH3 RLD 4/23/93
CP1    CD     200.000    1.4900 ! ALLOW PRO
          ! 6-31g* AcPrONH2, PrONH2, 6-31g*//3-21g AcPrONHCH3 RLD 4/23/93
CP2    CP1    222.500    1.5270 ! ALLOW PRO
          ! 6-31g* AcPrONH2, PrONH2, 6-31g*//3-21g AcPrONHCH3 RLD 4/23/93
CP2    CP2    222.500    1.5370 ! ALLOW PRO
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## par\_all22\_prot.inp (CHARMM)

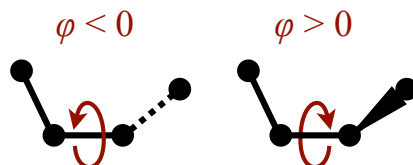
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ANGLES
!
!V(angle) = Ktheta(Theta - Theta0)**2
!
!V(Urey-Bradley) = Kub(S - S0)**2
!
!Ktheta: kcal/mole/rad**2
!Theta0: degrees
!Kub: kcal/mole/A**2 (Urey-Bradley)
!S0: A
!
!atom types      Ktheta      Theta0      Kub      S0
!
CA  CA  CA  40.000  120.00  35.00  2.41620 ! ALLOW  ARO
      ! JES 8/25/89
CE1 CE1 CT2  48.00  123.50  !
      ! for 2-butene, yin/adm jr., 12/95
CE1 CE1 CT3  48.00  123.50  !
      ! for 2-butene, yin/adm jr., 12/95
CE1 CT2 CT3  32.00  112.20  !
      ! for 1-butene; from propene, yin/adm jr., 12/95
CE2 CE1 CT2  48.00  126.00  !
      ! for 1-butene; from propene, yin/adm jr., 12/95
CE2 CE1 CT3  47.00  125.20  !
      ! for propene, yin/adm jr., 12/95
CP1 N  C  60.000  117.0000 ! ALLOW PRO
      ! 6-31g* AcProNH2, ProNH2, 6-31g*//3-21g AcProNHCH3 RLD 4/23/93
CP2 CP1 C  52.000  112.3000 ! ALLOW PRO
      ! 6-31g* AcProNH2, ProNH2, 6-31g*//3-21g AcProNHCH3 RLD 4/23/93
CP2 CP1 CC 52.000  112.3000 ! ALLOW PRO
      ! 6-31g* AcProNH2, ProNH2, 6-31g*//3-21g AcProNHCH3 RLD 4/23/93
CP2 CP1 CD 50.000  112.3000 ! ALLOW PRO PEP
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$$U = \dots + \sum_{\text{dihedrals}} k_{\phi} [1 + \cos(n\phi - \delta)] + \dots$$

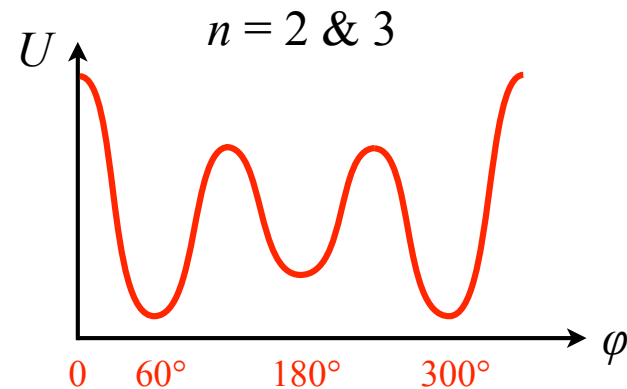
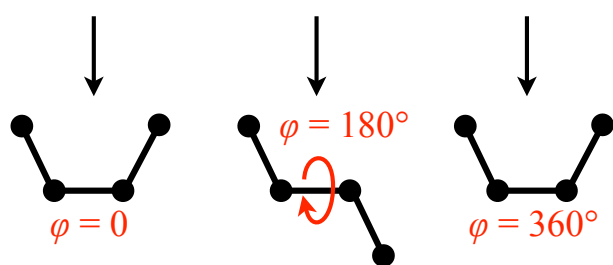
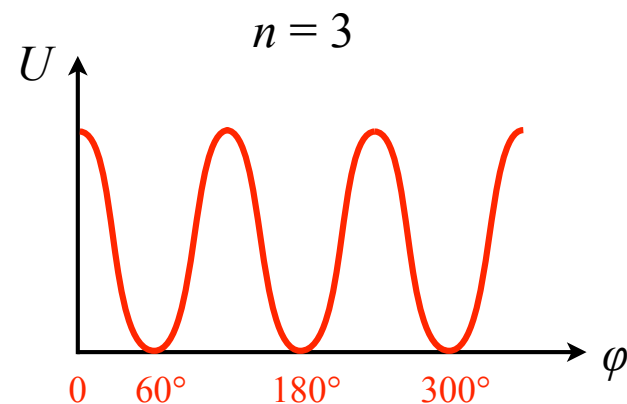
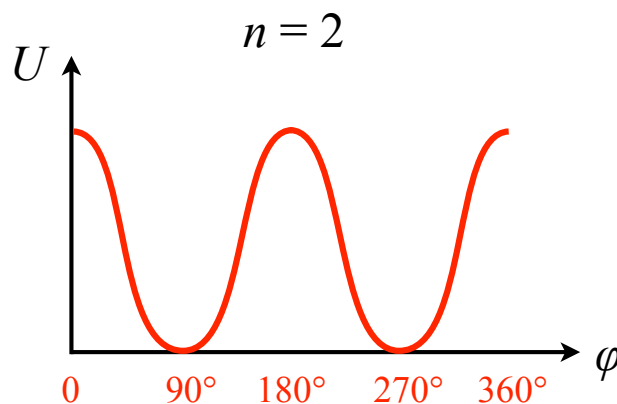
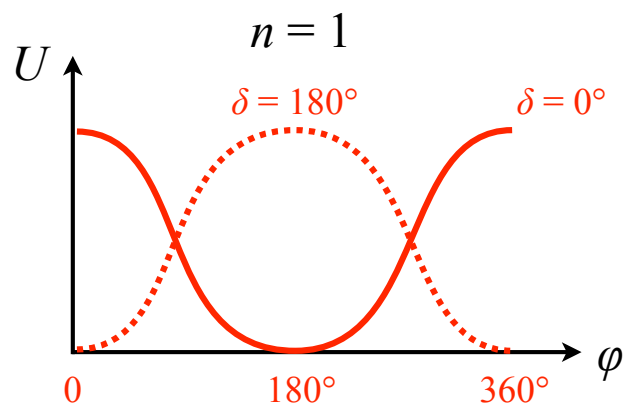
**multiplicity**

$n = 3$  for  $sp^3-sp^3$  bonds (ex: ethane)  
 $n = 2$  for  $sp^2-sp^2$  bonds (ex: ethylene)



**phase**

$\delta = 0^\circ$  if staggered is most stable  
 $\delta = 180^\circ$  if eclipsed is most stable



## par\_all22\_prot.inp (CHARMM)

DIHEDRALS

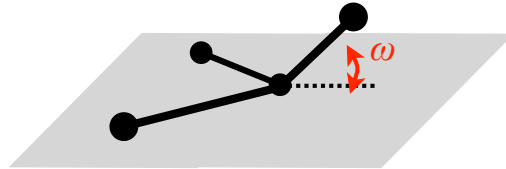
!  
!V(dihedral) = Kchi(1 + cos(n(chi) - delta))

!  
!Kchi: kcal/mole  
!n: multiplicity  
!delta: degrees

!  
!atom types                    Kchi    n    delta

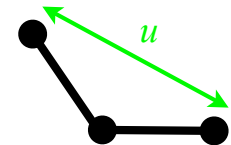
C	CT1	NH1	C	0.2000	1	180.00	! ALLOW PEP
							! ala dipeptide update for new C VDW Rmin, adm jr., 3/3/93c
C	CT2	NH1	C	0.2000	1	180.00	! ALLOW PEP
							! ala dipeptide update for new C VDW Rmin, adm jr., 3/3/93c
C	N	CP1	C	0.8000	3	0.00	! ALLOW PRO PEP
							! 6-31g* AcProNH2, ProNH2, 6-31g**//3-21g AcProNHCH3 RLD 4/23/93
CA	CA	CA	CA	3.1000	2	180.00	! ALLOW ARO
							! JES 8/25/89
CA	CPT	CPT	CA	3.1000	2	180.00	! ALLOW ARO
							! JWK 05/14/91 fit to indole
CA	CT2	CT1	C	0.0400	3	0.00	! ALLOW ARO
							! 2.7 kcal/mole CH3 rot in ethylbenzene, adm jr, 3/7/92
CA	CY	CPT	CA	3.0000	2	180.00	! ALLOW ARO
							! JWK 09/05/89
CA	NY	CPT	CA	3.0000	2	180.00	! ALLOW ARO
							! JWK 05/14/91 fit to indole
CC	CP1	N	C	0.8000	3	0.00	! ALLOW PRO PEP
							! 6-31g* AcProNH2, ProNH2, 6-31g**//3-21g AcProNHCH3 RLD 4/23/93
CC	CT1	CT2	CA	0.0400	3	0.00	! ALLOW ARO
							! 2.7 kcal/mole CH3 rot in ethylbenzene, adm jr, 3/7/92
CC	CT1	NH1	C	0.2000	1	180.00	! ALLOW PEP POL
							! ala dipeptide update for new C VDW Rmin, adm jr., 3/3/93c

$$U = \dots + \sum_{\text{impropers}} k_{\omega}(\omega - \omega_0)^2 + \sum_{\text{Urey-Bradley}} k_u(u - u_0)^2$$



Used to keep “dangling”  
atom oscillating around  
their optimal orientation

**Examples:**  
carbonyl oxygens,  
hydrogens in aromatic groups,  
etc.



Correction terms  
to reproduce some  
IR frequencies

**Example:**  
between hydrogens of  
methyl groups

## par\_all22\_prot.inp (CHARMM)

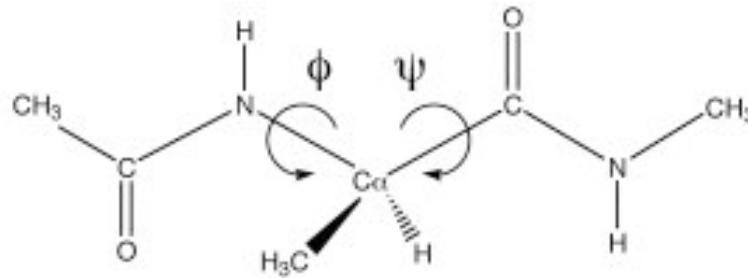
```
IMPROPER
!
!V(improper) = Kpsi(psi - psi0)**2
!
!Kpsi: kcal/mole/rad**2
!psi0: degrees
!note that the second column of numbers (0) is ignored
!
!atom types          Kpsi          psi0
!
CPB  CPA  NPH  CPA    20.8000      0    0.0000 ! ALLOW HEM
      ! Heme (6-liganded): porphyrin macrocycle (KK 05/13/91)
CPB  X    X    CE1    90.0000      0    0.0000 ! ALLOW HEM
      ! Heme (6-liganded): substituents (KK 05/13/91)
CT2  X    X    CPB    90.0000      0    0.0000 ! ALLOW HEM
      ! Heme (6-liganded): substituents (KK 05/13/91)
CT3  X    X    CPB    90.0000      0    0.0000 ! ALLOW HEM
      ! Heme (6-liganded): substituents (KK 05/13/91)
!HA  C    C    HA     20.0000      0    0.0000 ! ALLOW  PEP POL ARO
      ! Heme vinyl substituent (KK, from propene (JCS))
HA   CPA  CPA  CPM    29.4000      0    0.0000 ! ALLOW HEM
      ! Heme (6-liganded): porphyrin macrocycle (KK 05/13/91)
!HA  CPB  C    C     20.0000      0    0.0000 ! ALLOW HEM ARO
      ! Heme (6-liganded): substituents (KK 05/13/91)
!HA  HA   C    C     20.0000      0   180.0000 ! ALLOW  PEP POL ARO
      ! Heme vinyl substituent (KK, from propene (JCS))
HE2  HE2  CE2  CE2     3.0         0    0.00    !
      ! for ethene, yin/adm jr., 12/95
HR1  NR1  NR2  CPH2    0.5000      0    0.0000 ! ALLOW ARO
      ! his, adm jr., 7/05/90
HR1  NR2  NR1  CPH2    0.5000      0    0.0000 ! ALLOW ARO
      ! his, adm jr., 7/05/90
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$$U = \dots + \sum_{\alpha \text{ carbons}} \text{CMAP}(\phi, \psi)$$

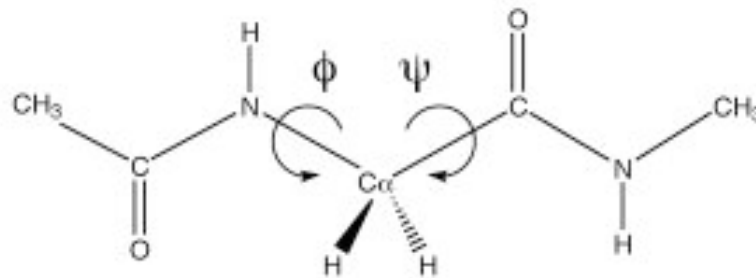
Correction terms to improve the  $\phi\psi$  energy surfaces

(CHARMM force field only)

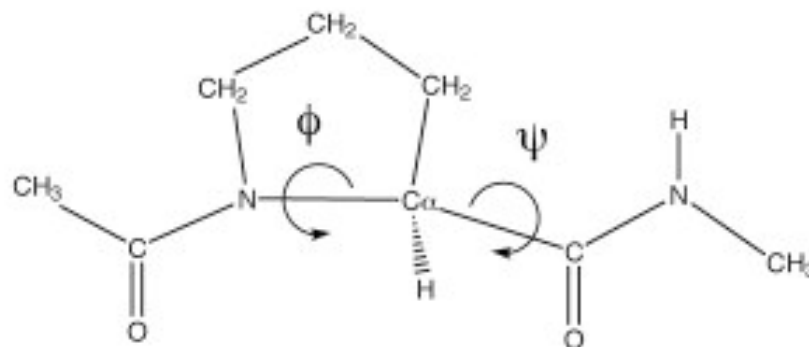
Alanine dipeptide



Glycine dipeptide



Proline dipeptide



Reference:

A.D. MacKerell Jr., M. Feig, C.L. Brooks, III,  
*J. Comp. Chem.* **25**, 1400-1415 (2004).  
<http://dx.doi.org/10.1002/jcc.20065>

## par\_all22\_prot.inp (CHARMM)

CMAP

! 2D grid correction data. The following surfaces are the correction  
! to the CHARMM22 phi, psi alanine, proline and glycine dipeptide surfaces.  
! Use of CMAP requires generation with the topology file containing the  
! CMAP specifications along with version 31 or later of CHARMM. Note that  
! use of "skip CMAP" yields the charmm22 energy surfaces.

!

! references

!MacKerell, A.D., Jr., Feig, M., Brooks, C.L., III, Accurate Treatment of  
!Protein Backbone Conformational Energetics in Empirical Force Fields, Submitted  
!for publication.

!MacKerell, A.D., Jr., Feig, M., Brooks, C.L., III, Improved Treatment of the  
!Protein Backbone in Empirical Force Fields, Journal of the American Chemical  
!Society, In Press.

! alanine map

C NH1 CT1 C NH1 CT1 C NH1 24

!-180

0.126790 0.768700 0.971260 1.250970 2.121010  
2.695430 2.064440 1.764790 0.755870 -0.713470  
0.976130 -2.475520 -5.455650 -5.096450 -5.305850  
-3.975630 -3.088580 -2.784200 -2.677120 -2.646060  
-2.335350 -2.010440 -1.608040 -0.482250

!-165

-0.802290 1.377090 1.577020 1.872290 2.398990  
2.461630 2.333840 1.904070 1.061460 0.518400  
-0.116320 -3.575440 -5.284480 -5.160310 -4.196010  
-3.276210 -2.715340 -1.806200 -1.101780 -1.210320

# Lennard-Jones

$$U = \dots + \sum_{\text{nonbonded}} \epsilon_{ij} \left[ \left( \frac{R_{\text{min}_{ij}}}{r_{ij}} \right)^{12} - 2 \left( \frac{R_{\text{min}_{ij}}}{r_{ij}} \right)^6 \right]$$

**$1/r^{12}$  term :**

Models the “exchange-repulsion-penetration” forces

**Always repulsive**

**$1/r^6$  term :**

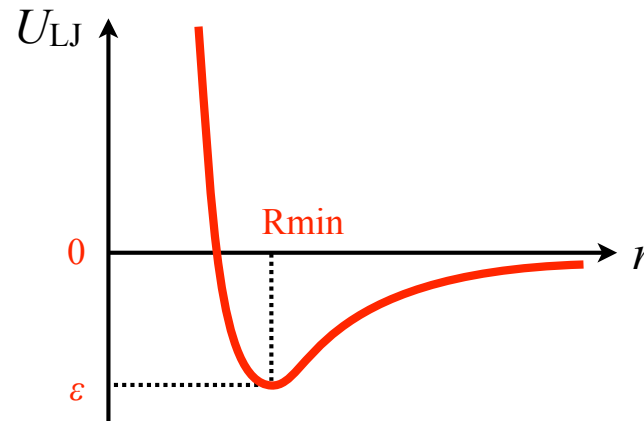
Models the London dispersion forces (first term of the series  $1/r^6, 1/r^8, 1/r^{10}$ , etc.)

**Always attractive**

$\epsilon_{ij}$  and  $R_{\text{min}_{ij}}$  are parameters defined for each pair of atoms, according to the following **mixing rules** :

$$\epsilon_{ij} \stackrel{\text{def}}{=} \sqrt{\epsilon_i \epsilon_j}$$

$$R_{\text{min}_{ij}} \stackrel{\text{def}}{=} \frac{1}{2} R_{\text{min}_i} + \frac{1}{2} R_{\text{min}_j}$$



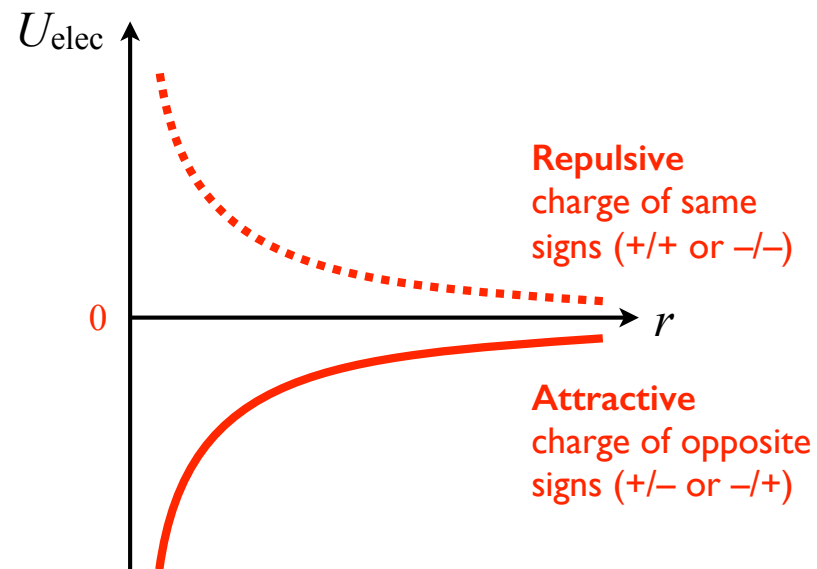
# Electrostatics

$$U = \dots + \sum_{\text{nonbonded}} \frac{q_i q_j}{r_{ij}}$$

atomic partial charges

**1/r term :**  
Models the Coulomb forces

**Attractive or repulsive, depending on the charges**





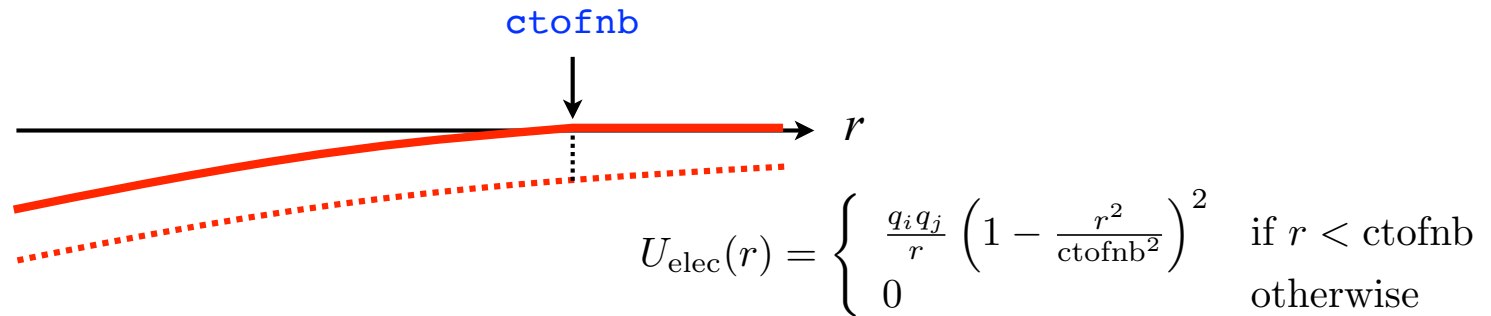
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NONBONDED nbxmod 5 atom cdiel shift vatom vdistance vswitch -
cutnb 14.0 ctofnb 12.0 ctonnb 10.0 eps 1.0 e14fac 1.0 wmin 1.5
!adm jr., 5/08/91, suggested cutoff scheme
!
!V(Lennard-Jones) = Eps,i,j[(Rmin,i,j/ri,j)**12 - 2(Rmin,i,j/ri,j)**6]
!
!epsilon: kcal/mole, Eps,i,j = sqrt(eps,i * eps,j)
!Rmin/2: A, Rmin,i,j = Rmin/2,i + Rmin/2,j
!
!atom ignored epsilon Rmin/2 ignored eps,1-4 Rmin/2,1-4
!
!carbons
C 0.000000 -0.110000 2.000000 ! ALLOW PEP POL ARO
! NMA pure solvent, adm jr., 3/3/93
CA 0.000000 -0.070000 1.992400 ! ALLOW ARO
! benzene (JES)
CC 0.000000 -0.070000 2.000000 ! ALLOW PEP POL ARO
! adm jr. 3/3/92, acetic acid heat of solvation
CD 0.000000 -0.070000 2.000000 ! ALLOW POL
! adm jr. 3/19/92, acetate a.i. and dH of solvation
CE1 0.000000 -0.068000 2.090000 !
! for propene, yin/adm jr., 12/95
CE2 0.000000 -0.064000 2.080000 !
! for ethene, yin/adm jr., 12/95
CM 0.000000 -0.110000 2.100000 ! ALLOW HEM
! Heme (6-liganded): CO ligand carbon (KK 05/13/91)
CP1 0.000000 -0.020000 2.275000 0.000000 -0.010000 1.900000 ! ALLOW
! alkane update, adm jr., 3/2/92
CP2 0.000000 -0.055000 2.175000 0.000000 -0.010000 1.900000 ! ALLOW
! alkane update, adm jr., 3/2/92
CP3 0.000000 -0.055000 2.175000 0.000000 -0.010000 1.900000 ! ALLOW
! alkane update, adm jr., 3/2/92
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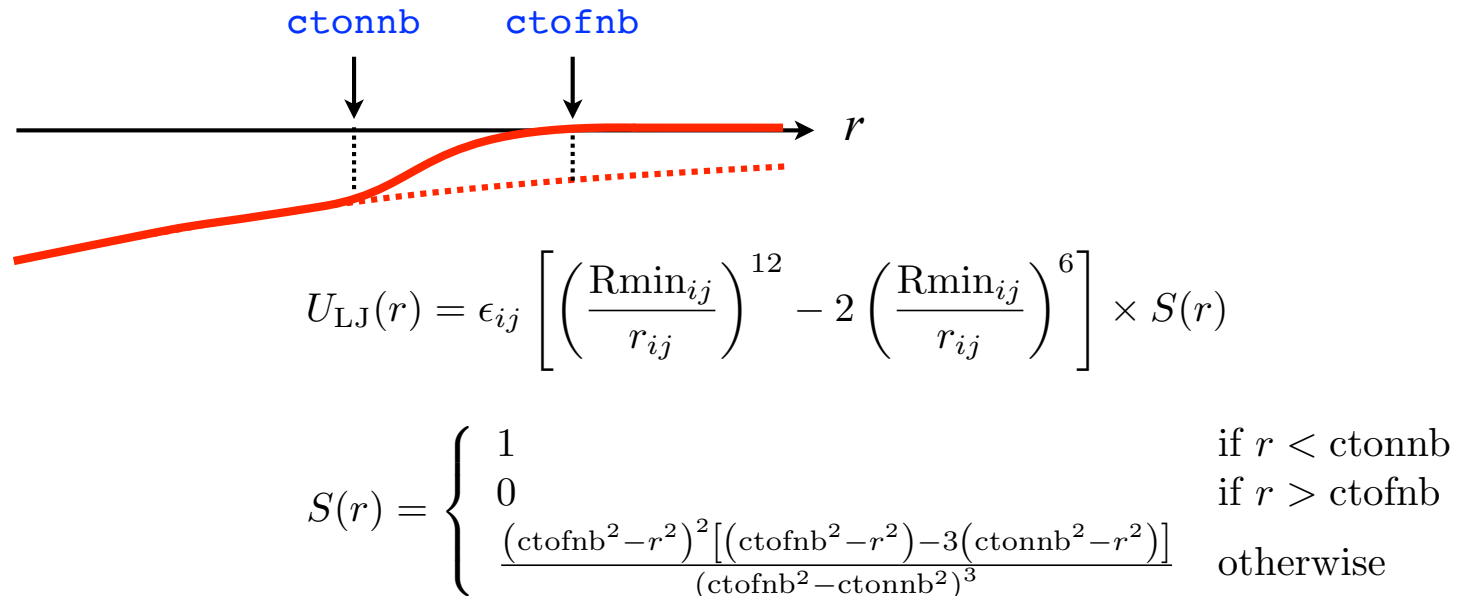
# Cutoff scheme

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NONBONDED nbxmod 5 atom cdiel shift vatom vdistance vswitch -
cutnb 14.0 ctofnb 12.0 ctonnb 10.0 eps 1.0 e14fac 1.0 wmin 1.5
!adm jr., 5/08/91, suggested cutoff scheme
```

“shift”  
(for electrostatics)



“vswitch”  
(for Lennard-Jones)



# Force field parameterization

$$\begin{aligned} U = & \sum_{\text{bonds}} k_b (b - b_0)^2 + \sum_{\text{angles}} k_\theta (\theta - \theta_0)^2 \\ & + \sum_{\text{dihedrals}} k_\phi [1 + \cos(n\phi - \delta)] \\ & + \sum_{\text{impropers}} k_\omega (\omega - \omega_0)^2 + \sum_{\text{Urey-Bradley}} k_u (u - u_0)^2 \\ & + \sum_{\alpha \text{ carbons}} \text{CMAP}(\phi, \psi) \\ & + \sum_{\text{nonbonded}} \epsilon_{ij} \left[ \left( \frac{R_{\text{min}_{ij}}}{r_{ij}} \right)^{12} - 2 \left( \frac{R_{\text{min}_{ij}}}{r_{ij}} \right)^6 \right] \\ & + \sum_{\text{nonbonded}} \frac{q_i q_j}{r_{ij}} \end{aligned}$$

Term	Target data	Source
<b>Bonded</b>		
Equilibrium terms ( $b_0, \theta_0, n, \delta$ )	Geometries	QM, electron diffraction, microwave, crystal surveys
Force constants ( $K_b, K_\theta, K_\chi$ )	Vibration spectra	QM, IR, Raman
<b>Nonbonded</b>		
VdW terms ( $\epsilon_i, R_{min_i}$ )	<p>Pure solvent properties (<math>\Delta_{vap}H</math>, molecular volume)</p> <p>Crystal properties (<math>\Delta_{sub}H</math>, lattice parameters, non-bonded distances)</p> <p>•Interaction energies (dimers, interaction with rare gases, interaction with water)</p>	<p>•Vapor pressure, calorimetry, densities</p> <p>•X-ray and neutron diffraction, vapor pressure, calorimetry</p> <p>•QM, microwave, mass spectrometry</p>
Partial charges ( $q_i$ )	<p>•Dipole moments</p> <p>•Electrostatic potentials</p> <p>•Interactions energies (dimers, interaction with water)</p> <p>Aqueous solution (<math>\Delta_{solv}G, \Delta_{solv}H</math>, partial molar volume)</p>	<p>•QM, dielectric permittivity, Stark effect, microwave</p> <p>•QM</p> <p>•QM, microwave, mass spectrometry</p> <p>•Calorimetry, volume variations</p>

Reproduced from : MacKerell, "Atomistic Models and Force Fields" in *Computational Biochemistry and Biophysics* (Editors: Becker, MacKerell, Roux, Watanabe), 2001, p. 7–38.

**We need two things :**

### **Force field**

List of parameters associated with each atom type and their combinations (bonds, angles, dihedrals)

**+**

### **Topology**

Description of all molecules and residues in term of their atoms and covalent bonds

**+ partial atomic charges...**

## top\_all27\_prot\_lipid.rtf (CHARMM)

MASS	1	H	1.00800	H ! polar H
MASS	2	HC	1.00800	H ! N-ter H
MASS	3	HA	1.00800	H ! nonpolar H
MASS	4	HT	1.00800	H ! TIPS3P WATER HYDROGEN
MASS	5	HP	1.00800	H ! aromatic H
MASS	6	HB	1.00800	H ! backbone H
MASS	7	HR1	1.00800	H ! his he1, (+) his HG,HD2
MASS	8	HR2	1.00800	H ! (+) his HE1
MASS	9	HR3	1.00800	H ! neutral his HG, HD2
MASS	10	HS	1.00800	H ! thiol hydrogen
MASS	11	HE1	1.00800	H ! for alkene; RHC=CR
MASS	12	HE2	1.00800	H ! for alkene; H2C=CR
MASS	13	HA1	1.00800	H ! alkane, CH, new LJ params (see toppar_all22_prot_alipha
MASS	14	HA2	1.00800	H ! alkane, CH2, new LJ params (see toppar_all22_prot_aliph
MASS	15	HA3	1.00800	H ! alkane, CH3, new LJ params (see toppar_all22_prot_aliph
MASS	16	HF1	1.00800	H ! Aliphatic H on fluorinated C (see toppar_all22_prot_flu
MASS	17	HF2	1.00800	H ! Aliphatic H on fluorinated C (see toppar_all22_prot_flu
MASS	20	C	12.01100	C ! carbonyl C, peptide backbone
MASS	21	CA	12.01100	C ! aromatic C
MASS	22	CT1	12.01100	C ! aliphatic sp3 C for CH
MASS	23	CT2	12.01100	C ! aliphatic sp3 C for CH2
MASS	24	CT3	12.01100	C ! aliphatic sp3 C for CH3
MASS	25	CPH1	12.01100	C ! his CG and CD2 carbons
MASS	26	CPH2	12.01100	C ! his CE1 carbon
MASS	27	CPT	12.01100	C ! trp C between rings
MASS	28	CY	12.01100	C ! TRP C in pyrrole ring
MASS	29	CP1	12.01100	C ! tetrahedral C (proline CA)
MASS	30	CP2	12.01100	C ! tetrahedral C (proline CB/CG)
MASS	31	CP3	12.01100	C ! tetrahedral C (proline CD)
MASS	32	CC	12.01100	C ! carbonyl C, asn,asp,gln,glu,cter,ct2
MASS	33	CD	12.01100	C ! carbonyl C, pres aspp,glup,ct1
MASS	34	CPA	12.01100	C ! heme alpha-C

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atom types vs atom names

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RESI ALA          0.00
GROUP
ATOM N    NH1    -0.47  !      |
ATOM HN   H      0.31  !  HN-N
ATOM CA   CT1    0.07  !      |      HB1
ATOM HA   HB     0.09  !      |      /
GROUP                    !  HA-CA--CB-HB2
ATOM CB   CT3   -0.27  !      |      \
ATOM HB1  HA     0.09  !      |      HB3
ATOM HB2  HA     0.09  !   O=C
ATOM HB3  HA     0.09  !      |
GROUP                    !
ATOM C    C      0.51
ATOM O    O     -0.51
BOND CB CA  N  HN  N  CA
BOND C  CA  C  +N  CA HA  CB HB1  CB HB2  CB HB3
DOUBLE O  C
IMPR N  -C CA HN  C CA +N O
CMAP  -C  N  CA  C  N  CA  C  +N
DONOR HN N
ACCEPTOR O C
IC  -C  CA  *N  HN  1.3551 126.4900 180.0000 115.4200 0.9996
IC  -C  N   CA  C   1.3551 126.4900 180.0000 114.4400 1.5390
IC  N   CA  C   +N  1.4592 114.4400 180.0000 116.8400 1.3558
IC  +N  CA  *C  O   1.3558 116.8400 180.0000 122.5200 1.2297
IC  CA  C   +N  +CA 1.5390 116.8400 180.0000 126.7700 1.4613
IC  N   C   *CA  CB  1.4592 114.4400 123.2300 111.0900 1.5461
IC  N   C   *CA  HA  1.4592 114.4400 -120.4500 106.3900 1.0840
IC  C   CA  CB  HB1 1.5390 111.0900 177.2500 109.6000 1.1109
IC  HB1 CA  *CB  HB2 1.1109 109.6000 119.1300 111.0500 1.1119
IC  HB1 CA  *CB  HB3 1.1109 109.6000 -119.5800 111.6100 1.1114

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RESI HSD          0.00  ! neutral HIS, proton on ND1
GROUP
ATOM N    NH1    -0.47  !      |      HD1    HE1
ATOM HN   H      0.31  !  HN-N      |      /
ATOM CA   CT1    0.07  !      |      HB1    ND1--CE1
ATOM HA   HB     0.09  !      |      |      /      ||
GROUP      !  HA-CA--CB--CG      ||
ATOM CB   CT2   -0.09  !      |      |      \\      ||
ATOM HB1  HA     0.09  !      |      HB2    CD2--NE2
ATOM HB2  HA     0.09  !   O=C      |
ATOM ND1  NR1   -0.36  !      |      HD2
ATOM HD1  H      0.32
ATOM CG   CPH1  -0.05
GROUP
ATOM CE1  CPH2   0.25
ATOM HE1  HR1    0.13
ATOM NE2  NR2   -0.70
ATOM CD2  CPH1   0.22
ATOM HD2  HR3    0.10
GROUP
ATOM C    C      0.51
ATOM O    O     -0.51
BOND CB  CA    CG  CB  ND1  CG  CE1  ND1
BOND NE2 CD2  N   HN  N   CA
BOND C   CA    C   +N  CA  HA  CB  HB1
BOND CB  HB2  ND1 HD1  CD2 HD2  CE1 HE1
DOUBLE O  C    CG  CD2  CE1  NE2
IMPR ND1  CG  CE1 HD1  CD2  CG  NE2 HD2  CE1 ND1 NE2 HE1
IMPR ND1  CE1 CG  HD1  CD2  NE2 CG  HD2  CE1 NE2 ND1 HE1
IMPR N   -C  CA  HN   C   CA  +N  O
CMAP -C  N  CA  C   N  CA  C  +N
DONOR HN  N

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# top\_all127\_prot\_lipid.rtf (CHARMM)

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RESI HSE          0.00  ! neutral His, proton on NE2
GROUP
ATOM N    NH1    -0.47  !      |      HE1
ATOM HN   H      0.31  !  HN-N      /
ATOM CA   CT1    0.07  !      |      HB1    ND1--CE1
ATOM HA   HB     0.09  !      |      /      |
GROUP          !  HA-CA--CB--CG      |
ATOM CB   CT2   -0.08  !      |      \\      |
ATOM HB1  HA     0.09  !      |      HB2    CD2--NE2
ATOM HB2  HA     0.09  !  O=C      |      \
ATOM ND1  NR2   -0.70  !      |      HD2    HE2
ATOM CG   CPH1   0.22
ATOM CE1  CPH2   0.25
ATOM HE1  HR1    0.13
GROUP
ATOM NE2  NR1   -0.36
ATOM HE2  H      0.32
ATOM CD2  CPH1  -0.05
ATOM HD2  HR3    0.09
GROUP
ATOM C    C      0.51
ATOM O    O     -0.51
BOND CB  CA    CG  CB  ND1  CG
BOND NE2 CD2  N   HN  N   CA
BOND C   CA    C   +N  NE2  CE1  CA  HA  CB  HB1
BOND CB  HB2  NE2  HE2  CD2  HD2  CE1  HE1
DOUBLE  O    C   CD2  CG   CE1  ND1
IMPR NE2  CD2  CE1  HE2  CD2  CG  NE2  HD2  CE1  ND1  NE2  HE1
IMPR NE2  CE1  CD2  HE2  CD2  NE2  CG  HD2  CE1  NE2  ND1  HE1
IMPR N   -C   CA  HN   C   CA  +N  O
CMAP  -C  N   CA  C   N   CA  C  +N
DONOR HN  N

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## top\_all27\_prot\_lipid.rtf (CHARMM)

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RESI TIP3          0.000 ! tip3p water model, generate using noangle nodihedral
GROUP
ATOM OH2  OT      -0.834
ATOM H1   HT       0.417
ATOM H2   HT       0.417
BOND OH2 H1 OH2 H2 H1 H2      ! the last bond is needed for shake
ANGLE H1 OH2 H2              ! required
ACCEPTOR OH2
PATCHING FIRS NONE LAST NONE

! Ion parameters from Benoit Roux and Coworkers
! As of 8/98 no NBFIX terms required
!
RESI SOD          1.00 ! Sodium Ion
GROUP
ATOM SOD  SOD    1.00
PATCHING FIRST NONE LAST NONE

RESI MG          2.00 ! Magnesium Ion
GROUP
ATOM MG   MG     2.00
PATCHING FIRST NONE LAST NONE

RESI POT          1.00 ! Potassium Ion
GROUP
ATOM POT  POT    1.00
PATCHING FIRST NONE LAST NONE

RESI CES          1.00 ! Cesium Ion
GROUP
ATOM CES  CES    1.00
PATCHING FIRST NONE LAST NONE
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## **Warning :**

**Empirical force fields have limited transferability.**

**They should be used in the context for which they were calibrated :**

- Amino acids around other amino acids (or around water)
- Ions in water
- Water around polar compounds

**Unusual combinations should be tested :**

- ions next to nonpolar / aromatic residues
- water in small cavities
- metal binding

**For some of these special situations, polarizable force fields may be required.**

**But luckily :**

- “Like dissolves like” (usually)