Structure and Dynamics of Water confined in Narrow Carbon Nanotubes

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Outline of the talk

- Introduction and motivation
- Details of simulation
- Structure of confined water
- Results for translational dynamics
- Results for orientational dynamics
- Summary and conclusions

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Introduction and Motivation

□Fluids in strongly confined environments exhibit many interesting and unusual structural and dynamic properties
□The diffusion of particles in one-dimensional channels/pores is a basic feature of transport across cell membrane.

□A good testing ground for the various analytical results for 1D systems

□Properties of "biologically confined" water near DNA and protein molecules

Thermodynamics of water entry: despite a hydrophobic pore water goes inside nanotube

Structure of Carbon nanotube

Visualized as a Rolled Graphene Sheet





$$\mathbf{C}_h = n\mathbf{a}_1 + m\mathbf{a}_2 \equiv (n,m)$$

$$d_t = \frac{|\mathbf{C}_h|}{\pi} = \frac{\sqrt{3}a_{c-c}\sqrt{n^2 + m^2 + nm}}{\pi}$$

http://www.photon.t.u-tokyo.ac.jp/~maruyama/wrapping3/wrapping.html



Arm Chair (n,n)



Zigzag (n,0)



Chiral (n,m)

Formation of ordered ice nanotubes inside carbon nanotubes

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Figure 2 Snapshots of quenched molecular coordinates. **a**, Square; **b**, pentagonal; **c**, hexagonal ice nanotubes in (14,14), (15,15) and (16,16) SWCNs; **d** to **f**, the corresponding liquid phases. The ice nanotubes were formed on cooling under an axial pressure of 50 MPa in molecular dynamics simulations. The nearest-neighbour distances in both ice nanotube and encapsulated liquid water are fairly constant, about 2.7 to 2.8 Å, and this is in part responsible for the novel phase behaviour.

Molecular Dynamics Simulation



Anomalously Soft Dynamics of Water in a Nanotube: A Revelation of Nanoscale Confinement

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Neutron scattering experiment

FIG. 1 (color). (a) Proposed structure of nanotube water. The interior "chain" water molecules have been colored yellow to distinguish them from the exterior "shell" water molecules (colored red). (b) Low-Q ND profiles around 0.4 Å⁻¹ for the following: 1a, dry SWNT (red curve with solid circles) and SWNT with the encapsulated water of different isotopic compositions; 2a, H₂O (pink dotted curve with solid triangles); 3a, H₂O:D₂O = 1:1 mixture (green short-dashed curve with open circles). The calculated form factors for 1a, 2a, 3a, and 4a are shown by the curves labeled 1b, 2b, 3b, and 4b, respectively.

Water in Nonpolar Confinement: From Nanotubes to Proteins and Beyond^{*}

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Water and Proton Conduction through Carbon Nanotubes as Models for Biological Channels

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A Computer Simulation Study of the Hydrated Proton in a Synthetic Proton Channel

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Not Only Enthalpy: Large Entropy Contribution to Ion Permeation Barriers in Single-File Channels

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polyalanine pores



ring-structured channels

Molecular Dynamics Simulation of "Single-file" Water in Carbon Nanotubes



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- (6,6) nanotubes immersed in a bath of water at 300K
- TIP3P model for water
- Simulations performed using AMBER 7

Nanotube gets spontaneously filled by a "chain" of water molecules



<u>Details of TIP3P water</u>

- TIP3P : Three point charges, in addition to VDW interactions
- Reproduces the static and dynamic properties of water well
- $Q_H=0.41$ e, $Q_O=-0.82$ e
- $\bullet \ \theta_{HOH} = 104.52^{\circ}$
- $r_{OH} = 0.957$ Å



Hydrogen bond definition

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$$r_{OO*} < 3.5 {
m \AA}$$
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$$\theta_{H1*O*O'} < \pi/6$$

VdW interaction between oxygen and carbon atoms

Filling transition of hydrophobic nanotube



Initially empty nanotubes get spontaneously filled up by water molecules and stays full

Thermodynamics of water entry not fully understood



Structural ordering inside nanotube



➤"Solid-like" ordering at 300K

 Average spacing between the water molecules 2.6 Å
 Due to finite size effect the height of the peak height is smaller for shorter nanotube

 $g(z) = \frac{1}{N} \sum_{i=1}^{N} \sum_{j=1, j \neq i}^{N} \langle \delta(z - z_{ij}) \rangle$





Comparison of the positional correlation of only the water molecules residing in the central 14°A within the 28°A nanotube, with those inside the 14°A tube.

Both the correlation functions are identical confirms that the degree of positional correlations is same in both the nanotubes

Strongly correlated motion of water



Single-file Diffusion



Displacement of a particle necessciates the motion of other particles in the same direction

➤This introduces additional correlations even at long times, which slows down the dynamics

 $\left\langle \Delta x^2(t) \right\rangle \sim \sqrt{t}$

Experimentally observed in zeolites and for colloidal particles in narrow channels



Karger *et al*, NJP (2005)



Wei et al, Science (2000)



- Particle position and displacements are extremely correlated !!
- Can be thought of the motion of an *effective* single particle
- Single particle moves in the random background of the bath molecules

One-dimensional random walk model:

The probability of finding a particle at position "z" at time "t", given initial position and time is z_0 at time, t = 0. The probability obeys diffusion equation

$$\frac{\partial P}{\partial t} = D \frac{\partial^2 P}{\partial z^2}$$

Boundary conditions :

$$P(0, t \mid z_0, 0) = P(L, 0 \mid z_0, 0) = 0$$

$$P(z,0 | z_0,0) = \delta(z - z_0)$$

Expression for the propagator

$$P(z,t \mid z_0, 0) = \frac{2}{L} \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \sin\left(\frac{n\pi z_0}{L}\right) \sin\left(\frac{n\pi z}{L}\right) e^{-D\left(\frac{n\pi}{L}\right)^2 t}$$

Mean-square displacements saturate at long times

Expression for the time-origin averaged MSD

$$<\Delta z^{2}(t) >= \frac{\int_{0}^{\infty} dt_{0} \int_{0}^{L} dz_{2} \int_{0}^{L} dz_{1} P(z_{2}, (t_{0}+t) | z_{1}, t_{0}) (z_{2}-z_{1})^{2} P(z_{1}, t_{0} | z_{0}, 0)}{\int_{0}^{\infty} dt_{0} \int_{0}^{L} dz_{2} \int_{0}^{L} dz_{1} P(z_{2}, (t_{0}+t) | z_{1}, t_{0}) P(z_{1}, t_{0} | z_{0}, 0)}$$

The MSD with fixed time origin

$$<\Delta z^{2}(t) >= \frac{\int_{0}^{L} dz (z - z_{0})^{2} P(z, t \mid z_{0}, 0)}{\int_{0}^{L} dz P(z, t \mid z_{0}, 0)}$$

Comparison of simulation data with the predictions of 1d random walk model:



← MSD averaged over time origin saturates when

$$\sqrt{\left<\Delta z^2(t)\right>}/L\simeq 0.31$$

← MSD measured from time of entry saturates when

$$\sqrt{\left\langle (z(t) - z_0)^2 \right\rangle} / L \simeq 0.52$$

Evidences in favour of normal diffusion

- Good agreement between predictions of Random Walk models and MD data.
- Quadratic scaling of the residence time with confinement length.

Why "normal" diffusion ?

Lengths of tubes considered are not long enough compared to correlation length.

End-effects important for such short confinement lengths.

Water transport in a nanoring: very similar to the colloidal experiment.

Possibility of interacting water clusters

Testing ground for the existence of non-Fickian single file diffusion



Computer generated model of carbon nanoring

Polarized cluster inside nanoring exhibit SFD



- Bipolar clusters remain till long simulation times (~ 100 ns)
- Eventually the molecules form a single unipolar cluster

Survival probability decays exponentially with time

$$Q(t) = < \prod_{t_k = t_0}^{t_0 + t} P_i(t_k) >$$

 $P_i(t)=1$ (if the ith particle is inside CNT at time t) $P_i(t)=0$ (otherwise)



Exponential decay at long times

$$t_{res} \sim L^2 / (\pi^2 D)$$

Time scales from survival probability :

The water confined water will have two time-scales :

•Short time : water exits from the end which it enters the nano-tube.

•Long time : water molecules diffuse through the tube and exit from the other end (residence time).

	$\tau_{res}(MD)(ps)$	$ au_{res}(CTRW)(ps)$
14 Å	73	79.5
28 Å	370	318.6

Orientational Dynamics



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Nanoring at a filling fraction of 0.21 (40 molecules)

Dynamics of the average dipole moment:

$$M_z(t) = rac{1}{N(t)} \sum_{i=1}^{N(t)} \mathbf{p_i}(t) \cdot \mathbf{n}$$

Collective flips between the "up" and "down" states



Typical time between successive flips **increases** with the length of the tube

Distribution of angle between dipole and axis



 Bimodal distribution for water molecules inside open CNT
 Unimodal distribution for a single unipolar cluster inside nanoring
 Bimodal distribution for two polarised clusters inside nanoring



- •Dipole moment relaxes very slowly, through collective flips.
- •Relaxation time increases with tube length.
- Relaxation times are of the order of nanoseconds (~ 3 orders of magnitude larger than that in bulk water).

<u>Collective flips of the dipole moment are mediated</u> <u>by orientational defects</u>

Defects are introduced at the free ends of the tube.
 A collective flip occurs when a defect moves across the entire length of the tube.

> Energy to produce a defect increases with tube length.



 $E_{defect} \sim p E_{local} \sim 5 \mbox{ to } 10 \ k_B T$



Why is this interesting?



"Giant" dipole moment in each nanotube \rightarrow Array of such nanotubes should exhibit interesting collective behaviour.

Pumping of Confined Water in Carbon Nanotubes by Rotation-Translation Coupling

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Strong anisotropy in the orientational relaxation:

$$C_{\mu}(t) = \frac{1}{N} \sum_{i=1}^{N} \langle \mu_{\mathbf{i}}(0) \cdot \mu_{\mathbf{i}}(t) \rangle$$

- $C_{OH}(t)$ and $C_{HH}(t)$ are similarly defined
- HH vectors relax fastest (~ 150 fs), OH intermediate (~ 30 ps)



Large-amplitude angular jumps and "bistability"



The hydrogen atom participating in the hydrogen bond and the free one exchange positions



How to detect jumps?



At time t2, fH1 (t) goes from one to zero and at a later instant t3, fH2 (t) goes from zero to one. This is an example of a successful jump, starting at time t = t2 and ending at t = t3.

Characterization of large-amplitude angular jumps



Rotational degrees of freedom



Definition of the three relevant axes of rotation. Axis 1 and 3 are shown, axis 2 is perpendicular to the plane of the paper.

Probing electrostatic energies due to rotation

An NVT simulation of a water cluster inside a nanotube was performed
 A configuration was selected and the inherent structure corresponding to this
 Configuration was performed by minimisation

□ In the inherent structure, all the water molecules were doubly hydrogen bonded.

□We applied various rotations to such a configuration.



Costly rotation!

2D energy surface



The 2D potential energy surface of a rotating water molecule in the chain as a function of the two rotations about axes 1 and 2. $\Delta \theta_2$ goes from 0 to $\frac{\pi}{2}$ $\Delta \theta_1$ goes from 0 to 2 π

Jump requires crossing an energy barrier of ~ 2kT



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$$F = -k_B \operatorname{T} \ln \left(p(\theta_{O'O*H*}) \right)$$

•
$$\Delta F \sim 2.5 \ k_B T$$

Distribution of waiting time between jumps -

Consistent with calculated height of energy barrier



Rotational dynamics is non-diffusive

Rotational diffusion:

$$\frac{\partial c(\mathbf{u},t)}{\partial t} = D_R \hat{L}^2 c(\mathbf{u},t)$$

 \hat{L} (angular momentum operator)

 D_R (rotn. diff. constant)

$$c(\mathbf{u},t) = \sum_{lm} exp(-l(l+1)Dt)Y_{lm}^{\star}(\mathbf{u})Y_{lm}(\mathbf{u_0})$$

$$\tau_l = \frac{1}{Dl(l+1)} \qquad \frac{\tau_1}{\tau_2} = 3$$

 Deviations from this is a signature of non-diffusive relaxation
 Relaxation involving jumps
 In all bulk molecular liquids relaxing via jumps this ratio is LESS the three !!



Comparison of various other water models



Essential feature of jump mechanism remains same for all the water model studied Polarizable and flexible water model gives higher free energy barrier compared to rigid TIP3P model

Why is this important?



Grotthuss mechanism of proton transport along a "water wire" Lifetime of hydrogen bonds is important

In bulk water, jump reorientations of water molecules limit the lifetime of hydrogen bonds

Laage, D.; Hynes, J. T. Science 2006, 311, 832



Thermodynamic Properties from DoS

• Thermodynamic Properties

$$E^{\mathcal{Q}} = V_0 + \beta^{-1} \int_0^\infty dv S(v) W_E^{\mathcal{Q}}(v) \qquad \qquad W_E^{\mathcal{Q}}(v) = \left[\frac{\beta h v}{2} + \frac{\beta h v}{\exp(\beta h v) - 1}\right]$$
$$S^{\mathcal{Q}} = k_B \int_0^\infty dv S(v) W_S^{\mathcal{Q}}(v) \qquad \qquad W_S^{\mathcal{Q}}(v) = \left[\frac{\beta h v}{\exp(\beta h v) - 1} - \ln(1 - \exp(-\beta h v))\right]$$
$$A^{\mathcal{Q}} = V_0 + \beta^{-1} \int_0^\infty dv S(v) W_A^{\mathcal{Q}}(v) \qquad \qquad W_A^{\mathcal{Q}}(v) = \left[\ln\frac{1 - \exp(-\beta h v)}{\exp(-\beta h v/2)}\right]$$

 $V_0 = E^{MD} - E^C$

 E^{MD} Total energy from molecular simulation $E^{C} = \beta^{-1} \int_{0}^{\infty} dv S(v) W_{E}^{C}(v) = \beta^{-1} \int_{0}^{\infty} dv S(v)$

Thermodynamics of water permeation in nanotube

- Two different water models SPC/E ,TIP3P for 2 different pore size of CNT,(5,5)(6.8A) and (6,6)(8.1A) each CNT having length ~57A.
- TIP3P goes inside CNT(5,5) but SPC/E doesn't goes in for same CNT !!!, Free energy lose

	TIP3P	SPC/E
CNT(6,6)	22	21
CNT(5,5)	21	0-3

Free energy

TIP3P	Energy(E) kcal/mol	Entorpy(S)(Trans+ Rot)	F=E-TS (Kcal/mol)
BULK	-9.800±0.02	4.013+0.804±0.04	-14.617±0.06
CNT(6,6)	-9.508±0.3	4.023+1.301±0.25	-14.382±0.55
CNT(5,5)	-8.689±0.3	2.955+1.561±0.25	-13.205±0.55
SPC/E			
BULK	-10.463±0.02	3.547+0.647±0.04	-14.657±0.06
CNT(6,6)	-8.976±0.3	3.612+1.168±0.25	-13.756±0.55
CNT(5,5)(RI NG)	-7.545±0.2	2.939+1.436±0.20	-11.922±0.40

Free energy dictates the empty-filling transition



- More emptying transition is there if loss in free energy is more.
- Long time behavior was observed for same cases but shorter tube length.

Summary

Solid-like ordering at room temperature
 Normal diffusion in a single-file system
 Single-file diffusion in a nanoring
 Alignment of dipole moments along tube axis
 Strong anisotropy in orientational relaxation
 Relaxation via large-amplitude angular jumps
 Gain in rotational entropy allow water entry inside hydrophobic pore of the tube