

Studying phase transitions of DFT models of confined fluids using nonlinear analysis tools



or

why one might want to calculate unstable solutions

or

Tramonto + LOCA

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Density Functional Theory can be used to study phase transition of fluids near surfaces



DFT: An approximate liquid state theory to deterministically find equilibrium density distributions in inhomogeneous fluids.

Tramoto is a parallel code for solving DFT in 1D, 2D, or 3D geometries. It is based on the Rosenfeld functionals for hard-sphere repulsions, and can also treat Lennard-Jones attractions and Coulombic interactions.

Finding the equilibrium is an energy minimization problem.

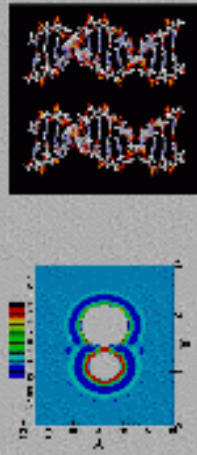
$$\begin{aligned} \frac{\delta \Omega}{\delta \rho(\vec{r})} = 0 &= \log(\rho_i / \rho^b_i) - \mu^{HS}(\rho^b_i) + V_i^{ext} \\ &+ \sum_j \int [\rho_j(1) - \rho^b_j] u_{LJ}^{att}(1, 2) d2 \\ &+ \int \sum_\gamma w_i^\gamma(1, 2) \frac{\partial \Phi_{SPT}(2)}{\partial \bar{\rho}_\gamma(2)} d2 \end{aligned}$$

Molecular Theory for Nanotechnology

Overview of Tramoto Code

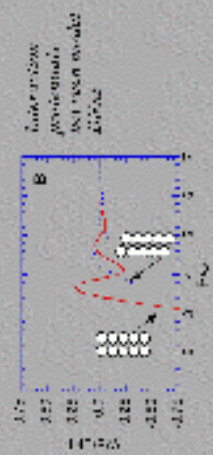
- 3D-DFT for inhomogeneous fluids.
- Memory intensive coupled integral equations.
- Multi-platform code - PC to SMP computers (ASST-Red & Cpland).
- Can treat equilibrium systems, steady-state transport, small molecules fluids, charged systems, and polymers.
- Applications include nanoporous materials, self-assembly, biophysics, heterogeneous surfaces, colloidal forces, and aggregation.

Interaction of biological macromolecules

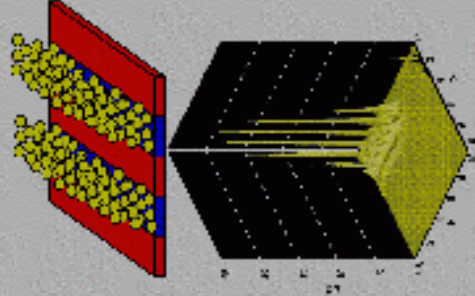


Selection of model DNA

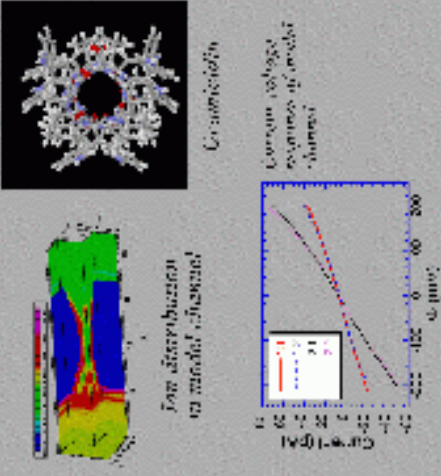
3 DNA strands



Adsorption at heterogeneous surfaces is critical for soft-lithography



Transport through ion channel proteins



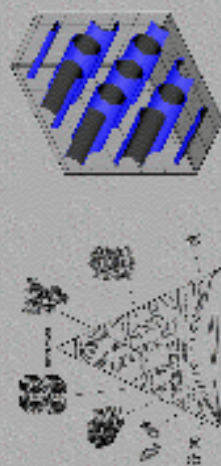
Ion distribution in model channel

Crystallinity

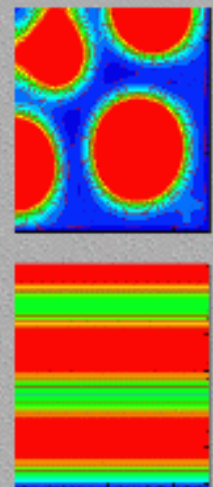
Current voltage response of model channel

Self-assembly

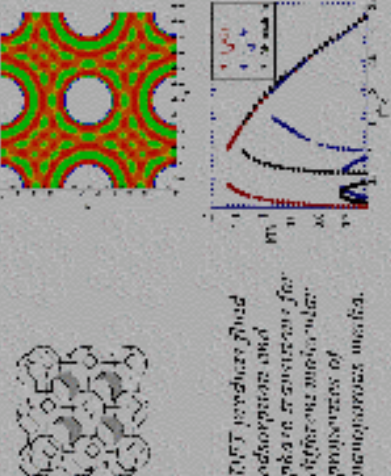
Cylindrical micelles from a block copolymer



Surface mediated assembly of silver nanowires (self porous or cylindrical micelles (square channels))



Capillary condensation in nanoporous materials (e.g. zeolites)



DFT methods find adsorption and also in transitions for different molecular mixtures of nanoporous media.



Stability Analysis Project



Mission: To develop linear and nonlinear stability analysis algorithms to enable sophisticated design and analysis of large-scale nonlinear models.

Motivation: Nonlinear systems can exhibit:

- Multiple Steady States
- Pitchfork Bifurcations from symmetry breaking
- Hopf Bifurcations to oscillating states
- Turning Points signifying Ignition/Extinction phenomenon
- Phase Transitions

Methodology:

- **LOCA** library for tracking steady-state solutions and bifurcation points.
- Linear Stability analysis capability to determine the stability of a solution (ARPACK, Anasazi libraries).

Status of LOCA Library Of Continuation Algorithms



Codes: MPSalsa; Tramonto; GOMA

Interface Requirements:

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| • Residual Calculation | • Matrix Vector Multiply |
| • Jacobian Calculation | • Linear Solve of Jacobian |

Current Capabilities:

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| • Simple Parameter Continuation | • Arc-length Continuation |
| • Turning Point Tracking | • Phase Equilibrium Tracking |
| • Pitchfork Bifurcation Tracking | • rSQP Optimization |

Future Capabilities:

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| • Hopf Bifurcation Tracking | • Periodic Orbit Tracking |
| • Constraint Enforcement | • Bifurcation Analysis of MC |

Phase Transition Algorithm Solves Directly for Equilibrium Point



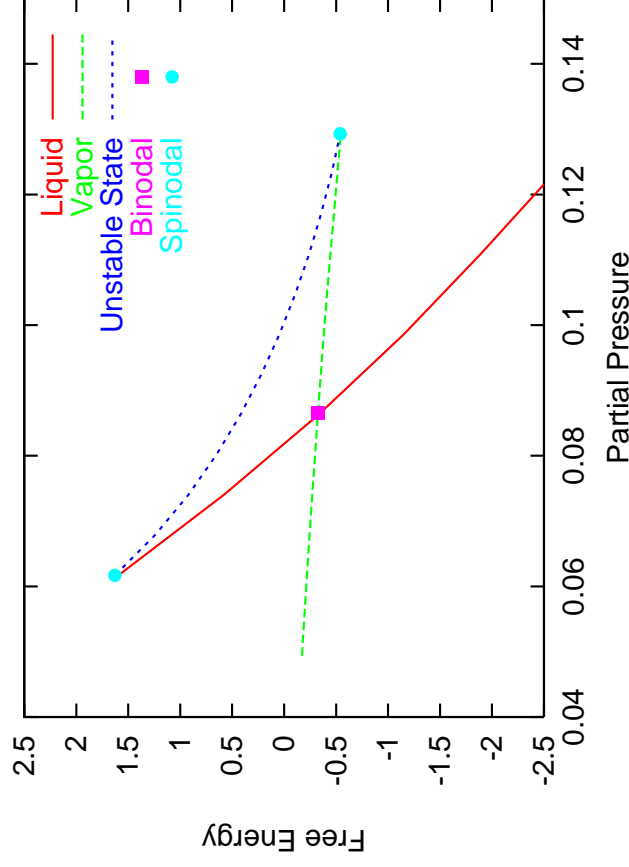
Phase Transition Calculation for x_1 , x_2 , λ :

$$R(x_1, \lambda) = 0$$

$$R(x_2, \lambda) = 0$$

$$\Omega(x_1) - \Omega(x_2) = 0$$

Phase Transition Algorithms Solves for $2N+1$ Unknowns



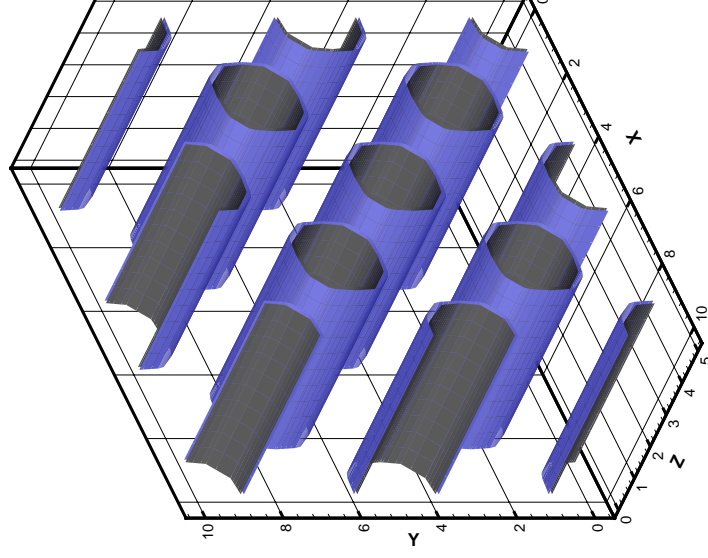
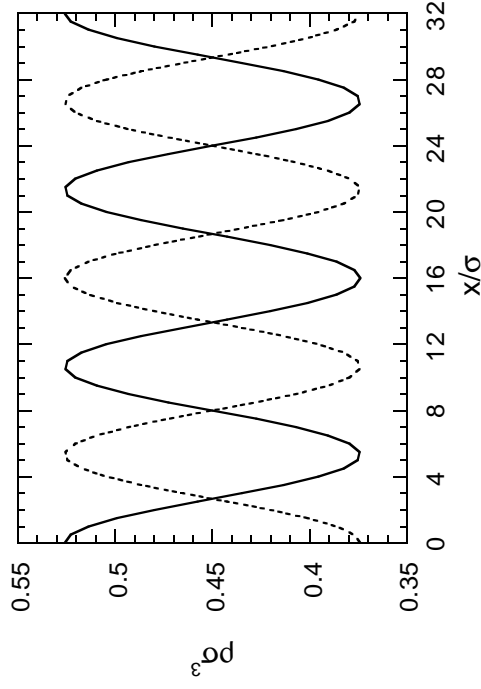
Arc-length continuation traces out entire loop.



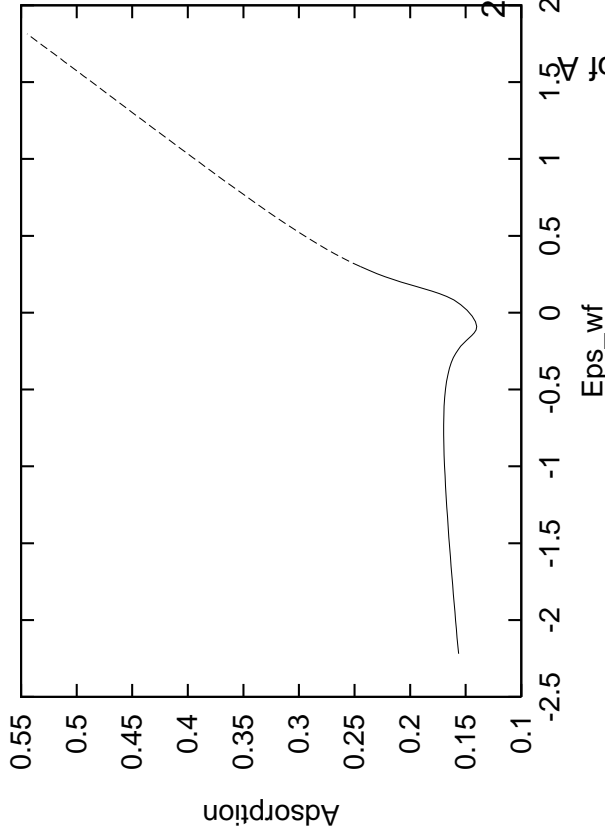
Self-assembly of block-copolymers near surfaces can also be studied using DFT



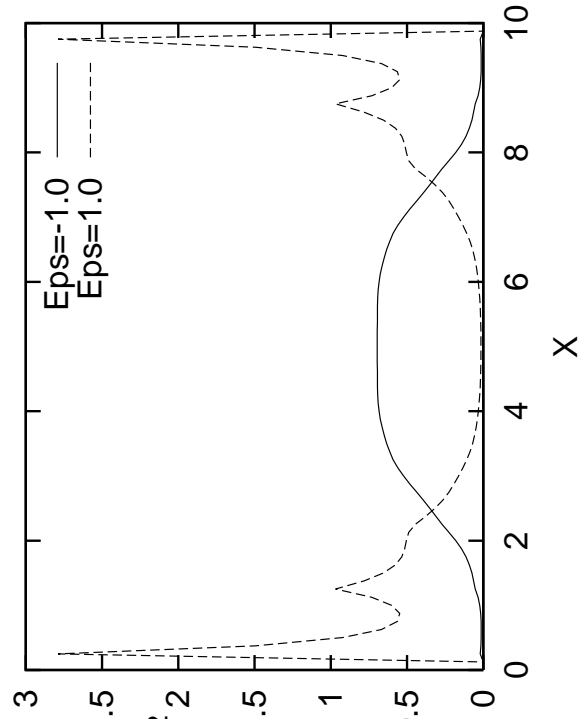
Weinhold, Frink, Salinger: Freely jointed chain model using bulk interactions from Prism (Curro, Weinhold)



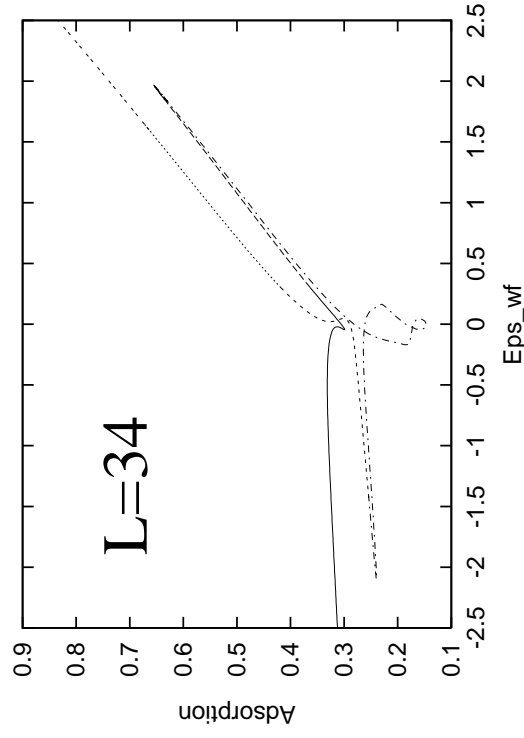
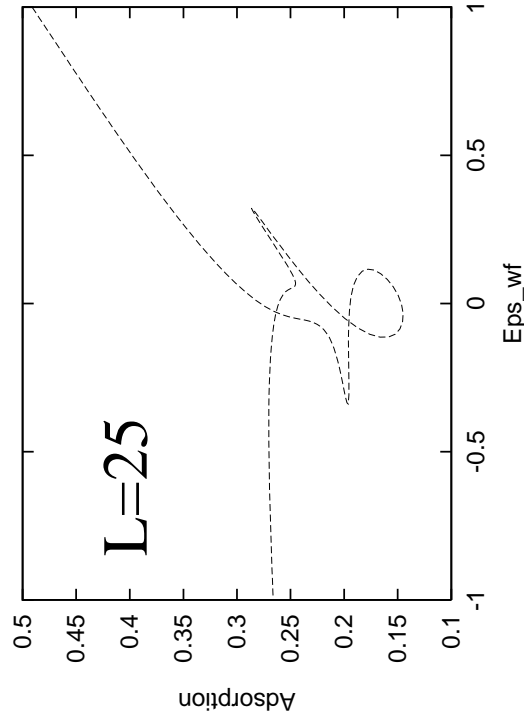
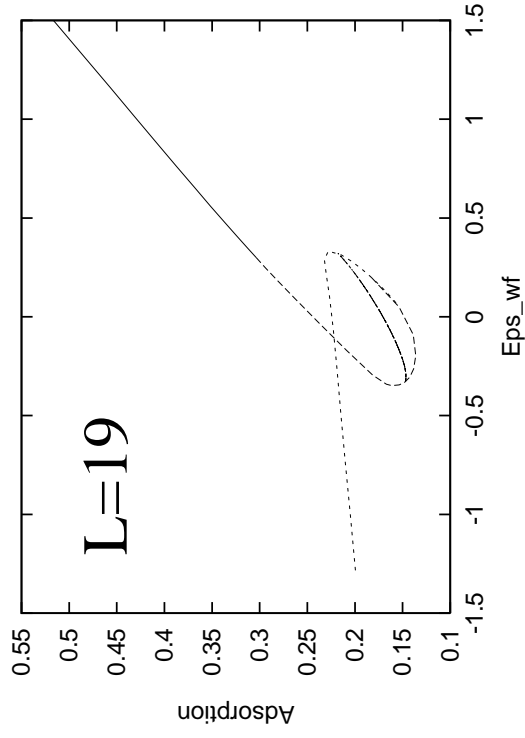
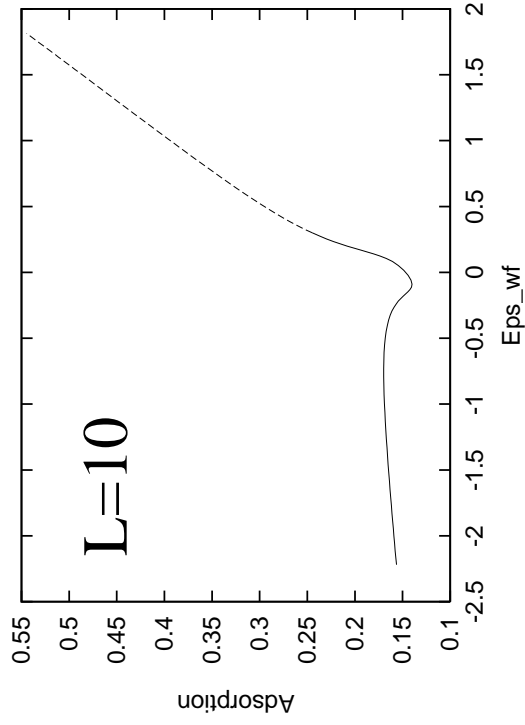
Self-assembly of 8-8 block copolymer is complicated even when restricted to 1D solutions in a slit pore



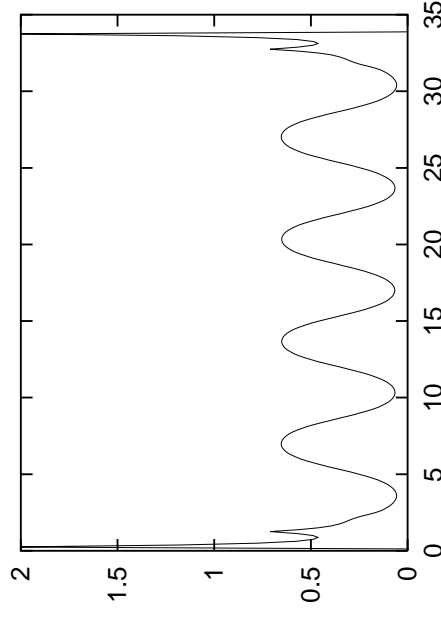
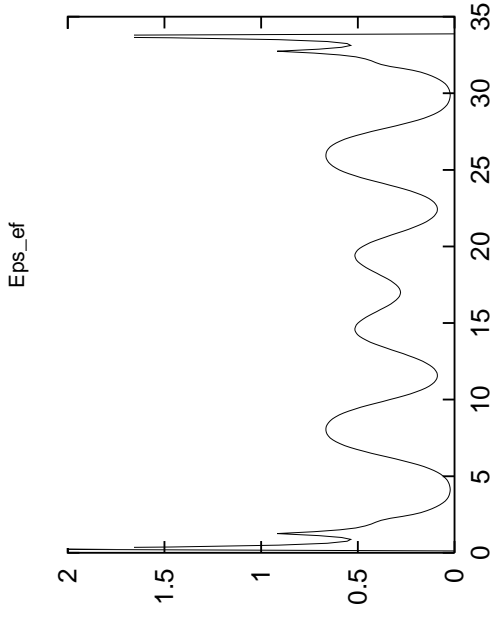
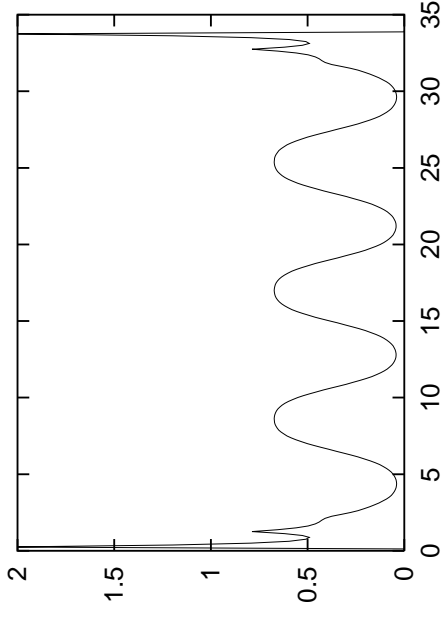
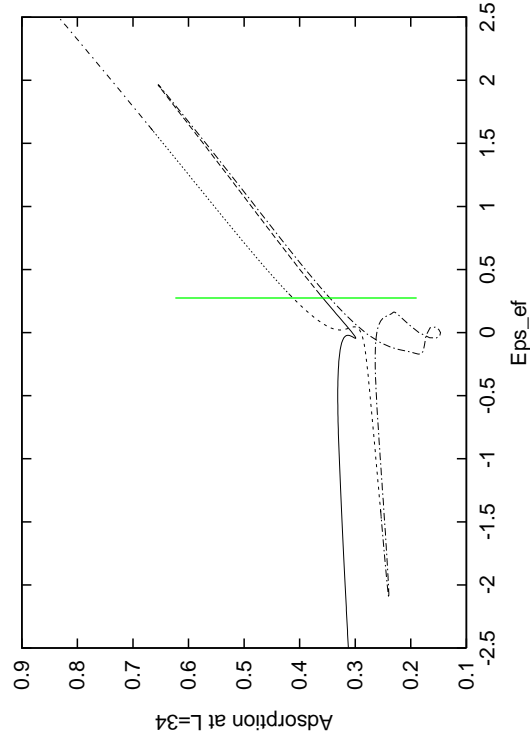
Pore size of $L=10$ is relatively simple:



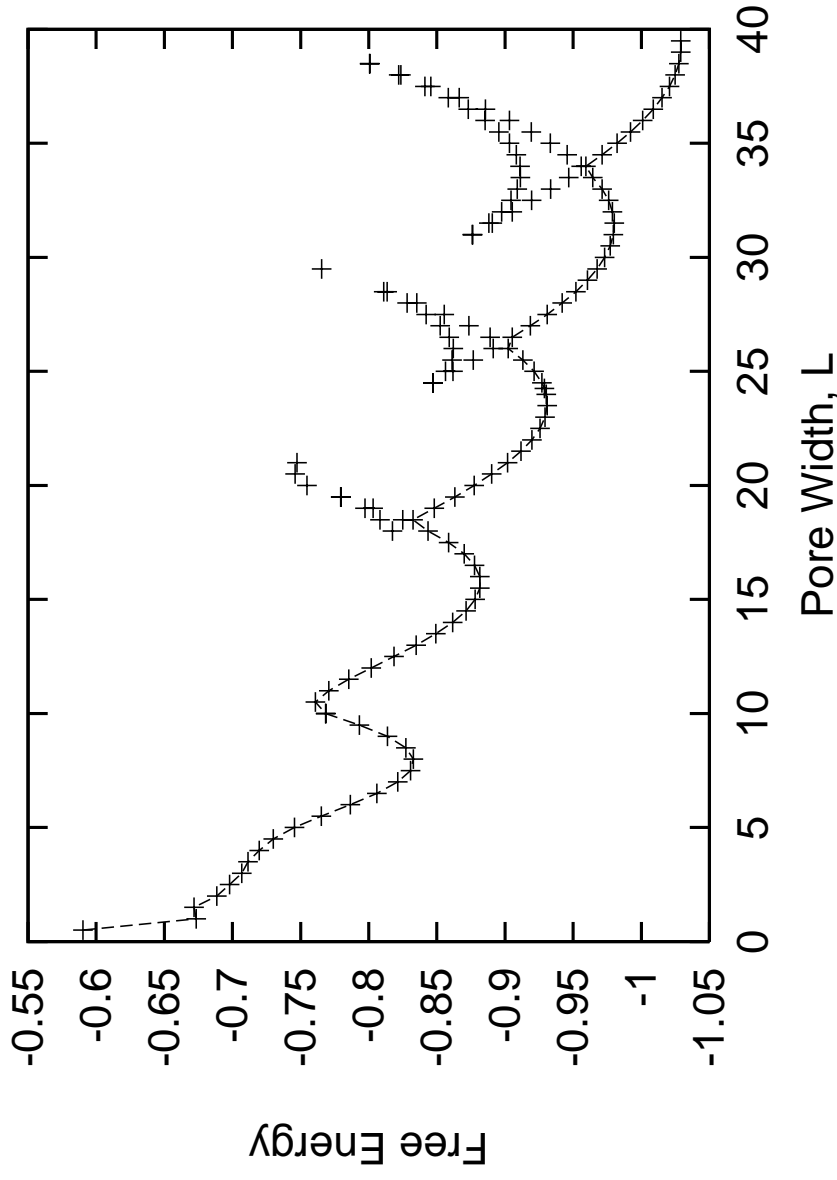
As pore size increases, so does solution multiplicity



For a slit pore of size $L=34$, up to 9 solutions (5 stable) solutions coexist at the same conditions



Solution space as a function of pore width for fixed $\text{Eps_wf}=0.3$ shows increasing complexity



Tramonto-LOCA used to study phase transitions



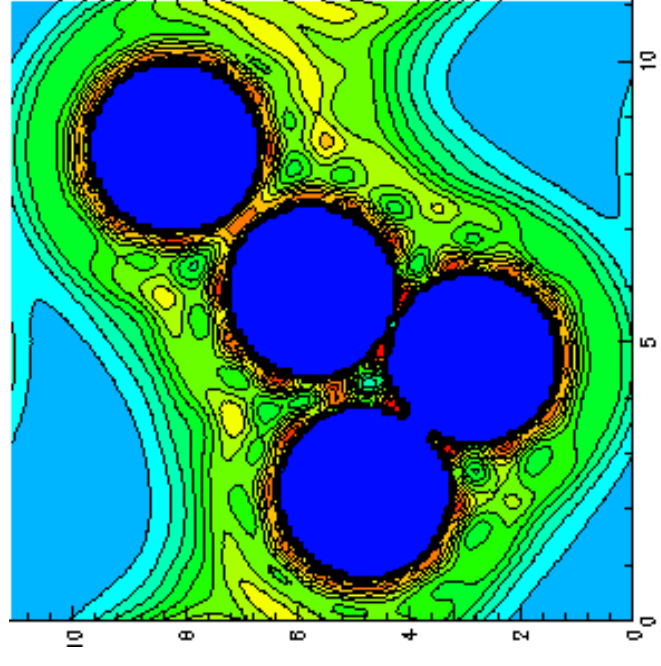
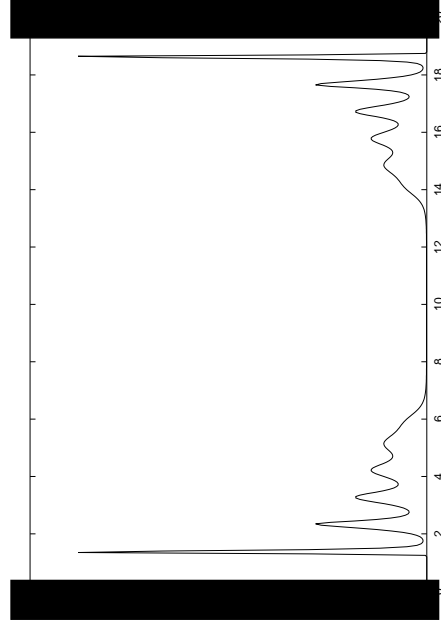
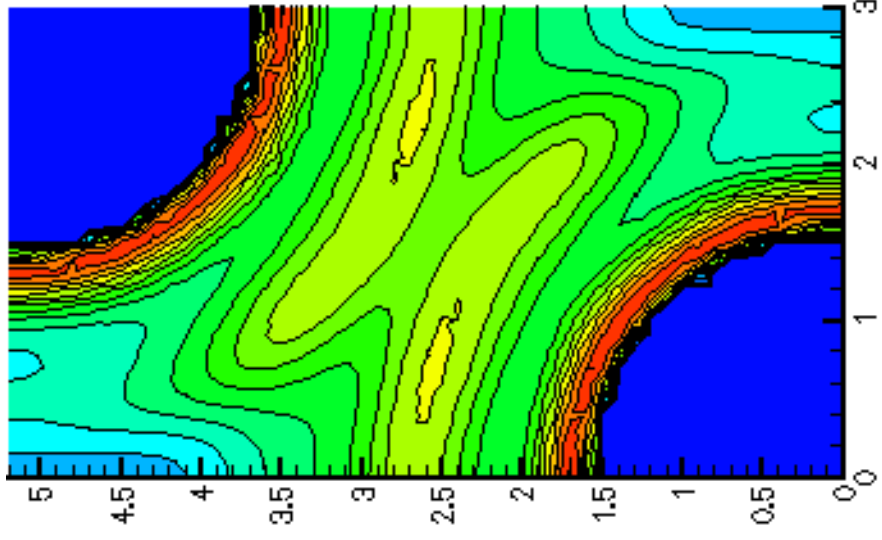
Three model systems: Slit Pore, HCP
Cylinders, Random Cylinders

LJ Fluid

Hard Core

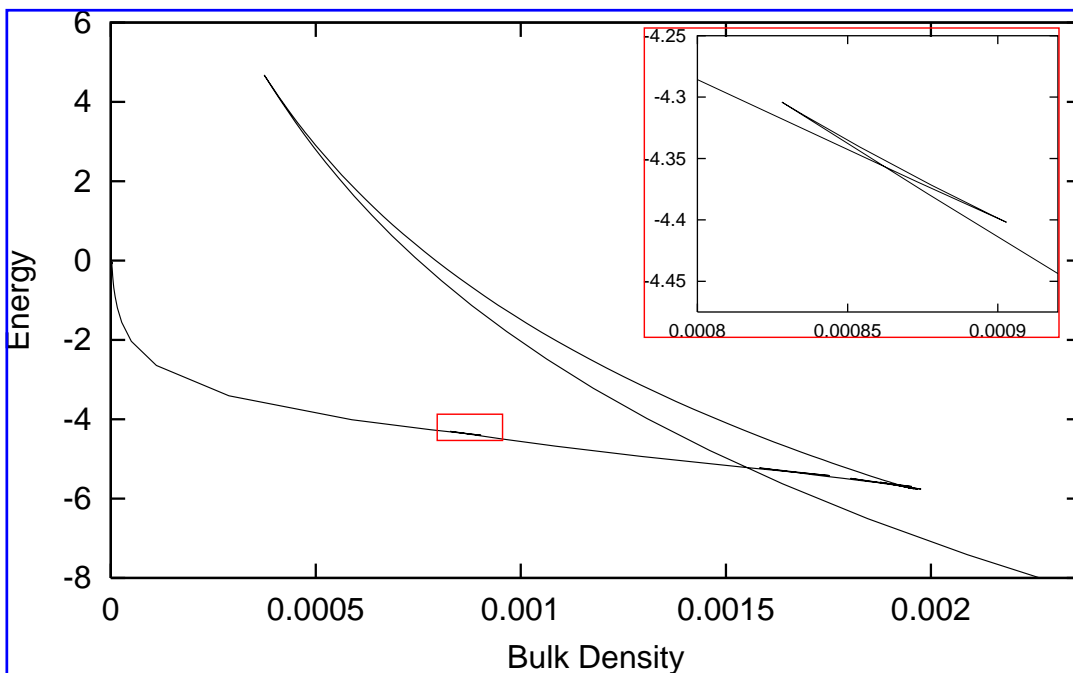
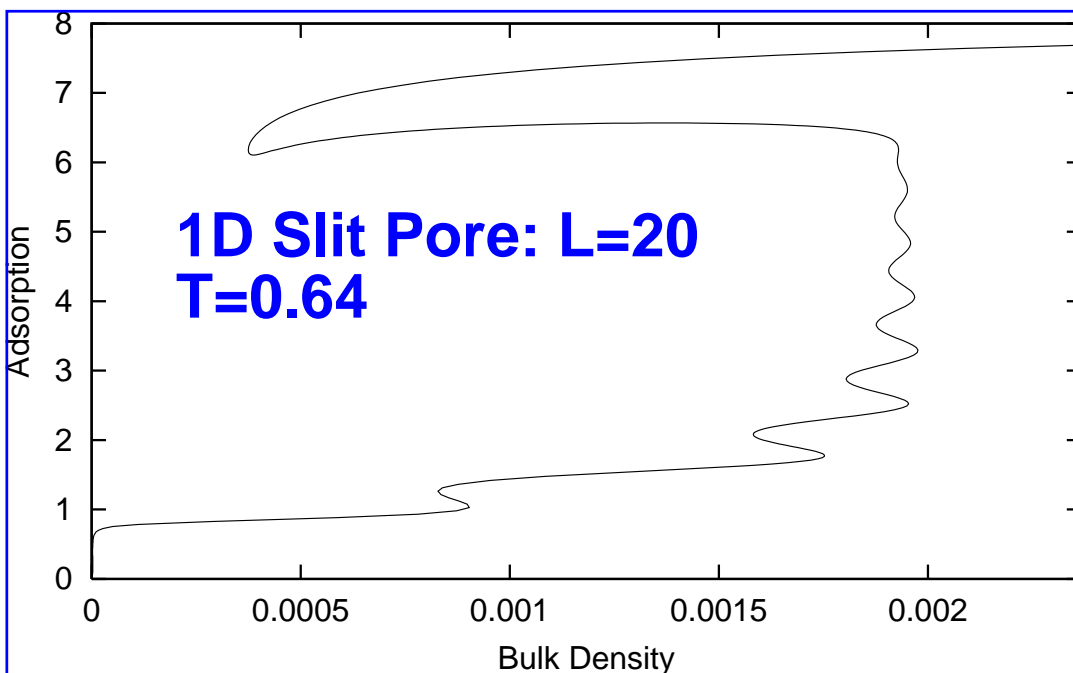
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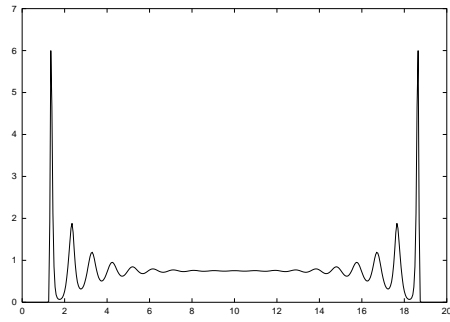
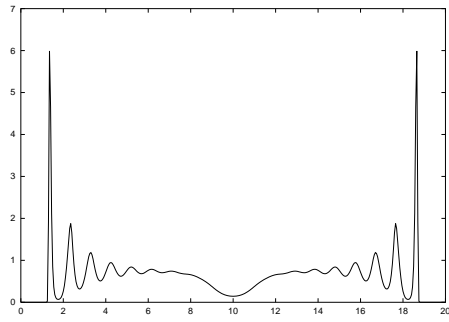
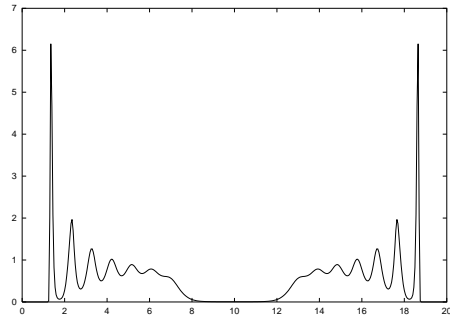
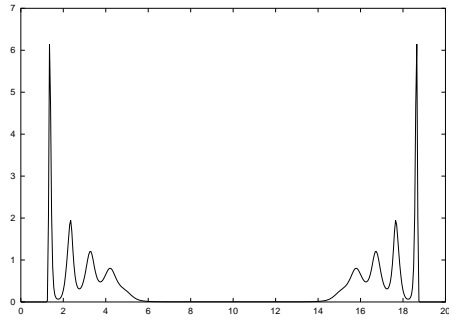
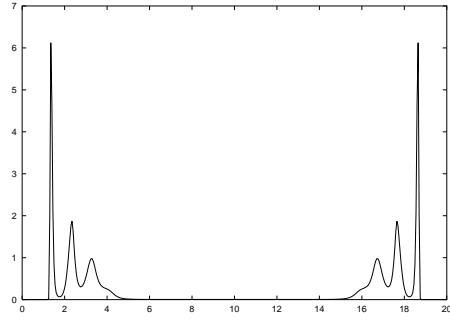
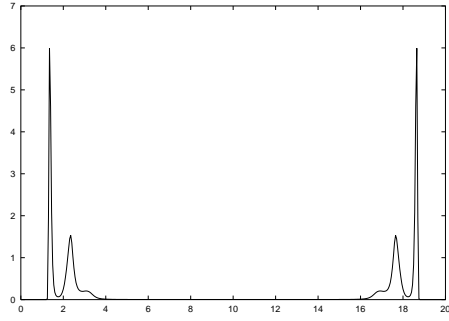
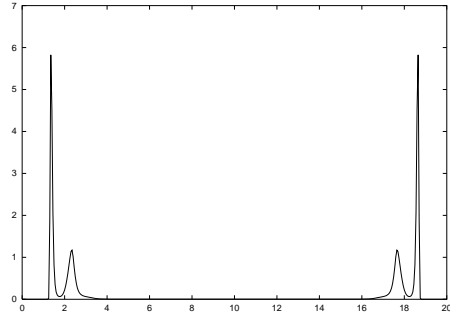
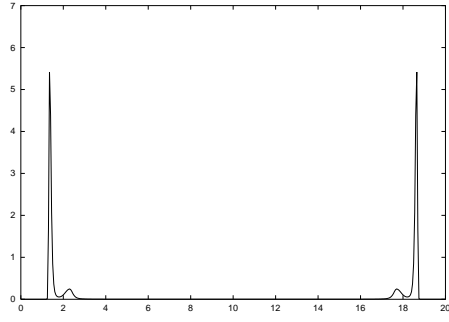
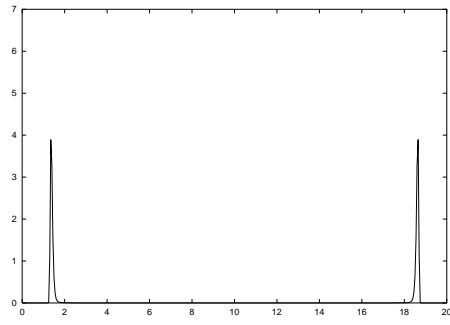
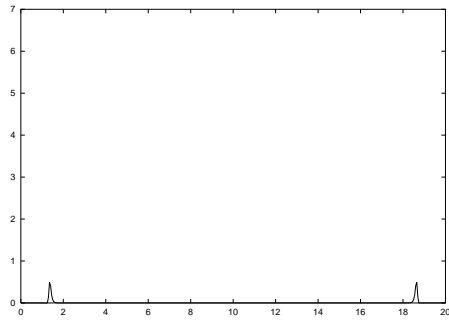
$$\epsilon_{wf}=5$$



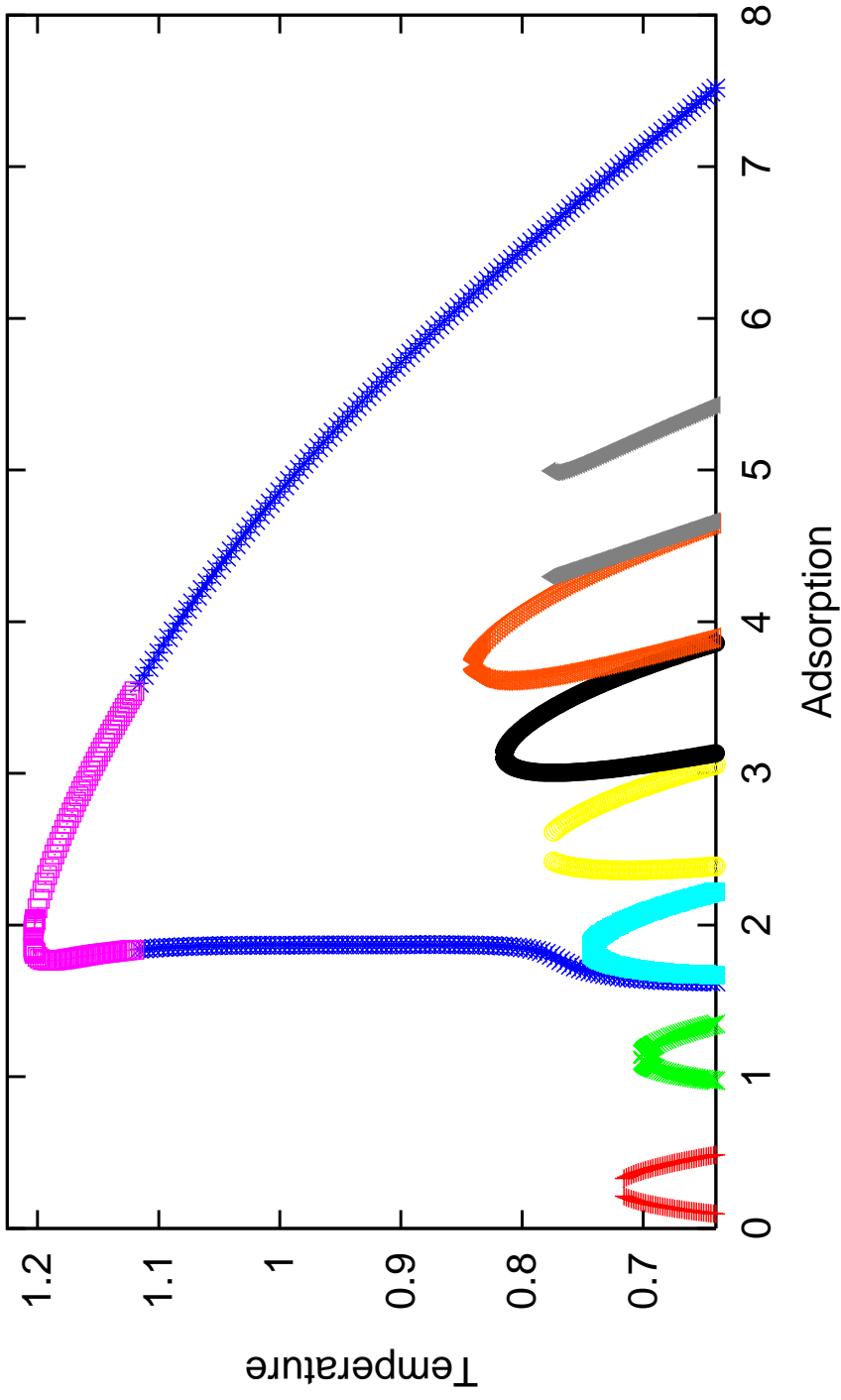
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Arclength continuation enables automatic calculation of adsorption isotherm





Phase Transition Algorithm used to Directly Calculate Phase Diagram for 1D Slit Pore



Spinodal curve can also be calculated directly using Turning Point Tracking Algorithm

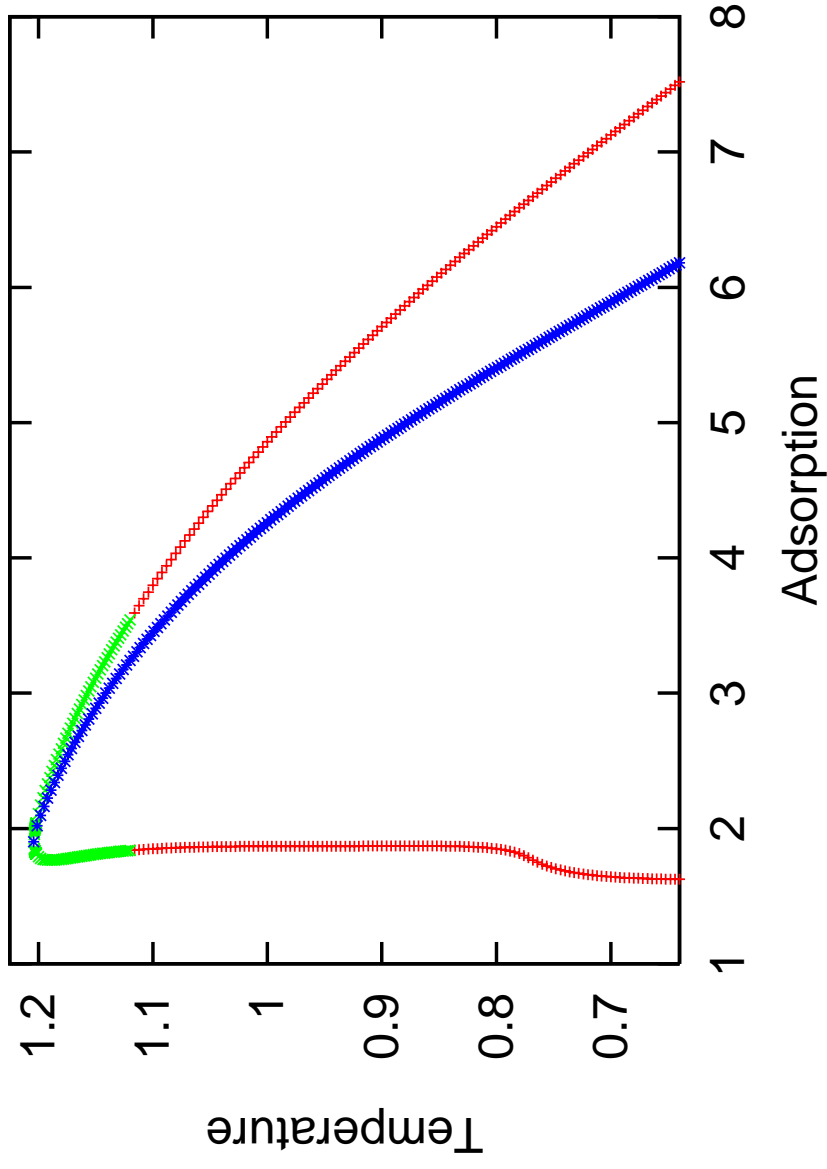


Turning Point Calculation for x , n , λ given l^t :

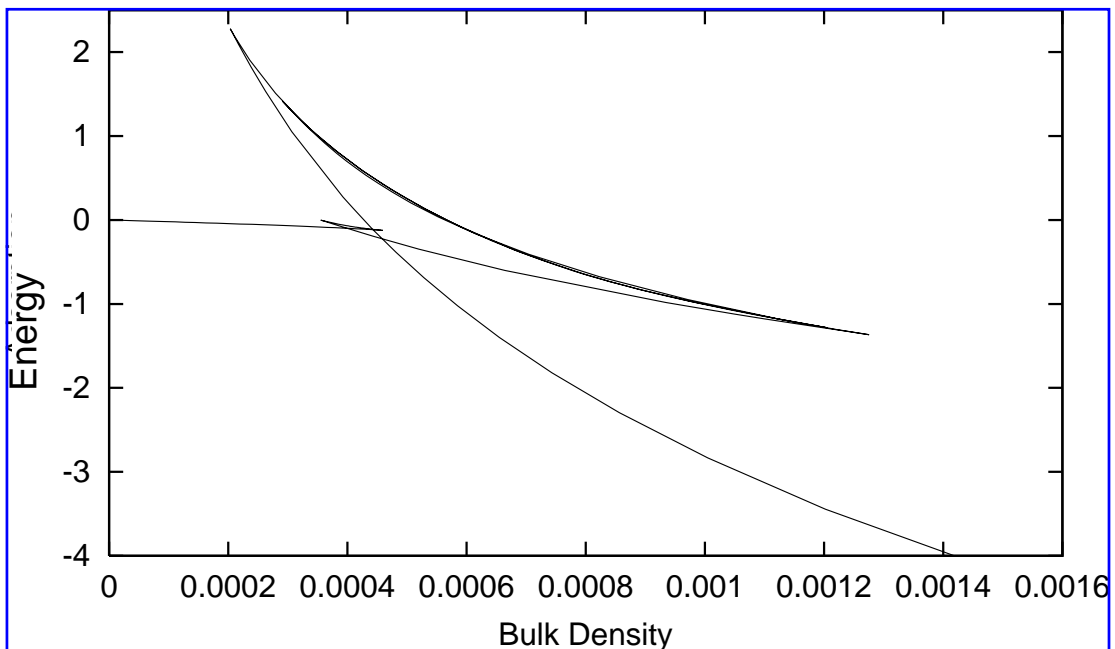
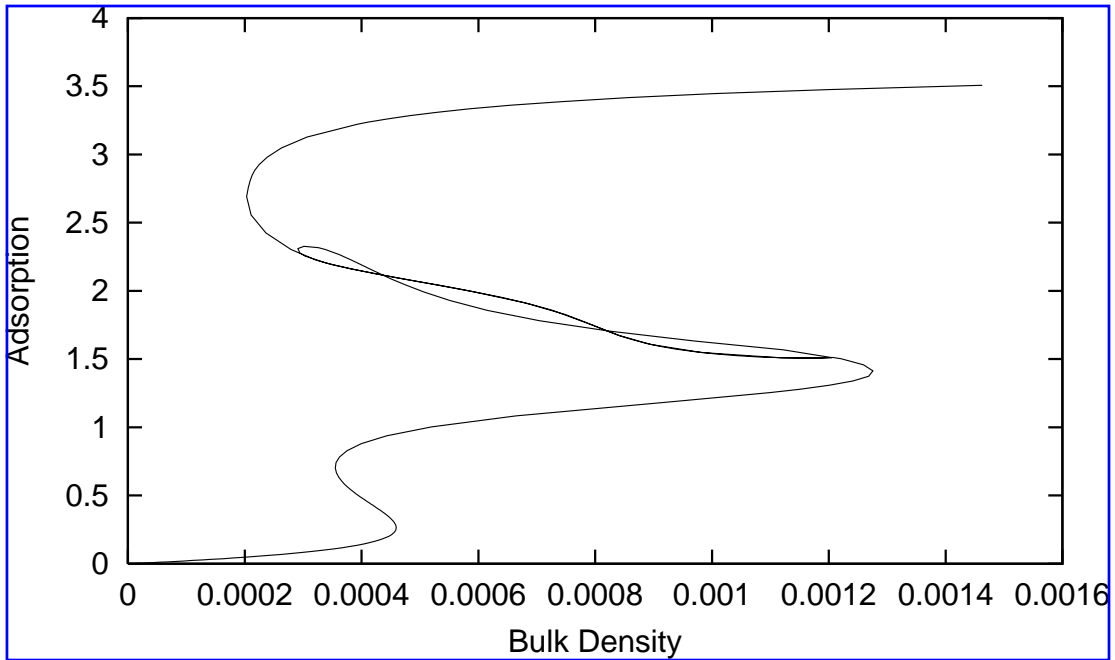
$$R = 0$$

$$Jn = 0$$

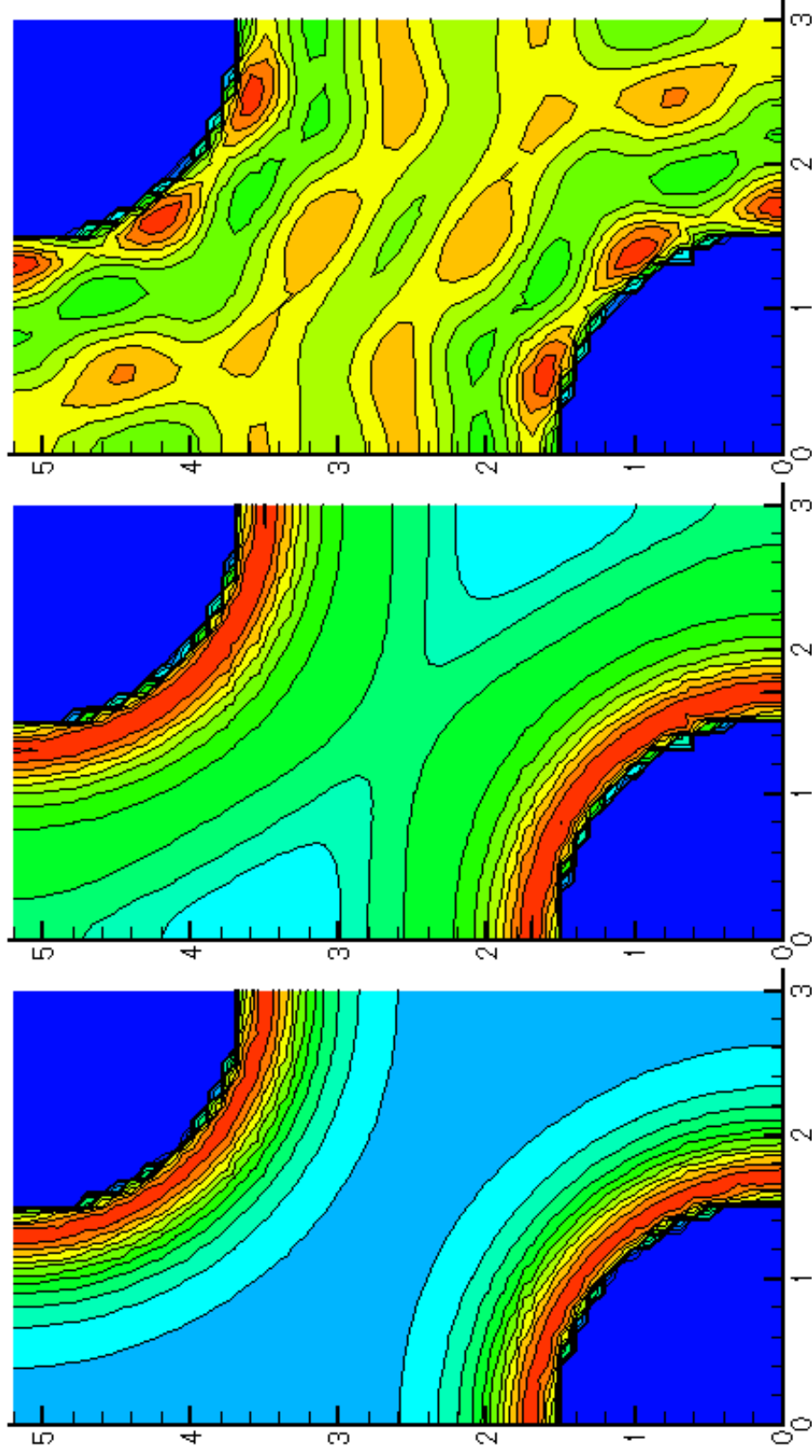
$$l^t n = 1$$



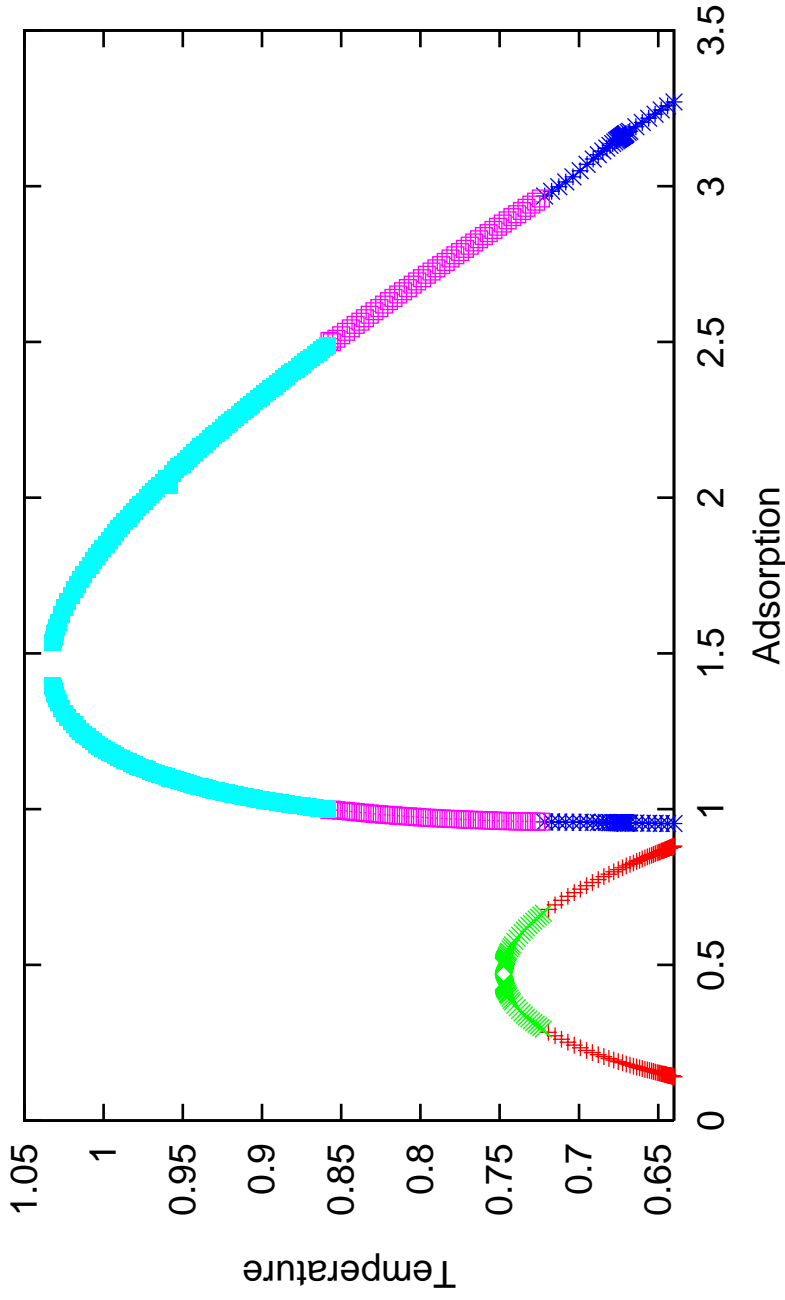
2D ordered porous media model (HCP)



Three Phases Exist for HCP Cylinders at $T=0.64$

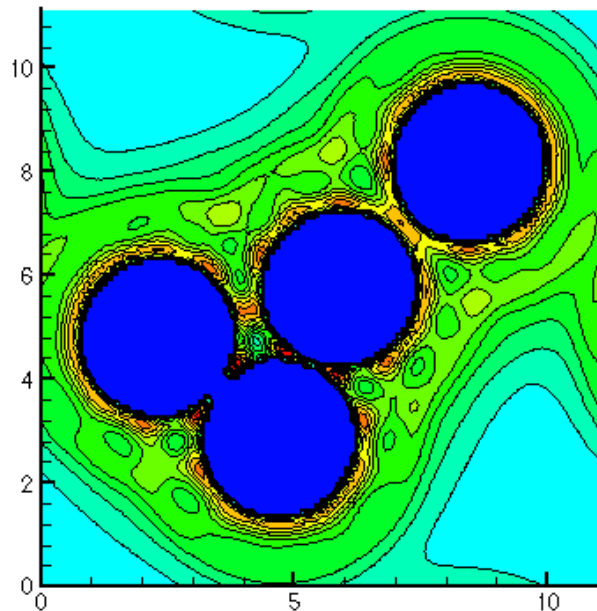
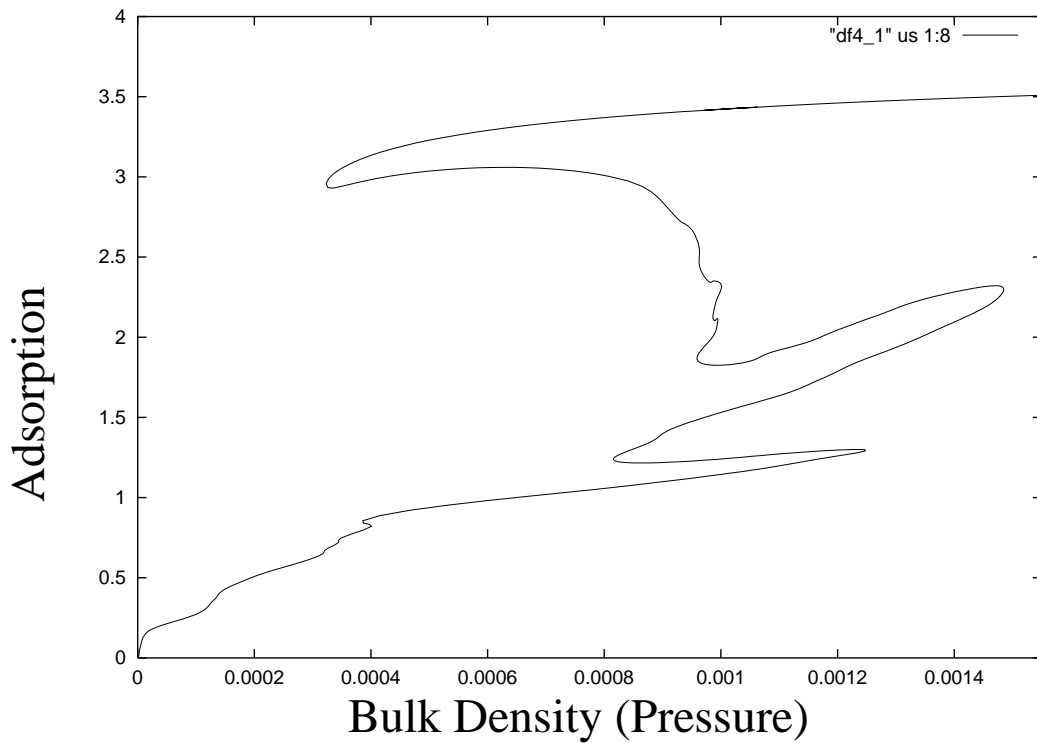


Phase diagram for 2D Ordered Cylinders is relatively simple

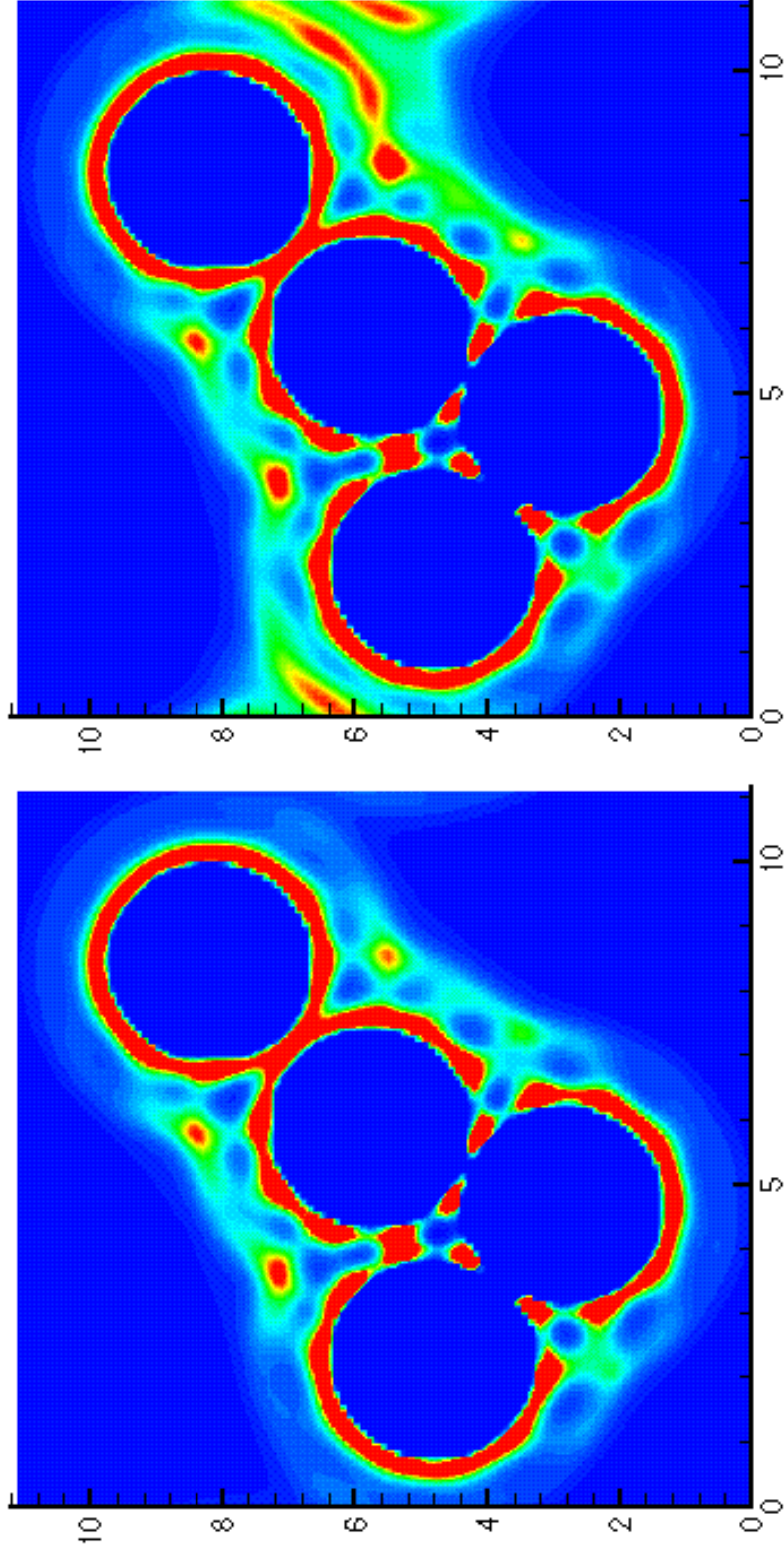


Using 60 processors on janus, the 2D problem required ~3 hrs:
5-10 sec/solution, 20-100 sec per phase transition step

Capillary condensation in disordered media studied via random cylinders

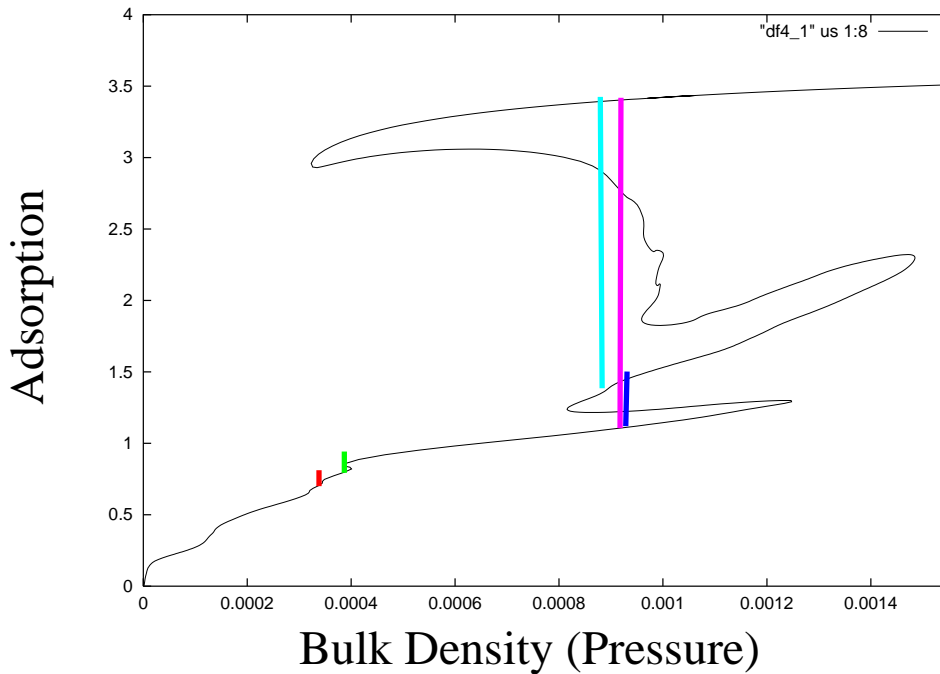
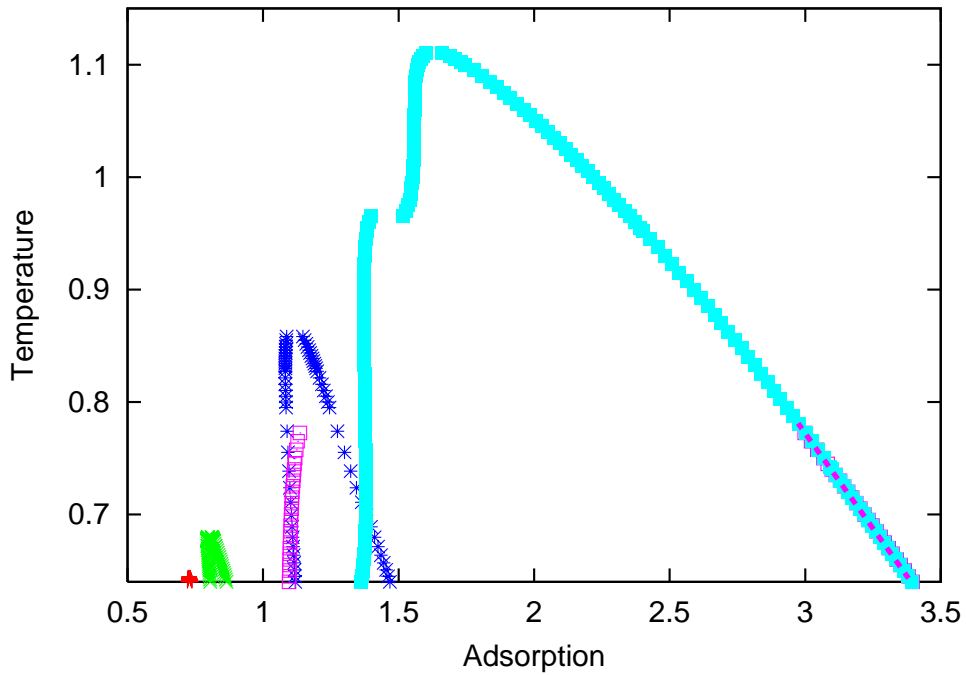


Extra Phase Transition seen in Disordered Cylinders that was not seen in Ordered Cylinders

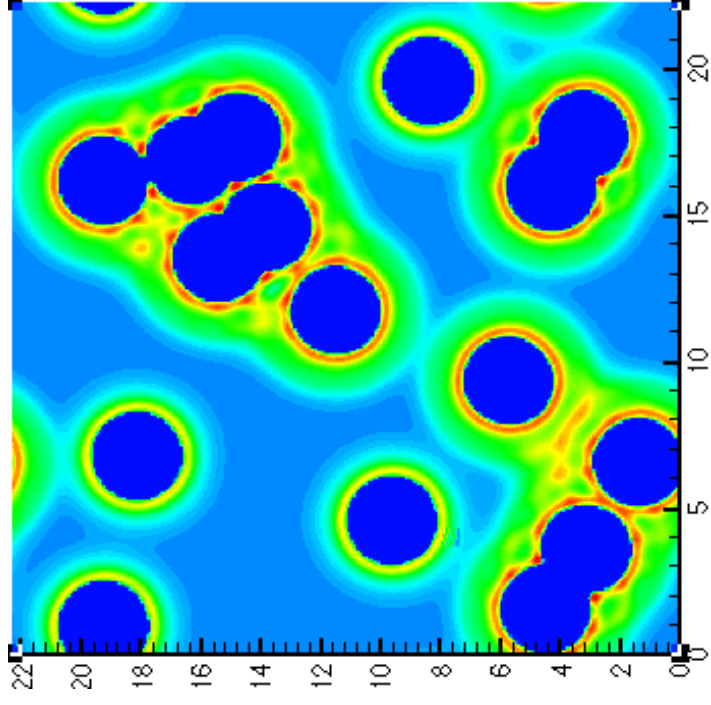
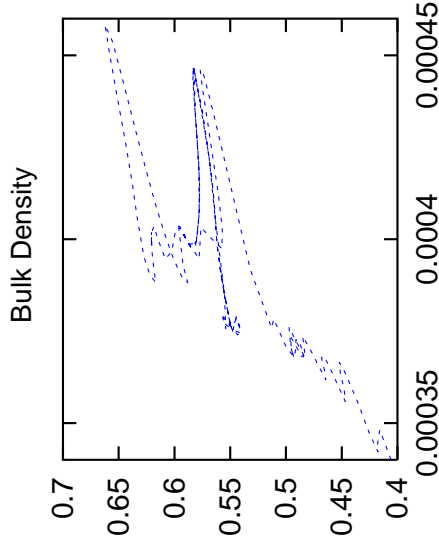
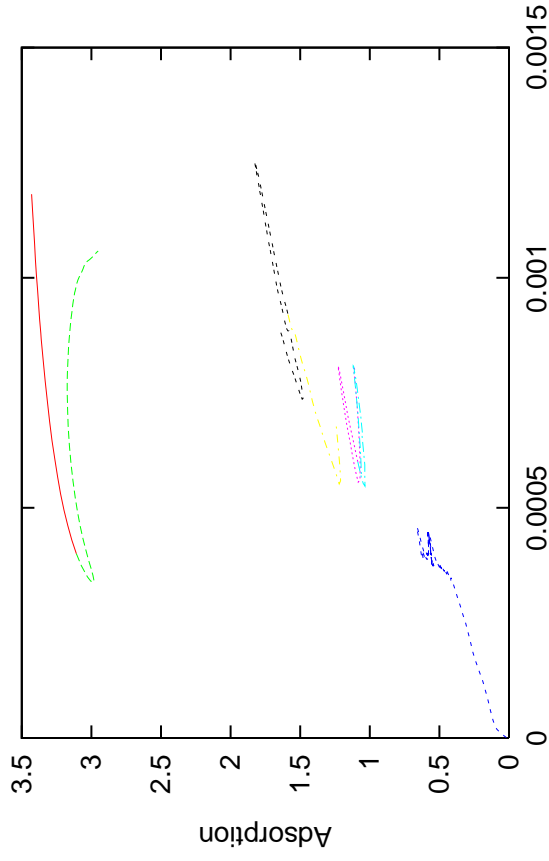


Liquid Bridge formed between adjacent cylinders

Phase transition algorithm extends results to all temperature (Triple Pt.!!)



More detailed 16 random cylinder model led to extremely complicated phase behavior



Summary and Conclusions



1. DFT can capture phase transition behavior
2. Locating metastable and even unstable solutions can be advantageous
3. Nonlinear analysis tools (**LOCA**) can facilitate studying of phase behavior (in deterministic, Newton's method code)

<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Arc-length Continuation	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Spinodal Tracking
<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Phase Transition Tracking	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Optimization
4. Simple random porous media model shows extra partial-wetting phase transition not seen in ordered systems
5. RPM method might enable similar capabilities to molecular simulations such as Monte Carlo (via collaboration with Kevrekidis at Princeton)

Novel Algorithms for Investigating Capillary Condensation Transitions using Density Functional Theory



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