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# **pysimm**

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pysimm is a python package designed to facilitate structure generation, simulation, and modification of molecular systems by providing a collection of simulation tools and smooth integration with highly optimized third party software. Abstraction layers enable a standardized methodology to assign various force field models to molecular systems and perform simple simulations.

To read more, see our publication in [SoftwareX](#).



This page contains auto-generated API reference documentation<sup>1</sup>.

## 1.1 pysimm

### 1.1.1 Subpackages

`pysimm.apps`

#### Submodules

`pysimm.apps.equilibrate`

#### Module Contents

`pysimm.apps.equilibrate.rappture = True`

`pysimm.apps.equilibrate.rappture = False`

`pysimm.apps.equilibrate.equil(s, **kwargs)`

`pysimm.apps.equilibrate.equil`

Runs a 21-step compression/decompression equilibration algorithm

#### Parameters

- **s** – *System* object
- **tmax** – maximum temperature during equilibration
- **pmax** – maximum pressure during equilibration
- **tfinal** – desired final temperature of final system

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- **pfinal** – desired final pressure of final system
- **np** – number of processors to use during equilibration simulations
- **p\_steps** – list of pressures to use during equilibration (must match length of length\_list)
- **length\_list** – list of simulation durations to use during equilibration (must match length of p\_steps)

**Returns** None

`pysimm.apps.mc_md`

## Module Contents

```
pysimm.apps.mc_md.mc_md(gas_sst, fixed_sst=None, mcmd_niter=None, sim_folder=None,
                        mc_props=None, md_props=None, **kwargs)
pysimm.apps.mc_md
```

Performs the iterative hybrid Monte-Carlo/Molecular Dynamics (MC/MD) simulations using *lmps* for MD and *cassandra* for MC

### Parameters

- **gas\_sst** (list of *System*) – list items describe a different molecule to be inserted by MC
- **fixed\_sst** (*System*) – fixed during th MC steps group of atoms (default: None)

### Keyword Arguments

- **mcmd\_niter** (*int*) – number of MC-MD iterations (default: 10)
- **sim\_folder** (*str*) – relative path to the folder with all simulation files (default: 'results')
- **mc\_props** (*dictionary*) – description of all MC properties needed for simulations (see *GCMC* and *props* for details)
- **md\_props** (*dictionary*) – description of all Molecular Dynamics settings needed for simulations (see *Simulation* and *MolecularDynamics* for details)

**Returns** Final state of the simulated system

**Return type** *System*

`pysimm.apps.polymatic`

## Module Contents

```
pysimm.apps.polymatic.rappture = True
pysimm.apps.polymatic.rappture = False
pysimm.apps.polymatic.pack(script, file_in, nrep, boxl, file_out)
pysimm.apps.polymatic.pack
```

Calls Polymatic random packing code

### Parameters

- **script** – name of packing script
- **file\_in** – list of file names of reference molecules to pack



- **nrep** – list of number of monomers for each reference molecule
- **boxl** – length of one dimension of simulation box for random packing
- **file\_out** – name of output file (packed system)

**Returns** output from perl code

```
pysimm.apps.polymatic.polymatic(script, file_in, file_out)
pysimm.apps.polymatic.polymatic
```

Calls Polymatic code. polym.in and types.txt are assumed to exist.

**Parameters**

- **script** – name of Polymatic script
- **file\_in** – initial system file name
- **file\_out** – final system file name

**Returns** output from perl code

```
pysimm.apps.polymatic.run(settings)
pysimm.apps.polymatic.run
```

Runs Polymatic algorithm.

**Parameters** **settings** – object containing Polymatic settings

**Returns** (True/False, *System*)

```
pysimm.apps.polymatic.lmps_min(s, name, settings)
pysimm.apps.polymatic.lmps_min
```

Runs LAMMPS minimization for the Polymatic algorithm.

**Parameters**

- **s** – *System* to minimize
- **name** – name of simulation
- **settings** – object containing Polymatic settings

**Returns** result from `minimize()`

```
pysimm.apps.polymatic.lmps_step_md(s, bonds, attempt, settings)
pysimm.apps.polymatic.lmps_step_md
```

Runs LAMMPS step md for the Polymatic algorithm.

**Parameters**

- **s** – *System* to minimize
- **bonds** – number of bond to be made
- **attempt** – number of bonding attempt
- **settings** – object containing Polymatic settings

**Returns** result from `md()`

```
pysimm.apps.polymatic.lmps_cycle_nvt_md(s, bonds, settings)
pysimm.apps.polymatic.lmps_cycle_nvt_md
```

Runs LAMMPS nvt cycle md for the Polymatic algorithm.

**Parameters**

- **s** – *System* to minimize
- **bonds** – number of bond to be made
- **settings** – object containing Polymatic settings

**Returns** result from `md()`

```
pysimm.apps.polymatic.lmps_cycle_npt_md(s, bonds, settings)
pysimm.apps.polymatic.lmps_cycle_npt_md
```

Runs LAMMPS npt cycle md for the Polymatic algorithm.

#### Parameters

- **s** – *System* to minimize
- **bonds** – number of bond to be made
- **settings** – object containing Polymatic settings

**Returns** result from `lmps.md`

`pysimm.apps.poreblazer`

## Module Contents

```
pysimm.apps.poreblazer.psd(s, **kwargs)
pysimm.apps.poreblazer.psd
```

Perform pore size distribution calculation using PoreBlazer v2.0

#### Parameters

- **atoms** – file name to contain ff parameters (ff.atoms)
- **data** – file name to write xyz file (data.xyz)
- **angles** – angles of simulation box (90.0 90.0 90.0)
- **insertions** – number of insertions for calculation (500)
- **min\_probe** – minimum probe size (1.0)
- **probe\_dr** – step size to increase probe size (0.2)
- **max\_probe** – maximum probe size: 25
- **psd\_save** – T/F to save psd points (F)
- **psd\_range** – range in which to save psd points (2.5,3.8)
- **exec\_path** – path to poreblazer psd executable (psd.exe)
- **gen\_files** – if True, only generate input do not execute (None)

**Returns** None

```
pysimm.apps.poreblazer.surface(s, **kwargs)
pysimm.apps.poreblazer.surface
```

Perform accessible surface area calculation using PoreBlazer v2.0

#### Parameters

- **atoms** – file name to contain ff parameters (ff.atoms)

- **data** – file name to write xyz file (data.xyz)
- **angles** – angles of simulation box (90.0 90.0 90.0)
- **insertions** – number of insertions for calculation (1000)
- **probe** – probe size (3.681)
- **probe\_type** – type of probe (hs)
- **vis** – True to save visual (F)
- **exec\_path** – path to poreblazer surface executable (surface.exe)

**Returns** None

```
pysimm.apps.poreblazer.pore(s, **kwargs)
pysimm.apps.poreblazer.pore
```

Perform pore volume calculation using PoreBlazer v2.0

**Parameters**

- **atoms** – file name to contain ff parameters (ff.atoms)
- **data** – file name to write xyz file (data.xyz)
- **angles** – angles of simulation box (90.0 90.0 90.0)
- **insertions** – number of insertions for calculation (1000)
- **temp** – temperature at which to perform simulation (300)
- **pore\_probe** – sigma, epsilon, cutoff parameters for probe (2.58, 10.22, 12.8)
- **exec\_path** – path to poreblazer pore executable (pore\_he.exe)

**Returns** None

```
pysimm.apps.poreblazer.void(s, **kwargs)
pysimm.apps.poreblazer.void
```

Perform pore volume calculation using PoreBlazer v2.0 assuming a probe size of 0 to calculate void volume

**Parameters**

- **atoms** – file name to contain ff parameters (ff.atoms)
- **data** – file name to write xyz file (data.xyz)
- **angles** – angles of simulation box (90.0 90.0 90.0)
- **insertions** – number of insertions for calculation (1000)
- **temp** – temperature at which to perform simulation (300)
- **pore\_probe** – sigma, epsilon, cutoff parameters for probe (0.00, 10.22, 12.8)
- **exec\_path** – path to poreblazer pore executable (pore\_he.exe)

**Returns** None

```
pysimm.apps.random_walk
```

## Module Contents

`pysimm.apps.random_walk.find_last_backbone_vector(s, m)`  
`pysimm.apps.random_walk.find_last_backbone_vector`

Finds vector between backbone atoms in terminal monomer. Requires current system *s*, and reference monomer *m*.

### Parameters

- **s** – *System* object
- **m** – *System* object

**Returns** list of vector components

`pysimm.apps.random_walk.copolymer(m, nmon, s=None, **kwargs)`  
`pysimm.apps.random_walk.copolymer`

Builds copolymer using random walk methodology using pattern

### Parameters

- **m** – list of reference monomer :class:`~pysimm.system.System`'s
- **nmon** – total number of monomers to add to chain
- **s** – *System* in which to build polymer chain (None)
- **settings** – dictionary of simulation settings
- **density** – density at which to build polymer (0.3)
- **forcefield** – *Forcefield* object to acquire new force field parameters
- **capped** – True/False if monomers are capped
- **unwrap** – True to unwrap final system
- **traj** – True to build xyz trajectory of polymer growth (True)
- **pattern** – list of pattern for monomer repeat units, should match length of m ([1 for \_ in range(len(m))])
- **limit** – during MD, limit atomic displacement by this max value (LAMMPS ONLY)
- **sim** – *Simulation* object for relaxation between polymer growth

**Returns** new copolymer *System*

`pysimm.apps.random_walk.random_walk(m, nmon, s=None, **kwargs)`  
`pysimm.apps.random_walk.random_walk`

Builds homopolymer using random walk methodology

### Parameters

- **m** – reference monomer *System*
- **nmon** – total number of monomers to add to chain
- **s** – *System* in which to build polymer chain (None)
- **extra\_bonds** – EXPERIMENTAL, True if making ladder backbone polymer
- **settings** – dictionary of simulation settings
- **density** – density at which to build polymer (0.3)

- **forcefield** – *Forcefield* object to acquire new force field parameters
- **capped** – True/False if monomers are capped
- **unwrap** – True to unwrap final system
- **traj** – True to build xyz trajectory of polymer growth (True)
- **limit** – during MD, limit atomic displacement by this max value (LAMMPS ONLY)
- **sim** – *Simulation* object for relaxation between polymer growth

**Returns** new polymer *System*

`pysimm.apps.zeopp`

## Module Contents

`pysimm.apps.zeopp.ZEOpp_EXEC`

`pysimm.apps.zeopp.network(s, **kwargs)`  
`pysimm.apps.zeopp.network`

**Perform 1. Pore diameters; 2. Channel identification and dimensionality; 3. Surface area;**

4. Accessible volume; 5. Pore size distribution calculation using zeo++ v2.2

**with options to do 6. Probe-occupiable volume; 7. Stochastic ray tracing; 8. Blocking spheres;**

9. Distance grids; 10. Structure analysis

## Parameters

- **s** – pysimm System object or filename of file in CSSR | CUC | V1 | CIF format
- **atype\_name** – True to use atom type as atom name (usually need radii and mass info), False to use atom element
- **radii** – file name that contain atom radii data (rad.rad)
- **mass** – file name that contain atom mass data (mass.mass)
- **probe\_radius** – radius of a probe used in sampling of surface (1.2 Å)
- **chan\_radius** – radius of a probe used to determine accessibility of void space (1.2 Å)
- **num\_samples** – number of Monte Carlo samples per unit cell (50000)
- **to include in the simulation (option)** – set True to activate ha: default=True, for using high accuracy, res: default=True, for diameters of the largest included sphere, the largest free sphere and the largest included sphere along free sphere path chan: default=True, for channel systems characterized by dimensionality as well as Di, Df and Dif sa: default=True, for surface area accessible to a spherical probe, characterized by  
 accessible surface area (ASA) and non-accessible surface area (NASA)  
 vol: default=True, for accessible volume (AV) and non-accessible volume (NAV) volpo: default=False, for accessible probe-occupiable volume (POAV) and non-accessible probe-occupiable volume (PONAV) psd: default=True, for the “derivative distribution” (change of AV w.r.t probe size) reported in the histogram file with 1000 bins of size of 0.1 Å  
 ray\_atom: default=False block: default=False extra: user provided options, such as -gridG, -gridBOV, -strinfo, -oms, etc.

ZEOpp\_EXEC: path to zeo++ executable (network)

**Returns** None

`pysimm.forcefield`

## Submodules

`pysimm.forcefield.dreiding`

## Module Contents

**class** `pysimm.forcefield.dreiding.Dreiding` (*db\_file=None*)

Bases: `pysimm.forcefield.forcefield.Forcefield`

`pysimm.forcefield.Dreiding`

Forcefield object with typing rules for Dreiding model. By default reads data file in forcefields subdirectory.

**ff\_name**

`dreiding`

**pair\_style**

`lj`

**ff\_class**

`1`

**assign\_ptypes** (*self, s*)

`pysimm.forcefield.Dreiding.assign_ptypes`

Dreiding specific particle typing rules. Requires `System` object `Particle` objects have bonds defined.  
\* use `System.add_particle_bonding()` to ensure this \*

**Parameters** *s* – `System`

**Returns** None

**assign\_btypes** (*self, s*)

`pysimm.forcefield.Dreiding.assign_btypes`

Dreiding specific bond typing rules. Requires `System` object `Particle` objects have bonds, type and type.name defined. \* use after `assign_ptypes` \*

**Parameters** *s* – `System`

**Returns** None

**assign\_atypes** (*self, s*)

`pysimm.forcefield.Dreiding.assign_atypes`

Dreiding specific angle typing rules. Requires `System` object `Particle` objects have bonds, type and type.name defined. \* use after `assign_ptypes` \*

**Parameters** *s* – `System`

**Returns** None

**assign\_dtypes** (*self, s*)

`pysimm.forcefield.Dreiding.assign_dtypes`

Dreiding specific dihedral typing rules. Requires *System* object *Particle* objects have bonds, type and type.name defined. \* use after assign\_ptypes \*

**Parameters** *s* – *System*

**Returns** None

**assign\_itypes** (*self*, *s*)  
pysimm.forcefield.Dreiding.assign\_itypes

Dreiding specific improper typing rules. Requires *System* object *Particle* objects have bonds, type and type.name defined. \* use after assign\_ptypes \*

**Parameters** *s* – *System*

**Returns** None

**assign\_charges** (*self*, *s*, *charges*='gasteiger')  
pysimm.forcefield.Dreiding.assign\_charges

Charge assignment. Gasteiger is default for now.

**Parameters**

- *s* – *System*
- *charges* – gasteiger

**Returns** None

pysimm.forcefield.forcefield

## Module Contents

pysimm.forcefield.forcefield.element\_names\_by\_mass

**class** pysimm.forcefield.forcefield.**Forcefield** (*file\_=None, format=None*)

Bases: object

pysimm.forcefield.Forcefield

Base Forcefield class definition. Initialize with force field xml file.

**ff\_class**  
force field class (1 or 2)

**ff\_name**  
force field name

**particle\_types**  
*ItemContainer* for particle\_types

**bond\_types**  
*ItemContainer* for bond\_types

**angle\_types**  
*ItemContainer* for angle\_types

**dihedral\_types**  
*ItemContainer* for dihedral\_types

**improper\_types**  
*ItemContainer* for improper\_types

```
from_xml (self, file_)
from_json (self, json_file)
write_json (self, out)
write_xml (self, out)
    pysimm.forcefield.Forcefield.write
    Write Forcefield object to xml format.
    Parameters out – file name to write
    Returns None
```

`pysimm.forcefield.gaff`

## Module Contents

```
class pysimm.forcefield.gaff.Gaff (db_file=None)
    Bases: pysimm.forcefield.forcefield.Forcefield
    pysimm.forcefield.Gaff
    Forcefield object with typing rules for Gaff model. By default reads data file in forcefields subdirectory.

    ff_name
        gaff

    pair_style
        lj

    ff_class
        1

    assign_ptypes (self, s)
        pysimm.forcefield.Gaff.assign_ptypes

        Gaff specific particle typing rules. Requires System object Particle objects have bonds defined. *
        use System.add_particle_bonding() to ensure this *

        * Not entirely inclusive - some atom types not used *

        Parameters s – System

        Returns None

    assign_btypes (self, s)
        pysimm.forcefield.Gaff.assign_btypes

        Gaff specific bond typing rules. Requires System object Particle objects have bonds, type and
        type.name defined. * use after assign_ptypes *

        Parameters s – System

        Returns None

    assign_atypes (self, s)
        pysimm.forcefield.Gaff.assign_atypes

        Gaff specific boanglend typing rules. Requires System object Particle objects have bonds, type and
        type.name defined. * use after assign_ptypes *

        Parameters s – System
```



**Returns** None

**assign\_dtypes** (*self*, *s*)  
 pysimm.forcefield.Gaff.assign\_dtypes

Gaff specific dihedral typing rules. Requires *System* object *Particle* objects have bonds, type and type.name defined. \* use after assign\_ptypes \*

**Parameters** *s* – *System*

**Returns** None

**assign\_itypes** (*self*, *s*)  
 pysimm.forcefield.Gaff.assign\_itypes

Gaff specific improper typing rules. There are none.

**Parameters** *s* – *System*

**Returns** None

**assign\_charges** (*self*, *s*, *charges*='gasteiger')  
 pysimm.forcefield.Gaff.assign\_charges

Charge assignment. Gasteiger is default for now.

**Parameters**

- *s* – *System*
- *charges* – gasteiger

**Returns** None

**pysimm.forcefield.gaff2**

## Module Contents

**class** pysimm.forcefield.gaff2.**Gaff2** (*db\_file*=None)  
 Bases: *pysimm.forcefield.forcefield.Forcefield*

pysimm.forcefield.Gaff2

Forcefield object with typing rules for Gaff2 model. By default reads data file in forcefields subdirectory.

**ff\_name**  
 gaff2

**pair\_style**  
 lj

**bond\_style**  
 harmonic

**angle\_style**  
 harmonic

**dihedral\_style**  
 fourier

**improper\_style**  
 cvff

**ff\_class**

1

**assign\_ptypes** (*self*, *s*)

pysimm.forcefield.Gaff2.assign\_ptypes

Gaff2 specific particle typing rules. Requires *System* object *Particle* objects have bonds defined. \*  
use **System.add\_particle\_bonding()** to ensure this \*

\* Not entirely inclusive - some atom types not used \*

**Parameters** *s* – *System*

**Returns** None

**assign\_btypes** (*self*, *s*)

pysimm.forcefield.Gaff2.assign\_btypes

Gaff2 specific bond typing rules. Requires *System* object *Particle* objects have bonds, type and  
type.name defined. \* **use after assign\_ptypes** \*

**Parameters** *s* – *System*

**Returns** None

**assign\_atypes** (*self*, *s*)

pysimm.forcefield.Gaff2.assign\_atypes

Gaff2 specific angle typing rules. Requires *System* object *Particle* objects have bonds, type and  
type.name defined. \* **use after assign\_ptypes** \*

**Parameters** *s* – *System*

**Returns** None

**assign\_dtypes** (*self*, *s*)

pysimm.forcefield.Gaff2.assign\_dtypes

Gaff2 specific dihedral typing rules. Requires *System* object *Particle* objects have bonds, type and  
type.name defined. \* **use after assign\_ptypes** \*

**Parameters** *s* – *System*

**Returns** None

**assign\_itypes** (*self*, *s*)

pysimm.forcefield.Gaff2.assign\_itypes

Gaff2 specific improper typing rules.

**Parameters** *s* – *System*

**Returns** None

**assign\_charges** (*self*, *s*, *charges*='gasteiger')

pysimm.forcefield.Gaff.assign\_charges

Charge assignment. Gasteiger is default for now.

**Parameters**

- *s* – *System*
- **charges** – gasteiger

**Returns** None

`pysimm.forcefield.gasteiger`

## Module Contents

`pysimm.forcefield.gasteiger.element_names_by_mass`  
`pysimm.forcefield.gasteiger.gasteiger_parameters`  
`pysimm.forcefield.gasteiger.set_charges` (*s*, *maxiter*=100, *tol*=1e-06)

`pysimm.forcefield.pcff`

## Module Contents

**class** `pysimm.forcefield.pcff.Pcff` (*db\_file*=None)  
 Bases: `pysimm.forcefield.forcefield.Forcefield`  
`pysimm.forcefield.Pcff`  
 Forcefield object with typing rules for Pcff model. By default reads data file in forcefields subdirectory.

**ff\_name**  
 pcff

**pair\_style**  
 class2

**ff\_class**  
 2

**nb\_mixing**  
 sixth

**assign\_ptypes** (*self*, *s*)  
`pysimm.forcefield.Pcff.assign_ptypes`  
 Pcff specific particle typing rules. Requires *System* object *Particle* objects have bonds defined. \* use `System.add_particle_bonding()` to ensure this \*  
**Parameters** *s* – *System*  
**Returns** None

**assign\_btypes** (*self*, *s*)  
`pysimm.forcefield.Pcff.assign_btypes`  
 Pcff specific bond typing rules. Requires *System* object *Particle* objects have bonds, type and type.name defined. \* use after `assign_ptypes` \*  
**Parameters** *s* – *System*  
**Returns** None

**assign\_atypes** (*self*, *s*)  
`pysimm.forcefield.Pcff.assign_atypes`  
 Pcff specific angle typing rules. Requires *System* object *Particle* objects have bonds, type and type.name defined. \* use after `assign_ptypes` \*  
**Parameters** *s* – *System*  
**Returns** None

**assign\_dtypes** (*self*, *s*)

pysimm.forcefield.Pcff.assign\_dtypes

Pcff specific dihedral typing rules. Requires *System* object *Particle* objects have bonds, type and type.name defined. \* use after assign\_ptypes \*

**Parameters** *s* – *System***Returns** None**assign\_itypes** (*self*, *s*)

pysimm.forcefield.Pcff.assign\_itypes

Pcff specific improper typing rules. Requires *System* object *Particle* objects have bonds, type and type.name defined. \* use after assign\_ptypes \*

**Parameters** *s* – *System***Returns** None**assign\_charges** (*self*, *s*, *charges*='default')

pysimm.forcefield.Pcff.assign\_charges

Default Pcff charge assignment. Gasteiger is also an option.

**Parameters**

- *s* – *System*
- **charges** – default

**Returns** None**pysimm.forcefield.tip3p**

## Module Contents

**class** pysimm.forcefield.tip3p.**Tip3p** (*db\_file*=None)Bases: *pysimm.forcefield.forcefield.Forcefield*

pysimm.forcefield.Tip3p

Forcefield object with typing rules for Tip3p model. By default reads data file in forcefields subdirectory.

**ff\_name**

tip3p

**pair\_style**

lj

**ff\_class**

1

**assign\_ptypes** (*self*, *s*)

pysimm.forcefield.Tip3p.assign\_ptypes

Tip3p specific particle typing rules. Requires *System* object *Particle* objects have bonds defined. \* use **System.add\_particle\_bonding()** to ensure this \*

**Parameters** *s* – *System***Returns** None

**assign\_btypes** (*self*, *s*)

pysimm.forcefield.Tip3p.assign\_btypes

Tip3p specific bond typing rules. Requires *System* object *Particle* objects have type and type.name defined. \* use after assign\_ptypes \*

**Parameters** *s* – *System*

**Returns** None

**assign\_atypes** (*self*, *s*)

pysimm.forcefield.Tip3p.assign\_atypes

Tip3p specific angle typing rules. Requires *System* object *Particle* objects have bonds, type and type.name defined. \* use after assign\_ptypes \*

**Parameters** *s* – *System*

**Returns** None

**assign\_dtypes** (*self*, *s*)

pysimm.forcefield.Tip3p.assign\_dtypes

Tip3p specific dihedral typing rules. There are none.

**Parameters** *s* – *System*

**Returns** None

**assign\_itypes** (*self*, *s*)

pysimm.forcefield.Tip3p.assign\_itypes

Tip3p specific improper typing rules. There are none.

**Parameters** *s* – *System*

**Returns** None

**assign\_charges** (*self*, *s*, *charges*='default')

pysimm.forcefield.Tip3p.assign\_charges

Tip3p specific charge assignment. There are none.

**Parameters**

- *s* – *System*
- **charges** – default

**Returns** None

## Package Contents

**class** pysimm.forcefield.**Forcefield** (*file\_=None*, *format=None*)

Bases: object

pysimm.forcefield.Forcefield

Base Forcefield class definition. Initialize with force field xml file.

**ff\_class**

force field class (1 or 2)

**ff\_name**

force field name

**particle\_types**  
*ItemContainer* for particle\_types

**bond\_types**  
*ItemContainer* for bond\_types

**angle\_types**  
*ItemContainer* for angle\_types

**dihedral\_types**  
*ItemContainer* for dihedral\_types

**improper\_types**  
*ItemContainer* for improper\_types

**from\_xml** (*self*, *file\_*)

**from\_json** (*self*, *json\_file*)

**write\_json** (*self*, *out*)

**write\_xml** (*self*, *out*)  
pysimm.forcefield.Forcefield.write  
Write Forcefield object to xml format.

**Parameters** *out* – file name to write

**Returns** None

**class** pysimm.forcefield.**Dreiding** (*db\_file=None*)  
Bases: *pysimm.forcefield.forcefield.Forcefield*  
pysimm.forcefield.Dreiding  
Forcefield object with typing rules for Dreiding model. By default reads data file in forcefields subdirectory.

**ff\_name**  
dreiding

**pair\_style**  
lj

**ff\_class**  
1

**assign\_ptypes** (*self*, *s*)  
pysimm.forcefield.Dreiding.assign\_ptypes  
Dreiding specific particle typing rules. Requires *System* object *Particle* objects have bonds defined.  
\* use *System.add\_particle\_bonding()* to ensure this \*

**Parameters** *s* – *System*

**Returns** None

**assign\_btypes** (*self*, *s*)  
pysimm.forcefield.Dreiding.assign\_btypes  
Dreiding specific bond typing rules. Requires *System* object *Particle* objects have bonds, type and type.name defined. \* use after *assign\_ptypes* \*

**Parameters** *s* – *System*

**Returns** None

**assign\_atypes** (*self*, *s*)

pysimm.forcefield.Dreiding.assign\_atypes

Dreiding specific angle typing rules. Requires *System* object *Particle* objects have bonds, type and type.name defined. \* use after assign\_ptypes \*

**Parameters** *s* – *System*

**Returns** None

**assign\_dtypes** (*self*, *s*)

pysimm.forcefield.Dreiding.assign\_dtypes

Dreiding specific dihedral typing rules. Requires *System* object *Particle* objects have bonds, type and type.name defined. \* use after assign\_ptypes \*

**Parameters** *s* – *System*

**Returns** None

**assign\_itypes** (*self*, *s*)

pysimm.forcefield.Dreiding.assign\_itypes

Dreiding specific improper typing rules. Requires *System* object *Particle* objects have bonds, type and type.name defined. \* use after assign\_ptypes \*

**Parameters** *s* – *System*

**Returns** None

**assign\_charges** (*self*, *s*, *charges*=*'gasteiger'*)

pysimm.forcefield.Dreiding.assign\_charges

Charge assignment. Gasteiger is default for now.

**Parameters**

- *s* – *System*
- **charges** – gasteiger

**Returns** None

**class** pysimm.forcefield.**Gaff** (*db\_file*=None)

Bases: *pysimm.forcefield.forcefield.Forcefield*

pysimm.forcefield.Gaff

Forcefield object with typing rules for Gaff model. By default reads data file in forcefields subdirectory.

**ff\_name**

gaff

**pair\_style**

lj

**ff\_class**

1

**assign\_ptypes** (*self*, *s*)

pysimm.forcefield.Gaff.assign\_ptypes

Gaff specific particle typing rules. Requires *System* object *Particle* objects have bonds defined. \* use *System.add\_particle\_bonding()* to ensure this \*

\* Not entirely inclusive - some atom types not used \*

**Parameters** *s* – *System*

**Returns** None

**assign\_btypes** (*self*, *s*)  
pysimm.forcefield.Gaff.assign\_btypes

Gaff specific bond typing rules. Requires *System* object *Particle* objects have bonds, type and type.name defined. \* use after assign\_ptypes \*

**Parameters** *s* – *System*

**Returns** None

**assign\_atypes** (*self*, *s*)  
pysimm.forcefield.Gaff.assign\_atypes

Gaff specific boanglend typing rules. Requires *System* object *Particle* objects have bonds, type and type.name defined. \* use after assign\_ptypes \*

**Parameters** *s* – *System*

**Returns** None

**assign\_dtypes** (*self*, *s*)  
pysimm.forcefield.Gaff.assign\_dtypes

Gaff specific dihedral typing rules. Requires *System* object *Particle* objects have bonds, type and type.name defined. \* use after assign\_ptypes \*

**Parameters** *s* – *System*

**Returns** None

**assign\_itypes** (*self*, *s*)  
pysimm.forcefield.Gaff.assign\_itypes

Gaff specific improper typing rules. There are none.

**Parameters** *s* – *System*

**Returns** None

**assign\_charges** (*self*, *s*, *charges*=*'gasteiger'*)  
pysimm.forcefield.Gaff.assign\_charges

Charge assignment. Gasteiger is default for now.

**Parameters**

- *s* – *System*
- **charges** – gasteiger

**Returns** None

**class** pysimm.forcefield.**Gaff2** (*db\_file*=None)  
Bases: *pysimm.forcefield.forcefield.Forcefield*

pysimm.forcefield.Gaff2

Forcefield object with typing rules for Gaff2 model. By default reads data file in forcefields subdirectory.

**ff\_name**  
gaff2

**pair\_style**  
lj



**bond\_style**

harmonic

**angle\_style**

harmonic

**dihedral\_style**

fourier

**improper\_style**

cvff

**ff\_class**

1

**assign\_ptypes** (*self*, *s*)

pysimm.forcefield.Gaff2.assign\_ptypes

Gaff2 specific particle typing rules. Requires *System* object *Particle* objects have bonds defined. \*  
**use System.add\_particle\_bonding() to ensure this \***

**\* Not entirely inclusive - some atom types not used \***

**Parameters** *s* – *System*

**Returns** None

**assign\_btypes** (*self*, *s*)

pysimm.forcefield.Gaff2.assign\_btypes

Gaff2 specific bond typing rules. Requires *System* object *Particle* objects have bonds, type and  
 type.name defined. **\* use after assign\_ptypes \***

**Parameters** *s* – *System*

**Returns** None

**assign\_atypes** (*self*, *s*)

pysimm.forcefield.Gaff2.assign\_atypes

Gaff2 specific angle typing rules. Requires *System* object *Particle* objects have bonds, type and  
 type.name defined. **\* use after assign\_ptypes \***

**Parameters** *s* – *System*

**Returns** None

**assign\_dtypes** (*self*, *s*)

pysimm.forcefield.Gaff2.assign\_dtypes

Gaff2 specific dihedral typing rules. Requires *System* object *Particle* objects have bonds, type and  
 type.name defined. **\* use after assign\_ptypes \***

**Parameters** *s* – *System*

**Returns** None

**assign\_itypes** (*self*, *s*)

pysimm.forcefield.Gaff2.assign\_itypes

Gaff2 specific improper typing rules.

**Parameters** *s* – *System*

**Returns** None

**assign\_charges** (*self*, *s*, *charges*=*'gasteiger'*)  
pysimm.forcefield.Gaff.assign\_charges

Charge assignment. Gasteiger is default for now.

**Parameters**

- **s** – *System*
- **charges** – gasteiger

**Returns** None

**class** pysimm.forcefield.**Pcff** (*db\_file*=None)  
Bases: *pysimm.forcefield.forcefield.Forcefield*

pysimm.forcefield.Pcff

Forcefield object with typing rules for Pcff model. By default reads data file in forcefields subdirectory.

**ff\_name**  
pcff

**pair\_style**  
class2

**ff\_class**  
2

**nb\_mixing**  
sixth

**assign\_ptypes** (*self*, *s*)  
pysimm.forcefield.Pcff.assign\_ptypes

Pcff specific particle typing rules. Requires *System* object *Particle* objects have bonds defined. \* use **System.add\_particle\_bonding()** to ensure this \*

**Parameters** **s** – *System*

**Returns** None

**assign\_btypes** (*self*, *s*)  
pysimm.forcefield.Pcff.assign\_btypes

Pcff specific bond typing rules. Requires *System* object *Particle* objects have bonds, type and type.name defined. \* use after **assign\_ptypes** \*

**Parameters** **s** – *System*

**Returns** None

**assign\_atypes** (*self*, *s*)  
pysimm.forcefield.Pcff.assign\_atypes

Pcff specific angle typing rules. Requires *System* object *Particle* objects have bonds, type and type.name defined. \* use after **assign\_ptypes** \*

**Parameters** **s** – *System*

**Returns** None

**assign\_dtypes** (*self*, *s*)  
pysimm.forcefield.Pcff.assign\_dtypes

Pcff specific dihedral typing rules. Requires *System* object *Particle* objects have bonds, type and type.name defined. \* use after **assign\_ptypes** \*

**Parameters** *s* – *System*

**Returns** None

**assign\_itypes** (*self*, *s*)  
pysimm.forcefield.Pcff.assign\_itypes

Pcff specific improper typing rules. Requires *System* object *Particle* objects have bonds, type and type.name defined. \* use after assign\_ptypes \*

**Parameters** *s* – *System*

**Returns** None

**assign\_charges** (*self*, *s*, *charges*='default')  
pysimm.forcefield.Pcff.assign\_charges

Default Pcff charge assignment. Gasteiger is also an option.

**Parameters**

- *s* – *System*
- **charges** – default

**Returns** None

**class** pysimm.forcefield.**Tip3p** (*db\_file*=None)  
Bases: *pysimm.forcefield.forcefield.Forcefield*

pysimm.forcefield.Tip3p

Forcefield object with typing rules for Tip3p model. By default reads data file in forcefields subdirectory.

**ff\_name**  
tip3p

**pair\_style**  
lj

**ff\_class**  
1

**assign\_ptypes** (*self*, *s*)  
pysimm.forcefield.Tip3p.assign\_ptypes

Tip3p specific particle typing rules. Requires *System* object *Particle* objects have bonds defined. \* use **System.add\_particle\_bonding()** to ensure this \*

**Parameters** *s* – *System*

**Returns** None

**assign\_btypes** (*self*, *s*)  
pysimm.forcefield.Tip3p.assign\_btypes

Tip3p specific bond typing rules. Requires *System* object *Particle* objects have type and type.name defined. \* use after assign\_ptypes \*

**Parameters** *s* – *System*

**Returns** None

**assign\_atypes** (*self*, *s*)  
pysimm.forcefield.Tip3p.assign\_atypes

Tip3p specific angle typing rules. Requires *System* object *Particle* objects have bonds, type and type.name defined. \* use after assign\_ptypes \*

**Parameters** *s* – *System*

**Returns** None

**assign\_dtypes** (*self*, *s*)  
pysimm.forcefield.Tip3p.assign\_dtypes

Tip3p specific dihedral typing rules. There are none.

**Parameters** *s* – *System*

**Returns** None

**assign\_itypes** (*self*, *s*)  
pysimm.forcefield.Tip3p.assign\_itypes

Tip3p specific improper typing rules. There are none.

**Parameters** *s* – *System*

**Returns** None

**assign\_charges** (*self*, *s*, *charges*='default')  
pysimm.forcefield.Tip3p.assign\_charges

Tip3p specific charge assignment. There are none.

**Parameters**

- *s* – *System*
- *charges* – default

**Returns** None

pysimm.models

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`pysimm.models.monomers.gaff.pmma.monomer()`

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`pysimm.models.monomers.gaff2.ps.monomer()`

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`pysimm.amber`

## Module Contents

`pysimm.amber.ANTECHAMBER_EXEC`

`pysimm.amber.cleanup_antechamber()`  
`pysimm.amber.cleanup_antechamber`

Removes temporary files created by antechamber and pysimm.

**Parameters** None –

**Returns** None

`pysimm.amber.calc_charges(s, charge_method='bcc', cleanup=True)`  
`pysimm.amber.calc_charges`

Calculates charges using antechamber. Defaults to am1-bcc charges.

**Parameters**

- **s** – System for which to calculate charges. System object is updated in place
- **charge\_method** – name of charge derivation method to use (default: bcc)

- **cleanup** – removes temporary files created by antechamber (default: True)

**Returns** None

```
pysimm.amber.get_forcefield_types(s, types='gaff', f=None)
pysimm.amber.get_forcefield_types
```

Uses antechamber to determine atom types. Defaults to GAFF atom types. Retrieves *ParticleType* objects from force field is provided

**Parameters**

- **s** – *System* for which to type
- **types** – name of atom types to use (default: gaff)
- **f** – forcefield object to retrieve *ParticleType* objects from if not present in s (default: None)

**Returns** None

**pysimm.calc**

## Module Contents

**pysimm.calc.np**

```
pysimm.calc.intersection(line1, line2)
pysimm.calc.intersection
```

Finds intersection between two 2D lines given by two sets of points

**Parameters**

- **line1** – [[x1,y1], [x2,y2]] for line 1
- **line2** – [[x1,y1], [x2,y2]] for line 2

**Returns** x,y intersection point

```
pysimm.calc.find_rotation(a, b)
pysimm.calc.find_rotation
```

Finds rotation vector required to align vector a and vector b

**Parameters**

- **a** – 3D vector [x,y,z]
- **b** – 3D vector [x,y,z]

**Returns** rotation matrix

```
pysimm.calc.rotate_vector(x, y, z, theta_x=None, theta_y=None, theta_z=None)
pysimm.calc.rotate_vector
```

Rotates 3d vector around x-axis, y-axis and z-axis given by user defined angles

**Parameters**

- **x** – x vector component
- **y** – y vector component
- **z** – z vector component

- **theta\_x** – angle to rotate vector around x axis
- **theta\_y** – angle to rotate vector around y axis
- **theta\_z** – angle to rotate vector around z axis

**Returns** new vector [x,y,z]

```
pysimm.calc.distance(p1,p2)  
pysimm.calc.distance
```

Finds distance between two *Particle* objects. Simply calculates length of vector between particle coordinates and does not consider periodic boundary conditions.

**Parameters**

- **p1** – *Particle*
- **p2** – *Particle*

**Returns** distance between particles

```
pysimm.calc.angle(p1,p2,p3,radians=False)  
pysimm.calc.angle
```

Finds angle between three *Particle* objects. Does not consider periodic boundary conditions.

**Parameters**

- **p1** – pysimm.system.Particle
- **p2** – pysimm.system.Particle
- **p3** – pysimm.system.Particle
- **radians** – returns value in radians if True (False)

**Returns** angle between particles

```
pysimm.calc.dihedral(p1,p2,p3,p4,radians=False)  
pysimm.calc.chiral_angle(a,b,c,d)  
pysimm.calc.chiral_angle
```

Finds chiral angle between four *Particle* objects. Chiral angle is defined as the angle between the vector resulting from  $\text{vec}(a \rightarrow c) \times \text{vec}(a \rightarrow d)$  and  $\text{vec}(a \rightarrow b)$ . Used to help define tacticity where backbone follow b'-a-b and c and d are side groups.

**b'-a-b** / c d

**Parameters**

- **a** – pysimm.system.Particle
- **b** – pysimm.system.Particle
- **c** – pysimm.system.Particle
- **d** – pysimm.system.Particle

**Returns** chiral angle

```
pysimm.calc.tacticity(s,a_tag=None,b_tag=None,c_tag=None,d_tag=None,offset=None,  
                      return_angles=True,unwrap=True,unwrap=True,skip_first=False)  
pysimm.calc.tacticity
```

Determines tacticity for polymer chain. Iterates through groups of four particles given by X\_tags, using offset. This assumes equivalent atoms in each group of four are perfectly offset.



**Parameters**

- **s** – *System*
- **a\_tag** – tag of first a particle
- **b\_tag** – tag of first b particle
- **c\_tag** – tag of first c particle
- **d\_tag** – tag of first d particle
- **offset** – offset of particle tags (monomer repeat atomic count)
- **return\_angles** – if True return chiral angles of all monomers
- **unwrap** – True to perform unwrap before calculation (REQUIRED before calculation, but not required in this
- **function**) –
- **rewrap** – True to rewrap system after calculation
- **skip\_first** – True to skip first monomer (sometime chirality is poorly defined for this monomer)

**Returns** tacticity or tacticity, [chiral\_angles]

`pysimm.calc.frac_free_volume(v_sp, v_void)`  
`pysimm.calc.frac_free_volume`

Determines fractional free volume for a porous system.

**Parameters**

- **v\_sp** – specific volume
- **v\_void** – void volume

**Returns** fractional free volume

`pysimm.calc.pbc_distance(s, p1, p2)`  
`pysimm.calc.pbc_distance`

Calculates distance between particles using PBC

**Parameters**

- **s** – *System*
- **p1** – *Particle*
- **p2** – *Particle*

**Returns** distance between particles

`pysimm.calc.LJ_12_6(pt, d)`  
`pysimm.calc.LJ_9_6(pt, d)`  
`pysimm.calc.buckingham(pt, d)`  
`pysimm.calc.harmonic_bond(bt, d)`  
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`pysimm.calc.harmonic_angle(at, d)`  
`pysimm.calc.class2_angle(at, d)`

```
pysimm.calc.harmonic_dihedral(dt, d)
pysimm.calc.class2_dihedral(dt, d)
pysimm.calc.opls_dihedral(dt, d)
pysimm.calc.fourier_dihedral(dt, d)
pysimm.calc.harmonic_improper(it, d)
pysimm.calc.cvff_improper(it, d)
pysimm.calc.umbrella_improper(it, d)
```

## pysimm.cassandra

### Module Contents

```
pysimm.cassandra.DATA_PATH
pysimm.cassandra.KCALMOL_2_K = 503.22271716452
pysimm.cassandra.CASSANDRA_EXEC
pysimm.cassandra.DEFAULT_PARAMS
class pysimm.cassandra.MCSimulation(mc_sst=None, init_sst=None, **kwargs)
    Bases: object
```

pysimm.cassandra.MCSimulation

Object containing the settings and the logic necessary to partially set-up an abstract Monte Carlo simulation to be submitted to the CASSANDRA software. The object also will include the simulation results once the simulations are finished.

**mc\_sst**  
describes all molecules to be inserted by CASSANDRA

Type *McSystem*

**init\_sst**  
describes the optional initial fixed molecular configuration for MC simulations (default: empty cubic box with 1 nm side length). If the particles in the system are not attributed with the flag *is\_fixed* all of them are considered to be fixed, and will be marked with this flag, otherwise all particles with *is\_fixed=False* will be removed.

Type *System*

#### Keyword Arguments

- **out\_folder** (*str*) – the relative path of the simulation results (all .dat, .mcf, as well as .chk, ... files will go there). If the folder does not exist it will be created with 0755 permissions.
- **props\_file** (*str*) – the name of the .inp file.

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**Note:** Other keyword arguments that are accepted are the GCMC simulation settings. The keywords of the settings are the same as they are described in CASSANDRA specification but without # symbol.

**For example:** the keyword argument `Run_Name='my_simulation'` will set `#Run_Name` setting in CASSANDRA input file to `my_simulation` value

### Parameters

- **props** (*dictionary*) – include all simulation settings to be written to the CASSANDRA .inp file
- **input** (*str*) – text stream that will be written to the CASSANDRA .inp file
- **tot\_sst** (*System*) – object containing the results of CASSANDRA simulations

**write** (*self*)

pysimm.cassandra.MCSimulation.write

Iterates through the `props` dictionary creating the text for correct CASSANDRA input

**group\_by\_id** (*self*, *group\_key*='matrix')

pysimm.cassandra.MCSimulation.group\_by\_id

Method groups the atoms of the system `tot_sst` by a certain property. Will iterate through all atoms in the system and return indexes of only those atoms that match the property. Currently supports 3 properties defined by the `input` keyword argument.

**Keyword Arguments** **group\_key** (*str*) – text constant defines the property to match. Possible keywords are:

- (1) *matrix* – (default) indexes of the atoms in `fxd_sst`
- (2) *rigid* – indexes of all atoms that have rigid atomic bonds. It is assumed here that rigid and nonrigid atoms can interact only through intermolecular forces
- (3) *nonrigid* – opposite of previous, indexes of all atoms that have nonrigid atomic bonds

**Returns** string in format `a1:b1 a2:b2 ...` where all indexes inside `[ak, bk]` belongs to the selected group and array of the form `[[a1, b1], [a2, b2], ...]`

**Return type** str

**upd\_simulation** (*self*)

pysimm.cassandra.MCSimulation.upd\_simulation

Updates the `tot_sst` field using the `MCSimulation.props['Run_Name'].chk` file. Will try to parse the checkpoint file and read the coordinates of the molecules inserted by CASSANDRA. If neither of the molecules from the `mc_sst` can be fit to the text that was read the method will raise an exception. The fitting method: `make_system` assumes that different molecules inserted by CASSANDRA have the same order of the atoms.

**\_\_check\_params\_\_** (*self*)

pysimm.cassandra.MCSimulation.\_\_check\_params\_\_

Private method designed for update the fields of the simulation object to make them conformed with each other

**\_\_write\_chk\_\_** (*self*, *out\_file*)

pysimm.cassandra.MCSimulation.\_\_write\_chk\_\_

Creates the CASSANDRA checkpoint file basing on the information from the `~MCSimulation.tot_sst` field

**get\_prp** (*self*)

**class** pysimm.cassandra.GCMC (mc\_sst=None, init\_sst=None, \*\*kwargs)

Bases: [pysimm.cassandra.MCSimulation](#)

pysimm.cassandra.GCMC Initiates the specific type of Monte Carlo simulations for CASSANDRA: simulations using Grand-Canonical ensemble of particles (constant volume-temperature-chemical potential, muVT). See [MCSimulation](#) for the detailed description of the properties.

**class** pysimm.cassandra.NVT (mc\_sst=None, init\_sst=None, \*\*kwargs)

Bases: [pysimm.cassandra.MCSimulation](#)

pysimm.cassandra.NVT Initiates the specific type of Monte Carlo simulations for CASSANDRA: simulations using Canonical ensemble of particles (constant volume-temperature-number of particles, NVT). See [MCSimulation](#) for the detailed description of the properties.

**class** pysimm.cassandra.NPT (mc\_sst=None, init\_sst=None, \*\*kwargs)

Bases: [pysimm.cassandra.MCSimulation](#)

pysimm.cassandra.NPT Initiates the specific type of Monte Carlo simulations for CASSANDRA: simulations using Isobaric-Isothermal ensemble of particles (NPT). See [MCSimulation](#) for the detailed description of the properties.

**class** pysimm.cassandra.InpSpec (key, value, default, \*\*kwargs)

Bases: object

pysimm.cassandra.InpSpec

Represents the most common object used for carrying one logical unit of the CASSANDRA simulation options

#### Parameters

- **key** (*str*) – the keyword of the simulation option (literally the string that goes after the # sign in CASSANDRA .inp file)
- **value** (*object*) – numerical or text values of the particular simulation option structured in a certain way. Here goes only the values that are wished to be changed (it might be just one field of a big dictionary)
- **default** (*object*) – the most complete default description of the simulation option

#### Keyword Arguments

- **write\_headers** (*boolean*) – if the value is dictionary defines whether the dictionary keys should be written to the output
- **new\_line** (*boolean*) – if the value is iterable defines whether each new element will be written to the new line

**to\_string** (*self*)

pysimm.cassandra.InpSpec.to\_string

Creates the proper text representation of the property stored in the value field

**Returns** formatted text string

**Return type** str

**class** pysimm.cassandra.InpProbSpec (key, value, default, \*\*kwargs)

Bases: [pysimm.cassandra.InpSpec](#)

pysimm.cassandra.InpSpec

Extension of the [InpSpec](#) class that takes into account special representation of the movement probabilities in the CASSANDRA input file.

**to\_string** (*self*)

```
class pysimm.cassandra.McSystem(sst, **kwargs)
```

Bases: object

pysimm.cassandra.McSystem

Wrapper around the list of *System* objects. Each element in the list represents single molecule of a different specie that will be used during MC simulations. Additionally, the object is responsible for creating .dat and .mcf files needed for the simulation and reading back the CASSANDRA simulation results.

**sst**

items representing single molecules of different species to be inserted by CASSANDRA. If the sst is a list (not a single value) it is assumed that all of the following properties are synchronized with it by indexes.

**Type** list of *System*

**chem\_pot**

chemical potential for each specie [Joule/mol]

**Type** list of int

### Keyword Arguments

- **max\_ins** (*list of int*) – defines the highest possible number of molecules of corresponding specie. Basing on these values CASSANDRA allocates memory for simulations. (default: 5000).
- **is\_rigid** (*list of boolean*) – defines whether the atoms in the particular molecule should be marked as rigid or not. **Important!** In current implementation the module doesn't support flexible molecule angles, so the *is\_rigid=False* is designed to be used exclusively for **single bead** molecules.

### Parameters

- **made\_ins** (*list of int*) – number of particles of each specie inserted by CASSANDRA.
- **mcf\_file** (*list of str*) – defines full relative names of molecule configuration files (.mcf) required by CASSANDRA. Files will be created automatically.
- **frag\_file** (*list of str*) – defines full relative names of possible relative configuration files (.dat) required by CASSANDRA. Files will be created automatically.

```
update_props (self, props)
```

pysimm.cassandra.McSystem.update\_props

For each specie in the system creates the .mcf file required for CASSANDRA simulation.

**Parameters props** (*dictionary*) – contains the .mcf file names and maximally allowed number of molecules insertions. The dictionary is to be assigned to 'Molecule\_Files' property of the MC simulation

**Returns** updated input dictionary

**Return type** props

```
update_frag_record (self, frag_record)
```

pysimm.cassandra.McSystem.update\_frag\_record

For each specie in the system creates the single configuration .dat file required for CASSANDRA simulation.

**Parameters**

- **frag\_record** – dictionary containing the .dat file names and their ids. The dictionary is to be assigned to
- **property of the MC simulation** (*'Molecule\_Files'*) –

**Returns** updated dictionary

**Return type** dictionary

**make\_system** (*self, text\_output*)

pysimm.cassandra.McSystem.make\_system

Parses the checkpoint (.chk) file made by CASSANDRA and creates new molecules basing on the new coordinates information. Assumes that all atoms of a certain molecule are listed in .chk file together (molecule identifiers are not mixed).

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**Note:** The logic of comparison of the xyz-like text record from the .chk file with the *System* object is most straightforward: It is the consecutive comparison of particle names and first letters (before the white space) in the text record. In this implementation order matters! For example, for CO<sub>2</sub>, if in the system atoms are ordered as C-O-O and in the text they are ordered as O-C-O fit will fail.

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**Parameters** **text\_output** (*str*) – text stream from the CASSANDRA .chk file containing the coordinates of newly inserted molecules

**Returns** object containing all newly inserted molecules

**Return type** *System*

**\_\_fit\_atoms\_\_** (*self, molec, text\_lines*)

pysimm.cassandra.McSystem.\_\_fit\_atoms\_\_

Implements simple logic of comparison of the xyz-like text record with the *System* object. The comparison is based on the consecutive comparison of particle names and first letters (before the white space) in the text. In this implementation order matters! E.g. for CO<sub>2</sub>, if in the system atoms are ordered as C-O-O and in the text they are ordered like O-C-O fit will return False.

**Returns** flag whether the text record fit the molecule or not

**Return type** boolean

**class** pysimm.cassandra.**Cassandra** (*init\_sst*)

Bases: object

pysimm.cassandra.Cassandra

Organizational object for running CASSANDRA simulation tasks. In current implementation it is able to run Canonical, Grand Canonical, and Isothermal-Isobaric Monte Carlo simulations (*GCMC*, *NVT*, and *NPT*, correspondingly).

**Parameters**

- **system** (*System*) – molecular updated during the simulations
- **run\_queue** (*list*) – the list of scheduled tasks

**run** (*self*)

pysimm.cassandra.Cassandra.run

Method that triggers the simulations. Does two consecutive steps: **(1)** tries to write all files necessary for simulation (.dat, .inp, .mcf); **(2)** tries to invoke the CASSANDRA executable.

**add\_simulation** (*self*, *ens\_type*, *obj=None*, *\*\*kwargs*)  
 pysimm.cassandra.Cassandra.add\_simulation

Method for adding new Monte Carlo simulation to the run queue.

#### Parameters

- **ens\_type** – Type of the molecular ensemble for the Monte-Carlo simulations. The supported options are: *GCMC* (Grand Canonical); *NVT* (canonical); *NPT* (isobaric-isothermal)
- **obj** – the entity that should be added. Will be ignored if it is not of a type *MCSimulation*

#### Keyword Arguments

- **is\_new** (*boolean*) – defines whether all previous simulations should be erased or not
- **species** (list of *System*) – systems that describe molecules and will be passed to *McSystem* constructor.

---

**Note:** Other keyword arguments of this method will be redirected to the *McSystem* and *MCSimulation* constructors. See their descriptions for the possible keyword options.

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**add\_gcmc** (*self*, *obj=None*, *\*\*kwargs*)  
 pysimm.cassandra.Cassandra.add\_gcmc

Ads new simulation in grand-canonical ensemble to the run queue.

**Parameters** **obj** – the entity that should be added. Will be ignored if it is not of a type *GCMC*

#### Keyword Arguments

- **is\_new** (*boolean*) – defines whether all previous simulations should be erased or not
- **species** (list of *System*) – systems that describe molecules and will be passed to *McSystem* constructor.

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**Note:**

**Other keyword arguments of this method will be redirected to the *McSystem*, *MCSimulation*, and *GCMC* constructors. See their descriptions for the possible keyword options.**

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**add\_npt\_mc** (*self*, *obj=None*, *\*\*kwargs*)  
 pysimm.cassandra.Cassandra.add\_npt\_mc

Ads new simulation in isobaric-isothermal ensemble to the run queue.

**Parameters** **obj** – the entity that should be added. Will be ignored if it is not of a type *NPT*

#### Keyword Arguments

- **is\_new** (*boolean*) – defines whether all previous simulations should be erased or not
- **species** (list of *System*) – systems that describe molecules and will be passed to *McSystem* constructor.

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**Note:** Other keyword arguments of this method will be redirected to the *McSystem*, *MCSimulation*, and *NPT* constructors. See their descriptions for the possible keyword options.

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**add\_nvt** (*self*, *obj=None*, *\*\*kwargs*)  
pysimm.cassandra.Cassandra.add\_nvt

Ads new simulation in canonical ensemble to the run queue.

**Parameters** *obj* – the entity that should be added. Will be ignored if it is not of a type *NVT*

**Keyword Arguments**

- **is\_new** (*boolean*) – defines whether all previous simulations should be erased or not
- **species** (list of *System*) – systems that describe molecules and will be passed to *McSystem* constructor.

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**Note:** Other keyword arguments of this method will be redirected to the *McSystem*, *MCSimulation*, and *NVT* constructors. See their descriptions for the possible keyword options.

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**read\_input** (*self*, *inp\_file*)  
pysimm.cassandra.Cassandra.read\_input

The method parses the CASSANDRA instructions file (.inp) split it into separate instructions and analyses each according to the instruction name.

**Parameters** *inp\_file* (*str*) – the full relative path of the file to be read

**Returns** read CASSANDRA properties in the format required by *GCMC*

**Return type** dictionary

**\_\_parse\_value\_\_** (*self*, *cells*)

**unwrap\_gas** (*self*)  
pysimm.cassandra.Cassandra.unwrap\_gas

Ensures that all particles that are not fixed are unwrapped, otherwise CASSANDRA might not interpret them correctly

**class** pysimm.cassandra.**McfWriter** (*syst*, *file\_ref*)  
Bases: object

pysimm.cassandra.McfWriter

Object responsible for creating the CASSANDRA Molecular Configuration file (.mcf).

**syst**  
represents the molecule to be described

**Type** *System*

**file\_ref**  
full relative path to the file that will be created

**Type** str

**mcf\_tags** = ['# Bond\_Info', '# Angle\_Info', '# Dihedral\_Info', '# Improper\_Info', '# In

**empty\_line** = 0

**write** (*self*, *typing='all'*)  
pysimm.cassandra.McfWriter.write

Method creates the .mcf file writing only those sections of it that are marked to be written

**Parameters** *typing* (*list*) – the list of sections to be written or the text keyword. List items should be as they are defined in *mcf\_tags* field); default 'all'



```

__write_empty__(self, out, name)
__write_atom_info__(self, out)
__write_bond_info__(self, out)
__write_angle_info__(self, out)
__write_intra_scaling__(self, out)
__write_dihedral_info__(self, out)
__write_improper_info__(self, out)
__write_fragment_info__(self, out)
__write_fragment_connectivity__(self, out)
__to_tags__(self, inpt)

```

```

pysimm.cassandra.check_cs_exec()
pysimm.cassandra.check_cs_exec

```

Validates that the absolute path to the CASSANDRA executable is set in the `CASSANDRA_EXEC` environmental variable of the OS. The validation is called once inside the `run` method.

```

pysimm.cassandra.make_iterable(obj)
pysimm.cassandra.make_iterable

```

Utility method that forces the attributes be iterable (wrap in a list if it contains of only one item)

## pysimm.cli

### Module Contents

```

pysimm.cli.supported_forcefields = ['dreiding', 'pcff', 'gaff']
pysimm.cli.parser

```

## pysimm.lmps

### Module Contents

```

pysimm.lmps.pd
pysimm.lmps.LAMMPS_EXEC
pysimm.lmps.verbose = False
pysimm.lmps.templates
pysimm.lmps.FF_SETTINGS
pysimm.lmps.check_lmps_exec()
class pysimm.lmps.Init(**kwargs)
    Bases: object
    pysimm.lmps.Init
    Template object to contain LAMMPS initialization settings

```

**forcefield**

name of a supported force field; simulation settings will be chosen based on the force field name

**units**

LAMMPS set of units to use during simulation; default=real

**atom\_style**

LAMMPS atom\_style to use during simulation; default=full

**charge**

option to define if any particles in system a non-zero charge

**kpace\_style**

LAMMPS kspace\_style to use during simulation if system has charges; default=pppm 1e-4

**cutoff**

dictionary of cutoff distances for nonbonded interactions; default={'lj': 12.0, 'coul': 12.0, 'inner\_lj': 10.0}

**pair\_style**

LAMMPS pair\_style to use during simulation

**bond\_style**

LAMMPS bond\_style to use during simulation

**angle\_style**

LAMMPS angle\_style to use during simulation

**dihedral\_style**

LAMMPS dihedral\_style to use during simulation

**improper\_style**

LAMMPS improper\_style to use during simulation

**special\_bonds**

LAMMPS special\_bonds to use during simulation

**pair\_modify**

LAMMPS pair\_modify to use during simulation

**read\_data**

name of data file to read instead of using *System* object

**write** (*self*, *sim=None*)

pysimm.lmps.Init.write

Prepare LAMMPS input with initialization settings

**Parameters** *sim* – *Simulation* object reference

**Returns** string of LAMMPS input

**class** pysimm.lmps.**Region** (*name='all'*, *style='block'*, *\*args*, *\*\*kwargs*)

Bases: *pysimm.utils.Item*

pysimm.lmps.Region

Template object to create a region in a LAMMPS simulation. See LAMMPS documentation for further information

**name**

name id for region

**style**

LAMMPS region style

```

*args
    args for given style

**kwargs
    optional kwargs for region command

write (self, sim=None)

class pysimm.lmps.CreateBox (n=1, region=Region(), *args, **kwargs)
    Bases: pysimm.utils.Item

    pysimm.lmps.CreateBox

    Template object to create a box in a LAMMPS simulation. See LAMMPS documentation for further information

n
    number of atom types

region
    Region object

**kwargs
    optional kwargs for create_box command (replace / with _)

write (self, sim=None)

class pysimm.lmps.Group (name='all', style='id', *args, **kwargs)
    Bases: pysimm.utils.Item

    pysimm.lmps.Group

    Template object to define a group in a LAMMPS simulation. See LAMMPS documentation for further information

name
    name for the group

style
    style for the group

*args
    arguments for the given style

write (self, sim=None)

class pysimm.lmps.Velocity (group=Group('all'), style='create', *args, **kwargs)
    Bases: pysimm.utils.Item

    pysimm.lmps.Velocity

    Template object to define velocity initialization in a LAMMPS simulation. See LAMMPS documentation for further information

group
    group for velocity command

style
    style for the velocity command

*args
    arguments for the given style

write (self, sim=None)

```

```
class pysimm.lmps.OutputSettings (**kwargs)
```

Bases: object

pysimm.lmps.OutputSettings

Template object to define thermo and dump output settings in a LAMMPS simulation. See LAMMPS documentation for further information

**thermo**

dictionary of settings for thermo output

**dump**

dictionary of settings for dump output

**write** (*self*, *sim=None*)

```
class pysimm.lmps.Qeq (**kwargs)
```

Bases: object

pysimm.lmps.MolecularDynamics

Template object to contain LAMMPS qeq settings

**cutoff**

distance cutoff for charge equilibration

**tol**

tolerance (precision) for charge equilibration

**max\_iter**

maximum iterations

**qfile**

file with qeq parameters (leave undefined for defaults)

**write** (*self*, *sim=None*)

pysimm.lmps.Qeq.write

Create LAMMPS input for a charge equilibration calculation

**Parameters** *sim* – *Simulation* object reference

**Returns** input string

```
class pysimm.lmps.MolecularDynamics (**kwargs)
```

Bases: object

pysimm.lmps.MolecularDynamics

Template object to contain LAMMPS MD settings

**name**

name to identify MD

**group**

*Group* object for integrator

**timestep**

timestep value to use during MD

**ensemble**

‘nvt’ or ‘npt’ or ‘nve’; default=nve

**limit**

numerical value to use with nve when limiting particle displacement

**temperature**  
dictionary of settings for temperature (start, stop, damp)

**pressure**  
dictionary of settings for pressure (start, stop, damp)

**run**  
length of MD simulation in number of timesteps or False to omit run command

**unfix**  
True to include command to unfix integrator after run

**rigid**  
dictionary of settings for a rigid simulation

**extra\_keywords**  
dictionary of extra keywords to append at the end of the LAMMPS fix integrator

**write** (*self*, *sim=None*)  
pysimm.lmps.MolecularDynamics.write  
Create LAMMPS input for a molecular dynamics simulation.  
**Parameters** *sim* – pysimm.lmps.Simulation object reference  
**Returns** input string

**class** pysimm.lmps.SteeredMolecularDynamics (*\*\*kwargs*)  
Bases: *pysimm.lmps.MolecularDynamics*  
**write** (*self*, *sim=None*)  
pysimm.lmps.SteeredMolecularDynamics.write  
Create LAMMPS input for a steered molecular dynamics simulation.  
**Parameters** *sim* – *Simulation* object reference  
**Returns** input string

**class** pysimm.lmps.Minimization (*\*\*kwargs*)  
Bases: object  
pysimm.lmps.Minimization  
Template object to contain LAMMPS energy minimization settings.  
**min\_style**  
LAMMPS minimization style default='sd'  
**dmax**  
how far any atom can move in a single line search in any dimension  
**etol**  
energy tolerance default=1e-3  
**ftol**  
force tolerance default=1e-3  
**maxiter**  
maximum iterations default=10000  
**max eval**  
maximum force evaluations default=100000

**write** (*self*, *sim=None*)

pysimm.lmps.Minimization.write

Create LAMMPS input for an energy minimization simulation.

**Parameters** *sim* – *Simulation* object reference

**Returns** input string

**class** pysimm.lmps.**CustomInput** (*custom\_input*)

Bases: object

pysimm.lmps.CustomInput

Template object to contain custom LAMMPS input.

**custom\_input**

custom input string

**write** (*self*, *sim=None*)

pysimm.lmps.CustomInput.write

Create LAMMPS input for a custom simulation.

**Parameters** *sim* – pysimm.lmps.Simulation object reference

**Returns** input string

**class** pysimm.lmps.**Simulation** (*s*, *\*\*kwargs*)

Bases: object

pysimm.lmps.Simulation

Organizational object for LAMMPS simulation. Should contain combination of *MolecularDynamics*, *Minimization*, and/or *CustomInput* object.

**forcefield**

name of force field for simulation settings

**name**

name for simulation

**log**

LAMMPS log filename

**write**

file name to write final LAMMPS data file default=None

**print\_to\_screen**

True to have LAMMPS output printed to stdout after simulation ends

**debug**

True to have LAMMPS output streamed to stdout during simulation (WARNING: this may degrade performance)

**custom**

option to flag simulation as purely custom input to skip prepaing initialization

**input**

**add** (*self*, *\*args*)

**add\_qeq** (*self*, *template=None*, *\*\*kwargs*)

pysimm.lmps.Simulation.add\_qeq

Add *Qeq* template to simulation

**Parameters**

- **template** – *Qeq* object reference
- **\*\*kwargs** – if template is None these are passed to *Qeq* constructor to create new template

**add\_md** (*self*, *template=None*, *\*\*kwargs*)

pysimm.lmps.Simulation.add\_md

Add *MolecularDynamics* template to simulation

**Parameters**

- **template** – *MolecularDynamics* object reference
- **\*\*kwargs** – if template is None these are passed to *MolecularDynamics* constructor to create new template

**add\_min** (*self*, *template=None*, *\*\*kwargs*)

pysimm.lmps.Simulation.add\_min

Add *Minimization* template to simulation

**Parameters**

- **template** – *Minimization* object reference
- **\*\*kwargs** – if template is None these are passed to *Minimization* constructor to create new template

**add\_custom** (*self*, *custom=""*)

pysimm.lmps.Simulation.add\_custom

Add custom input string to simulation

**Parameters** **custom** – custom LAMMPS input string to add to Simulation

**write\_input** (*self*, *init=True*)

pysimm.lmps.Simulation.write\_input

Creates LAMMPS input string including initialization and input from templates/custom input

**Parameters** **None** –

**Returns** None

**run** (*self*, *np=None*, *nanohub=None*, *save\_input=True*, *prefix='mpiexec'*)

pysimm.lmps.Simulation.run

Begin LAMMPS simulation.

**Parameters**

- **np** – number of threads to use (serial by default) default=None
- **nanohub** – dictionary containing nanohub resource information default=None
- **init** – True to write initialization part of LAMMPS input script (set to False if using complete custom input)
- **save\_input** – True to save input as pysimm.sim.in
- **prefix** – prefix for running LAMMPS (i.e. - mpiexec)

pysimm.lmps.**enqueue\_output** (*out*, *queue*)

pysimm.lmps.enqueue\_output

Helps queue output for printing to screen during simulation.

```
pysimm.lmps.call_lammps(simulation, np, nanohub, prefix='mpiexec')  
pysimm.lmps.call_lammps
```

Wrapper to call LAMMPS using executable name defined in `pysimm.lmps` module.

#### Parameters

- **simulation** – *Simulation* object reference
- **np** – number of threads to use
- **nanohub** – dictionary containing nanohub resource information default=None
- **prefix** – prefix for running LAMMPS (i.e. - mpiexec)

**Returns** None

```
pysimm.lmps.qeq(s, np=None, nanohub=None, **kwargs)  
pysimm.lmps.qeq
```

Convenience function to call a qeq calculation. kwargs are passed to *Qeq* constructor

#### Parameters

- **s** – system to perform simulation on
- **np** – number of threads to use
- **nanohub** – dictionary containing nanohub resource information default=None

**Returns** None

```
pysimm.lmps.quick_md(s, np=None, nanohub=None, **kwargs)  
pysimm.lmps.quick_md
```

Convenience function to call an individual MD simulation. kwargs are passed to MD constructor

#### Parameters

- **s** – system to perform simulation on
- **np** – number of threads to use
- **nanohub** – dictionary containing nanohub resource information default=None

**Returns** None

```
pysimm.lmps.quick_min(s, np=None, nanohub=None, **kwargs)  
pysimm.lmps.quick_min
```

Convenience function to call an individual energy minimization simulation. kwargs are passed to min constructor

#### Parameters

- **s** – system to perform simulation on
- **np** – number of threads to use
- **nanohub** – dictionary containing nanohub resource information default=None

**Returns** None

```
pysimm.lmps.energy(s, all=False, np=None, **kwargs)  
pysimm.lmps.energy
```

Convenience function to calculate energy of a given *System* object.



**Parameters**

- **s** – system to calculate energy
- **all** – returns decomposition of energy if True (default: False)
- **np** – number of threads to use for simulation

**Returns** total energy or disctionary of energy components

`pysimm.lmps.check_lmps_attr(s)`

**class** `pysimm.lmps.LogFile(fname)`

Bases: `object`

`pysimm.lmps.LogFile`

Class to read LAMMPS log file into Pandas DataFrame stored in `LogFile.data`

**fname**

filename of log file

**data**

resulting DataFrame with log file data

`_read(self, fname)`

`pysimm.system`

**Module Contents**

`pysimm.system.call`

`pysimm.system.np`

`pysimm.system.pd`

**class** `pysimm.system.Particle(**kwargs)`

Bases: `pysimm.utils.Item`

`pysimm.system.Particle`

Objects inheriting from `Item` can contain arbitrary data. Keyword arguments are assigned as attributes. Attributes usually used are given below.

**x**

x coordinate

**y**

y coordinate

**z**

z coordinate

**charge**

partial charge

**type**

`ParticleType` object reference

`coords(self)`

`check(self, style='full')`

**delete\_bonding** (*self*, *s*)

pysimm.system.Particle.delete\_bonding

Iterates through *s.bonds*, *s.angles*, *s.dihedrals*, and *s.impropers* and removes those which contain this *Particle*.

**Parameters** *s* – *System* object from which bonding objects will be removed

**Returns** None

**translate** (*self*, *dx*, *dy*, *dz*)

pysimm.system.Particle.translate

Shifts Particle position by *dx*, *dy*, *dz*.

**Parameters**

- **dx** – distance to shift in x direction
- **dy** – distance to shift in y direction
- **dz** – distance to shift in z direction

**Returns** None

**\_\_sub\_\_** (*self*, *other*)

pysimm.system.Particle.\_\_sub\_\_

Implements subtraction between *Particle* objects to calculate distance.

**Parameters** *other* – *Particle* object

**Returns** distance calculated by *distance()*. This does not consider pbc

**\_\_rsub\_\_** (*self*, *other*)

**class** pysimm.system.ParticleType (\*\*kwargs)

Bases: *pysimm.utils.Item*

pysimm.system.ParticleType

Objects inheriting from *Item* can contain arbitrary data. Keyword arguments are assigned as attributes. Attributes usually used are given below.

**sigma**

LJ sigma value (Angstrom)

**epsilon**

LJ epsilon value (kcal/mol)

**elem**

element abbreviation, i.e. 'H' for Hydrogen, 'Cl' for Chlorine

**name**

force field particle type name

**form** (*self*, *style*='lj\_12-6', *d\_range*=None)

pysimm.system.ParticleType.form

Returns data to plot functional form for the potential energy with the given style.

**Parameters** *style* – string for pair style of ParticleType (lj\_12-6, lj\_9-6, buck)

**Returns** x, y for plotting functional form (energy vs distance)

**classmethod** guess\_style (*cls*, *nparam*)

**classmethod** parse\_lammps (*cls*, *line*, *style*)

```
write_lammps (self, style='lj')
    pysimm.system.ParticleType.write_lammps
```

Formats a string to define particle type coefficients for a LAMMPS data file given the provided style.

**Parameters** *style* – string for pair style of ParticleType (lj, class2, mass, buck)

**Returns** LAMMPS formatted string with pair coefficients

```
class pysimm.system.Bond (**kwargs)
```

Bases: *pysimm.utils.Item*

pysimm.system.Bond

Bond between particle a and b

a–b

Objects inheriting from *Item* can contain arbitrary data. Keyword arguments are assigned as attributes. Attributes usually used are given below.

**a**  
*Particle* object involved in bond

**b**  
*Particle* object involved in bond

**type**  
 BondType object reference

**get\_other\_particle** (*self*, *p*)

**distance** (*self*)  
 pysimm.system.Bond.distance

Calculates distance between *Particle* a and *Particle* b in this Bond object. Sets distance to dist attribute of self. Does not consider pbc.

**Parameters** *None* –

**Returns** Distance between Particle a and Particle b (not considering pbc)

```
class pysimm.system.BondType (**kwargs)
```

Bases: *pysimm.utils.Item*

pysimm.system.BondType

Objects inheriting from *Item* can contain arbitrary data. Keyword arguments are assigned as attributes. Attributes usually used are given below.

**k**  
 harmonic bond force constant (kcal/mol/A^2)

**r0**  
 bond equilibrium distance (Angstrom)

**name**  
 force field bond type name

**classmethod** **guess\_style** (*cls*, *nparam*)

**classmethod** **parse\_lammps** (*cls*, *line*, *style*)

**write\_lammps** (*self*, style='harmonic')  
 pysimm.system.BondType.write\_lammps

Formats a string to define bond type coefficients for a LAMMPS data file given the provided style.

**Parameters** *style* – string for pair style of BondType (harmonic, class2)

**Returns** LAMMPS formatted string with bond coefficients

**form** (*self*, *style*='harmonic', *d\_range*=None)  
pysimm.system.BondType.form

Returns data to plot functional form for the potential energy with the given style.

**Parameters** *style* – string for pair style of BondType (harmonic, class2)

**Returns** x, y for plotting functional form (energy vs distance)

**class** pysimm.system.Angle (\*\*kwargs)

Bases: *pysimm.utils.Item*

pysimm.system.Angle

Angle between particles a, b, and c

a-b-c

Objects inheriting from *Item* can contain arbitrary data. Keyword arguments are assigned as attributes. Attributes usually used are given below.

**a**  
*Particle* object involved in angle

**b**  
*Particle* object involved in angle (middle particle)

**c**  
*Particle* object involved in angle

**type**  
AngleType object reference

**angle** (*self*, *radians*=False)  
pysimm.system.Angle.angle

Calculate angle.

**Parameters** *radians* – True to return value in radians (default: False)

**Returns** Angle between Particle a, b, and c

**class** pysimm.system.AngleType (\*\*kwargs)

Bases: *pysimm.utils.Item*

pysimm.system.AngleType

Objects inheriting from *Item* can contain arbitrary data. Keyword arguments are assigned as attributes. Attributes usually used are given below.

**k**  
harmonic angle bend force constant (kcal/mol/radian^2)

**theta0**  
angle equilibrium value (degrees)

**name**  
force field angle type name

**classmethod** *guess\_style* (*cls*, *nparam*)

**classmethod** *parse\_lammps* (*cls*, *line*, *style*)

```
write_lammps (self, style='harmonic', cross_term=None)
    pysimm.system.AngleType.write_lammps
```

Formats a string to define angle type coefficients for a LAMMPS data file given the provided style.

#### Parameters

- **style** – string for pair style of AngleType (harmonic, class2, charmm)
- **cross\_term** – type of class2 cross term to write (default=None) - BondBond - BondAngle

**Returns** LAMMPS formatted string with angle coefficients

```
form (self, style='harmonic', d_range=None)
    pysimm.system.AngleType.form
```

Returns data to plot functional form for the potential energy with the given style.

**Parameters** **style** – string for pair style of AngleType (harmonic, class2, charmm)

**Returns** x, y for plotting functional form (energy vs angle)

```
class pysimm.system.Dihedral (**kwargs)
```

Bases: *pysimm.utils.Item*

pysimm.system.Dihedral

Dihedral between particles a, b, c, and d

a-b-c-d

Objects inheriting from *Item* can contain arbitrary data. Keyword arguments are assigned as attributes. Attributes usually used are given below.

**a**

*Particle* object involved in dihedral

**b**

*Particle* object involved in dihedral (middle particle)

**c**

*Particle* object involved in dihedral (middle particle)

**d**

*Particle* object involved in dihedral

**type**

*DihedralType* object reference

```
class pysimm.system.DihedralType (**kwargs)
```

Bases: *pysimm.utils.Item*

pysimm.system.DihedralType

Objects inheriting from *Item* can contain arbitrary data. Keyword arguments are assigned as attributes. Attributes usually used are given below.

**k**

dihedral energy barrier (kcal/mol)

**d**

minimum (+1 or -1)

**n**

multiplicity (integer >= 0)

**name**

force field dihedral type name

**classmethod** `guess_style (cls, nparam)`

**classmethod** `parse_lammps (cls, line, style)`

**write\_lammps** (*self*, *style*='harmonic', *cross\_term*=None)

pysimm.system.DihedralType.write\_lammps

Formats a string to define dihedral type coefficients for a LAMMPS data file given the provided style.

**Parameters**

- **style** – string for pair style of DihedralType (harmonic, class2, fourier)
- **cross\_term** – type of class2 cross term to write (default=None) - MiddleBond - End-Bond - Angle - AngleAngle - BondBond13

**Returns** LAMMPS formatted string with dihedral coefficients

**form** (*self*, *style*='harmonic', *d\_range*=None)

pysimm.system.DihedralType.form

Returns data to plot functional form for the potential energy with the given style.

**Parameters** **style** – string for pair style of DihedralType (harmonic, class2, fourier)

**Returns** x, y for plotting functional form (energy vs angle)

**class** `pysimm.system.Improper (**kwargs)`

Bases: `pysimm.utils.Item`

pysimm.system.Improper

Improper dihedral around particle a, bonded to b, c, and d

b

|

a-d

|

c

Objects inheriting from `Item` can contain arbitrary data. Keyword arguments are assigned as attributes. Attributes usually used are given below.

**a**

`Particle` object involved in improper (middle particle)

**b**

`Particle` object involved in improper

**c**

`Particle` object involved in improper

**d**

`Particle` object involved in improper

**type**

`ImproperType` object reference

```
class pysimm.system.ImproperType (**kwargs)
```

Bases: `pysimm.utils.Item`

`pysimm.system.ImproperType`

Objects inheriting from `Item` can contain arbitrary data. Keyword arguments are assigned as attributes. Attributes usually used are given below.

**k**

improper energy barrier (kcal/mol)

**x0**

equilibrium value (degrees)

**name**

force field improper type name

**classmethod** `guess_style (cls, nparam)`

**classmethod** `parse_lammps (cls, line, style)`

**write\_lammps** (*self*, style='harmonic', cross\_term=None)

`pysimm.system.ImproperType.write_lammps`

Formats a string to define improper type coefficients for a LAMMPS data file given the provided style.

**Parameters**

- **style** – string for pair style of `ImproperType` (harmonic, class2, cvff)
- **cross\_term** – type of class2 cross term to write (default=None) - AngleAngle

**Returns** LAMMPS formatted string with dihedral coefficients

**form** (*self*, style='harmonic', d\_range=None)

`pysimm.system.ImproperType.form`

Returns data to plot functional form for the potential energy with the given style.

**Parameters** **style** – string for pair style of `ImproperType` (harmonic, cvff)

**Returns** x, y for plotting functional form (energy vs angle)

```
class pysimm.system.Dimension (**kwargs)
```

Bases: `pysimm.utils.Item`

`pysimm.system.Dimension`

Objects inheriting from `Item` can contain arbitrary data. Keyword arguments are assigned as attributes. Attributes usually used are given below.

**xlo**

minimum value in x dimension

**xhi**

maximum value in x dimension

**ylo**

minimum value in y dimension

**yhi**

maximum value in y dimension

**zlo**

minimum value in z dimension

**zhi**  
maximum value in z dimension

**dx**  
distance in x dimension

**dy**  
distance in y dimension

**dz**  
distance in z dimension

**dx**

**dy**

**dz**

**check** (*self*)

**size** (*self*)

**translate** (*self*, x, y, z)  
pysimm.system.Dimension.translate  
Shifts box bounds by x, y, z.

**Parameters**

- **x** – distance to shift box bounds in x direction
- **y** – distance to shift box bounds in y direction
- **z** – distance to shift box bounds in z direction

**Returns** None

**class** pysimm.system.**System** (\*\*kwargs)  
Bases: object  
pysimm.system.System  
Object representation of molecular system. Contains information required for molecular simulation.

**dim**  
Dimension object reference

**particles**  
*ItemContainer* for Particle organization

**particle\_types**  
*ItemContainer* for ParticleType organization

**bonds**  
*ItemContainer* for Bond organization

**bond\_types**  
*ItemContainer* for BondType organization

**angles**  
*ItemContainer* for Angle organization

**angle\_types**  
*ItemContainer* for AngleType organization

**dihedrals**  
*ItemContainer* for Dihedral organization



**dihedral\_types***ItemContainer* for DihedralType organization**impropers***ItemContainer* for Improper organization**improper\_types***ItemContainer* for ImproperType organization**molecules***ItemContainer* for Molecule organization**\_\_getattr\_\_** (*self*, *name*)**copy** (*self*, *rotate\_x=None*, *rotate\_y=None*, *rotate\_z=None*, *dx=0*, *dy=0*, *dz=0*)  
pysimm.system.System.copyCreate duplicate *System* object. Default behavior does not modify particle positions.**Parameters**

- **rotate\_x** – rotate duplicate system around x axis by this value (radians)
- **rotate\_y** – rotate duplicate system around y axis by this value (radians)
- **rotate\_z** – rotate duplicate system around z axis by this value (radians)
- **dx** – translate duplicate system in x dimension by this value (Angstrom)
- **dy** – translate duplicate system in y dimension by this value (Angstrom)
- **dz** – translate duplicate system in z dimension by this value (Angstrom)

**add** (*self*, *other*, *\*\*kwargs*)  
pysimm.system.System.addAdd other *System* to this. Optionally remove duplicate types (default behavior).**Parameters**

- **other** – *System* object to add
- **unique\_types** (*optional*) – Remove duplicate types and reassign references to existing types (True)
- **change\_dim** (*optional*) – Update *Dimension* object so that *Particle* objects do not exist outside of *Dimension* extremes (True)
- **update\_properties** (*optional*) – Update system-wide mass, volume, density, center of gravity, and velocity properties (True)

**distance** (*self*, *p1*, *p2*)  
pysimm.system.System.distance

Calculate distance between two particles considering pbc.

**Parameters**

- **p1** – *Particle* object
- **p2** – *Particle* object

**Returns** distance between particles considering pbc**wrap** (*self*)  
pysimm.system.System.wrap

Wrap *Particle* images into box defined by *Dimension* object. Ensure particles are contained within simulation box.

**Parameters** *None* –

**Returns** *None*

**unwrap** (*self*)

pysimm.system.System.unwrap()

Unwraps *Particle* images such that no bonds cross box edges.

**Parameters** *None* –

**Returns** *None*

**particles\_df** (*self*, *columns*=['tag', 'x', 'y', 'z', 'q'], *index*='tag', *extras*=[])

**unite\_atoms** (*self*)

**quality** (*self*, *tolerance*=0.1)

pysimm.system.System.quality

Attempts to assess quality of *System* based on bond lengths in unwrapped system.

**Parameters** **tolerance** – fractional value of equilibrium bond length that is acceptable

**Returns** number of bonds in system outside tolerance

**shift\_to\_origin** (*self*)

pysimm.system.System.shift\_to\_origin

Shifts simulation box to begin at origin. i.e. xlo=ylo=zlo=0

**Parameters** *None* –

**Returns** *None*

**set\_charge** (*self*)

pysimm.system.System.set\_charge

Sets total charge of all *Particle* objects in System.particles

**Parameters** *None* –

**Returns** *None*

**zero\_charge** (*self*)

pysimm.system.System.zero\_charge

Enforces total *System* charge to be 0.0 by subtracting excess charge from last particle

**Parameters** *None* –

**Returns** *None*

**check\_items** (*self*)

pysimm.system.System.check\_items

Checks particles, bonds, angles, dihedrals, impropers, and molecules containers and raises exception if the length of items in the container does not equal the count property

**Parameters** *None* –

**Returns** *None*

**update\_ff\_types\_from\_ac** (*self*, *ff*, *acname*)  
 pysimm.system.System.update\_ff\_types\_from\_ac

Updates *ParticleType* objects in system using type names given in antechamber (ac) file. Retrieves type from System if possible, then searches force field provided by ff.

**Parameters**

- **ff** – forcefield to search for Type objects
- **acname** – ac filename containing type names

**Returns** None

**update\_particle\_types\_from\_forcefield** (*self*, *f*)  
 pysimm.system.System.update\_types\_from\_forcefield

Updates *ParticleType* data from *Forcefield* object f based on *ParticleType*.name

**Parameters** **f** – *Forcefield* object reference

**Returns** None

**make\_linker\_types** (*self*)  
 pysimm.system.System.make\_linker\_types

Identifies linker particles and creates duplicate *Particle*.linker attribute. New *ParticleType* name is prepended with [H or T]L@ to designate head or tail linker

**Parameters** None –

**Returns** None

**remove\_linker\_types** (*self*)  
 pysimm.system.System.remove\_linker\_types

Reassigns *Particle*.type references to original *ParticleType* objects without linker prepend

**Parameters** None –

**Returns** None

**read\_lammps\_dump** (*self*, *fname*)  
 pysimm.system.System.read\_lammps\_dump

Updates particle positions and box size from LAMMPS dump file. Assumes following format for each atom line:

tag charge xcoord ycoord zcoord xvelocity yvelocity zvelocity

**Parameters** **fname** – LAMMPS dump file

**Returns** None

**read\_lammpstrj** (*self*, *trj*, *frame=1*)  
 pysimm.system.System.read\_lammpstrj

Updates particle positions and box size from LAMMPS trajectory file at given frame.

Assumes one of following formats for each atom line:

tag xcoord ycoord zcoord

OR

tag type\_id xcoord ycoord zcoord

OR

tag type\_id xcoord ycoord zcoord ximage yimage zimage

**Parameters**

- **trj** – LAMMPS trajectory file
- **frame** – sequential frame number (not LAMMPS timestep) default=1

**Returns** None

**read\_xyz** (*self*, *xyz*, *frame=1*, *quiet=False*)

pysimm.system.System.read\_xyz

Updates particle positions and box size from xyz file at given frame

**Parameters**

- **xyz** – xyz trajectory file
- **frame** – sequential frame number default=1
- **quiet** – True to print status default=False

**Returns** None

**update\_types** (*self*, *ptypes*, *btypes*, *atypes*, *dtypes*, *itypes*)

pysimm.system.System.update\_types

Updates type objects from a given list of types.

**Parameters**

- **ptypes** – list of *ParticleType* objects from which to update
- **btypes** – list of *BondType* objects from which to update
- **atypes** – list of *AngleType* objects from which to update
- **dtypes** – list of *DihedralType* objects from which to update
- **itypes** – list of *ImproperType* objects from which to update

**read\_type\_names** (*self*, *types\_file*)

pysimm.system.System.read\_type\_names

Update *ParticleType* names from file.

**Parameters** **types\_file** – type dictionary file name

**Returns** None

**remove\_spare\_bonding** (*self*, *update\_tags=True*)

pysimm.system.System.remove\_spare\_bonding

Removes bonds, angles, dihedrals and impropers that reference particles not in *System*.particles

**Parameters** **update\_tags** – True to update all tags after removal of bonding items default=True

**update\_tags** (*self*)

pysimm.system.System.update\_tags

Update Item tags in *ItemContainer* objects to preserve continuous tags. Removes all objects and then reinserts them.

**Args:** None

**Returns:** None

**set\_references** (*self*)

pysimm.system.System.set\_references

Set object references when *System* information read from text file. For example, if bond type value 2 is read from file, set *Bond.type* to bond\_types[2]

**Parameters** None –

**Returns** None

**objectify** (*self*)

pysimm.system.System.objectify

Set references for *Bond*, *Angle*, *Dihedral*, *Improper* objects. For example, if read from file that bond #1 is between particle 1 and 2 set *Bond.a* to particles[1], etc.

**Parameters** None –

**Returns** None

**add\_particle\_bonding** (*self*)

pysimm.system.System.add\_particle\_bonding

Update *Particle* objects such that *Particle.bonded\_to* contains other *Particle* objects involved in bonding

**Parameters** None –

**Returns** None

**set\_excluded\_particles** (*self*, *bonds=True*, *angles=True*, *dihedrals=True*)

pysimm.system.System.set\_excluded\_particles

Updates *Particle* object such that *Particle.excluded\_particles* contains other *Particle* objects involved in 1-2, 1-3, and/or 1-4 interactions

**Parameters**

- **bonds** – exclude particles involved in 1-2 interactions
- **angles** – exclude particles involved in 1-3 interactions
- **dihedrals** – exclude particles involved in 1-4 interactions

**set\_atomic\_numbers** (*self*)

pysimm.system.System.set\_atomic\_numbers

Updates *ParticleType* objects with atomic number based on *ParticleType.elem*

**Parameters** None –

**Returns** None

**add\_particle\_bonded\_to** (*self*, *p*, *p0*, *f=None*, *sep=1.5*)

pysimm.system.System.add\_particle\_bonded\_to

Add new *Particle* to *System* bonded to p0 and automatically update new forcefield types

**Parameters**

- **p** – new *Particle* object to be added
- **p0** – original *Particle* object in *System* to which p will be bonded
- **f** – *Forcefield* object from which new force field types will be retrieved

**Returns** new Particle being added to system for convenient reference

**add\_particle** (*self*, *p*)

pysimm.system.System.add\_particle

Add new *Particle* to *System*.**Parameters** *p* – new *Particle* object to be added**Returns** None**rotate** (*self*, *around=None*, *theta\_x=0*, *theta\_y=0*, *theta\_z=0*, *rot\_matrix=None*)

pysimm.system.System.rotate

**\* REQUIRES NUMPY \***Rotates entire system around given *Particle* by user defined angles**Parameters**

- **around** – *Particle* around which *System* will be rotated default=None
- **theta\_x** – angle around which system will be rotated on x axis
- **theta\_y** – angle around which system will be rotated on y axis
- **theta\_z** – angle around which system will be rotated on z axis
- **rot\_matrix** – rotation matrix to use for rotation

**Returns** None**make\_new\_bonds** (*self*, *p1=None*, *p2=None*, *f=None*, *angles=True*, *dihedrals=True*, *impropers=True*)

pysimm.system.System.make\_new\_bonds

Makes new bond between two particles and updates new force field types

**Parameters**

- **p1** – *Particle* object involved in new bond
- **p2** – *Particle* object involved in new bond
- **f** – *Forcefield* object from which new force field types will be retrieved
- **angles** – True to update new angles default=True
- **dihedrals** – True to update new dihedrals default=True
- **impropers** – True to update new impropers default=True

**Returns** None**add\_bond** (*self*, *a=None*, *b=None*, *f=None*)

pysimm.system.System.add\_bond

Add *Bond* to system between two particles**Parameters**

- **a** – *Particle* involved in new *Bond*
- **b** – *Particle* involved in new *Bond*
- **f** – *Forcefield* object from which new force field type will be retrieved

**Returns** None

**add\_angle** (*self*, *a=None*, *b=None*, *c=None*, *f=None*)  
 pysimm.system.System.add\_angle

Add *Angle* to system between three particles

**Parameters**

- **a** – *Particle* involved in new *Angle*
- **b** – *Particle* involved in new *Angle* (middle particle)
- **c** – *Particle* involved in new *Angle*
- **f** – *Forcefield* object from which new force field type will be retrieved

**Returns** None

**add\_dihedral** (*self*, *a=None*, *b=None*, *c=None*, *d=None*, *f=None*)  
 pysimm.system.System.add\_dihedral

Add *Dihedral* to system between four particles

**Parameters**

- **a** – *Particle* involved in new *Dihedral*
- **b** – *Particle* involved in new *Dihedral* (middle particle)
- **c** – *Particle* involved in new *Dihedral* (middle particle)
- **d** – *Particle* involved in new *Dihedral*
- **f** – *Forcefield* object from which new force field type will be retrieved

**Returns** None

**add\_improper** (*self*, *a=None*, *b=None*, *c=None*, *d=None*, *f=None*)  
 pysimm.system.System.add\_improper

Add *Improper* to system between four particles

**Parameters**

- **a** – *Particle* involved in new *Improper* (middle particle)
- **b** – *Particle* involved in new *Improper*
- **c** – *Particle* involved in new *Improper*
- **d** – *Particle* involved in new *Improper*
- **f** – *Forcefield* object from which new force field type will be retrieved

**Returns** None

**check\_forcefield** (*self*)  
 pysimm.system.System.check\_forcefield

Iterates through particles and prints the following:

tag type name type element type description bonded elements

**Parameters** None –

**Returns** None

**apply\_forcefield** (*self*, *f*, *charges='default'*, *set\_box=True*, *box\_padding=10*, *update\_ptypes=False*, *skip\_ptypes=False*)  
 pysimm.system.System.apply\_forcefield

Applies force field data to *System* based on typing rules defined in *Forcefield* object *f*

**Parameters**

- **f** – *Forcefield* object from which new force field type will be retrieved
- **charges** – type of charges to be applied default='default'
- **set\_box** – Update simulation box information based on particle positions default=True
- **box\_padding** – Add padding to simulation box if updating dimensions default=10 (Angstroms)
- **update\_ptypes** – If True, update particle types based on current *ParticleType* names default=False
- **skip\_ptypes** – if True, do not change particle types

**Returns** None

**apply\_charges** (*self*, *f*, *charges*='default')  
pysimm.system.System.apply\_charges

Applies charges derived using method provided by user. Defaults to 'default'. Calls `assign_charges()` method of forcefield object provided.

**Parameters**

- **f** – *Forcefield* object
- **charges** – type of charges to be applied default='default'

**Returns** None

**write\_lammps\_mol** (*self*, *out\_data*)  
pysimm.system.System.write\_lammps\_mol

Write *System* data formatted as LAMMPS molecule template

**Parameters** **out\_data** – where to write data, file name or 'string'

**Returns** None or string if data file if *out\_data*='string'

**write\_lammps** (*self*, *out\_data*, *\*\*kwargs*)  
pysimm.system.System.write\_lammps

Write *System* data formatted for LAMMPS

**Parameters** **out\_data** – where to write data, file name or 'string'

**Returns** None or string if data file if *out\_data*='string'

**write\_xyz** (*self*, *outfile*='data.xyz', *\*\*kwargs*)  
pysimm.system.System.write\_xyz

Write *System* data in xyz format

**Parameters** **outfile** – where to write data, file name or 'string'

**Returns** None or string of data file if *out\_data*='string'

**write\_chemdoodle\_json** (*self*, *outfile*, *\*\*kwargs*)  
pysimm.system.System.write\_chemdoodle\_json

Write *System* data in chemdoodle json format

**Parameters** **outfile** – where to write data, file name or 'string'

**Returns** None or string of data file if *out\_data*='string'



**write\_mol** (*self*, *outfile*='data.mol')  
 pysimm.system.System.write\_mol

Write *System* data in mol format

**Parameters** *outfile* – where to write data, file name or 'string'

**Returns** None or string of data file if *out\_data*='string'

**write\_pdb** (*self*, *outfile*='data.pdb', *type\_names*=True)  
 pysimm.system.System.write\_pdb

Write *System* data in pdb format

**Parameters** *outfile* – where to write data, file name or 'string'

**Returns** None or string of data file if *out\_data*='string'

**write\_yaml** (*self*, *file\_*)  
 pysimm.system.System.write\_yaml

Write *System* data in yaml format

**Parameters** *outfile* – file name to write data

**Returns** None

**write\_cssr** (*self*, *outfile*='data.cssr', *\*\*kwargs*)  
 pysimm.system.System.write\_cssr

Write *System* data in cssr format file format: line, format, contents 1: 38X, 3F8.3 : - length of the three cell parameters (a, b, and c) in angstroms. 2: 21X, 3F8.3, 4X, 'SPGR =', I3, 1X, A11 : - a, b, g in degrees, space group number, space group name. 3: 2I4, 1X, A60 : - Number of atoms stored, coordinate system flag (0=fractional, 1=orthogonal coordinates in Angstrom), first title. 4: A53 : - A line of text that can be used to describe the file. 5-: I4, 1X, A4, 2X, 3(F9.5.1X), 8I4, 1X, F7.3 : - Atom serial number, atom name, x, y, z coordinates, bonding connectivities (max 8), charge. Note: The atom name is a concatenation of the element symbol and the atom serial number.

**Parameters**

- **outfile** – where to write data, file name or 'string'
- **frac** – 0 for using fractional coordinates
- **aname** – 0 for using element as atom name; else using atom type name

**Returns** None or string of data file if *out\_data*='string'

**consolidate\_types** (*self*)  
 pysimm.system.System.consolidate\_types

Removes duplicate types and reassigns references

**Parameters** None –

**Returns** None

**set\_cog** (*self*)  
 pysimm.system.System.set\_cog

Calculate center of gravity of *System* and assign to *System.cog*

**Parameters** None –

**Returns** None

**shift\_particles** (*self*, *shiftx*, *shifty*, *shiftz*)  
pysimm.system.System.shift\_particles

Shifts all particles by *shiftx*, *shifty*, *shiftz*. Recalculates cog.

**Parameters**

- **shiftx** – distance to shift particles in x direction
- **shifty** – distance to shift particles in y direction
- **shiftz** – distance to shift particles in z direction

**Returns** None

**center** (*self*, *what*=*'particles'*, *at*=[0, 0, 0], *move\_both*=True)  
pysimm.system.System.center

Centers particles center of geometry or simulation box at given coordinate. A vector is defined based on the current coordinate for the center of either the particles or the simulation box and the “at” parameter. This shift vector is applied to the entity defined by the “what” parameter. Optionally, both the particles and the box can be shifted by the same vector.

**Parameters**

- **what** – what is being centered: “particles” or “box”
- **at** – new coordinate for center of particles or box
- **move\_both** – if True, determines vector for shift defined by “what” and “at” parameters, and applies shift to both particles and box. If false, only shift what is defined by “what” parameter.

**Returns** None

**center\_system** (*self*)  
pysimm.system.System.center\_system

DEPRECATED: Use *System*.center(*'box'*, [0, 0, 0], True) instead

**Parameters** None –

**Returns** None

**center\_at\_origin** (*self*)  
pysimm.system.System.center\_at\_origin

DEPRECATED: Use *System*.center(*'particles'*, [0, 0, 0], True) instead

**Parameters** None –

**Returns** None

**set\_mass** (*self*)  
pysimm.system.System.set\_mass

Set total mass of particles in *System*

**Parameters** None –

**Returns** None

**set\_volume** (*self*)  
pysimm.system.System.set\_volume

Set volume of *System* based on Dimension

**Parameters** None –

**Returns** None

**set\_density** (*self*)

pysimm.system.System.set\_density

Calculate density of *System* from mass and volume

**Parameters** None –

**Returns** None

**set\_velocity** (*self*)

pysimm.system.System.set\_velocity

Calculate total velocity of particles in *System*

**Parameters** None –

**Returns** None

**zero\_velocity** (*self*)

pysimm.system.System.zero\_velocity

Enforce zero shift velocity in *System*

**Parameters** None –

**Returns** None

**set\_box** (*self*, *padding=0.0*, *center=True*)

pysimm.system.System.set\_box

Update *System.dim* with user defined padding. Used to construct a simulation box if it doesn't exist, or adjust the size of the simulation box following system modifications.

**Parameters**

- **padding** – add padding to all sides of box (Angstrom)
- **center** – if True, place center of box at origin default=True

**Returns** None

**set\_mm\_dist** (*self*, *molecules=None*)

pysimm.system.System.set\_mm\_dist

Calculate molecular mass distribution (mainly for polymer systems). Sets *System.mw*, *System.mn*, and *System.disperisty*

**Parameters** **molecules** – *ItemContainer* of molecules to calculate distributions default='all'

**Returns** None

**set\_frac\_free\_volume** (*self*, *v\_void=None*)

pysimm.system.System.set\_frac\_free\_volume

Calculates fractional free volume from void volume and bulk density

**Parameters** **v\_void** – void volume if not defined in *System.void\_volume* default=None

**Returns** None

**visualize** (*self*, *vis\_exec='vmd'*, *\*\*kwargs*)

pysimm.system.System.visualize

Visualize system in third party software with given executable. Software must accept pdb or xyz as first command line argument.

**Parameters**

- **vis\_exec** – executable to launch visualization software default='vmd'
- **unwrap** (*optional*) – if True, unwrap *System* first default=None
- **format** (*optional*) – set format default='xyz'

**Returns** None**viz** (*self*, *\*\*kwargs*)**class** pysimm.system.Molecule (*\*\*kwargs*)Bases: *pysimm.system.System*

pysimm.system.Molecule

Very similar to *System*, but requires less informationpysimm.system.read\_yaml (*file\_*, *\*\*kwargs*)

pysimm.system.read\_yaml

Interprets yaml file and creates *System* object**Parameters** **file** – yaml file name**Returns** *System* objectpysimm.system.read\_xyz (*file\_*, *\*\*kwargs*)

pysimm.system.read\_xyz

Interprets xyz file and creates *System* object**Parameters**

- **file** – xyz file name
- **quiet** (*optional*) – if False, print status

**Returns** *System* objectpysimm.system.read\_chemdoodle\_json (*file\_*, *\*\*kwargs*)

pysimm.system.read\_chemdoodle\_json

Interprets ChemDoodle JSON (Java Script Object Notation) file and creates *System* object**Parameters**

- **file** – json file name
- **quiet** (*optional*) – if False, print status

**Returns** *System* objectpysimm.system.read\_lammps (*data\_file*, *\*\*kwargs*)

pysimm.system.read\_lammps

Interprets LAMMPS data file and creates *System* object**Parameters**

- **data\_file** – LAMMPS data file name
- **quiet** (*optional*) – if False, print status
- **atom\_style** (*optional*) – option to let user override (understands charge, molecular, full)
- **pair\_style** (*optional*) – option to let user override

- **bond\_style** (*optional*) – option to let user override
- **angle\_style** (*optional*) – option to let user override
- **dihedral\_style** (*optional*) – option to let user override
- **improper\_style** (*optional*) – option to let user override
- **set\_types** (*optional*) – if True, objectify default=True
- **name** (*optional*) – provide name for system

Returns *System* object

```
pysimm.system.read_pubchem_smiles(smiles, quiet=False, type_with=None)
pysimm.system.read_pubchem_smiles
```

Interface with pubchem restful API to create molecular system from SMILES format

#### Parameters

- **smiles** – smiles formatted string of molecule
- **type\_with** – *Forcefield* object to type with default=None

Returns *System* object

```
pysimm.system.read_pubchem_cid(cid, type_with=None)
pysimm.system.read_pubchem_smiles
```

Interface with pubchem restful API to create molecular system from SMILES format

#### Parameters

- **smiles** – smiles formatted string of molecule
- **type\_with** – *Forcefield* object to type with default=None

Returns *System* object

```
pysimm.system.read_cml(cml_file, **kwargs)
pysimm.system.read_cml
```

Interprets cml file and creates *System* object

#### Parameters

- **cml\_file** – cml file name
- **linkers** (*optional*) – if True, use spinMultiplicity to determine linker default=None

Returns *System* object

```
pysimm.system.read_mol(mol_file, type_with=None, version='V2000')
pysimm.system.read_mol
```

Interprets mol file and creates *System* object

#### Parameters

- **mol\_file** – mol file name
- **f** (*optional*) – *Forcefield* object to get data from
- **version** – version of mol file to expect default='V2000'

Returns *System* object

`pysimm.system.read_prepc(prec_file)`  
`pysimm.system.read_prepc`

Interprets prepc file and creates *System* object

**Parameters** `prepc_file` – ac file name

**Returns** *System* object

`pysimm.system.read_ac(ac_file)`  
`pysimm.system.read_ac`

Interprets ac file and creates *System* object

**Parameters** `ac_file` – ac file name

**Returns** *System* object

`pysimm.system.read_pdb(pdb_file)`  
`pysimm.system.read_pdb`

Interprets pdb file and creates *System* object

**Parameters** `pdb_file` – pdb file name

**Returns** *System* object

`pysimm.system.compare(s1, s2)`

`pysimm.system.get_types(*arg, **kwargs)`  
`pysimm.system.get_types`

Get unique type names from list of systems

**Parameters** `write(optional)` – if True, write types dictionary to filename

**Returns** (ptypes, btypes, atypes, dtypes, itypes) \* for use with `update_types` \*

`pysimm.system.distance_to_origin(p)`  
`pysimm.system.distance_to_origin`

Calculates distance of particle to origin.

**Parameters** `p` – Particle object with x, y, and z attributes

**Returns** Distance of particle to origin

`pysimm.system.replicate(ref, nrep, s=None, density=0.3, rand=True, print_insertions=True)`  
`pysimm.system.replicate`

Replicates list of *System* objects into new (or existing) *System*. Can be random insertion.

**Parameters**

- **ref** – reference :class:`~pysimm.system.System` (s) (this can be a list)
- **nrep** – number of insertions to perform (can be list but must match length of ref)
- **s** – *System* into which insertions will be performed default=None
- **density** – density of new *System* default=0.3 (set to None to not change box)
- **rand** – if True, random insertion is performed
- **print\_insertions** – if True, update screen with number of insertions

**pysimm.utils****Module Contents****exception** pysimm.utils.PysimmError

Bases: Exception

**class** pysimm.utils.Container

Bases: object

pysimm.utils.Container

Arbitrary container object that returns None if trying to access an attribute that does not exist

**\_\_getattr\_\_** (self, name)**class** pysimm.utils.ItemContainer (\_dict=None, \*\*kwargs)

Bases: collections.abc.Sequence

pysimm.utils.ItemContainer

Container object intended to organize *Item* objects. Arbitrary attributes can be set using keyword arguments. Underlying data structure is a dictionary where the key is referred to as a tag, and the value should be an *Item* object. *Item*.tag should equal the key for the object in the dictionary.

**\_\_len\_\_** (self)**\_\_iter\_\_** (self)**\_\_getitem\_\_** (self, slice\_)**add** (self, \_item)**get** (self, \*args, \*\*kwargs)**remove** (self, index, update=True)**class** pysimm.utils.Item (\*\*kwargs)

Bases: object

**\_\_getattr\_\_** (self, name)**copy** (self)**set** (self, \*\*kwargs)

pysimm.utils.compare (query, item, query\_wildcard=None, item\_wildcard='X', order=False, improper\_type=False)

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pysimm.error = True

pysimm.warning = True

pysimm.verbose = True

pysimm.debug = True

pysimm.error\_print

pysimm.warning\_print

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`pysimm.debug_print`

**exception** `pysimm.PysimmError`

Bases: `Exception`



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