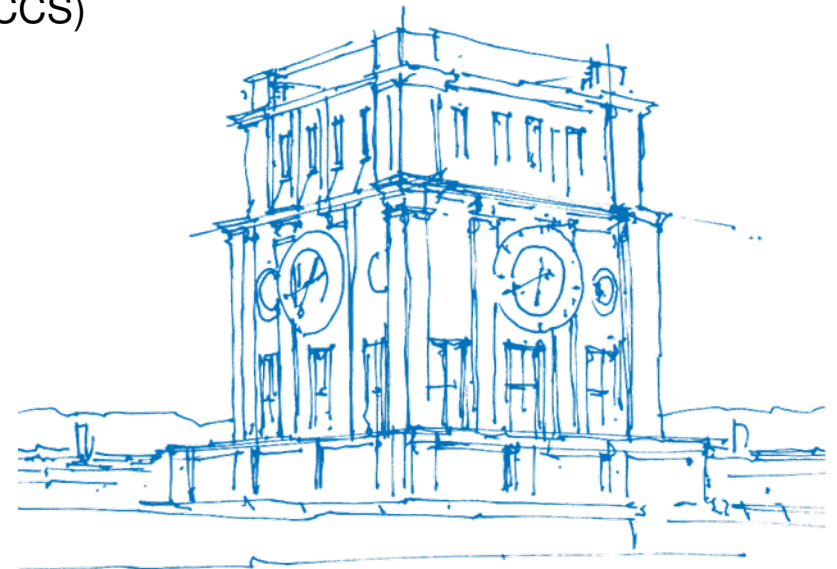


# Workshop AutoPas

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# Requirements

## Simulation:

- Linux or [WSL](#)
- [AutoPas](#)
- [CMake](#) ( $\geq 3.14$ )
- C++17 compiler: [Clang](#) ( $\geq 8$ ) / [GCC](#) ( $\geq 7$ )

## Visualization:

- [Paraview](#)

## Plotting:

- Python3 with [pandas](#), [plotly](#)

# Introduction

## AutoPas

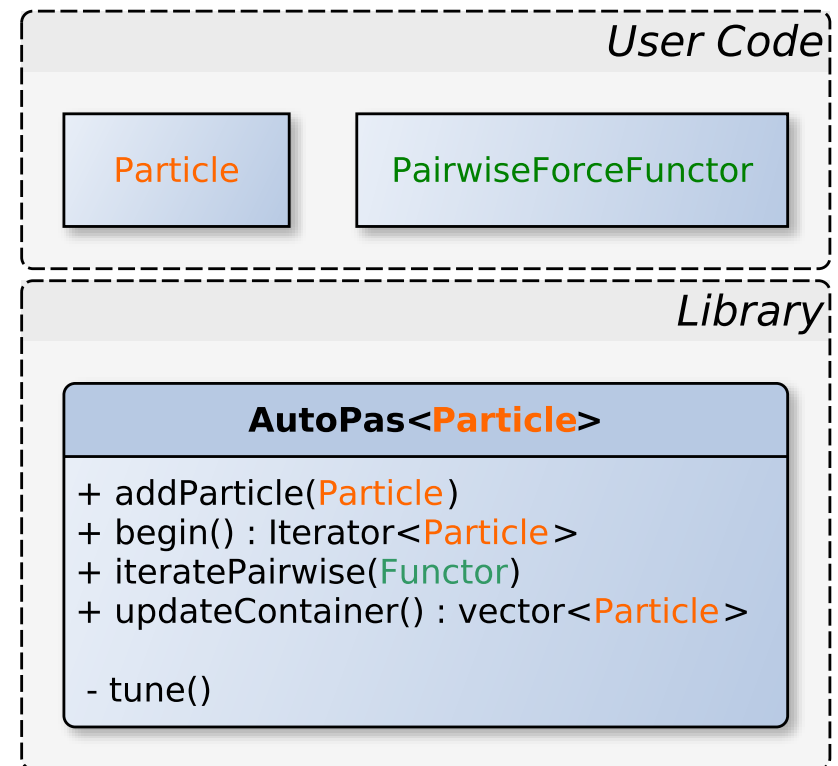
# What is AutoPas

- Node-Level C++17 library
- Black-box particle container
- Facade-like software pattern
- User defines:
  - Properties of particles
  - Force for pairwise interaction
- AutoPas provides
  - Containers, Traversals, Data Layouts, ...
  - Dynamic Tuning at run-time

⇒ General base for N-Body simulations

<https://autopas.github.io/>

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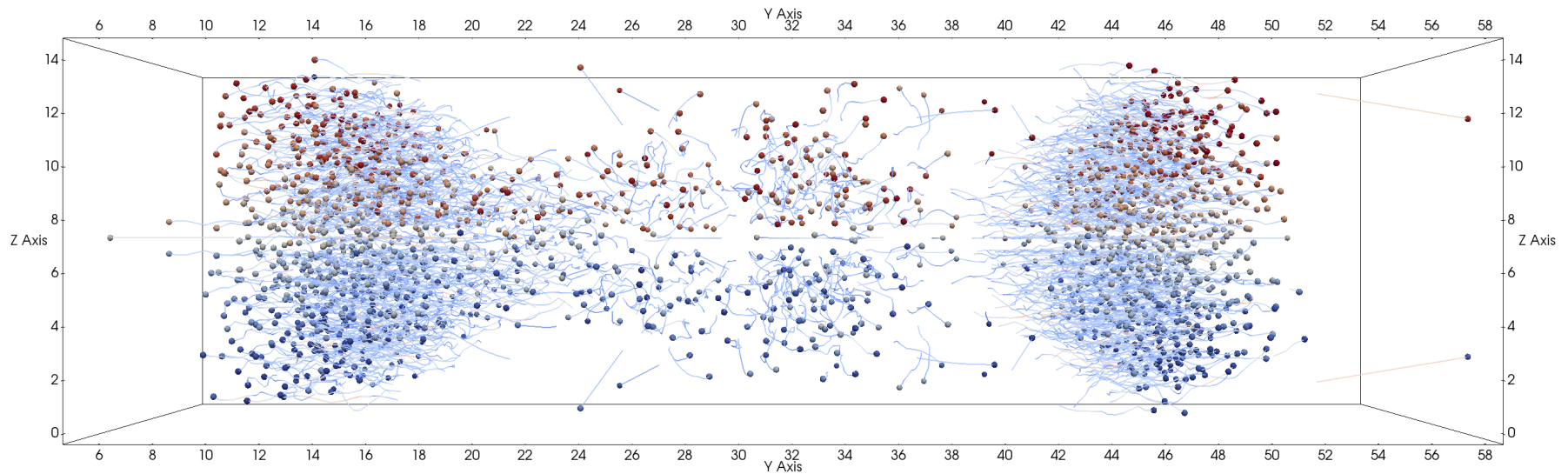


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- Example application using AutoPas
- Molecular dynamics simulator
- Demonstrator for all AutoPas features
- Used internally for developing and testing



# Hands-On

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7         if (dr > _cutoff) {
8             return;
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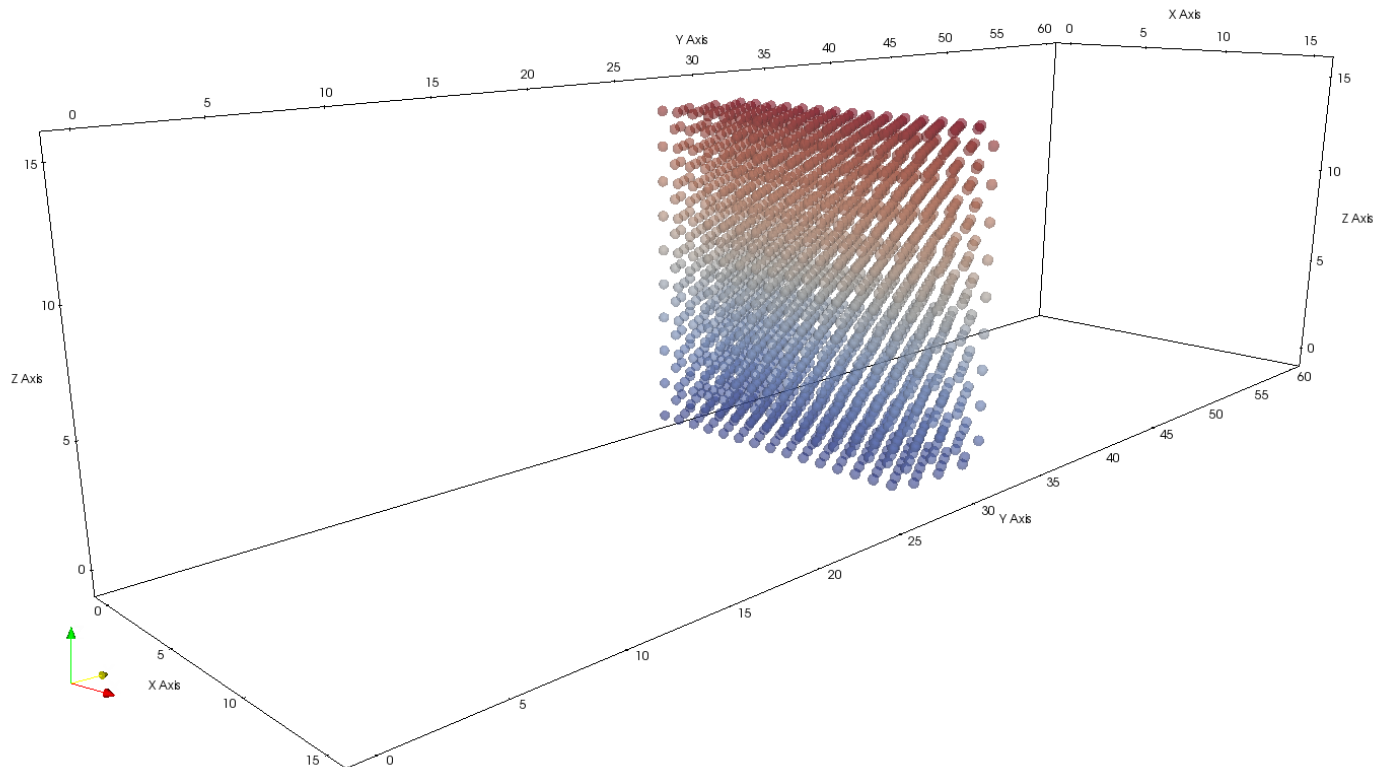
# Hands-On

# Visualization



# Visualizing Particles

1. Open Paraview
2. Load vtk Files
3. Apply the Glyph Filter
4. Set Glyph mode to Sphere
5. Disable scaling
6. Show all particles
7. Apply a coloring (id, force, ...)
8. File → Save Animation

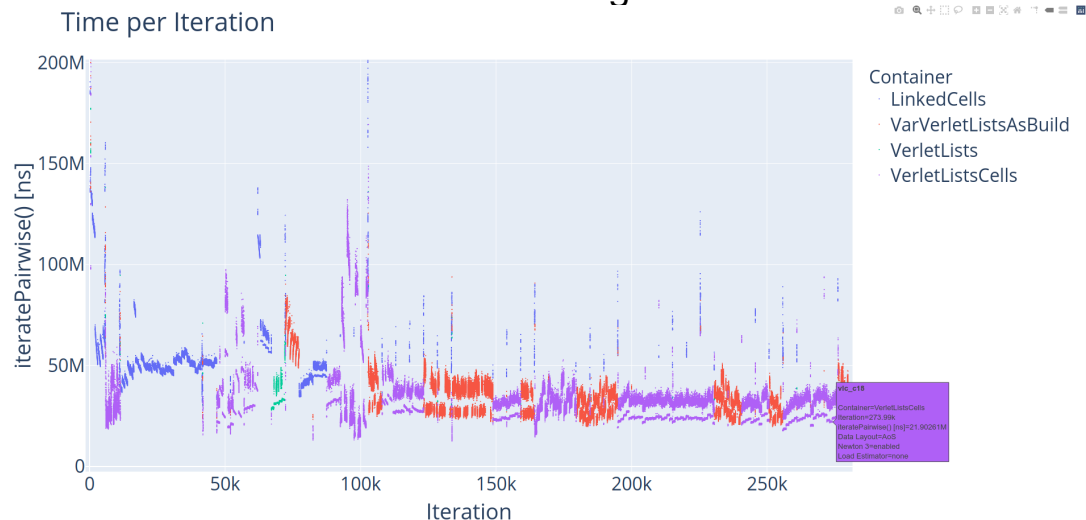


# Analyze Performance Data

Activate AutoPas' csv performance data output via CMake.

Use `AutoPas/examples/md-flexible/scripts` to analyze csv output:

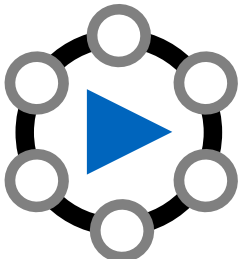
- `plotIterationData.py`:
  - Shows time for every iterate pairwise call.
  - Useful to see where most time was spent or spot inefficient tuning decisions.
- `plotTuningData.py`:
  - Shows smoothed samples that were used by the auto-tuner.
  - Useful to understand behaviors of different configurations.



# What was covered?

- Working of individual particles.
  - ⇒ Calculating velocity updates.
- Pairwise force calculation.
  - ⇒ Application of a force functor.
- Updating the container object and boundary conditions.
  - ⇒ Handling leaving and entering particles.
  - ⇒ Handling halo particles.
- Creating movies of particle trajectories.
- Analyzing AutoPas' performance data.

# AutoPas

The logo for AutoPas features the word "AutoPas" in a large, bold, black sans-serif font. The letter "o" is replaced by a circular graphic consisting of a dark grey outer ring, a light grey inner ring, and a blue right-pointing triangle in the center. Six small grey circles are arranged in a ring around the central triangle, connected by thin lines.