

Ontology of Molecular Dynamics

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Introduction

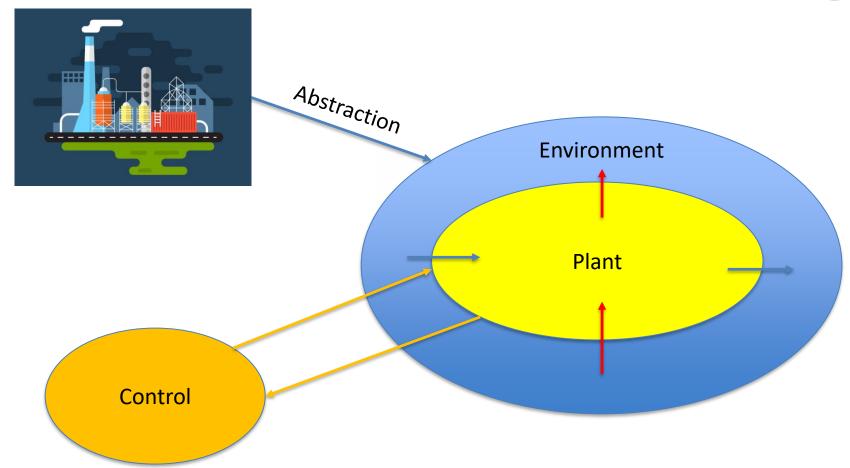
- Ontology is an explicit, formal specification of a shared conceptualization.
 - Explicit: All relevant concepts must be defined.
 - Formal: Machine understandable.
 - Shared conceptualization: Consensus about how concepts are related within the relevant domain.
- Ontological maxims:
 - "Be consistent."
 - "Be general and minimal."
 - "Track only things that matter."
- "Ontology is a model toolbox, where the tools and their applications are defined."

The Original Ontology: Model

- Important concepts:
 - Physical control volume (CV)
 - Accumulation, transport, and source/sink
 - Signal
 - Manipulation of transport (output) based on CV (input)
 - Network
 - Physical phases, species, and signal information
 - Representation
 - Nodes, arcs, and tokens
 - Scale
 - Time and size

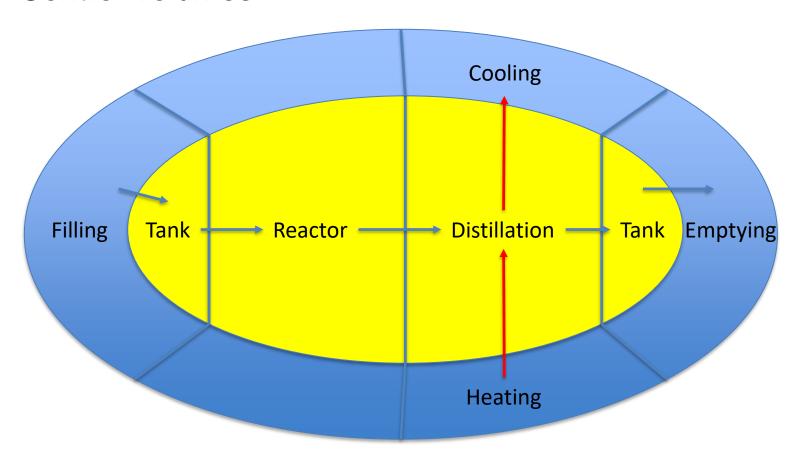
Old Example: The Plant Model





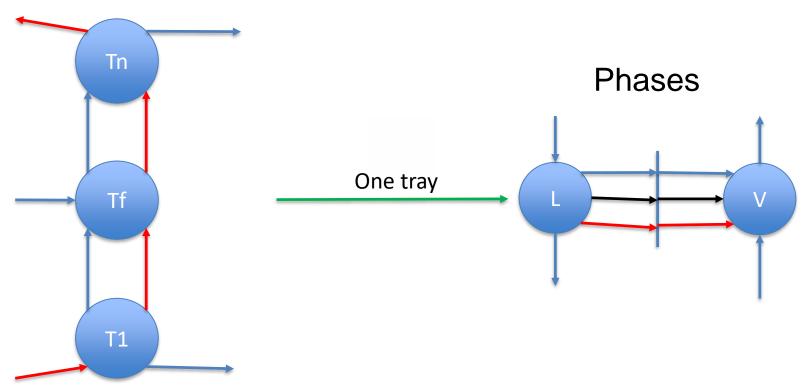
The Unit Model

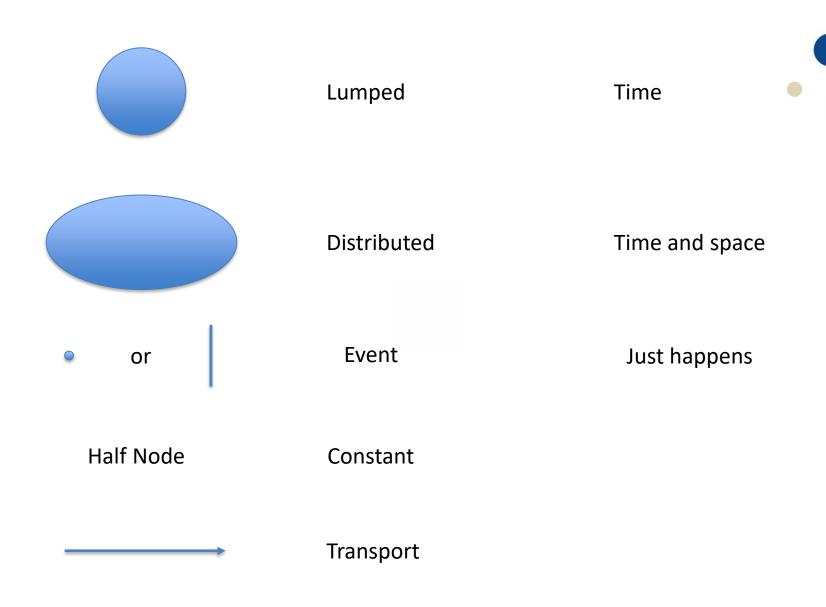
Control Volumes



The Distillation Model

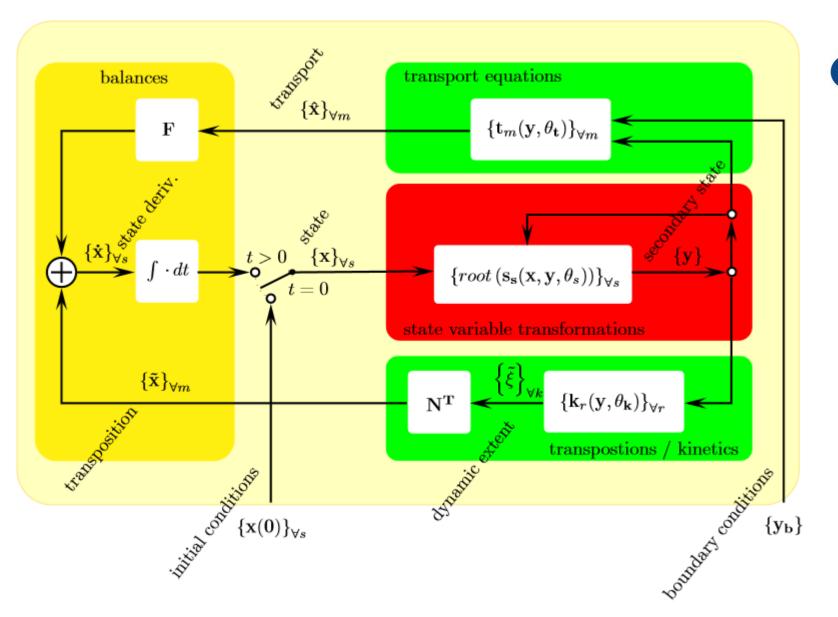
Smaller Control Volumes





The Original Ontology: Mathematics

- Important concepts:
 - State
 - Token → State
 - Closure
 - State + EOS → Secondary states
 - Transport
 - Secondary state + Mechanism → Transport equation
 - Transposition
 - Secondary state → Kinetics → Dynamic extent + rx → Transposition
 - Balance and differential state
 - Transport + Network + Transposition → Diff. state
 - Signal
 - Input + set-point → error → dynamics → output
 - Connection
 - Measured input → Normalized measured input
 - Output → Manipulation

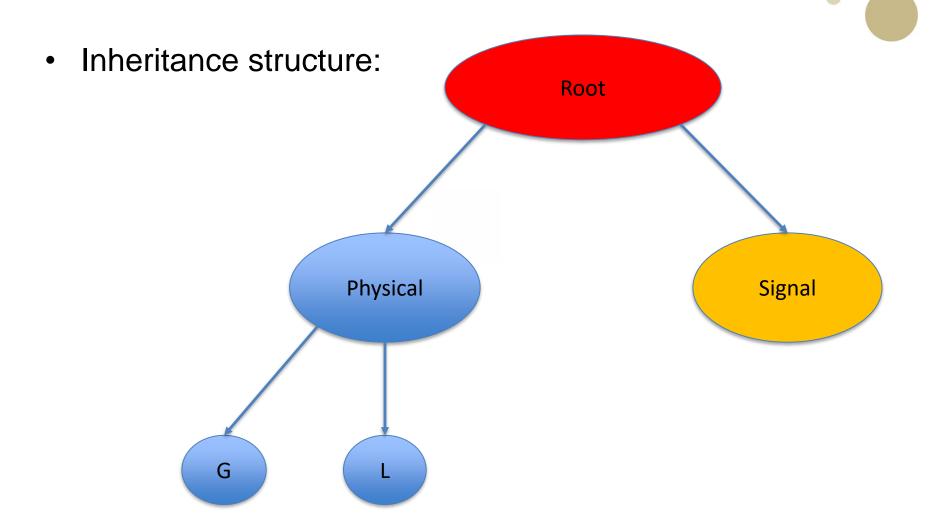


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The Original Ontology

- Important concepts:
 - Trinity
 - Root, Physical, and Signal
 - Organized information
 - Structure, Behaviour, and Typing
 - Structure
 - Defines the modelling tools (building blocks)
 - Graph, node, arc, frame, and token
 - Behaviour
 - How the modelling tools are applied (connection to math)
 - Based on network
 - Applied to nodes and arcs.
 - Typing
 - How the modelling tools can be specialized
 - New type of graph (node, arc) = new behaviour
 - Inheritance and communication

The Original Ontology



The Root Ontology



Shared between physical and signal

```
[structure] # building blocks
graph = ['*node', '*arc'] # fixed not to be changed
frame = ['.time']

[behaviour] # link to mathematical description
node = ['state', 'diffstate', 'constant', 'network']

[typing] # specialisation of building block
graph = ['physical', 'control']
node = ['dynamic_OD', 'event', 'constant']
arc = ['bi-directional', 'uni-directional']
```

The Physical Ontology



Shared between gas and liquid

```
1 [structure]
2    frame = ['r_x','r_y','r_z']
3    token = ['.mass','.energy','.entropy']
4 
5 [behaviour]
6    node = ['closure', 'transposition']
7    arc = ['transport']
8 
9 [typing]
10    graph = ['gas', 'liquid']
11    mechanism = {'mass' : ['v','d'], 'energy': ['c','w','r']}
12    mass = ['*!species']
```

The Signal Ontology

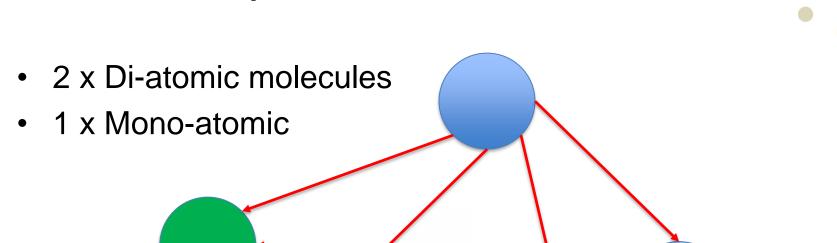


```
1 [structure]
2   token = ['signal']
3
4 [behaviour]
5
6
7 [typing]
8   signal = ['*input', '*output']
9
```

The New Ontology: Model

- Important concepts:
 - Newtonian Mechanics:
 - Atoms as point particles
 - Mass, position, velocity, acceleration(force)
 - Newtons 1st. And 2nd. Laws of motion
 - Forces between atoms
 - Newtons 3rd. Law of motion
 - Derived from potential functions
 - Molecular Dynamics:
 - Potentials
 - Derived from position of atoms
 - Inter- and intramolecular bonds
 - Representation:
 - Nodes and arcs

New Example: Molecular Model

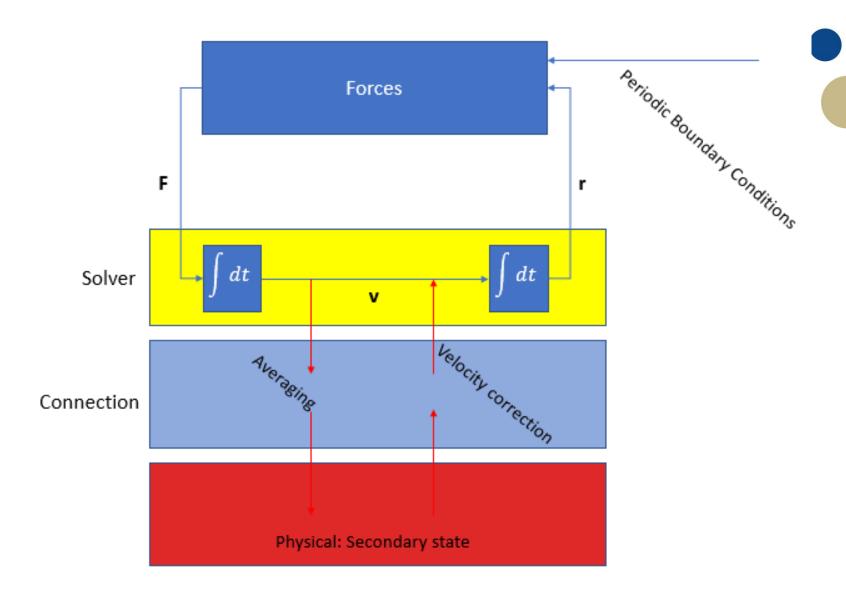




The New Ontology: Mathematics



- Important concepts:
 - State
 - Frame → State
 - Force
 - State + periodic BC + constriction → Potentials → Forces
 - Diff. state
 - Forces + Mass (+ Network) → Diff. state → state = Diff. state →
 State
 - Connection
 - State → Averaging → Physical secondary state
 - Physical secondary state → Correction/thermostat/barostat → State



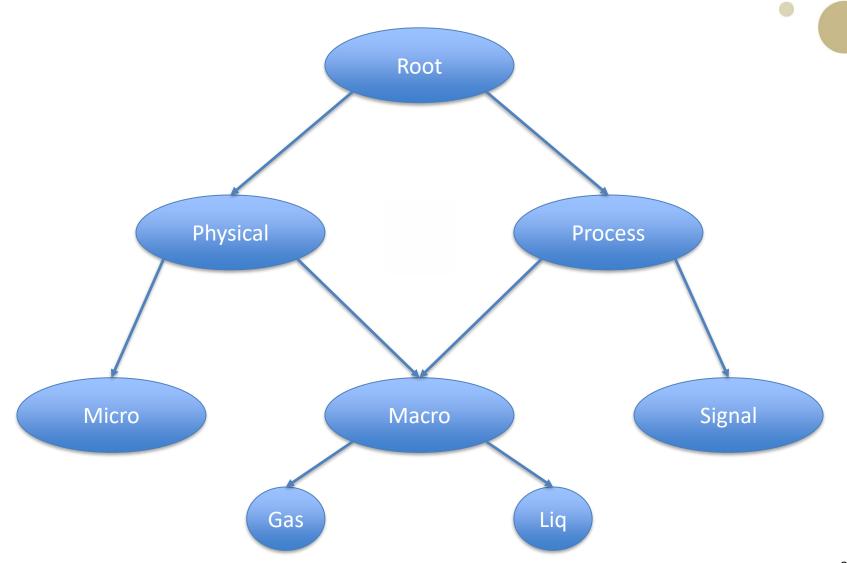
The New Ontology



Collection of all information:

```
[structure]
    graph = ['*node', '*arc']
    frame = ['time', 'r x', 'r y', 'r z']
    token = ['momentum', 'energy']
   [behaviour]
    node = ['state', 'diff state', 'constant', 'network']
    arc = ['constant', 'force']
  [typing]
    force = ['intra', 'inter']
    node = ['dynamic 0D']
13
    arc = ['bi-directional']
14
```

The Extended Ontology



The Extended Root Ontology



Shared Between all

```
[structure]
graph = ['*node', '*arc']
frame = ['time']

[behaviour]
node = ['state', 'diffstate', 'constant', 'network']
arc = ['constant']

[typing]
graph = ['physical', 'process']
node = ['dynamic_0D']
```

The Process Ontology



Shared between Macro-physical and Signal

```
[structure]
[structure]
[behaviour]
[typing]
[graph = ['macro-physical','signal']
node = ['event','constant']
arc = ['uni-directional']
```

The Extended Physical Ontology



Shared between Micro- and Marcro-physical

```
1 [structure]
2  frame = ['r_x', 'r_y', 'r_z']
3  token = ['momentum', 'energy']
4  
5 [behaviour]
6  
7 [typing]
8  graph = ['micro-physical', 'macro-physical']
9  arc = ['bi-directional']
```

The Macro-Physical Ontology



Shared between Gas and Liquid

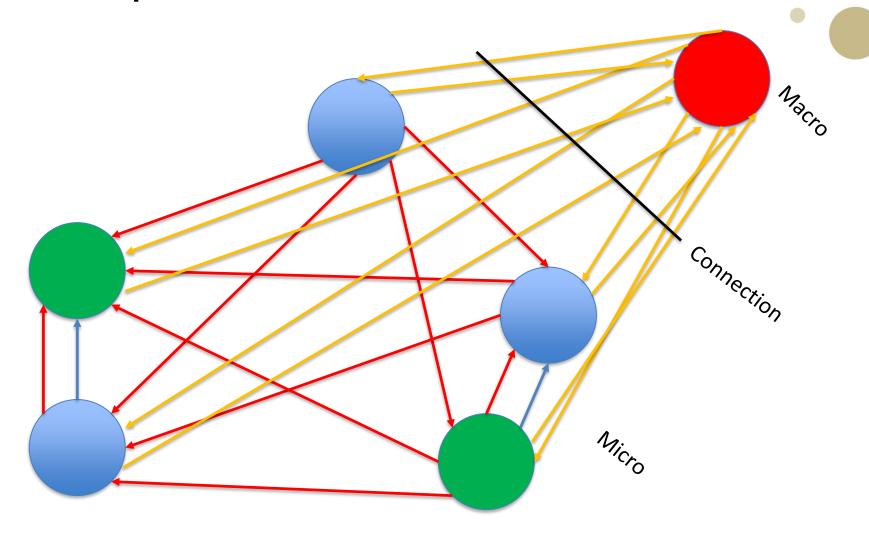
```
1 [structure]
2  token = ['mass','entropy']
3
4 [behaviour]
5  node = ['closure', 'transposition']
6  arc = ['transport']
7
8 [typing]
9  graph = ['gas', 'liquid']
10  transport = {'mass' : ['v','d'], 'energy': ['c','w','r']}
11  mass = ['*!species']
```

The Micro-Physical Ontology



```
1 [structure]
2
3 [behaviour]
4  arc = ['force']
5
6 [typing]
7  force = ['intra-force', 'inter-force']
```

Example: Extended Model



Possibilities and Problems

• Pros:

- + Extend to include Newtonian mechanics
- + Communication between Micro- and Macro-physical
- + Introduces momentum to the physical

Cons:

- Does not satisfy the criterion of being formal
 - State is dependant on frame not token
 - New interpretation
- UI-modelling issue: web of arcs
- Not possible to currently implement
 - Probably need refinement of the ontology