

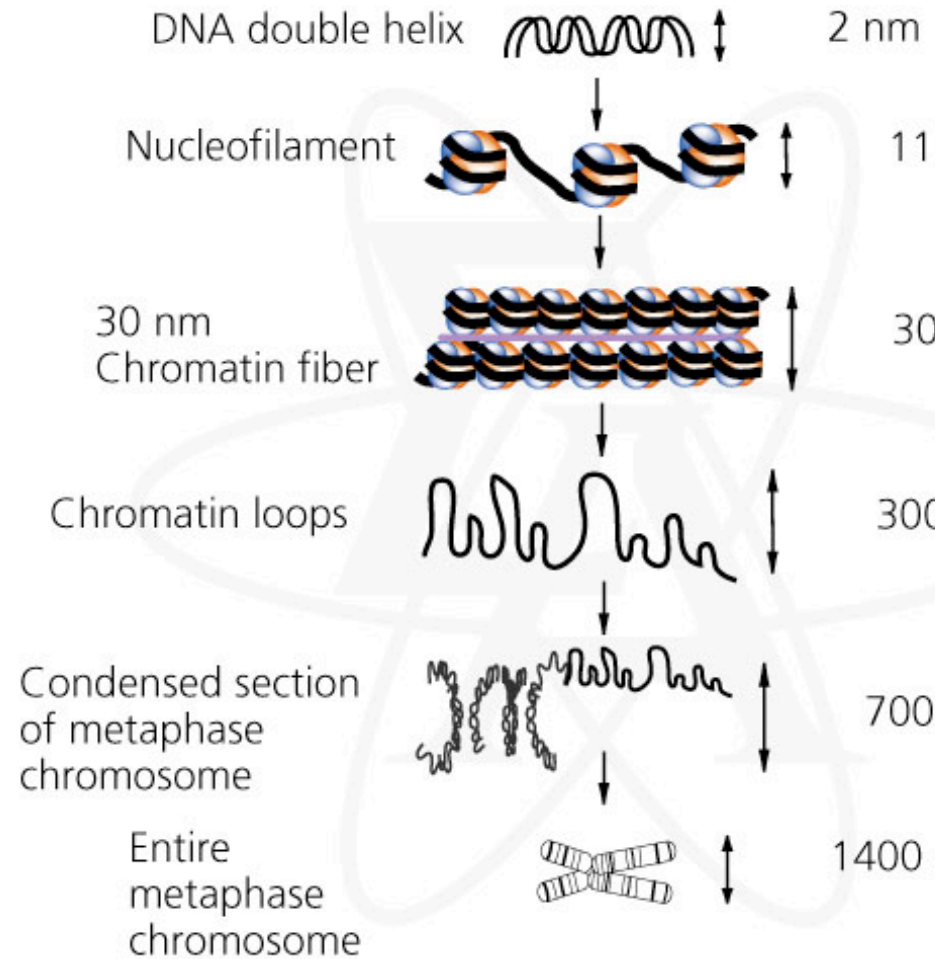
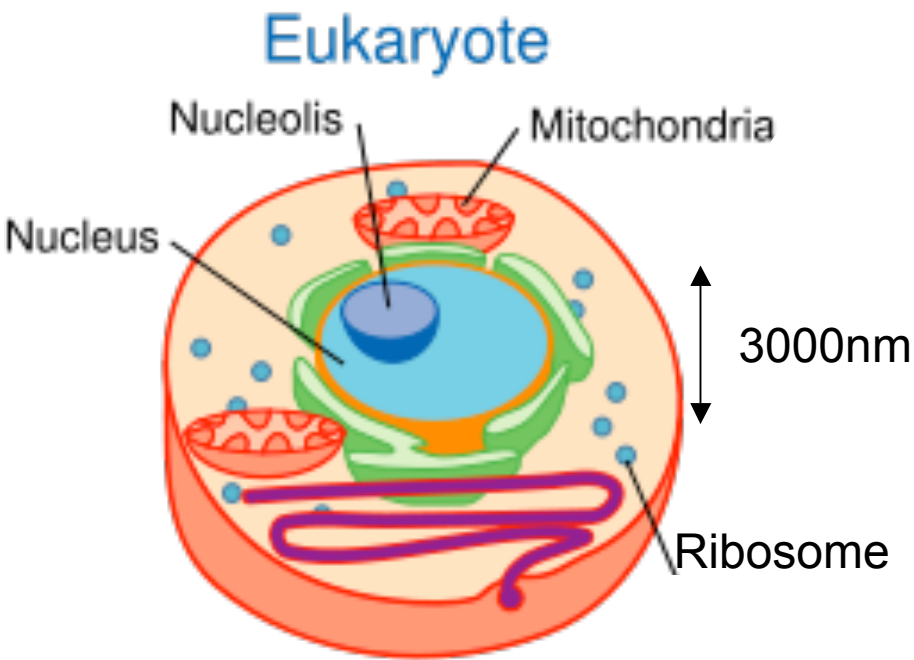
# High Throughput High Performance Molecular Dynamics Simulations

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# Cell Biology 001

# Cell Organization and Chromatin

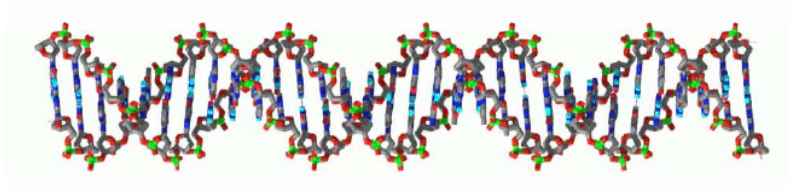


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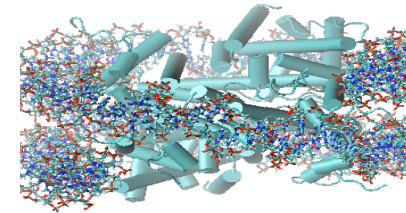
- "Molecular Biology of the Cell" Alberts B., Bray D., Lewis J., Raff M., Roberts K., and Watson J.D.

# Folding DNA into Nucleosomes

Free DNA



Folded DNA

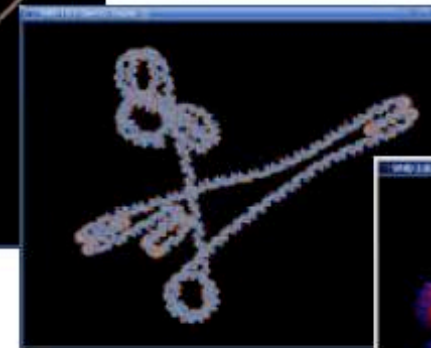
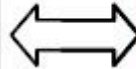
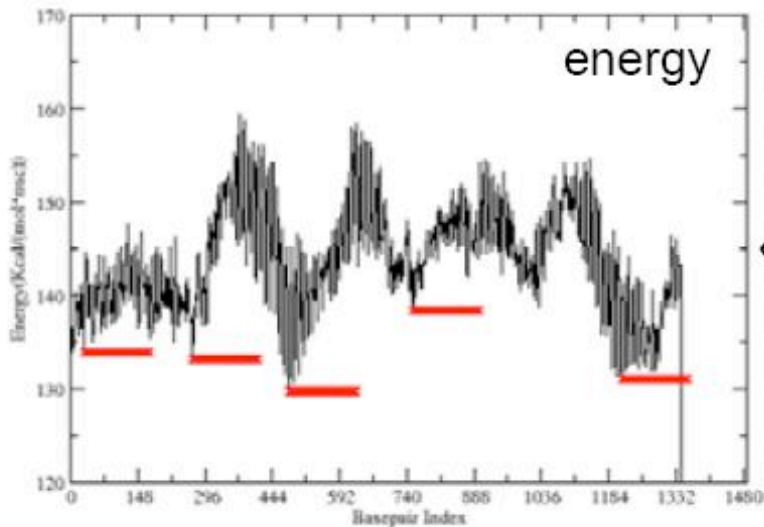


- any sequence will fold
- stability depends on ability of sequence to fold

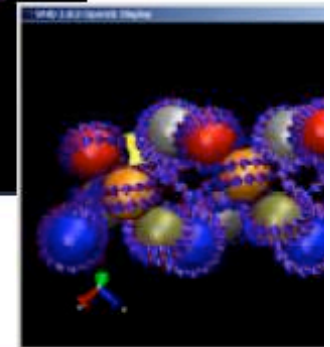
# Chromatin Structure: Prediction & Analysis

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Nucleosome Energy Level Diagram

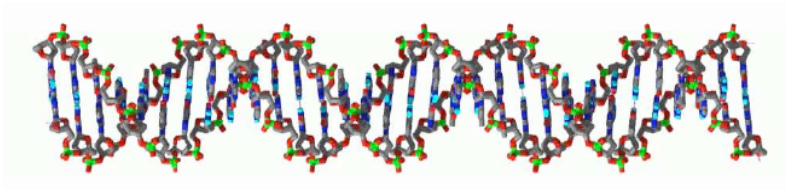


structure

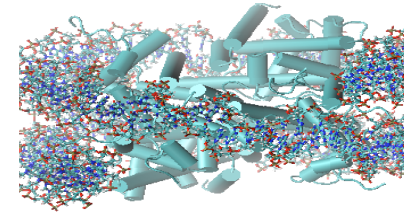


# Fine Grain and Coarse Grain

Free DNA



Folded DNA



## Atomic Model

molecular dynamics

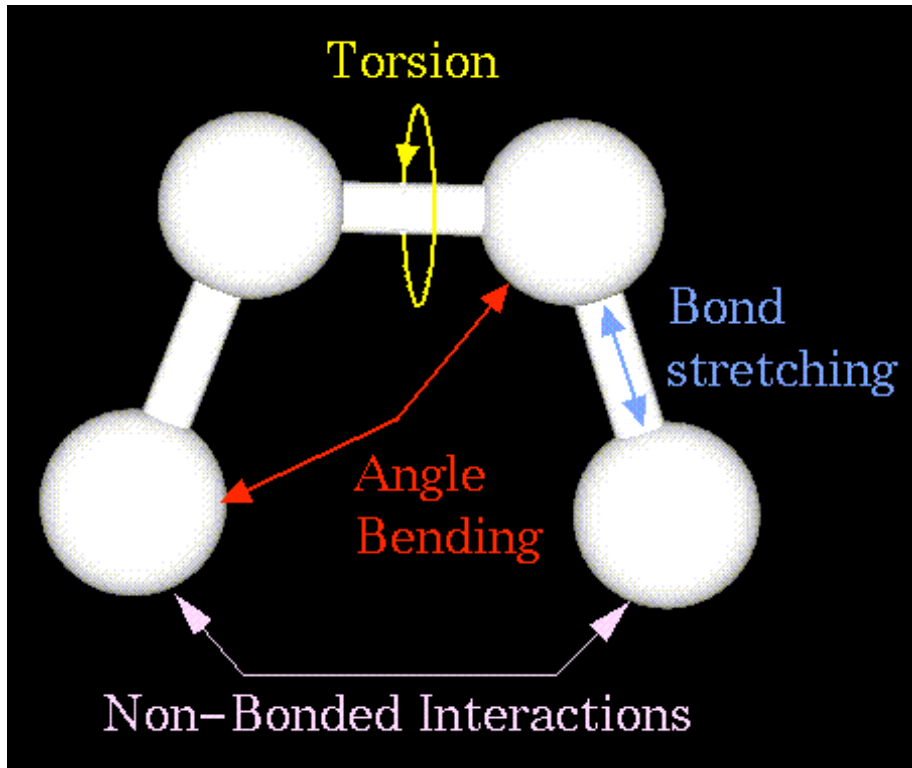
1 to 1000 nucleosomes

## Coarse Grain

elastic deformation

entire genomes

# Molecular Dynamics in a Nut Shell



$$E = \sum_{\text{bonds}} k_b (r - r_0)^2$$

$$E = \sum_{\text{angles}} k_\theta (\theta - \theta_0)^2$$

$$E = \sum_{\text{torsions}} A [1 + \cos(n\tau - \phi)]$$

Non-Bonded interactions take all the CPU time

$$E = \sum_i \sum_j \frac{-A_{ij}}{r_{ij}^6} + \frac{B_{ij}}{r_{ij}^{12}} + \sum_i \sum_j \frac{q_i q_j}{r_{ij}}$$

van der Waals term                      Electrostatic term

# MD is a Mature Method

- algorithms defined/robust
- efficiently parallelized (1000 CPUs/ 3M atoms)
- force fields carefully evaluated
- data formats decided
- tools for visualization well developed



# MD Practical Issues

- Pre-Simulation (1day)

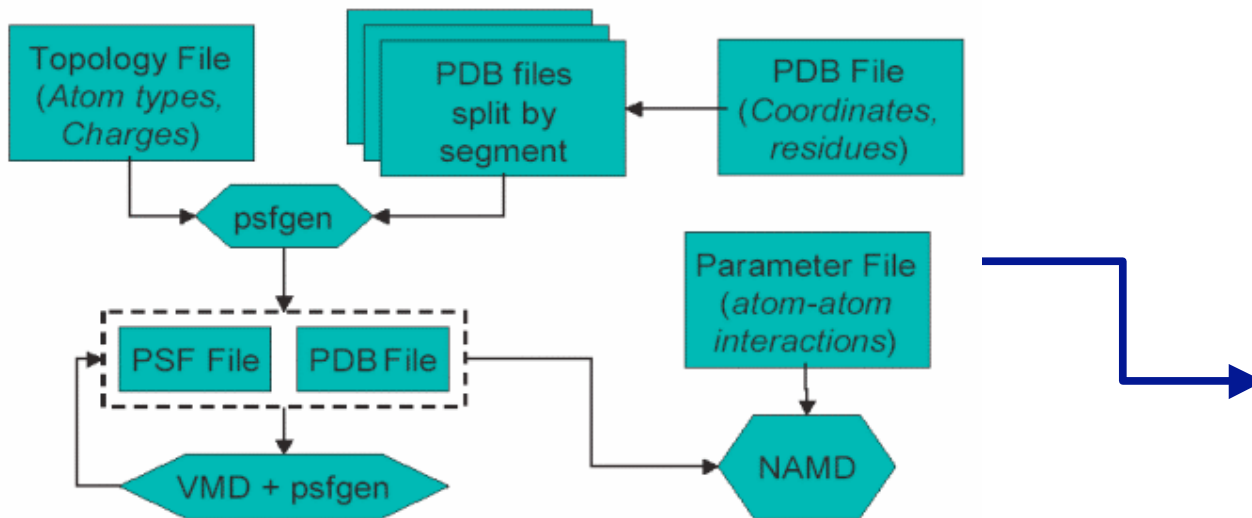


image from NAMD tutorial files  
[www.ks.uiuc.edu](http://www.ks.uiuc.edu)

- Simulation (1yr)

- 1) Minimization
- 2) Equilibration
- 3) Dynamics

- Post Simulation Analysis (1wk)

# Specific Data Notes

- High Throughput

1300 systems/24,000ea

~40Gb

Initialize Sys. ~1min/sys

2000 step minimization

2min/sys

3 days compute time

- High Performance

1system/155,000

~200Gb

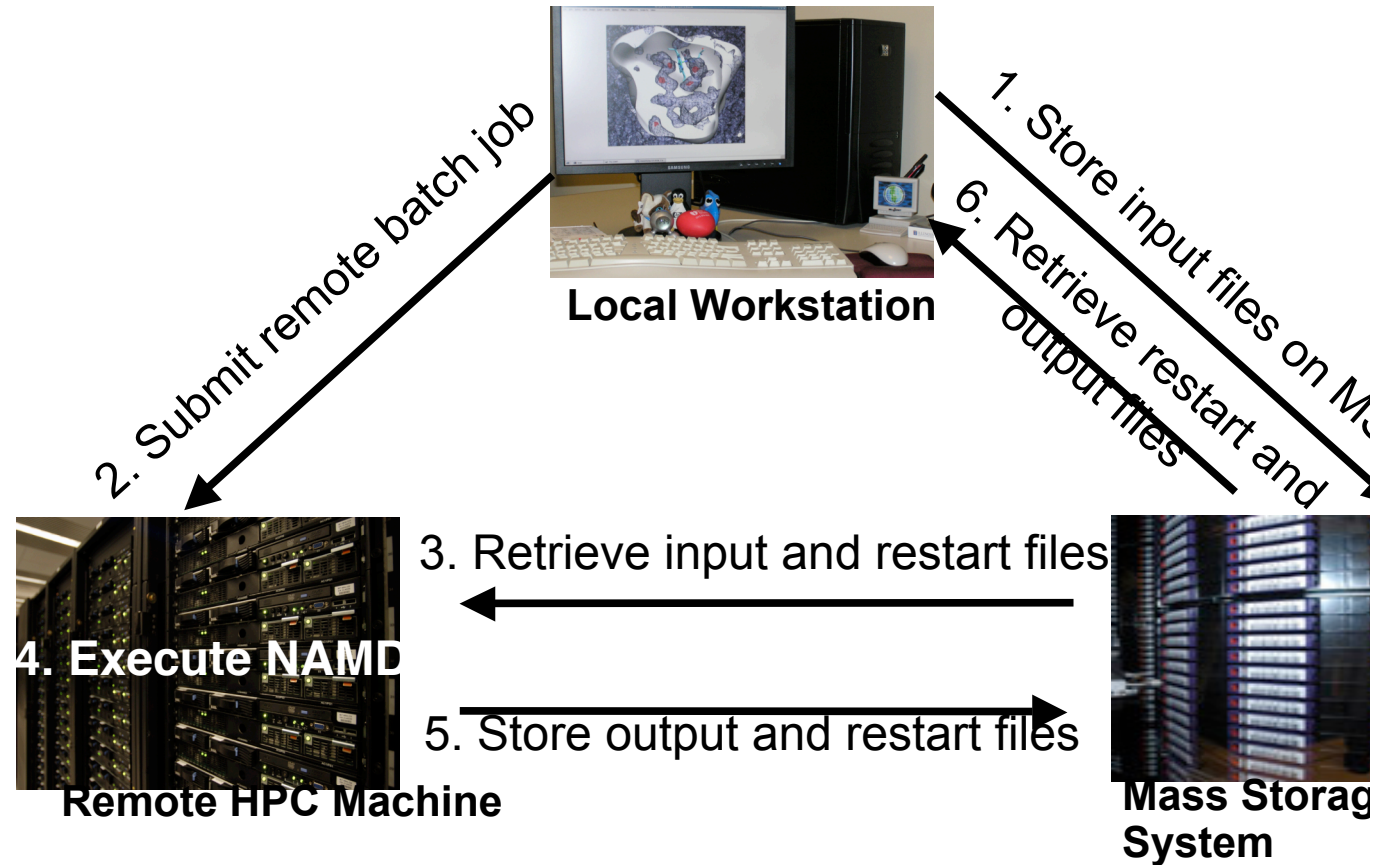
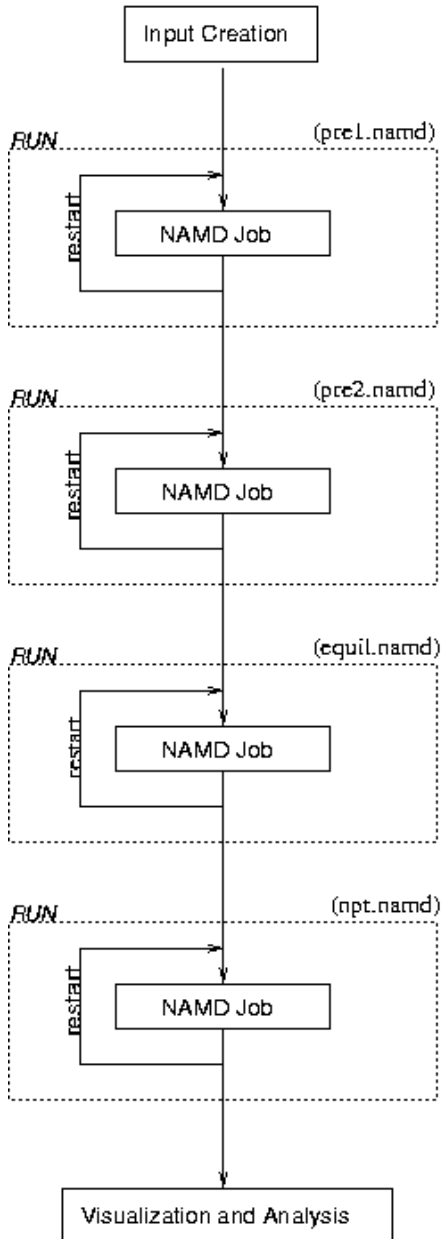
Initialize Sys. 1day

20ns Simulation

1day/run

30 days on 64cpu

# The NAMD-G Solution



images from NAMD-G presentation: Theoretical and Computational Biophysics Group at U

Images of remote HPC machine (Mercury) and mass storage system (UniTree) courtesy of the National Center for Supercomputing Applications (NCSA) and the Board of Trustees of the

# LONI Data Challenges

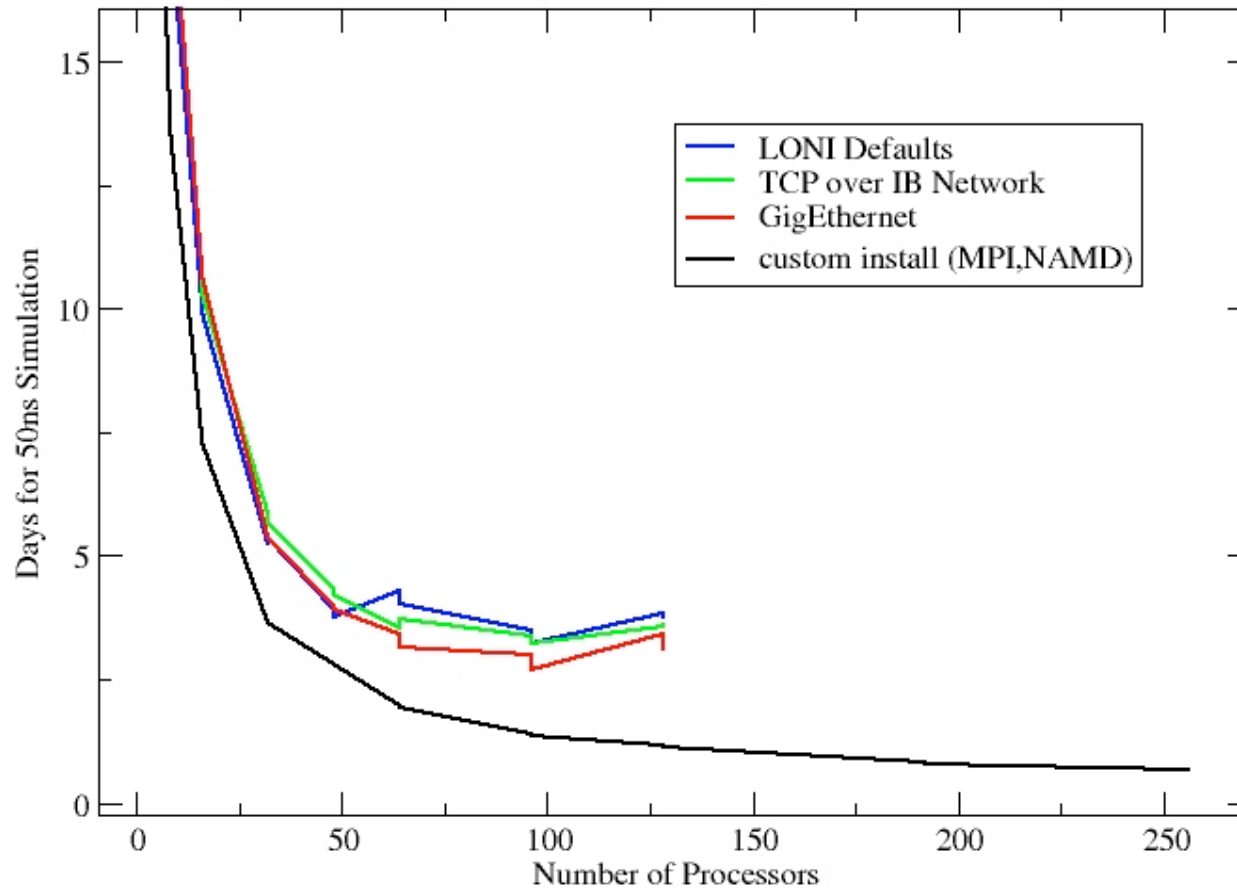
- Data Location
- Software Availability/Performance
- Authentication & Computing Environments

# Data Location

- DNA, CCS , LONI
- Simulation Initiation
  - build on fly vs. build locally then transfer
    - 1 simulation build locally and transfer to compute server
    - 1000 simulations build on fly at compute server (30Gb)
- Queuing
  - data discovery (queue load, inputs, executables)
  - once queued committed to single resource?
- Analysis
  - where did I put that simulation?

# Software Availability/Performance

Performance of NAMD on LONI



Benchmarks based on one of the sample simulations distributed with NAMD demonstrate that careful optimization for LONI's Dell based infiniband machines provides significant improvement over default download. This required compiling MPI libraries as well as N

# Authentication & Environments

- Each LONI machine is independent

common

uid/gid/password

different

/home

/work

.login

.cshrc

software load

- DNA, CCS, LONI also differ

# Meta-queuing solves my problems

- submit from desktop run anywhere
  - anywhere includes: DNA, CCS, LONI, TERAGRID
  - based on availability and load ... automatically!
- simulation protocols (workflows)
  - build system
  - run simulation
  - analyze



# Questions

- Data visualization ?
  - how do I do this remotely?
  - how do I let others see my data?
- Data mining ?
  - comparing data from different simulations
- Re-analyzing ?
  - analysis protocols

**THE END**