

# Monte-Carlo particle methods for non-equilibrium multiphase flows

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## I. Introduction

Probabilistic description of dense fluids with Sutherland potential

$$\phi(r) = \begin{cases} +\infty & r < \sigma \\ \phi_0 \left(\frac{\sigma}{r}\right)^6 & r \geq \sigma \end{cases}$$

far from equilibrium can be described by Enskog-Vlasov Eq. [1]

$$\frac{\partial \mathcal{F}}{\partial t} + \frac{\partial(\mathcal{F}v_i)}{\partial x_i} - \frac{\xi_i}{m} \frac{\partial \mathcal{F}}{\partial v_i} = S^{\text{Ensk}}(\mathcal{F})$$

where collisions are incorporated with Enskog operator

$$S^{\text{Ensk}}(\mathcal{F}) = \frac{1}{m} \iiint \left[ Y(\mathbf{x} + \frac{1}{2}\sigma\hat{\mathbf{k}}) \mathcal{F}(\mathbf{v}^*, \mathbf{x}) \mathcal{F}(\mathbf{v}_1^*, \mathbf{x} + \sigma\hat{\mathbf{k}}) - Y(\mathbf{x} - \frac{1}{2}\sigma\hat{\mathbf{k}}) \mathcal{F}(\mathbf{v}, \mathbf{x}) \mathcal{F}(\mathbf{v}_1, \mathbf{x} - \sigma\hat{\mathbf{k}}) \right] \mathcal{H}(\mathbf{g} \cdot \hat{\mathbf{k}}) g \hat{b} d\hat{b} d\hat{e} d^3\mathbf{v}_1$$

and long-range forces are included via  $\xi_i = \partial_{x_i} U$  where

$$U(\mathbf{x}, t) = \int_{r>\sigma} \phi(r) n(\mathbf{y}, t) d^3\mathbf{y}.$$

Challenges:

1. Resolving collision operator is costly.
2. Long tail Vlasov integral restricts computation of attractive forces.

## II. Modelling long range interactions

IDEA: i. Modeling attractive part of  $\phi(r)$  with Green function of an elliptic PDE.  
ii. Solve the PDE globally instead.

MODEL: approximate  $\phi(r)$  by  $\tilde{\phi}(r) = aG(r)$  with

$$G(r) = \frac{e^{-\lambda r}}{4\pi r}$$

where  $a$  and  $\lambda$  are obtained from

$$(a, \lambda) = \underset{r \in (\sigma, \infty)}{\text{argmin}} (||\partial_r \phi(r) - \partial_r \tilde{\phi}(r)||_2).$$

Rewrite the potential  $U(\mathbf{x}, t)$  as

$$U(\mathbf{x}, t) \approx \underbrace{a \int_{r>0} G(r) n(\mathbf{y}, t) d^3\mathbf{y}}_{u(\mathbf{x}, t)} - \underbrace{a \int_{r<\sigma} G(r) n(\mathbf{y}, t) d^3\mathbf{y}}_{\tilde{U}_{r<\sigma}}.$$

The first term  $u(\mathbf{x}, t)$  is the fundamental solution to Screened-Poisson (SP) Eq.

$$(\Delta - \lambda^2) u(\mathbf{x}, t) = n(\mathbf{x}, t); \quad (\forall \mathbf{x} \in \mathbb{R}^3)$$

and  $\tilde{U}_{r<\sigma}$  can be approximated assuming regularity on density for  $r \in (0, \sigma)$  [4].

The long range potential can be computed using efficient Poisson solvers.

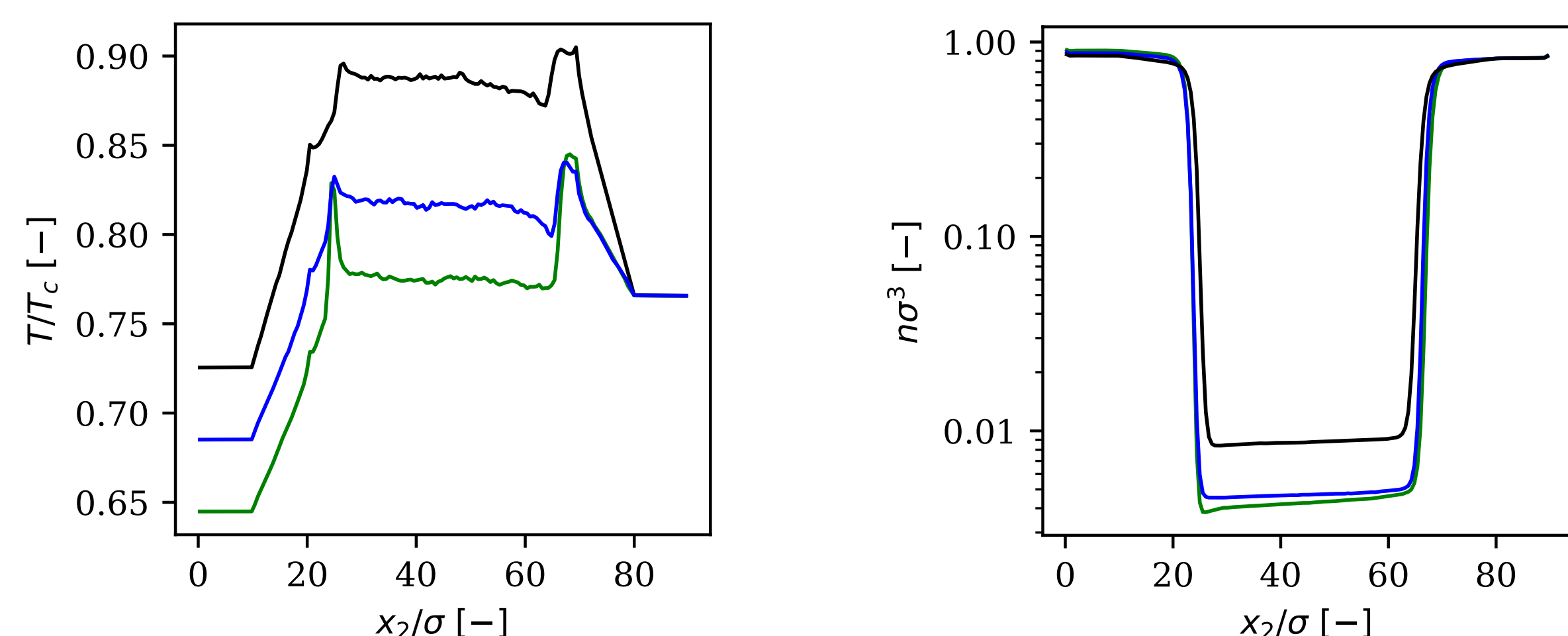


Figure 2: Normalized profiles of temperature and number density of two droplets and the vapour between obtained via DFP-SP model where  $T_{\text{hot}} = 95$  K while  $T_{\text{cold}} = 80, 85$  and  $90$  K.

## III. Fokker-Planck model for dense gases

IDEA: i. Approximate jump process with a continuous one.  
needed  $\rightarrow$  **relaxation rates**  
ii. Include dense effects with spatial drift.  
needed  $\rightarrow$  **collisional transfer**

i. **Relaxation rates** of Enskog operator are

$$\frac{\partial \pi_{ij}}{\partial t}|_{\text{coll}} = -Y \frac{p}{\mu_{\text{kin}}} \pi_{ij} \quad \& \quad \frac{\partial q_i}{\partial t}|_{\text{coll}} = -Y \frac{2}{3\mu_{\text{kin}}} p q_i.$$

ii. **Collisional transfer**  $\Psi^\phi$  appearing in the velocity moments of Enskog equation

$$\int \psi \left( \frac{\partial \mathcal{F}}{\partial t} + v_i \frac{\partial \mathcal{F}}{\partial x_i} \right) d^3\mathbf{v} = - \frac{\partial \Psi_i^\phi}{\partial x_i}$$

has explicit form up to second order term.

MODEL: a Fokker-Planck model for Dense gases (DFP) can be designed [3]

$$S^{\text{DFP}}(\mathcal{F}) = \underbrace{-\frac{\partial(\mathcal{F}A_i)}{\partial v_i}}_{\text{ensures consistent relaxation rates}} + \underbrace{\frac{1}{2} \frac{\partial^2(D^2\mathcal{F})}{\partial v_j \partial v_j}}_{\text{spatial drift}} - \underbrace{\frac{\partial(\mathcal{F}\hat{A}_i)}{\partial x_i}}_{\text{spatial drift}}$$

to approximate Enskog operator with a spatial drift  $\hat{A}$  which is closed by

$$\frac{\partial}{\partial x_i} \int \hat{A}_i \psi \mathcal{F} d^3\mathbf{v} = \frac{\partial \Psi_i^\phi}{\partial x_i}.$$

Efficient particle methods for the equivalent SDEs can be used.

Once  $A$ ,  $\hat{A}$  and  $D$  are sampled, the random variables for velocity  $V$  and position  $X$  are evolved via Itô process

$$\begin{cases} dV = A dt + D dW_t, \\ dX = \hat{A} dt + V dt. \end{cases}$$

## IV. Results

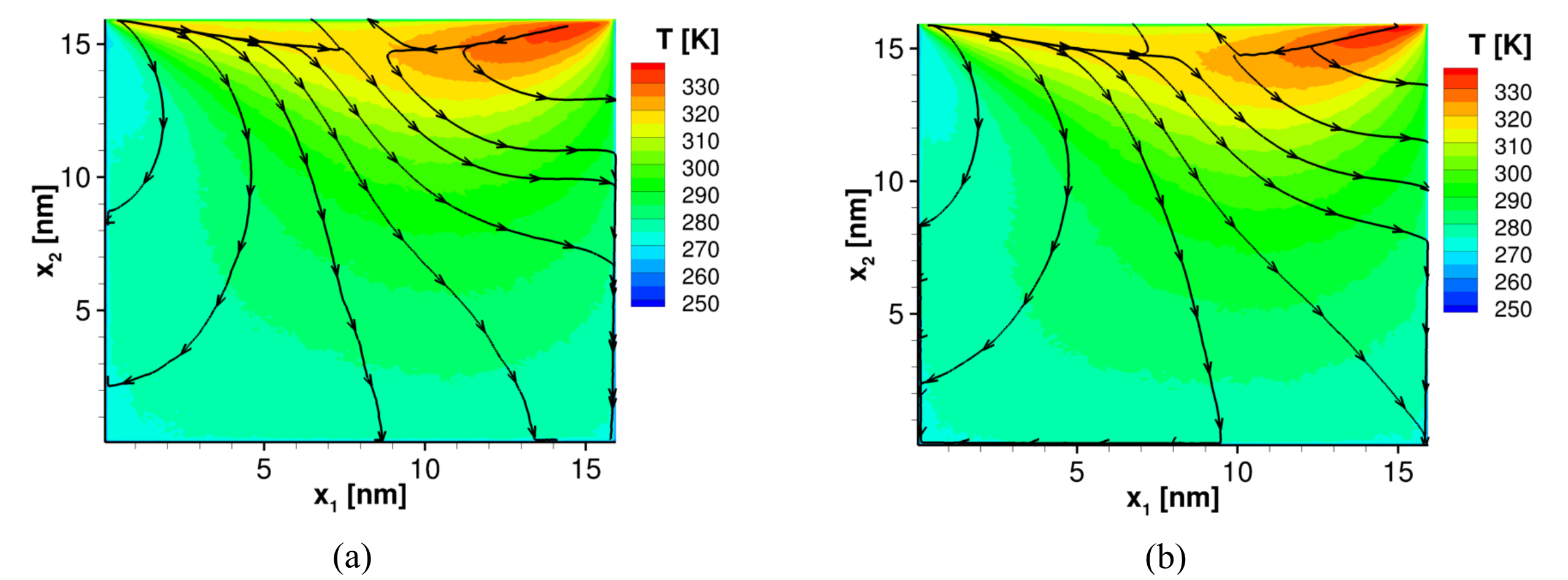


Figure 3: Temperature contours along with heat fluxes of a **lid-driven cavity** flow with wall velocity of 300 m/s at  $\text{Kn} = 0.1$  using (a) DFP model and (b) Enskog Simulation Monte Carlo (ESMC) method [2].

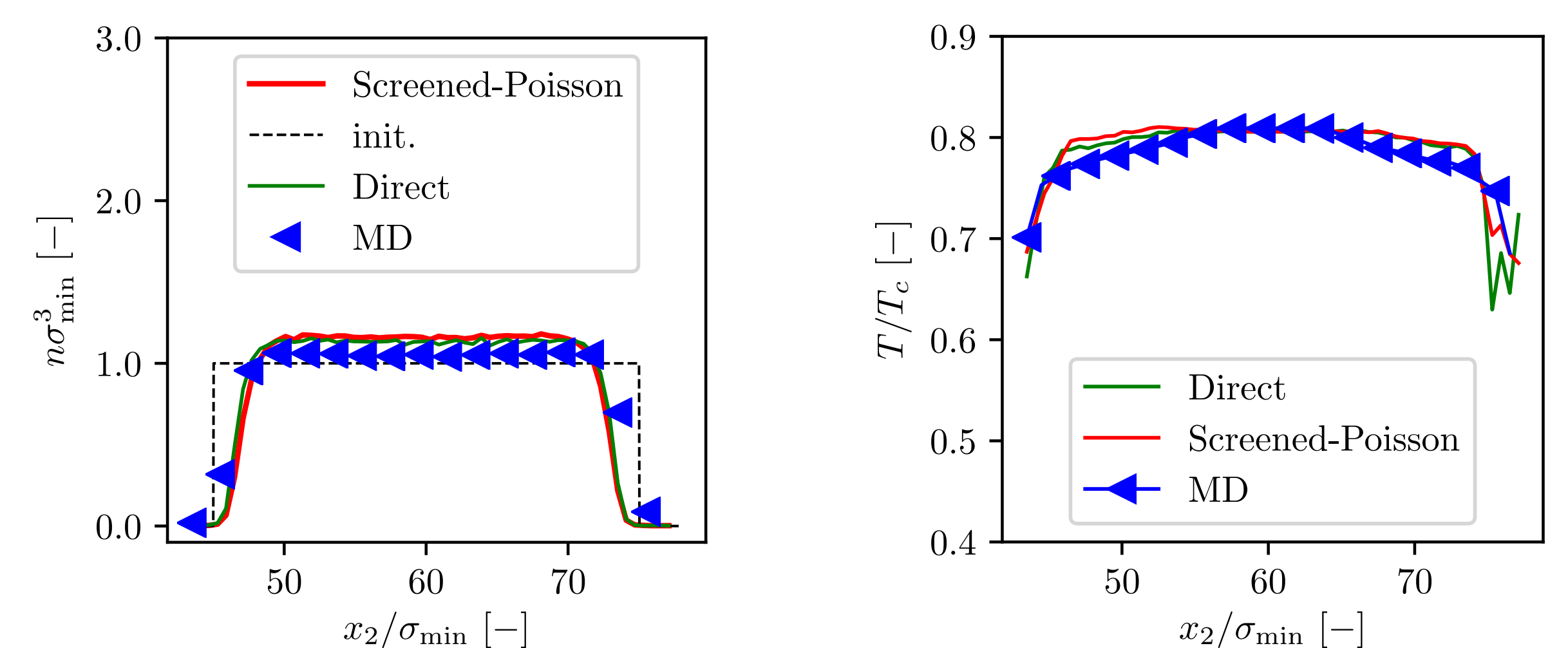


Figure 4: Normalized density and temperature profiles for the **evaporation** of liquid argon to vacuum at  $T_{\text{initial}} = 0.8 T_c$ . Here, ESMC [2] is used to solve the collision operator while the the Vlasov integral is computed using the direct method and screened-Poisson model [4], respectively. Furthermore, good agreement with Molecular Dynamics (MD) result is observed. Note that  $T_c = 124.1367$  K and  $\sigma_{\text{min}} = 2^{1/6} \sigma$ .

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