

Random Graph Embeddings

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Question

Given a graph \mathcal{G} with \mathfrak{N} vertices and \mathcal{E} edges, can we construct a random embedding of the graph into \mathbb{R}^d which “respects the graph structure”?

Related to machine learning literature on graph embeddings (`node2vec`, Laplacian eigenmaps), but not exactly the same.

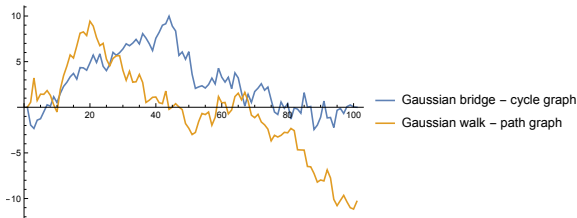
Motivated by physics/chemistry model of Gaussian phantom network (James, Guth, Flory, Eichinger).

Goal is to say as much as possible about a very general class of models and specialize as late as possible.

A motivating example

Definition

A Gaussian *walk* has i.i.d. Gaussian steps. A Gaussian *bridge* is a Gaussian walk which returns to the starting value.



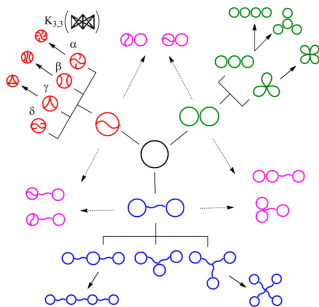
The steps in the Gaussian bridge are not independent.

Goal

Understand dependence structure of edge r.v.s implied by graph type.

Original motivation: “Topological” polymers

Chemists now able to synthesize polymers with various graph types
usable quantities:



synthetic topological polymers

(source: Tezuka, 2018)

Graph \rightarrow chain complex

Let \mathcal{G} be a connected, directed graph with \mathcal{E} edges and \mathcal{V} vertices.

Definition

The real vector space VC of *vertex chains* is the vector space of (formal) linear combinations of vertices with coefficients $x_i \in \mathbb{R}$:

$$x = x_1 v_1 + \cdots + x_{|\mathcal{V}|} v_{|\mathcal{V}|}.$$

Definition

The real vector space EC of *edge chains* is the vector space of (formal) linear combinations of edges with coefficients $w_j \in \mathbb{R}$:

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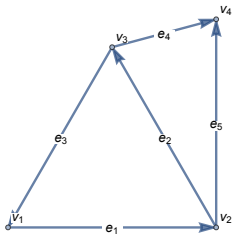
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Definition

The boundary map or incidence matrix $\partial : EC \rightarrow VC$ is the linear map

$$\partial(e_i) = +1 \text{ head}(e_i) - 1 \text{ tail}(e_i)$$

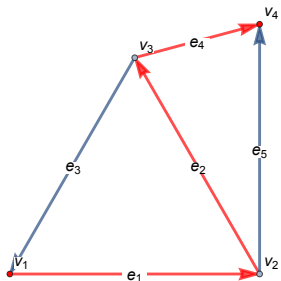
The *chain complex* for \mathfrak{G} is $C_0 = VC \xrightarrow{\partial} EC = C_1$.



$$\partial = \begin{bmatrix} -1 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 1 & -1 & 0 & 0 & -1 \\ 0 & 1 & -1 & -1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

Integral chains

We say that a chain is *integral* if the coefficients are integers. Integral edge chains w where $\partial w = v_j - v_i$ have a natural interpretation as paths from v_i to v_j .



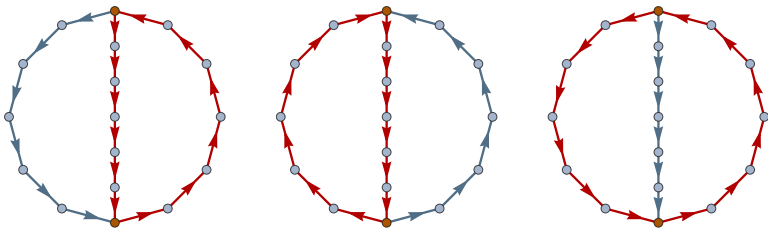
$$\begin{aligned}w &= e_1 + e_2 + e_4 \\ \partial w &= (v_2 - v_1) + (v_3 - v_2) + (v_4 - v_3) \\ &= v_4 - v_1\end{aligned}$$

Cycles and subspaces

A chain is a set of (real) scalar weights on vertices or edges.

Lemma

A path in \mathcal{G} is a cycle \iff its integral chain $w \in \ker \partial \subset \text{EC}$.



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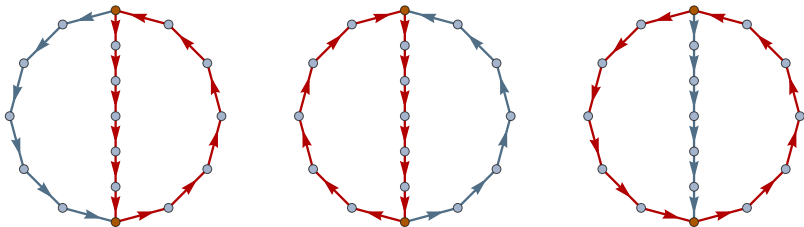
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Proposition

$\dim \ker \partial$ is the *cycle rank* $\xi(\mathfrak{G}) = \mathfrak{E} - \mathfrak{V} + 1$ or *first Betti number*:

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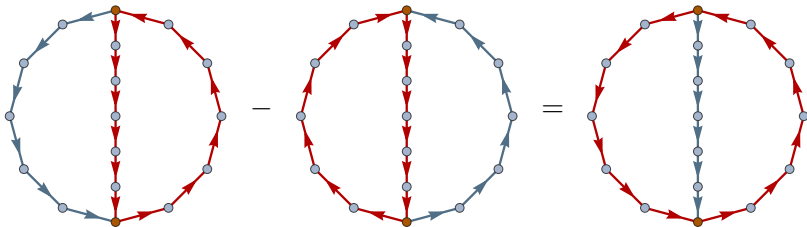
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Suggestive observation

Usually build cochain complex by dualizing. We **can** use $\text{Hom}(-, G)$ for **any** abelian group G .

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The cochain spaces

A cochain is a set of vector weights on vertices or edges.

Definition

The real vector space of *vertex cochains* $VP = \text{Hom}(VC, \mathbb{R}^d)$ is the space of linear maps $X : VC \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^d$.

Definition

The real vector space of *edge cochains* $ED = \text{Hom}(EC, \mathbb{R}^d)$ is the space of linear maps $W : EC \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^d$.

Definition

The coboundary map $\partial^* : VP \rightarrow ED$ is given by

$$\partial^*(X)(e_i) = X(\partial(e_i)) = X(\text{head}(e_i)) - X(\text{tail}(e_i))$$

cochains \rightarrow graph embeddings

Proposition

Embeddings of \mathfrak{G} in \mathbb{R}^d are a vector space $(X, W) \in \text{VP} \times \text{ED}$ where

$$W = \partial^* X,$$

$X(v_i)$ is the position of v_i ,

$W(e_i) = X(\text{head}(e_i)) - X(\text{tail}(e_i))$ is the displacement along e_i .

$$\begin{array}{ccc} \text{VC} & \xleftarrow{\partial} & \text{EC} \\ \text{Hom}(-, \mathbb{R}^n) \downarrow & & \downarrow \text{Hom}(-, \mathbb{R}^n) \\ \text{VP} & \xrightarrow{\partial^*} & \text{ED} \end{array}$$

Cocycles and the failure-to-close map

Definition

The vector space $H^1 = \text{Hom}(\ker \partial, \mathbb{R}^d)$ is the *first cohomology* or *coloop* space.

Lemma

If $L \in H^1$ and we have a cycle in \mathfrak{G} with integral chain $w \in H_1$, then $L(w)$ is the sum of the displacements over the cycle. We call it the *failure to close* of the cycle w .

Definition

The dual of the inclusion map $i : H_1 \hookrightarrow C_1$ is given by the restriction map $i^* : C^1 \rightarrow H^1$. We call i^* the *failure to close* map etc.

What it means to condition on graph type

Theorem

We have $W = \partial^ X \iff W \in \ker \text{ftc}$. If $(\partial^*)^+$ is the Moore-Penrose pseudoinverse, it is true that*

$\text{im}(\partial^)^+$ is an isomorphism when restricted to $\ker \text{ftc}$.*

$\text{im}(\partial^)^+ = \text{im}(\partial^*)^+(\ker \text{ftc})$.*

$X \in \text{im}(\partial^)^+ \iff X(\sum v_j) = 0$.*

We call these centered embeddings of \mathfrak{G} .

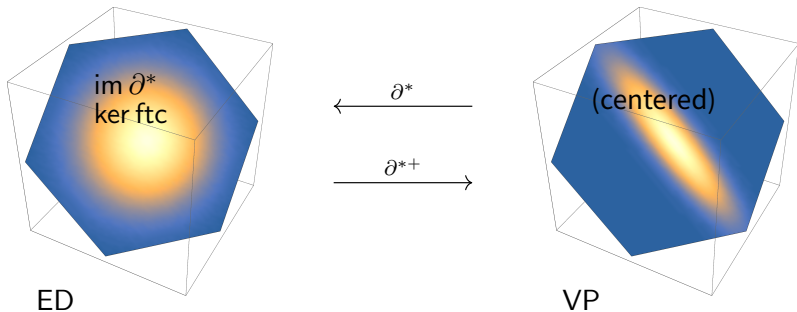
Corollary

A random $W \in \text{ED}$ is compatible with the graph type $\iff W \in \ker \text{ftc}$.

Example: James-Guth-Flory Theory

Definition

The *phantom network* embedding of \mathcal{G} is given by choosing W from a standard Gaussian on ED conditioned on $W = \ker \text{ftc}$ and pushing forward this probability distribution to VC by $(\partial^*)^+$.



Early geometric/topological learning feature.

Fact

Expected radius of gyration of graph embedding given by $\frac{d}{2J} \text{tr } L^+ = d \text{Kf}(\mathcal{G})$ where $\text{Kf}(\mathcal{G})$ is called the Kirchhoff index.

The Kirchhoff index was defined to generalize the Wiener index for trees, which was a heuristic feature used (by hand!) in 1947 to predict paraffin boiling points to within 0.4° C.

Jan., 1947

STRUCTURAL DETERMINATION OF PARAFFIN BOILING POINTS

[CONTRIBUTION FROM DEPARTMENT OF CHEMISTRY, BROOKLYN COLLEGE]

Structural Determination of Paraffin Boiling Points

BY HARRY WIENER¹

Suggestive observation (Estrada-Hatano, 2010)

The radius of gyration interpretation explains why the Kirchhoff index is so successful at predicting chemical properties.

Conditioning in elementary probability

Definition

A probability measure $\lambda = f(W) \, d\text{Vol}_{\text{ED}}$ on ED with pdf $f(W)$ is *admissible* if the pushforward measure $\mu = \text{ftc} \lambda$ has a density function $g(L)$ on H^1 which is continuous everywhere and nonzero at 0.

We can define a family of conditional probabilities λ_L for W chosen from λ conditioned on the hypothesis that $\text{ftc}(W) = L$ by observing that

$$g(L) = \int_{W \in \text{ftc}^{-1}(L)} f(W) \, d\text{Vol}_{\text{ftc}^{-1}(L)}$$

and constructing (for a.e. L and $g(L) \neq 0$)

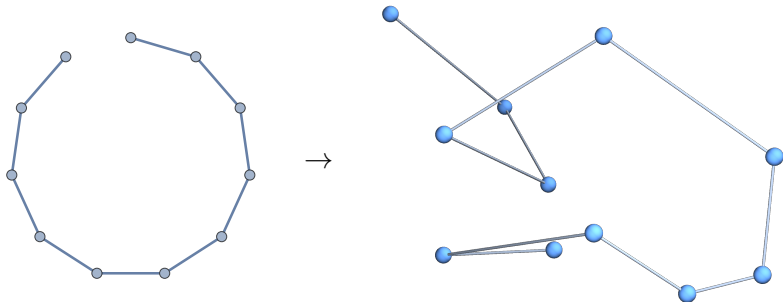
$$\lambda_L = \frac{f(W)}{g(L)} \, d\text{Vol}_{\ker \text{ftc}} = \frac{\text{joint density}}{\text{marginal density}} \, d\text{Vol}_{\ker \text{ftc}}$$

Sampling Random Graph Embeddings

Compute pseudoinverse matrix $\partial^{*+} : \text{ED} \rightarrow \text{VP}$.

Sample W from conditional probability λ_0 .

Construct vertex positions $X = \partial^{*+} W$.

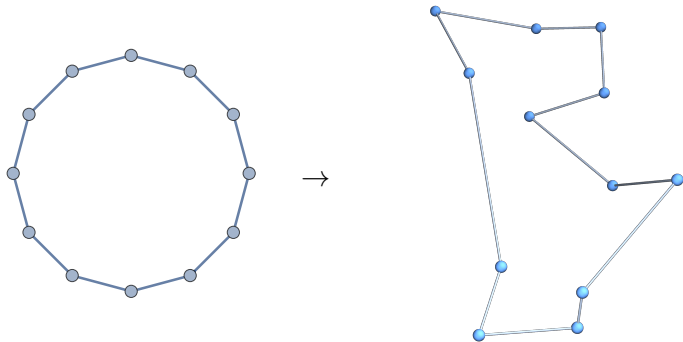


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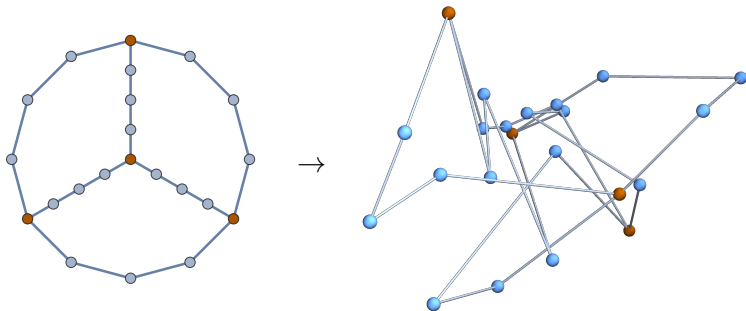


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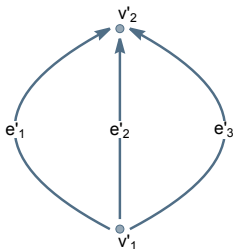
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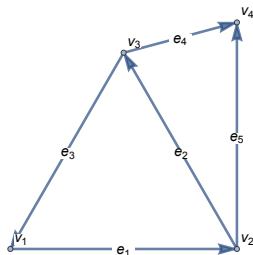
Chain maps and simpler graphs

Definition

Given two graphs \mathcal{G} and \mathcal{G}' , we say that linear maps $f_0 : VC \rightarrow VC'$ and $f_1 : EC \rightarrow EC'$ are *chain maps* if $\partial f_1 = f_0 \partial'$.



chain maps
 \longrightarrow



$$f_0(v'_1) = v_2, f_0(v'_2) = v_3$$

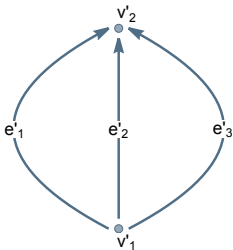
$$f_1(e'_1) = -e_1 - e_3, f_1(e'_2) = e_2,$$

$$f_1(e'_3) = e_5 - e_4$$

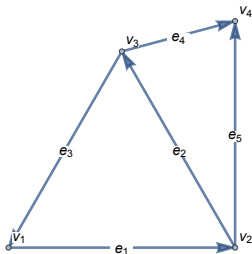
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cochain maps
←



$$(f_0^* X)(v'_1) = X(v_2), (f_0^* X)(v'_2) = X(v_3)$$

$$(f_1^* W)(e'_1) = -W(e_1 + e_5), (f_1^* W)(e'_2) = W(e_2),$$

$$(f_1^* W)(e'_3) = W(e_5 - e_4)$$

Which chain maps are ok?

Proposition

Suppose that f_0 and f_1 are chain maps, f_1 is injective and $\dim H_1 = \dim H'_1$. There is a unique isomorphism ϕ^* giving a commutative

$$\begin{array}{ccccc} \text{VP} & \xrightarrow{\partial^*} & \text{ED} & \xrightarrow{\text{ftc}} & H^1 \\ \downarrow f_0^* & & \downarrow f_1^* & & \downarrow \phi^* \\ \text{VP}' & \xrightarrow{(\partial')^*} & \text{ED}' & \xrightarrow{\text{ftc}'} & (H^1)' \end{array}$$

That is, the chain map takes cocycles to cocycles.

Main theorem: Law of Iterated Expectations

Theorem

Given an admissible probability measure λ on ED, let $\lambda' = f_1^* \lambda$, $L' = \phi^* L$, and $W' = f_1^* W$. We may construct conditional probabilities

λ_L for λ , based on the map ftc ,

$\lambda_{W'}$ for λ , based on the map f_1^* ,

$\lambda'_{L'}$ for λ' , based on the map ftc' .

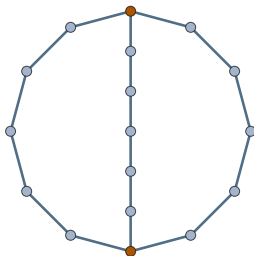
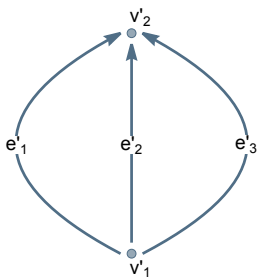
and write $\lambda_L = (\lambda'_{L'})^{W'} \lambda_{W'}$.

“For any r.v. f , the c.e. of $f(W)$ given $\text{ftc}(W) = L$ is equal to c.e. of (the c.e. of f given $f_1^*(W)$) given $\text{ftc}'(W') = L'$.”

Application: Subdivision graphs

Definition

We say \mathfrak{G} is a subdivision of \mathfrak{G}' if there is a partition of $\{1, \dots, \mathfrak{E}\}$ into \mathfrak{E}' subsets \mathcal{S}_i and chain maps f_0, f_1 with $f_1(e'_i) = \sum_{j \in \mathcal{S}_i} e_j$.



Conditional independence in subdivisions

Proposition

If \mathfrak{G} is a subdivision of \mathfrak{G}' , and λ is a product of independent distributions λ^j on the spaces $\text{ED}^j = \text{Hom}(\mathbf{e}_j, \mathbb{R}^d)$, then λ is the product of independent distributions

$$\lambda^{\mathcal{S}_i} = \prod_{j \in \mathcal{S}_i} \lambda^j$$

Further, each conditional probability

$$\lambda_{W'_i} = \prod_i \lambda_{W'_i}^{\mathcal{S}_i}$$

where $\lambda_{W'_i}^{\mathcal{S}_i}$ is the probability of the edge displacements in \mathcal{S}_i conditioned on the hypothesis that their sum is W'_i .

Sampling subdivision graphs

If \mathcal{G} is a subdivision of \mathcal{G}' and λ is an admissible measure on ED with independent edges:

Compute $\lambda' = f_1^* \lambda$, including pdf, variance.

Corollary

Subdivisions with large enough groups are approximately Gaussian.

Sampling subdivision graphs

If \mathcal{G} is a subdivision of \mathcal{G}' and λ is an admissible measure on ED with independent edges:

Define $\hat{\lambda}'$ to be the Gaussian with matching mean, variance.

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If \mathcal{G} is a subdivision of \mathcal{G}' and λ is an admissible measure on ED with independent edges:

Choose W' from the conditional probability $\hat{\lambda}'_0$.

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If \mathcal{G} is a subdivision of \mathcal{G}' and λ is an admissible measure on ED with independent edges:

Reweight W' by $\lambda'(W')/\hat{\lambda}'(W')$.

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If \mathcal{G} is a subdivision of \mathcal{G}' and λ is an admissible measure on ED with independent edges:

For each i , sample W_j for $j \in \mathcal{S}_i$ according to $\lambda_{W_i}^{\mathcal{S}_i}$.

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Assemble W_j into final sample.

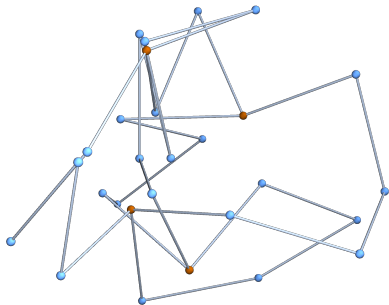
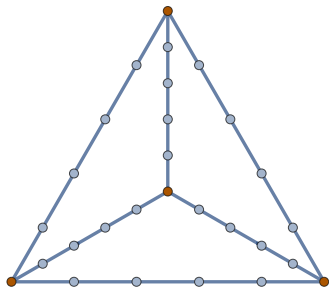
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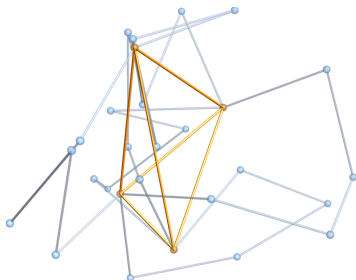
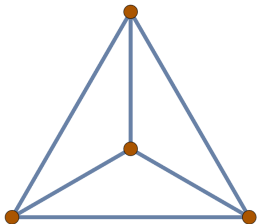
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Freely-jointed networks

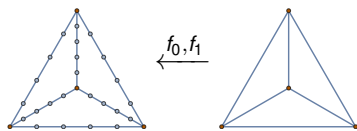
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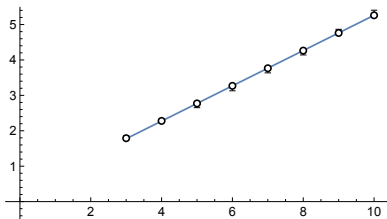


Junction-junction distance

With the obvious chain maps:



can compute μ' on ED' explicitly. Junction-junction distances are explicit 6-d numerical integrals inside ED' .



Comparison with Markov-chain experiments

What happens as subdivisions $\rightarrow \infty$?

Definition

The *normalized graph Laplacian* $\mathcal{L}(\mathfrak{G})$ is given by

$$\mathcal{L}_{ij} = \begin{cases} 1 - \frac{2 \times \# \text{ loop edges}}{\text{degree}(v_i)}, & \text{if } i = j, \\ -\frac{k}{\sqrt{\text{degree}(v_i) \text{degree}(v_j)}}, & \text{if } v_i, v_j \text{ joined by } k \text{ edges,} \\ 0, & \text{otherwise.} \end{cases}$$







Theorem (with Deguchi, Shonkwiler, Uehara)

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1}{\mathfrak{V}(\mathfrak{G}_n)} \mathcal{E}(R_g^2(\mathfrak{G}_n)) = \frac{1}{\mathfrak{E}(\mathfrak{G})^2} \left(\text{Tr } \mathcal{L}^+(\mathfrak{G}) + \frac{1}{3} \text{Loops}(\mathfrak{G}) - \frac{1}{6} \right)$$

Proof.

Superposition of solutions to Poisson problems.

Tezuka polymer predictions

\mathfrak{G}	$\mathcal{E}(R_g^2(\mathfrak{G}_n))$ (with $v = \mathfrak{V}(\mathfrak{G}_n)$)	$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1}{\mathfrak{V}(\mathfrak{G}_n)} \mathcal{E}(R_g^2(\mathfrak{G}_n))$
	$\frac{17v^3 + 60v^2 - 261v + 108}{486v^2}$	$\frac{17}{486}$
	$\frac{107v^3 + 270v^2 - 933v + 340}{2430v^2}$	$\frac{107}{2430}$
	$\frac{109v^3 + 372v^2 - 1305v + 540}{2430v^2}$	$\frac{109}{2430}$
	$\frac{31v^3 + 78v^2 - 177v + 68}{486v^2}$	$\frac{31}{486}$
	$\frac{43v^3 + 108v^2 - 165v + 68}{486v^2}$	$\frac{43}{486}$
	$\frac{49v^3 + 96v^2 - 177v + 32}{486v^2}$	$\frac{49}{486}$

Experimental measurement of relative size

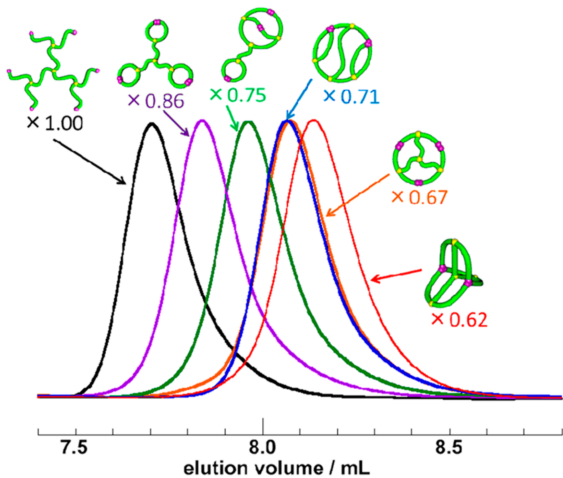


Size-exclusion Chromatography (SEC) apparatus

Tezuka lab

(Source: Cantarella, 2018)

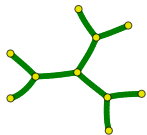
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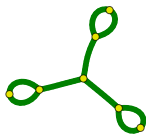
(Suzuki, Yamamoto, Tezuka, 2014)

Comparison of theory and experiment

The relative $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1}{\mathfrak{N}(\mathfrak{G}_n)} \mathcal{E}(R_g^2(\mathfrak{G}_n))$ values are:



$(1, 1.00)$



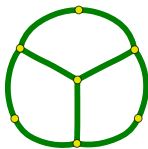
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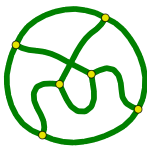
$(\frac{31}{49}, 0.75)$



$(\frac{109}{245}, 0.71)$



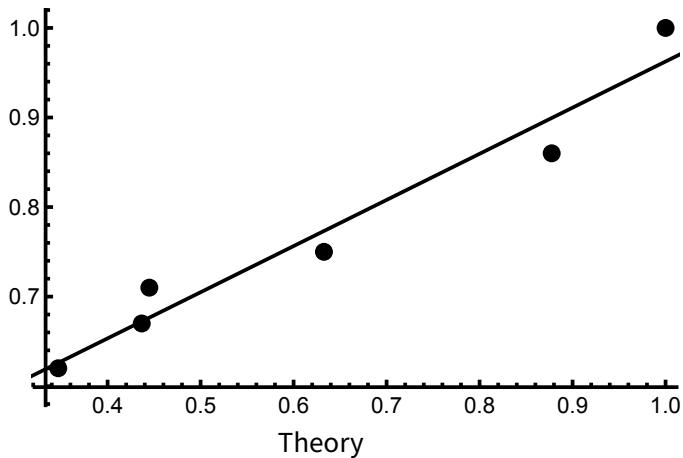
$(\frac{107}{245}, 0.67)$



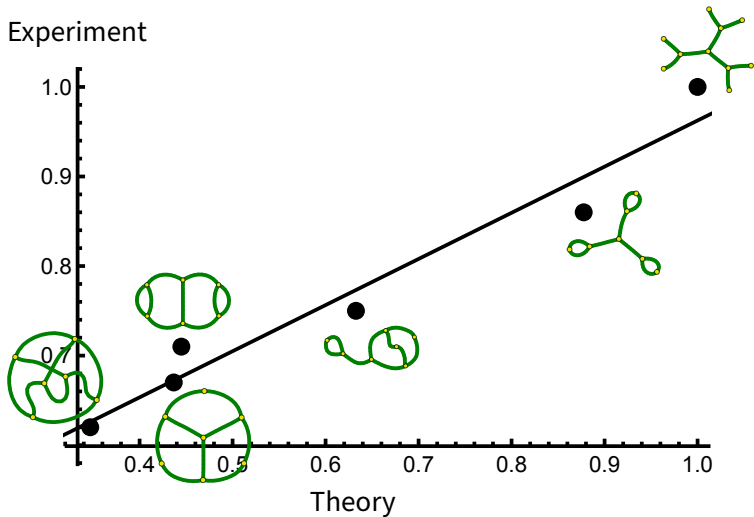
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







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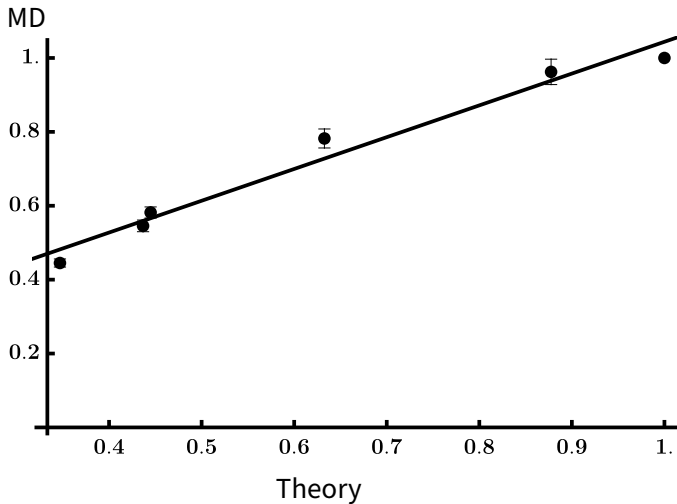
We performed molecular dynamics simulations using LAMMPS on the TSUBAME supercomputer at Tokyo Tech. These included self-avoidance so the radii of gyration fit to

$$\mathcal{E}(R_g^2; \mathfrak{G}_n) = C_{\mathfrak{G}} \mathfrak{V}(\mathfrak{G}_n)^{1.176} + \Delta_{\mathfrak{G}}$$

and we could estimate $g(\mathfrak{G}_{\infty}, \mathfrak{G}_{\infty}^{\text{tree}})^{\text{MD}} = C_{\mathfrak{G}}/C_{\text{tree}}$.

\mathfrak{G}	MD	theory	\mathfrak{G}	MD	theory
	1.0	1		0.962 ± 0.034	43/49
	0.782 ± 0.026	31/49		0.582 ± 0.015	109/245
	0.546 ± 0.016	107/245		0.445 ± 0.011	17/49

Comparison of theory and simulation II



Thank you for inviting me!

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