Long Range Interactions



van der Waals' Equation

p = nRT/V

i.g. from kinetic theory of gasses Atoms can pass through each other No enthalpy of interaction Totally entropic Modify for excluded volume *"b"*

p = nRT/(V-b)

Which increases pressure

Modify for excluded volume "b" and Attractive enthalpic interaction "a"

 $p = nRT/(V-b) - a(n/V)^2$

 $-T\Delta S + \Delta H$ n/V = $\rho \sim \phi$ or c Binary attractive interactions (can form a liquid)

Which decreases pressure

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 $B_2 = b - a/RT$ for molar volume or $B_2 = b - a/k_BT$ for molecular volume

Flory and Krigbaum knew they needed an energy for an expanded chain of the van der Waals form

Molar Energy = $pV_{molar} = RT (1 + B_2 / V_{molar})$ Where: B_2 = Excluded Volume – Attractive Potential/RT = b - a/RT

Energy = Ideal + repulsive "b" and attractive "a"

When $T^* = a/Rb$, interactions disappear, $B_2 = 0$, and system becomes "ideal". This is a "critical point" just before phase separation.

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 $B_2 = b - a/RT$ and $B_3 = b^2$

Van der Waals' Equation

 $p = nRT/(V-b) - a(n/V)^2 + c (n/V)^3$ Van der Waals Equation with repulsive ternary interactions

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For an immiscible system B_2 is negative or very small (low temperature) B_3 can be positive leading to a discrete phase transition or negative leading to a continuous transition

The Secondary Structure for Synthetic Polymers Long-Range Interactions

Boltzman Probability For a Thermally Equilibrated System

$$P_B(R) = \exp\left(-\frac{E(R)}{kT}\right)$$

Gaussian Probability For a Chain of End-to-End Distance R

P(R) =	$\left(\frac{3}{2\pi\sigma^2}\right)$	³ / ₂ exp	$\left(-\frac{3(R)^2}{2(\sigma)^2}\right)$
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By Comparison, The Energy to stretch a Thermally Equilibrated Chain Can be Written

$$E = kT \frac{3R^2}{2nl_K^2}$$

For a Chain with Long-Range Interactions There is and Additional Term

$$P_{Ex}(R) = (1 - V_c/R^3)^{n^2/2} = \exp\left(\frac{n^2 \ln(1 - V_c/R^3)}{2}\right) \sim \exp\left(-\frac{n^2 V_c}{2R^3}\right)$$

Number of pairs
$$\frac{n(n-1)}{2!} \qquad exp(x) = 1 + x + \frac{x^2}{2} + \cdots$$

So,

$$E = kT \left(\frac{3R^2}{2nl_{\kappa}^2} + \frac{n^2 V_c}{2R^3} \right)$$
Flory-Krigbaum Theory
Result is called a Self-Avoiding Walk
$$\mathbf{R}^* \sim \mathbf{l}_{\mathbf{K}} \mathbf{n}^{3/5}$$

 $W_0(R)$ is the Gaussian probability $P(R,N)4\pi R^2 dR$ times the total number of chain conformations possible for chains of N steps, Z^N ,

$$W_{0}(R)dR = Z^{N} 4\pi R^{2} \left(\frac{2\pi}{3} N b^{2}\right)^{-3/2} \exp\left[-\frac{3}{2} \left(\frac{R}{b\sqrt{N}}\right)^{2}\right] dR$$

of this number the fraction which follow self-avoidance is $p(R) = (1 - V_C/R^3)^{N(N-1)/2}$ where V_C is the volume of one segment of the chain so $(1 - V_C/R^3)$ is the probability of the chain avoiding one segment, and this is raised to the total number of possible combinations of two segment pairs, N(N-1)/2!. This function for p(R) can be expressed as an exponential,

$$p(R) = \exp\left[\frac{1}{2}N(N-1)\ln\left(1-\frac{V_C}{R^3}\right)\right] = \exp\left(-\frac{N^2V_C}{2R^3}\right)$$

where the second equality uses the fact that for small x, $\ln(1-x) = -x$, and that for large N, (N-1)=>N. W(R)dR for the excluded volume chain can be estimated by $W_0(R)p(R)dR$ and since both are expressed as exponentials the powers sum leading to,

$$W(R)dR = W_0(R)p(R)dR = kR^2 \exp\left(-\frac{3R^2}{2Nb^2} - \frac{N^2 V_C}{2R^3}\right)$$

The derivative of $W_0(R)$ will equal 0 at $R_0^* = (2Nb^2/3)^{1/2}$. This is proportional to $N^{1/2}b$ as expected. Setting the derivative of W(R) to 0 yields,

$$-\frac{3R^{*2}}{2Nb^2} + \frac{3N^2V_C}{4R^{*3}} + 1 = 0$$

Rearranging and substituting R*, yields,

$$\left(\frac{R^*}{R_0^*}\right)^5 - \left(\frac{R^*}{R_0^*}\right)^3 = \frac{9\sqrt{6}}{16} \frac{V_C}{b^3} \sqrt{N}$$

For large N the R ratio is large and the cubic term can be ignored with respect to the 5'th power term. This yields,

$$R^* \simeq R_0^* \left(\frac{N^{\gamma_2} V_C}{b^3}\right)^{\gamma_3} = k N^{\gamma_3}$$

This critical result was first noted by Flory and Krigbaum and its development is termed Flory-Krigbaum theory.



n, number of Kuhn units

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These are statistical features. That is, a single simulation of a SAW and a GC could look identical.

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Figure 3. Radius of gyration, R_{g_p} and hydrodyamic radius R_h versus temperature for polystyrene in cyclohexane. Vertical line indicates the phase separation temperature. From Reference [21].

We have considered an athermal hard core potential (excluded volume, 'b', from VdW equation)

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 $PV = RT + RTB_2/V$ (Virial Expansion)
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But V_c actually has an inverse temperature component associated with attractive enthalpic interactions between monomers and solvent molecules (attractive binary interactions, '*a*', from VdW equation)

The interaction (attractive) energy between a monomer and the polymer/solvent system is on average $\langle E(R) \rangle$ for a given end-to-end distance R (defining a conformational state). This modifies the probability of a chain having an end-to-end distance R by the Boltzmann probability, (-/E(R))

$$P_{Boltzman}(R) = \exp\left(\frac{-\langle E(R) \rangle}{kT}\right)$$

 $\langle E(R) \rangle$ is made up of pp, ps, ss interactions with an average change in attractive energy on solvation of a polymer $\Delta \varepsilon = (\varepsilon_{pp} + \varepsilon_{ss} - 2\varepsilon_{ps})/2$

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The volume fraction of monomers in the polymer coil with a conformational state of end-toend distance *R* is nV_c/R^3

And there are n monomers in the chain, attractive chain energy " $n\chi$ ", so,

$$\frac{\langle E(R) \rangle}{kT} = \frac{n^2 V_c \chi}{R^3} \qquad \qquad E = kT \left(\frac{3R^2}{2nl_K^2} + \frac{n^2 V_c}{2R^3} \right)$$

We can then write the energy of the chain as, (remember $\chi \sim 1/T$)

$$E(R) = kT \left(\frac{3R^2}{2nl^2} + \frac{n^2 V_c \left(\frac{1}{2} - \chi\right)}{R^3} \right) \qquad PV = RT(1 + B_2/V) \\ B_2 = b - a/RT \\ When T^* = a/Rb \text{ interactions disappear}$$

This indicates that when $\chi = \frac{1}{2}$ the coil acts as if it were an ideal chain, excluded volume disappears. This condition is called the theta-state and the temperature where $\chi = \frac{1}{2}$ is called the theta-temperature. It is a critical point for the polymer coil in solution.

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The effective excluded volume is now $V_{\text{ex}} = V_0 (1/2-\chi)$

The Flory-Krigbaum result for coil size is:

$$R^* \cong R_0^* \left(\frac{N^{\gamma_2} V_C}{b^3}\right)^{\gamma_5} = k N^{\gamma_5}$$

Using this approximation for conditions of large molecular weight:

$$R^{*} = R_{0}^{*} \left(\frac{n^{1/2} V_{0} \left(1/2 - \chi \right)}{b^{3}} \right)^{1/5} \quad \text{where} \quad \chi = z \Delta \varepsilon / kT$$

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Properties of an isolated polymer molecule

Fig. 1.6 The coil-globule transition in a solution of polystyrene in cyclohexane. The radius of gyration R_g and the hydrodynamic radius R_h of the polymer show a dramatic change as temperature passes through the θ temperature. The hydrodynamic radius R_h is defined by $R_h = k_B T/6\pi\eta D$, where D is the diffusion constant of the polymer and η is the viscosity of the solvent. (Sun, S.T., Nishio, I., Swislow, G., and Tanaka, T. (1980). J. Chem. Phys., 73, 5971, Fig.2.)

Flory Krigbaum prediction (left) and experimental measurement (right)

For a single polymer coil

$$\frac{\langle E(R) \rangle}{kT} = \frac{n^2 V_c \chi}{R^3}$$

Average attractive enthalpy of interaction $\chi = z\Delta\epsilon/kT$

$$E(R) = kT \left(\frac{3R^2}{2nl^2} + \frac{n^2 V_c \left(\frac{1}{2} - \chi\right)}{R^3} \right)$$
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$$\chi = z \Delta \varepsilon / kT$$

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For a polymer mixture (polymer/polymer or polymer/solvent)

Flory-Huggins Equation

$$\frac{\Delta G}{kTN_{cells}} = \frac{\phi_A}{N_A} \ln \phi_A + \frac{\phi_B}{N_B} \ln \phi_B + \phi_A \phi_B \chi + \frac{PV}{kTN_{cells}}$$

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Lower-Critical Solution Temperature (LCST)



Polymers can order or disorder on mixing leading to a noncombinatorial entropy term, A in the interaction parameter.

$$\chi = A + \frac{B}{T}$$

If the polymer orders on mixing then A is positive and the energy is lowered.

If the polymer-solvent shows a specific interaction then B can be negative.

This Positive A and Negative B favors mixing at low temperature and demixing at high temperature, LCST behavior.

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Poly vinyl methyl ether/Water PVME/PS

Also see Poly(N-isopropylacrylamide)/Water



Figure 4.9 (a) Immiscibility gap of the binary solid solution V_2O_3 -Cr₂O₃ as described by the regular solution model. (b) Gibbs energy of mixing curve of the solid solution at the temperatures marked in the phase diagram. Thermodynamic data are taken from reference [7].



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http://rkt.chem.ox.ac.uk/lectures/liqsolns/regular_solutions.html



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$$\phi^* = \frac{n}{V} = \frac{n}{R^3}$$

~ $n^{-\frac{4}{5}}$ (for good solvents)
or ~ $n^{-\frac{1}{2}}$ (for theta solvents)



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For a polymer in solution there is an inherent concentration to the chain since the chain contains some solvent



The polymer concentration is Mass/Volume, within a chain

$$c^* = \frac{Mass}{Volume} = \frac{Mass}{Size^3} = \frac{Size^{d_f}}{Size^3} \sim Size^{d_f-3}$$
$$c^* \sim n^{\left(1-3/d_f\right)}$$

When the solution concentration matches c* the chains "overlap"
Then an individual chain is can not be resolved and the chains entangle
This is called semi-dilute since the solution is still of very low concentration.
The regime below c* is called dilute. Very high concentrations, θ-coil, are called concentrated.



In concentrated solutions with chain overlap chain entanglements lead to a higher solution viscosity



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$$\eta \sim c^P$$

 $P = 1 \text{ for } c < c^*$ Later calle
entanglem

ed $c_{\rm e}$, nent concentration





$$\eta = \eta_0 (1 + [\eta]c)$$

$$\eta_{sp} = (\eta - \eta_0)/\eta_0$$

$$[\eta] = \lim_{c \to 0} (\eta_{sp}/c)$$

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$$[\eta] = V_{\text{coil}}/m = 1/c^* = m^{3/\text{df}-1}$$

Fig. 15 Concentration dependences of specific viscosity and diffusion coefficient for polyelectrolyte solutions clearly showing the entanglement concentration. **a** Specific viscosity of sodium poly(2-acrylamido-2-methylpropane sulfonate) in water: *filled circles* $M = 1.7 \times 10^6$, *filled squares* $M = 9.5 \times 10^5$ (Krause et al. 1999) and sodium poly(styrene sulfonate) in water: *open circles* $M = 1.2 \times 10^6$ (Boris and Colby 1998), *open squares* $M = 3.0 \times 10^5$ (Fernandez Prini and Lagos 1964). Solid lines have the expected slopes of 1/2 and 3/2, *dotted line* has slope -1.76. **b** Diffusion coefficient of sodium poly(styrene sulfonate) in water: *filled circles* M = 16,000, *open squares* M = 354,000 (Jostwal et al. 1993). Solid lines have the expected slopes of 0 and -1/2, *dotted line* has slope 2.29

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This can be explained if you consider that c^* is on a chain size-scale while c_e is on a bulk size scale, that is c_e is for bulk network pathways while c^* is for the coil pathway. c_e behaves the same in rigid rods and coils because both make a self-avoiding network on large size scales, c^* is different because one chain is a rod the other a self-avoiding walk.



Fig. 2 Comparison of overlap concentrations and entanglement concentrations for neutral polymer solutions in good solvent; red stars overlap concentrations, c^* , of polystyrene in toluene (Kulicke and Kniewske 1984); red circles entanglement concentrations, ce, of polystyrene in toluene (Onogi et al. 1966 viscosity data fit to power laws with slope 1.3 and 3.9, highest M point from Kulicke and Kniewske 1984) with polyelectrolyte solutions in water with no added salt; blue stars overlap concentrations, c^* , of sodium poly(styrene sulfonate) from SAXS (Kaji et al. 1988); stars with blue circles overlap concentrations, c^* , of sodium poly(styrene sulfonate) from viscosity (Boris and Colby 1998); blue circles entanglement concentrations of sodium poly(styrene sulfonate) from viscosity (Boris and Colby 1998). Lowest line has slope -2, expected for c^* of polyelectrolyte solutions with no salt; middle line is Mark-Houwink fit with slope -0.7356 (predicted slope is -0.76; upper line has same slope going through neutral $c_{\rm e}$ data

Red circles neutral good solvent c_e Red stars neutral good solvent c*

Blue circles polyelectrolyte c_e Blue stars polyelectrolyte c*

 $c^* \sim n^{(1-3/d_f)}$

$$d_{\rm f} = 5/3$$
 -0.8

$$d_{\rm f} = 2$$
 -0.5

$$l_{\rm f} = 1.$$
 -2

Extensional Flow

Shadowgraph images from the capillary breakup of a 0.2 wt. % polyethylene oxide (PEO, Mw= 4×106 g/mol) in a 60/40 wt. % glycerol/water solution. Images are taken at t = -0.05, 0.25, 0.43, and 0.65 s (cf. Fig. 4). The size of the images is 0.55 × 1.1 mm. The horizontal lines in the second image indicate the region shown in Fig. 5. The last image shows the final instability of the viscoelastic thread when many small droplets are formed.





Visualization of the flow profile inside a thinning filament during capillary breakup of a polymer solution via particle image velocimetry and particle tracking velocimetry

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Extensional Flow

$$\eta_e = rac{\sigma_{zz} - rac{1}{2}\sigma_{xx} - rac{1}{2}\sigma_{yy}}{\dot{arepsilon}}$$

 $Tr=\eta_e/\eta_e$ Trouton Viscosity = 3 Shear Viscosity for a Newtonian fluid

For a constant extensional strain rate, $\gamma'_{zz} = dv_z/dz = constant$ So, $v_z = dz/dt = constant z$ dz/z = constant dtz = exp(Kt)You need to stretch the fluid with exponentially increasing length. That is hard to do in a lab.

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Graessley (1980) provides a simple definition of c^{*} that is widely accepted for demarking the boundary separating the physical and rheological definition of dilute and semidilute polymer solutions



$$c_{R_G}^* = \frac{M_w}{\frac{4}{3}\pi \langle R_G^2 \rangle^{3/2} N_A}$$

Diameter from capillary thinning experiments

$$\frac{D(t)}{D_0} = \left(\frac{GD_0}{4\gamma}\right)^{1/3} \exp(-t/3\tau_0)$$

FIG. 1. Comparison of the numerically calculated evolution in the filament diameter (open symbols) with experimental data from capillary thinning experiments (closed symbols) for a dilution series of the Boger fluid from sample E (M_w =8.3×10⁶ g/mol) for different concentrations spanning 0.1≤*c*≤1000 ppm. In addition the relaxation times τ_{exp} , determined from fitting the elasto-capillary thinning regime [Eq. (22)] of the experiments, and τ_{num} , determined from fitting the numerical calculations [Eqs. (17)–(21)] to the experimental data, are given for selected concentrations.

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FIG. 5. Reduced relaxation time τ_0/τ_z as a function of the reduced concentration c/c^* , determined from SAOS experiments and fits of the moduli to Eqs. (2) and (3) for polystyrene of different molar masses dissolved in styrene oligomer. Thurston relation, Eq. (5), giving a Zimm relaxation time τ_Z of

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What Happens to the left of the theta temperature?

<u>Coil Expansion Factor</u> α

Grosberg uses:

 $\alpha^2 = \frac{R^2}{R_0^2}$



Figure 3. Radius of gyration, R_{g_p} and hydrodyamic radius R_h versus temperature for polystyrene in cyclohexane. Vertical line indicates the phase separation temperature. From Reference [21].

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 Rather than the normal definition used by Flory: $\alpha = \frac{R^2}{R_0^2}$

Short-Range Interactions We had $C_{\infty} = R^2/R^2_{\ 0} = n_K l_K^2/n_0 l_0^2 = L l_K/L l_0 = l_K/l_0$

> Long-Range Interactions Flory $\alpha = R^2/R_0^2 = n^{6/5}l^2/nl^2 \sim n^{1/5}$ Grosberg $\alpha^2 = R^2/R_0^2 :: \alpha \sim n^{1/10}$





Fig. C9.1 A computer simulated globule of a long chain. Notice that the globule is pretty accurately spherical, its surface consists of loops, while its interior, particularly well seen in the zoomed part, reminds a concentrated solution of different chains (compare Figure C12.3) — even though in reality they are all distant parts of the same chain. The chain is a homopolymer in terms of chain flexibility and monomer-monomer interactions being the same for all monomers. However, to help the eye, the chain is colored, smoothly going through the rainbow colors from one end to the other (e.g., one end is red and the other is violet, with all intermediate colors in between). What one should notice is that any particular color is not located in a particular region of the globule; just the opposite, every color is reasonably uniformly distributed throughout the globule, and the local surrounding of any monomer is full of all sorts of different colors, confirming that very distant parts of the chain form contacts in the globule. The figure is courtesy of L. Mirny.



Fig. C9.6 A cartoon showing gel collapse and swelling upon change of environment conditions, such as, e.g., solvent composition, temperature and so on. The figure is courtesy of T. Tanaka.

Fig. C9.10 A variety of factors that can cause gel to collapse. The figure is courtesy of T. Tanaka.



Flory-Krigbaum couldn't integrate $R^2 P(R)$ so they took the derivative and found the maximum probability for $R^2 P(R)$.

Grosberg takes a different approach that leads to the same answer.

Write the single chain free energy in terms of the coil expansion factor, α , then find the minimum free energy by taking the derivative in α of the free energy and setting it to 0 to find the equilibrium α^*

The Flory Krigbaum expression for the free energy of a self-avoiding chain is given by,

$$F(R) = \frac{z^2 V_0 (1 - 2\chi) kT}{2R^3} + \frac{3R^2 kT}{2zl^2} = U(R) - TS(R)$$
(1)

Equation (1) can be rewritten using the coil expansion coefficient, α ,

$$\alpha^{2} = \frac{R^{2}}{R_{\theta}^{2}} = \frac{R^{2}}{zl^{2}}$$

$$F(\alpha) = \frac{z^{1/2}BkT}{2\alpha^{3}l^{3}} + \frac{3\alpha^{2}kT}{2} = U(\alpha) - TS(\alpha)$$
where B is the second virial coefficient,

$$B = V_{0}(1-2\chi)$$
Van der Waals $P = \frac{RT}{V-b} - \frac{a}{V^{2}}$

$$\frac{pV}{RT} = 1 + \frac{1}{V} \left(b - \frac{\epsilon}{RT}\right) + \left(\frac{b}{V}\right)^{2} + \left(\frac{b}{V}\right)^{3} + \cdots$$
(3)

$$p/\rho RT = 1 + B_{2} \rho + B_{3} \rho^{2} + \cdots$$

$$B(T) = b - \frac{a}{RT}$$

 $B = V_0 \left(1 - 2\chi \right)$

Finding the minimum in the free energy expression, equation (3), yields the most probable value for α,

$$\alpha \sim \left(\frac{z^{1/2}B}{l^3}\right)^{1/5} \qquad \qquad \mathrm{d}F(\alpha)/\mathrm{d}\alpha = 0 \tag{5}$$

$$R \sim R_0 \alpha = z^{1/2} b \alpha \sim z^{3/5} B^{1/5} b$$

This is an exact solution by Grosberg's method а

Van der Waals' Equation

 $p = nRT/(V-b) - a(n/V)^2 + c (n/V)^3$ Van der Waals Equation with repulsive ternary interactions

Compressibility Factor $Z = pV_{molar}/RT = p/\rho RT = 1 + B_2 \rho + B_3 \rho^2 + ...$ Virial Expansion B_2 has units of molar volume

 $Z_{\rm VdW} = pV_{molar}/RT = V/(V-b) - a\rho = 1/(1-b\rho) - a\rho + c\rho^2$

Geometric series $\sum ar^k = a/(1-r)$ sum from 0 to ∞



So, $1/(1-b\rho) = \sum ar^k = 1 + b\rho + (b\rho)^2 + \dots$ and for $b\rho = b/V$ is very small

$$Z_{\rm VdW} = 1/(1-b\rho) - a\rho = 1 + (b - a/RT) \rho + (b^2 + c/RT) \rho^2 + \dots$$

Compare with the virial expansion

 $Z = pV_{molar}/RT = p/\rho RT = 1 + B_2 \rho + B_3 \rho^2 + \dots$

$$B_2 = b - a/RT$$
 and $B_3 = b^2 + c/RT$

For an immiscible system B_2 is negative or very small (low temperature) B_3 can be positive leading to a discrete phase transition or negative leading to a continuous transition

$$F(\alpha) = \frac{z^{1/2}BkT}{2\alpha^3 l^3} + \frac{3\alpha^2 kT}{2} = U(\alpha) - TS(\alpha)$$

$$\alpha^2 = \frac{R^2}{R_\theta^2} = \frac{R^2}{zl^2}$$

The virial expansion of the enthalpic interactions is given by,

$$U(\alpha) = V_{Coil}kT \left[n^2 B + n^3 C + ... \right] \approx V_{Coil}kTn^2 B \sim \frac{kTR^3 Bz^2}{R^6} = \frac{z^{1/2} BkT}{2\alpha^3 l^3}$$
(6) $n \sim z/R^3$

where n is the segmental density in the coil and V_{Coil} is the volume of the coil. The second virial coefficient describes binary interactions and the third virial coefficient describes ternary interactions. In dilute conditions we can ignore the higher order interactions and use only the second virial coefficient.

- B changes sign, positive for miscible, negative for phase separation below the Boyle temperature $T_{\rm B} = a/b$ (B = b a/T so "a" (or χ) is negative for miscibility/repulsive pp) C is always positive, i.e., favors coil expansion.
- C is important below the theta temperature to model the coil to globule transition at high monomer density
- For simplicity we ignore higher order terms because C is enough to give the gross features of this transition.
- Generally, it is known that this transition can be either *first-order* for
 - biopolymers such as protein folding, or *second-order* for synthetic polymers.
- First-order means that the first derivative of the free energy is not continuous, i.e., a jump in
- free energy at a discrete transition temperature, such as a melting point, heat of melting. Second order, free energy, volume, entropy etc. are continuous through the transition, slope changes in T (heat capacity, thermal expansion coefficient).

Blob model for coil collapse



-The expanded coil transitions to a Gaussian chain by locally forming Gaussian "blobs" called "*thermal blobs*" (will cover later). Neutron scattering provides evidence.

-These blobs grow as the theta point is approached.

-Thermally driven structural changes occur from the bottom up.

-Propose a similar model for the collapse of the theta coil using a different kind of "blob" in analogy to "thermal blobs" but 3d blobs not 2d thermal blobs.

 $d_{\rm f} = 2$ for coil $d_{\rm f} = 3$ for blob Gaussian Scaling of g g^* Blobs $R^2 \sim g^*$

Blob model for coil collapse



 $d_{\rm f} = 2$ for coil $d_{\rm f}$ = 3 for blob

FIGURE 8.6 A few initial stages of the coil-globule transition. This looks self-similar! (Compare

with what we write about self-similarity in

Chapter 10). Source:

Number of Blobs = z/g^* Courtesy of S. Nechaev.

> Gaussian Scaling of g^* Blobs $R^2 \sim g^*$

Grosberg and Khokhlov's figure 8.6 shows a model for chain collapse that explains the entropic behavior in terms of blobs of g* chain units associated with a confined chain. We can consider the collapsed chain as composed of z/g* collapsed blobs each with an energy kT.

Entropic Part of Collapse Free Energy

Number of Blobs (z/g^*) times kT is the Confinement Entropy $\left[-TS(\alpha)\right]_{Confinement} \sim kT \frac{z}{g^*} = kT \frac{zl^2}{R^2} = \frac{kT}{\alpha^2} \qquad R^2 \sim g^* \qquad (7)$

In the absence of confinement (coil collapse) the expression was,

$$\left[-TS(\alpha)\right]_{Expansion} \sim kT\alpha^2 \qquad F(\alpha) = \frac{z^{1/2}BkT}{2\alpha^3 l^3} + \frac{3\alpha^2 kT}{2} = U(\alpha) - TS(\alpha)$$

and a sum of these terms (approximation),

$$-TS(\alpha) = \left[-TS(\alpha)\right]_{Confinement} + \left[-TS(\alpha)\right]_{Expansion} \sim kT(\alpha^2 + \alpha^{-2})$$
(9)

Total Collapse Free Energy

$$F(\alpha) \sim kT(\alpha^{2} + \alpha^{-2}) + \frac{kTBz^{1/2}}{2\alpha^{3}l^{3}} + \frac{kTC}{\alpha^{6}l^{6}} \qquad kTC n^{3} = kTC z^{3}/R^{3}$$
$$= kTC/(\alpha^{6}l^{6})$$

$$F(\alpha) = \frac{z^{1/2}BkT}{2\alpha^3 l^3} + \frac{3\alpha^2 kT}{2} = U(\alpha) - TS(\alpha)$$
(3)

Free Energy Including Third Virial Coefficient

$$F(\alpha) \sim kT\left(\alpha^2 + \alpha^{-2}\right) + \frac{kTBz^{1/2}}{2\alpha^3 l^3} + \frac{kTC}{\alpha^6 l^6}$$
(10).

$\alpha > 1$ for expansion $\alpha < 1$ for contraction

Which works for both expansion and collapse. Finding the minimum in this free energy yields the most probable value for α , (equivalent of equation (5)),

$$\alpha^5 - \alpha = x + y\alpha^{-3} \tag{11}$$

where x is related to B and is given by,

$$x = K_1 B z^{1/2} / l^3 \tag{12}$$

and y is related to C and is given by,

 $y = K_2 C/l^6$ (13). If α is small you can neglect the terms on the left hand side of equation (11) and solve for R,

$$R \sim \alpha z^{1/2} l \sim \left(\frac{-C}{B}\right)^{1/3} z^{1/3}$$
(14)

Ratio of C/B determines behavior The collapsed coil is 3d

$$\alpha^{5} - \alpha = x + y\alpha^{-3} \qquad \qquad x \sim B; y \sim C \\ B \sim 1/T; \alpha \sim V^{1/3} \qquad (11)$$

Equation (11) can be understood by plotting the coil expansion factor, α , versus the reduced temperature function x for fixed values of y as shown in Figure 8.3 from Grosberg and Khokhlov reproduced below. In this figure, at large y the chain is flexible and the coil only slightly collapses on cooling (smaller x). The theta temperature occurs at x = 0. For rigid chains with a small value for y, the curve shows three values for a given x just below the θ -temperature.





Maxwell Construction

There are three possible roots, two points are at equilibrium, middle is not real.



FIGURE 8.3 The dependence $\alpha(x)$ given by equation (8.7) for different values of y; from top to bottom, the curves correspond to the following values of y: 10, 1, 0.1, 1/60, 0.01, 0.001, 0.0001.



 $x \sim B; y \sim C$ $B \sim 1/T; \alpha \sim V^{1/3}$

EOS Calculation



Phase Diagram





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FIGURE 8.4 The dependence $F(\alpha)$ in the case where $\alpha(x)$ is multivalued. As x changes (which can be controlled by, say, temperature change), the shape of the $F(\alpha)$ dependence changes such that one minimum gets deeper at the expense of the other. **Deeper minimum** corresponds to the more stable state. For this figure, we choose the value y = 0.001.

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FIGURE 8.5 The curves $\alpha(x)$ in Figure 8.3 are multivalued at some x; in this figure, one solution is selected for each x such that the values of $\alpha(x)$ correspond to the absolute minimum free energy for every x. The values of y are the same as in Figure 8.3.

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Figure 4. Temperature dependence of average radius of gyration ($\langle R_g \rangle$) and hydrodynamic radius ($\langle R_h \rangle$) of poly(*N*,*N*-diethylacrylamide) (PDEAM) chains in water in one heating-and-cooling cycle.



Figure 5. Temperature dependence of ratio of average radius of gyration to average hydrodynamic radius $(\langle R_g \rangle / \langle R_h \rangle)$ of poly(*N*,*N*-diethylacry-lamide) (PDEAM) chains in water in one heating-and-cooling cycle.

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The Coil-to-Globule-to-Coil Transition of Linear Polymer Chains in Dilute Aqueous Solutions: Effect of Intrachain Hydrogen Bonding Kejin Zhou,¹ Yijie Lu,¹ Junfang Li,¹ Lei Shen,¹ Guangzhao Zhang,^{4,1} Zuowei Xie,^{1,4} and Chi Wash⁴ ABSTRACT: Our previous studies of the captioned transition have shown that thermally sensitive poly(Misoprophacylamide) (PNTPAM) in water can form stable individual single-chain globules, but not for polystyrene (PS) in cycloberane. In the current taudy, using poly(M-dictibucarylamidol (PDEAM) ($M_{\odot} = 1.7 \times 10^2$ jm) and $M_{\odot}M_{\odot} = 1.06$ with no hydrogen donator site, we intend to find whether the intrachain hydrogen bonding plays a role in stabilizing individual collapsed PNIPAM single-chain globales. We found that PDEAM can also from stable single-chain globules in water even though the transition is less sharp. The resultant individual PDEAM single-chain globales are less compact, reflecting in a lower chain density update hydrogen bonding. Our result also shown that, unlike PNIPAM, there is no hysteresis in the transition, influerity supporting our previous assumption that the hysteresis tobacer for PNIPAM is due to the formation of some intrachain additional hydrogen bonds that the oblighted stable science of the PNIPAM is due to the formation of some intrachain additional hydrogen bonds



FIG. 2. Temperature dependence of the average radius of gyration $\langle R_g \rangle$ and the average hydrodynamic radius $\langle R_h \rangle$, respectively, in the coil-to-globule (heating) and the globule-to-coil (cooling) processes, where each point was obtained at least 2 h after the solution reached the thermal equilibrium to ensure that the polymer chains were thermodynamically stable. The inset shows the temperature dependence of $\langle R_g \rangle / \langle R_h \rangle$ in the heating and the cooling processes.



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Globule-to-Coil Transition of a Single Homopolymer Chain in Solution



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Size of a Chain, "R" (You can not directly measure the End-to-End Distance)



What are the measures of Size, "*R*", for a polymer coil?

Radius of Gyration, $R_{\rm g}$

$$R_{g}^{2} = \frac{1}{N} \sum_{n=1}^{N} \left\langle \left(R_{n} - R_{G} \right)^{2} \right\rangle \qquad R_{G} = \frac{1}{N} \sum_{n=1}^{N} R_{n}$$

$$R_{g}^{2} = \frac{1}{N} \sum_{n=1}^{N} \left\langle \left(R_{n} - \frac{1}{N} \sum_{m=1}^{N} R_{m} \right)^{2} \right\rangle = \frac{1}{N} \sum_{n=1}^{N} \left\langle \frac{1}{2N} \sum_{m=1}^{N} \left(R_{n} - R_{m} \right)^{2} \right\rangle = \frac{1}{2N^{2}} \sum_{n=1}^{N} \sum_{m=1}^{N} \left\langle \left(R_{n} - R_{m} \right)^{2} \right\rangle$$

$$\sum_{n=1}^{N} \sum_{m=1}^{N} \left\langle \left(R_n - R_m\right)^2 \right\rangle = \sum_{n=1}^{N} \sum_{m=1}^{N} |n - m| b^2 = 2 \sum_{n=m}^{N} \sum_{m=1}^{N} (n - m) b^2 = 2 b^2 \left[Z + 2(Z - 1) + 3(Z - 2)...(Z - 1)2 + Z\right]$$
$$\mathbf{Z} = \mathbf{N} - \mathbf{1}.$$

$$\sum_{p=1}^{Z} (Z+1-p)p = (Z+1)\sum_{p=1}^{Z} p - \sum_{p=1}^{Z} p^{2} = \frac{Z(Z+1)(Z+2)}{6} \cong \frac{N^{3}}{6}$$
$$\sum_{u=1}^{n} u^{p} = \frac{n^{p+1}}{p+1} + \frac{n^{p}}{2} + \frac{pn^{p-1}}{12} \qquad \text{for } p<3 \text{ (other terms needed for higher p's)}$$

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Radius of Gyration, R_g

 R_g is 1/V6 of the RMS end-to-end distance.

$$2.45 R_g = R_{eted}$$

R_g is a direct measure of the end-to-end distance for a linear Gaussian chain

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Moment of Intertia, I is $\langle R_g^2 \rangle$ weighted by mass



For a distribution of chain lengths/object sizes what moment of the distribution is R_g? Typically, low order moments are desired such as the mean (first order)

For a polydisperse sample what moment of R_g is obtained form scattering?



$$\langle M^x \rangle = \int p(M) M^x dM$$

Polydispersity Index, $D = M_w/M_n = \langle M^2 \rangle / \langle M^1 \rangle^2$ D = 1 is monodisperse 2 is most probable distribution Commercial PE is D=14 and bimodal

For a polydisperse sample what moment of R_g is obtained form scattering?

$$I(q) = n\rho^2 V^2 exp\left(\frac{-q^2 R_g^2}{3}\right)$$

At low qR_g^2

$$I(q) = n\rho^2 R_g^6 \left(1 - \frac{q^2 R_g^2}{3} \right)$$

For polydisperse R_g's weighted by $n\rho^2 R_g^6$

$$\frac{\langle R_g^8 \rangle}{\langle R_g^6 \rangle}$$

For a beach with sand, rocks, and boulders we only measure the boulders with $\rm R_{g}$

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5.2.4.2 Samples Containing Nonidentical Particles

When the particles the sample contains are not all identical, the Guinier law is still applicable, with the radius of gyration R_g and the particle volume v interpreted to represent some types of averages. If, of the N total particles, N_j (j = 1, 2, ...) have volume v_j and radius of gyration R_{gj} , then assuming that the particles are all of the same average density ρ_0 and that scattering from different particles is uncorrelated, we have

R. J. Roe p. 170 Methods of X-Ray and Neutron Scattering in Polymer Science (2000)

$$I(q) = \frac{\rho_0^2}{N} \sum_j N_j v_j^2 \left[1 - \frac{1}{3} q^2 R_{gj}^2 + \cdots \right]$$

= $\frac{\rho_0^2}{N} \left(\sum_j N_j v_j^2 \right) \left[1 - \frac{q^2}{3} \frac{\sum_j N_j v_j^2 R_{gj}^2}{\sum_j N_j v_j^2} + \cdots \right]$
= $\rho_0^2 \langle v^2 \rangle_n \exp\left[-\frac{q^2}{3} \langle R_g^2 \rangle_z \right]$ (5.43)

where $\langle v^2 \rangle_n$ is the number-average of v^2 given by

$$\left\langle v^2 \right\rangle_n = \frac{\sum N_j v_j^2}{N} \tag{5.44}$$

and $\langle R_g^2 \rangle_z$ is the z-average of R_g^2 defined as $\langle R_g^2 \rangle_z = \frac{\sum N_j v_j^2 R_{gj}^2}{\sum N_j v_j^2} = \frac{\sum N_j W_j^2 R_{gj}^2}{\sum N_j W_j^2}$ (5.45)

 W_j being the mass of the *j*th size particle (proportional to v_j).
Static Light Scattering for R_g

$$I(q) = I_e N n_e^2 \exp\left(\frac{-R_g^2 q^2}{3}\right)$$

Guinier Plot linearizes this function

$$\ln\left(\frac{I(q)}{G}\right) = -\frac{R_g^2}{3}q^2 \qquad G = I_e N n_e^2$$

The exponential can be expanded at low-q and linearized to make a Zimm Plot

$$\frac{G}{I(q)} = \left(1 + \frac{R_g^2}{3}q^2\right)$$

Guinier's Law





 $I(q) \sim N n_e^2$

n_e Reflects the density of a Point generating waves N is total number of points

The Scattering Event



 2) Rather than consider specific structures, we can consider general scattering laws by which all scatters are governed under the premises that 1) "Particles" have a size and
 2) "Particles" have a surface.













-Consider that an in-phase wave scattered at angle θ was in phase with the incident wave at the source of scattering.

-This can occur for points separated by *r* such that

$$|\mathbf{r}| = \frac{2\pi}{|\mathbf{q}|}$$
$$- \frac{4\pi}{\lambda} \sin \frac{\theta}{2}$$



-For high θ , *r* is small



-For small θ , *r* is large













The particle becomes a probability density function from the center of mass.



That follows a Gaussian Distribution.

$$p(r) = \exp\!\left(\frac{-3r^2}{4R_g^2}\right)$$

The particle becomes a probability density function from the center of mass.



Whose Fourier Transform is Guinier's Law.

$$p(r) = \exp\left(\frac{-3r^2}{4R_g^2}\right) \implies I(q) = G \exp\left(-\frac{q^2 R_g^2}{3}\right)$$
$$G = Nn_e^2$$

Static Light Scattering for Radius of Gyration

Consider binary interference at a distance "r" for a particle with arbitrary orientation Rotate and translate a particle so that two points separated by r lie in the particle for all rotations and average the structures at these different orientations

 $\gamma_{Gaussian}(r) = \exp\left(-\frac{3r^2}{2\sigma^2}\right)$ Binary Autocorrelation Guinier's Law Function $\sum_{i=1}^{N} (x_i - \mu)^2$ $\sigma^2 = \frac{1}{N-1} = 2R_g^2$ Lead Term is $I(q) = I_e N n_e^2 \exp\left(\frac{-R_g^2 q^2}{3}\right) \qquad I(0) = N n_e^2$ (a) *(b)* Fig. 4. Averaging of a particle about the origin of the vector r in analogy to random translations and rotations of the particle about the origin of r. In (a), a single rotation and a single translation are considered. In (b), the superposition of a number of such translations and rotations in random directions leads to a Gaussian distribution of scattering density $\rho(r)$. Scattered Intensity is the Fourier Transform of $I(1/r) \sim N(r)n(r)^2$ The Binary Autocorrelation Function $\gamma_0(r) = 1 - \frac{S}{4V}r + \dots \qquad \exp\left(\frac{-3r^2}{4R_e^2}\right) \approx 1 - \frac{3r^2}{4R_e^2} + \dots$

A particle with no surface

Beaucage G J. Appl. Cryst. 28 717-728 (1995).

 $r \Rightarrow 0$ then $\frac{d(\gamma_{Gaussian}(r))}{dr} \Rightarrow 0$



Guinier's Law Pertains to a Particle with no Surface.

$$p(r) = \exp\left(\frac{-3r^2}{4R_g^2}\right) \implies I(q) = G \exp\left(-\frac{q^2 R_g^2}{3}\right)$$
$$G = Nn_e^2$$

Any "Particle" can be Approximated as a Gaussian probability distribution in this context.



Guinier's Law can be thought of as the *First Premise of Scattering:*

All "Particles" have a size reflected by the radius of gyration.

Sphere of radius R	$R_g^2 = \frac{3}{5} \mathrm{R}^2$
Spherical shell with radii $R_1 > R_2$	$R_{\rm g}^2 = \frac{3}{5} \frac{R_1^5 - R_2^5}{R_1^3 - R_2^3}$
Ellipse with semiaxes a and b	$R_g^2 = \frac{a^2 + b^2}{4}$
Ellipsoid with semiaxes a, b , and c	$R_{\rm g}^2 = \frac{a^2 + b^2 + c^2}{5}$
Prism with edges A, B , and C	$R_{\rm g}^2 = \frac{A^2 + B^2 + C^2}{12}$
Elliptical cylinder with semiaxes a and b and height h	$R_{\rm g}^2 = \frac{a^2 + b^2}{4} + \frac{h^2}{12}$
Hollow circular cylinder with radii $R_1 > R_2$ and height h	$R_{\rm g}^2 = \frac{R_{\rm I}^2 + R_{\rm 2}^2}{2} + \frac{h^2}{12}$

Debye Scattering Function for Gaussian Polymer Coil

Consider a chain of length N whose average end to end distance is $N^{1/2}$ b, where b is the effective step length for the chain which has no long-range interactions. For the n'th chain step, $g_n(r)$ is the average density of segments at a radial position r from step n. R_n is here the position vector for the segments of the chain. It is important to keep clear that r_n is a radial position relative to segment "n" while R_n is the segmental position relative to a coordinate system based at the first segment where n = 1. n can have values from 1 to N. Then,

$$g_n(r_n) = \frac{\sum_{m=1}^{N} \left\langle \delta(r_n - (R_m - R_n)) \right\rangle}{N}$$

where the del operator has a value of 1 when the position vector difference (R's) is equal to r. $g_n(r)$ will have values between 0 for r's larger than the chain to 1 for r = 0.

Since $g_n(r)$ only considers a single segment, "n", it must be averaged over all segments in order to obtain a statistical description of the spatial distribution of chain segments for the entire coil. This averaging results in the pair correlation function, g(r) for the coil,

$$g(r) = \frac{1}{2N^2} \sum_{n=1}^{N} g_n(r_n) = \frac{1}{2N^2} \sum_{n=1}^{N} \sum_{m=1}^{N} \left\langle \delta(r - (R_m - R_n)) \right\rangle$$

The pair correlation function, g(r), is directly related to the intensity scattered by light, neutrons or x-rays from a polymer coil. The scattered intensity is measured as a function of scattering angle, θ , and is usually plotted against the reduced parameter, $q = |q| = 4\pi/\lambda \sin(\theta/2)$, which is called the scattering vector. "q" is the inverse space vector and is related to the Bragg spacing, d, by $d = 2\pi/q$.

What are the measures of Size, "R", for a polymer coil?

Radius of Gyration, R_g

$$R_{g}^{2} = \frac{1}{N} \sum_{n=1}^{N} \left\langle \left(R_{n} - R_{G} \right)^{2} \right\rangle \qquad R_{G} = \frac{1}{N} \sum_{n=1}^{N} R_{n}$$

$$R_{g}^{2} = \frac{1}{N} \sum_{n=1}^{N} \left\langle \left(R_{n} - \frac{1}{N} \sum_{m=1}^{N} R_{m} \right)^{2} \right\rangle = \frac{1}{N} \sum_{n=1}^{N} \left\langle \frac{1}{2N} \sum_{m=1}^{N} \left(R_{n} - R_{m} \right)^{2} \right\rangle = \frac{1}{2N^{2}} \sum_{n=1}^{N} \sum_{m=1}^{N} \left\langle \left(R_{n} - R_{m} \right)^{2} \right\rangle$$

$$\sum_{n=1}^{N} \sum_{m=1}^{N} \left\langle \left(R_n - R_m\right)^2 \right\rangle = \sum_{n=1}^{N} \sum_{m=1}^{N} |n - m| b^2 = 2 \sum_{n=m}^{N} \sum_{m=1}^{N} (n - m) b^2 = 2 b^2 \left[Z + 2(Z - 1) + 3(Z - 2)...(Z - 1)2 + Z\right]$$

$$Z = N - 1.$$

$$\sum_{p=1}^{Z} (Z+1-p)p = (Z+1)\sum_{p=1}^{Z} p - \sum_{p=1}^{Z} p^{2} = \frac{Z(Z+1)(Z+2)}{6} \cong \frac{N^{3}}{6}$$
$$\sum_{u=1}^{n} u^{p} = \frac{n^{p+1}}{p+1} + \frac{n^{p}}{2} + \frac{pn^{p-1}}{12} \qquad \text{for } p<3 \text{ (other terms needed for higher p's)}$$

http://www.eng.uc.edu/~gbeaucag/Classes/Physics/Chapter I.pdf

Scattered Intensity = K g(q) where K is a constant for a given system which includes the contrast and instrumental parameters. g(q) is the Fourier Transform of g(r),

$$g(q) = \int drg(r) \exp(iq \cdot r) = \frac{1}{2N^2} \sum_{n=1}^{N} \sum_{m=1}^{N} \left\langle \exp\left(iq \cdot \left(R_m - R_n\right)\right) \right\rangle$$

For a Gaussian polymer coil the solution to this double summation is the Debye Equation for Polymer Coils which was first solved in 1946 by P. Debye.

$$g(q)_{Gaussian} = \frac{2}{Q^2} \left[Q - 1 + \exp(-Q) \right]$$

where $Q = q^2 N b^2 / 6 = q^2 R_g^2$

The Debye function for polymer coils describes a decay of scattered intensity following a powerlaw of -2 at high-q and a constant value for intensity at low-q (below Rg).

Debye Paper Deriving this Equation

Low-q and High-q Limits of Debye Function

$$g(q)_{Gaussian} = \frac{2}{Q^2} [Q - 1 + \exp(-Q)]$$

where $Q = q^2 N b^2 / 6 = q^2 R_g^2$

At high q the last term => 0
Q-1 => Q
$$g(q) => 2/Q \sim q^{-2}$$

Which is a mass-fractal scaling law with d_f = 2

At low q,
$$exp(-Q) => 1-Q+Q^2/2-Q^3/6+...$$

Bracketed term $=> Q^2/2-Q^3/6+...$

$$g(q) \Rightarrow 1-Q/3+... \sim \exp(-Q/3) = \exp(-q^2R_g^2/3)$$

Which is Guinier's Law

Ornstein-Zernike Function, Limits and Related Functions

The Zimm equation involves a truncated form of the Guinier Expression intended For use at extremely low- qR_g :

$$\frac{\phi}{S(qR_g \ll 1)} = \left(\frac{1}{N} + (1 - 2\chi)\phi\right) \left(1 + \frac{q^2R_g^2}{3}\right)$$
(6).

If this expression is generalized for a fixed composition and all q, R_g is no longer the size parameter and the equation is empirical (no theoretical basis) but has a form similar to the Debye Function for polymer coils:

$$I(q) = \frac{G}{1+q^2\xi^2}$$

This function is called the Ornstein-Zernike function and ξ is called a correlation length.

The inverse Fourier transform of this function can be solved and is given by (Benoit-Higgins *Polymers and Neutron Scattering* p. 233 1994):

$$p(r) = \frac{K}{r} \exp\left(-\frac{r}{\xi}\right)$$

This function is empirical and displays the odd (impossible) feature that the correlation function for a "random" system is not symmetric about 0, that is + and – values for r are not equivalent even though the system is random. (Compare with the normal behavior of the Guinier correlation function.)

$$p(r) = K \exp\left(-\frac{3r^2}{4R_g^2}\right)$$

The Flory Expression indicates a linear dependence of osmotic pressure in concentration at low concentration and a dependence on concentration to the power 2 at high concentration.

$$\Pi = \frac{kT}{V_c} \left(\frac{\phi}{N} + \left(\frac{1}{2} - \chi \right) \phi^2 + \dots \right)$$





From Gert Strobl, Polymer Physics



Fig. 3.3. Data of Fig. 3.2, presented in a plot of the reduced osmotic pressure versus the overlap ratio. The *continuous lines* correspond to the theoretical results Eqs. (3.26), (3.41)

Ornstein-Zernike Function, Limits and Related Functions

Ornstein-Zernike (Empirical)Debye (Exact)
$$I(q) = \frac{G}{1+q^2\xi^2}$$
 $g(q)_{Gaussian} = \frac{2}{Q^2} [Q-1+\exp(-Q)]$ where $Q = q^2 Nb^2/6 = q^2 R_g^2$ Where $Q = q^2 Nb^2/6 = q^2 R_g^2$ $I(q) = \frac{G}{q^2\xi^2}$ $2\xi^2 = R_g^2$ $I(q) \sim G\exp(-q^2\xi^2)$ $3\xi^2 = R_g^2$ $I(q) \sim G\left(1 - \frac{q^2 R_g^2}{3}\right) \sim G\exp\left(-\frac{q^2 R_g^2}{3}\right)$

Ornstein-Zernike Function, Limits and Related Functions

Empirical Correlation Function

Transformed Empirical Scattering Function

$$p(r) = \frac{K}{r} \exp\left(-\frac{r}{\xi}\right)$$
 Ornstein-Zernike Function

$$I(q) = \frac{G}{1+q^2\xi^2}$$

$$p(r) = K \exp\left(-\frac{r}{\xi}\right)$$
 Debye-Buec

Debye-Bueche Function

$$p(r) = \frac{K}{r} \exp\left(-\frac{r}{\xi}\right) \sin\left(\frac{2\pi r}{d}\right)$$

Teubner-Strey Function (F Brochard and JF Lennon 1975 J. de Phy. 36(11) 1035)

 $p(r) = \frac{K}{r^{3-d_f}} \exp\left(-\frac{r}{\xi}\right)$

Sinha Function

$$I(q) = \frac{G}{1 + q^4 \xi^4}$$

$$I(q) = \frac{G}{1 + q^2 c_2 + q^4 c_3}$$

 c_2 is negative to create a peak

$$I(q) = \frac{G \sin \left[\left(d_f - 1 \right) \arctan \left(q \xi \right) \right]}{q \xi \left(1 + q^2 \xi^2 \right)^{(d_f - 1)/2}}$$

Correlation function in all of these cases is not symmetric about 0 which is physically impossible for a random system. The resulting scattering functions can be shown to be non-physical, that is they do not follow fundamental rules of scattering. Fitting parameters have no physical meaning.

Zimm Plot (Berry Plot)



$$I(q) = \frac{G}{\exp\left(\frac{q^2 R_g^2}{3}\right)}$$
$$\frac{G}{I(q)} = \exp\left(\frac{q^2 R_g^2}{3}\right) \approx 1 + \frac{q^2 R_g^2}{3} + \dots$$
Plot is linearized by $G/I(q)$ versus q^2

2 versus q I(q)

$$q = \frac{4\pi}{\lambda} \sin\!\left(\frac{\theta}{2}\right)$$

$$\frac{\phi}{S(qR_g <<1)} = \left(\frac{1}{N} + (1-2\chi)\phi\right) \left(1 + \frac{q^2R_g^2}{3}\right) \tag{6}$$

At q => 0 this is 1/osmotic compressibility, $d\Pi/d\phi = 1/N + \phi B_2 = (1/N + (1-2\chi)\phi)$

Zimm Plot

$$\frac{\phi}{S(qR_g <<1)} = \left(\frac{1}{N} + (1 - 2\chi)\phi\right) \left(1 + \frac{q^2 R_g^2}{3}\right)$$
(6).



In a GPC you have $\phi \sim 0$ for each fraction Measure light scattering at a few angles and extrapolate q² to 0 to find weight average MW for each fraction. For each fraction the polydispersity, $M_w/M_n \sim 1$ so $M_w = M_n = M_z$







Behavior of the Lead Term (isothermal compressibility)

$$\frac{\phi}{S(qR_g <<1)} = \left(\frac{1}{N} + (1-2\chi)\phi\right)\left(1 + \frac{q^2R_g^2}{3}\right) \tag{6}$$



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Temperature dependence of the virial coefficients and the chi parameter in semi-dilute solutions of PEG

(b)

Fig. 1 SAXS data with fits (curves) for PEG 4600 solutions at fixed temperature as a function of concentration. (a) 10°C (b) 50° C (c) 100° C. Signatures: 1 wt% circles, 2 wt% triangle down, 5 wt% square, 10 wt% diamond, 20 wt% triangle up. The data have been divided by the square of the excess electron density ($\Delta \rho$ was in units of e/Å3) of the PEG chains in order to eliminate the influence in the plot of the change in contrast with temperature

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2% PEO data and fits

0.1










Random Phase Approximation (RPA) Equation

$$\frac{\phi}{I(q)} = \frac{\phi_0}{I_0(q)} - 2\chi\phi \qquad \text{Polymer in Solution}$$

At high-q, $I_0(q)$ is small and $1/I_0(q)$ is much larger than 2χ .

At low-q, $I_0(q)$ is large, and 2χ is much larger than $1/I_0(q)$.

Negative 2χ indicates miscibility, positive, phase separation.





How to observe the concentration blob?





Contrast match the solvent with a mixture of deuterated and hydrogenous solvents Tag one chain by deuteration (1% of chains)

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q (Å⁻¹)

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Fig. 2 SEM micrographs of the silica cores used in this study and USAXS scattering curves of the cores grafted with 25 kg mol⁻¹ PDMS in PDMS: (a) SEM of radius $R \approx 100$ nm nanoparticles; (b) USAXS scattering intensity I(q) of $R \approx 100$ nm nanoparticles in 2 kg mol⁻¹ PDMS at a particle core volume fraction of $\phi_c = 0.02$; (c) SEM of $R \approx 600$ nm silica particles; and (d) I(q) of $R \approx 600$ nm particles in 8 kg mol⁻¹ PDMS at $\phi_c = 0.01$. Lines in (b) and (d) are fits of eqn (12) to I(q).

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Non-woven fabric (fleece, tissue, paper)

These are related to Thermodynamics: Virial Coefficient = Mean Field = FH χ EOS like Van der Waals = Specific Interaction (There is overlap)







At large-scale (q => 0) they appear the same. We expect $I/\phi(q=>0)$ to drop at higher concentrations as a measure of $1/(\phi B_2)$ for both.

Woven fabric



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N - 2 remaining particles through the Ornstein–Zernike (OZ) relation which decomposes the total correlation function, h(r) = g(r) - 1, into direct and indirect contributions, c(r) and $\gamma(r)$, respectively, through:

$$\gamma(r) = h(r) - c(r) = \rho_{\rm p} \int h(r') c(|r - r'|) dr'$$
(5)

To solve the OZ equation, an appropriate closure relation is needed to approximate how particle interactions through U(r)impact the local microstructure through g(r), h(r), and c(r). To this end, we chose the Percus–Yevick (PY) approximation in eqn (6),

$$g(r) = \exp\left[\frac{-U(r)}{k_{\rm B}T}\right](1 + \gamma(r))$$

$$U(r) = U_0 \begin{bmatrix} U(r) = \infty; \\ -\ln(y) - \frac{9}{5}(1-y) + \frac{1}{3}(1-y^3) - \frac{1}{30}(1-y^6) \\ U(r) = 0; \\ y \le 0 \\ 0 < y \le 1 \\ y > 1 \end{bmatrix};$$
(7)

where dimensionless separation distance y = (r - 2R/2L) and prefactor $U_0 = (\pi^3/12)(\Sigma R L^3/a^2 N_{\rm in})k_{\rm B}T$ for monomer size *a*,



Fig. 3 USAXS scattering intensity I(q) of radius $R \approx 100$ nm silica nanoparticles grafted with 25 kg mol⁻¹ in 13 kg mol⁻¹ PDMS. The silica core volume fraction range from $\phi_c = 0.02-0.47$.



Fig. 4 Comparison of experimental and theoretical structure factors S(q) for radius $R \approx 100$ nm silica nanoparticles grafted with 25 kg mol⁻¹ PDMS in 13 kg mol⁻¹ PDMS with varying core volume fractions $\phi_c = 0.09-0.47$. Thin solid lines are predictions of S(q) from Percus–Yevick closure from eqn (13) for particles with a size distribution of 109 ± 13 nm obtained from analysis of USAXS intensities.



Fig. 6 Correspondence between the radial distribution function g(r) predicted with Percus–Yevick closure (black) and Monte Carlo simulations (gray) for radius $R \approx 100$ nm silica nanoparticles grafted with 25 kg mol⁻¹ PDMS in 13 kg mol⁻¹ PDMS at $\phi_c = 0.20$. The interactions of the polymer-grafted nanoparticles in the melts were simulated with Mewis–Russell potential in eqn (7).

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Measurement of the Hydrodynamic Radius, R_h



Figure 3. Radius of gyration, R_{g_0} and hydrodyamic radius R_h versus temperature for polystyrene in cyclohexane. Vertical line indicates the phase separation temperature. From Reference [21].

$$[\eta] = \frac{4/3\pi R_H^3}{N} \qquad R_H = \frac{kT}{6\pi\eta D} \qquad \frac{1}{R_H} = \frac{1}{2N^2} \sum_{i=1}^N \sum_{j=1}^N \left\langle \frac{1}{|r_i - r_j|} \right\rangle \qquad \frac{\text{Kirkwood, J. Polym. Sci. 12 I(1953).}}{\frac{\text{http://theor.jinr.ru/~kuzemsky/kirkbio.html}}{N}$$

http://www.eng.uc.edu/~gbeaucag/Classes/Properties/HydrodyamicRadius.pd



Viscosity





Native state has the smallest volume

 $\tau_{xy} = \eta \dot{\gamma}_{xy}$ Shear Flow (may or may not exist in a capillary/Couette geometry)

$$\eta = \eta_0 \left(1 + \phi [\eta] + k_1 \phi^2 [\eta]^2 + k_2 \phi^3 [\eta]^3 + \dots + k_{n-1} \phi^n [\eta]^n \right)$$
(1)

n = order of interaction (2 = binary, 3 = ternary etc.)

$$\frac{1}{\phi} \left(\frac{\eta - \eta_0}{\eta_0} \right) = \frac{1}{\phi} (\eta_r - 1) = \frac{\eta_{sp}}{\phi} \xrightarrow{\text{Limit } \phi \Rightarrow 0} [\eta] = \frac{V_H}{M}$$

We can approximate (1) as:

$$\eta_r = \frac{\eta}{\eta_0} = 1 + \phi[\eta] \exp(K_M \phi[\eta])$$
 Martin Equation

Utracki and Jamieson "Polymer Physics From Suspensions to Nanocomposites and Beyond" 2010 Chapter I

$$\eta = \eta_0 \left(1 + c [\eta] + k_1 c^2 [\eta]^2 + k_2 c^3 [\eta]^3 + \dots + k_{n-1} c^n [\eta]^n \right)$$
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Kulicke & Clasen "Viscosimetry of Polymers and Polyelectrolytes (2004)

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Concentration Effect, c*

Fig. 4.2. Reduced viscosity η_{red} as a function of the concentration *c* for different molar masses of the polycation poly(acrylamide-*co*-(*N*,*N*,*N*-trimethyl-*N*-[2-methacryloethyl]-ammoniumchloride) (PTMAC) in 0.1 mol/I NaNO₃ solution. Data from [87]. All data points are measured at concentrations below the critical concentration $c^*_{[\eta]}$. The copolymer consists of 8 mol% TMAC and 92 mol% AAm

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$$\eta = \eta_0 \left(1 + c [\eta] + k_1 c^2 [\eta]^2 + k_2 c^3 [\eta]^3 + \dots + k_{n-1} c^n [\eta]^n \right)$$
(I)

n = order of interaction (2 = binary, 3 = ternary etc.)

$$\frac{1}{c} \left(\frac{\eta - \eta_0}{\eta_0} \right) = \frac{1}{c} (\eta_r - 1) = \frac{\eta_{sp}}{c} \xrightarrow{\text{Limit } c \Rightarrow 0} [\eta] = \frac{V_H}{M}$$



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Molecular Weight Effect

Fig. 5.4. Reduced viscosity η_{red} as a function of the concentration *c* for sodium poly(styrene sulfonate) (PSSNa) of different molar masses in aqueous solution. The second virial coefficient of the viscosimetry, $K_{\rm H}$ ·[η]², is equivalent to the slope of the curves and is given for each molar mass. The Huggins constant $K_{\rm H}$ is constant and independent of the molar mass. Data from [35, 91]

$$[\eta] = KM^a$$

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Viscosity

$$\boldsymbol{\eta}_{s} = \boldsymbol{\eta}_{0} \left(1 + [\boldsymbol{\eta}] \boldsymbol{\phi} \right)$$

$$[\eta] pprox rac{V_{Molecule}}{M_{Moledule}}$$

For the Native State Mass ~ ρV_{Molecule} Einstein Equation (for Suspension of 3d Objects) $\eta_s = \eta_0 (1 + 2.5\phi)$

For "Gaussian" Chain Mass ~ Size² ~ V^{2/3} V ~ Mass^{3/2}

For "Expanded Coil" Mass ~ Size^{5/3} ~ $V^{5/9}$ V ~ Mass^{9/5}

For "Fractal" Mass ~ Size^{df} ~ V^{df/3} V ~ Mass^{3/df}

$$[\eta] \sim M^{rac{3}{d_f}-1}_{Molecule}$$



Viscosity

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For "Gaussian" Chain Mass ~ Size² ~ V^{2/3} V ~ Mass^{3/2} **"Size" is the "Hydrodynamic Size"** For "Expanded Coil" Mass ~ Size^{5/3} ~ V^{5/9} V ~ Mass^{9/5}

> For "Fractal" Mass ~ Size^{df} ~ V^{df/3} V ~ Mass^{3/df}

$$[\eta] \sim M_{Molecule}^{rac{3}{d_f}-1}$$

$$\eta = \eta_0 \left(1 + c [\eta] + k_1 c^2 [\eta]^2 + k_2 c^3 [\eta]^3 + \dots + k_{n-1} c^n [\eta]^n \right)$$
(1)

n = order of interaction (2 = binary, 3 = ternary etc.)

$$\frac{1}{c} \left(\frac{\eta - \eta_0}{\eta_0} \right) = \frac{1}{c} (\eta_r - 1) = \frac{\eta_{sp}}{c} \xrightarrow{\text{Limit } c \Rightarrow 0} [\eta] = \frac{V_H}{M}$$



Temperature Effect

Fig. 5.5. Zero-shear viscosity η_0 as a function of the temperature *T* for poly (acrylamide) (PAAm) and poly(*N*-iso-propyl-acrylamide) (PipAAm) in aqueous solution (*c*=0.1 wt%). The viscosity for the solvent water as a function of the temperature is plotted as well. Data from [77]

 $\eta_0 = A \exp\left(\frac{E}{k_B T}\right)$

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$$\eta = \eta_0 \left(1 + c [\eta] + k_1 c^2 [\eta]^2 + k_2 c^3 [\eta]^3 + \dots + k_{n-1} c^n [\eta]^n \right)$$
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n = order of interaction (2 = binary, 3 = ternary etc.)

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We can approximate (I) as:

$$\eta_r = \frac{\eta}{\eta_0} = 1 + c[\eta] \exp(K_M c[\eta])$$
 Martin Equation

 $\frac{\eta_{sp}}{c} = [\eta] + k_1 [\eta]^2 c \qquad \text{Huggins Equation}$

$$\frac{\ln(\eta_r)}{c} = [\eta] + k_1 [\eta]^2 c$$
Kraemer Equation
(exponential expansion)

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Intrinsic "viscosity" for colloids (Simha, Case Western)

$$\eta = \eta_0 (1 + v\phi) \qquad \qquad \eta = \eta_0 (1 + [\eta]c)$$

$$[\eta] = \frac{v N_A V_H}{M}$$

For a solid object with a surface v is a constant in molecular weight, depending only on shape

For a symmetric object (sphere)
$$v = 2.5$$
 (Einstein) $[\eta] = \frac{2.5}{\rho} ml/g$

For ellipsoids v is larger than for a sphere,





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$$[\eta] = \frac{vN_A V_H}{M}$$

Hydrodynamic volume for "bound" solvent

$$V_H = \frac{M}{N_A} \left(\overline{v}_2 + \delta_S v_1^0 \right)$$

Partial Specific Volume \overline{v}_2 Bound Solvent (g solvent/g polymer) δ_s Molar Volume of Solvent v_1^0

Intrinsic "viscosity" for colloids (Simha, Case Western)

$$\eta = \eta_0 (1 + v\phi) \qquad \eta = \eta_0 (1 + [\eta]c)$$
$$[\eta] = \frac{vN_A V_H}{M}$$

Long cylinders (TMV, DNA, Nanotubes)

$$[\eta] = \frac{2}{45} \frac{\pi N_A L^3}{M(\ln J + C_\eta)} \qquad \qquad J=L/d$$

$$C_{\eta}$$
 End Effect term ~ 2 ln 2 – 25/12 Yamakawa 1975

Shear Rate Dependence for Polymers

Fig. 5.8. Dynamic viscosity η as a func-

tion of the shear rate \dot{y} for an aqueous

lamide) solution of a comparable de-

gree of polymerization and the same

concentration c=0.1 wt% data from

rate above a critical shear rate \dot{y}_{crit}

xanthan gum and an aqueous poly(acry-

[92]. The viscosity depends on the shear



 $\eta_{\rm red}$



Fig. 5.10. Intrinsic viscosity $[\eta]$ determined at high shear rates y with a capillary viscosimeter and at lower shear rates with a Zimm-Crothers viscosimeter for different xanthan gums in 0.1 mol/l sodium chloride (NaCl) solution at 25 °C. Data from [93]. For strongly shear thinning polymer solutions, only low shear viscosimeters reach the shear rate independent viscosity region

Capillary Viscometer

$$\frac{Volume}{time} = \frac{\pi R^4 \Delta p}{8\eta l}$$
$$\Delta p = \rho g h$$
$$\dot{\gamma}_{Max} = \frac{4Volume}{\pi R^3 time}$$



Fig. 3.2. Velocity profile in a capillary viscosimeter. The fluid velocity v has a parabolic profile with a maximum in the middle of the capillary; the shear rate $\dot{\gamma}$ and the shear stress τ have a maximum at the capillary wall and are zero in the middle of the capillary

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Fig. 5.9. Net diagram for the determination of the intrinsic viscosity $[\eta]$ from measurements of the reduced viscosity at shear rates≠0

Branching and Intrinsic Viscosity

5.5 Branching

Branching in a polymer coil leads for polymers of the same molar mass to changes of the intrinsic viscosity. Although the chemical composition is the same, branched polymers have a higher density ρ_{equ} in solution than linear polymers and therefore



Fig. 5.11. Intrinsic viscosity [η] as a function of the molar mass *M* for linear poly(ethylene) (high density poly(ethylene), HDPE) and longchain branched poly(ethylene) (low density poly(ethylene), LDPE) in tetraline at *T*=120 °C (data from [47, 94]) as well as for a dendrimer with 3,5-dioxybenzylidene units in tetrahydrofuran at *T*=30 °C (data from [47, 95])

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Branching and Intrinsic Viscosity

$$\begin{aligned} R_{g,b,M}^{2} &\leq R_{g,l,M}^{2} \\ g &= \frac{R_{g,b,M}^{2}}{R_{g,l,M}^{2}} \\ g &= \frac{3f-2}{f^{2}} \\ g_{\eta} &= \frac{[\eta]_{b,M}}{[\eta]_{l,M}} = g^{0.58} = \left(\frac{3f-2}{f^{2}}\right)^{0.58} \end{aligned}$$



COURE 1.7 Plots of viscometric branching parameter, g_{η} , versus branch functionality, p, for the chains on a simple cubic lattice (unfilled circles), together with experimental data for star program in the solvents: •, polystyrene in cyclohexane; \blacktriangle , polyisoprene in dioxane. Solid tashed lines represent calculated values via Eqs. (1.70) and (1.71), respectively. (Adapted Shida et al. [2004].)

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Polyelectrolytes and Intrinsic Viscosity



Fig. 5.16. Different behavior of a polyelectrolyte in aqueous solution and a salt solution. At high concentrations of the polyelectrolyte in aqueous solution is the concentration of counter ions inside the polymer coil higher than outside, leading to an expansion of the coil due to osmotic pressure. At low concentrations of the polyelectrolyte in aqueous solution, the polyelectrolyte is highly dissociated, leading to an expansion of the coil due to coulomb repulsion forces. Both expansion effects are compensated in the salt solution



Fig. 5.15. Reduced viscosity η_{red} as a function of the concentration c for the polyelectrolyte sodium poly(styrene sulfonate) in nearly salt free aqueous solution (c_{NaCl} =4×10⁻⁶ mol l⁻¹) and for different molar masses. The concentration is plotted on a logarithmic scale to show the maximum behavior of the viscosity at very low concentrations of the polyelectrolyte. Data from [83, 97]

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Polyelectrolytes and Intrinsic Viscosity



Control and concentration dependence **Concentration** dependence **Concentr**

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Hydrodynamic Radius from Dynamic Light Scattering

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Consider motion of molecules or nanoparticles in solution

Particles move by Brownian Motion/Diffusion The probability of finding a particle at a distance x from the starting point at t = 0 is a Gaussian Function that defines the diffusion Coefficient, D

$$\rho(x,t) = \frac{1}{(4\pi Dt)^{1/2}} e^{-x^2/2(2Dt)}$$
$$\langle x^2 \rangle = \sigma^2 = 2Dt$$

The Stokes-Einstein relationship states that D is related to R_{H} ,

$$D = \frac{kT}{6\pi\eta R_{H}}$$

A laser beam hitting the solution will display a fluctuating scattered intensity at "q" that varies with q since the particles or molecules move in and out of the beam I(q,t)

This fluctuation is related to the diffusion of the particles

For static scattering p(r) is the binary spatial auto-correlation function

We can also consider correlations in time, binary temporal correlation function $g_1(q,\tau)$

For dynamics we consider a single value of q or r and watch how the intensity changes with time I(q,t)

We consider correlation between intensities separated by t We need to subtract the constant intensity due to scattering at different size scales and consider only the fluctuations at a given size scale, r or $2\pi/r = q$

Dynamic Light Scattering



 $a = R_H = Hydrodynamic Radius$

The radius of an equivalent sphere following Stokes' Law

Dynamic Light Scattering

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http://webcache.googleusercontent.com/search?q=cache:eY3xhiX117IJ:en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Dynamic_light_scattering+&cd=1&hl=en&ct=clnk&gl=us

Wiki Einstein Stokes

http://webcache.googleusercontent.com/search?q=cache:yZDPRbqZ1BIJ:en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Einstein relation (kinetic theory)+&cd=1&hl=en&ct=clnk&gl=us
Diffusing Wave Spectroscopy (DWS)

Will need to come back to this after introducing dynamics And linear response theory

http://www.formulaction.com/technology-dws.html

Static Scattering for Fractal Scaling



At intermediate sizes the chain is "self-similar"



At intermediate sizes the chain is "self-similar"

l(q) ∼ N n_e²

N = Number of Intermediate Spheres in the Aggregate





 n_e = Mass of inter. sphere $Nn^2 \sim$

 $Nn_e^2 \sim \left(\frac{r_{\text{int}}}{R_1}\right)^{d_f} \left(\frac{R_2}{R_1}\right)^{d_f} \implies I(q) \sim \left(\frac{R_2}{R_1^2}\right)^{d_f} q^{-d_f}$

The Debye Scattering Function for a Polymer Coil



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Ornstein-Zernike Equation

$$I(q) = \frac{G}{1+q^2\xi^2} \qquad \qquad I(q \Longrightarrow) = \frac{G}{q^2\xi^2}$$

Has the correct functionality at high q Debye Scattering Function =>

$$I(q) = \frac{2}{q^2 R_g^2} \left(q^2 R_g^2 - 1 + \exp(-q^2 R_g^2) \right) \qquad \qquad I(q \Longrightarrow) = \frac{2G}{q^2 R_g^2}$$

So,
$$R_g^2 = 2\zeta^2$$

Ornstein-Zernike Equation

$$I(q) = \frac{G}{1 + q^2 \xi^2} \qquad I(q \Rightarrow 0) = G \exp(-q^2 \xi^2)$$

Has the correct functionality at low q Debye =>

$$I(q) = \frac{2}{q^2 R_g^2} \left(q^2 R_g^2 - 1 + \exp\left(-q^2 R_g^2\right) \right) \qquad I\left(q \Longrightarrow 0\right) = G \exp\left(-\frac{q^2 R_g^2}{3}\right)$$

 $R_g^2 = 3\zeta^2$

The relatoinship between $R_{\rm g}$ and correlation length differs for the two regimes.

How does a polymer chain respond to external perturbation?

The Gaussian Chain

Boltzman Probability For a Thermally Equilibrated System

$$P_B(R) = \exp\left(-\frac{E(R)}{kT}\right)$$

Gaussian Probability For a Chain of End to End Distance R

$$P(R) = \left(\frac{3}{2\pi\sigma^2}\right)^{3/2} \exp\left(-\frac{3(R)^2}{2(\sigma)^2}\right)$$

By Comparison The Energy to stretch a Thermally Equilibrated Chain Can be Written

$$E = kT \frac{3R^2}{2nl_K^2}$$



Tensile Blob

For **Larger Perturbations** of Structure -At small scales, small lever arm, structure remains Gaussian -At large scales, large lever arm, structure becomes linear Perturbation of Structure leads to a structural transition at a

size scale ξ

$$E = kT \frac{3R^2}{2nl_K^2} \qquad \qquad F = \frac{dE}{dR} = \frac{3kT}{nl_K^2}R$$



For weak perturbations of the chain
$$R \approx n^{1/2} l_K \equiv \xi_{Tensile}$$

$$\xi_{Tensile} = \frac{3kT}{F}$$

Application of an external stress to the ends of a chain create a transition size where the coil goes from Gaussian to Linear called the Tensile Blob.

$$F = k_{spr}R = \frac{3kT}{R^{*2}}R$$
$$\xi_{Tensile} \sim \frac{R^{*2}}{R} = \frac{3kT}{F}$$



For sizes larger than the blob size the structure is linear, one conformational state so the conformational entropy is 0. For sizes smaller the blob has the minimum spring constant so the weakest link governs the mechanical properties and the chains are random below this size.

Semi-Dilute Solution Chain Statistics

In dilute solution the coil contains a concentration $c^* \sim 1/[\eta]$

 $c^* = k n/R^3 = k n^{-4/5}$ for good solvent conditions

For semi-dilute solution the coil contains a concentration $c > c^*$

At large sizes the coil acts as if it were in a concentrated solution (c>>>c*), $d_f = 2$. At small sizes the coil acts as if it were in a dilute solution, $d_f = 5/3$. There is a size scale, ξ , where this "scaling transition" occurs.

We have a primary structure of rod-like units, a secondary structure of expanded coil and a tertiary structure of Gaussian Chains.

What is the value of ξ ?

 ξ is related to the coil size R since it has a limiting value of R for c < c* and has a scaling relationship with the reduced concentration c/c*

$$\xi \sim R (c/c^*)^P \sim n^{(3+4P)/5}$$

There are no dependencies on n above c^* so (3+4P)/5 = 0 and P = -3/4

$$\xi \sim R (c/c^*)^{-3/4}$$

Coil Size in terms of the concentration

$$\begin{aligned} \xi &= b \left(\frac{N}{n_{\xi}} \right)^{3/5} \sim \left(\frac{c}{c^{*}} \right)^{-3/4} \\ n_{\xi} &\sim \left(\frac{c}{c^{*}} \right)^{(3/4)(5/3)} = \left(\frac{c}{c^{*}} \right)^{(5/4)} \\ R &= \xi n_{\xi}^{1/2} \sim \left(\frac{c}{c^{*}} \right)^{-3/4} \left(\frac{c}{c^{*}} \right)^{(5/8)} = \left(\frac{c}{c^{*}} \right)^{-1/8} \end{aligned}$$

$$R = \xi n_{\xi}^{1/2} = R_{F0} (c/c^*)^{-3/4} (c/c^*)^{5/8} = R_{F0} (c/c^*)^{-1/8}$$

This is called the "Concentration Blob"

Three regimes of chain scaling in concentration.

In dilute solution the chain displays good solvent scaling in most cases, $d_f = 5/3$. When the concentration is increased above the overlap concentration, c^* , a concentration blob, ξ_c , is introduced between R_g and l_p . For sizes larger than the blob size, screening of interactions leads to Gaussian scaling, $d_f = 2$. For sizes smaller than the screening length of blob size, the chains are not screened and good solvent scaling is observed. The blob size follows

$$\xi \sim R \left(\frac{c}{c^*}\right)^{-3/4}$$
 until a concentration where $\xi = l_p$. At that concentrations above c**,
 $c^{**} \sim c^* \left(\frac{R}{l_p}\right)^{4/3}$, the chain is in a concentrated condition and all interactions are screened so

that the chain has a Gaussian configuration, $d_f = 2$.



Figure 3. Radius of gyration, R_{g_0} and hydrodyamic radius R_h versus temperature for polystyrene in cyclohexane. Vertical line indicates the phase separation temperature. From Reference [21].

Chain expands from the theta condition to fully expanded gradually. At small scales it is Gaussian, at large scales expanded (opposite of concentration blob).

$$E = kT \left(\frac{3R^2}{2nl_K^2} + \frac{n^2 V_c}{2R^3} \right) \qquad \qquad E = kT \left(\frac{3R^2}{2nl_K^2} + \frac{n^2 V_c (1 - 2\chi)}{2R^3} \right)$$

$$\Delta \varepsilon = (\varepsilon_{pp} + \varepsilon_{SS})/2 - \varepsilon_{pS}$$

$$\chi = \frac{z\Delta\varepsilon}{kT}$$

$$V_{c,enthalpic} = V_c(1 - 2\chi)$$

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$$E = kT \left(\frac{3R^2}{2nl_K^2} + \frac{n^2 V_c}{2R^3} \right) \qquad \qquad E = kT \left(\frac{3R^2}{2nl_K^2} + \frac{n^2 V_c (1 - 2\chi)}{2R^3} \right)$$

$$E = kT \left(\frac{3R^2}{2nl_{\kappa}^2} + \frac{n^2 V_c (1 - 2\chi)}{2R^3} \right)$$

Energy Depends on n, a chain with a mer unit of length 1 and n = 10000 could be re cast (renormalized) as a chain of unit length 100 and n = 100The energy changes with n so depends on the definition of the base unit

Smaller chain segments have less entropy so phase separate first. We expect the chain to become Gaussian on small scales first. This is the opposite of the concentration blob.

Cooling an expanded coil leads to local chain structure collapsing to a Gaussian structure first. As the temperature drops further the Gaussian blob becomes larger until the entire chain is Gaussian at the theta temperature.

$$R = N_T^{3/5} \xi_T = \left(\frac{N}{n_T}\right)^{3/5} \xi_T = \left(\frac{N}{\left(\frac{\xi_T}{l}\right)^2}\right)^{3/5} \xi_T = N^{3/5} \xi_T^{-1/5} l^{6/5}$$

Flory-Krigbaum Theory yields:
$$R = V_c^{\frac{1}{5}} (1 - 2\chi)^{\frac{1}{5}} N^{\frac{3}{5}} l^{\frac{2}{5}}$$

By equating these:

$$\xi_{T} = \frac{l}{(1-2\chi)}$$



Fig. 1: Silica particles as collected by conventional thermophoretic sampling (TS) along the axis of a premixed flame of hexamethyldisiloxane and oxygen [1,2]. Using aluminum foil in-stead of TEM grids and performing multiple sampling from the same location in the flame, the Al-probe was covered with a silica monolayer [1] (as indicated in Fig. 2).





Fig. 4: Transmission electron micrographs of silica nanoparticles at production rates of 150 (top row) and 300 g/h (bottom row) using 12.5 l/min air (a,b) or O₂ as dispersion gas without (c,d) and with (e,f) additional 25 l/min of O₂ sheath flow using 1.26 M HMDSO in EtOH. 167





Polymer Chains are Mass-Fractals

$\mathbf{R}_{RMS} = \mathbf{n}^{1/2} \mathbf{I}$	Mass ~ Size ²
3-d object	Mass ~ Size ³
2-d object	Mass ~ Size ²
I-d object	Mass ~ Size ¹

df-object

Mass ~ Size^{df}

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This leads to odd properties:

density
$$\rho = \frac{Mass}{Volume} = \frac{Mass}{Size^3} = \frac{Size^{a_f}}{Size^3} \sim Size^{d_f-3}$$

For a 3-d object density doesn't depend on size, For a 2-d object density drops with Size Larger polymers are less dense

How Complex Mass Fractal Structures Can be Decomposed



d_{f}	=	$d_{\min}c$
d_{f}	=	$d_{\min}c$

Z	df	р	dmin	S	С	R/d
27	1.36	12	1.03	22	1.28	11.2

Disk



$$d_f = 2$$

 $d_{\min} = 1$
 $c = 2$

Extended β-sheet (misfolded protein)

Random Coil



Unfolded Gaussian chain





Primary Size for Fractal Aggregates

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- -Particle counting from TEM
- -Gas adsorption V/S => d_P
- -Static Scattering R_g , d_P
- -Dynamic Light Scattering



Figure 2. TEM picture of titania (TiO₂) fractal aggregates with $D \simeq 1.8$ produced by pyrolysis of Titanium Isopropoxide.

http://www.phys.ksu.edu/personal/sor/publications/2001/light.pdf

Cryo Scanning Electron Microscopy

A scanning electron micrograph of a frozen sample was taken. The sizes of the particles visible on the picture were measured individually with a ruler and used to calculate a number-mean, D(1,0), a volume-mean, D(4,3) and a number-distribution.



Number Mean - D(1,0) = 45.2 nm Volume Mean - D(4,3) = 68.0 nm

Note : due to the limited number (82) of particles measured this result is only indicative.

http://www.koboproductsinc.com/Downloads/PS-Measurement-Poster-V40.pdf

Primary Size for Fractal Aggregates

Particle counting from TEM Gas adsorption V/S => d_p Static Scattering R_g, d_p Dynamic Light Scattering

Dynamic Light Scattering

To evaluate repeatability and robustness, the measure was made 8 times, using 3 different dilutions. The following graph presents one of these measures, expressed as intensity-distribution, volume-distribution and number (length)-distribution.

Neasure on Nicomp Model 370 - samples diluted in chloroform to 200-350 kHz.



The following table shows the averaged results for the 8 measurements. Precision is calculated as the Relative Standard Deviation of the measurements.

Mean Calculation	Particle Size	Precision
Intensity Weighting	127.9 nm	2%
Volume Weighting	71.6 nm	16 %
Number Weighting	36.2 nm	25 %

For static scattering p(r) is the binary spatial auto-correlation function

We can also consider correlations in time, binary temporal correlation function $g_1(q,\tau)$

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Wiki Einstein Stokes

http://webcache.googleusercontent.com/search?q=cache:yZDPRbqZ1BIJ:en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Einstein relation (kinetic theory)+&cd=1&hl=en&ct=clnk&gl=us

Gas Adsorption

 $\theta = \frac{\text{adsorbed sites}}{\text{total sites (N)}}$

 $A + S \iff AS$



Fig. 2. Adsorption isotherms of the samples tested with Ar at 87.5 K.



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Gas Adsorption



Multilayer adsorption

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Fig. 1. Adsorption isotherm types defined by Brunauer [6].



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Fig. 3. Pore-size distribution according to the BJH method.

http://www.eng.uc.edu/~gbeaucag/Classes/Nanopowders/GasAdsorptionReviews/ReviewofGasAdsorptionGOodOne.pdf

From gas adsorption obtain surface area by number of gas atoms times an area for the adsorbed gas atoms in a monolayer

Have a volume from the mass and density.

So you have S/V or V/S

Assume sphere S = $4\pi \mathbf{R}^2$, V = $4/3 \pi \mathbf{R}^3$

So $d_p = 6V/S$

Sauter Mean Diameter $d_p = \langle R^3 \rangle / \langle R^2 \rangle$

Log-Normal Distribution



Geometric standard deviation and geometric mean (median)

Gaussian is centered at the Mean and is symmetric. For values that are positive (size) we need an asymmetric distribution function that has only values for greater than 1. In random processes we have a minimum size with high probability and diminishing probability for larger values.



Log-Normal Distribution

$$f(R) = \frac{1}{R\sigma(2\pi)^{1/2}} \exp\left\{-\frac{\left[\log(R/m)\right]^2}{2\sigma^2}\right\},\,$$

$$\langle R^r \rangle = m^r \exp(r^2 \sigma^2/2) = \exp(r\mu + r^2 \sigma^2/2)$$

$$\langle R \rangle = m \exp(\sigma^2/2)$$



Mean

$$\sigma_g = \exp(\sigma) \quad \mathbf{x}_g = \exp(m)$$

Geometric standard deviation and geometric mean (median)

Static Scattering Determination of Log Normal Parameters

$$\ln \sigma_{g} = \sigma = \left\{ \frac{\ln \left[B(R_{g}^{2})^{2} / (1.62G) \right]}{12} \right\}^{1/2} = \left(\frac{\ln \text{PDI}}{12} \right)^{1/2} \quad (17)$$
and
$$m = \left\{ 5R_{g}^{2} / [3 \exp(14\sigma^{2})] \right\}^{1/2}, \quad (18)$$



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Primary Size for Fractal Aggregates





Figure 2

USAXS data from aggregated nanoparticles (circles) showing unified fits (bold grey lines), primary particle Guinier and Porod functions at high q, the intermediate mass fractal scaling regime and the aggregate Guinier regime (dashed lines). (a) Fumed titania sample with multi-grain particles and low-q excess scattering due to soft agglomerates. $d_{VIS} = 16.7$ nm (corrected to 18.0 nm), PDI = 3.01 ($\sigma_g = 1.35$), $R_g = 11.2$ nm, $d_f = 1.99$, $z_{2:1} = 175$, $z_{R_g} = 226$, $R_{g2} = 171$ nm. From gas adsorption, $d_p = 16.2$ nm. (b) Fumed zirconia sample (Mueller *et al.*, 2004) with single-grain particles, as shown in the inset. The primary particles for this sample have high polydispersity leading to the observed hump near the primary particle scattering regime. $d_{VIS} = 20.3$ nm, PDI = 10.8 ($\sigma_g = 1.56$), $R_g = 26.5$ nm, $d_f = 2.90$. From gas adsorption, $d_p = 19.7$ nm.

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Primary Size for Fractal Aggregates





Figure 3

(a) S/V from SAXS for titania particles produced by vapor-phase pyrolysis of titania tetraisopropoxide by Kammler et al. (2002, 2003). The SAXS S/V can be made to agree with the BET value by subtraction of 27 m² cm⁻³. (b) d_{VSS} from USAXS [and corrected from (a)] versus d_p from BET analysis of gas adsorption data for a series of titania samples produced by Kammler (triangles and filled circles), and samples made in a quenched-spray flame from Wegner & Pratsinis (2003) (crosses, singlegrain particles). The calculated $d_{3,2}$ from TEM micrographs for the Kammler samples is also shown (filled squares). (c) d_{VS} from USAXS versus d_p from BET for fumed zirconia samples of Mueller et al. (2004).



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Figure 4 (0)

(a) Comparison of the median particle size from exp.m, with m defined by equation (18), and the median particle size calculated from an analysis of TEM data on TiO₂. (b) Mean particle size, (R) from USAXS, equation (2) with r = 1, and from TEM (Kammler et al., 2003) for the same samples as Figs. 3(a) and 3(b).

Primary Size for Fractal Aggregates



Figure 5

3.1 g h⁻¹ titania. (a) Repeat USAXS runs on a non-aggregated titania powder (Fig. 1). (b) Particle size distributions from TEM (circles; Kammler et al., 2003), equations (1), (2), (17) and (18) using PDI and R_g , and using the maximum-entropy program of Jemian (Jemian et al., 1991). Distribution curves are shifted vertically for clarity. $d_{VIS} = 34.9$ nm, PDI = 14.4 ($\sigma_g = 1.60$), $R_g = 44.2$ nm.



Fractal Aggregate Primary Particles



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Fractal Aggregates and Agglomerates Aggregate growth

Some Issues to Consider for Aggregation/Agglomeration

Path of Approach, Diffusive or Ballistic (Persistence of velocity for particles) Concentration of Monomers persistence length of velocity compared to mean separation distance Branching and structural complexity

What happens when monomers or clusters get to a growth site: Diffusion Limited Aggregation Reaction Limited Aggregation

Chain Growth (Monomer-Cluster), Step Growth (Monomer-Monomer to Cluster-Cluster) or a Combination of Both (mass versus time plots)

> Cluster-Cluster Aggregation Monomer-Cluster Aggregation Monomer-Monomer Aggregation

DLCA Diffusion Limited Cluster-Cluster Aggregation RLCA Reaction Limited Cluster Aggregation

Post Growth: Internal Rearrangement/Sintering/Coalescence/Ostwald Ripening

Aggregate growth

Consider what might effect the dimension of a growing aggregate. Transport Diffusion/Ballistic Growth Early/Late (0-d point => Linear 1-d => Convoluted 2-d => Branched 2+d) Speed of Transport Cluster, Monomer Shielding of Interior Rearrangement Sintering Primary Particle Shape

DLA df = 2.5 Monomer-Cluster (Meakin 1980 Low Concentration) DLCA df = 1.8 (Higher Concentration Meakin 1985)

Ballistic Monomer-Cluster (low concentration) df = 3Ballistic Cluster-Cluster (high concentration) df = 1.95

Aggregate growth

Colloids with Strongly attractive forces



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NEAR EQUILIBRIUM: Ostwald Ripening



Kinetic Growth: DIFFUSION LIMITED





Kinetic Growth: CHEMICALLY LIMITED





Reaction Limited, Short persistence of velocity

Precipitated Silica

Aggregate growth

Sticking Law



Cluster-Cluster Growth



Aggregate growth

Transport



Diffusion-Limited

Ballistic

Reaction-Limited (Independent of transport)

Aggregate growth

Aggregation Models

Eden Model particles are added at random with equal probability to any unoccupied site adjacent to one or more occupied sites (Surface Fractals are Produced) Vold-Sutherland Model particles with random **linear** trajectories are added to a growing cluster of particles at the position where they first contact the cluster

Witten-Sander Model particles with random **Brownian** trajectories are added to a growing cluster of particles at the position where they first contact the cluster



FIG. 8. Dependence of $\ln (N(l))$ on $\ln (l)$ for eight clusters grown using the WS model of diffusionlimited cluster formation on a three-dimensional cubic lattice.



In RLCA a "sticking probability is introduced in the random growth process of clusters. This increases the dimension. particles are assembled into randomly oriented dimers. Dimers are coupled at random to construct tetramers, then octoamers etc. This is a stepgrowth process except that all reactions occur synchronously (monodisperse system).

Sutherland Model pairs of

In DLCA the "sticking probability is I. Clusters follow random walk.



Aggregate growth

Analysis of Fractals

Log(N) = D Log(R)



Aggregate growth

Self Similarity









Primary: Primary Particles Secondary: Aggregates Tertiary: Agglomerates



Primary: Primary Particles

Tertiary: Agglomerates

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Hierarchy of Polymer Chain Dynamics

Dilute Solution Chain Dynamics of the chain

5.1 Response Functions

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$$x(t) = \int_{-\infty}^{t} dt' \exp\left(-k_{spr}(t-t')/\xi\right) g(t'$$

The exponential term is the "response function" response to a pulse perturbation

Fig. 5.4. Primary response function of a damped harmonic oscillator (a), a perfectly viscous body (b), a Hookean solid (c), a simple relaxatory system (d)

Dilute Solution Chain Dynamics of the chain



Damped Harmonic Oscillator

$$x(t) = \int_{-\infty}^{t} dt' \exp\left(-k_{spr}(t-t')/\xi\right) g(t')$$



For Brownian motion of a harmonic bead in a solvent this response function can be used to calculate the time correlation function <x(t)x(0)> for DLS for instance

$$\langle x(t)x(0)\rangle = \int_{-\infty}^{t} dt_1 \int_{-\infty}^{0} dt_2 \exp\left[-k_{spr}\left(t - t_1 - t_2\right)/\xi\right] \langle g(t_1)g(t_2)\rangle$$

$$\langle g(t_1)g(t_2)\rangle = \frac{2kT}{\xi} \partial(t_1 - t_2)$$

$$\langle x(t)x(0)\rangle = \frac{kT}{k_{spr}} \exp\left(-t/\tau\right)$$

 τ is a relaxation time.

$$\tau = \frac{\xi}{k_{spr}}$$

Dilute Solution Chain

Dynamics of the chain

Rouse Motion



$$E = \frac{k_{spr}}{2} \sum_{i=1}^{N} (R_i - R_{i-1})^2$$

$$\frac{dR_i}{dt} = \frac{-(dE/dR_i)}{\xi} + g_i(t)$$

 $\xi = 6\pi\eta_{solvent}a$

Beads 0 and N are special

For Beads I to N-I

$$\frac{dR_i}{dt} = \frac{-k_{spr}}{\xi} \left(R_{i+1} + R_{i-1} - 2R_i \right) + g_i(t)$$

For Bead 0 use $R_{-1} = R_0$ and for bead N $R_{N+1} = R_N$

This is called a closure relationship



$$\frac{dR_i}{dt} = \frac{-k_{spr}}{\xi} \left(R_{i+1} + R_{i-1} - 2R_i \right) + g_i(t)$$

The Rouse unit size is arbitrary so we can make it very small and:

$$\frac{dR}{dt} = \frac{-k_{spr}}{\xi} \frac{d^2 R}{di^2} + g_i(t) \qquad \text{With } dR/dt = 0 \text{ at } i = 0 \text{ and } N$$

$$\frac{d^2 R}{di^2} \qquad \text{Reflects the curvature of R in i,}$$
it describes modes of vibration like on a guitar string



$$\frac{d^2 R}{di^2}$$
 Describes modes of vibration like on a guitar string

For the "p' th" mode (0' th mode is the whole chain (string))

$$k_{spr,p} = \frac{2p^2 \pi^2 k_{spr}}{N} = \frac{6\pi^2 kT}{Nb^2} p^2 \qquad \xi_p = 2N\xi \qquad \xi_0 = N\xi$$

$$\tau_p = \frac{\xi_p}{k_{spr,p}} = \frac{2N^2 b^2 \xi}{3\pi^2 p^2 kT}$$



Predicts that the viscosity will follow N which is true for low molecular weights in the melt and for fully draining polymers in solution

Rouse model predicts Relaxation time follows N² (actually follows N³/df) Diffusion constant follows I/N (zeroth order mode is translation of the molecule) (actually follows N^{-1/df}) Both failings are due to hydrodynamic interactions (incomplete draining of coil) Dilute Solution Chain Dynamics of the chain Rouse Motion



Predicts that the viscosity will follow N which is true for low molecular weights in the melt and for fully draining polymers in solution



of the left and right straight line regions are 1.0 and 3.4, respectively. [G. C. Berry and T. G.

tz. Polym. Sci., 5, 261-357 (1968).]

Rouse model predicts Relaxation time follows N² (actually follows N³/df) Hierarchy of Entangled Melts

Hierarchy of Entangled Melts

Chain dynamics in the melt can be described by a small set of "physically motivated, material-specific paramters"

Tube Diameter d⊤ Kuhn Length Iĸ Packing Length p



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Unconstrained motion => S(q) goes to 0 at very long times

Each curve is for a different q = I/size

At small size there are less constraints (within the tube)

At large sizes there is substantial constraint (the tube)

By extrapolation to high times a size for the tube can be obtained

dт



Fig. 6.8. Results of a quasielastic neutron scattering experiment on a melt of poly(ethylene-co-propylenc) at 199 °C (10% protonated chains dissolved in a deuterated matrix; $M = 8.6 \cdot 10^4$): Intermediate scattering laws measured at the indicated scattering vectors (*top*); data representation using the dimensionless variable $u = q^2(12kTa_R^2t/(R)^{1/2}$ (bottom). From Richter et al. [67]



There are two regimes of hierarchy in time dependence Small-scale unconstrained Rouse behavior Large-scale tube behavior

We say that the tube follows a "primitive path" This path can "relax" in time = Tube relaxation or Tube Renewal

Without tube renewal the Reptation model predicts that viscosity follows N^3 (observed is $N^{3.4}$)



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Reptation predicts that the diffusion coefficient will follow N² (Experimentally it follows N²) Reptation has some experimental verification Where it is not verified we understand that tube renewal is the main issue.

(Rouse Model predicts $D \sim I/N$)

Reptation of DNA in a concentrated solution

6.4 Hydrodynamic Interaction in Solutions



Fig. 6.13. Series of images of a fluorescently stained DNA chain embedded in a concentrated solution of unstained chains: Initial conformation (*left*); partial stretching by a rapid move of the bead at one end (*second from the left*); chain recoil by a reptative motion in the tube (*subsequent pictures to the right*). Reprinted with permission from T.Perkins, D.E.Smith and S.Chu. *Science*, 264:819, 1994. Copyright (1994) American Association for the Advancement of Science

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Simulation of the tube



Fig. 3. Result of the primitive-path analysis of a melt of 200 chains of N + 1 = 350 beads. We show the primitive path of one chain (red) together with all of those it is entangled with (blue). The primitive paths of all other chains in the system are shown as thin lines.



Fig. 3. A representative amorphous polymer sample and the corresponding network of primitive paths.

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Simulation of the tube

Plateau Modulus

Not Dependent on N, Depends on T and concentration





Fig. 5.15. Storage shear moduli measured for a series of fractions of PS with different molecular weights in the range $M = 8.9 \cdot 10^3$ to $M = 5.81 \cdot 10^5$. The dashed line in the upper right corner indicates the slope corresponding to the power law Eq. (6.81) derived for the Rouse-model of the glass-transition. Data from Onogi et al.[54]

Kuhn Length- conformations of chains $\langle R^2 \rangle = I_{\kappa}L$

Packing Length- length were polymers interpenetrate $p = 1/(\rho_{chain} < R^2 >)$ where ρ_{chain} is the number density of monomers
Fig. 2. Dimensionless plateau moduli Gl $k/k_{\rm B}T$ as a function of the dimensionless ratio I_{κ}/p of Kuhn length l_{κ} and packing length p. The figure contains (i) experimentally measured plateau moduli for polymer melts (25) (+; colors mark different groups of polymers as indicated) and semidilute solutions (26-28) (×); (ii) plateau moduli inferred from the normal tensions measured in computer simulation of bead-spring melts (35, 36) (1) and a semi-



atomistic polycarbonate melt (37) (\diamond) under an elongational strain; and (iii) predictions of the tube model Eq. 1 based on the results of our primitive-path analysis for bead-spring melts (\blacksquare), bead-spring semidilute solutions (\bullet), and the semi-atomistic polycarbonate melt (\diamond). The line indicates the best fit to the experimental data for polymer melts by Fetters *et al.* (24). Errors for all the simulation data are smaller than the symbol size.

this implies that $d\tau \sim p$



Fig. 1. Schematic representation of dual slip-links. (a) Chains coupled by virtual links. (b) Dual slip-links. (c) Real space representation of the corresponding network of primitive paths.



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Block Copolymers

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Block Copolymers

SBR Rubber









Figure 9. Schematics of block, star, and graft amphiphilic block copolymers.



Figure I. Illustration of model I (left) and II (right) of the AB-diblock copolymer micelle in a selective solvent (lower panel) and the volume fraction profiles of the polymer blocks (upper panel) applied for the large core case $(N_A >> N_B)$ and the small core case $(N_A << N_B)$, respectively.

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Hierarchy in BCP's and Micellar Systems

$$HO - \left(CH_{2}CH_{2}O\right)_{n/2} \left(CH_{2}CH_{0}\right)_{m} \left(CH_{2}CH_{2}O\right)_{n/2} H$$

Pluronics (PEO/PPO block copolymers)

We consider primary structure as the block nature of the polymer chain.

This is similar to hydrophobic and hydrophilic interactions in proteins.

These cause a secondary self-organization into rods/spheres/sheets.

A tertiary organization of these secondary structures occurs.

There are some similarities to proteins but BCP's are extremely simple systems by comparison.

What is the size of a Block Copolymer Domain?

Masao Doi, Introduction to Polymer Physics

-For and symmetric A-B block copolymer -Consider a lamellar structure with $\Phi = 1/2$ -Layer thickness D in a cube of edge length L, surface energy σ - so larger D means less surface and a lower Free Energy F. $F_{surface} \cong 2\sigma \frac{L}{D}L^2$ -The polymer chain is stretched as D increases. The free energy of a stretched chain as a function of the extension length D is given by

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$$F_{stretch} \cong kT \frac{D^2}{Nb^2} \frac{L^3}{Nv_c}$$
 where N is the degree of polymerization for A or B,

b is the step length per N unit, vc is the excluded volume for a unit step So the stretching free energy, F, increases with D².

-To minimize the free energies we have

$$D \cong \left(\frac{\sigma N^2 b^2 v_c}{kT}\right)^{1/3} \sim N^{2/3}$$

Chain Scaling (Long-Range Interactions)

Long-range interactions are interactions of chain units separated by such a great index difference that we have no means to determine if they are from the same chain other than following the chain over great distances to determine the connectivity. That is, Orientation/continuity or polarity and other short range linking properties are completely lost.

Long-range interactions occur over short spatial distances (as do all interactions).

Consider chain scaling with no long-range interactions.

The chain is composed of a series of steps with no orientational relationship to each other.

So < R > = 0

<R²> has a value:

$$\langle R^2 \rangle = \sum_i \sum_j r_i \cdot r_j = \sum_i r_i \cdot r_i + \sum_i \sum_{j \neq i} r_i \cdot r_j$$

We assume no long range interactions so that the second term can be 0.

$$\langle R^2 \rangle = Nr^2$$