Excluded volume effect



intrachain volume exclusion

- 'long-range interaction'
- gives larger dimension
- $\Box < r^2 >_{\text{EV}} = \alpha^2 < r^2 >_{\text{RIS}}$
 - in good solvent
 - » Repulsion(polymer-polymer) > Repulsion(polymer-solvent)
 - » chain expands, $\alpha > 1$
 - » by Flory-Krigbaum, $\alpha^5 \alpha^3 = C n^{\frac{1}{2}} \psi (1 \theta/T)$
 - C ~ const, ψ ~ entropy factor, θ ~ theta temp
 - $\alpha^5 >> \alpha^3 \rightarrow \alpha \propto n^{0.1}$; $< r^2 >_{RIS} = C_{\infty} n l^2$
 - $< r^2 >_{EV} \propto n^{0.6} (exp't < r^2 > \propto n^{0.59})$





- in poor solvent
 - » Repulsion(polymer-polymer) < Repulsion(polymer-solvent)</pre>
 - » chain shrinks, $\alpha < 1$
- in a condition between good and poor solvent
 - » where $\alpha = 1$
 - » Repulsion(polymer-polymer) = Repulsion(polymer-solvent)
 - » chain neither expands nor shrinks
 - » 'phantom' or 'ghost' chain
 - » 'theta (Θ) condition'
 - in a theta solvent/temperature
 - » polymer is in 'unperturbed state'
 - unperturbed by environment (solvent)

»
$$< r^2 >_{EV} = < r^2 >_{RIS} = < r^2 >_0$$

» in Flory-Krigbaum eqn, α = 1 \rightarrow <r2> \propto n^{0.5}

Real chain in bulk ~ 'random coil'

□ In bulk amorphous state

- polymer chain instead of solvent
- Repulsion(polymer-polymer, intra)
 = Repulsion(polymer-polymer, inter)
- Chains are in unperturbed state
- $< r^2 > = < r^2 >_0 = r_{\theta}^2 = < r^2 >_{RIS}$
- proposed by Flory; proved by SANS exp't
- also in the melt state
- also in the semicrystalline state (dimension)
- RIS model describes the state of single chain in bulk (melt, amorphous, semicrystalline).
 - crystal structure ~ conformation with the lowest energy



Distribution of r

□ r, e-t-e distance

- average = $< r^2 > \frac{1}{2}$
- distribution? probability of finding the chain end
- □ random-flight analysis
 - random flight (3-D) \rightarrow random walk (2-D)

$$P(l_{x})dl_{x} = \frac{2\pi l(\sin\psi)l \,d\psi}{2\pi l^{2}} = \sin\psi \,d\psi \qquad (2.77)$$
$$= \left(\frac{1}{2}\right)^{2k} \frac{(2k)!}{k!k!}$$
$$\langle l_{x}^{2} \rangle = \int_{0}^{1} l_{x}^{2} P(l_{x}) dl_{x} = \int_{0}^{\pi/2} l^{2} \cos^{2}\psi \,\sin\psi \,d\psi \qquad (2.78)$$

By substitution in eq. (2.78) of $t = \cos \psi$ and $dt = -\sin \psi d\psi$

$$\langle l_{\tau}^{2} \rangle = l^{2} \int_{0}^{-1} -t^{2} dt = \frac{l^{2}}{3}$$

 $(\langle l_{\tau}^{2} \rangle)^{1/2} = \frac{l}{\sqrt{3}}$ (2.79)





Ch 2 #4

distance walked along x-axis

$$x = (n_{+} - n_{-}) \frac{1}{\sqrt{3}} = (1/\sqrt{3}) m m = n_{+} - n_{-}$$

probability of a (n₊/n₋)

$$P(n_{+}, n_{-}) = \left(\frac{1}{2}\right)^{n} \frac{n!}{n_{+}!n_{-}!} \qquad P(n, m) = \left(\frac{1}{2}\right)^{n} \frac{1}{n_{+}!n_{-}!}$$

$$(n, m) = \left(\frac{1}{2}\right)^n \frac{n!}{\left(\frac{n+m}{2}\right)!} \left(\frac{n-m}{2}\right)!$$
(2.82)

- Stirling's approximation
 - » for large n, n>>m, m/n<<1
 - » N! = N^N $e^{N} (2\pi x)^{\frac{1}{2}}$ and following (2.83) through (2.88)
 - » or using ln N! = N ln N N + $\frac{1}{2}$ ln 2π + $\frac{1}{2}$ ln N

$$P(n, m) = \sqrt{\frac{2}{\pi n}} \exp(-m^2/2n)$$
 (2.89)

- P(m,n) → P(x) Δx ~ probability of x betw x and x+dx » m = ($\sqrt{3}/I$)x
 - » m changes by 2 \rightarrow x changes by 2 $I/\sqrt{3} \rightarrow \Delta x = 2 I/\sqrt{3}$

$$P(x)dx = \sqrt{\frac{3}{2\pi} \left(\frac{1}{\sqrt{n}}\right)} \exp(-\frac{3x^2}{2nl^2}) dx \quad (2.90) \quad \sim \text{Gaussian distribution}$$

for 3-D, probability of finding the chain end in dxdydz (vol)

$$P(x, y, z)dx dy dz = \left(\frac{3}{2\pi n l^2}\right)^{3/2} \exp(-3(x^2 + y^2 + z^2)/2n l^2)dx dy dz$$
$$P(x, y, z)dx dy dz = \left(\frac{3}{2\pi n l^2}\right)^{3/2} \exp(-3r^2/2n l^2)dx dy dz$$
$$P(x, y, z)dx dy dz = \left(\frac{3}{2\pi \langle r^2 \rangle_0}\right)^{3/2} \exp(-3r^2/2\langle r^2 \rangle_0)dx dy dz$$

 $\gg < r^2 > = n l^2$ for FJC or Kuhn chain

- P(x,y,z)
 - » P_{max} at the origin \leftarrow random flight
 - » fast decreasing
- $P(x,y,z) \rightarrow P(r) \sim \text{prob of } r \text{ betw } r \text{ and } r+dr$
 - » radial distribution of r



$$P(r)dr = P(x, y, z)dx dy dz \left(\frac{4\pi r^2 dr}{dx dy dz}\right) = 4\pi r^2 \left(\frac{3}{2\pi \langle r^2 \rangle_0}\right)^{3/2} \exp(-3r^2/2\langle r^2 \rangle_0)dr$$

- » P_{max} <u>not</u> at the origin
- » P_{max} at r= (2/3)^{1/2}n I² = .82<r²>^{1/2} (of FJC or Kuhn chain)

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$$< r^2 > = \int r^2 P(r) dr / \int P(r) dr = n I^2$$

Kuhn chain

- □ Kuhn chain = statistical segment
 - = (statistically) equivalent (freely jointed) chain
- Kuhn (chain) length, l'
 - $n' l'^2 = \langle r^2 \rangle_0 = r_{\theta}^2 = C_{\infty} n l^2$
 - n' l' = r_{max} (max or contour length) = f nl
 - $I' = r_{\theta}^2 / r_{max} = (C_{\infty}/f) I$
 - a measure of axial correlation length
 - for PE

»
$$C_{\infty} = 6.7$$
, $r_{max} = (\cos 35) n I = .83 n I$

» l' = 8.2 l, n' = 0.1 n



Persistence length

Persistence length, a

- average projection of r to a bond
- Iength over the chain persists in one direction

» a =
$$\langle (\mathbf{r}_i / \mathbf{I}) \Sigma \mathbf{r}_j \rangle$$

»
$$_{0} = n |l^{2} + 2 < \Sigma \Sigma \mathbf{r}_{i} \mathbf{r}_{j} > = C_{\infty} n |l^{2}$$

»
$$a = (C_{\infty} + 1) | / 2$$

- a measure of axial correlation length also
- for PE, a ~ 4 I



RIS Application to polymers

- □ interactions
 - conformation-dependent interactions
 - \rightarrow potential (conformational) energies \rightarrow structure, size
 - inherent torsional potential
 - » ecliped staggered
 - » $E_{tor} = (E^0/2) (1 \cos 3\phi)$
 - ♦ E⁰ for eclipsed
 - nonbonded interaction
 - » London dispersion force
 - » Lennard-Jones potential

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$$E_{kl} = a_{kl} \exp[-b r_{kl}] - c_{kl}/r_{k}^{16}$$

- dipole interaction
 - » $E_d = e^{-1} [\Sigma q_i q_j / r_{ij}]$

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$$E_{\{\phi\}} = \Sigma E_{tor} + \Sigma E_{kl} + \Sigma E_{d}$$





Polyethylene

- 1. geometric parameters
 - from exp't with model comp'd (*n*-alkane)
 - WAXS, ED, etc
- 2. choose interaction parameters
 - r(HH), r(CH), r(CC)
 - a(HH), a(CH), a(CC)
 - E0
 - to give best fit to exp't results of model comp'd



PE (2)

- 3. draw conformational energy map
 - for n-butane ~ 1st-order interaction
 - for n-pentane ~ 2nd-order interaction



- 4. establish chain molecule
 - $\phi(T) \sim 0^{\circ}, \phi(TG) \sim 4^{\circ}$
 - φ(G) ~ 112°, φ(GG) ~ 110°



PE (3)

- 5. determine statistical weights
 - Ist-order interaction, D
 - 2nd-order interaction, V
 - $\mathbf{U} = \mathbf{V} \mathbf{D}$

hts

$$\mathbf{D} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & \sigma & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & \sigma \end{bmatrix} \quad \mathbf{V} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 & 1 \\ 0 & \psi & \omega \\ 0 & \omega & \psi \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\mathbf{U} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & \sigma & \sigma \\ 0 & \sigma \psi & \sigma \omega \\ 0 & \sigma \psi & \sigma \omega \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & \sigma & \sigma \\ 0 & \sigma & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & \sigma \end{bmatrix} \quad (\psi \sim 1, \omega \sim 0)$$

- 6. do RIS calculation
 - $<\mathbf{r}^2>_0 = 2 \mathbf{Z}^{-1} \mathcal{J}^* \mathbf{G}^n \mathcal{J}$
 - with **U**, I, θ , ϕ
- 7. adjust U to fit exp'tal values of <r²>₀ and d[ln <r²>₀]/dT
 with E⁰, a, c, φ

PE (4)

□ results

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$$\langle r^2 \rangle_0 = 6.7 \text{ n } l^2 \text{ at } 400 \text{ K}$$

 $\sigma = u(G)/u(T) = 0.5, \omega = u(GG')/u(TT) = 0.01$
 $P(T) = 0.62, P(G) = P(G') = 0.19$

temperature coefficient
 d[ln <r²>_o] / dT < 0

preferred conformation

- all-trans ~ TTTTTTTTT---
- of the lowest energy
- planar zigzag in crystal

PTFE

- □ geometry and interaction
 - $R(F) > R(H) \rightarrow a(FF) > a(HH)$
 - do have dipole ~ $E_d > 0$
- conf map and stat wt



- $\phi(T) \sim +17^{\circ}$ and -17° with very shallow barrier
- $\phi(G) = \phi(G') \sim 120^{\circ}$ with high E(G) \rightarrow low $\sigma \sim .2$
- □ RIS
 - 4 RIS with T, T', G, G' \rightarrow C_{∞} ~ 30
 - » closer to exp't and explain helix inversion
 - 3 RIS with T, G, G' \rightarrow C_{∞} ~ 11
 - much stiffer than PE ~ high melting, high viscosity