

# Distribution of $\phi$

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□ Distribution (probability) of  $\phi$  is determined by

- Boltzmann distribution

- Frequency of occurrence depends on  $\exp[-E/kT]$

- $P(\phi)d\phi = U/Z = \exp[-E(\phi)/kT]d\phi / \int \exp[-E(\phi)/kT]d\phi$

- »  $U(\phi) \sim$  statistical weight  $\sim$  relative probability  $\sim \exp[-E(\phi)/kT]$

- »  $Z \sim$  rotational partition function  $\sim \sum U(\phi)$

- » for *n*-butane at 400 K

- ◆  $U(T) = 1 \leftarrow E(T) = 0$

- ◆  $U(G) = U(G') = \exp[-E(G)/kT] = \exp[-2.1/3.3] \sim .5$

- ◆  $E(\text{cis,eclipsed}) \gg kT \rightarrow U \sim 0$

- ◆ Leaves 3 RIS of T, G, G'

- ◆  $Z = U(T) + U(G) + U(G') = 1 + .5 + .5 = 2$

- ◆  $P(G) = U(G)/Z = .5/1 + .5 + .5 = .25$

» for n-pentane at 400 K

◆  $E(TT) = 0$

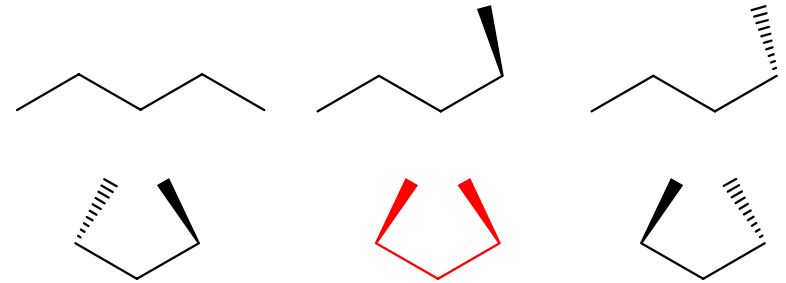
◆  $E(TG, GT, TG', G'T) = 2.1$

◆  $E(GG, G'G') = 4.2$

◆  $E(GG', G'G) = 14.5$

–  $U(GG') = \exp[-14.5/kT] = .01$

–  $P(GG') = .01/Z \sim 0 \sim \text{prohibited}$



## □ short-range interaction (2nd-order interaction)

■ common in chain molecules (not only in alkanes or PE)

■  $\phi_i$  depends on  $\phi_{i+1} \sim$  interdependent  $\phi$

■ **Bond rotation must be considered pairwise.**

■ higher-order interactions?

» Higher energy conformations like GGG'G must have at least one GG' or G'G.

» pairwise potential is enough

# Conformational energy

## □ conformational energy of a chain

$$E\{\phi\} = \sum_{i=2}^{n-1} E_i(\phi_{i-1}, \phi_i) = \sum_{i=2}^{n-1} E_{\zeta\eta,i} \quad (2.35)$$

$\zeta \sim$  state of a bond  $i-1$   
 $\eta \sim$  state of a bond  $i$

$$E_{\zeta T} = 0 \text{ for } \zeta = T, G, G'$$

$$E_{TG} = E_{TG'} = E_{GG} = E_{GG'} = 2.1 \text{ kJ mol}^{-1}$$

$$E_{GG'} = E_{G'G} = 12.4 \text{ kJ mol}^{-1}$$

tentatively putting bond  $i+1$  trans  
 (considered at the next term)

## ■ for n-pentane (for bond 2 and 3), $E\{\phi\}$

$$E = \sum_{i=2}^2 E_{\zeta\eta,i} = E_{\eta,2} + E_{\zeta\eta,3}$$

$$TT: E = E_{T,2} + E_{T,3} = 0 + 0 = 0$$

$$TG: E = E_{T,2} + E_{TG,3} = 0 + 2.1 = 2.1$$

$$TG': E = E_{T,2} + E_{TG',3} = 0 + 2.1 = 2.1$$

$$GG: E = E_{G,2} + E_{GG,3} = 2.1 + 2.1 = 4.2$$

$$G'G': E = E_{G',2} + E_{G'G',3} = 2.1 + 2.1 = 4.2$$

$$GG': E = E_{G,2} + E_{GG',3} = 2.1 + 12.4 = 14.5$$

# Statistical weight

$$u_{\zeta\eta} = \exp(-E_{\zeta\eta}/RT) \quad (2.36)$$

$E_{\zeta\eta}$  not  $E\{\phi\}$

□ statistical weight matrix,  $\mathbf{U}$

$$\mathbf{U}_i = \{u_{\zeta\eta}\} \quad (2.37)$$

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■ for  $n$ -alkane

$$\begin{array}{c}
 \eta \text{ (bond } i-1) \\
 \downarrow \\
 \mathbf{U} = \begin{array}{c} T \\ G \\ G' \end{array} \begin{array}{ccc} & T & G & G' \\ \begin{array}{c} T \\ G \\ G' \end{array} & \begin{bmatrix} 1 & \sigma & \sigma \\ 1 & \sigma & 0 \\ 1 & 0 & \sigma \end{bmatrix} & \leftarrow \eta \text{ (bond } i) \\
 \uparrow \\
 \exp[-E_{\zeta T}/kT] = 1
 \end{array}
 \end{array}$$

$\sigma = \exp[-E_{TG, TG', GG, G'G}/kT] = .5$   
 $\exp[-E_{G'G, G'G'}/kT] \sim 0$

- **U** generalized for 3-fold, symmetric chain
  - » 3-fold ~ T, G, G' → 3x3 matrix
  - » symmetric ~ no asymmetric carbon ~  $U_G = U_{G'}$ 
    - ◆ PE, POM are symmetric
    - ◆ vinyl polymers are asymmetric

$$U = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & \sigma & \sigma \\ 1 & \sigma\psi & \sigma\omega \\ 1 & \sigma\omega & \sigma\psi \end{bmatrix}$$

where  $\sigma\psi$  describes the GG (or G'G') interaction and  $\sigma\omega$  describes the GG' (or G'G) interaction.

The symmetry of the chain requires that:

$$u_{12} = u_{13}; u_{21} = u_{31}; u_{22} = u_{33}; u_{23} = u_{32}$$

- Stat wt for a certain conformation (combination of  $\phi$ 's)

$$\Omega_{\{\phi\}} = \prod_{i=2}^{n-1} u_{\zeta\eta,i} \quad (2.40)$$

- partition function for a chain (all possible conformations)

$$Z = \sum_{\{\phi\}} \Omega_{\{\phi\}} = \sum_{\{\phi\}} \prod_{i=2}^{n-1} u_{\zeta\eta,i} \quad (2.41)$$

# Homework #1 (Due on 25 Sept 06)

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Q1. For TGTG'G'TG'TTG conformation of  $n\text{-C}_{13}\text{H}_{28}$  with bond angle of  $120^\circ$  and bond length of 1 cm,

- (1) Find the end-to-end distance.
- (2) C?

Q2. Using the energy values given so far, estimate the probability of GG' conformations in  $n$ -pentane at 350 K

- (1) for independent  $\phi$ 's
- (2) for interdependent  $\phi$ 's

Q3. For  $n$ -octane,

- (1) how many conformations?
- (2) Express the probability of TTTTTT.
- (3) Express the probability of TGG'TG.

# Calculation of Z

## □ matrix expression

- chain with 2-fold RIS,  $\alpha$  and  $\beta$
- U for 2nd bond  $\sim U(\alpha), U(\beta)$
- U for 3rd, ---  $\sim U(\alpha\alpha), U(\alpha\beta), U(\beta\alpha), U(\beta\beta)$
- for  $n=4$ 
  - »  $Z = U(\alpha)U(\alpha\alpha) + U(\alpha)U(\alpha\beta) + U(\beta)U(\beta\alpha) + U(\beta)U(\beta\beta)$
  - » = sum of the elements of  $\mathbf{U}_2\mathbf{U}$
- for  $n=5$ ,  $Z =$  sum of the elements of  $\mathbf{U}_2\mathbf{U}\mathbf{U}$

- for  $n=n$ , 
$$Z = [1, 1]\mathbf{U}_2\mathbf{U}^{n-3}\begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} \quad (2.44)$$

The same result is obtained if  $\mathbf{U}$  is rewritten as

$$\mathbf{U}_2 = \begin{bmatrix} u_\alpha & u_\beta \\ 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \quad (2.45)$$

and

$$Z = [1, 0]\mathbf{U}_2\mathbf{U}^{n-3}\begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} \quad (2.46)$$

$$\mathbf{U}_2 = \begin{bmatrix} u_\alpha & 0 \\ 0 & u_\beta \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\mathbf{U} = \begin{bmatrix} u_{\alpha\alpha} & u_{\alpha\beta} \\ u_{\beta\alpha} & u_{\beta\beta} \end{bmatrix}$$

- Simplifying by  $\mathbf{U}_2 = \mathbf{U}$

$$Z = [1, 0] \mathbf{U}^{n-2} \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

- general form

$$Z = \mathbf{J}^* \left[ \prod_{i=2}^{n-1} \mathbf{U}_i \right] \mathbf{J} \quad (2.48)$$

$$\mathbf{J}^* = [1 \ 0 \ \dots \ 0] \text{ and } \mathbf{J} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \\ \vdots \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} \quad (2.49)$$

- for simple chain (symmetric and with one type of bond like PE)

$$Z = \mathbf{J}^* \mathbf{U}^{n-2} \mathbf{J} \quad (2.50)$$

- for PE

$$\gg Z = [1 \ 0 \ 0] \begin{bmatrix} 1 & \sigma & \sigma \\ 1 & \sigma\psi & \sigma\omega \\ 1 & \sigma\omega & \sigma\psi \end{bmatrix}^{n-2} \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$$



## □ algebraic expression

- simplify by transforming **U** to a diagonal tensor with eigenvalues  $\lambda_\eta$  of **U** as elements

$$\mathbf{A}^{-1}\mathbf{U}\mathbf{A} = \begin{bmatrix} \lambda_1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & \lambda_2 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & \lambda_3 \end{bmatrix} \equiv \mathbf{\Lambda} = \mathbf{B}\mathbf{U}\mathbf{A} \quad \mathbf{B} = \mathbf{A}^{-1} \quad \mathbf{A}\mathbf{B} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \equiv \mathbf{E}$$

If eq. (2.52) is premultiplied by **A**:

$$\begin{aligned} \mathbf{A}\mathbf{B}\mathbf{U}\mathbf{A} &= \mathbf{A}\mathbf{\Lambda} \\ \mathbf{E}\mathbf{U}\mathbf{A} &= \mathbf{A}\mathbf{\Lambda} \\ \mathbf{U}\mathbf{A} &= \mathbf{A}\mathbf{\Lambda} \end{aligned} \quad (2.54)$$

The latter can be separated into three vector equations:

$$\mathbf{U}\mathbf{A}_k = \mathbf{A}_k\lambda_k \quad k = 1, 2, 3 \quad (2.55)$$

where  $\mathbf{A}_k$  are the column eigenvectors of **U**:

$$\mathbf{A}_k = \begin{bmatrix} A_{1k} \\ A_{2k} \\ A_{3k} \end{bmatrix} \quad k = 1, 2, 3 \quad (2.56)$$

If eq. (2.52) is postmultiplied by  $\mathbf{B}$ :

$$\begin{aligned}\mathbf{BUAB} &= \mathbf{AB} \\ \mathbf{BUE} &= \mathbf{AB} \\ \mathbf{BU} &= \mathbf{AB}\end{aligned}\tag{2.57}$$

which can be written in the form

$$\mathbf{B}_k^* \mathbf{U} = \lambda_k \mathbf{B}_k^* \tag{2.58}$$

where  $\mathbf{B}_k^* = [B_{k1}, B_{k2}, B_{k3}]$  are the eigenrows of  $\mathbf{U}$ .

Since  $\mathbf{AB} = \mathbf{E}$ , we can write:

$$\mathbf{B}_j^* \mathbf{A}_k = \delta_{jk} \tag{2.59}$$

where  $\delta_{jk}$  is the Kronecker delta (equal to 1 for  $j = k$  and equal to 0 for  $j \neq k$ ). Equation (2.55) can be rewritten as:

$$(\mathbf{U} - \lambda_k \mathbf{E}) \mathbf{A}_k = 0 \tag{2.60}$$

which has solution

$$|\mathbf{U} - \lambda_k \mathbf{E}| = 0 \tag{2.61}$$

- using  $\mathbf{U} = \mathbf{A}\mathbf{\Lambda}\mathbf{B}$

$$Z = \text{Tr}(\mathbf{A}\mathbf{\Lambda}^n \mathbf{B})$$

or

$$Z = [A_{11}\lambda_1^{n-2} \quad A_{12}\lambda_2^{n-2} \quad \dots \quad A_{1v}\lambda_v^{n-2}] \begin{bmatrix} \sum_{\eta=1}^v B_{1\eta} \\ \vdots \\ \sum_{\eta=1}^v B_{v\eta} \end{bmatrix} \quad (2.62)$$

$$\begin{aligned} \mathbf{B}\mathbf{U}\mathbf{A} &= \mathbf{A} \\ \mathbf{A}\mathbf{B}\mathbf{U}\mathbf{A}\mathbf{B}\mathbf{U} &= \mathbf{A}\mathbf{\Lambda}\mathbf{B} \\ \mathbf{E}\mathbf{U}\mathbf{E} &= \mathbf{A}\mathbf{\Lambda}\mathbf{B} \\ \mathbf{U} &= \mathbf{A}\mathbf{\Lambda}\mathbf{B} \end{aligned}$$

← for  $v$ -fold RIS  
for 3-fold, to  $A_{13}\lambda_3^{n-2}$  and  $B_{33}$

The partition function can be written:

$$Z = \sum_{\zeta=1}^v \Gamma_{\zeta} \lambda_{\zeta}^{n-2} \quad (2.63)$$

where

$$\Gamma_{\zeta} = A_{1\zeta} \sum_{\eta=1}^v B_{\eta\zeta}$$

which for large values of  $n$  can be approximated by

$$Z \cong \Gamma_1 \lambda_1^{n-2} \quad (2.64)$$

where  $\lambda_1$  is the largest eigenvalue.

At even larger  $n$  values, eq. (2.64) simplifies to:

$$Z \cong \lambda_1^{n-2} \quad (2.65)$$

- for simple, 3-fold, symmetric chain like PE

$$|\mathbf{U} - \lambda_k \mathbf{E}| = 0 \quad \text{with} \quad \mathbf{U} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & \sigma & \sigma \\ 1 & \sigma\psi & \sigma\omega \\ 1 & \sigma\omega & \sigma\psi \end{bmatrix} \quad \text{gives}$$

$$\lambda_{1,2} = \frac{1}{2}[1 + \sigma(\psi + \omega) \pm \sqrt{[1 - \sigma(\psi + \omega)]^2 + 8\sigma}]$$

$$\lambda_3 = \sigma(\psi - \omega)$$

≈  $\sigma = .5$ ,  $\psi = 1$ ,  $\omega = .01$  at 400 K →  $\lambda_1, \lambda_2, \lambda_3$

»  $P(G) = U(G)/Z = .18$  at 400 K ~ with interdependent  $\phi$

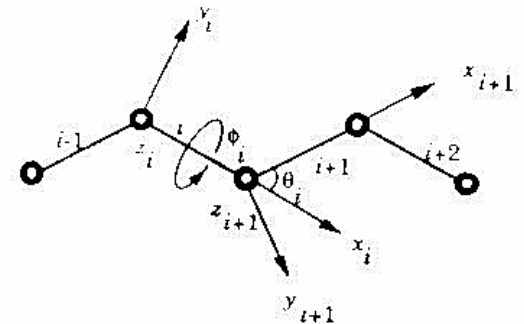
» compared with  $P(G)$  with independent  $\phi$  of .25

# Size of RIS chain

$$\langle r^2 \rangle = n l^2 + 2 \sum_{i=1}^{n-1} \sum_{j=i+1}^n \langle \mathbf{r}_i \mathbf{r}_j \rangle$$

- $\mathbf{r}_i = \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}$  in coordinate  $i$ ,  $\mathbf{r}_j = \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}$  in coordinate  $j$
- $\mathbf{r}_i \mathbf{r}_i = (1, 0, 0) \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} = \mathbf{r}_i^T \mathbf{r}_i$  if in the same coordinate
- if NOT,  $\mathbf{r}_i \mathbf{r}_i = \mathbf{r}_i^T \mathbf{T} \mathbf{r}_i \sim$  needs coordinate transformation
- transformation matrix,  $T_i$  ( $i+1 \rightarrow i$ )

$$T_i = \begin{bmatrix} \cos \theta_i & \sin \theta_i & 0 \\ \sin \theta_i \cos \phi_i & -\cos \theta_i \cos \phi_i & \sin \phi_i \\ \sin \theta_i \sin \phi_i & -\cos \theta_i \sin \phi_i & -\cos \phi_i \end{bmatrix} \quad (2.21)$$



$$\bar{\mathbf{r}}_i \bar{\mathbf{r}}_j = \bar{\mathbf{r}}_i^T (\mathbf{T}_i \dots \mathbf{T}_{j-1}) \bar{\mathbf{r}}_j \quad \bar{\mathbf{r}}_i^T = (1, 0, 0) \quad \bar{\mathbf{r}}_j = \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\bar{\mathbf{r}}_i \bar{\mathbf{r}}_j = l^2 (\mathbf{T}_i \dots \mathbf{T}_{j-1})_{11}$$

$$\langle \bar{\mathbf{r}}_i \bar{\mathbf{r}}_j \rangle = l^2 \langle (\mathbf{T}_i \dots \mathbf{T}_{j-1})_{11} \rangle$$

- for simple chain with independent  $\phi$ ,  $\langle \mathbf{T}_i \dots \mathbf{T}_{j-1} \rangle = \langle \mathbf{T} \rangle^{j-i}$

$$\langle r^2 \rangle = nl^2 + 2 \sum_{i=1}^{n-1} \sum_{j=i+1}^n \langle \bar{\mathbf{r}}_i \bar{\mathbf{r}}_j \rangle$$

$$= nl^2 + 2l^2 (1, 0, 0) \left[ \sum_{k=1}^{n-1} (n-k) \mathbf{T}^k \right] \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} \quad (2.26)$$

$$= nl^2 \left[ \frac{\mathbf{E} + \langle \mathbf{T} \rangle}{\mathbf{E} - \langle \mathbf{T} \rangle} \right]_{11}$$

$$\mathbf{E} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

- for FRC,  $\langle \cos\phi_i \rangle = \langle \sin\phi_i \rangle = 0$

$$\mathbf{T}_i^* = \begin{bmatrix} \cos \theta_i & \sin \theta_i & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\bar{\mathbf{r}}_i \bar{\mathbf{r}}_j = l^2 (\mathbf{T}_i^* \dots \mathbf{T}_{j-1}^*)_{11} = l^2 (\cos \theta)^{j-i}$$

- for FJC,  $\langle \cos\phi_i \rangle = \langle \sin\phi_i \rangle = \langle \cos\theta_i \rangle = \langle \sin\theta_i \rangle = 0$

$$\mathbf{T} = \mathbf{O}$$

$$\langle r^2 \rangle = nl^2$$

- for simple symmetric chain with hindered rotation  
 $\langle \sin \phi_i \rangle = 0 \leftarrow G$  and  $G'$  are of the same population.

$$T_i = \begin{bmatrix} \cos \theta & \sin \theta & 0 \\ \sin \theta \langle \cos \phi \rangle & -\cos \theta \langle \cos \phi \rangle & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & -\langle \cos \phi \rangle \end{bmatrix} \quad (2.25)$$

$$\langle r^2 \rangle = nl^2 \begin{bmatrix} 1 + \cos(180 - \tau) \\ \dots \\ 1 - \cos(180 - \tau) \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 1 + \langle \cos \phi \rangle \\ \dots \\ 1 - \langle \cos \phi \rangle \end{bmatrix} \quad (2.29)$$



- for,  $n$ -alkane (PE)

$$\langle \cos \phi \rangle = \frac{\sum_{\eta} u_{\eta} \cos \phi_{\eta}}{z} = \frac{1 + \sigma \cos(120^{\circ}) + \sigma \cos(-120^{\circ})}{1 + \sigma + \sigma} = \frac{1 - \sigma}{1 + 2\sigma}$$

$$\langle r^2 \rangle = nl^2 \left[ \frac{1 + \cos(180 - \tau)}{1 - \cos(180 - \tau)} \right] \left[ \frac{2 + \sigma}{3\sigma} \right] \quad (2.34)$$

$$\sigma = U(G) = \exp[-2.1/3.3] \sim .5$$

at 400 K

$$\langle r^2 \rangle = nl^2 \times 2 \times \frac{2 + 0.54}{3 \times 0.54} = 3.4nl^2$$

» exp'tal C = 6.7; difference due to

- ◆ wrong E(G)?
  - For C=3.4, E(G) be 4.5 kJ/mol (too high)
- ◆ wrong  $\phi(G)$ ?
  - Actual  $\phi(G) \sim 110 \rightarrow$  not that much different
- ◆ interdependent  $\phi \sim$  major contributor

# Size of RIS chain with interdependent $\phi$

$$\langle r^2 \rangle = nl^2 + 2 \sum_{i=1}^{n-1} \sum_{j=i+1}^n \langle \bar{r}_i \bar{r}_j \rangle$$

$$\langle \bar{r}_i \bar{r}_j \rangle = l^2 \langle (\mathbf{T}_i \dots \mathbf{T}_{j-1})_{11} \rangle$$

- with independent  $\phi$ ,  $\langle \mathbf{T}_i \dots \mathbf{T}_{j-1} \rangle = \langle \mathbf{T} \rangle^{j-1}$
- with interdependent  $\phi$ ,  $\langle \mathbf{T}_i \dots \mathbf{T}_{j-1} \rangle = \langle \mathbf{T}^{j-1} \rangle$  Flory Chapter 4

$$\langle r^2 \rangle = nl^2 + 2 \sum_{i=1}^{n-1} \sum_{j=i+1}^n \langle \bar{r}_i \bar{r}_j \rangle$$

$$= 2 Z^{-1} \mathbf{J}^* \mathbf{G}^n \mathbf{J}$$

# Size of chain

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$$\square \langle r^2 \rangle = C(\mathbf{U}) nl^2$$

- $C(\mathbf{U}) \rightarrow C_\infty$  as  $n \rightarrow \infty$
- $C_\infty = 1$  for FJC
- $C_\infty = 2-3$  for FRC due to  $q$
- $C_\infty = 4-10$  for RIS chain due to short range interaction
- $C_\infty$  for different polymers?
  - » measure of chain stiffness
  - » in unperturbed state ( $\Theta$  condition), melt, bulk