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Representations of Energy Landscapes by Sublevelset Persistent Homology: An Example with n-alkanes



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Merge trees and sublevelset persistent homology

























FIG. 1. (a) Covalent bond graph of 2-methyl pentane with the degree of each C-atom listed. The dotted line is the angle bisector between the two leaf carbons, and ψ denotes the angle between the bisector and the leaf carbons. (b) The potential energy landscape (PEL) of 2-methyl pentane (in kcal/mol), where the orange curve is the PEL of isopentane and the red curve is the PEL of butane. The variables ϕ_1 and ϕ_2 correspond to the dihedral angles of butane and isopentane, respectively. (c) Nine sublevelsets of the 2-methyl pentane PEL (yellow) with energy values in kcal/mol of 0, 1.041, 2.082, 3.123, 4.164, 5.206, 6.247, 7.288, and 12.493. The zero of energy represents the global minimum. (d) Sublevelset persistence barcode for the 2-methyl pentane PEL. The *x*-axis denotes the energy value (in kcal/mol), and the *y*-axis gives the total number of bars. The color denotes the topological dimension of the bar. Semi-infinite bars extend to the energy scale.

Definition 2

If $g_i: X_i \to \mathbb{R}$ is a collection of functions for i = 1, ..., n, then one can define their sum f on the product space by $f: X_1 \times ... \times X_n \to \mathbb{R}$ given by $f(x_1, ..., x_n) = g_1(x_1) + ... + g_n(x_n)$.



What is an Optimized Potentials for Liquid Simulations - United Atom (OPLS-UA) energy landscape?



 $V_{1-2-2-1}(\phi_1) = c_0 + c_1[1 + \cos(\phi_1)] + c_2[1 - \cos(2\phi_1)] + c_3[1 + \cos(3\phi_1)]$

What is a branched alkane?



$$f(\phi_1) = V_{1-3-2-1}(\phi_2 + \theta) + V_{1-3-2-1}(\phi_2 - \theta)$$







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Theorem 4 (Persistent Künneth Formula [GP19])

There is a natural short exact sequence of graded modules

$$0 \to \bigoplus_{i+j=n} (PH_i(X) \otimes PH_j(Y)) \to PH_n(X \otimes_f Y)$$
$$\to \bigoplus_{i+j=n} \operatorname{Tor}(PH_i(X), PH_{j-1}(Y)) \to 0.$$

If $H_i(X)$ and $H_j(Y)$ are point-wise finite, then

$$\begin{aligned} &\operatorname{bcd}_n(X \otimes_f Y) \\ &= \bigsqcup_{i+j=n} \left\{ (\ell_i + l) \cap (\ell_i + J) \mid l \in \operatorname{bcd}_i(X), J \in \operatorname{bcd}_j(Y) \right\} \\ &\sqcup \bigsqcup_{i+j=n} \left\{ (r_i + l) \cap (r_i + J) \mid l \in \operatorname{bcd}_i(X), J \in \operatorname{bcd}_{j-1}(Y) \right\} \\ &= \bigsqcup_{i+j=n} \left\{ \left[\ell_i + \ell_j, \min(\ell_j + r_i, \ell_i + r_j) \right] \mid l \in \operatorname{bcd}_i(X), J \in \operatorname{bcd}_j(Y) \right\} \\ &\sqcup \bigsqcup_{i+j=n} \left\{ \left[\max(\ell_i + r_j, \ell_j + r_i), r_i + r_j \right] \mid l \in \operatorname{bcd}_i(X), J \in \operatorname{bcd}_{j-1}(Y) \right\}.\end{aligned}$$

Here ℓ and r are the left and right endpoints of the interval.







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FIG. 7. (a) 2,8-dimethyl, 5-propyl nonane consists of five 1-3-2-1 building blocks and three 1-2-2-1 building blocks. (b) The persistence diagram. Each dot represents a set of bars on the persistence barcode with the same birth and death times. The x-axis is the energy value of the bar's birth and the y-axis is the energy value of the bar's death, both in (kcal/mol). (c) The number of critical points (CPs) of each index as a function of energy (kcal/mol); each index has the same color as the corresponding topological dimension.



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