## Levels of Abstraction in Computational Chemistry



Potential energy surface





Reaction coordinate

$$
L \leftarrow K \rightarrow R
$$

[Andersen et al., Proceedings of the Royal Society A, 2017]

## Levels of Abstraction in Programming



## Declarative Description $\leftrightarrow$ DSL $\leftrightarrow \mathrm{C}++\leftrightarrow$ Assembler

## Levels of Abstraction in Computer Science


"The psychological profiling [of a Computer Scientist] is mostly the ability to shift levels of abstraction, from low level to high level. To see something in the small and to see something in the large."

Donald Knuth

Modelling and Analysis of Chemical Systems

## Modelling and Analysis of Chemical Systems

1. Model molecules as labelled graphs.

- An old idea: [J. J. Sylvester, Chemistry and Algebra, Nature 1878]
- Molecule: simple, connected, labelled graph.
- Vertex labels: atom type, charge.
- Edge labels: bond type.



## Modelling and Analysis of Chemical Systems

2. Model reaction types and graph transformation rules.


Example: Carbon rearrangement

- Aldolase: ketone + aldehyde $\longrightarrow$ ketone
- Aldose-Ketose: aldehyde $\longrightarrow$ ketone
- Ketose-Aldose: ketone $\longrightarrow$ aldehyde
- Phosphohydrolase: $\mathrm{H}_{2} \mathrm{O}+\mathrm{CnP} \longrightarrow \mathrm{Cn}+\mathrm{Pi}$
- Phosphoketolase Pi+ketone $\longrightarrow$ carbonyl $+\mathrm{CnP}+$ water
- Transaldolase: $\mathrm{Cn}+\mathrm{Cm} \longrightarrow \mathrm{C}(\mathrm{n}+3)+\mathrm{C}(\mathrm{m}-3)$
- Transketolase: $\mathrm{Cn}+\mathrm{Cm} \longrightarrow \mathrm{C}(\mathrm{n}+2)+\mathrm{C}(\mathrm{m}-2)$


## Chemical Reactions (Educts $\rightarrow$ Products)




## Chemical Reactions (of the Same Type)





## Chemical Reaction Patterns

Rule



Educts

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## Grammar Example: The Formose Chemistry

Formaldehyde: Glycolaldehyde: Keto-enol tautomerism:




Aldol addition:




Retro aldol addition:


## Modelling and Analysis of Chemical Systems

3. Generate a reaction network.
```
dg = dgRuleComp(inputGraphs,
    addSubset(inputGraphs) >> rightPredicate[
            lambda d: all(countCarbon(a) <= 5 for a in d.right)
    ] repeat(inputRules) )
)
dg.calc()
```



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4. Set up pathway model.


Conservation constraints:

$$
\sum_{e \in \delta_{\vec{E}}^{+}(v)} m_{v}\left(e^{+}\right) f(e)-\sum_{e \in \delta_{\vec{E}}^{-}(v)} m_{v}\left(e^{-}\right) f(e)=0 \quad \forall v \in \widetilde{V}
$$

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5. Formulate pathway question.

Example: Given 2 formaldehyde and 1 glycolaldehyde, how can 2 glycolaldehyde be produced through autocatalysis.


## Category Theory: Mathematistan



Daniel: quite nice. though wrong, as category theory probably is not just a region
Jakob: hehe, ye, category theory is when you drank a too much wine, look at the map, and it suddenly it says "category theory" all over
[Figure by Martin Kuppe]

## A Chemical Graph Transformation System

Objects:

- Molecule graph
- Molecule collection
- Pattern match

Operations:

- Substructure search
- Molecule equivalence
- Rule application
- Transformation rule
- Reaction network
- ...
- Reaction network generation
- Isotope tracing
- ...

Fundamental operation: composition of transformation rules Mathematical framework: category theory

## Categories

A category C:

- A class of objects: $\mathrm{Ob}(\mathbf{C})$
E.g., connected, labelled graphs.
- A class of morphisms: $\operatorname{Mor}(\mathbf{C})$
E.g., graph monomorphisms, with label constraints.
- An associative morphism composition operator: ○


## Graph Morphisms

Def. graph morphism: $m: G \rightarrow H$ with

$$
\forall e=(u, v) \in E_{G}: m(e)=(m(u), m(v)) \in E_{H}
$$

NP-complete (e.g., reduce from Graph Colouring).

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## Graph Morphisms

Def. graph monomorphism: an injective graph morphism i.e., $\forall u, v \in V_{G}, u \neq v \Rightarrow m(u) \neq m(v)$.

NP-complete (e.g., reduce from Hamiltonian Cycle).

(a) A morphism.

(b) A monomorphism.

## Graph Morphisms

Def. subgraph isomorphism: a graph monomorphism with

$$
(u, v) \in E_{G} \Leftrightarrow(m(u), m(v)) \in E_{H}
$$

NP-complete (e.g, reduce from Clique).

(a) A morphism.

(c) A subgraph isomorphism.

## Graph Morphisms

Def. graph isomorphism: a subgraph isomorphism which is a bijection of the vertices.
Unknown if in P or is NP-complete. $\ln 2^{O\left(\log ^{c} n\right)}$ [Babai, 2016].

(a) A morphism.

(c) A subgraph isomorphism.

(b) A monomorphism.

(d) An isomorphism.

## Graph Morphisms

A pattern match: a monomorphism
Substructure search: monomorphism enumeration Molecule equivalence: isomorphism detection

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## Graph Transformation



## Graph Transformation Rules

Vertices and edges are either deleted, preserved, or added. As a Double Pushout (DPO) rule $p=(L \stackrel{I}{\leftarrow}$ 号 $R$ ):


Intended semantics:

- $L \backslash K$ is deleted.
- $K$ is preserved.
- $R \backslash K$ is added.
- For chemistry: I and $r$ are monomorphisms.


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for all commuting $g^{\prime \prime}, f^{\prime \prime}, D^{\prime \prime}$ :
$d^{\prime \prime}$ exists, commutes, and is unique.



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- But $D$ is "too small" (no commuting morphisms $D \rightarrow D^{\prime \prime}$ ).


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## Rule Application




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Given a rule $p=(L \stackrel{\iota}{\leftarrow} K \xrightarrow{r} R)$ and a graph $G$,

## Rule Application


find a monomorphism $m: L \rightarrow G$,

## Rule Application


construct $D$ as the pushout complement of $K \rightarrow L \rightarrow G$,

## Rule Application


and construct $H$ as the pushout object of $D \leftarrow K \rightarrow R$.

## Chemical Rule Application



Two categories:

- For reactions: C, undirected graphs.
- For molecules: $\mathbf{C}^{\prime}$, connected undirected graphs.


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