# Levels of Abstraction in Computational Chemistry





Potential energy surface







Reaction coordinate



 $L \leftarrow K \rightarrow R$ 

Graph grammar

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

# Levels of Abstraction in Programming

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# 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

- 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.



2. Model reaction types and graph transformation rules.



#### Example: Carbon rearrangement

- ▶ Aldolase: ketone + aldehyde  $\longrightarrow$  ketone
- $\blacktriangleright$  Aldose-Ketose: aldehyde  $\longrightarrow$  ketone
- ▶ Ketose-Aldose: ketone  $\longrightarrow$  aldehyde
- Phosphohydrolase:  $H_2O+CnP \longrightarrow Cn+Pi$
- ▶ Phosphoketolase  $Pi+ketone \longrightarrow carbonyl + CnP+water$
- ▶ Transaldolase:  $Cn+Cm \longrightarrow C(n+3)+C(m-3)$
- ▶ Transketolase:  $Cn+Cm \longrightarrow C(n+2)+C(m-2)$

### Chemical Reactions (Educts → Products)





### Chemical Reactions (of the Same Type)





### **Chemical Reaction Patterns**

Rule





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### Grammar Example: The Formose Chemistry

Formaldehyde: Glycolaldehyde:

Keto-enol tautomerism:







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()
```





Conservation constraints:

$$\sum_{e \in \delta^+_{\widetilde{E}}(v)} m_v(e^+) f(e) - \sum_{e \in \delta^-_{\widetilde{E}}(v)} m_v(e^-) f(e) = 0 \qquad \forall v \in \widetilde{V}$$

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

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- Reaction network generation
- Isotope tracing

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

# Categories

A category  $\boldsymbol{C}:$ 

- A class of objects: Ob(C)
   E.g., connected, labelled graphs.
- A class of morphisms: *Mor*(C)
   E.g., graph monomorphisms, with label constraints.
- ► An associative morphism composition operator: •

Def. graph morphism:  $m: G \to H$  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).



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).



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).





(b) A monomorphism.



(c) A subgraph isomorphism.

Def. graph isomorphism: a subgraph isomorphism which is a bijection of the vertices. Unknown if in P or is NP-complete.

In 2<sup>O(log<sup>c</sup> n)</sup> [Babai, 2016].



(a) A morphism.



(c) A subgraph isomorphism.



(b) A monomorphism.



(d) An isomorphism.

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  $p = (L \xleftarrow{l} K \xrightarrow{r} R)$ :



Intended semantics:

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

Pushout

Given  $C \leftarrow A \rightarrow B$ ,

$$\begin{array}{c} A \xrightarrow{f} B \\ \downarrow g \\ C \end{array}$$

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- there are no "better" candidates:

for all commuting g'', f'', D'':

d'' exists, commutes, and is unique.



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"There are no better candidates": counter-example



#### It commutes!

"There are no better candidates": counter-example



- It commutes!
- ▶ But *D* is "too small" (no commuting morphisms  $D \rightarrow D''$ ).

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#### **Rule Application** Κ R С $\mathbf{C}$ 0 r $\mathbf{C}$ Η Ĥ 0 н— Η

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

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# 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

![](_page_41_Figure_1.jpeg)

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

# Chemical Rule Application

![](_page_42_Figure_1.jpeg)

Two categories:

- ► For reactions: **C**, undirected graphs.
- ► For molecules: C', connected undirected graphs.

# Conclusions

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