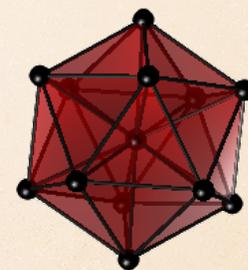
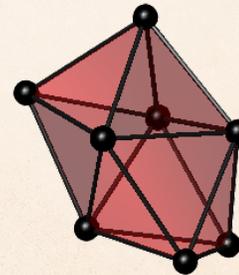
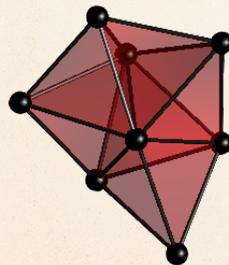
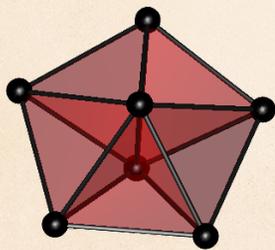


MODELING THE DYNAMICS OF INTERACTING PARTICLES BY MEANS OF STOCHASTIC NETWORKS



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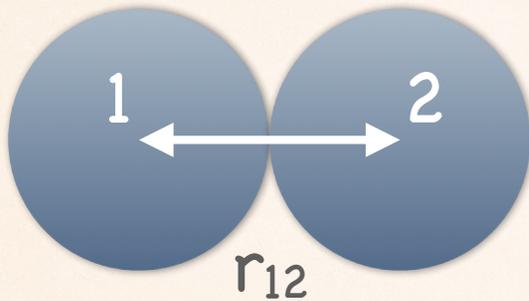
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INTERACTION POTENTIAL

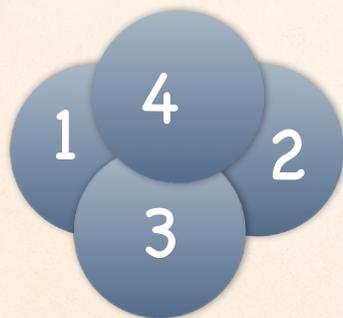
We assume the interaction under a pair potential, i.e.,



$$r_{ij} = \sqrt{(x_i - x_j)^2 + (y_i - y_j)^2 + (z_i - z_j)^2}$$

Total potential energy:

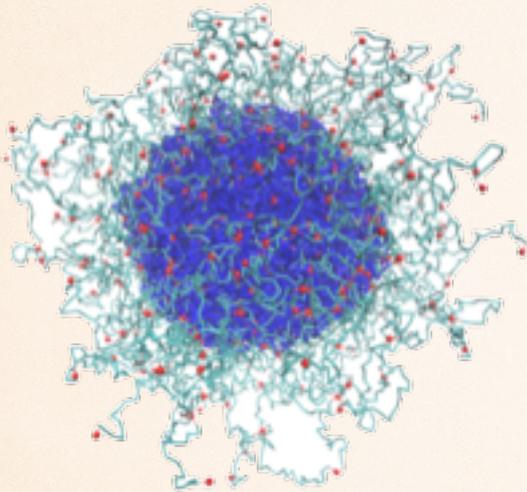
$$V = \sum_{i < j} V(r_{ij})$$



Force acting on particle i:

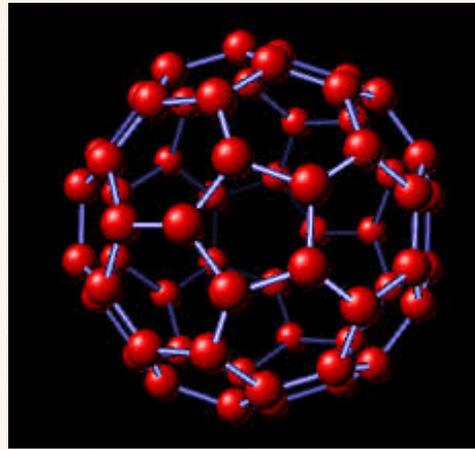
$$\begin{bmatrix} \frac{\partial V}{\partial x_i} \\ \frac{\partial V}{\partial y_i} \\ \frac{\partial V}{\partial z_i} \end{bmatrix} = \sum_{j=1}^N \frac{dV}{dr_{ij}} \frac{1}{r_{ij}} \begin{bmatrix} x_i - x_j \\ y_i - y_j \\ z_i - z_j \end{bmatrix}$$

GOAL



A core-shell microgel,

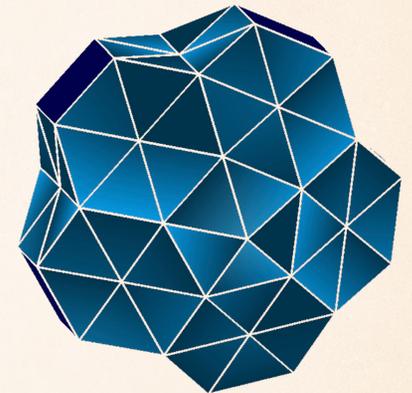
S. Maccarone et al,
Macromolecules 2016



A fullerene molecule



LJ₅₅
icosahedron



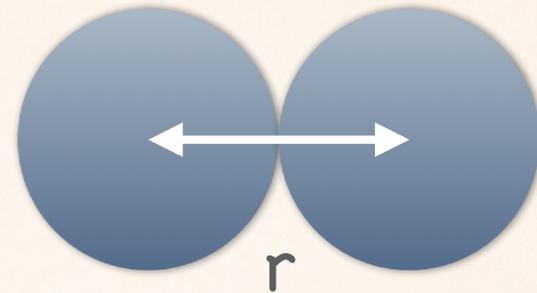
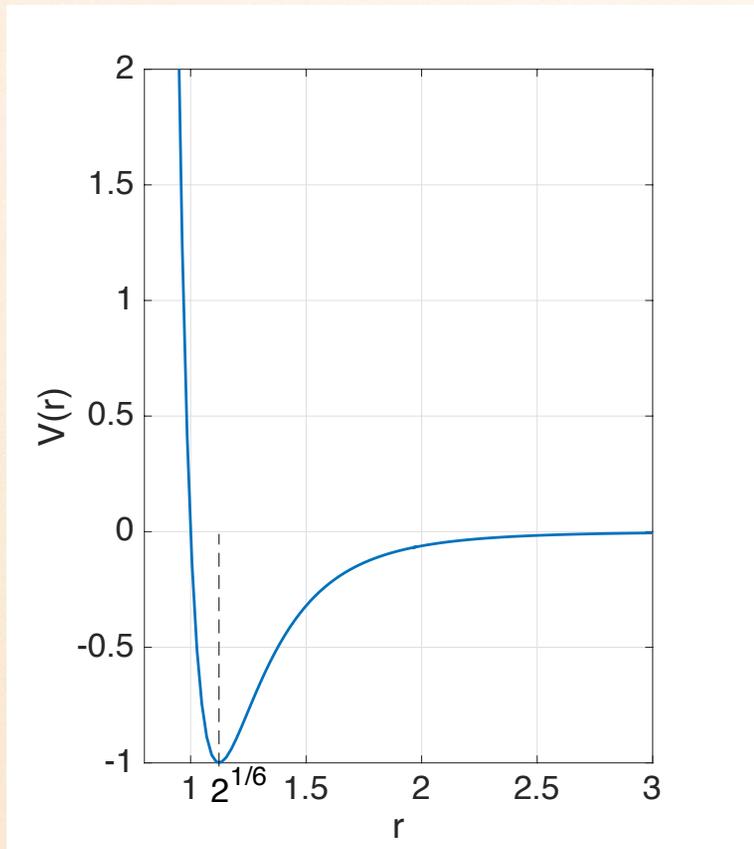
LJ₇₅
Marks decahedron

Develop tools for the study of the cluster dynamics

Design desired structures by self-assembly

LENNARD-JONES PAIR POTENTIAL

$$V(r) = 4(r^{-12} - r^{-6})$$



Adequate for rare gases:
Ar, Kr, Xe, Rn

Often used for modeling
interaction of other spherical
particles.

Large datasets are available thanks
to Wales's group (Cambridge, UK).

EXPERIMENTAL WORKS: MASS SPECTRA

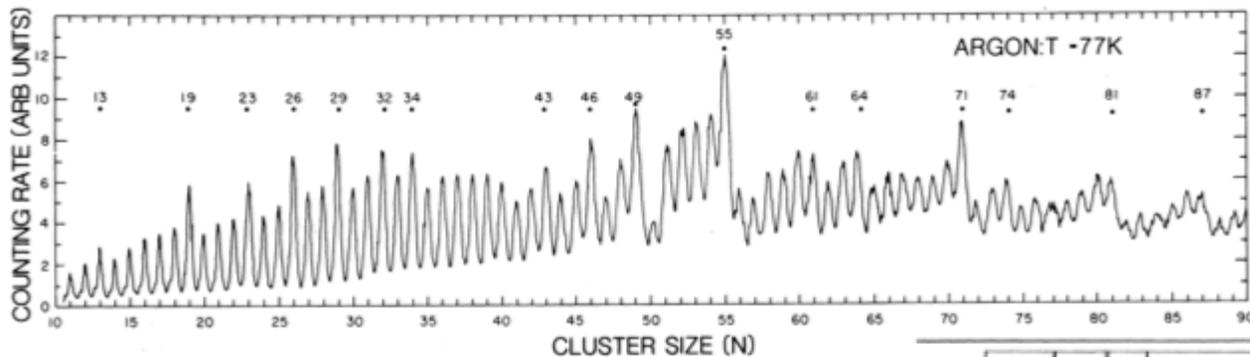
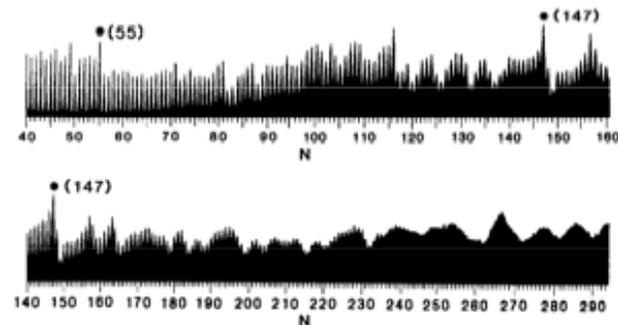


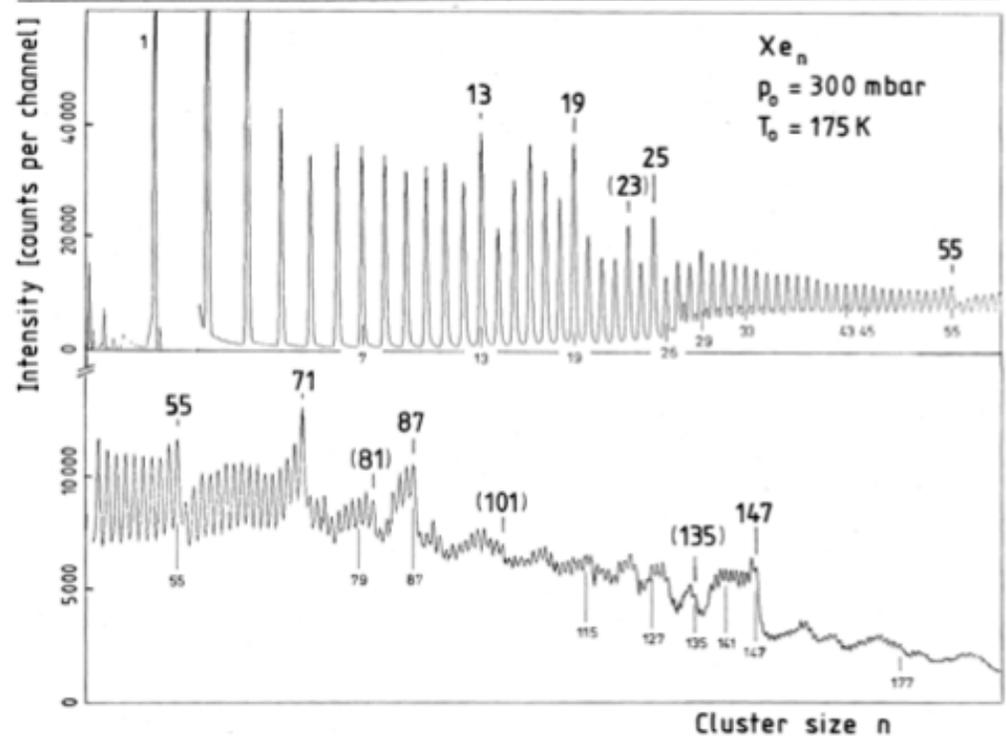
FIG. 1. Experimental mass spectrum for charged argon clusters. Intensity vs numb

Harris, Kidwell, Northby,
PRL 1984

Echt, Sattler, Recknagel,
PRL 1981



Harris, Norman, Mulkern, Northby,
Chem Phys Lett 1986



MAGIC NUMBERS

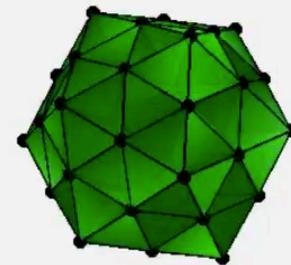
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admit complete

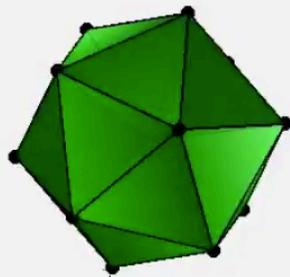
icosahedrons

Point group I_h , $|I_h|=120$

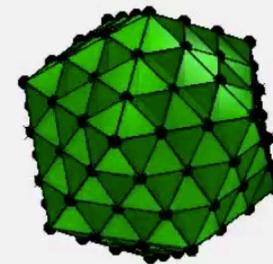
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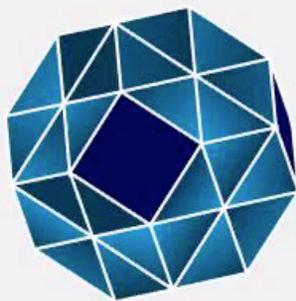
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OTHER HIGH SYMMETRY CONFIGURATIONS

LJ₃₈

Truncated octahedron
Point group O_h , $|O_h|=48$



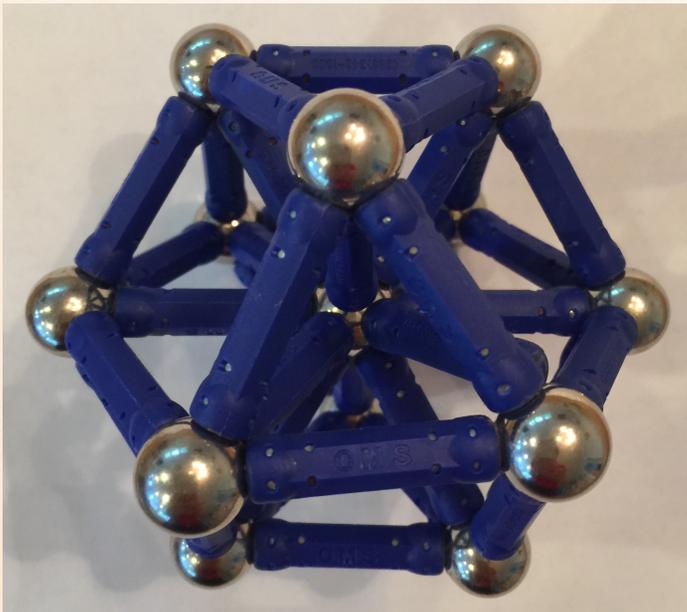
LJ₇₅

Marks decahedron
Point group D_{5h} , $|D_{5h}|=20$

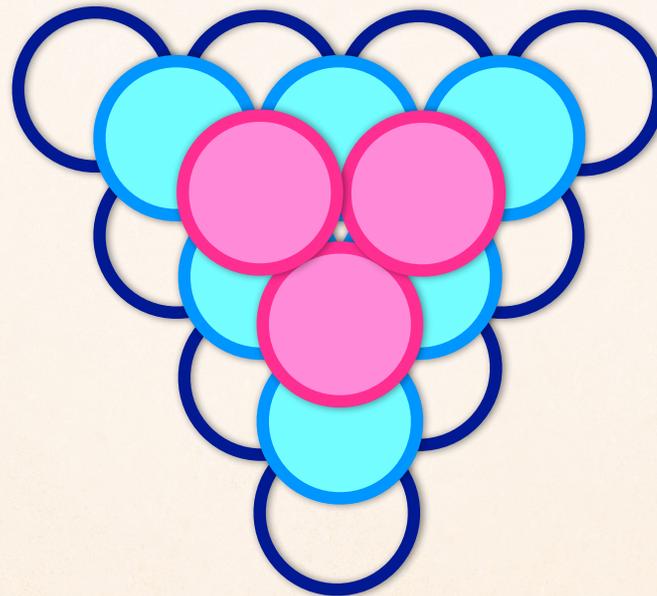


CRYSTAL STRUCTURE FOR RARE GASES: FCC (FACE CENTERED CUBIC)

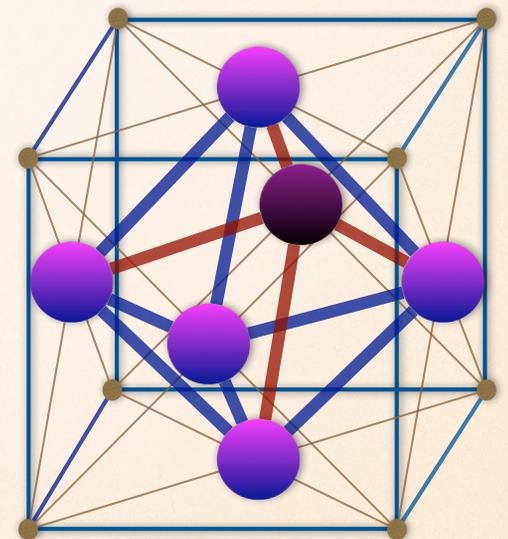
13 particle fragment
of FCC crystal



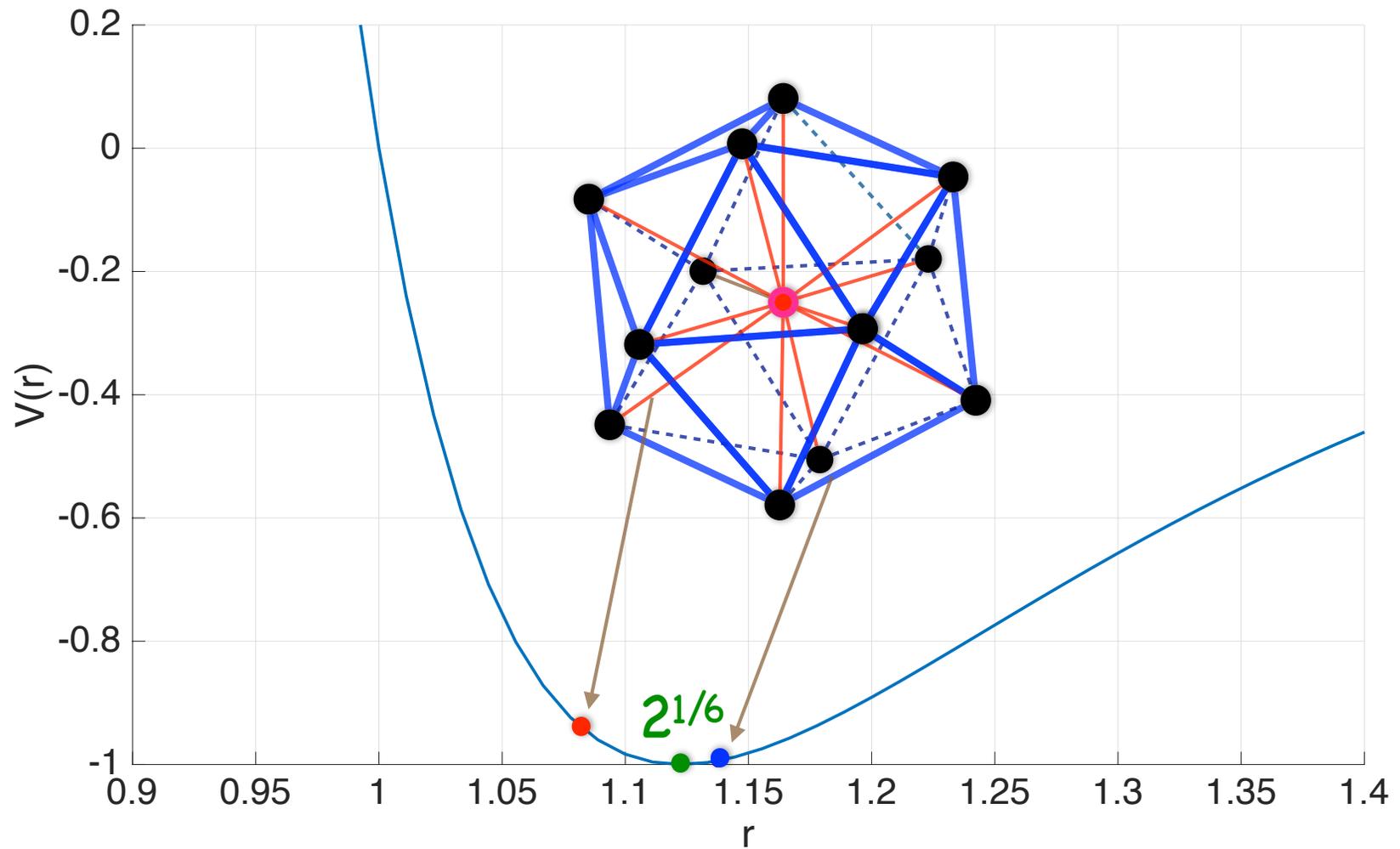
FCC packing



FCC
elementary cell



FRUSTRATION



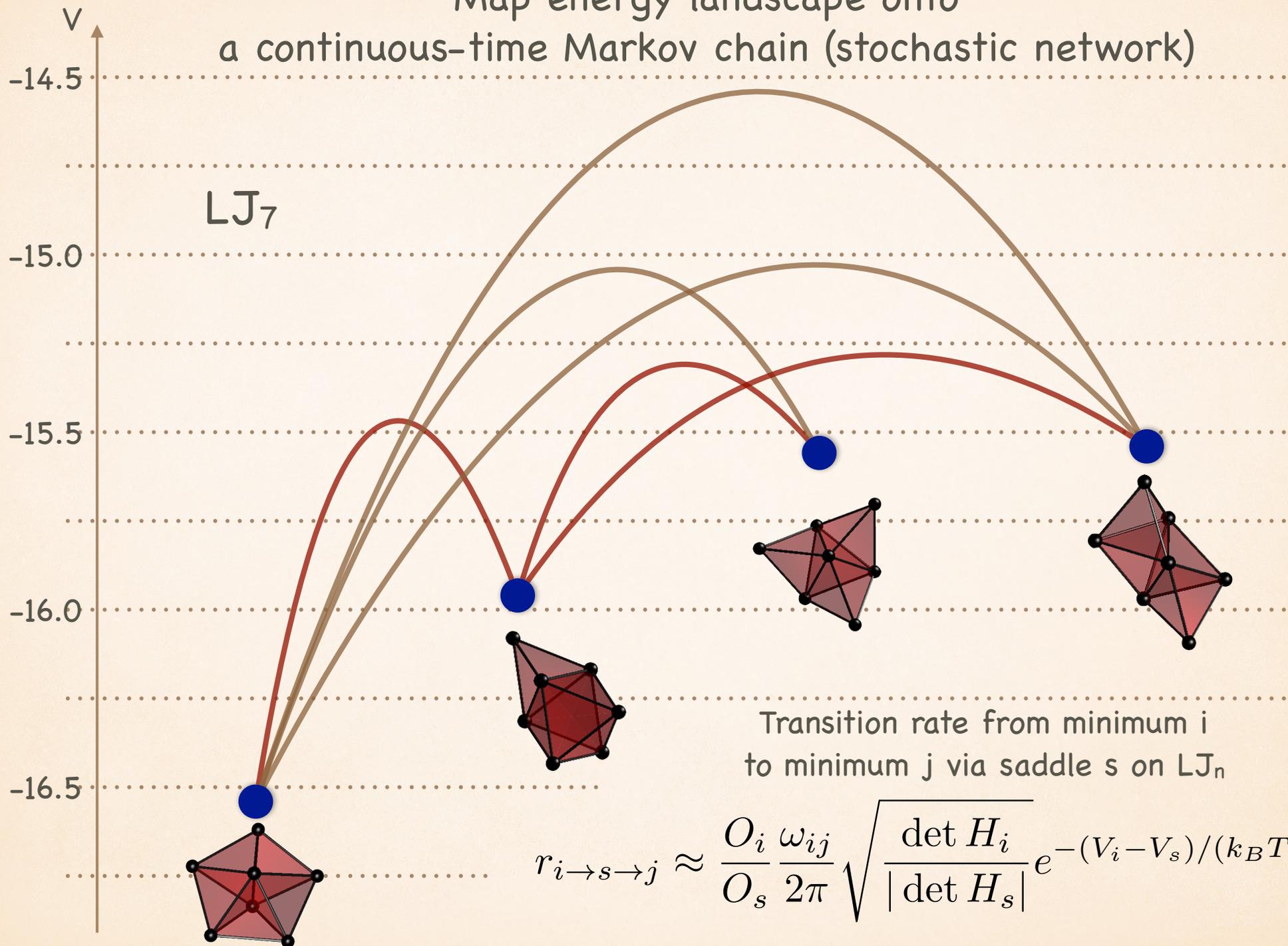
DIFFICULTIES IN MODELING THE DYNAMICS OF LJ CLUSTERS

- ❖ High dimensionality:
3n coordinates, 3n momenta
- ❖ Long waiting time in direct simulations:
structural transitions occur rarely on the timescale of the system
- ❖ Large range of timescales for various transition processes



LJ₇₅

Map energy landscape onto a continuous-time Markov chain (stochastic network)



Transition rate from minimum i
to minimum j via saddle s on LJ_n

$$r_{i \rightarrow s \rightarrow j} \approx \frac{O_i \omega_{ij}}{O_s 2\pi} \sqrt{\frac{\det H_i}{|\det H_s|}} e^{-(V_i - V_s)/(k_B T)}$$

BUILDING LENNARD-JONES NETWORKS

Vertices

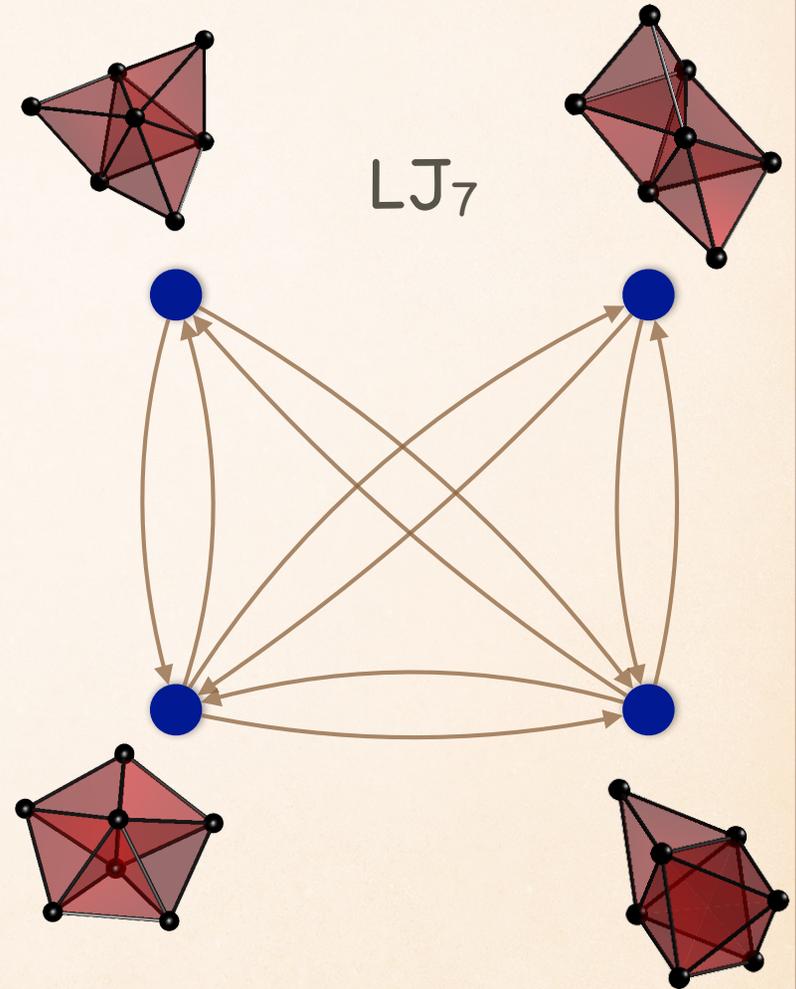
❖ Find the set of local energy minima.

Edges & rates in LJ_n

❖ Find the set of Morse index one saddles

❖ Calculate transition rate along each arc

$$L_{i \rightarrow j} = \sum_s \frac{O_i}{O_s} \frac{\omega_{ij}}{2\pi} \sqrt{\frac{\det H_i}{|\det H_s|}} e^{-(V_i - V_s)/(k_B T)}$$



STATS FOR LJ NETWORKS

LJ6:
N vertices = 2
N arcs = 2

LJ12
N states = 501
N arcs = 2278

LJ7:
N states = 4
N arcs = 10

LJ13 (by D. Wales)
N states = 1510
N arcs = 41168

LJ8:
N states = 8
N arcs = 16

LJ14
N states = 4134
N arcs = 17116

LJ9:
N states = 21
N arcs = 86

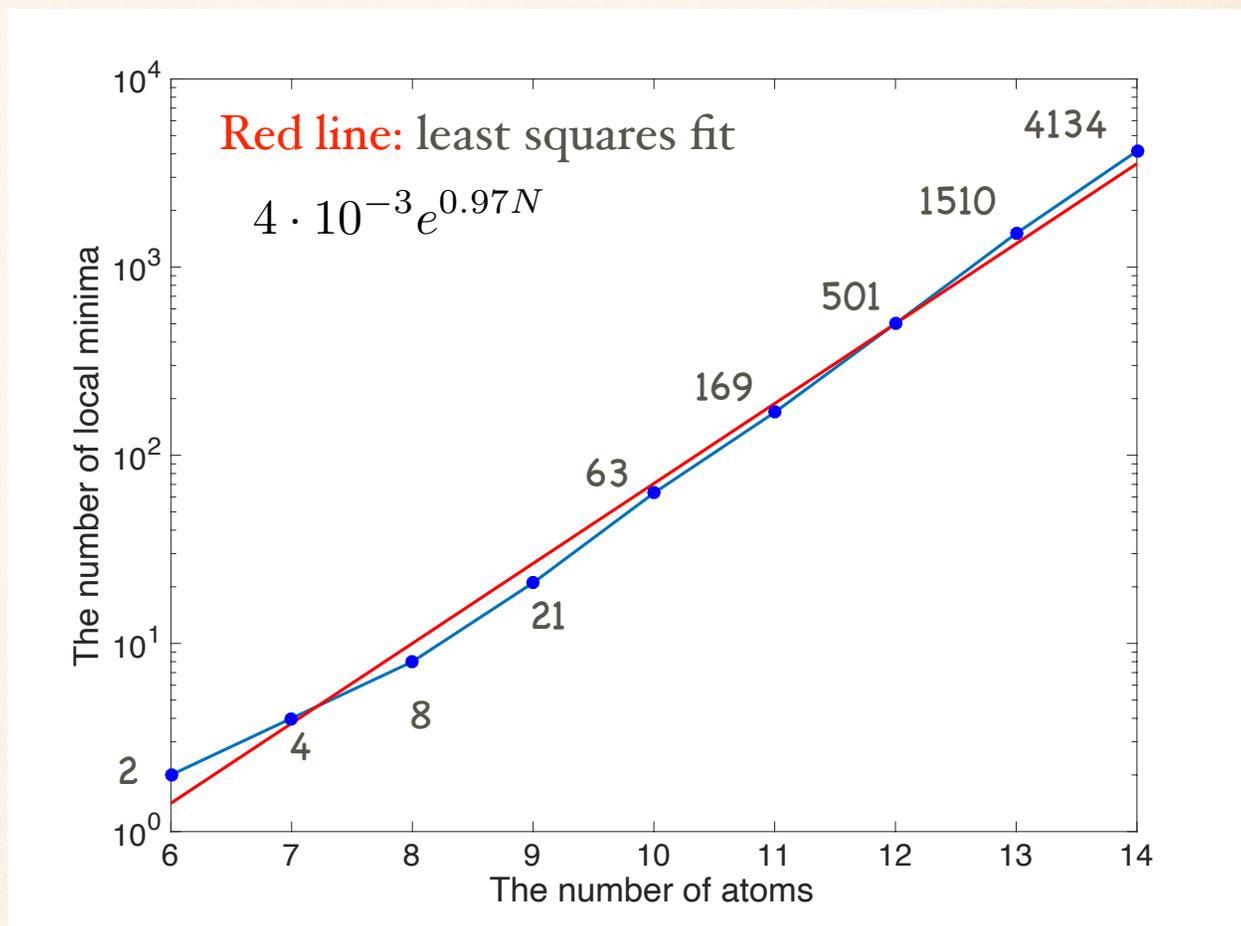
LJ38 (by D. Wales)
N states = 71887
N arcs = 239706

LJ10
N states = 63
N arcs = 742

LJ75 (by D. Wales)
N states = 169523
N arcs = 441016

LJ11
N states = 169
N arcs = 1028

N states $\sim 10^{29}$



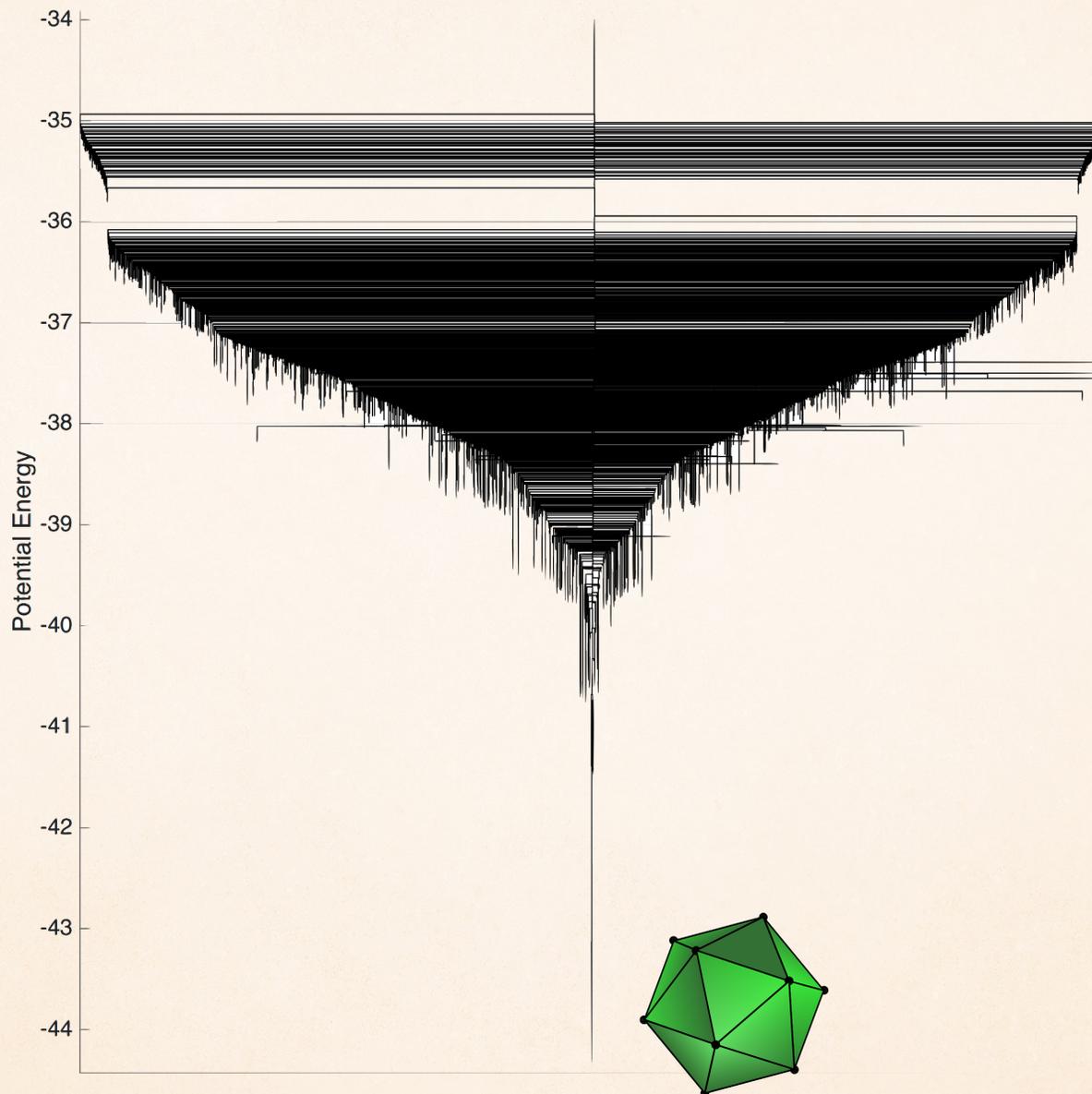
Wales's group, Cambridge University, UK
Basin Hopping Method (1997), Discrete Path Sampling (2002)

ANALYSIS OF LJ NETWORKS

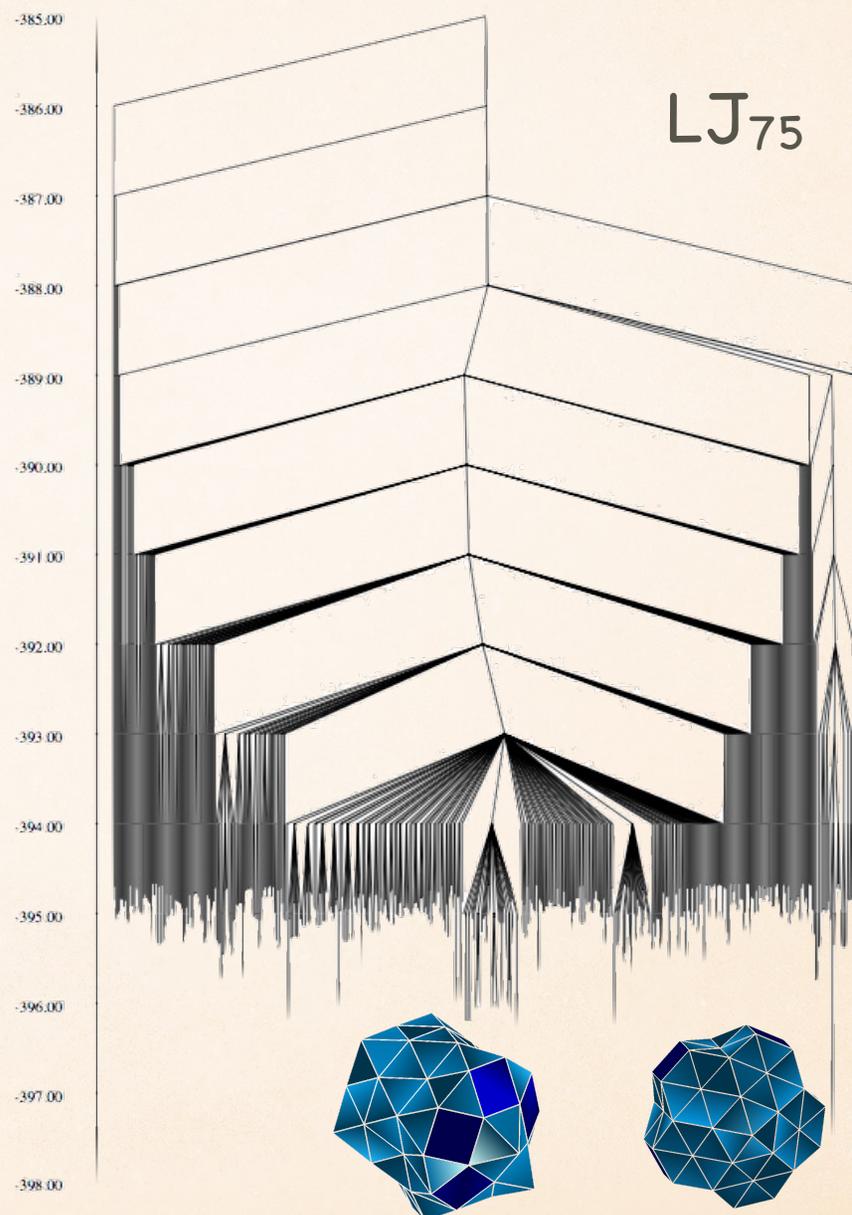
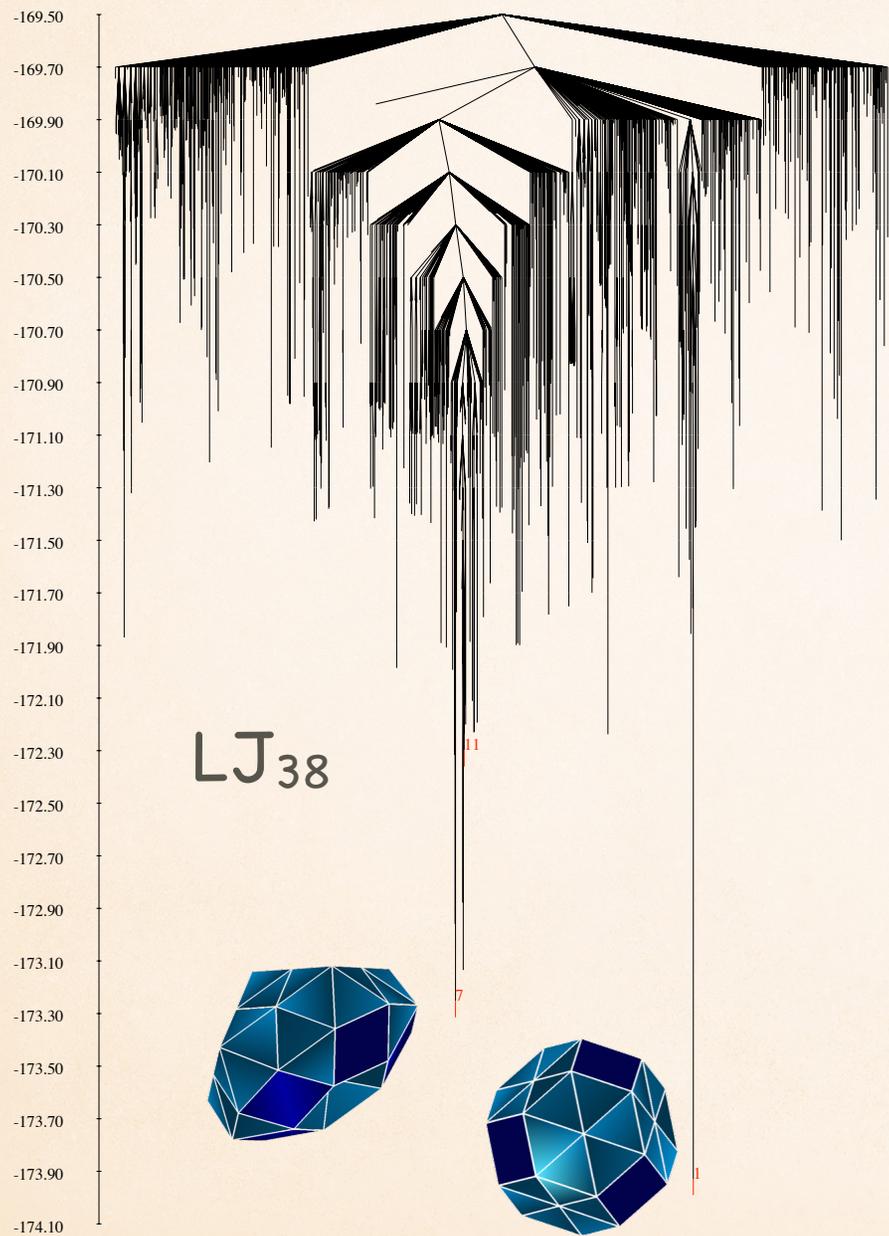
- ❖ Disconnectivity graphs, Discrete path sampling
(Wales et al, starting from late 1990s)
- ❖ Transition path theory (E & Vanden-Eijnden 2006,
Metzner et al 2009, Cameron & Vanden-Eijnden, 2014)
- ❖ Spectral analysis (Cameron 2014, Cameron & Gan 2016)

DISCONNECTIVITY GRAPHS: SINGLE FUNNEL

LJ₁₃



DISCONNECTIVITY GRAPHS: DOUBLE FUNNEL (COURTESY OF D. WALES)



SIGNIFICANCE OF SPECTRAL DECOMPOSITION

(For any irreducible continuous-time Markov chain)

The Fokker-Planck equation
or the Master equation

$$\frac{dp(t)}{dt} = p(t)L$$

L = the generator matrix
p(0) = the initial distribution

Spectral decomposition of L:

$$L = \Phi \Lambda \Psi = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & \phi_1 & \dots & \phi_{n-1} \\ \downarrow & \downarrow & & \downarrow \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 0 & & & \\ & z_1 & & \\ & & \ddots & \\ & & & z_{n-1} \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} \pi & \rightarrow \\ \psi_1 & \rightarrow \\ \vdots & \\ \psi_{n-1} & \rightarrow \end{bmatrix}$$

Right eigenvectors
Eigenvalues
Left eigenvectors

$$z_k = -\lambda_k + i\mu_k, \quad 0 < \lambda_1 \leq \dots \leq \lambda_{n-1}$$

The time evolution of the probability distribution

$$p(t) = p(0)\Phi e^{t\Lambda}\Psi = \pi + \sum_{k=1}^{n-1} \underbrace{(p(0)\phi_k)} e^{-\lambda_k t} e^{i\mu_k t} \underbrace{\psi_k}$$

Projection of p(0)
onto right e-vector

Left e-vector:
perturbation to π
decaying **uniformly** with rate λ_k
across the network

INTERPRETATION OF LEFT AND RIGHT EIGENVECTORS IN TIME-REVERSIBLE NETWORKS

$L = P^{-1}Q$, where $P = \text{diag}\{\pi_1, \dots, \pi_n\}$, Q is symmetric

$$p(t) = p(0)\Phi e^{t\Lambda}\Psi = \pi + \sum_{k=1}^{n-1} (p(0)\phi_k) e^{-\lambda_k t} \psi_k$$

Right eigenvectors: $\Phi = [\phi_0, \dots, \phi_{n-1}]$

Left eigenvectors: $\Psi = P\phi = [P\phi_0, \dots, P\phi_{n-1}]$

If $p(0) = \pi + \psi_k = \pi + P\phi_k =$

$$\begin{bmatrix} \pi_1(1 + \phi_{k,1}) \\ \pi_2(1 + \phi_{k,2}) \\ \vdots \\ \pi_n(1 + \phi_{k,n}) \end{bmatrix}$$

then it decays **uniformly** across the network with rate λ_k
and ϕ_k shows the proportions by which the states are under/
overpopulated in $p(0)$.

STRATEGY

Goal: compute eigenvalues and eigenvectors of L corresponding to transition processes of physical interest

Difficulties: L is large ($n \sim 100000$),
entries of L range by tens of orders of magnitude,
 L has no special structure

Advantage: L has entries of the form $L_{ij} = \alpha_{ij} e^{-U_{ij}/\epsilon}$
 $\epsilon = k_B T = \text{small parameter}$

Idea:

- ❖ compute asymptotic estimates for eigenvalues/eigenvectors of L
- ❖ use continuation techniques to find eigenvalues/eigenvectors at desired temperatures

W-GRAPHS

Wentzell, 1972

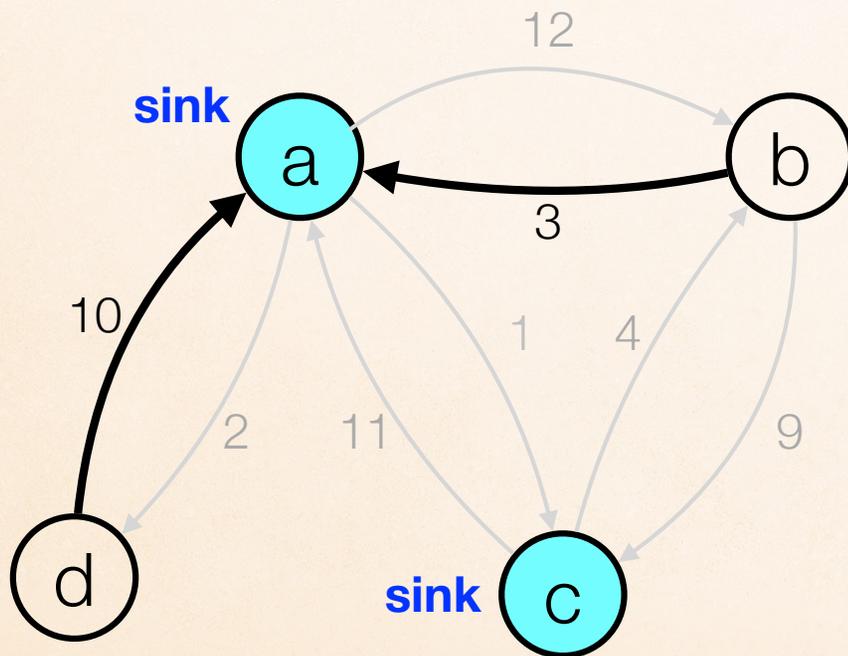
Definition. Let $G(S,A,U)$ be a weighted directed graph.

A W-graph with k sinks is its subgraph satisfying:

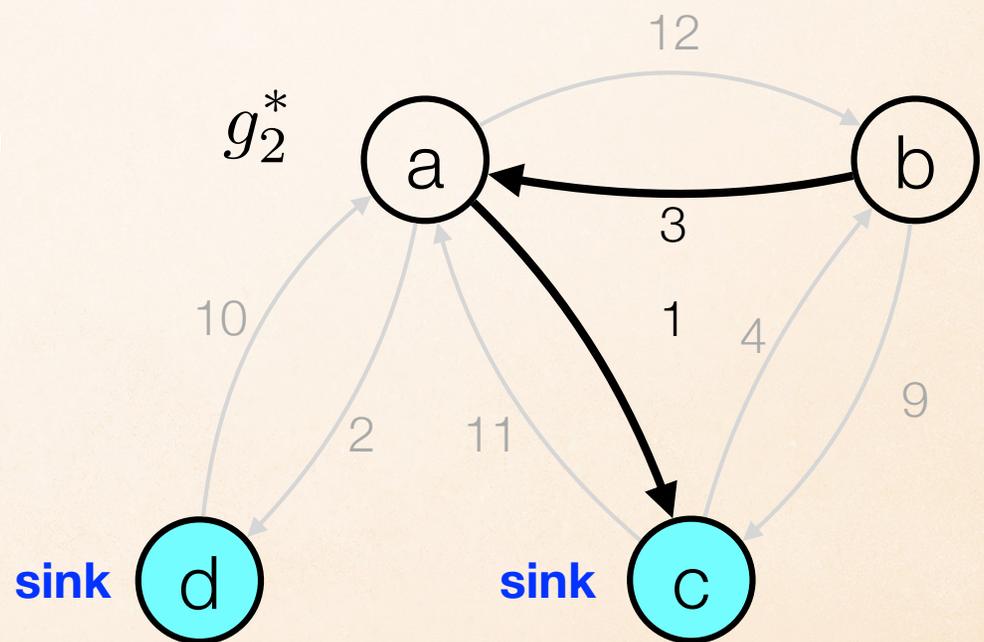
- (1) any sink has no outgoing arcs; any non-sink has exactly one outgoing arc;
- (2) the graph has no cycles.

Optimal W-graph with k sinks: sum of weights of its arcs is minimal possible

A W-graph with two sinks



An optimal W-graph with two sinks



ASYMPTOTIC ESTIMATES FOR EIGENVALUES (TIME REVERSIBILITY IS NOT ASSUMED)

A. Wentzell, 1972

For a continuous-time Markov chain with pairwise rates of the form

$$L_{ij} \sim e^{-U_{ij}/T}$$

Let $z_k = -\lambda_k + i\mu_k$ be eigenvalues of the generator matrix, and

$$0 < \lambda_1 \leq \dots \leq \lambda_{n-1}$$

$$\lambda_k \asymp \exp(-\Delta_k/T)$$

$$\Delta_k = V^{(k)} - V^{(k+1)}$$

$$V^{(k)} = \sum_{(i \rightarrow j) \in g_k^*} U_{ij}$$

where g_k^* is the optimal W-graph with k sinks

T. Gan, C., 2016

For a continuous-time Markov chain with pairwise rates of the form

$$L_{ij} = a_{ij} e^{-U_{ij}/T}$$

if all **optimal W-graphs are unique**, eigenvalues of the generator matrix are real and distinct for small enough ϵ

$$\lambda_k = A_k \exp(-\Delta_k/T)$$

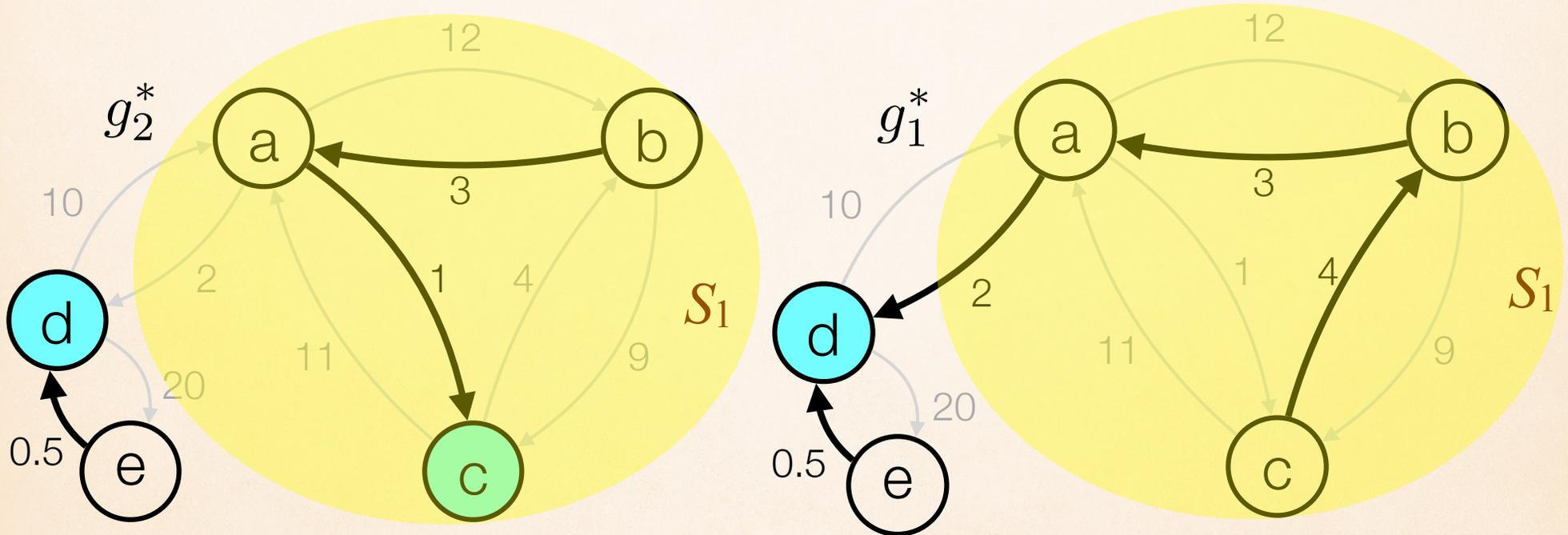
$$\Delta_k = V^{(k)} - V^{(k+1)}$$

$$V^{(k)} = \sum_{(i \rightarrow j) \in g_k^*} U_{ij}$$

$$A_k = \frac{\prod_{i \rightarrow j \in g_k^*} U_{ij}}{\prod_{i \rightarrow j \in g_{k+1}^*} U_{ij}} + o(1)$$

NESTED PROPERTIES OF OPTIMAL W-GRAPHS (GAN AND C. 2016)

- $\{\text{The set of sinks of } g_k^*\} \subset \{\text{The set of sinks of } g_{k+1}^*\}$
- There exists a connected component S_k of g_{k+1}^* whose set of vertices contains no sink of g_k^* .
- The sets of arcs connecting vertices $S \setminus S_k$ in g_k^* and g_{k+1}^* coincide.
- In g_k^* , there is a single arc from S_k to $S \setminus S_k$



Approaches to the study of Markov processes with rates $L_{ij} = a_{ij}e^{-U_{ij}/\epsilon}$ at time scales from 0 to ∞

M. Freidlin, early 1970s:

* **The hierarchy of Freidlin's cycles**

Idea: for each vertex, find the vertex where the system most likely jumps and detect cycles

Tool: *i*-graphs for finding exit rates from cycles

Feature: the exit time scales from cycles are only **partially ordered**.

Extension: Freidlin, 2014: case with symmetry: hierarchy of Markov chains

A. Wentzell, early 1970s:

* **Asymptotic estimates for eigenvalues**

Tool: *W*-graphs

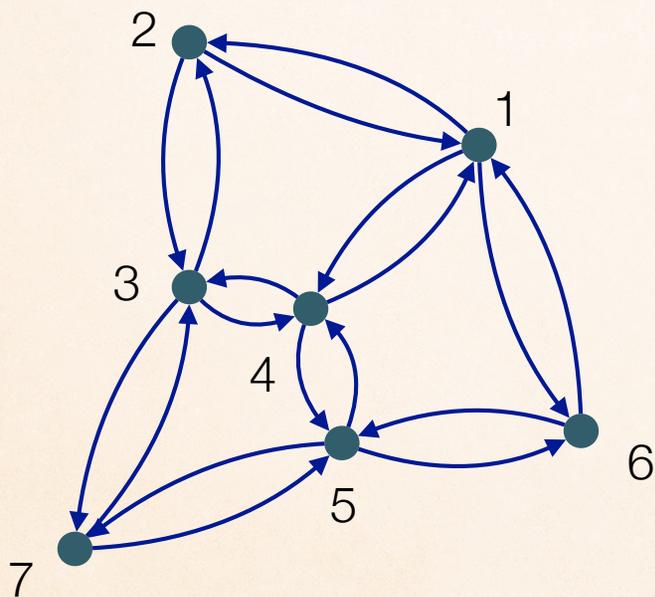
Idea: reduce the problem of finding eigenvalues to an optimization problem on graphs.

Motivation for me: No algorithm was proposed to solve this optimization problem

Extension: Berglund & Dutercq, 2015, time-reversible case with symmetry

TIMESCALES

Timescales = functions $t(\epsilon)$



$$L_{ij} = a_{ij} e^{-U_{ij}/\epsilon}$$

$$t(\epsilon) \asymp e^{\Delta/\epsilon} \quad \text{if} \quad \lim_{\epsilon \rightarrow 0} \epsilon \log t(\epsilon) = \Delta$$

For brevity, we write

$$e^{\Delta_1/\epsilon} < t(\epsilon) < e^{\Delta_2/\epsilon}$$

if

$$\Delta_1 < \lim_{\epsilon \rightarrow 0} \epsilon \log t(\epsilon) < \Delta_2$$

THE GRAPH-ALGORITHMIC APPROACH FOR THE STUDY OF METASTABILITY IN MARKOV CHAINS

(T. Gan and M. C., 2016)

An algorithm for:

- finding the sequence of critical timescales at which the dynamics of the system undergoes a qualitative change
- finding the hierarchy of graphs effectively describing the dynamics of the system

The algorithm simultaneously finds

- the hierarchy of optimal W -graphs giving asymptotic estimates for eigenvalues
- the hierarchy of Freidlin's cycles
- critical timescales are ordered in the increasing order

Initialization

Find min-arc for each vertex

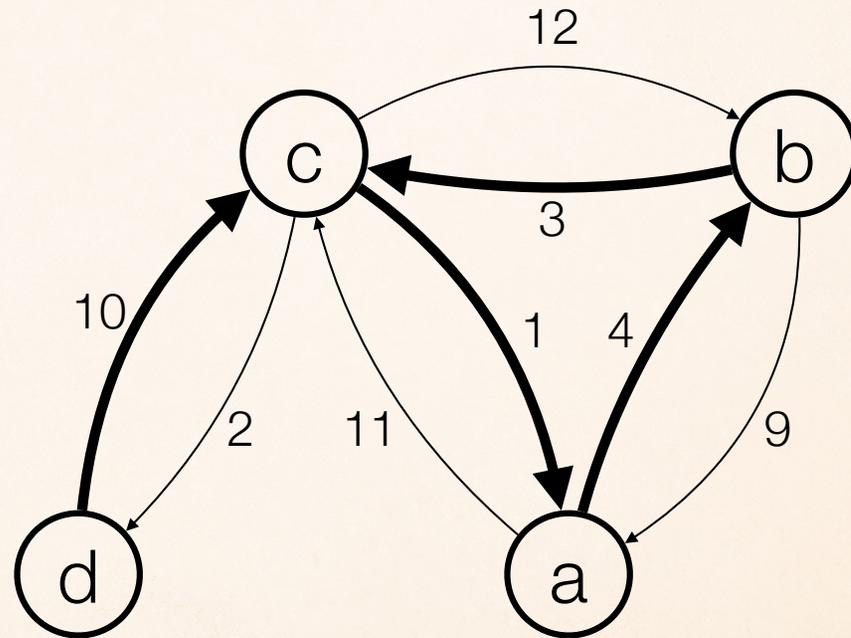
Sort the set of min-arcs in increasing order

$$c \rightarrow a : U = 1$$

$$b \rightarrow c : U = 3$$

$$a \rightarrow b : U = 4$$

$$d \rightarrow c : U = 10$$



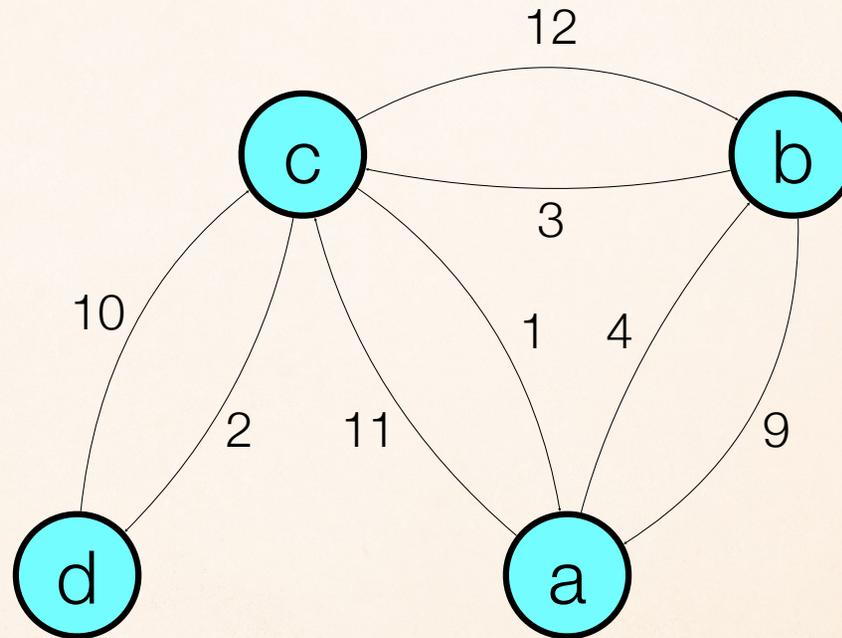
The numbers next to arcs $i \rightarrow j$ are U_{ij}

On the time scale

$$t(\epsilon) < e^{\gamma_1/\epsilon}, \quad \text{where } \gamma_1 = \min_{i,j} U_{ij}$$

each state of the Markov chain is absorbing

$$\begin{aligned} c \rightarrow a &: U = 1 \\ b \rightarrow c &: U = 3 \\ a \rightarrow b &: U = 4 \\ d \rightarrow c &: U = 10 \end{aligned}$$



In this example, $\gamma_1 = 1$

The main cycle

Remove arcs from the set of min-arcs one in a time

The corresponding U 's are the characteristic time scales γ_i

$$b \rightarrow c: U = 3$$

$$a \rightarrow b: U = 4$$

$$d \rightarrow c: U = 10$$

$$\gamma_1 = 1$$

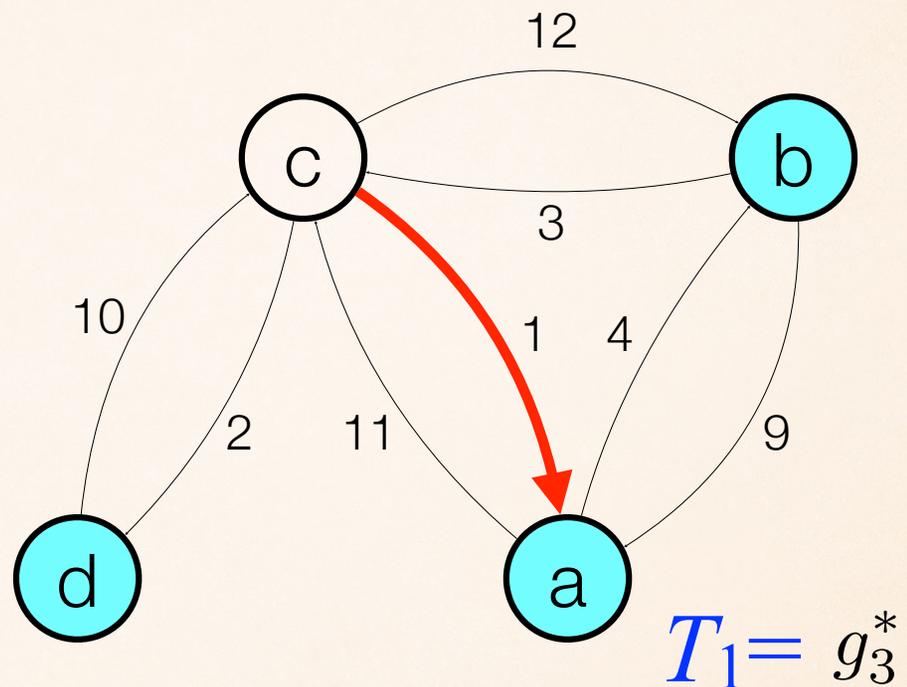
On the time scale

$$e^{\gamma_1/\epsilon} < t(\epsilon) < e^{\gamma_2/\epsilon}$$

states a, b, and d are absorbing,

state c is transient, the exit rate from c is

$$a_{ca} e^{-\gamma_1/\epsilon} = a_{ca} e^{-U_{ca}/\epsilon} = a_{ca} e^{-1/\epsilon}$$



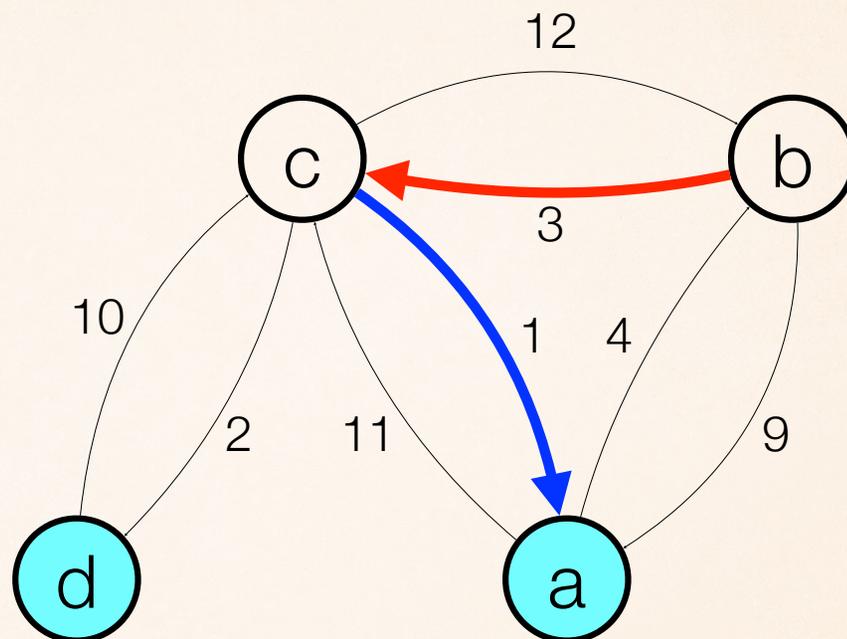
$$a \rightarrow b : U = 4$$

$$d \rightarrow c : U = 10$$

$$T_2 = g_2^*$$

$$\gamma_1 = 1$$

$$\gamma_2 = 3$$



On the time scale

$$e^{\gamma_2/\epsilon} < t(\epsilon) < e^{\gamma_3/\epsilon}$$

states a and d are absorbing,

states c and b are transient, the exit rate from b is

$$a_{bc} e^{-\gamma_2/\epsilon} = a_{bc} e^{-U_{bc}/\epsilon} = a_{ca} e^{-3/\epsilon}$$

$$d \rightarrow c: U = 10$$

$$\gamma_1 = 1$$

$$\gamma_2 = 3$$

$$\gamma_3 = 4$$

On the time scale

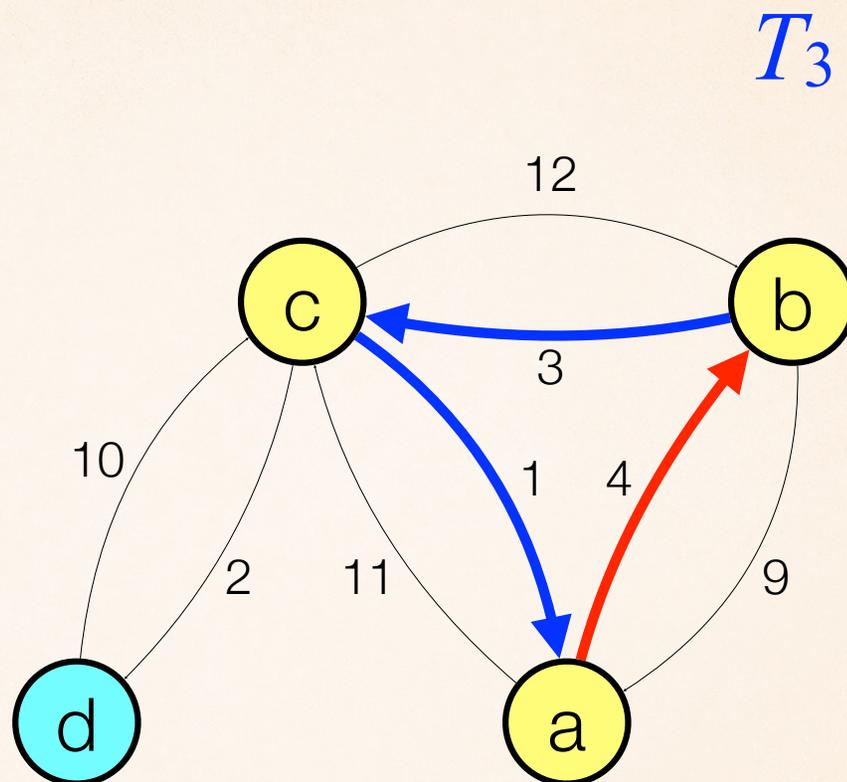
$$e^{\gamma_3/\epsilon} < t(\epsilon) < e^{\gamma_4/\epsilon}$$

state d is absorbing,

states a, b, and c are recurrent,

the rotation rate in the cycle $\{a, b, c\}$ is

$$a_{ab} e^{-\gamma_3/\epsilon} = a_{ab} e^{-U_{ab}/\epsilon} = a_{ab} e^{-4/\epsilon}$$



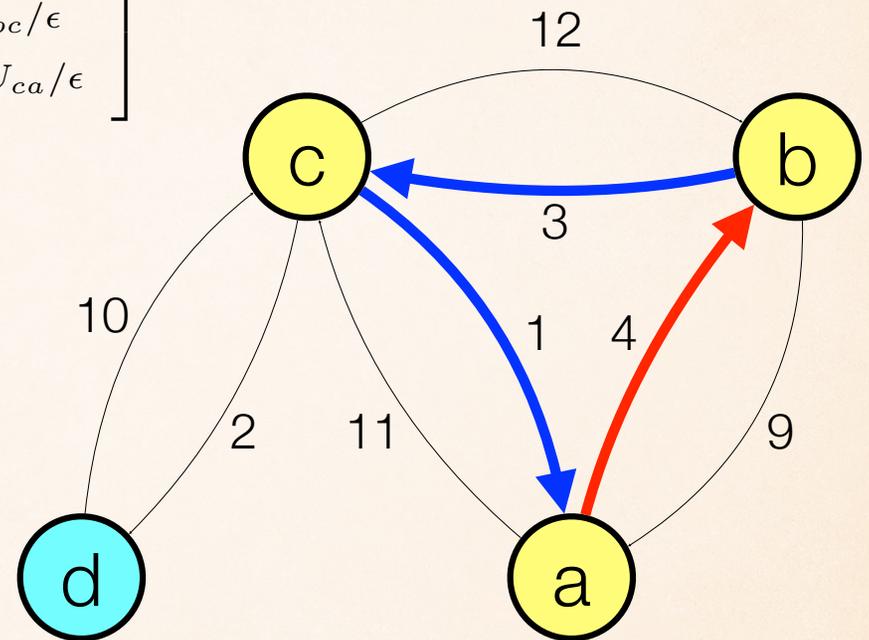
If a **cycle** is encountered,
find the **most likely exit** from it

$$L_{abc} = \begin{bmatrix} -\alpha_{ab}e^{-U_{ab}/\epsilon} & \alpha_{ab}e^{-U_{ab}/\epsilon} & 0 \\ 0 & -\alpha_{bc}e^{-U_{bc}/\epsilon} & \alpha_{bc}e^{-U_{bc}/\epsilon} \\ \alpha_{ca}e^{-U_{ca}/\epsilon} & 0 & -\alpha_{ca}e^{-U_{ca}/\epsilon} \end{bmatrix}$$

The invariant distribution
in the cycle $\{a, b, c\}$:

$$\pi_{abc} = \frac{\left[\frac{e^{U_{ab}/\epsilon}}{\alpha_{ab}}, \frac{e^{U_{bc}/\epsilon}}{\alpha_{bc}}, \frac{e^{U_{ca}/\epsilon}}{\alpha_{ca}} \right]}{\frac{e^{U_{ab}/\epsilon}}{\alpha_{ab}} + \frac{e^{U_{bc}/\epsilon}}{\alpha_{bc}} + \frac{e^{U_{ca}/\epsilon}}{\alpha_{ca}}}$$

$$\pi_{abc} \approx \left[1, \frac{\alpha_{ab}}{\alpha_{bc}} e^{-1/\epsilon}, \frac{\alpha_{ab}}{\alpha_{ca}} e^{-3/\epsilon} \right]$$



The exit rate from cycle $\{a, b, c\}$ via arc $c \rightarrow d$:

$$\tilde{L}_{cd} = \pi_{abc}(c)L_{cd} = \frac{\alpha_{cd}\alpha_{ab}}{\alpha_{ca}} e^{-5/\epsilon}$$

In general, if a cycle is encountered:

$$L_C = \begin{bmatrix} -\alpha_{12}e^{-U_{12}/\epsilon} & \alpha_{12}e^{-U_{12}/\epsilon} & & & \\ & -\alpha_{12}e^{-U_{12}/\epsilon} & \alpha_{12}e^{-U_{12}/\epsilon} & & \\ & & \dots & \dots & \\ \alpha_{n1}e^{-U_{n1}/\epsilon} & & & -\alpha_{n1}e^{-U_{n1}/\epsilon} & \end{bmatrix}$$

M = the main state in the cycle.

The invariant distribution in the cycle C:

$$\pi_C = \left[\frac{\alpha_{m(M)}}{\alpha_{12}} e^{-(U_{m(M)} - U_{12})/\epsilon}, \dots, 1, \dots, \frac{\alpha_{m(M)}}{\alpha_{n1}} e^{-(U_{m(M)} - U_{n1})/\epsilon} \right]$$

↑
M

Note: m(M) is the last added arc in the cycle

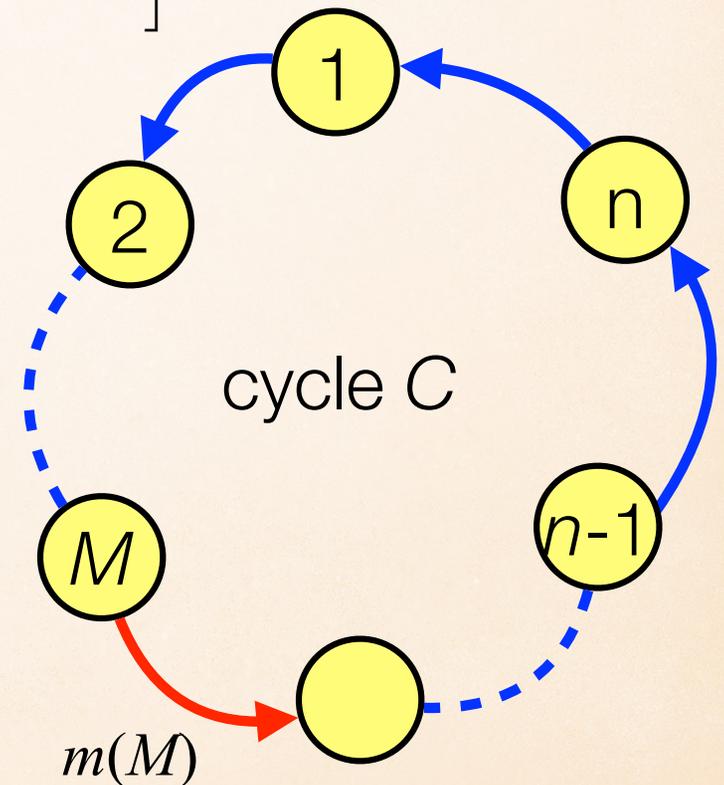
Exit rate from C via arc $i \rightarrow j$

$$\tilde{L}_{ij} = \frac{\alpha_{m(M)} \alpha_{ij}}{\alpha_{m(i)}} e^{-(U_{ij} + (U_{m(M)} - U_{m(i)}))/\epsilon}$$

Update rules:

$$\alpha_{ij} \rightarrow \frac{\alpha_{m(M)} \alpha_{ij}}{\alpha_{12}}$$

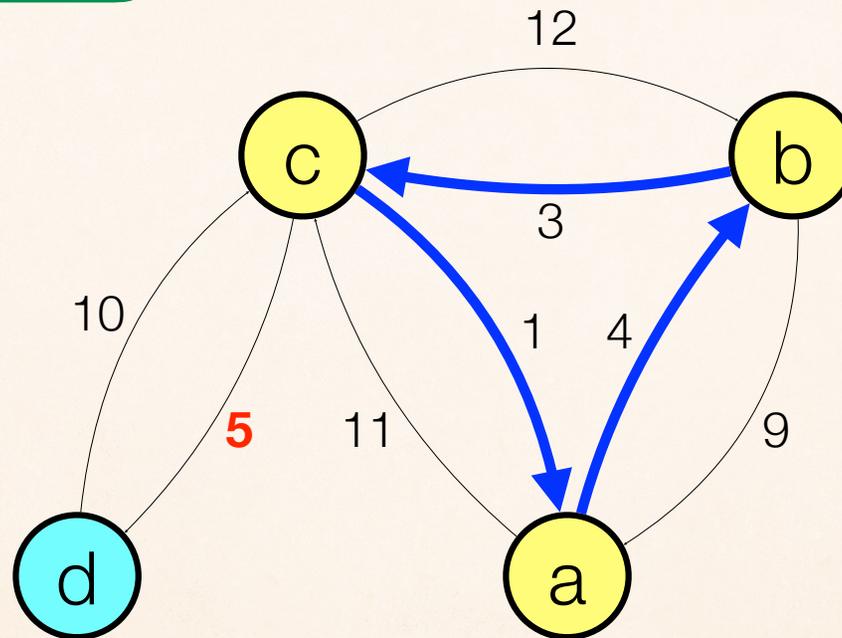
$$U_{ij} \rightarrow U_{ij} + (U_{m(M)} - U_{12})$$



Add the min-exit-arc from the cycle to the set of min-arcs

$$c \rightarrow d : U = 5$$

$$d \rightarrow c : U = 10$$



$$5 = 2 + 4 - 1$$

Remove the next min-arc

$$T_4 = g_1^*$$

$$d \rightarrow c: U = 10$$

$$\gamma_1 = 1$$

$$\gamma_2 = 3$$

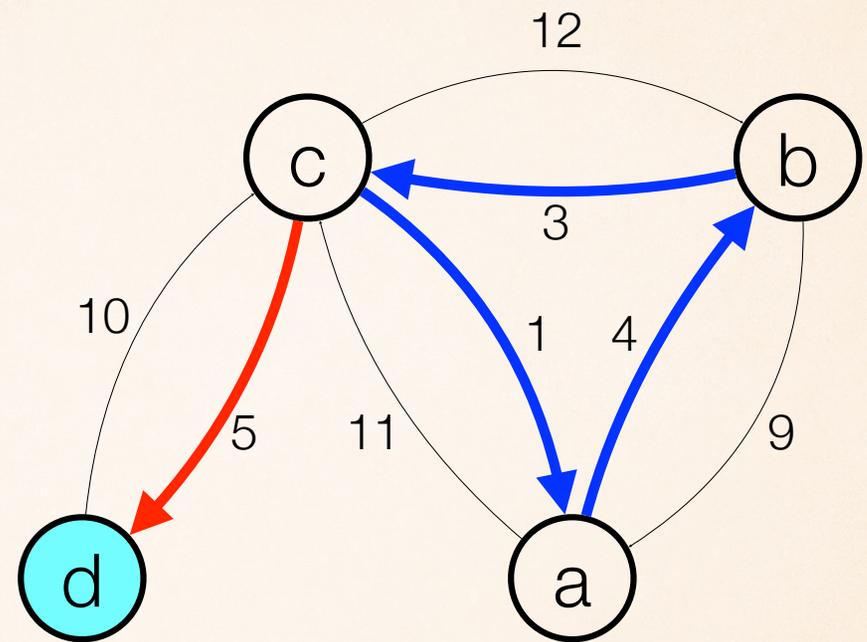
$$\gamma_3 = 4$$

$$\gamma_4 = 5$$

On the time scale

$$e^{\gamma_4/\epsilon} < t(\epsilon) < e^{\gamma_5/\epsilon}$$

states a, b, and c are transient,
state d is absorbing.



Remove the last min-arc

The set of critical time scales

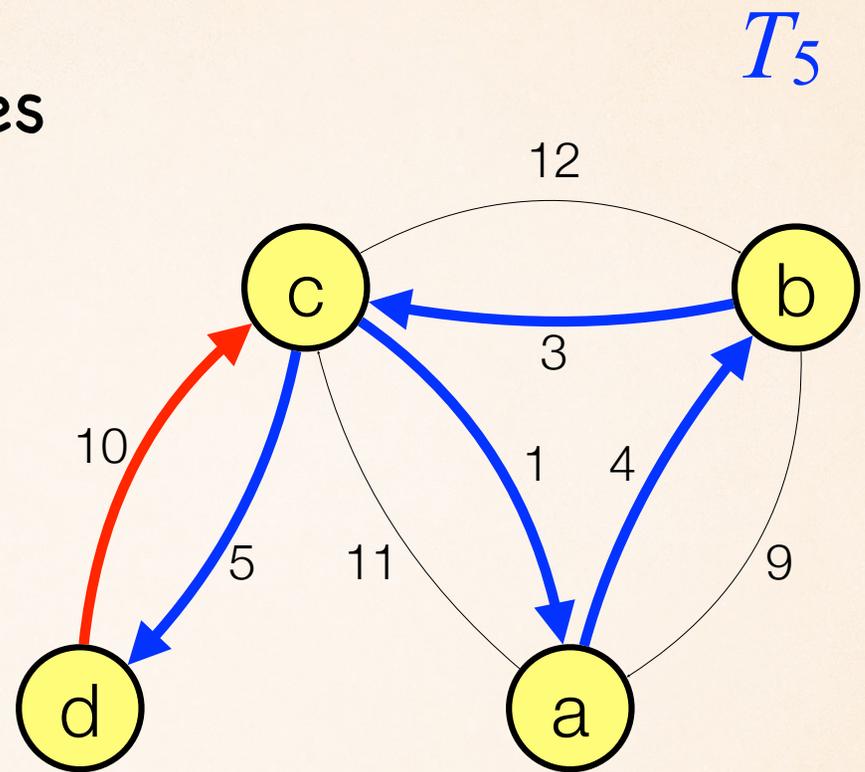
$$\gamma_1 = 1$$

$$\gamma_2 = 3$$

$$\gamma_3 = 4$$

$$\gamma_4 = 5$$

$$\gamma_5 = 10$$

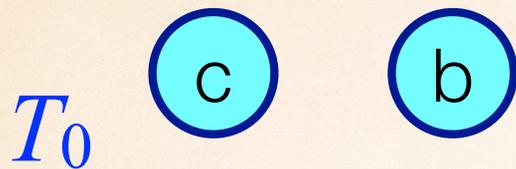


On the time scale

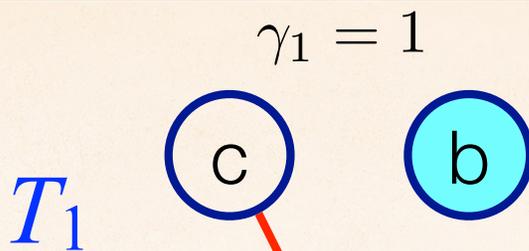
$$e^{\gamma_5/\epsilon} < t(\epsilon) < \infty$$

all states are recurrent

Output:

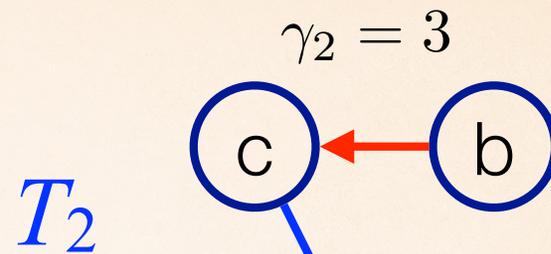


$$0 \leq t < e^{1/\epsilon}$$



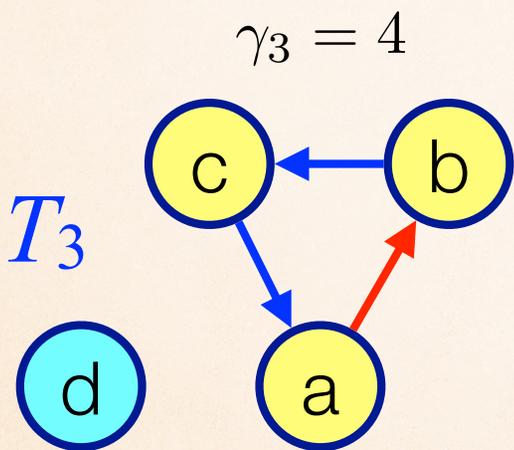
$$e^{1/\epsilon} \leq t < e^{3/\epsilon}$$

$$\lambda_1 \approx \alpha_{ca} e^{-1/\epsilon}$$

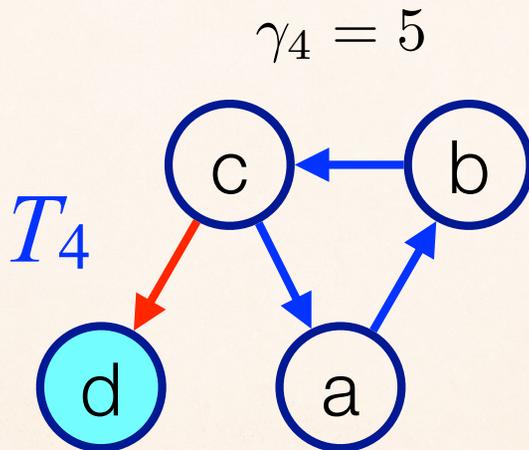


$$e^{3/\epsilon} \leq t < e^{4/\epsilon}$$

$$\lambda_2 \approx \alpha_{ab} e^{-3/\epsilon}$$

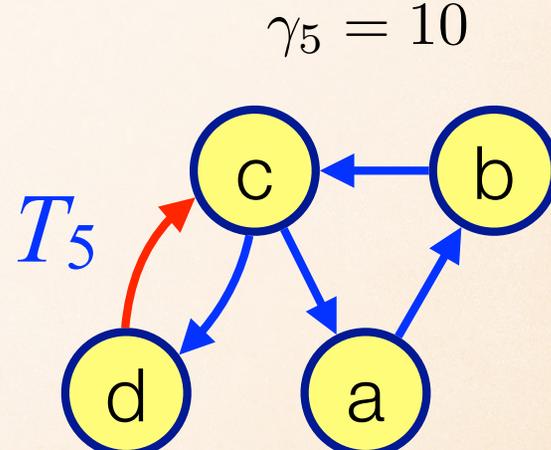


$$e^{4/\epsilon} \leq t < e^{5/\epsilon}$$



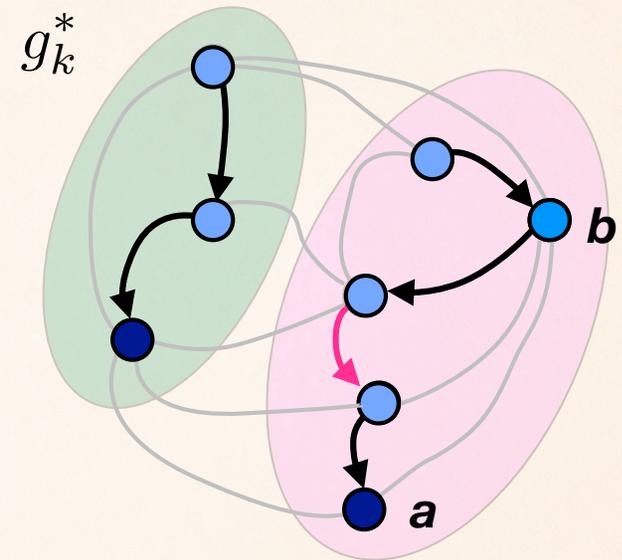
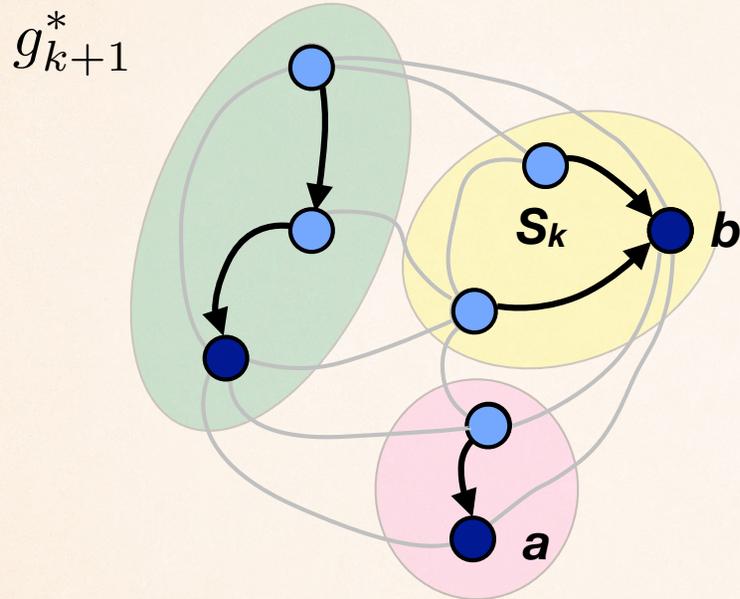
$$e^{5/\epsilon} \leq t < e^{10/\epsilon}$$

$$\lambda_3 \approx \frac{\alpha_{cd} \alpha_{ab}}{\alpha_{ca}} e^{-5/\epsilon}$$



$$e^{10/\epsilon} \leq t < \infty$$

Asymptotics for eigenvectors for **time-reversible** networks (under assumption that all optimal W-graphs are unique)



Right eigenvectors: $\phi_i^k = \begin{cases} 1, & i \in S_k \\ 0, & i \notin S_k \end{cases}$

Left eigenvectors: $\psi_i^k = \begin{cases} 1, & i = b \\ -1, & i = a, \\ 0, & i \notin \{a, b\} \end{cases}$

Time-reversible case:
Justification: Bovier, Eckort,
Gaynard, Klein, early 2000's

GENERALIZATION

- ❖ **Case with symmetry:** any coincidence in the set of exponential orders of eigenvalues and rotation rates in Freidlin's cycles (Gan & C, 2016, arXiv 1607.00078)

COMPUTATIONAL COST

N vertices, index of each vertex $\leq k$

Best case scenario:

Initialization: $O(Nk \log k)$

Routine: $O(N \log N)$

Worst case scenario:

Routine: $O((Nk)^2 \log(Nk))$ due to merging trees of reserve arcs when a cycle is created

PERFORMANCE

- **Lennard-Jones-38 network:** **71887** vertices, **239706** arcs
 - CPU time: **30** seconds,
 - the number of cycles encountered: **50266**
 - the number of arcs having appeared on the top of the main tree: **122152**
- **Lennard-Jones-75 network:** **169523** vertices, **441016** arcs
 - CPU time: **632** seconds (10.5 minutes)
 - the number of cycles encountered: **153164**
 - the number of arcs having appeared on the top of the main tree: **322686**

Application to Lennard-Jones-75 network

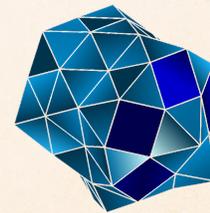
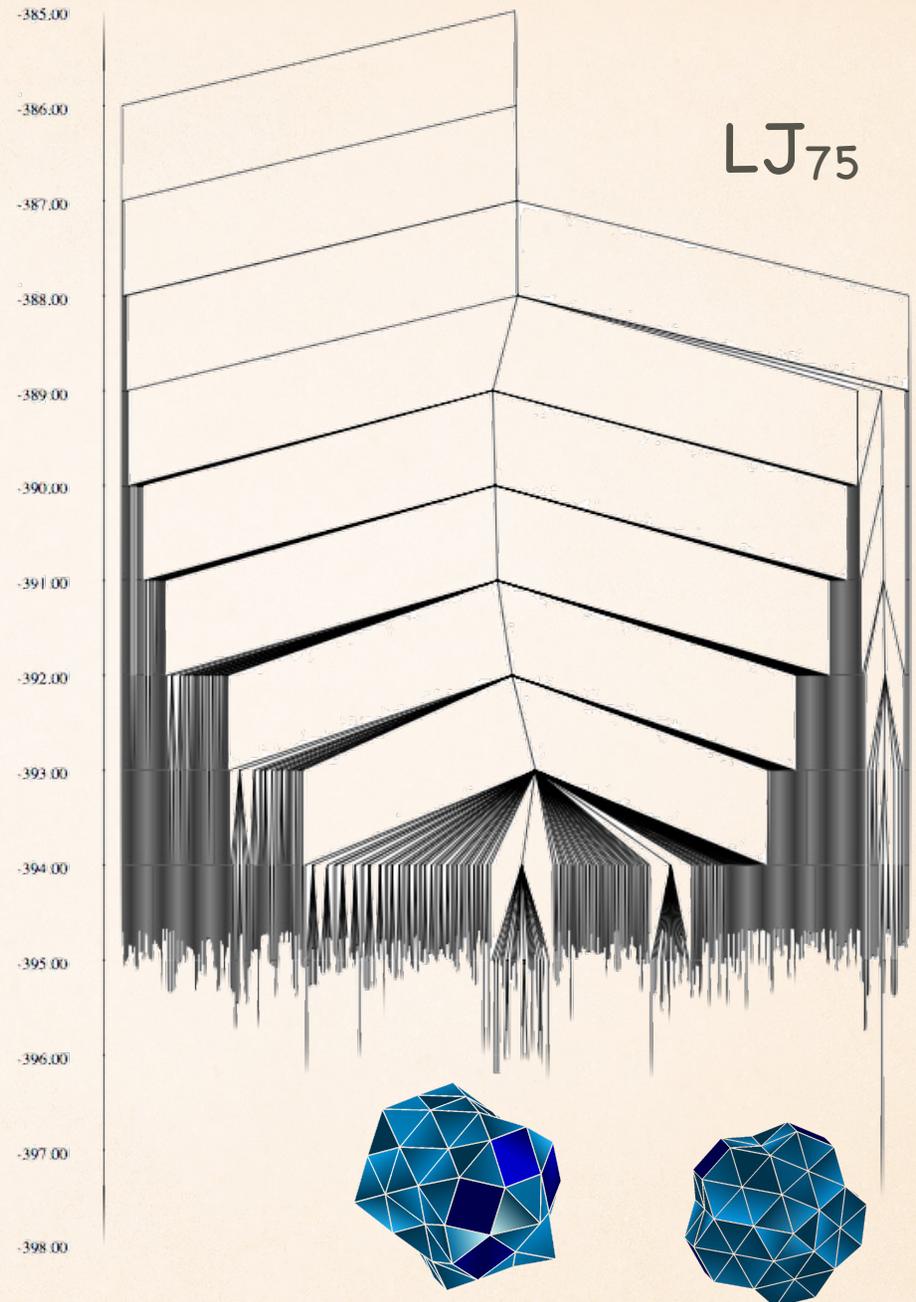
Data: courtesy of David Wales

Stats

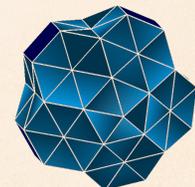
593320 vertices, **452315** edges
the maximal vertex index: **740**

The maximal connected component:

169523 vertices, **227198** edges
the maximal vertex degree: **740**
the number of edges
that are not loops and
connecting different pairs of vertices:
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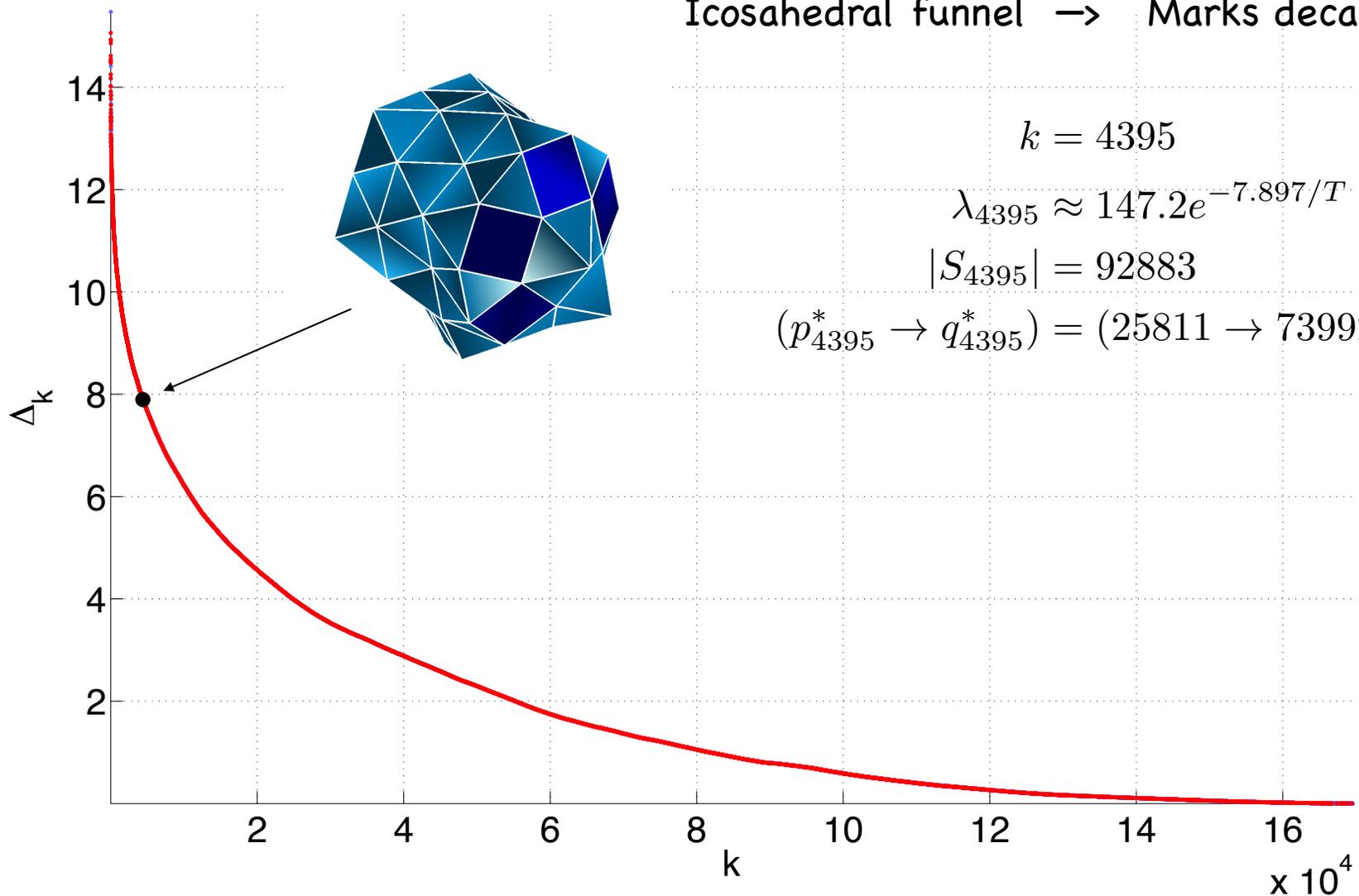
Icosahedral
structure



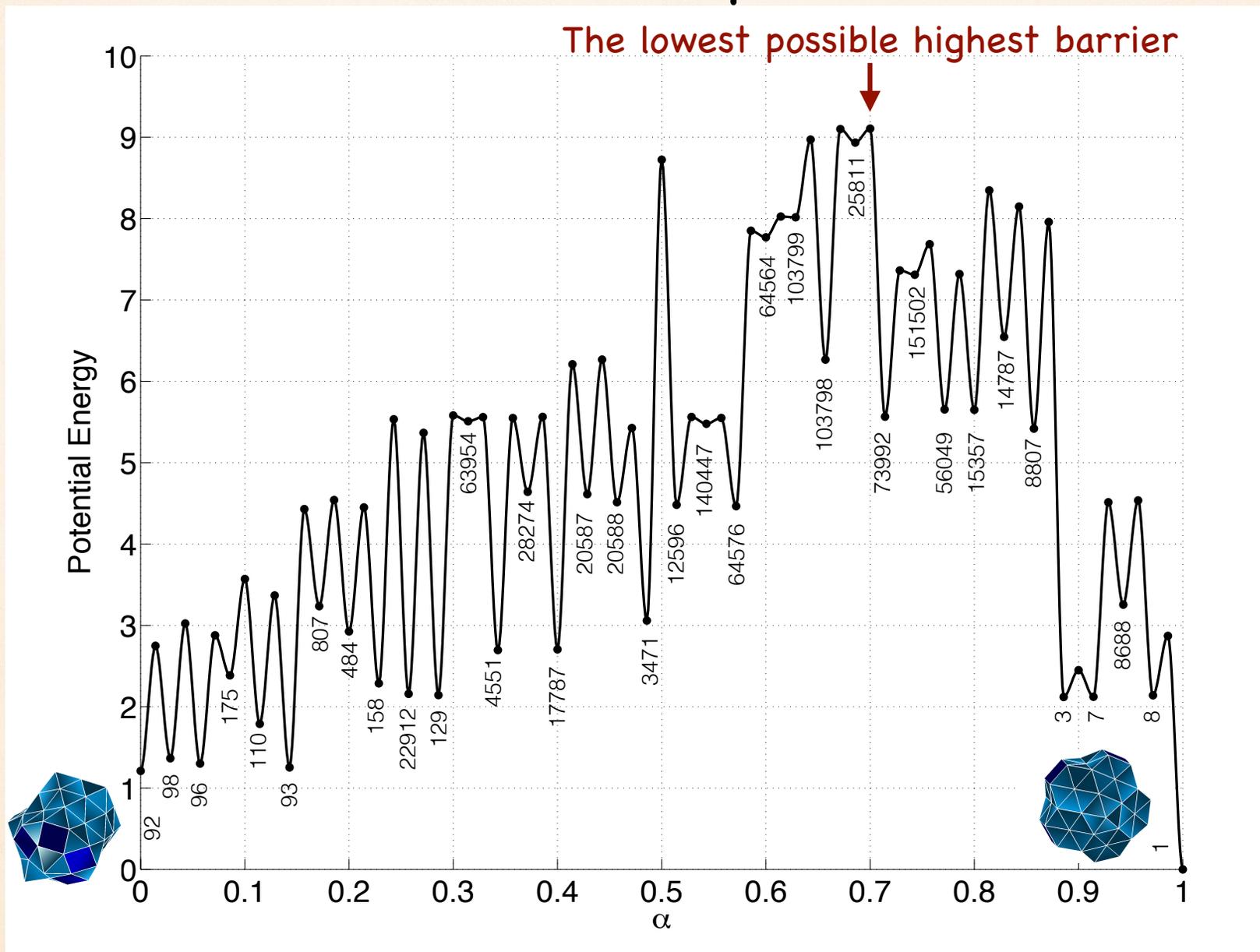
Marks
decahedral

Asymptotic estimates for eigenvalues

$$\lambda_k = \frac{O_{s_{k+1}^*} \bar{\nu}_{s_{k+1}^*}^{219}}{O_{p_k^* q_k^*} \bar{\nu}_{p_k^* q_k^*}^{218}} e^{-\Delta_k/T}$$



Asymptotic zero-temperature path (the MinMax path)



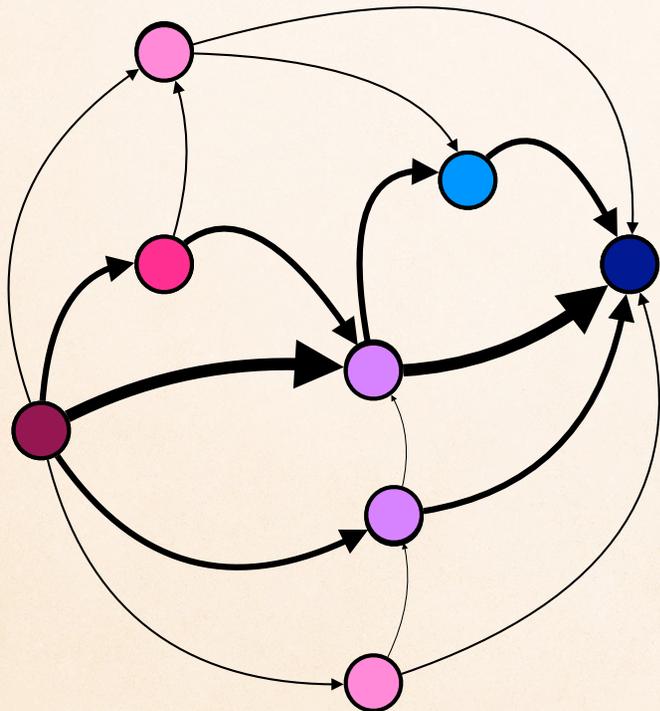
Continuation to finite temperature
of the eigenvalue
responsible for the relaxation process
from the icosahedral funnel
to Marks decahedron funnel

EIGENCURRENT

$$F_{ij}^k := \pi_i L_{ij} e^{-\lambda_k t} [(\phi_k)_i - (\phi_k)_j]$$

(for time-reversible continuous-time Markov chains)

F_{ij}^k = the net average number of transitions along the edge $i \rightarrow j$
 per unit time at time t in the relaxation process from
 the initial distribution $\pi + \psi_k = \pi + P\phi_k$

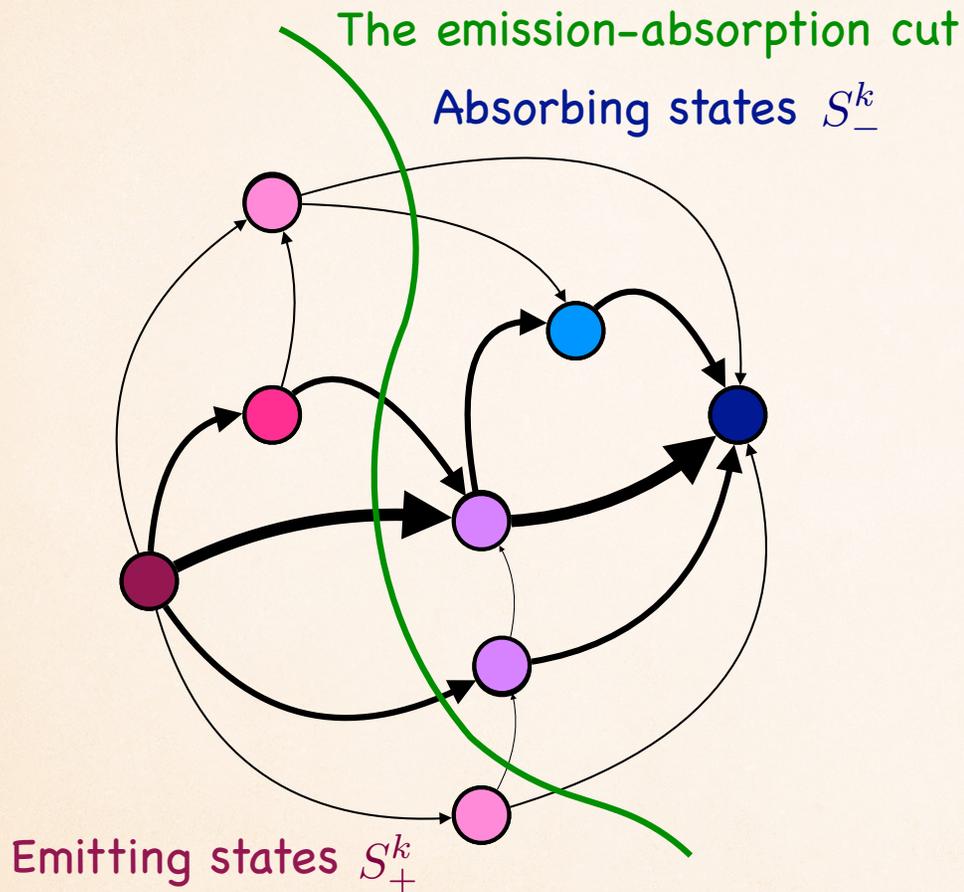


The Fokker-Planck equation
 in terms of eigencurrents

$$\frac{dp_i}{dt} = - \sum_{k=0}^{n-1} c_k \sum_{j \neq i} F_{ij}^k$$

$$\sum_{j \neq i} F_{ij}^k = e^{-\lambda_k t} \lambda_k \pi_k \phi_i^k$$

The emission-absorption cut



Consider the total eigencurrent \mathbf{F}^k through the vertex i

$$\sum_{j \neq i} F_{ij}^k = e^{-\lambda_k t} \lambda_k \pi_k \phi_i^k$$

always > 0 any sign

$$S = S_+^k \cup S_-^k$$

$$S_+^k := \{i \in S : (\phi_k)_i \geq 0\}$$

$$S_-^k := \{i \in S : (\phi_k)_i < 0\}$$

Among all possible cuts, the eigencurrent \mathbf{F}^k is maximal through the emission-absorption cut

CONTINUATION OF EIGENPAIRS TO FINITE TEMPERATURE

- **Difficulties:** (1) eigenvalues are close to 0 and may cross; (2) the matrix is large with widely varying entries
- **Useful fact:** the eigenvectors of the symmetrized generator matrix are orthonormal

$$L_{sym} := P^{1/2} L P^{-1/2} \equiv P^{-1/2} Q P^{-1/2}$$

- **Rayleigh Quotient iteration** with initial approximation

$$(\psi_k^0)_i = \begin{cases} \sqrt{\pi_i}, & i \in S_k \\ 0, & i \notin S_k \end{cases}$$

- **Precaution:** check whether the corresponding eigencurrent is largely emitted at the sink \mathbf{s}_k^* and largely absorbed at the sink \mathbf{t}_k^*

Difficulties with Lennard-Jones-75

$$c_v = \frac{\partial \langle E \rangle}{\partial T} = \frac{\partial}{\partial T} \left(\frac{\sum E_i e^{-E_i/T/k_i}}{\sum e^{-E_i/T/k_i}} \right)$$

Marks decahedron - icosahedral states
solid - solid transition: $T = 0.08$

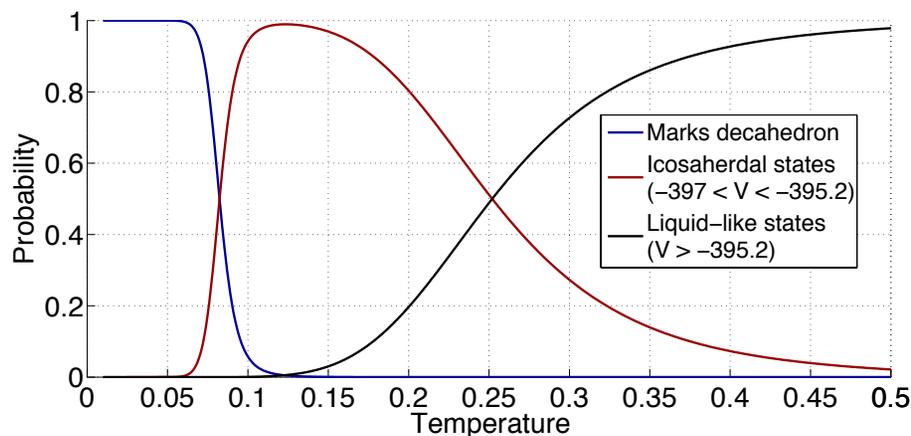
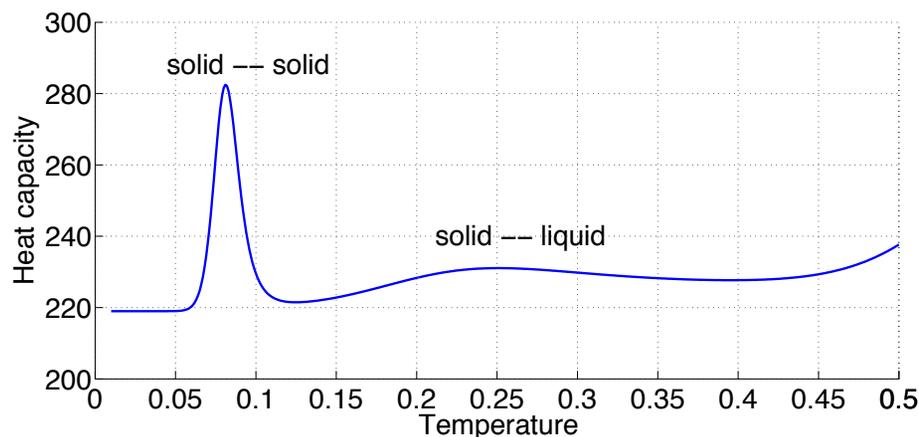
Icosahedral - liquid-like states
transition: $T = 0.25$

The range of temperatures to which
we would like to continue λ_{4395} :

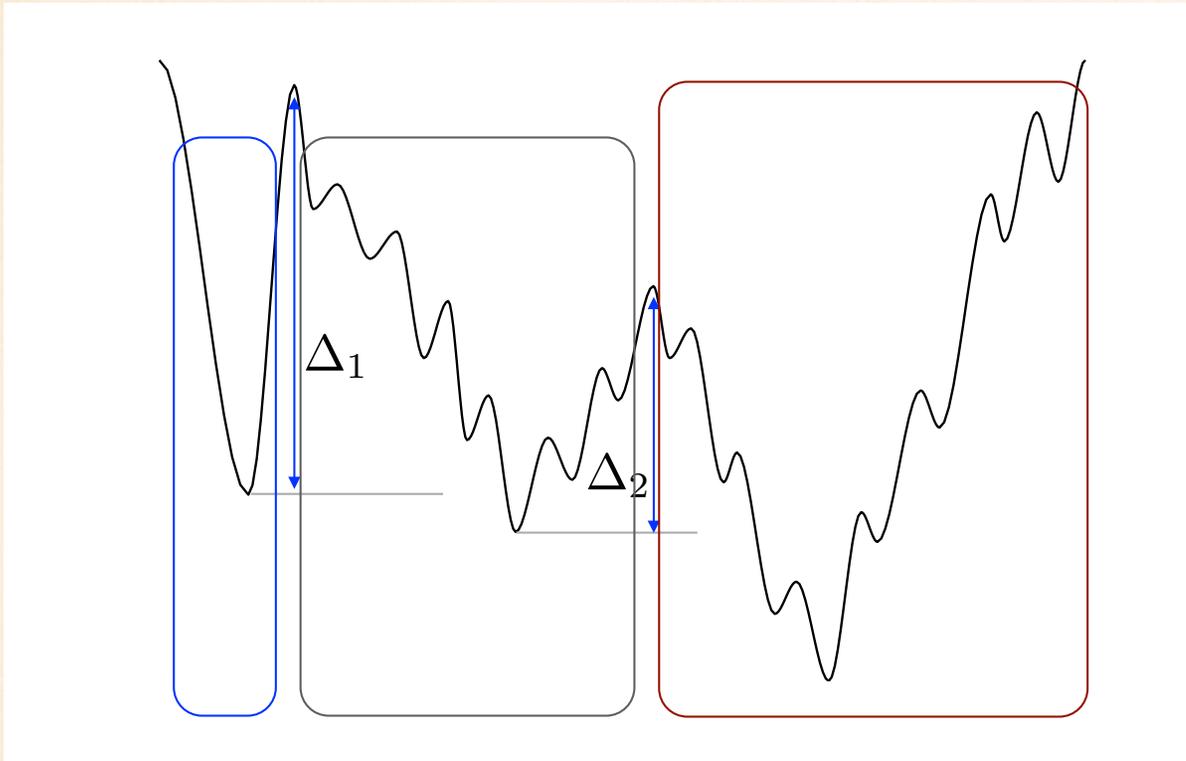
$$0.05 \leq T \leq 0.25$$

For $T < 0.17$, the matrix is badly
scaled, and the results are
inaccurate or NaN

For $T \geq 0.17$, convergence
to a wrong eigenpair takes place



Remedy 1: lumping



Pick Δ_{\min} . Here $\Delta_{\min} = \Delta_2$
 Lump the quasi-invariant sets
 with $\Delta_k < \Delta_{\min}$

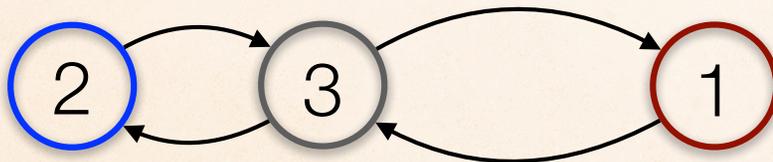
Re-calculate pairwise rates

$$\tilde{L}_{kl} = \sum_{i \in S_k, j \in S_l} L_{ij} \frac{\pi_i}{\sum_{i' \in S_k} \pi_{i'}}$$

The resulting generator matrix
 \tilde{L} is smaller,
 the largest entries of L are gone

$$A_{ki} = \begin{cases} \frac{\pi_i}{\sum_{i' \in S_k} \pi_{i'}}, & i \in S_k \\ 0, & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$

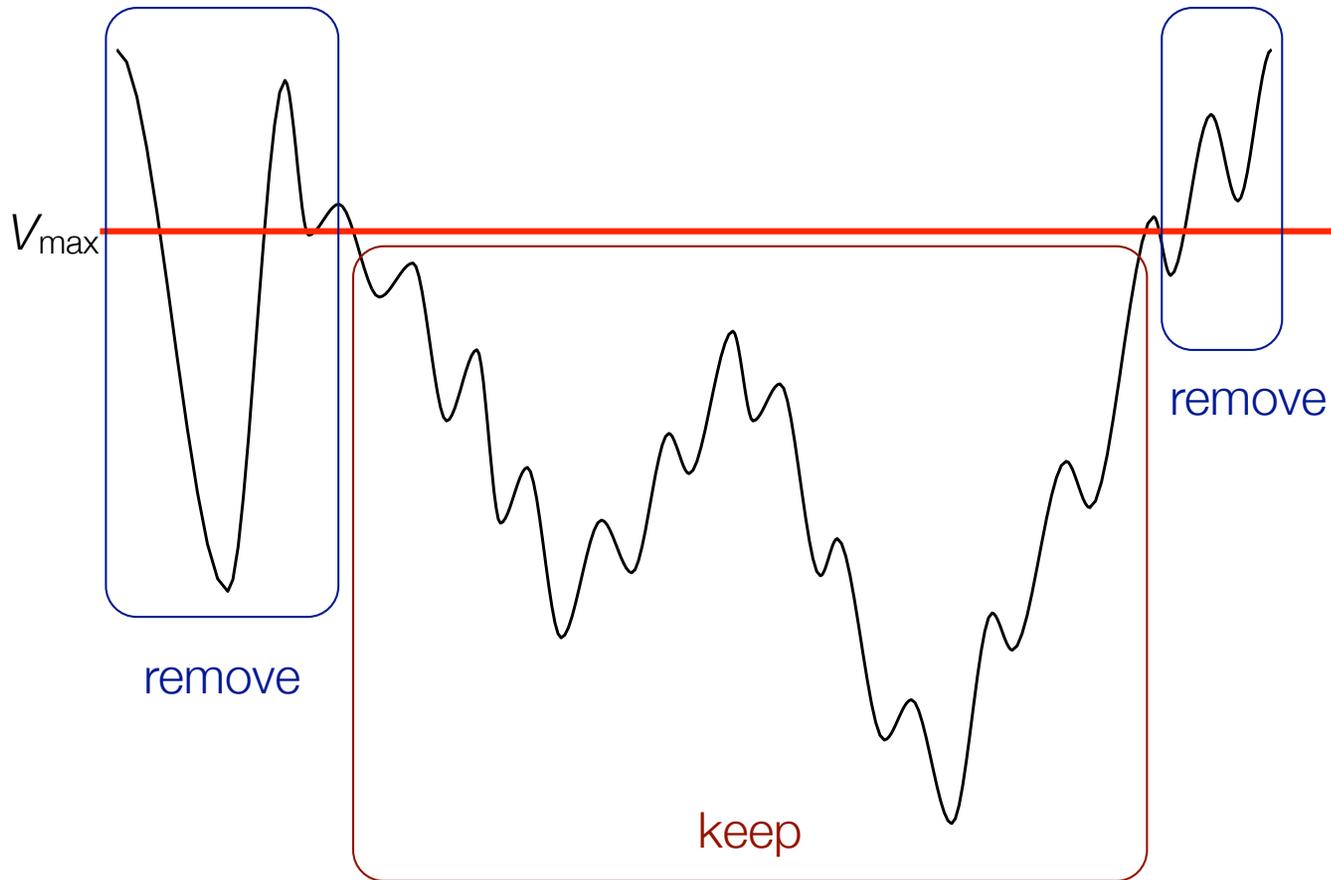
$$B_{jl} = \begin{cases} 1, & j \in S_l \\ 0, & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$



The lumped network

$$\tilde{L}_{N \times N} = \begin{bmatrix} A_{N \times n} & L_{n \times n} & B_{n \times N} \end{bmatrix}$$

Remedy 2: truncation

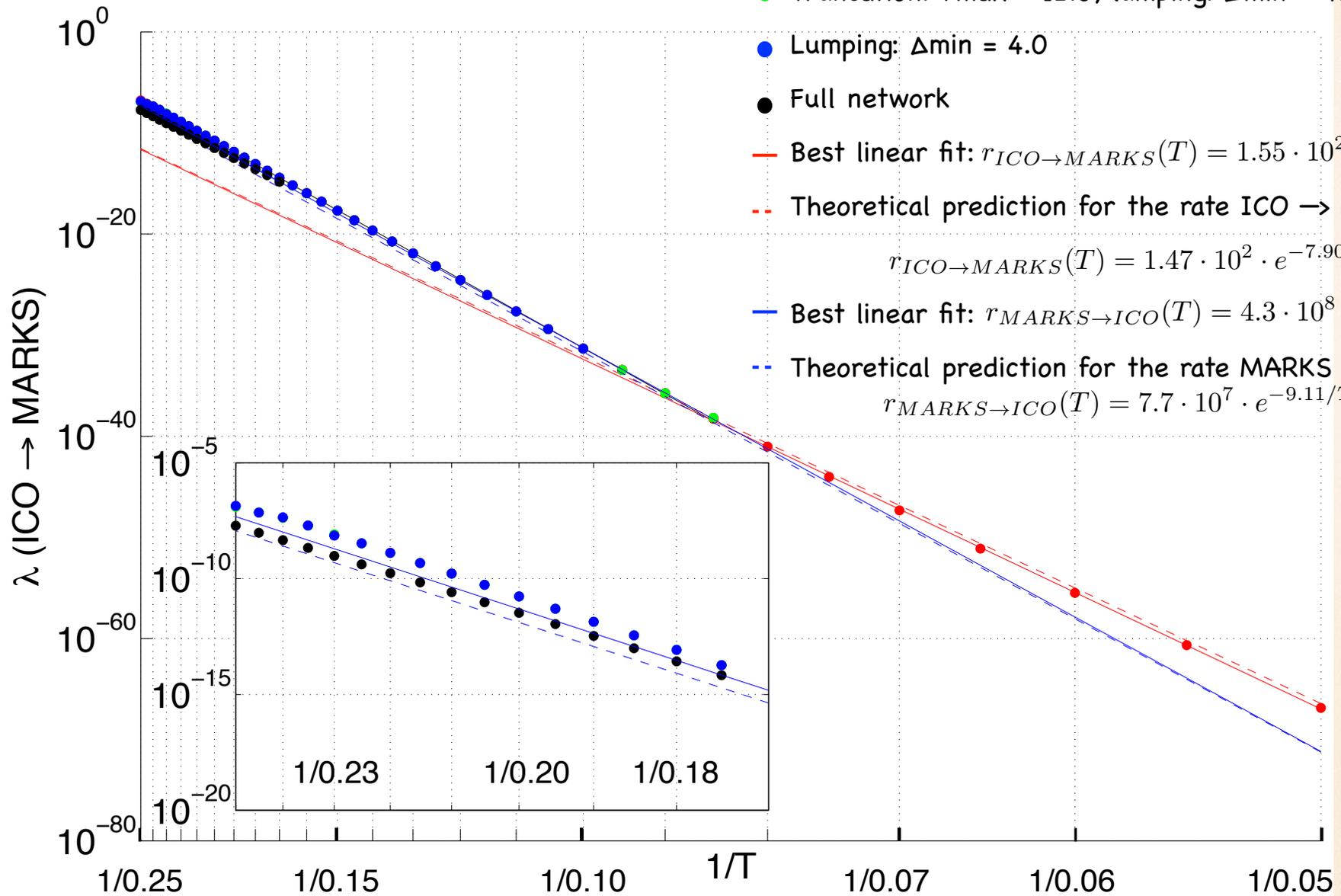


Pick V_{\max} , remove all states separated from the global minimum by a barrier exceeding V_{\max}

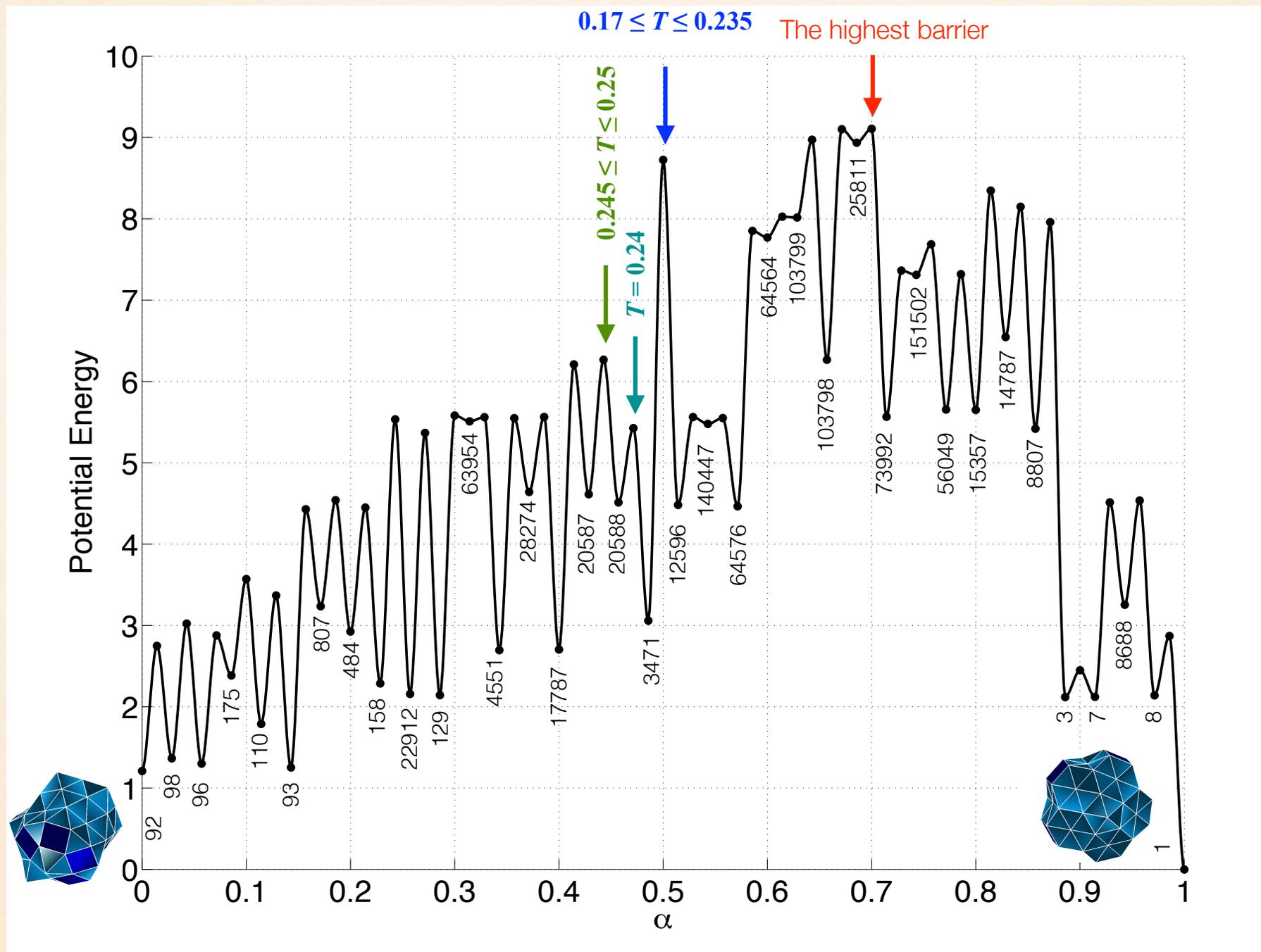
The resulting network is smaller, the components that used to be nearly transient or make it nearly reducible are removed

Eigenvalue λ_{4395} of LJ₇₅

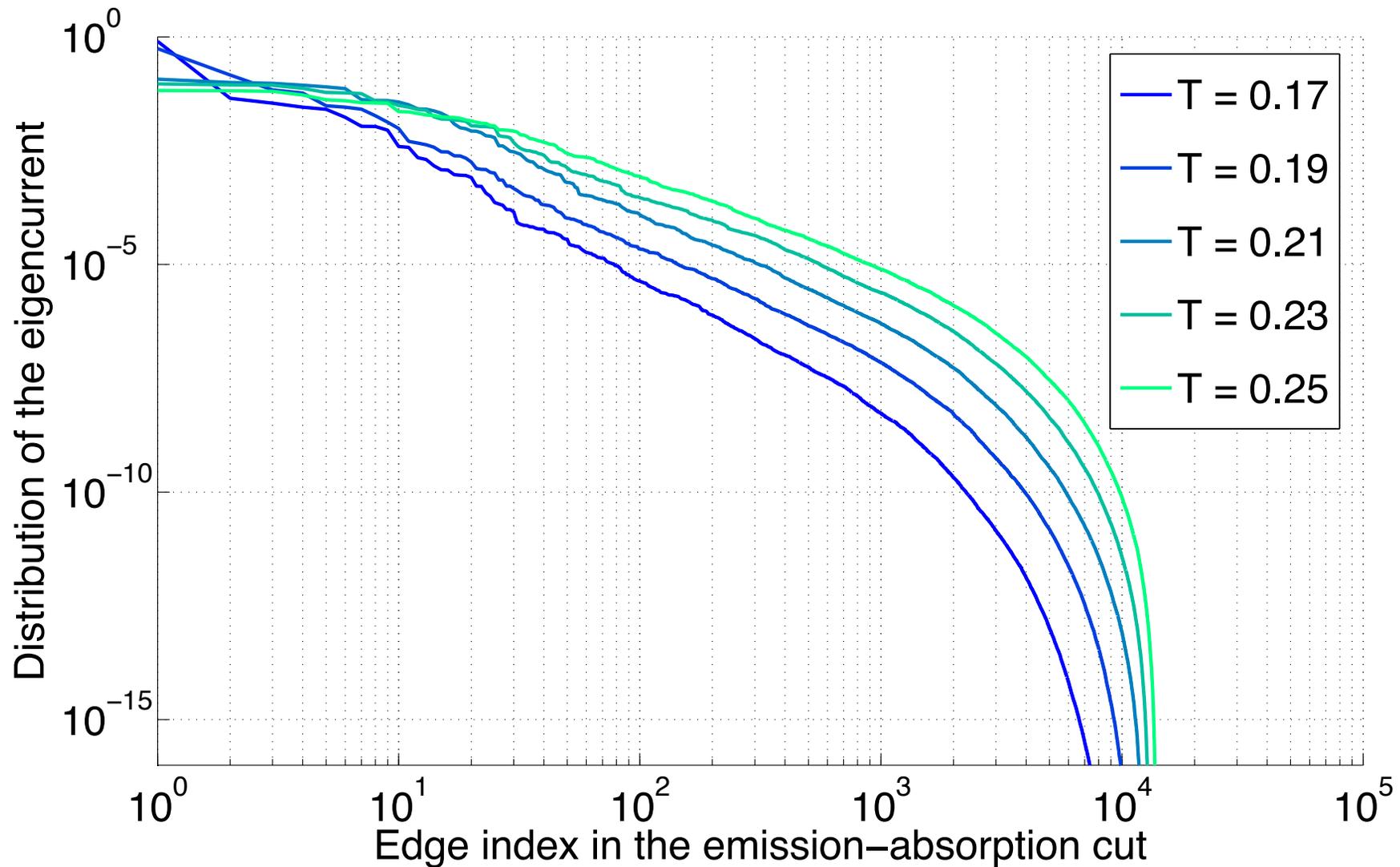
- Truncation: Vmax = 10.0; lumping: $\Delta_{min} = 6.0$
- Truncation: Vmax = 12.0; lumping: $\Delta_{min} = 4.0$
- Lumping: $\Delta_{min} = 4.0$
- Full network
- Best linear fit: $r_{ICO \rightarrow MARKS}(T) = 1.55 \cdot 10^2 \cdot e^{-7.96/T}$
- - Theoretical prediction for the rate ICO \rightarrow MARKS
 $r_{ICO \rightarrow MARKS}(T) = 1.47 \cdot 10^2 \cdot e^{-7.90/T}$
- Best linear fit: $r_{MARKS \rightarrow ICO}(T) = 4.3 \cdot 10^8 \cdot e^{-9.18/T}$
- - Theoretical prediction for the rate MARKS \rightarrow ICO
 $r_{MARKS \rightarrow ICO}(T) = 7.7 \cdot 10^7 \cdot e^{-9.11/T}$



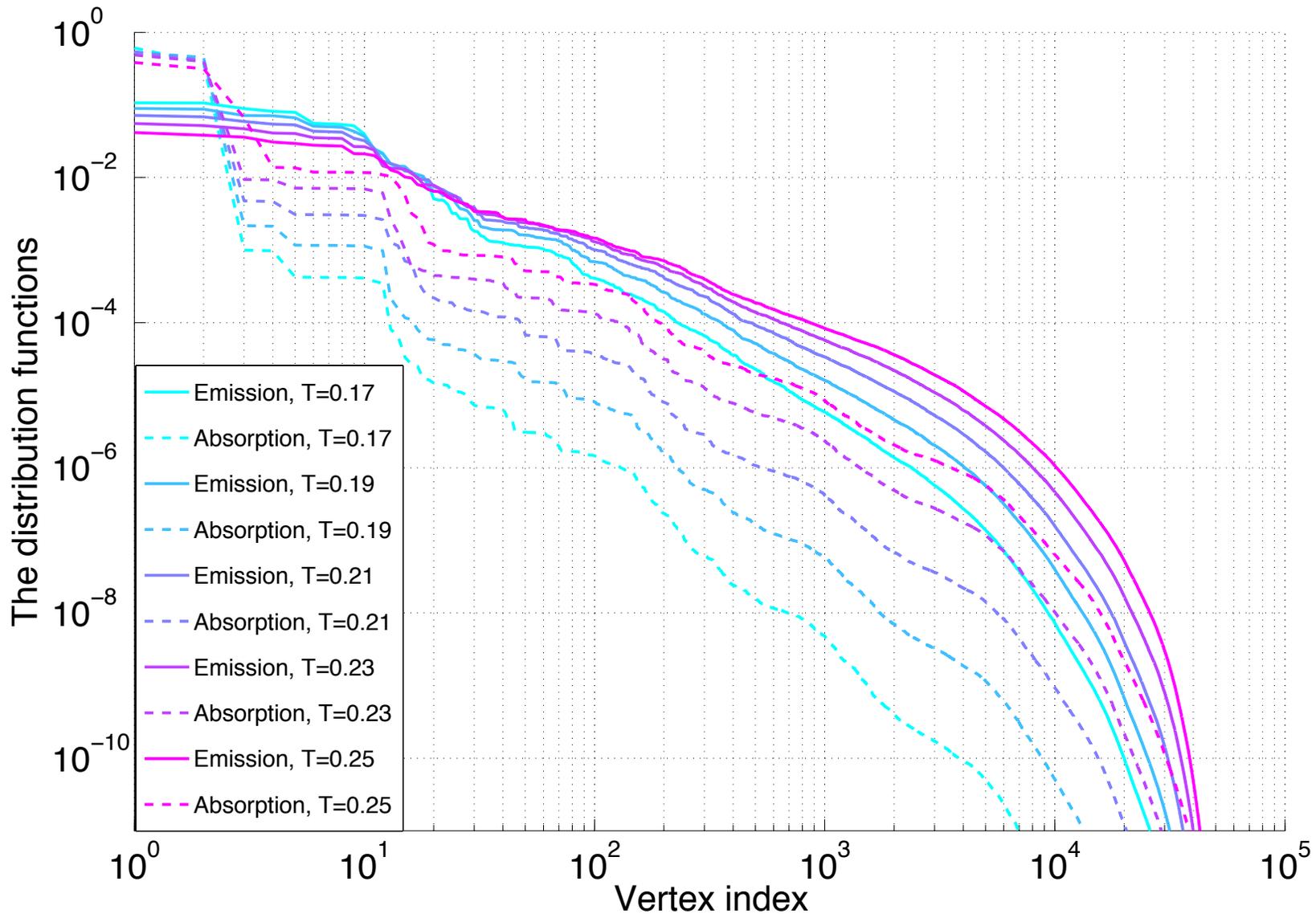
The emission-absorption cut: location



Eigencurrent distribution in the emission-absorption cut



Emission-absorption distribution



VAN DE WAAL'S HYPOTHESIS

Mass spectrography by electron or X-ray diffraction (since 1980s)

Results: clusters with $< \sim 1500$ atoms have **icosahedral** packing;
larger clusters have **FCC** packing

Van de Waal, PRL, 1996

No Evidence for Size-Dependent Icosahedral \rightarrow FCC Structural Transition in Rare-Gas Clusters

Faulty face-centered cubic layers grow on icosahedral core

Experimental confirmation:

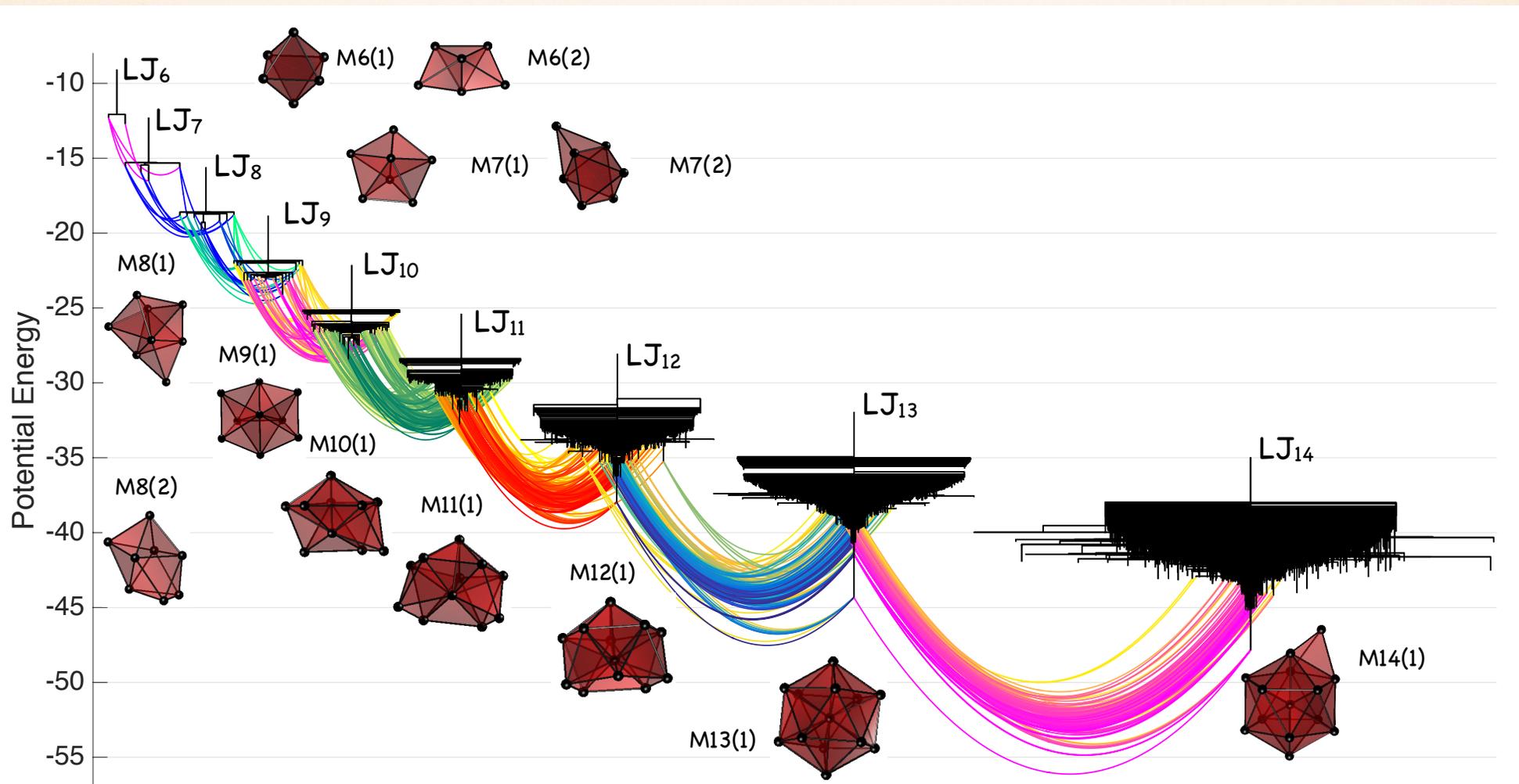
Kovalenko, Solnyshkin, Verkhovtseva, Low Temp Phys, 2000

On the mechanism of transformation of icosahedral rare-gas clusters into FCC aggregations

The experimental results correlate with the calculation if it is assumed that the clusters have a face-centered cubic structure with a constant number of intersecting stacking faults.

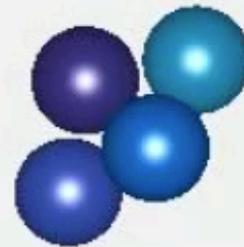
LJ6-14 AGGREGATION/DEFORMATION NETWORK

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AGGREGATION OF LENNARD-JONES PARTICLES

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ANALYSIS OF AGGREGATION/DEFORMATION LJ NETWORK

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◆ In LJ_n , probability distribution evolves according to: $\frac{dp}{dt} = pL$

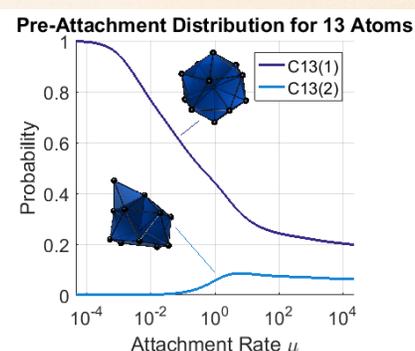
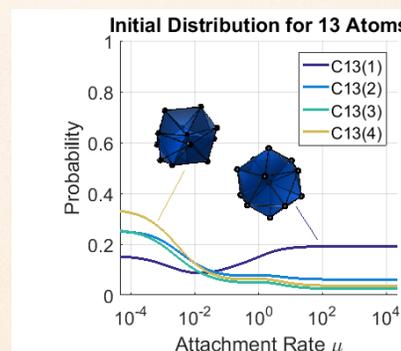
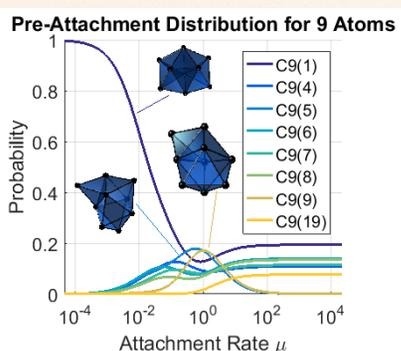
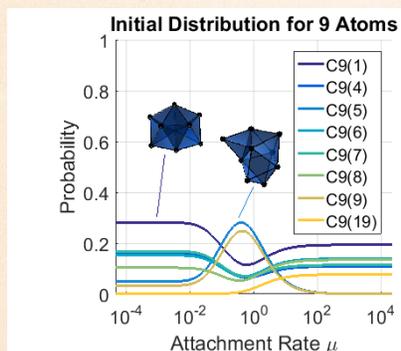
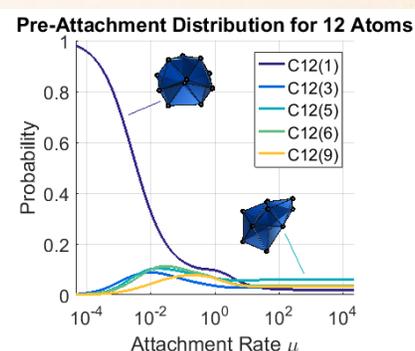
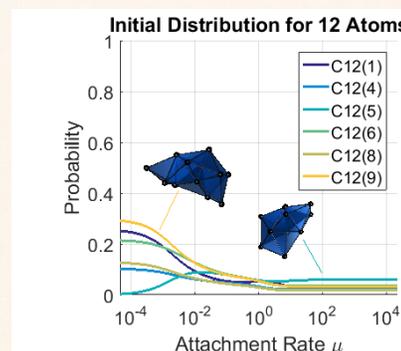
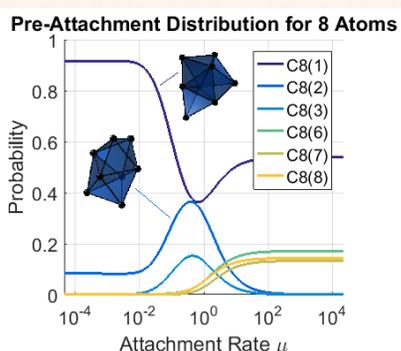
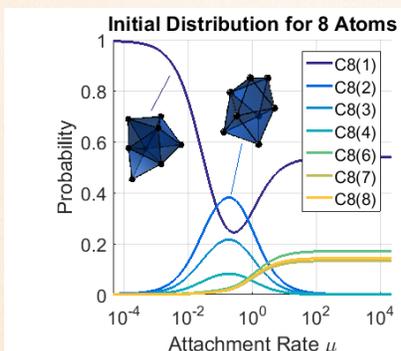
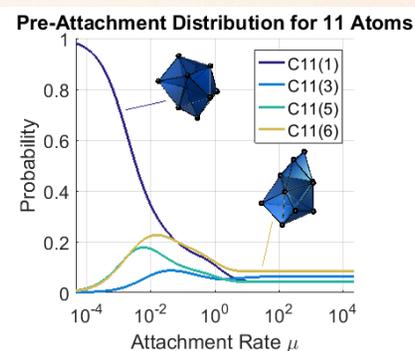
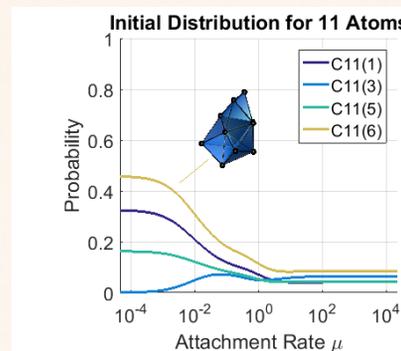
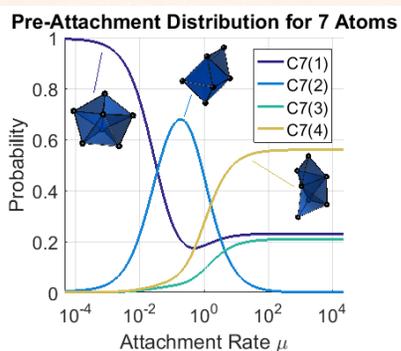
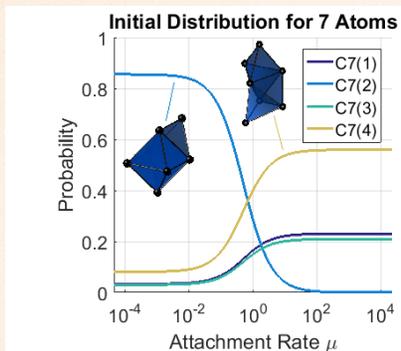
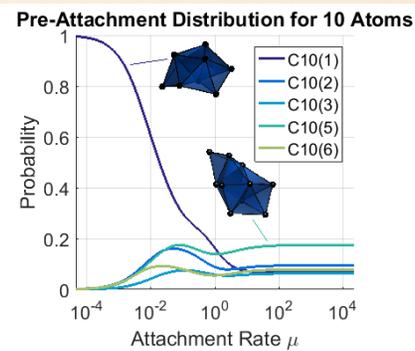
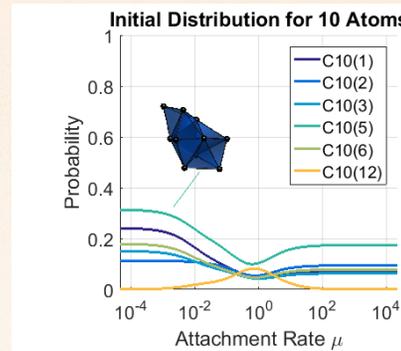
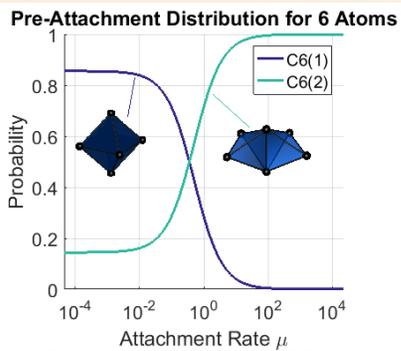
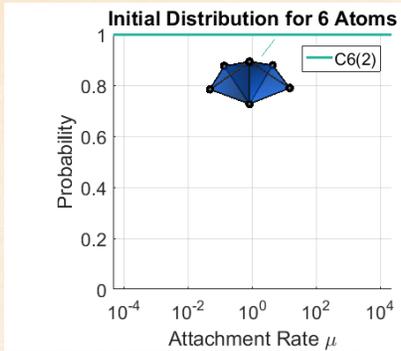
◆ Eigendecomposition of L : $L = \Phi\Lambda\Psi$

◆ Initial distribution: $p_{init} = \pi + \sum_{k=1}^{N-1} c_k \psi_k$, where $c_k = p(0)\phi_k$

◆ Attachment time has pdf: $f_T(t) = \mu e^{-\mu t}$

◆ Preattachment distribution:

$$p_{preatt} = \int_0^{\infty} p(t) f_T(t) dt = \pi + \sum_{k=1}^{N-1} c_k \frac{\mu}{\mu + \lambda_k} \psi_k$$



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