pychemcurv

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Introduction

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pychemcurv is a python package for structural analyzes of molecular systems or solid state materials focusing on the local curvature at an atomic scale. The local curvature is then used to compute the hybridization of molecular orbitals.

The main features of the library are available from a Plotly/Dash web application available here: pychemcurv.herokuapp.com/. The web-app allows to upload simple xyz files and compute the local geometrical properties and the hybridization properties. The application source code is available in a separate repository at pychemcurv-app.

Fig. 1: Pyramidalization angle of a C_{28} fullerene mapped on the structure with a colorscale.

Features

Pychemcurv is divided in two parts. The first one is a standard python package which provides two main classes to compute the local curvature at the atomic scale and the hybridization of a given atom. Second, a Plotly/Dash web application is provided in order to perform a geometrical and electronic analyzes on molecules or materials.

The web application is available at pychemcurv.herokuapp.com/. The web-app allows to upload simple xyz files and compute the local geometrical properties and the hybridization properties. The application source code is available in a separate repository at pychemcurv-app.
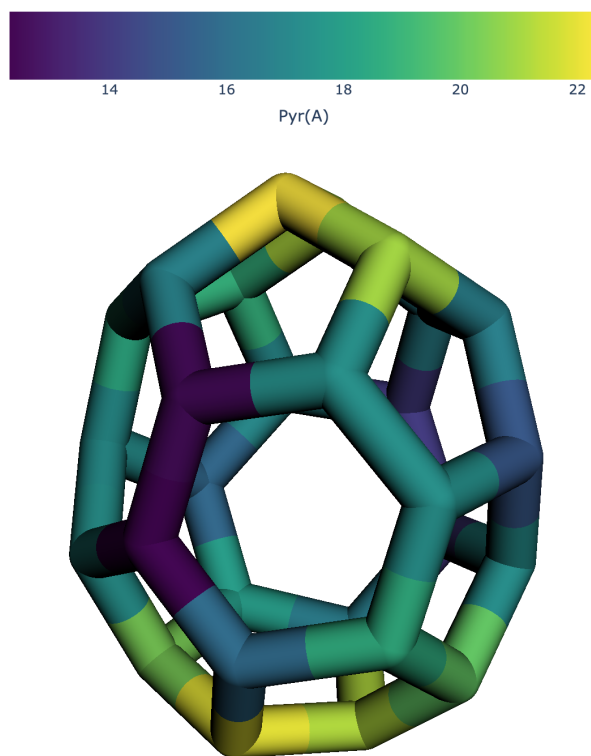
Some jupyter notebooks are provided in the `notebooks/` folder and present use cases of the classes implemented in this package. You can access to these notebooks online with binder.

Citing pychemcurv

Please, consider to cite the following paper when using either the *pychemcurv* library or the web application.

Julia Sabalot-Cuzzubbo, Germain Salvato Vallverdu, Didier Bégué and Jacky Cresson *Relating the molecular topology and local geometry: Haddon's pyramidalization angle and the Gaussian curvature*, J. Chem. Phys. **152**, 244310 (2020).

Installation

Before installing pychemcurv it is recommanded to create a virtual environment using conda or virtuelenv.

3.1 Short installation

Using pip directly from github, run

```
pip install git+git://github.com/gVallverdu/pychemcurv.git
```

Alternatively, you can first clone the pychemcurv repository

```
git clone https://github.com/gVallverdu/pychemcurv.git
```

and then install the module and its dependencies using

```
pip install .
```

3.2 Full installation

If you want to use the web application locally or if you want to use nglview to display structures in jupyter notebooks you need to install more dependencies. The setup configuration provides the viz and app extras so, using pip, run one of

```
pip install .[app]
# or
pip install .[viz]
# or all extras
pip install .[app, viz]

# escape square bracket with zsh
pip install .\[app, viz\]
```

If you have installed nglview you have to enable the jupyter extension

```
jupyter-nbextension enable nglview --py --sys-prefix
```

The files `requirements.txt` and `environment.yml` are provided to setup a full environment with all dependencies. Using pip, in a new environment you can run the following command to install dependencies

```
pip install -r requirements.txt
```

or using `conda` you can create the new environment and install all dependencies in one shot by

```
conda env create -f environment.yml
```

The name of the new environment is `curv`.

Do not forget to enable the jupyter nglview extension (see above).

3.3 Install in developper mode

In order to install in developer mode, first create an environment (using one of the provided file for example) and then install using pip

```
pip install -e .[app, viz]
```

If you want to build the documentation you also need to install sphinx.

Run the web application

The web application is available in this separate repository: pychemcurv-app https://github.com/gVallverdu/pychemcurv-app. The main aim of the application is to use the pychemcurv package and visualize the geometrical or chemical atomic quantities mapped on the chemical structure of your system.

The application is available online at this address: pychemcurv.herokuapp.com/.

Demo video:

In order to run the application locally, you have to install all the dependencies and in particular `dash` and `dash-bio`. You can do that from the files `requirements.txt` or `environment.yml` or directly using `pip`.

Then, clone the github repository on your computer

```
git clone https://github.com/gVallverdu/pychemcurv-app.git
```

To run the application, change to the `pychemcurv-app/` directory and run the `app.py` file.

```
[user@computer] (curv) > $ cd pychemcurv-app/
[user@computer] (curv) > $ python app.py
Running on http://127.0.0.1:8050/
Debugger PIN: 065-022-191
* Serving Flask app "app" (lazy loading)
* Environment: production
WARNING: This is a development server. Do not use it in a production deployment.
Use a production WSGI server instead.
* Debug mode: on
```

Open the provided url to use the application.

You can switch off the debug mode by setting `debug=False` on the last line of the `app.py` file.

4.1 Common error on local execution

If the application does not start with an error such as:

```
socket.gaierror: [Errno 8] nodename nor servname provided, or not known
```

Go to the last lines of the file app.py and comment/uncomment the last lines to get something that reads

```python
if __name__ == '__main__':
    app.run_server(debug=True, host='127.0.0.1')
    # app.run_server(debug=False)
```

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Core classes

Module `pychemcur.core` implements several classes in order to represents a vertex of a molecular squeleton and compute geometrical and chemical indicators related to the local curvature around this vertex.

A complete and precise definition of all the quantities computed in the classes of this module can be found in article [JCP2020].

6.1 Vertex classes

6.1.1 VertexAtom class

class `pychemcurv.core.`**VertexAtom**(*a*, *star_a*)

This class represents an atom (or a point) associated to a vertex of the squeleton of a molecule. The used notations are the following. We denote by A a given atom caracterized by its cartesian coordinates corresponding to a vector in $\mathbb{R}^3$. This atom A is bonded to one or several atoms B. The atoms B, bonded to atoms A belong to $\star(A)$ and are caracterized by their cartesian coordinates defined as vectors in $\mathbb{R}^3$. The geometrical object obtained by drawing a segment between bonded atoms is called the skeleton of the molecule and is the initial geometrical picture for a molecule. This class is defined from the cartesian coordinates of atom A and the atoms belonging to $\star(A)$.

More generally, the classes only considers points in $\mathbb{R}^3$. The is not any chemical consideration here. In consequence, the class can be used for all cases where a set of point in $\mathbb{R}^3$ is relevant.

> **Parameters**
> - **a** (*np.ndarray*) – cartesian coordinates of point/atom A in $\mathbb{R}^3$
> - **star_a** (*nd.array*) – (N x 3) cartesian coordinates of points/atoms B in $\star(A)$

static from_pyramid(*length*, *theta*, *n_star_A=3*, *radians=False*, *perturb=None*)

Set up a VertexAtom from an ideal pyramidal structure. Build an ideal pyramidal geometry given the angle theta and randomize the positions by adding a noise of a given magnitude. The vertex of the pyramid is the point A and $\star(A)$. are the points linked to the vertex. The size of $\star(A)$. is at least 3.

θ is the angle between the normal vector of the plane defined from $\star(A)$ and the bonds between A and $\star(A)$. The pyramidalisation angle is defined from θ such as

$$pyrA = \theta - \frac{\pi}{2}$$

Parameters

- **length** (*float*) – the bond length
- **theta** (*float*) – Angle to define the pyramid
- **n_star_A** (*int*) – number of point bonded to A the vertex of the pyramid.
- **radian** (*bool*) – True if theta is in radian (default False)
- **perturb** (*float*) – Give the width of a normal distribution from which random numbers are choosen and added to the coordinates.

Returns A VertexAtom instance

a
> Coordinates of atom A

star_a
> Coordinates of atoms B belonging to $\star(A)$

reg_star_a
> Regularized coordinates of atoms/points B in $\star(A)$ such as all distances between A and points B are equal to unity. This corresponds to $Reg_\epsilon \star (A)$ with $\epsilon = 1$.

normal
> Unitary vector normal to the plane or the best fitting plane of atoms/points Bi in $\star(A)$.

reg_normal
> Unitary vector normal to the plane or the best fitting plane of atoms/points $RegB_i$ in $\star(A)$.

com
> Center of mass of atoms/points B in $\star(A)$

distances
> Return all distances between atom A and atoms B belonging to $\star(A)$. Distances are in the same order as the atoms in `vertex.star_a`.

get_angles (*radians=True*)
> Compute angles theta_ij between the bonds ABi and ABj, atoms Bi and Bj belonging to $\star(A)$. The angle theta_ij is made by the vectors ABi and ABj in the affine plane defined by this two vectors and atom A. The computed angles are such as bond ABi are in a consecutive order.
>
> > **Parameters** **radians** (*bool*) – if True (default) angles are returned in radians

angular_defect
> Compute the angular defect in radians as a measure of the discrete curvature around the vertex, point A.
>
> The calculation first looks for the best fitting plane of points belonging to $\star(A)$ and sorts that points in order to compute the angles between the edges connected to the vertex (A). See the get_angles method.

pyr_distance
> Compute the distance of atom A to the plane define by $\star(A)$ or the best fitting plane of $\star(A)$. The unit of the distance is the same as the unit of the coordinates of A and $\star(A)$.

as_dict (*radians=True*, *list_obj=False*)
> Return a dict version of all the properties that can be computed using this class. Use *list_obj=True* to get a valid JSON object.

Parameters

- **radians** (*bool*) – if True, angles are returned in radians (default)
- **list_obj** (*bool*) – if True, numpy arrays are converted into list object (default False)

Returns A dict

write_file (*species='C'*, *filename='vertex.xyz'*)

Write the coordinates of atom A and atoms $\star(A)$ in a file in xyz format. You can set the name of species or a list but the length of the list must be equal to the number of atoms. If filename is None, returns the string corresponding to the xyz file.

Parameters

- **species** (*str, list*) – name of the species or list of the species names
- **filename** (*str*) – path of the output file or None to get a string

Returns None if filename is a path, else, the string corresponding to the xyz file.

6.1.2 TrivalentVertex class

class pychemcurv.core.**TrivalentVertex** (*a*, *star_a*)

This object represents an atom (or a point) associated to a vertex of the squeleton of a molecule bonded to exactly 3 other atoms (or linked to 3 other points). This correspond to the trivalent case.

We denote by A a given atom caracterized by its cartesian coordinates corresponding to a vector in $\mathbb{R}^3$. This atom A is bonded to 3 atoms B. The atoms B, bonded to atom A belong to $\star(A)$ and are caracterized by their cartesian coordinates defined as vectors in $\mathbb{R}^3$. The geometrical object obtained by drawing a segment between bonded atoms is called the skeleton of the molecule and is the initial geometrical picture for a molecule. This class is defined from the cartesian coordinates of atom A and the atoms belonging to $\star(A)$.

More generally, the classes only considers points in $\mathbb{R}^3$. The is not any chemical consideration here. In consequence, the class can be used for all cases where a set of point in $\mathbb{R}^3$ is relevant.

The following quantities are computed according the reference [JCP2020]

pyramidalization angle pyrA The pyramidalization angle, **in degrees**. $pyrA = \theta - \pi/2$ where θ is the angle between the normal vector of the plane containing the atoms B of $\star(A)$ and a vector along a bond between atom A and one B atom.

An exact definition of pyrA needs that A is bonded to exactly 3 atoms in order to be able to define a uniq plane that contains the atoms B belonging to $\star(A)$. Nevertheless, pyrA is computed if more than 3 atoms are bonded to atom A by computing the best fitting plane of atoms belonging to $\star(A)$.

pyramidalization angle, pyrA_r The pyramidalization angle **in radians**.

improper angle, improper The improper angle corresponding to the dihedral angle between the planes defined by atoms (i, j, k) and (j, k, l), atom i being atom A and atoms j, k and l being atoms of $\star(A)$. In consequence, the improper angle is defined only if there are 3 atoms in $\star(A)$.

The value of the improper angle is returned in radians.

angular defect, angular_defect The angluar defect is defined as

where α_F are the angles at the vertex A of the faces $F \in \star(A)$. The angular defect is computed whatever the number of atoms in $\star(A)$.

The value of the angular defect is returned in radians.

spherical curvature, `spherical_curvature` The spherical curvature is computed as the radius of the osculating sphere of atoms A and atoms belonging to $\star(A)$. The spherical curvature is computed as

$$\kappa(A) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{\ell^2 + \dfrac{(OA^2 - \ell^2)^2}{4z_A^2}}}$$

where O is the center of the circumbscribed circle of atoms in $\star(A)$; A the vertex atom ; OA the distance between O and A ; ℓ the distance between O and atoms B of $\star(A)$; z_A the distance of atom A to the plane defined by $\star(A)$. The spherical curvature is defined only if there are 3 atoms in $\star(A)$.

pyramidalization distance `pyr_distance` Distance of atom A to the plane define by $\star(A)$ or the best fitting plane of $\star(A)$.

The value of the distance is in the same unit as the coordinates.

If the number of atoms B in $\star(A)$ is not suitable to compute some properties, *np.nan* is returned.

Note that the plane defined by atoms B belonging to $\star(A)$ is exactly defined *only* in the case where there are three atoms B in $\star(A)$. In the case of pyrA, if there are more than 3 atoms in $\star(A)$, the class use the best fitting plane considering all atoms in $\star(A)$ and compute the geometrical quantities.

> **Parameters**
> - **a** (*np.ndarray*) – cartesian coordinates of point/atom A in $\mathbb{R}^3$
> - **star_a** (*nd.array*) – (N x 3) cartesian coordinates of points/atoms B in $\star(A)$

static from_pyramid(*length*, *theta*, *radians=False*, *perturb=None*)
Set up a VertexAtom from an ideal pyramidal structure. Build an ideal pyramidal geometry given the angle theta and randomize the positions by adding a noise of a given magnitude. The vertex of the pyramid is the point A and $\star(A)$. are the points linked to the vertex. The size of $\star(A)$. is 3.

θ is the angle between the normal vector of the plane defined from $\star(A)$ and the bonds between A and $\star(A)$. The pyramidalisation angle is defined from θ such as
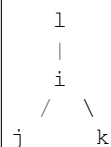
$$pyrA = \theta - \frac{\pi}{2}$$

> **Parameters**
> - **length** (*float*) – the bond length
> - **theta** (*float*) – Angle to define the pyramid
> - **radian** (*bool*) – True if theta is in radian (default False)
> - **perturb** (*float*) – Give the width of a normal distribution from which random numbers are choosen and added to the coordinates.
>
> **Returns** A TrivalentVertex instance

improper
Compute the improper angle in randians between planes defined by atoms (i, j, k) and (j, k, l). Atom A, is atom i and atoms j, k and l belong to $\star(A)$.

```
    l
    |
    i
   / \
  j    k
```

This quantity is available only if the length of $\star(A)$ is equal to 3.

pyrA_r
Return the pyramidalization angle in radians.

pyrA
Return the pyramidalization angle in degrees.

spherical_curvature
Compute the spherical curvature associated to the osculating sphere of points A and points B belonging to $\star(A)$. Here, we assume that there is exactly 3 atoms B in $\star(A)$.

as_dict(*radians=True*, *list_obj=False*)
Return a dict version of all the properties that can be computed using this class. Use *list_obj=True* to get a valid JSON object.

> **Parameters**
>
> - **radians** (*bool*) – if True, angles are returned in radians (default)
> - **list_obj** (*bool*) – if True, numpy arrays are converted into list object (default False)
>
> **Returns** A dict.

6.2 POAV: Pi-Orbital Axis Vector

POAV stands for π-Orbital Axis Vector. The definition of this vector has its origin in the works of R.C. Haddon. The definitions and the relation between POAV and the local curvature of a molecule using new geometrical object such as the angular defect have been established in our recent work [JCP2020].

Hereafter, the two classes POAV1 and POAV2 aim to compute quantities related to the two definitions of the POAV vector.

6.2.1 POAV1

class pychemcurv.core.**POAV1**(*vertex*)
In the case of the POAV1 theory the POAV vector has the property to make a constant angle with each bond connected to atom A.

This class computes indicators related to the POAV1 theory of R.C. Haddon following the link established between pyrA and the hybridization of a trivalent atom in reference [JCP2020].

A chemical picture of the hybridization can be drawn by considering the contribution of the p atomic oribtals to the system σ, or the contribution of the s atomic orbital to the system π. This is achieved using the m and n quantities. For consistency with POAV2 class, the attributes, hybridization, sigma_hyb_nbr and pi_hyb_nbr are also implemented but return the same values.

POAV1 is defined from the local geometry of an atom at a vertex of the molecule's squeleton.

> **Parameters vertex** (TrivalentVertex) – the trivalent vertex atom

pyrA
Pyramidalization angle in degrees

pyrA_r
Pyramidalization angle in radians

poav
Return a unitary vector along the POAV vector

c_pi

Value of c_π in the ideal case of a C_{3v} geometry. Equation (22), with $c_{1,2} = \sqrt{2/3}$.

$$c_\pi = \sqrt{2}\tan Pyr(A)$$

lambda_pi

value of λ_π in the ideal case of a C_{3v} geometry. Equation (23), with $c_{1,2}^2 = 2/3$.

$$\lambda_\pi = \sqrt{1 - 2\tan^2 Pyr(A)}$$

m

value of hybridization number m, see equation (44)

$$m = \left(\frac{c_\pi}{\lambda_\pi}\right)^2$$

n

value of hybridization number n, see equation (47)

$$n = 3m + 2$$

pi_hyb_nbr

This quantity measure the weight of the s atomic orbital with respect to the p atomic orbital in the h_π hybrid orbital along the POAV vector.

This is equal to m.

sigma_hyb_nbr

This quantity measure the weight of the p atomic orbitals with respect to s in the hi hybrid orbitals along the bonds with atom A.

This is equal to n

hybridization

Compute the hybridization such as

$$sp^{(2+c_\pi^2)/(1-c_\pi^2)}$$

This quantity corresponds to the amount of p AO in the system σ. This is equal to n and corresponds to the $\tilde{n}$ value defined by Haddon.

TODO: verifier si cette quantité est égale à n uniquement dans le cas C3v.

as_dict (*radians=True*, *include_vertex=False*, *list_obj=False*)

Return a dict version of all the properties that can be computed with this class. Note that in the case of λ_π and c_π the squared values are returned as they are more meaningfull. Use *list_obj= True* to obtain a valid JSON object.

Parameters

- **radians** (*bool*) – if True, angles are returned in radians (default)
- **include_vertex** (*bool*) – if True, include also vertex data
- **list_obj** (*bool*) – if True, numpy arrays are converted into list object (default False)

Returns A dict.

6.2.2 POAV2

class pychemcurv.core.**POAV2**(*vertex*)

In the case of the POAV2 theory the POAV2 vector on atom A is such as the set of hybrid molecular orbitals h_π, h_1, h_2, h_3 is orthogonal ; where the orbitals h_i are hybrid orbitals along the bonds with atoms linked to atom A and h_π is the orbital along the POAV2 $\vec{u}_\pi$ vector.

This class computes indicators related to the POAV2 theory of R.C. Haddon following the demonstrations in the reference [POAV2].

POAV1 is defined from the local geometry of an atom at a vertex of the molecule's squeleton.

> **Parameters** **vertex** ([TrivalentVertex](#)) – the trivalent vertex atom

matrix

Compute and return the sigma-orbital hybridization numbers n1, n2 and n3

u_pi

Return vector u_π as the basis of the zero space of the matrix M. This unitary vector support the POAV2 vector.

sigma_hyb_nbrs

Compute and return the sigma-orbital hybridization numbers n1, n2 and n3. These quantities measure the weight of the p atomic orbitals with respect to s in each of the h_i hybrid orbitals along the bonds with atom A.

pi_hyb_nbr

This quantity measure the weight of the s atomic orbital with respect to the p atomic orbital in the h_π hybrid orbital along the POAV2 vector.

pyrA_r

Compute the angles between vector u_π and all the bonds between atom A and atoms B in $\star(A)$.

as_dict(*radians=True*, *include_vertex=False*, *list_obj=False*)

Return a dict version of all the properties that can be computed with this class. Use *list_obj= True* to obtain a valid JSON object.

> **Parameters**
>
> - **radians** (*bool*) – if True, angles are returned in radians (default)
> - **include_vertex** (*bool*) – if True, include also vertex data
> - **list_obj** (*bool*) – if True, numpy arrays are converted into list object (default False)
>
> **Returns** A dict.

pychemcurv.analysis

This module implements the *CurvatureAnalyze* class to perform curvature analyses on molecular or periodic structures.

7.1 CurvatureAnalyzer class

class pychemcurv.analysis.**CurvatureAnalyzer**(*structure*, *bond_tol=0.2*, *rcut=2.5*, *bond_order=None*)

This class provides helpful methods to analyze the local curvature on all atoms of a given structure. The structure is either a molecule or a periodic structure. Once the structure is read, the class determines the connectivity of the structure in order to define all vertices. The connectivity is defined on a distance criterion.

The class needs a pymatgen.Structure or pymatgen.Molecule object as first argument. The other arguments are used to defined if two atoms are bonded or not.

> **Parameters**
>
> - **structure** (*Structure, Molecule*) – A Structure or Molecule pymatgen objects
> - **bond_tol** (*float*) – Tolerance used to determine if two atoms are bonded. Look at *pymatgen.core.CovalentBond.is_bonded*.
> - **rcut** (*float*) – Cutoff distance in case the bond is not not known
> - **bond_order** (*dict*) – Not yet implemented

vertices
> List of vertices associated to each atom of the molecule

bonds
> Set of tuples of bonded atom index

vertices_idx
> List of tuples of the indexes of atoms in each vetex. The first index is atom A, the following are atoms of $\star(A)$.

data
> Return a Data Frame that contains all the geometric and hybridization data.

distance_matrix
  Returns the distance matrix between all atoms. For periodic structures, this returns the nearest image distances.

static from_file(*path*, *periodic=None*)
  Returns a CurvatureAnalyze object from the structure at the given path. This method relies on the file format supported with pymatgen Molecule and Structure classes.

  Supported formats for periodic structure include CIF, POSCAR/CONTCAR, CHGCAR, LOCPOT, vasprun.xml, CSSR, Netcdf and pymatgen's JSON serialized structures.

  Supported formats for molecule include include xyz, gaussian input (gjf|g03|g09|com|inp), Gaussian output (.out|and pymatgen's JSON serialized molecules.

   Parameters

    • **path** (`str`) – Path to the structure file

    • **periodic** (`bool`) – if True, assume that the file correspond to a periodic structure. Default is None. The method tries to read the file, first from the Molecule class and second from the Structure class of pymatgen.

get_molecular_data()
  Set up a model data dictionnary that contains species, coordinates and bonds of the structure. This dictionnary can be used as model data for further visulization in bio-dash.

pychemcurv.vis

The `pychemcurv.vis` module implements the `CurvatureViewer` class in order to visualize a molecule or a periodic structure in a jupyter notebook and map a given properties on the atoms using a color scale.

This class needs, nglview and uses ipywidgets in a jupyter notebook to display the visualization. Run the following instructions to install nglview and achieve the configuration in order to be able to use nglview in a jupyter notebook

```
conda install nglview -c conda-forge
jupyter-nbextension enable nglview --py --sys-prefix
```

or

```
pip install nglview
jupyter-nbextension enable nglview --py --sys-prefix
```

8.1 CurvatureViewer class

class pychemcurv.vis.**CurvatureViewer**(*structure*, *bond_tol=0.2*, *rcut=2.5*, *bond_order=None*)

This class provides a constructor for a NGLView widget in order to visualize the wanted properties using a color scale mapped on the 3D structure of the molecule or the structure.

The class needs a pymatgen.Structure or pymatgen.Molecule object as first argument. The other arguments are used to defined if two atoms are bonded or not.

Parameters

- **structure** (*Structure, Molecule*) – A Structure or Molecule pymatgen objects
- **bond_tol** (*float*) – Tolerance used to determine if two atoms are bonded. Look at *pymatgen.core.CovalentBond.is_bonded*.
- **rcut** (*float*) – Cutoff distance in case the bond is not not known
- **bond_order** (*dict*) – Not yet implemented

Fig. 1: Visualization of the pyramidalization angle using a color scale.

get_view (*representation='ball+stick'*, *radius=0.25*, *aspect_ratio=2*, *unitcell=False*, *width='700px'*, *height='500px'*)
    Set up a simple NGLView widget with the ball and stick or licorice representation of the structure.

> **Parameters**
>
> - **representation** (*str*) – representation: 'ball+stick' or 'licorice'
>
> - **radius** (*float*) – bond (stick) radius
>
> - **aspect_ratio** (*float*) – ratio between the balls and stick radiuses
>
> - **unitcell** (*bool*) – If True and structure is periodic, show the unitcell.
>
> - **width** (*str*) – width of the nglview widget, default '700px'
>
> - **height** (*str*) – height of the nglview widget, default '500px'
>
> **Returns** Return a `NGLWidget` object

map_view (*prop*, *radius=0.25*, *aspect_ratio=2*, *unitcell=False*, *cm='viridis'*, *minval=None*, *maxval=None*, *orientation='vertical'*, *label=None*, *width='700px'*, *height='500px'*)
    Map the given properties on a color scale on to the molecule using a ball and stick representations. The properties can be either the name of a column of the data computed using the CurvatureAnalyzer class, or, an array of values of a custum property. In the last case, the size of the array must be consistent with the number of atoms in the system.

> **Parameters**
>
> - **prop** (*str or array*) – name of the properties or values you want to map
>
> - **radius** (*float*) – bond (stick) radius
>
> - **aspect_ratio** (*float*) – ratio between the balls and stick radiuses
>
> - **unitcell** (*bool*) – If True and structure is periodic, show the unitcell.

- **cm** (*str*) – colormap from matplotlib.cm.

- **minval** (*float*) – minimum value to consider for the color sacle

- **maxval** (*float*) – maximum value to consider for the color sacle

- **orientation** (*str*) – orientation of the colorbar 'horizontal' or 'vertical'

- **label** (*str*) – Name of the colorbar. If None, use prop.

- **width** (*str*) – width of the nglview widget, default '700px'

- **height** (*str*) – height of the nglview widget, default '500px'

Returns Returns an ipywidgets HBox or VBox with the NGLWidget and a color bar associated to the mapped properties. The NGLWidget is the first element of the children, the colorbar is the second one.

pychemcurv.geometry

This module implements utility functions to compute several geometric properties.

pychemcurv.geometry.**center_of_mass**(*coords*, *masses=None*)
> Compute the center of mass of the points at coordinates *coords* with masses *masses*.

> > **Parameters**

> > > • **coords** (*np.ndarray*) – (N, 3) matrix of the points in $\mathbb{R}^3$

> > > • **masses** (*np.ndarray*) – vector of length N with the masses

> > **Returns** The center of mass as a vector in $\mathbb{R}^3$

pychemcurv.geometry.**circum_center**(*coords*)
> Compute the coordinates of the center of the circumscribed circle from three points A, B and C in $\mathbb{R}^3$.

> > **Parameters coords** (*ndarray*) – (3x3) cartesian coordinates of points A, B and C.

> > **Returns** The coordinates of the center of the cicumscribed circle

pychemcurv.geometry.**get_plane**(*coords*, *masses=None*)
> Given a set of N points in $\mathbb{R}^3$, compute an orthonormal basis of vectors, the first two belonging to the plane and the third one being normal to the plane. In the particular case where N equal 3, there is an exact definition of the plane as the three points define an unique plan.

> If N = 3, use a gram-schmidt orthonormalization to compute the vectors. If N > 3, the orthonormal basis is obtained from SVD.

> > **Parameters**

> > > • **coords** (*np.ndarray*) – (N, 3) matrix of the points in $\mathbb{R}^3$

> > > • **masses** (*np.ndarray*) – vector of length N with the masses

> > **Returns** Returns the orthonormal basis (vecx, vecy, n_a), vector n_a being normal to the plane.

pychemcurv.geometry.**get_dihedral**(*coords*)
> Compute the improper angle in randians between planes defined by points (0, 1, 2) and (1, 2, 3). The returned angle is a dihedral angle if the points 0, 1, 2 and 3 form a chain of bonded atoms in this order.

```
0           3
 \         /
   1 -- 2
```

The returned angle is an improper angle if point 0 is at the center and linked to other points.

```
   3
   |
   0
  /  \
 1     2
```

Parameters coords (*ndarray*) – numpy array of the cartesian coordinates with shape (4, 3)

Returns The dihedral angle value in radians.

CHAPTER 10

Introduction

pychemcurv is a python package for structural analyzes of molecular systems or solid state materials focusing on the local curvature at an atomic scale. The local curvature is then used to compute the hybridization of molecular orbitals.

The main features of the library are available from a Plotly/Dash web application available here: pychemcurv.herokuapp.com/. The web-app allows to upload simple xyz files and compute the local geometrical properties and the hybridization properties. The application source code is available in a separate repository at pychemcurv-app.

10.1 Features

Pychemcurv is divided in two parts. The first one is a standard python package which provides two main classes to compute the local curvature at the atomic scale and the hybridization of a given atom. Second, a Plotly/Dash web

Fig. 1: Pyramidalization angle of a C_{28} fullerene mapped on the structure with a colorscale.

application is provided in order to perform a geometrical and electronic analyzes on molecules or materials.

The web application is available at pychemcurv.herokuapp.com/. The web-app allows to upload simple xyz files and compute the local geometrical properties and the hybridization properties. The application source code is available in a separate repository at pychemcurv-app.

Some jupyter notebooks are provided in the `notebooks/` folder and present use cases of the classes implemented in this package. You can access to these notebooks online with binder.

10.2 Citing pychemcurv

Please, consider to cite the following paper when using either the *pychemcurv* library or the web application.

Julia Sabalot-Cuzzubbo, Germain Salvato Vallverdu, Didier Bégué and Jacky Cresson *Relating the molecular topology and local geometry: Haddon's pyramidalization angle and the Gaussian curvature*, J. Chem. Phys. **152**, 244310 (2020).

10.3 Installation

Before installing pychemcurv it is recommanded to create a virtual environment using conda or virtuelenv.

10.3.1 Short installation

Using pip directly from github, run

```
pip install git+git://github.com/gVallverdu/pychemcurv.git
```

Alternatively, you can first clone the pychemcurv repository

```
git clone https://github.com/gVallverdu/pychemcurv.git
```

and then install the module and its dependencies using

```
pip install .
```

10.3.2 Full installation

If you want to use the web application locally or if you want to use nglview to display structures in jupyter notebooks you need to install more dependencies. The setup configuration provides the `viz` and `app` extras so, using pip, run one of

```
pip install .[app]
# or
pip install .[viz]
# or all extras
pip install .[app, viz]

# escape square bracket with zsh
pip install .\[app, viz\]
```

If you have installed nglview you have to enable the jupyter extension

```
jupyter-nbextension enable nglview --py --sys-prefix
```

The files `requirements.txt` and `environment.yml` are provided to setup a full environment with all dependencies. Using pip, in a new environment you can run the following command to install dependencies

```
pip install -r requirements.txt
```

or using `conda` you can create the new environment and install all dependencies in one shot by

```
conda env create -f environment.yml
```

The name of the new environment is `curv`.

Do not forget to enable the jupyter nglview extension (see above).

10.3.3 Install in developper mode

In order to install in developper mode, first create an environment (using one of the provided file for example) and then install using pip

```
pip install -e .[app, viz]
```

If you want to build the documentation you also need to install sphinx.

10.4 Run the web application

The web application is available in this separate repository: pychemcurv-app https://github.com/gVallverdu/pychemcurv-app. The main aim of the application is to use the pychemcurv package and visualize the geometrical or chemical atomic quantities mapped on the chemical structure of your system.

The application is available online at this address: pychemcurv.herokuapp.com/.

Demo video:

In order to run the application locally, you have to install all the dependencies and in particular `dash` and `dash-bio`. You can do that from the files `requirements.txt` or `environment.yml` or directly using `pip`.

Then, clone the github repository on your computer

```
git clone https://github.com/gVallverdu/pychemcurv-app.git
```

To run the application, change to the `pychemcurv-app/` directory and run the `app.py` file.

```
[user@computer] (curv) > $ cd pychemcurv-app/
[user@computer] (curv) > $ python app.py
Running on http://127.0.0.1:8050/
Debugger PIN: 065-022-191
* Serving Flask app "app" (lazy loading)
* Environment: production
WARNING: This is a development server. Do not use it in a production deployment.
Use a production WSGI server instead.
* Debug mode: on
```

Open the provided url to use the application.

You can switch off the debug mode by setting `debug=False` on the last line of the `app.py` file.

10.4.1 Common error on local execution

If the application does not start with an error such as:

```
socket.gaierror: [Errno 8] nodename nor servname provided, or not known
```

Go to the last lines of the file app.py and comment/uncomment the last lines to get something that reads

```python
if __name__ == '__main__':
    app.run_server(debug=True, host='127.0.0.1')
    # app.run_server(debug=False)
```

10.5 Licence and contact

This software was developed at the Université de Pau et des Pays de l'Adour (UPPA) in the Institut des Sciences Analytiques et de Physico-Chimie pour l'Environnement et les Matériaux (IPREM) and the Institut Pluridisciplinaire de Recherches Appliquées (IPRA) and is distributed under the MIT licence.

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