# Combinatorics of Body-bar-hinge Frameworks 

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## Body-bar-hinge Frameworks


body-bar framework in $\mathbb{R}^{3}$

body-bar framework in $\mathbb{R}^{2}$

body-hinge framework in $\mathbb{R}^{3}$

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## Why interesting?

- appear in lots of real problems $\rightarrow$ lleana's talk
- rigidity characterization problem can be solved in any dimension.

|  | rigidity | global rigidity |
| :--- | :---: | :---: |
| bar-joint | unsolved |  |
| $(d \leq 2:$ Laman $)$ | unsolved |  |
| body-bar | Tay84 | Connelly-Jordán-Whiteley13 |
| body-hinge | Tay89, Tay91, Whiteley88 | Jordán-Király-T16 |

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- b: a bar-configuration; $E \ni e \mapsto$ a line segment in $\mathbb{R}^{d}$.



## Rigidity, Infinitesimal Rigidity, Global Rigidity

- An equivalent bar-joint framework to $(G, b)$ :

- local rigidity (LR), infinitesimal rigidity (IR), global rigidity (GL) are defined through an equivalent bar-joint framework.
- All the basic results for bar-joint can be transferred e.g., infinitesimal rigidity $\Rightarrow$ rigidity


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for $d=3,|E(G)| \geq 6|V(G)|-6$


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- $|E(H)|=D|V(H)|-D$
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## Theorem (Tay84)

A generic $d$-dimensional body-bar framework $(G, b)$ is IR (or LR) $\Leftrightarrow$
$G$ has a spanning $(D, D)$-tight subgraph.

## (Better) Characterizations

## Theorem (Tutte61, Nash-Williams61, 64)

TFAE for a graph $H$ :
(1) $H$ contains a spanning $(k, k)$-tight subgraph;
(2) $H$ contains $k$ edge-disjoint spanning trees;
(3) $e_{G}(\mathcal{P}) \geq k|\mathcal{P}|-k$ for any partition $\mathcal{P}$ of $V$, where $e_{G}(\mathcal{P})$ denotes the number of edges connecting distinct components of $\mathcal{P}$.


## Proof 1

Based on tree packing (Whiteley88):


## Proof 2

Inductive construction (Tay84):

## Theorem (Tay84)

$G$ is $(k, k)$-tight if and only if $G$ can be built up from a single vertex graph by a sequence of the following operation:

- pinch $i(0 \leq i \leq k-1)$ existing edges with a new vertex $v$, and add $k-i$ new edges connecting $v$ with existing vertices.

Each operation preserves rigidity.


## Proof 3

Quick proof (T):

- Prove: a $(D, D)$-sparse graph $G$ with $|E(G)|=D|V(G)|-D-k$ has $k$ dof.
- Take any edge $e=u v$;
- By induction, $(G-e, b)$ has $k+1$ dof.
- Try all possible bar realizations of $e$
- If dof does not decrease, body $u$ and body $v$ behave like one body
- $\Rightarrow(G / e, b)$ has $k+1$ dof.
- However, $G / e$ contains a spanning $(D, D)$-sparse subgraph $H$ with $|E(H)|=D|V(H)|-D-k$, whose generic body-bar realization has $k$ dof by induction, a contradiction.


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- $G=(V, E)$ : underlying graph;
- $h$ : hinge-configuration; $E \ni e \mapsto a(d-2)$-dimensional segment in $\mathbb{R}^{d}$
- LR, IR, GR are defined by an equivalent bar-joint framework.

body-hinge framework in $\mathbb{R}^{2}$


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## Maxwell, Tay, and Whiteley

Theorem (Tay 89,91, Whiteley 88)
A generic $d$-dimensional body-hinge framework $(G, b)$ is LR $(\mathrm{IR}) \Leftrightarrow$ $(D-1) G$ contains $D$ edge-disjoint spanning trees.

- Proof 1 can be applied
- an equivalent body-bar framework is non-generic
- Body-bar-hinge frameworks (Jackson-Jordán09)
- Q. Any quick proof (without tree packing)?



## Molecular Frameworks

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## Theorem (Katoh-T11)

generic molecular framework $(G, h)$ is $\mathrm{LR} \Leftrightarrow$ $5 G$ contains six edge-disjoint spanning trees.

- a refined version: a characterization of rigid component decom.
- fast algorithms for computing static properties of molecules
* Ileana's talk
- graphical analysis of molecular mechanics
- a rank formula of $G^{2}$ in the 3-d rigidity matroid (Jackon-Jordán08)
- Open: a rank formula of a subgraph of $G^{2}$



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Theorem (Tay 89, 91)
A generic $(d-2)$-plate-bar framework in $\mathbb{R}^{d}$ is $\mathrm{LR} \Leftrightarrow$ $G$ contains a ( $D-1, D$ )-tight spanning subgraph.

- Corollary: a characterization of identified body-hinge framework.
- Open: characterization of the rigidity of generic $(d-3)$-plate-bar framework for large $d$.


## Body-pin Frameworks

- A d-dimensional body-pin framework is a pair $(G, p)$ :
- $G$ : underlying graph;
- $p: E(G) \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^{d}:$ a pin-configuration.
- a pin $\approx d$ bars


## Maxwell's condition

If a 3-dimensional body-pin framework $(G, p)$ is rigid, then $3 G$ contains six edge-disjoint spanning trees.


## Beyond Maxwell

## Conjecture

A generic three-dimensional body-pin framework is rigid iff

$$
\sum_{\left\{X, X^{\prime}\right\} \in\binom{\mathcal{P}}{2}} h_{G}\left(X, X^{\prime}\right) \geq 6(|\mathcal{P}|-1)
$$

for every partition $\mathcal{P}$ of $V$, where $\binom{\mathcal{P}}{2}$ denotes the set of pairs of subsets in $\mathcal{P}$ and

$$
h_{G}\left(X, X^{\prime}\right)= \begin{cases}6 & \text { if } d_{G}\left(X, X^{\prime}\right) \geq 3 \\ 5 & \text { if } d_{G}\left(X, X^{\prime}\right)=2 \\ 3 & \text { if } d_{G}\left(X, X^{\prime}\right)=1 \\ 0 & \text { if } d_{G}\left(X, X^{\prime}\right)=0\end{cases}
$$

- If $h_{G}$ were defined to be $h_{G}\left(X, X^{\prime}\right)=6$ for $d_{G}\left(X, X^{\prime}\right)=2$, it is Maxwell.


## Symmetric Body-bar-hinge Frameworks

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- the underlying quatiant signed graph $G^{\sigma}$
- $L_{0}$ : the set of loops "fixed by the action"


## Theorem(Schulze-T14)

A "generic" body-bar $(G, b)$ with reflection symmetry is $\mathbb{R}$ in $\mathbb{R}^{3} \Leftrightarrow$ $G^{\sigma}-L_{0}$ contains edge-disjoint

- three spanning trees, and
- three non-bipartite pseudo-forests.
- pseudo-tree: each connected component has exactly one cycle
- bipartite: if every cycle has even number of minus edges



## Theorem(Schulze-T14)

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- three spanning trees, and
- three non-bipartite pseudo-forests.
- periodic (crystallographic) infinite body-bar frameworks (Borcea-Streinu-T15, Ross14, Schulze-T14, T15)
- Proof 1 works only if the underlying symmetry is $\mathbb{Z}_{2} \times \cdots \times \mathbb{Z}_{2}$.
- Proof 3 works for any case
- body-hinge frameworks with symmetry
- Proof 1 works if $\mathbb{Z}_{2} \times \cdots \times \mathbb{Z}_{2}$.
- open for other cases


## Bar-joint Frameworks with Boundaries

- body-bar framework with boundaries: some of bodies are linked by bars to the external (fixed) environment
- = a body-bar framework with a designated body (corresponding to the external environment)



## Characterization with non-generic boundaries

## Theorem (Katoh and T13)

$G$ : a graph with a designated vertex $v_{0}$;
$E_{0}$ : the set of edges in $G$ incident to $v_{0}$;
$b^{0}(e)$ : a line segment for $e \in E_{0}$.
Then one can extend $b^{0}$ to $b$ s.t. $(G, b)$ is $\mathrm{IR} \Leftrightarrow$

$$
e_{G}(\mathcal{P}) \geq D|\mathcal{P}|-\sum_{X \in \mathcal{P}} \operatorname{dim} \operatorname{span}\left\{\tilde{b}(e): e \in E_{0}(X)\right\}
$$

for every partition $\mathcal{P}$ of $V(G) \backslash\left\{v_{0}\right\}$, where
$E_{0}(X)$ is the set of edges in $E_{0}$ incident to $X$ and $\tilde{b}(e)$ is the Plücker coordinate of the line segment $b(e)$.

- subspace-constrained system



## Basic Tree Packing

- $G=(V, E)$ : a graph with a designated vertex $v_{0}$;
- $E_{0}$ : the set of edges in $G$ incident to $v_{0}$;
- $x_{e}$ : a vector in $\mathbb{R}^{k}$ for each $e \in E_{0}$.

A packing of edge-disjoint trees $T_{1}, \ldots, T_{s}$ is basic if each $v \in V \backslash\left\{v_{0}\right\}$ receives a base of $\mathbb{R}^{k}$ from $v_{0}$ through $T_{1}, \ldots, T_{s}$.

## Theorem(Katoh-T13)

$\exists$ a basic packing $\Leftrightarrow e_{G}(\mathcal{P}) \geq k|\mathcal{P}|-\sum_{X \in \mathcal{P}} \operatorname{dim} \operatorname{sp}\left\{x_{e}: e \in E_{0}(X)\right\}(\forall \mathcal{P})$

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## Other Variants

- generic infinite frameworks (Kiston-Power13)
- different normed space (Kiston-Power13)
- body-bar frameworks with direction-length constraints (Jackson-Nguyen15)
- a characterization is still open
- angle constrained (Haller et al.12)


## Global Rigidity

## Theorem (Hendrickson92)

If a generic bar-joint framework is globally rigid in $\mathbb{R}^{d}$, then the underlying graph is a complete graph, or $(d+1)$-connected and redundantly rigid.

- sufficient in $d \leq 2$ (Jackson-Jordán05)
- may not in $d \geq 3$ (Connelly)


## Connelly, Jordán, and Whiteley

Theorem (Connelly, Jordán, and Whiteley13)
A generic $d$-dimensional body-bar framework $(G, b)$ is $G R \Leftrightarrow$ $\forall e \in E(G), G-e$ contains $D$ edge-disjoint spanning trees.

- Proof 1: Inductive construction (Frank and Szegö03)
- Proof 2: The underlying graph of an equivalent bar-joint framework is vertex-redundantly rigid.
- A generic bar-joint framework is GR if the underlying graph is vertex-redundantly rigid. (T15)
- Proof 3: the same approach as Proof 3 for IR


## Orientation Theorem

A characterization of $\ell$-edge-redundantly rigid body-bar frameworks.
Theorem (Frank80)
TFAE for a graph.

- After deleting any $\ell$ edges it contains $k$ edge-disjoint spanning trees
- it admits an $r$-rooted $(k, \ell)$-edge-connected orientation for $r \in V(G)$.

A digraph $D$ is $r$-rooted ( $k, \ell$ )-edge-connected $\stackrel{\text { def }}{\Leftrightarrow}$ for any $v \in V(G)$,

- there are $k$ arc-disjoint paths from $r$ to $v$;
- there are $\ell$ arc-disjoint paths from $v$ to $r$.


## Body-hinge

Theorem (Jordán, Király, T16)
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## Corollary

a family of graphs which satisfy Hendrickson's condition but are not GR

- Take a graph $H$ that contains six edge-disjoint spanning trees but $H-e$ does not for some $e \in E(H)$.
- Construct an equivalent bar-joint framework by replacing each body with a dense subgraph.



## Open: Global Rigidity of $G^{2}$



