

Network analysis of 3D complex plasma clusters

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Measures on networks

Degree

$$k_\nu = \sum_{i=0}^{n-1} A_{\nu,i}$$

How many nodes are connected to node ν ?
(local scale)

Clustering coefficient

$$C_\nu = \frac{\sum_{i,j=0}^{n-1} A_{\nu,i} A_{i,j} A_{j,\nu}}{k_\nu(k_\nu - 1)}$$

Which fraction of neighbors of node ν are themselves connected?
(intermediate scale)

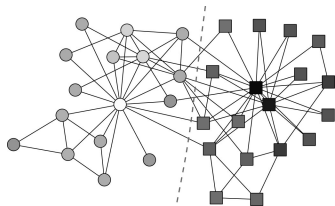
Average path length

$$L_\nu$$

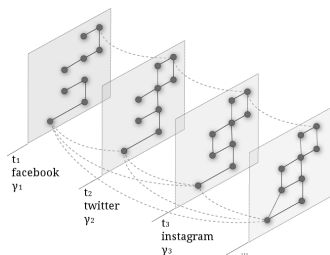
How long is the average path from node ν to any other node?
(global scale)

Community finding in networks

- ▶ Community: group of nodes that are more connected to each other than to rest of network.
- ▶ $Q \sim \sum_{ij} (A_{ij} - \gamma A_{ij}^{\text{null}}) \delta(g_i, g_j)$
measure for quality of a partition g .
- ▶ Multislice network: each node in one slice is connected with itself in other slices.

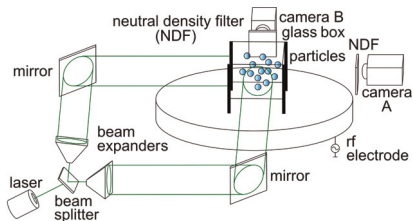


Newman et al. (2004)



Mucha et al. (2010)

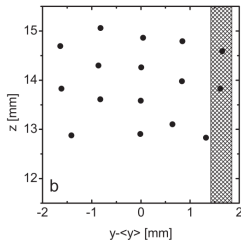
Experimental setup



Wörner et al. (2012)

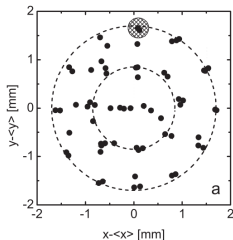
- ▶ 3D cluster in glass box
- ▶ holographic 3D imaging
- ▶ external rotating electric field drives clusters

Particle strings:



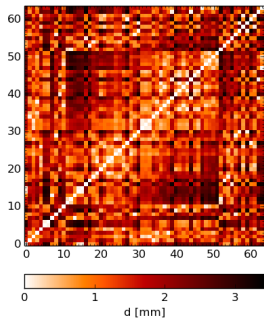
- ▶ How to detect them?

Competing geometries:

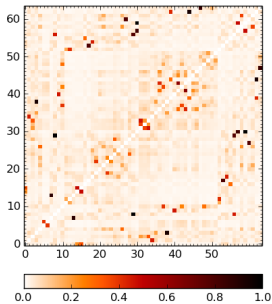


- ▶ How to quantify them?

Particle strings: Adjacency matrix

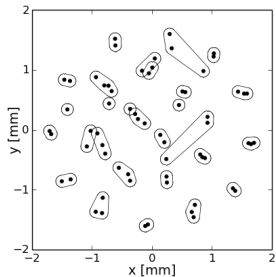


Horizontal distance matrix d_{ij} .



Adjacency matrix

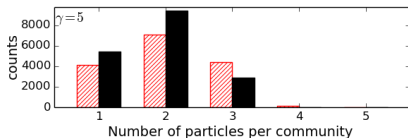
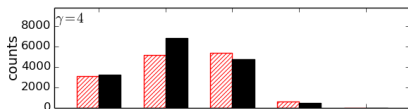
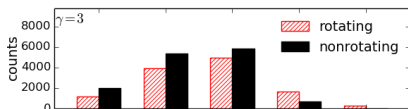
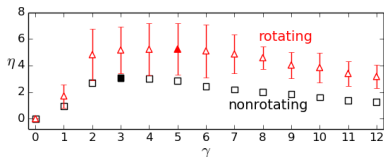
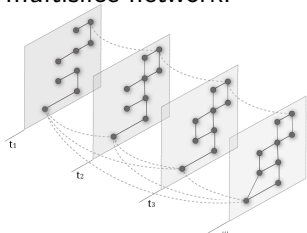
$$A_{ij} = \begin{cases} d_{\min}/d_{ij}, & i \neq j \\ 0 & \text{otherwise.} \end{cases}$$



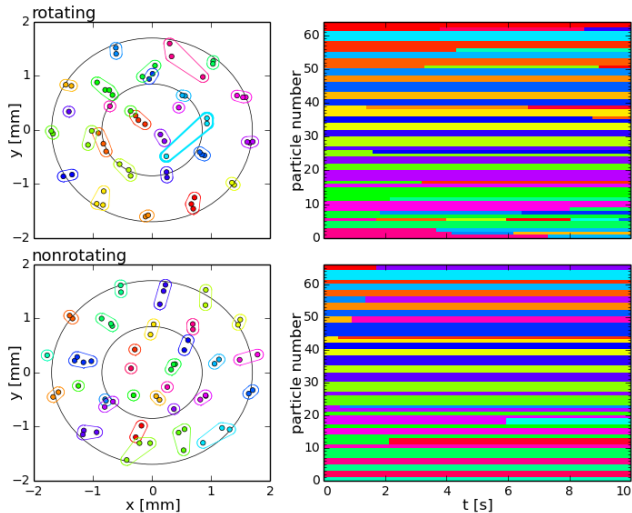
Communities as vertical particle strings.

Particle strings: Resolution parameter

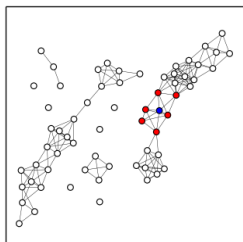
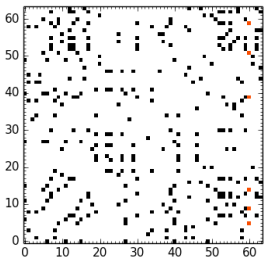
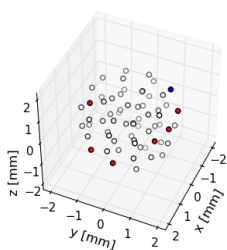
- ▶ Find optimal resolution parameter γ where inter-community distance is large compared to average extent of the communities, $\eta = \langle d_{i,next} / d_{i,same} \rangle$.
- ▶ Connect particle at time t_i with itself at t_{i+1} in a multislice network.



Particle strings: Time evolution



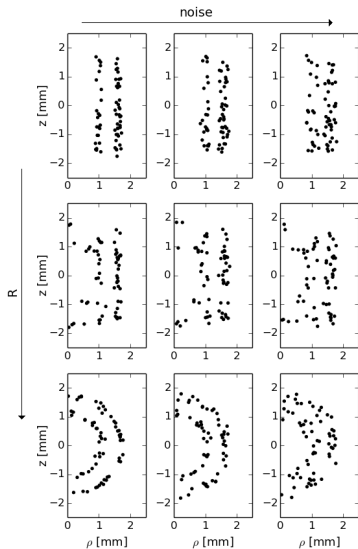
Cluster geometry: Create networks



- ▶ Connect nodes, if difference in cylindrical radius is smaller than a threshold ϵ :
$$A_{ij}^{\text{cyl}}(\epsilon) = \Theta(\epsilon - |\rho_i - \rho_j|) - \delta_{ij}$$
- ▶ Calculate network measures.
- ▶ Compare to *null models* of known geometry.

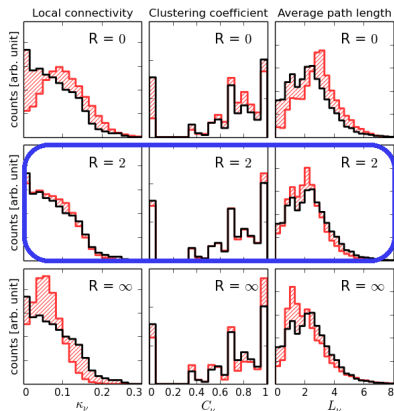
Cluster geometry: Null models

- ▶ Artificial structures with ratios $R = n^{\text{sph}}/n^{\text{cyl}}$
- ▶ Uniform noise is added.

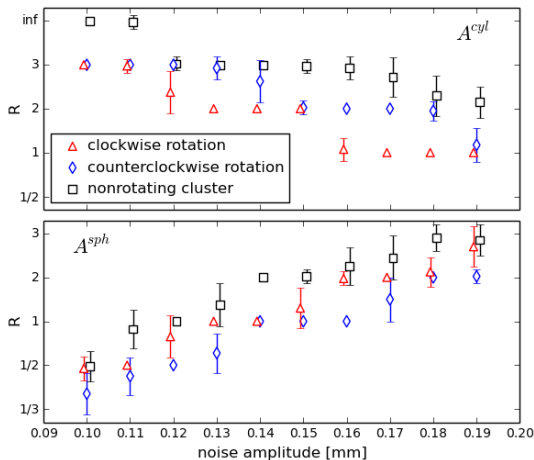


Cluster geometry: Find best ratio R

- ▶ Compare network measures of data to null models with $R = 0, 1/3, 1/2, 1, 2, 3, \infty$ to find the best ratio.
- ▶ Repeat for spherical adjacency matrix $A_{ij}^{\text{sph}}(\epsilon) = \Theta(\epsilon - |r_i - r_j|) - \delta_{ij}$



Cluster geometry: Result



- ▶ Strong dependency on noise amplitude of null models.
- ▶ Rotating clusters systematically “more cylindrical”.

Cluster geometry: Estimate particle confinement

Dynamical force balance

$$\langle \mathbf{F}^{\text{rep}} \rangle + \langle \mathbf{F}^{\text{fr}} \rangle + \langle \mathbf{F}^{\text{in}} \rangle + \langle \mathbf{F}^{\text{conf}} \rangle = 0.$$

- ▶ Yukawa interaction $\langle \mathbf{F}^{\text{rep}} \rangle$ with estimated particle charge $Z = 50000$ and screening length $\lambda = 0.4$ mm.
- ▶ Neglect friction $\langle \mathbf{F}^{\text{fr}} \rangle$ and inertial forces $\langle \mathbf{F}^{\text{in}} \rangle$ due to slow particle movement and cluster rotation.
- ▶ $\langle \mathbf{F}^{\text{conf}} \rangle \simeq -\langle \mathbf{F}^{\text{rep}} \rangle$

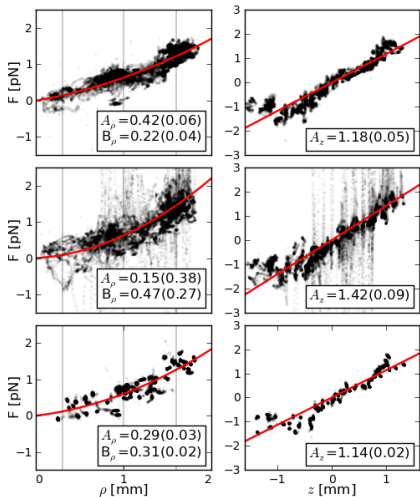
Cluster geometry: Estimate particle confinement

Calculate vertical and radial confinement parameters from force profile:

$$F_{\rho}^{\text{conf}} \simeq -M\Omega_{\rho}^2\rho \equiv -A_{\rho}\rho$$

$$F_z^{\text{conf}} \simeq -M\Omega_z^2z \equiv -A_zz$$

Rotation	Ω_{ρ} [s ⁻¹]	Ω_z [s ⁻¹]
clockwise	19 ± 2	33 ± 1
counter-clockwise	12 ± 15	36 ± 2
nonrotating	16.2 ± 0.8	32.0 ± 0.3



Conclusion

With networks, you can ...

- ▶ focus on different aspects of your data.
- ▶ find stable units in complicated structures.
- ▶ measure global properties of the structure.
- ▶ ...



Thank you for your attention.