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# **foldamers Documentation**

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## COARSE GRAINED MODEL UTILITIES

This page details the functions and classes in `src/cg_model/cgmodel.py`

### 1.1 The ‘basic\_cgmodel’ function to build coarse grained oligomers

Shown below is the ‘basic\_cgmodel’ function, which requires only a minimal set of input arguments to build a coarse grained model. Given a set of input arguments this function creates a `CGModel()` class object, applying a set of default values for un-defined parameters.

```
cg_model.cgmodel.basic_cgmodel (polymer_length=12,                back-  
                                bone_length=1,                sidechain_length=1,  
                                sidechain_positions=[0],  
                                mass=Quantity(value=100.0, unit=dalton),  
                                bond_length=Quantity(value=0.75,  
                                unit=nanometer),  
                                sigma=Quantity(value=1.85,  
                                unit=nanometer),                ep-  
                                silon=Quantity(value=0.5,  
                                unit=kilocalorie/mole), positions=None)
```

#### Parameters

- **polymer\_length** (*integer*) – Number of monomer units, default = 8
- **backbone\_length** (*int*) – Number of beads in the backbone for individual monomers within a coarse grained model, default = 1
- **sidechain\_length** (*int*) – Number of beads in the sidechain for individual monomers within a coarse grained model, default = 1
- **sidechain\_positions** (*List( integer )*) – Designates the indices of backbone beads upon which we will place sidechains, default = [0] (add a sidechain to the first backbone bead in each monomer)

- **mass** ([Quantity\(\)](#)) – Mass for all coarse grained beads, default = 100.0 \* unit.amu
- **bond\_length** – Defines the length for all bond types, default = 7.5 \* unit.angstrom
- **sigma** – Lennard-Jones equilibrium interaction distance (by default, calculated for particles that are separated by 3 or more bonds), default = 18.5 \* bond\_length (for all interaction types)
- **epsilon** – Lennard-Jones equilibrium interaction energy (by default, calculated for particles that are separated by 3 or more bonds), default = 0.5 \* unit.kilocalorie\_per\_mole
- **positions** – Positions for coarse grained particles in the model, default = None

**Returns** cgmodel: CGModel() class object

..warning:: this function has significant limitations, in comparison with building a coarse grained model with the CGModel() class. In particular, this function makes it more difficult to build heteropolymers, and is best-suited for the simulation of homopolymers.

### Example

```
>>> from simtk import unit
>>> polymer_length = 20
>>> backbone_length = 1
>>> sidechain_length = 1
>>> sidechain_positions = [0]
>>> mass = 100.0 * unit.amu
>>> bond_length=0.75 * unit.nanometer
>>> sigma=1.85*unit.nanometer
>>> epsilon=0.5 * unit.kilocalorie_per_mole
>>> cgmodel = basic_cgmodel(polymer_length=polymer_length, backbone_
    ↳length=backbone_length, sidechain_length=sidechain_length,
    ↳sidechain_positions=sidechain_positions, mass=mass, bond_
    ↳length=bond_length, sigma=sigma, epsilon=epsilon)
```

## 1.2 Full ‘CGModel’ class to build/model coarse grained oligomers

Shown below is a detailed description of the full ‘cgmodel’ class object.

```
class cg_model.cgmodel.CGModel (positions=None, polymer_length=12, backbone_lengths=[1], sidechain_lengths=[1], sidechain_positions=[0], masses={'backbone_bead_masses': Quantity(value=100.0, unit=dalton), 'sidechain_bead_masses': Quantity(value=100.0, unit=dalton)}, sigmas={'bb_bb_sigma': Quantity(value=1.875, unit=nanometer), 'bb_sc_sigma': Quantity(value=1.875, unit=nanometer), 'sc_sc_sigma': Quantity(value=1.875, unit=nanometer)}, epsilons={'bb_bb_eps': Quantity(value=0.05, unit=kilocalorie/mole), 'sc_sc_eps': Quantity(value=0.05, unit=kilocalorie/mole)}, bond_lengths={'bb_bb_bond_length': Quantity(value=0.75, unit=nanometer), 'bb_sc_bond_length': Quantity(value=0.75, unit=nanometer), 'sc_sc_bond_length': Quantity(value=0.75, unit=nanometer)}, bond_force_constants=None, bond_angle_force_constants=None, torsion_force_constants=None, equil_bond_angles=None, equil_torsion_angles=None, charges=None, constrain_bonds=True, include_bond_forces=False, include_nonbonded_forces=True, include_bond_angle_forces=True, include_torsion_forces=True, check_energy_conservation=True, use_structure_library=False, heteropolymer=False, monomer_types=None, sequence=None, random_positions=False)
```

Build a coarse grained model class object.

### Example

```
>>> from foldamers.cg_model.cgmodel import CGModel
>>> cgmodel = CGModel()
```

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>>> from foldamers.cg_model.cgmodel import CGModel
```

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```

>>> from simtk import unit
>>> bond_length = 7.5 * unit.angstrom
>>> bond_lengths = {'bb_bb_bond_length': bond_length, 'bb_sc_bond_
↳length': bond_length, 'sc_sc_bond_length': bond_length}
>>> constrain_bonds = False
>>> cgmodel = CGModel(bond_lengths=bond_lengths, constrain_
↳bonds=constrain_bonds)

```

### Example

```

>>> from foldamers.cg_model.cgmodel import CGModel
>>> from simtk import unit
>>> backbone_length=1
>>> sidechain_length=1
>>> sidechain_positions=0
>>> bond_length = 7.5 * unit.angstrom
>>> sigma = 2.0 * bond_length
>>> epsilon = 0.2 * unit.kilocalorie_per_mole
>>> sigmas = {'bb_bb_sigma': sigma, 'sc_sc_sigma': sigma}
>>> epsilons = {'bb_bb_eps': epsilon, 'bb_sc_eps': epsilon, 'sc_sc_
↳eps': epsilon}
>>> A = {'monomer_name': "A", 'backbone_length': backbone_length,
↳'sidechain_length': sidechain_length, 'sidechain_positions':_
↳sidechain_positions, 'num_beads': num_beads, 'bond_lengths':_
↳bond_lengths, 'epsilons': epsilons, 'sigmas': sigmas}
>>> B = {'monomer_name': "B", 'backbone_length': backbone_length,
↳'sidechain_length': sidechain_length, 'sidechain_positions':_
↳sidechain_positions, 'num_beads': num_beads, 'bond_lengths':_
↳bond_lengths, 'epsilons': epsilons, 'sigmas': sigmas}
>>> monomer_types = [A,B]
>>> sequence = [A,A,A,B,A,A,A,B,A,A,A,B]
>>> cgmodel = CGModel(heteropolymer=True, monomer_types=monomer_
↳types, sequence=sequence)

```

### `get_all_particle_masses()`

Returns a list of all unique particle masses

**Parameters** `CGModel` (*class*) – `CGModel()` class object

**Returns** `list_of_masses`: List of unique particle masses

**Return type**

List( `Quantity()` )

**get\_bond\_angle\_force\_constant** (*particle\_1\_index, particle\_2\_index, particle\_3\_index*)

Determines the correct bond angle force constant for a bond angle between three particles, given their indices within the coarse grained model

**Parameters**

- **CGModel** (*class*) – CGModel() class object
- **particle\_1\_index** (*int*) – Index for the first particle
- **particle\_2\_index** (*int*) – Index for the second particle
- **particle\_3\_index** (*int*) – Index for the third particle

**Returns** bond\_angle\_force\_constant: The assigned bond angle force constant for the provided particles

**Return type**

bond\_angle\_force\_constant: [Quantity\(\)](#)

**get\_bond\_angle\_list()**

Construct a list of bond angles, which can be used to build bond angle potentials for the coarse grained model

**Parameters** **CGModel** (*class*) – CGModel() class object

**Returns** A list of indices for all of the bond angles in the coarse grained model

**Return type** List( List( *int*, *int*, *int* ) )

**get\_bond\_force\_constant** (*particle\_1\_index*, *particle\_2\_index*)

Determines the correct bond force constant for two particles, given their indices

**Parameters**

- **CGModel** (*class*) – CGModel() class object
- **particle\_1\_index** (*int*) – Index for the first particle
- **particle\_2\_index** (*int*) – Index for the second particle

**Returns** bond\_force\_constant: The assigned bond force constant for the provided particles

**Return type**

bond\_length: [Quantity\(\)](#)

**get\_bond\_length** (*particle\_1\_index*, *particle\_2\_index*)

Determines the correct bond length for two particles, given their indices.

**Parameters**

- **CGModel** (*class*) – CGModel() class object
- **particle\_1\_index** (*int*) – Index for the first particle



- **particle\_2\_index** (*int*) – Index for the second particle

**Returns** bond\_length: The assigned bond length for the provided particles

**Return type**

bond\_length: [Quantity\(\)](#)

**get\_bond\_length\_from\_names** (*particle\_1\_name*, *particle\_2\_name*)

Determines the correct bond length for two particles, given their symbols.

**Parameters**

- **CGModel** (*class*) – CGModel() class object
- **particle\_1\_name** (*str*) – Name for the first particle
- **particle\_2\_name** (*str*) – Name for the second particle

**Returns** bond\_length: The assigned bond length for the provided particles

**Return type**

bond\_length: [Quantity\(\)](#)

**get\_bond\_list** ()

Construct a bond list for the coarse grained model

**Parameters** **CGModel** (*class*) – CGModel() class object

**Returns** bond\_list: A list of the bonds in the coarse grained model.

**Return type** bond\_list: List( List( [int](#), [int](#) ) )

**get\_epsilon** (*particle\_index*, *particle\_type=None*)

Returns the Lennard-Jones potential epsilon value for a particle, given its index within the coarse grained model.

**Parameters**

- **CGModel** (*class*) – CGModel() class object
- **particle\_index** (*int*) – Index of the particle for which we would like to determine the type
- **particle\_type** (*str*) – Designates a particle as “backbone” or “sidechain”

**Returns** epsilon: The assigned Lennard-Jones epsilon value for the provided particle index

**Return type**

[Quantity\(\)](#)

**get\_equil\_bond\_angle** (*particle\_1\_index*, *particle\_2\_index*, *particle\_3\_index*)

Determines the correct equilibrium bond angle between three particles, given their indices within the coarse grained model

**Parameters**

- **CGModel** (*class*) – CGModel() class object
- **particle\_1\_index** (*int*) – Index for the first particle
- **particle\_2\_index** (*int*) – Index for the second particle
- **particle\_3\_index** (*int*) – Index for the third particle

**Returns** *equil\_bond\_angle*: The assigned equilibrium bond angle for the provided particles

**Return type** *equil\_bond\_angle*: float

**get\_equil\_torsion\_angle** (*torsion*)

Determines the correct equilibrium angle for a torsion (bond angle involving four particles), given their indices within the coarse grained model

**Parameters**

- **CGModel** (*class*) – CGModel() class object
- **torsion** (*List( int )*) – A list of the indices for the particles in a torsion

**Returns** *equil\_torsion\_angle*: The assigned equilibrium torsion angle for the provided particles

**Return type** *equil\_torsion\_angle*: float

**get\_monomer\_types** ()

Get a list of ‘monomer\_types’ for all unique monomers.

**Parameters** **CGModel** (*class*) – CGModel() class object

**Returns** *monomer\_types*: A list of unique monomer types in the coarse grained model

**Return type**

*monomer\_types*: List( dict( ‘monomer\_name’: str, ‘backbone\_length’: int, ‘sidechain\_length’: int, ‘sidechain\_positions’: List( int ), ‘num\_beads’: int, ‘bond\_lengths’: List( Quantity() ), ‘epsilons’: List( Quantity() ), ‘sigmas’: List( Quantity() ) ) )

**get\_nonbonded\_exclusion\_list** ()

Get a list of the nonbonded interaction exclusions, which are assigned if two particles are separated by less than three bonds

**Parameters** **CGModel** (*class*) – CGModel() class object

**Returns** exclusion\_list: A list of the nonbonded particle interaction exclusions for the coarse grained model

**Return type** List( List( `int`, `int` ) )

**get\_nonbonded\_interaction\_list()**

Construct a nonbonded interaction list for the coarse grained model

**Parameters** `CGModel` (*class*) – `CGModel()` class object

**Returns** interaction\_list: A list of the nonbonded interactions (which don't violate exclusion rules) in the coarse grained model

**Return type** interaction\_list: List( List( `int`, `int` ) )

**get\_num\_beads()**

Calculate the number of beads in a coarse grained model class object

**Parameters** `CGModel` (*class*) – `CGModel()` class object

**Returns** num\_beads: The total number of beads in the coarse grained model

**Return type** num\_beads: `int`

**get\_particle\_charge** (*particle\_index*)

Returns the charge for a particle, given its index within the coarse grained model

**Parameters**

- `CGModel` (*class*) – `CGModel()` class object
- **particle\_index** (`int`) – Index of the particle for which we would like to determine the type

**Returns** particle\_charge: The charge for the provided particle index

**Return type**

`Quantity()`

**get\_particle\_list()**

Get a list of particles, where the indices correspond to those in the system/topology.

**Parameters** `CGModel` (*class*) – `CGModel()` class object

**Returns** particle\_list: A list of unique particles in the coarse grained model

**Return type** particle\_list: List( `str` )

**get\_particle\_mass** (*particle\_index*)

Get the mass for a particle, given its index within the coarse grained model

**Parameters**

- `CGModel` (*class*) – `CGModel()` class object

- **particle\_index** (*int*) – Index of the particle for which we would like to determine the type

**Returns** particle\_mass: The mass for the provided particle index

**Return type**

`Quantity()`

**get\_particle\_name** (*particle\_index*)

Returns the name of a particle, given its index within the model

**Parameters**

- **CGModel** (*class*) – CGModel() class object
- **particle\_index** (*int*) – Index of the particle for which we would like to determine the type

**Returns** particle\_name: The name of the particle

**Return type** particle\_name: str

**get\_particle\_type** (*particle\_index*, *particle\_name=None*)

Indicates if a particle is a backbone bead or a sidechain bead

**Parameters**

- **CGModel** (*class*) – CGModel() class object
- **particle\_index** (*int*) – Index of the particle for which we would like to determine the type
- **particle\_name** (*str*) – Name of the particle that we would like to “type”.

**Returns** particle\_type: ‘backbone’ or ‘sidechain’

**Return type** particle\_type: str

**get\_sigma** (*particle\_index*, *particle\_type=None*)

Returns the Lennard-Jones potential sigma value for a particle, given its index within the coarse grained model.

**Parameters**

- **CGModel** (*class*) – CGModel() class object
- **particle\_index** (*int*) – Index of the particle for which we would like to determine the type
- **particle\_type** (*str*) – Designates a particle as “backbone” or “sidechain”

**Returns** sigma: The assigned Lennard-Jones sigma value for the provided particle index

**Return type**

Quantity()

**get\_torsion\_force\_constant** (*torsion*)

Determines the correct torsion force constant for a torsion (bond angle involving four particles), given their indices within the coarse grained model

**Parameters**

- **CGModel** (*class*) – CGModel() class object
- **torsion** (*List* ( *int* ) ) – A list of the indices for the particles in a torsion

**Returns** *torsion\_force\_constant*: The assigned torsion force constant for the provided particles

**Return type**

*torsion\_force\_constant*: Quantity()

**get\_torsion\_list** ()

Construct a list of particle indices from which to define torsions for the coarse grained model

**Parameters** **CGModel** (*class*) – CGModel() class object

**Returns** *torsions*: A list of the particle indices for the torsions in the coarse grained model

**Return type** *torsions*: List( List( *int*, *int*, *int*, *int* ) )

**nonbonded\_interaction\_list** = **None**

Initialize new (coarse grained) particle types:

## 1.3 Other coarse grained model utilities

`cg_model.cgmodel.get_parent_bead(cgmodel, monomer_index, bead_index, backbone_bead_index=None, sidechain_bead=False)`

Determines if a particle is bonded to any other particles (Used for coarse grained model construction.)

**Parameters**

- **cgmodel** (*class*) – CGModel() class object
- **monomer\_index** (*int*) – Index of the monomer containing the bead we are interested in

- **bead\_index** (*int*) – Index of the particle we are interested in identifying bonds for
- **backbone\_bead\_index** (*int*) – If this bead is a backbone bead, and the monomer it belongs to contains multiple backbone beads, this will provide the position of the backbone bead
- **sidechain\_bead** (*Logical*) – Indicates whether or not this bead is part of a sidechain.

**Returns** parent\_bead: Index for particle(s) that the target particle is bonded to

**Return type** *int*

## **THERMODYNAMIC ANALYSIS TOOLS FOR COARSE GRAINED MODELING**

This page details the functions and classes in src/thermo

### **2.1 Tools to calculate the heat capacity with pymbar**

Shown below are functions/tools used in order to calculate the heat capacity with pymbar.

## UTILITIES FOR THE ‘FOLDAMERS’ PACKAGE

This page details the functions and classes in `src/util`.

### 3.1 Input/Output options (`src/utilities/iotools.py`)

Shown below is a detailed description of the input/output options for the foldamers package.

`utilities.iotools.write_bonds (CGModel, pdb_object)`

Writes the bonds from an input CGModel class object to the file object ‘`pdb_object`’, using PDB ‘CONNECT’ syntax.

CGModel: Coarse grained model class object

`pdb_object`: File object to which we will write the bond list

`utilities.iotools.write_cg_pdb (cgmodel, file_name)`

Writes the positions from an input CGModel class object to the file ‘`filename`’. Used to test the compatibility of coarse grained model parameters with the OpenMM PDBFile() functions, which are needed to write coordinates to a PDB file during MD simulations.

CGModel: Coarse grained model class object

`filename`: Path to the file where we will write PDB coordinates.

`utilities.iotools.write_pdbfile_without_topology (CGModel, filename, energy=None)`

Writes the positions from an input CGModel class object to the file ‘`filename`’.

CGModel: Coarse grained model class object

`filename`: Path to the file where we will write PDB coordinates.

`energy`: Energy to write to the PDB file, default = None



## 3.2 Utilities and random functions (src/utilities/util.py)

`utilities.util.assign_position` (*positions*, *bond\_length*, *sigma*, *bead\_index*,  
*parent\_index*)

Assign random position for a bead

*positions*: Positions for all beads in the coarse-grained model. ( `np.array( num_beads x 3 )` )

*bond\_length*: Bond length for all beads that are bonded, ( `float * simtk.unit.distance` ) default  
= `1.0 * unit.angstrom`

*positions*: Positions for all beads in the coarse-grained model. ( `np.array( num_beads x 3 )` )

`utilities.util.assign_position_lattice_style` (*cgmodel*, *positions*,  
*distance\_cutoff*,  
*parent\_bead\_index*,  
*bead\_index*)

Assign random position for a bead

*positions*: Positions for all beads in the coarse-grained model. ( `np.array( num_beads x 3 )` )

*bond\_length*: Bond length for all beads that are bonded, ( `float * simtk.unit.distance` ) default  
= `1.0 * unit.angstrom`

*positions*: Positions for all beads in the coarse-grained model. ( `np.array( num_beads x 3 )` )

`utilities.util.attempt_lattice_move` (*parent\_coordinates*, *bond\_length*,  
*move\_direction\_list*)

Given a set of cartesian coordinates, assign a new particle a distance of ‘bond\_length’ away  
in a random direction.

*parent\_coordinates*: Positions for a single particle, away from which we will place a new  
particle a distance of ‘bond\_length’ away. ( `np.array( float * unit.angstrom ( length = 3 ) )` )

*bond\_length*: Bond length for all beads that are bonded, ( `float * simtk.unit.distance` ) default  
= `1.0 * unit.angstrom`

*trial\_coordinates*: Positions for a new trial particle ( `np.array( float * unit.angstrom ( length  
= 3 ) )` )

`utilities.util.attempt_move` (*parent\_coordinates*, *bond\_length*)

Given a set of cartesian coordinates, assign a new particle a distance of ‘bond\_length’ away  
in a random direction.

*parent\_coordinates*: Positions for a single particle, away from which we will place a new  
particle a distance of ‘bond\_length’ away. ( `np.array( float * unit.angstrom ( length = 3 ) )` )

*bond\_length*: Bond length for all beads that are bonded, ( `float * simtk.unit.distance` ) default  
= `1.0 * unit.angstrom`

*trial\_coordinates*: Positions for a new trial particle ( `np.array( float * unit.angstrom ( length  
= 3 ) )` )

`utilities.util.collisions` (*positions*, *distance\_list*, *distance\_cutoff*)

Determine whether there are any collisions between non-bonded particles, where a “collision” is defined as a distance shorter than the user-provided ‘bond\_length’.

*distances*: List of the distances between all nonbonded particles. ( list ( float \* simtk.unit.distance ( length = # nonbonded\_interactions ) ) )

*bond\_length*: Bond length for all beads that are bonded, ( float \* simtk.unit.distance ) default = 1.0 \* unit.angstrom

*collision*: Logical variable stating whether or not the model has bead collisions. default = False

`utilities.util.distance` (*positions\_1*, *positions\_2*)

Construct a matrix of the distances between all particles.

*positions\_1*: Positions for a particle ( np.array( length = 3 ) )

*positions\_2*: Positions for a particle ( np.array( length = 3 ) )

*distance* ( float \* unit )

`utilities.util.distance_matrix` (*positions*)

Construct a matrix of the distances between all particles.

*positions*: Positions for an array of particles. ( np.array( num\_particles x 3 ) )

*distance\_matrix*: Matrix containing the distances between all beads. ( np.array( num\_particles x 3 ) )

`utilities.util.distances` (*interaction\_list*, *positions*)

Calculate the distances between a trial particle (‘new\_coordinates’) and all existing particles (‘existing\_coordinates’).

*new\_coordinates*: Positions for a single trial particle ( np.array( float \* unit.angstrom ( length = 3 ) ) )

*existing\_coordinates*: Positions for a single trial particle ( np.array( float \* unit.angstrom ( shape = num\_particles x 3 ) ) )

*distances*: List of the distances between all nonbonded particles. ( list ( float \* simtk.unit.distance ( length = # nonbonded\_interactions ) ) )

`utilities.util.first_bead` (*positions*)

Determine if we have any particles in ‘positions’ Parameters ———- *positions*: Positions for all beads in the coarse-grained model. ( np.array( float \* unit ( shape = num\_beads x 3 ) ) ) Returns ———- *first\_bead*: Logical variable stating if this is the first particle.

`utilities.util.get_move` (*trial\_coordinates*, *move\_direction*, *distance*, *bond\_length*, *finish\_bond=False*)

Given a ‘move\_direction’, a current distance, and a target ‘bond\_length’ ( Index denoting x,y,z Cartesian direction), update the coordinates for the particle.

trial\_coordinates: positions for a particle ( np.array( float \* unit.angstrom ( length = 3 ) ) )

move\_direction: Cartesian direction in which we will attempt a particle placement, where: x=0, y=1, z=2. ( integer )

distance: Current distance from parent particle ( float \* simtk.unit.distance )

bond\_length: Target bond\_length for particle placement. ( float \* simtk.unit.distance )

finish\_bond: Logical variable determining how we will update the coordinates for this particle.

trial\_coordinates: Updated positions for the particle ( np.array( float \* unit.angstrom ( length = 3 ) ) )

```
utilities.util.get_structure_from_library (cgmodel,
                                          high_energy=False,
                                          low_energy=False)
```

Given a coarse grained model class object, this function retrieves a set of positions for the model from the ensemble library, in: `‘../foldamers/ensembles/${backbone_length}_${sidechain_length}_${sidechain_positions}’`. If this coarse grained model does not have an ensemble library, an error message will be returned and we will attempt to assign positions at random with `‘random_positions()’`.

cgmodel: CGModel() class object.

### Parameters

- **high\_energy** (*Logical*) – If set to ‘True’, this function will generate an ensemble of high-energy structures, default = False
- **low\_energy** (*Logical*) – If set to ‘True’, this function will generate an ensemble of low-energy structures, default = False

positions: Positions for all beads in the coarse-grained model. ( np.array( num\_beads x 3 ) )

```
utilities.util.random_positions (cgmodel,          max_attempts=1000,
                                use_library=False,  high_energy=False,
                                low_energy=False,   gener-
                                ate_library=False)
```

Assign random positions for all beads in a coarse-grained polymer.

cgmodel: CGModel() class object.

max\_attempts: The maximum number of times that we will attempt to build a coarse grained model with the settings in ‘cgmodel’. default = 1000

use\_library: A logical variable determining if we will generate a new random structure, or take a random structure from the library in the following path: `‘../foldamers/ensembles/${backbone_length}_${sidechain_length}_${sidechain_positions}’` default = True ( NOTE: By default, if use\_library = False, new structures will be added to the

ensemble library for the relevant coarse grained model. If that model does not have an ensemble library, one will be created. )

### Parameters

- **high\_energy** (*Logical*) – If set to ‘True’, this function will generate an ensemble of high-energy structures, default = False
- **low\_energy** (*Logical*) – If set to ‘True’, this function will generate an ensemble of low-energy structures, default = False

positions: Positions for all beads in the coarse-grained model. ( `np.array( num_beads x 3 )` )

`utilities.util.random_sign (number)`

Returns ‘number’ with a random sign.

number: float

number

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