# Understanding Divergent Thermal Conductivity in Single Polythiophene Chains Using Modal Analysis and Sonification

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#### Atomic Structure of Pth unit-cell



Figure s1. 1D Polythiophene chain unit cell. The green spheres represent carbon atoms, the yellow spheres represent sulfur atoms and the white sphere represents hydrogen atoms.





Figure s2. Normalized mode TA-y<sub>1</sub> kinetic energy autocorrelation functions in Pth convergent and divergent cases.

#### TA-y<sub>1</sub> mode thermal conductivity contribution

Ultimately we seek to understand the behavior of this special anomalous conducting mode (TA-y<sub>1</sub>) in more detail. From Fig. s3, the TA-y<sub>1</sub> mode correlates strongly with the entire TA-y branch as indicated by the  $\langle TA-y_1 \cdot TA-y \rangle$  autocorrelation shown in Fig. s4. Using GKMA, we calculated mode-mode cross correlations between the TA-y<sub>1</sub> mode and other modes on TA-y branch. By examining the correlation with individual modes we found that the correlation is strongest between the 3 lowest frequency modes (TA-y<sub>1</sub>, TA-y<sub>2</sub>, TA-y<sub>3</sub>), where TA-y<sub>2</sub>, TA-y<sub>3</sub> are second and third lowest frequency modes on the TA-y branch. In Fig. s4 it is clear that the TA-y<sub>1</sub> autocorrelation and its cross correlation with TA-y<sub>2</sub>, TA-y<sub>3</sub> is very different for the divergent and convergent cases



Figure s3.  $TA-y_1$  mode thermal conductivity contribution and its correlation with different branches. Note: it includes the contribution of its symmetry mode on the same branch.



Figure s4. TA- $y_1$  mode thermal conductivity contribution and its correlation with TA- $y_2$  TA- $y_3$  in a divergent and convergent case.



Figure s5. TA- $y_1$  mode thermal conductivity contribution in the divergent and convergent case.

## <u>Video files</u> Video file S1: Convergent TA-y<sub>1</sub> heat flux sonification.

Video file S2: Divergent TA- $y_1$  heat flux sonification. Video file S3: Divergent TA- $y_1$  heat flux sonification left ear channel, convergent TA- $y_1$  heat flux sonification right ear channel.