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While our article, “Finite-size scaling of helix–coil transitions in poly-alanine studied by multicanonical simulations,” was in print, one of us (U.H.) has performed additional multicanonical poly-alanine simulations, increasing the total number of Monte Carlo sweeps to 400 000, 500 000, 1 000 000, and 3 000 000 sweeps for  $N=10, 15, 20,$  and  $30,$  respectively. Here,  $N$  is the length of the poly-alanine chain. Taking the increased statistics into account and defining the susceptibility  $\chi_N$  instead of Eq. (11) by

$$\chi_N(T) = \frac{1}{N} (\langle q^2 \rangle_T - \langle q \rangle_T^2), \quad (1)$$

we have to replace Table IV by the following:

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TABLE IV. Maximum of specific heat  $C_{\max}$  and susceptibility  $\chi_{\max}$  together with the width of the peak of the specific heat  $\Gamma_C$  and the width of the peak of the susceptibility  $\Gamma_\chi$  for various chain lengths.

| $N$ | $T_c$  | $C_{\max}$ | $\Gamma_C$ | $\chi_{\max}$ | $\Gamma_\chi$ |
|-----|--------|------------|------------|---------------|---------------|
| 10  | 427(7) | 8.9(3)     | 160(7)     | 0.49(2)       | 140(7)        |
| 15  | 492(5) | 12.3(4)    | 119(5)     | 0.72(3)       | 110(5)        |
| 20  | 508(5) | 16.0(8)    | 88(5)      | 1.08(3)       | 78(5)         |
| 30  | 518(7) | 22.8(1.2)  | 58(4)      | 1.50(8)       | 56(3)         |

Using the scaling relations Eqs. (16)–(19), our improved results now lead to the following critical exponents (as defined in the article):

$$\nu = 1.0(1), \quad \alpha = 0.9(1), \quad \text{and} \quad \gamma = 1.1(1). \quad (2)$$

A more detailed discussion of these exponents and the hyperscaling relation between them will be included in a forthcoming article [N. Alves and U. H. E. Hansmann, “Partition function zeros and finite size scaling of helix–coil transitions in polypeptides” (submitted)].