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The cover shows a schematic depiction of a flexible colloidal chain. It consists of pictures of scale models of the various colloidal structures that are studied in this work. These scale models are also shown at the start of the relevant chapters. The scale models were assembled out of millimeter-sized magnetic beads.

*The  
dedication  
of this thesis  
is split  
seven ways:  
to mama Dees,  
to opa Peter,  
to oma Luck,  
to Mark,  
to W. Appelman,  
to R.J. Kooman,  
and to you,  
if you have  
read  
this thesis  
until the  
very  
end.*



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