multi-strand macromolecule

Also contains definition of: $n$-strand molecule

A macromolecule that comprises constitutional units connected in such a way that adjacent constitutional units are joined to each other through more than four atoms, more than two on at least one side of each constitutional unit.

Note:
A macromolecule that comprises constitutional units joined to each other through $n$ atoms on at least one side of each constitutional unit is termed an $n$-strand macromolecule, e.g. three-strand macromolecule. If an ambiguity exists in defining $n$, the highest possible number is selected.

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