Sergei Chmutov* (chmutov@math.ohio-state.edu), The Ohio State University, 1680 University Drive, Mansfield, OH 44906. *Kamada-Miyazawa polynomial and ribbon graphs*. Preliminary report.

N. Kamada and Y. Miyazawa introduced a two variable polynomial invariant of virtual links generalizing the Jones polynomial. I will show that this polynomial can be derived from the ribbon graph corresponding to a diagram of the link. The construction involves the Bollobás-Riordan polynomial of a ribbon graph which generalizes the Tutte polynomial. (Received September 03, 2009)