

# Visualization tool for comparison of a single amino acid change in protein simulation

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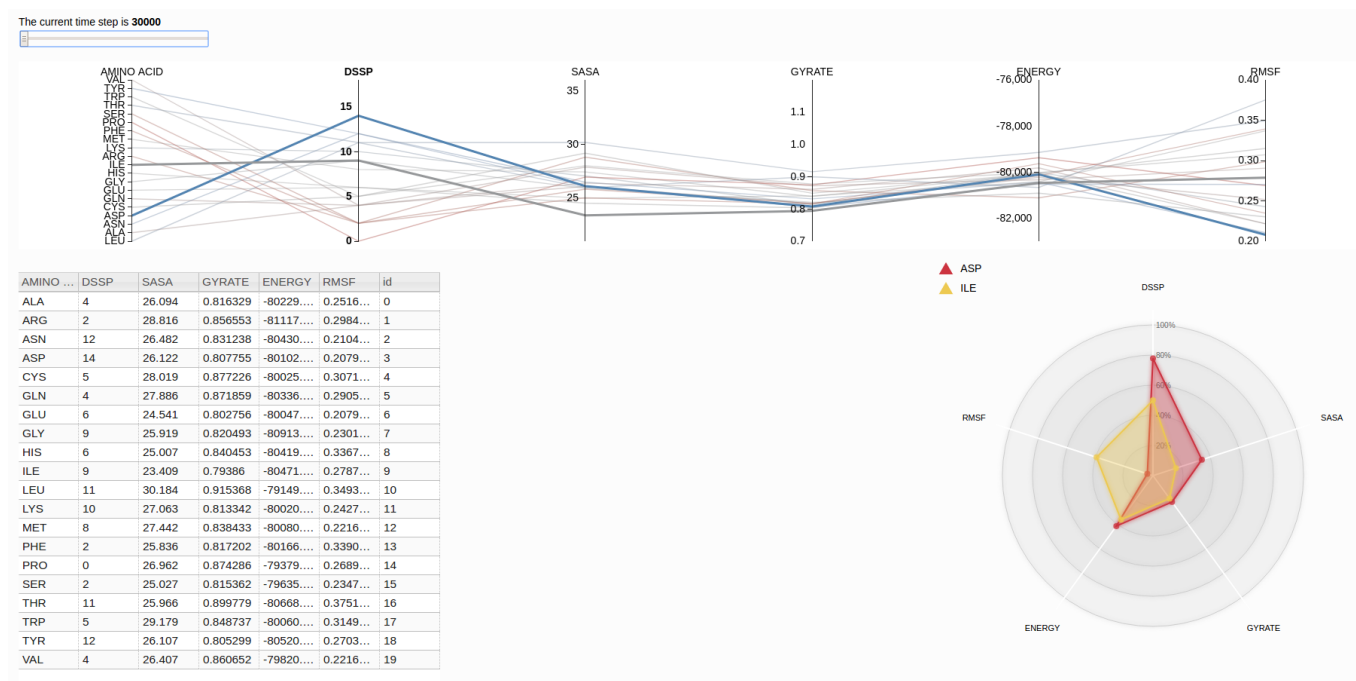


Fig. 1. Image of the tool with all elements presented.

## Abstract—

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## I. INTRODUCTION

Proteins are polymers formed by a sequence of 20 different possible amino acids that under physiological conditions fold into a precise shape known as its native state [1]. Each amino acid has an alpha carbon (CA) with bonds to amino (NH<sub>2</sub>) and carboxyl (COOH) groups and a variable side-chain (R) that determines the particular physicochemical properties of each residue. A peptide is a molecule composed of two or more amino acids chained by a chemical bond called the *peptide bond*. This bond is formed when the carboxyl group of one residue reacts with the amino group of the other residue, releasing a water molecule. The interaction between amino acids in a protein causes the polypeptide chain to fold, usually in a proper configuration, as  $\alpha$ -helix,  $\beta$ -sheet,

coil or turn. These local folding patterns represent the secondary structure of a protein. The topology or fold is given by the succession of secondary structures connected in a 3D space. The specific characteristics of the peptide bond have significant implications for the 3D fold that can be adopted by polypeptides. The peptide bond (C–N) has a double bond, and it is not allowed rotation of the molecule around this bond. The rotation is only permitted around the bonds N–C $\alpha$  and C $\alpha$ –C. The analysis of experimental protein structures (X-ray data) reveals that amino acid residues can assume many conformations in proteins [2]. Each amino acid has a set of physiochemical properties which contributes to its intrinsic conformational preference [3]. Amino acids in a secondary structure usually adopt a particular set of backbone torsion angles [2].

AMINO ...	DSSP	SASA	GYRATE	ENERGY	RMSF	id
ALA	4	26.094	0.816329	-80229....	0.2516...	0
ARG	2	28.816	0.856553	-81117....	0.2984...	1
ASN	12	26.482	0.831238	-80430....	0.2104...	2
ASP	14	26.122	0.807755	-80102....	0.2079...	3
CYS	5	28.019	0.877226	-80025....	0.3071...	4
GLN	4	27.886	0.871859	-80336....	0.2905...	5
GLU	6	24.541	0.802756	-80047....	0.2079...	6
GLY	9	25.919	0.820493	-80913....	0.2301...	7
HIS	6	25.007	0.840453	-80419....	0.3367...	8
ILE	9	23.409	0.79386	-80471....	0.2787...	9
LEU	11	30.184	0.915368	-79149....	0.3493...	10
LYS	10	27.063	0.813342	-80020....	0.2427...	11
MET	8	27.442	0.838433	-80080....	0.2216...	12
PHE	2	25.836	0.817202	-80166....	0.3390...	13
PRO	0	26.962	0.874286	-79379....	0.2689...	14
SER	2	25.027	0.815362	-79635....	0.2347...	15
THR	11	25.966	0.899779	-80668....	0.3751...	16
TRP	5	29.179	0.848737	-80060....	0.3149...	17
TYR	12	26.107	0.805299	-80520....	0.2703...	18
VAL	4	26.407	0.860652	-79820....	0.2216...	19

Fig. 2. Overview of the used grid.

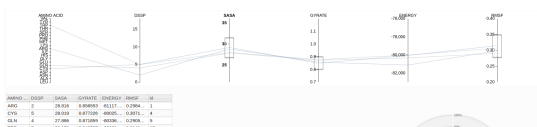


Fig. 3. Example of the use of brush.

## A. Related work

## II. DATA CHARACTERIZATION

### A. Data dimensions

#### DSSP:

SASA: Solvent-accessible surface area is the surface area of the protein that is accessible to the solvent.

GYRATE: The radius of gyration can be used as a measurement of the compactness of a protein structure. It describes the overall spread of the molecule and is calculated taking the root mean square distance of the atoms from their common centre of gravity.

#### ENERGY:

RMSF: The root mean square fluctuation of atomic positions is the measure of the average distance between the atoms of the simulated protein and a well-defined average position.

## III. TECHNICAL BACKGROUND

## IV. TECHNIQUE OVERVIEW

### A. Grid

Item highlighting:

Item selection:

### B. Parallel Coordinates

Axis brushing: Fig. 3

Axis sorting:

Axis reordering:

Recoloring by axis selection:

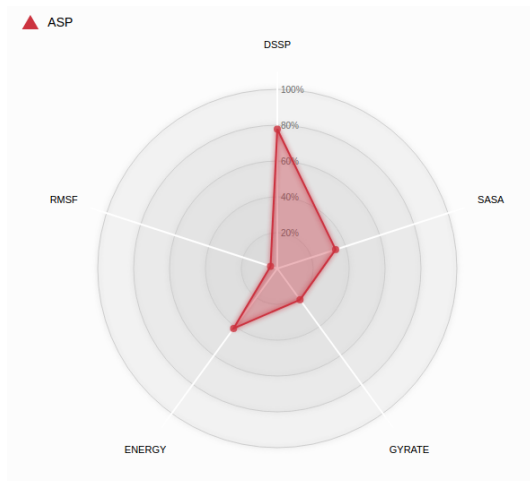


Fig. 4. Example of one amino acid being visualized in the radar plot.

## C. Radar Plot

Item highlighting:

## D. Slider

## V. EXPERIMENTS

## VI. RESULTS AND DISCUSSION

### A. Future work

## VII. CONCLUSION

A demo can be tested at: <http://inf.ufrgs.br/bigrisci/parallel-coordinates/>

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