Preface

Structures of proteins and protein complexes help explain biomolecular function. Computational methods provide an inexpensive way to predict unknown structures, manipulate behavior, and design new proteins or functions. The protein structure prediction program Rosetta, developed by a consortium of laboratories in the Rosetta Commons, has an unmatched variety of functionalities and is one of the most accurate protein structure prediction and design approaches (Das & Baker, Ann Rev Biochem 2008; Gray, Curr Op Struct Biol 2006). To make the Rosetta approaches broadly accessible to biologists and biomolecular engineers with varied backgrounds, we developed PyRosetta, a Python-based interactive platform for accessing the objects and algorithms within the Rosetta protein structure prediction suite. In PvRosetta, users can measure and manipulate protein conformations, calculate energies in low- and highresolution representations, fold proteins from sequence, model variable regions of proteins (loops), dock proteins or small molecules, and design protein sequences. Furthermore, with access to the primary Rosetta optimization objects, users can build custom protocols for operations tailored to particular biomolecular applications. Since the program can communicate with the visualization software PyMOL, search algorithms can be viewed onscreen in real time.

In this book, we have compiled a set of workshops to teach both the fundamentals and the practical applications of protein structure prediction and design. The workshops assume basic knowledge of protein structure and familiarity with computers and the Python programming language. Readings and references are provided in each chapter for more in-depth study. Each workshop covers a single topic in the field and walks the reader through the basic operations in a one- to two-hour session. Interactive exercises are incorporated so that the reader gains hands-on experience using the variety of commands available in the toolkit. The text is arranged progressively, beginning with an introduction to the PyMOL visualization package, proceeding through the fundamentals of protein structure and energetics, and then progressing through the applications of protein folding, refinement, packing, design, docking, and loop modeling. A set of tables is provided at the end of the book as a reference of the available commands.

Additional resources on the Rosetta program are available online. The PyRosetta web site, pyrosetta.org, includes additional example and application scripts. At the web-based user forum www.rosettacommons.org/forum, the PyRosetta community shares questions, answers, and useful scripts. Documentation on Rosetta in general including expert details on the underlying C++ code is available at www.rosettacommons.org/support. PyRosetta is built upon the Rosetta 3 platform, so objects available in PyRosetta will have the same underlying data structures and functionality.

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To complete these modules, you will need:

- PyMOL <u>www.pymol.org</u>
- Python www.python.org
- IPython ipython.scipy.org
- PyRosetta www.pyrosetta.org

All packages are free and available for Mac, Linux, or Windows platforms.

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Workshop #1: PyMOL

PyMOL is a molecular visualization tool. There are many such tools available — both commercially and publicly available:

- PyMOL (<u>www.pymol.org</u>)
- Swiss-PdbViewer (spdbv.vital-it.ch)
- RasMol (www.umass.edu/microbio/rasmol)
- VMD (www.ks.uiuc.edu/Research/vmd)
- MolSim (www.cchem.berkeley.edu/molsim)
- DS Visualizer (accelrys.com/products/discovery-studio/)
- *etc.*

PyMOL is particularly attractive to us, since it has excellent features for viewing, it is fast and the display quality is superb, it can handle multiple molecules at once, and it is easy to define custom objects such as complexes or sets of atoms. It is also open-source and extensible, so the expert user can create new functions such as colors and measurements related to protein design specifications. The goals of this workshop are to have you become familiar with (1) the basic operation of the software, (2) the tools for analyzing protein structures and for creating high-quality pictures, and (3) the ability to create and save scripts for repeated use.

Suggested Readings

- 1. Introductory: Chapters 1 and 2 of Brandon and Tooze, *Introduction to Protein Structure*, Garland Publishing (1999).
- 2. Advanced: J. S. Richardson, "The Anatomy and Taxonomy of Protein Structure," 1981 (updated 2000-2007), available at http://kinemage.biochem.duke.edu/teaching/anatax.

Basic Operations

Download PDB file 1YY8.pdb from www.rcsb.org.

Open PyMOL. (If asked, use the PyMOL + Tcl/Tk mode.) Load 1YY8.pdb. (From the menu bar at the top of the upper window, select File→Open→(select your file).

Use the mouse and mouse buttons to rotate, translate, and zoom the molecule:

On Linux or PC:

left button = rotate, middle button = translate, right button = zoom

On a Mac:

left button = rotate; alt/option+click = translate; right (secondary) click = zoom

The buttons at the top right can set the viewing parameters.

```
A = Actions, S = Show, H = Hide, L = Label, C = Color.
```

In the line for 1YY8, select Hide \rightarrow Everything, then Show \rightarrow Cartoon, then Color \rightarrow By Chain \rightarrow By Chain (e. c), then Label \rightarrow Chains.

You should see two copies of the antibody fragment, since there were two copies of the antibody in the unit cell of the crystal that was measured to determine the structure. You should be able to see two separate chains in each antibody fragment.

If you click on any atom or residue, the viewer window will display information identifying that atom/residue. Confirm that the four chains are identified as chains A, B, C, and D.

Let's focus in on one fragment. In the command-line window (Depending on your PyMOL version, Windows labels this Tcl/Tk GUI or The PyMOL Molecular Graphics System), type the following commands:

```
select AB, chain A+B
hide all
show cartoon, AB
orient AB
```

Note that in the panel at the top right, you now can operate on the subset AB using the buttons.

You can use the mouse or the select command with other protein descriptors (e.g., name ca+cb+cg+cd, symbol o+n, resn lys, resi 100-150, ss h+s+l, hydro, or hetatm) to create objects for various subsets of the molecule, and there are a variety of operations you can perform on those subsets.

You can also combine descriptors (chain A and hydro) and assign it a selection name as in the following:

```
select linkerA, chain A and resi 107-112 color red, linkerA select linkerB, chain B and resi 117-122 color orange, linkerB
```

(Note that there is a distinction in PyMOL — as in many scripting/coding languages — between the addition operator + and the Boolean operator and. Make sure you understand the difference.)

Type help select and help selections for full details. (Hit the Esc key to exit the help screen.) Test out the mouse operations and various colorings and display options to get a feel for the general operation of the molecular visualization.

Note that you can use File→Save Session at any time. This will store all your objects, selections, and views.

Structural Analysis

The structure you have downloaded is cetuximab, a therapeutic antibody in development for cancer treatment. Antibodies are composed of two heavy chains and two light chains; the particular construct of its upper part is known as a Fab fragment and contains one full light chain (chain A) and the N-terminal half of one heavy chain (chain B). At one end of the Fab fragment are six loops known as the "complementarity determining regions" (CDR), which bind a particular antigen. For the following four problems, we will examine the N-terminal domain of chain A (the light chain). To make this easier, type select L, chain A and resi 1-107, then from the right panel controls, hide everything but for selection L and click Color->Spectrum->Rainbow.

1.	Looking down the direction of the first strand, which way does it twist? Do all strands twist the same direction?
2.	Next, let's analyze a couple strands in the N-terminal domain. Zoom in on strands 3 and 8, (which should be adjacent and colored cyan and marigold, respectively.) What are the residue <u>number</u> ranges for these two strands? (Click on the strand ends and look in the console window for the residue numbers.)
	strand 3: strand 8:
	Create a new object for these two strands with select and hide the rest of the molecule. Display the atoms of the amino acid and color them by their element (Show-Sticks and Color-ByElement). What color are oxygens? What color are nitrogens? By looking at the side chains, identify the amino-acid sequence (using 1-letter abbreviations) of these two strands:
	strand 3: strand 8:
	What is the pattern in these sequences, and why does it occur?
3.	Let's analyze some geometry. From the main menu, select Wizard→Measurement. You should see a panel on the right in which you can select distances, angles, dihedrals, and neighbors, and PyMOL will prompt you to select the atoms for measurement. Label→Residues from the right-side panel might also be helpful.
	What is the distance between the N of L73 and the O of F21 (<i>i.e.</i> , the hydrogen bonding distance across the β chain)?
	Measure all of the backbone hydrogen bonding distances between these two strands. What is the range of distances you observe?
	On residue F21, what is the bond angle around the C_{β} ?
	On residue F21, measure ϕ , ψ , and χ_1 :
	φ: ψ: χ ₁ :

Confirm that these values are within the β -sheet region of the Ramachandran plot.

Type h_add chain A and resi 73 to place hydrogen atoms on residue 73. (Hydrogens are usually too small to see by crystallography, so PyMOL must calculate the theoretical positions.) What is the H–O–C bond angle for the backbone hydrogen bond between residues L73 and F21?

4. Restore the view of L and sketch a "Brandon & Tooze style" topology diagram (*not* a 3-D sketch!) showing the β-sheet strand arrangement for the light chain. Hint: Begin by drawing strand 1 on the bottom left side of the paper pointing up. There are two separate sheets; draw one atop the other; otherwise, it implies a single sheet. Draw the secondary structure first, and then connect the linkers. Do not try to approximate the size of linkers between secondary structure. (p. 62 of Brandon & Tooze has an example of such a two-row topology diagram.)

Comparing Molecules

5. From www.rcsb.org, find a second PDB file of cetuximab, this time bound to its antigen.

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Clear your current PyMOL session (All-Actions-Delete everything") and load your new PDB file. Use the cartoon view and color and label by chain to see an overview of the structures. You should see the antibody Fab fragment and the antigen. The antigen also has several post-translational glycosylation modifications.

Load 1YY8 into the same session. As you did before, create an object for chains A and B and hide chains C and D. (You will now need to specify the molecule: select unboundFab, 1YY8 and chain A+B.) Similarly, create an object (Call it boundFab,) for the Fab fragment of the bound complex. (Be careful to specify the correct chain identifiers; they are arbitrary and can vary between PDB files.) Now, superimpose the two structures using align unboundFab, boundFab.

The structural match between the two molecules is measured by the root-mean-squared (RMS) distance of the aligned atoms:

$$RMS = \sqrt{\frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^{n} |\mathbf{x}_i - \mathbf{y}_i|^2}$$

where \mathbf{x}_i and \mathbf{y}_i are the vector coordinates (displacement vectors) of the n atoms in the two structures. The align command automatically generates a sequence alignment to pick the right atoms to compare and then solves for and executes the coordinate transformation that yields the minimal RMS deviation between the structures.

- 6. In the command window, there should be a few lines describing the alignment process. What is the RMS error calculated for this structural alignment (include units)? ______Over how many atoms? _____
- 7. Is there much difference between the bound and unbound forms of the antibody? In particular, are there differences in the six complementarity-determining loops at the far end of the N-terminal domains?

High-Quality Visualization and Scripting

Your commands can be saved to a file or read in from a file. Use the File >Log option to record your steps and create a script. You can edit this script using a text editor such as Notepad, WordPad, jEdit, vi, Emacs, or IDLE. You can then read in the script using File >Run or simply with the command run myfile.pml. (UNIX commands, such as pwd, ls, and cd, can be typed in PyMOL to assist in locating any scripts you wish to run.) The script will record all of your settings, but not necessarily the transformations you make by reorienting the molecule with the mouse. To record the screen orientation matrices in your script, type get_view.

The command ray will use a ray-tracing algorithm to compute the lighting on the molecule. (ray 800,800 will set the image size to 800 × 800 pixels.) Use this before saving an image using File-Save Image to create publication-quality results. Since the natural background color on a piece of paper is white, use the command bg white to change the background color (and use less ink!). Other options are under the Display menu; some options that may help include Display-Color Space-CMYK and Display-Depth Cue-On. The menu command Setting-Transparency can also help show depth and occluded molecules, but it is most important to orient the molecule carefully to show features and to hide all but the most relevant parts of the molecule. Finally, you might also try some of the preset settings from the right-side menu under Actions-Preset.

8. For your last task, choose an interesting feature of cetuximab (β-sheet structure, the antibody complementarity-determining regions, a comparison of bound and unbound antibody loops or the CDR H3 loop in detail, the glycosylation on one of the EGFR side chains, *etc.*) and create a beautiful, ray-traced, white-background, publication-quality figure. Color and label protein features and measurements as you feel appropriate. Use the script feature to gather the list of commands that you find optimal for viewing your object. Edit the script to eliminate the non-essential pieces and make the script clean, concise, and comprehensible.

If you are doing this exercise for a class, submit the figure printed in color, the script that can re-create the figure, and a brief statement of which structural feature your figure is designed to show.

If you work in a research lab, you are encouraged to create a new figure for a protein relevant to your research.

Workshop #2: PyRosetta

Rosetta is a suite of algorithms for biomolecular structure prediction and design. Rosetta is written in C++ and is available from www.rosettacommons.org. PyRosetta is a toolkit in the programming language Python, which encapsulates the Rosetta functionality by using the compiled C++ libraries. Python is an easy language to learn and includes modern programming approaches such as objects. It can be used via scripts and interactively as a command-line program, similar to MATLAB®.

The goals of this first workshop are (1) to have you learn to use PyRosetta both interactively and by writing programs and (2) to have you learn the PyRosetta functions to access and manipulate properties of protein structure.

Basic Elements

You will need a few basic tools to work on PyRosetta.

- You need a text editor to edit scripts. A good editor will "markup" your code in color and make sure your code is indented properly, and it can offer search tools across multiple files and sometimes support for running and debugging your program. One current favorite editor is **jEdit** (www.jedit.org). A popular editor on the Mac is **Aquamacs**, based on the program **Emacs**. **IDLE** is an "integrated development environment" (IDE) that is packaged with Python and includes pop-up function signatures while you are writing code. A text-only (no mouse) program is vi or Vim (www.vim.org), popular among *nix hackers. jEdit, Emacs, and vi are available for Windows and Linux platforms. There is a built in Mac editor called **TextEdit**, similar to **Notepad** or **WordPad** on a PC. These will not have the color markup and other tools, but they will allow you to edit your files. Choose one of these programs and learn to access it on your computer.
- You need a **command-line interface (CLI)** or **terminal**. On a Windows PC, typing cmd under the Start menu will launch a Command Prompt which will support standard DOS commands: dir, cd, copy, type, more, *etc*. On the Mac, you can find a terminal in the menu on the bottom of the screen or by searching for **xterm**. The Mac terminal will support standard UNIX/Linux shell commands: ls, cd, less, cp, mkdir, rm, grep, awk, sed, gnuplot, *etc*. Search the Internet if you are not familiar with Linux shell or DOS commands.
- You can access Python using the command ipython or python ipython.py from the terminal. We use **IPython** (rather than Python) since it supports tab-completion, which will help us find PyRosetta functions. On Windows, your install may include a desktop shortcut for iPython PyRosetta Shell: this shortcut will open a terminal and start IPython for you.

Basic Python

Basic Python programming will be useful but is beyond the scope of this workshop. Excellent introductory and reference material on the Python language is available at <u>docs.python.org</u>. A very brief reference is also found in Appendix A.

Basic PyRosetta

1. Open a terminal and start IPython. To load the PyRosetta library, type

```
from pyrosetta import *
init()
```

The first line loads the Rosetta commands for use in the Python shell, and the second command loads the Rosetta database files. The first line may require a few seconds to load.

2. Many pdb files, like the one you opened in Workshop #1, have extraneous information and often do not conform to file standards. You may have to "clean" your pdb file before loading it into PyRosetta. You can do this through the command line interface (not from within IPython) by using either the grep command (UNIX) or the findstr command (DOS) to remove all lines that do not begin with ATOM in the pdb file. Alternatively, a method from the PyRosetta toolbox namespace, cleanATOM can be used to create "clean" pdb files:

```
from pyrosetta.toolbox import cleanATOM
cleanATOM("1YY8.pdb")
```

(This method will create a cleaned 1998.clean.pdb file for you.)

See Appendix C for details on these methods and specific examples of how to clean pdb files.

3. Load a protein from a "clean" pdb file. Use the 1YY8.pdb file of the antibody you looked at in Workshop #1. Put the file in your working directory or change to the directory in which the file is located using cd from within IPython. Load the file as follows:

```
pose = pose from pdb("1YY8.clean.pdb")
```

This creates a Pose object that you can now work with using a variety of methods.

If you have not already downloaded the pdb file, you can create a pose directly from the protein database if you have a connection to the Internet:

```
from pyrosetta.toolbox import pose_from_rcsb
pose = pose from rcsb("1YY8")
```

(This method will also create 1998.pdb and 1998.clean.pdb files for you)

4. Examine the protein using a variety of query functions:

```
print pose
print pose.sequence()
print "Protein has", pose.total_residue(), "residues."
print pose.residue(500).name()
```

What type of residue is residue 500?

Note that the 500th residue in the pdb file is not necessarily "residue number 500" in the protein. Many pdb files have multiple peptide chains. Sometimes the residue numbering follows a convention from a family of homologous proteins, and often several residues of the N-terminus do not show up in a crystal structure. Find out the chain and pdb residue number of residue 500:

```
print pose.pdb_info().chain(500)
print pose.pdb info().number(500)
```

Lookup the Rosetta internal number for residue 100 of chain A:

```
print pose.pdb info().pdb2pose('A', 100)
```

The converse command is:

```
print pose.pdb info().pose2pdb(25)
```

Get and display the secondary structure of the pose using a toolbox method:

```
from pyrosetta.toolbox import get_secstruct
get_secstruct(pose)
```

To demonstrate IPython's *tab-completion* feature, type in print pose.seq and hit the tab key. IPython should complete the keyword sequence for you. Type pose. and hit the tab key, and you should see a list of functions available for Pose objects.

While we are examining the advantages of IPython, try out the built-in help features by typing any one of the following:

```
Pose?
?Pose
help(Pose)
```

Each of these will give a brief description of the Pose class and its purpose. The last form will also give a list of function signatures for all the available functions within the class. These methods of accessing help should work on many of the PyRosetta objects.

Protein Geometry

5. Find the φ , ψ , and χ_1 dihedral angles of residue 5:

```
print pose.phi(5)
print pose.psi(5)
print pose.chi(1, 5)
```

6. Find the N–C $_{\alpha}$ and C $_{\alpha}$ –C bond lengths of residue 5. There are at least a couple ways to do this.

First, store the unique atom identifier codes in variables:

```
R5N = AtomID(1, 5)

R5CA = AtomID(2, 5)

R5C = AtomID(3, 5)
```

(This works because the atoms are listed in a consistent order in a pdb file.) Then, use these identifier codes to lookup bond lengths in the conformation object:

```
print pose.conformation().bond_length(R5N, R5CA)
print pose.conformation().bond_length(R5CA, R5C)
```

For the second method, access the Cartesian coordinates and use the Vector class to find the norm of the displacement vector between the two atoms:

```
N_xyz = pose.residue(5).xyz("N")
CA_xyz = pose.residue(5).xyz("CA")
N_CA_vector = CA_xyz - N_xyz
print N_CA_vector.norm
```

These bond lengths are actual, experimental bond lengths from the crystal structure. When Rosetta creates proteins *de novo*, it uses ideal values, similar to those from Engh & Huber (1991). Let's check how the actual bond lengths compare to Rosetta's ideal values. Find the Rosetta database directory on your computer (*e.g.*, /usr/local/PyRosetta/rosetta_database). Enter the subdirectory chemical/residue_type_sets/fa_standard/residue_types and, with your text editor, load the param file appropriate for residue 5. The ICOOR_INTERNAL lines give the internal coordinates for an ideal conformation, including the torsion angle, bond angle, and bond length needed to build each subsequent atom in the group.

7. Can you identify the N– C_{α} and C_{α} –C bond lengths? How do they compare? Bonus: how do they compare to Engh & Huber's numbers? If they differ, why?

8. Find the N– C_{α} –C bond angle in radians:

<pre>print pose.conformation().bond_angle(R5N, R5CA, R5C)</pre>
What is this angle in degrees?
Again, compare with the Rosetta database ideal value. What is the hybridization of the C_{α} atom? What is the standard bond angle for such a hybridization?

Be aware that not all bond lengths and angles are accessible through the conformation object. The conformation object only contains a minimal subset of bond lengths and angles used in generating Cartesian coordinates. The vector objects provide a general way to measure angles, distances, and torsions between arbitrary atoms.

9. How could you also find the N–C $_{\alpha}$ –C bond angle using the vector dot product function, v3 = v1.dot (v2)? (Recall from vector calculus that the angle between any two displacement vectors \overrightarrow{BA} and \overrightarrow{BC} is $\arccos \frac{\overrightarrow{BA} \cdot \overrightarrow{BC}}{|\overrightarrow{BA}||\overrightarrow{BC}|}$.)

Manipulating Protein Geometry

10. We can also alter the geometry of the protein. Perform each of the following manipulations, and give the coordinates of the N atom of residue 6 afterward.

Remember that only some bond lengths and angles are available through the conformation object. Note that even though dihedral angles are set in degrees, the bond angle is set in radians! (To make the conversion between degrees and radians easier, you may wish to import Python's math module. See Appendix A for more information.)

Visualization and the PyMOL Mover

What if we wish to view the changes to geometry that we have made? We can "dump" the information in a pose object into a new pdb file with the method pose.dump_pdb("filename.pdb") and then open this pdb file in our favorite visualization software. However, constantly dumping output and loading new files into a visualizer can be cumbersome; thus, the visualization process was streamlined with the PyMolmover, which provides a means for observing structural changes almost instantaneously in PyMOL as they are made in PyRosetta.

First, we must open PyMOL and run a script that will cause PyMOL to listen for instructions from the PyMOL mover. (Certain Windows installations will use a shortcut that automatically does this for you, or you can create a .pymolrc file in your home directory in Linux or Mac that runs the code for you):

```
cd <your_PyRosetta_install_path>
run PyMOL-RosettaServer.py
```

Then, with PyRosetta, we must instantiate a PyMOLMover and then apply it to a pose any time we make a change:

```
from pyrosetta import PyMOLMover
pymol = PyMOLMover()
pymol.apply(pose)
```

11. Make some changes to the dihedral angles of a pose and apply the PyMOL mover to watch the effect of the new angles on the structure.

For more advanced PyMOL mover options, visit www.pyrosetta.org/pymol_mover-tutorial, or see Appendix A.

Programming

12. You can write programs in Python to accomplish more complicated tasks. Using your text editor, open a new file with extension .py (e.g., rama.py). You can write your entire program here and then run it either from the command line by typing

```
[linux]> python rama.py
```

or from inside a Python shell by typing

```
In [1]: run rama.py
```

Here is a sample program:

```
from pyrosetta import *
init()
p = pose_from_pdb("1ABC.pdb")

for i in range(1, p.total_residue() + 1):
    print i, "phi =", p.phi(i), "psi =", p.psi(i)
```

Note that we must always first import the Rosetta modules with the import command and initialize Rosetta with the init() command before loading a pose. (Appendix A contains a list of common Python commands and syntax.) Test that you can write and run a simple program from a file.

Programming Exercises

Submit your script file and your output.

- 1. *Torsion angle*. Use the vector objects to write a script to calculate torsion angles between four arbitrary atoms. This will require knowledge of vector calculus. Hint: You will need to calculate the normal vectors of the two planes of the dihedral angle.
- 2. Ideal helix. Write a program to create a 20-residue ideal helix by setting the φ and ψ angles to the typical values for an α -helix. To start, use pose = pose_from_sequence("AAA", "fa_standard") to create a new pose, except using 20 "A"s in the argument to create a 20-residue polyalanine. Output your structure using pose.dump pdb("helix.pdb").

View your new file in PyMOL to check your work. How can you be sure your structure is a proper α -helix? List three distinct structural characteristics that you can check.

3. *Ideal strand*. Write a program to create a 20-residue ideal β -strand by setting the ϕ and ψ angles to values in the middle of the β region of the Ramachandran plot.

View your new file in PyMOL to check your work. How can you be sure your structure is a proper β-strand? List three distinct structural characteristics that you can check.

4. Secondary structure propensities. Write a program to calculate the propensity of each residue type to appear in a helix. Loop through all residues in a protein, and count each alanine that is in a helix, sheet, or loop according to some φ/ψ -based criteria. The propensity can then be calculated as $P_{\alpha \text{ Ala}} = \frac{N_{\alpha \text{ Ala}}}{N_{\alpha \text{ total}}}$, $P_{\beta \text{ Ala}} = \frac{N_{\beta \text{ Ala}}}{N_{\beta \text{ total}}}$, and $P_{L \text{ Ala}} = \frac{N_{L \text{ Ala}}}{N_{L \text{ total}}}$, where $N_{\alpha \text{ Ala}}$, $N_{\beta \text{ Ala}}$, and $N_{L \text{ Ala}}$, are the counts of alanine residues in helices, sheets, and loops, respectively, and $N_{\alpha \text{ total}}$, $N_{\beta \text{ total}}$, and $N_{L \text{ total}}$, are the counts of all residues in helices, sheets, and loops, respectively. (Note that terminal residues have different names in Rosetta than internal ones; e.g., an N-terminal ALA has the name ALA p:NtermProteinFull.)

Bonus level 1: Find propensities for all 20 amino acid types. This will be easier if you use a data structure (list, array, dictionary, map) to store the counts of the 20 types. Do the residues with the highest helical propensity match that given by Brandon & Tooze?

Bonus level 2: To get better statistics, collect your data by looping over a set of 10 pdb files. Better yet, use a set of files such as the PDBSelect set of representative chains (http://bioinfo.tg.fh-giessen.de/pdbselect; this may require considerable download and compute time.)

- 5. *Idealize a protein*. Write a program that sets all bond lengths and angles to their Engh & Huber ideal values. Test your program using a structure from the pdb. What happens to the resulting protein? Why?
- 6. Cleaning pdb files. Coordinate files in the Protein Data Bank are quite diverse, and many pdb files have variations in their format to accommodate peculiarities such as post-translationally modified residues or disordered regions where coordinates could not be determined for certain atoms. In addition, some pdb files simply do not conform to the file standards. When the pdb file departs from the standards, it is necessary to clean-up the pdb file before loading it into Rosetta. (See Appendix C.) For this exercise, examine PDB ID 1D4I (HIV-1 protease in complex with an inhibitor).

What non-standard amino acid is present, and what is this amino acid? (Hint: examine the pdb file header or the web page summary.)

Write a script that converts the non-standard amino acid to its unmodified form. (Hint: use UNIX commands grep, awk, or sed along with pipes. Note: It is also possible to directly use a modified amino acid by creating a parameter file to define that residue, but that is a more advanced topic!)

answer: The following UNIX shell command will change ABA to ALA and change the HETATM keys to ATOM (enter as a single-line command!):

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Workshop #3: Scoring

Scoring Poses

A basic function of Rosetta is calculating the energy or *score* of a biomolecule. Rosetta has a standard energy function for all-atom calculations as well as several scoring functions for low-resolution protein representations. In addition, you can tailor an energy function by including scoring terms of your choice with custom weights.

For these exercises, use the protein Ras (PDB ID 6Q21) and load it into a pose called ras. Be sure to clean the PDB file and use only one chain.

1. To score a protein, you must first define a scoring function:

```
from pyrosetta.teaching import *
scorefxn = get_fa_scorefxn()
```

(Note that, beginning in this chapter, we will instruct you to import from the pyrosetta.teaching namespace. This is to save time. Best programming practice, however, would be to only import those specific keywords required by one's script from the appropriate namespaces.)

The method get_fa_scorefxn tells Rosetta to load the default <u>full-a</u>tom energy terms. To see these terms, you can print the score function:

```
print scorefxn
```

What terms are in the score function, and what are their relative weights?

(Appendix A includes a list of Rosetta scoring function terms, which you may wish to reference.)

2. Set up your own custom score function that includes just van der Waals, solvation, and hydrogen bonding terms, all with weights of 1.0. Use the following to start:

```
scorefxn2 = ScoreFunction()
scorefxn2.set_weight(fa_atr, 1.0)
scorefxn2.set_weight(fa_rep, 1.0)
```

(The first line declares the object scorefxn2 as part of the ScoreFunction class.) Enter the other weights and then confirm that the weights are set correctly.

3. Evaluate the energy of Ras with the standard score function:

```
print scorefxn(ras)

What is the total energy of Ras?
```

Break the energy down into its individual pieces with the show method:

```
scorefxn.show(ras)
```

Which are the three most dominant contributions, and what are their values? Is this what you would have expected? Why?

4. Unweighted, individual component energies of each residue in a structure are stored in the Pose object and can be accessed by its energies () object. For example, to break the energy down into each residue's contribution use:

```
print ras.energies().show(<n>)
```

where $\le n > is$ the residue number.

What are the total van der Waals, solvation, and hydrogen-bonding contributions of residue 24? (Note that the *backbone* hydrogen-bonding terms for each residue are *not* available from the Energies object.)

5. The van der Waals and solvation terms are atom-atom pairwise energies calculated from a pre-tabulated lookup table, dependent on the distance between the two atoms and their types. You can access the lookup table (etable) directly to check these energy calculations on an atom-by-atom basis:

```
r1 = ras.residue(24)
r2 = ras.residue(20)
a1 = r1.atom("N")
a2 = r2.atom("O")
etable atom pair energies(a1, a2, scorefxn)
```

(Note that the etable_atom_pair_energies() function requires Atom objects, not the AtomID objects we saw in Workshop #2.)

What are the attractive, repulsive, and solvation components between the nitrogen of residue 24 and the oxygen of residue 20?

How does Rosetta separate the "attractive" and "repulsive" van der Waals components? (Hint: it is *not* the r^{-6} and r^{-12} parts of the Lennard-Jones equation.)

6. The hydrogen-bonding score component requires identification of acceptor hybridization state and calculation of geometric parameters including distance, acceptor bond angle, proton bond angle, and a torsion angle. The hydrogen-bonding energies are stored in an HBondSet object. You can access the list of hydrogen bonds by creating an HBondSet object, filling the set from the pose (after making sure the pose has had its Energies object updated based on neighboring residues within the pose), and then using the HBondSet.show() command:

```
from rosetta.core.scoring.hbonds import HBondSet
hbond_set = hbonds.HBondSet()
ras.update_residue_neighbors()
hbonds.fill_hbond_set(ras, False, hbond_set)
hbond set.show(ras)
```

(Note that some functions and classes, such as HBondSet, must be referenced with their proper "namespace", such as the namespace hbonds here.)

The above steps have been combined in the PyRosetta toolbox method get_hbonds(), so that we can also simply type:

```
from pyrosetta.toolbox import get_hbonds
hbond_set = get_hbonds(ras)
hbond_set.show(ras)
```

An individual residue's hydrogen bonds can be looked up from the set using its residue number:

```
hbond set.show(ras, 24)
```

How many hydrogen bonds does residue 24 make? _____

Using the parameters from the show function, sketch a picture of this hydrogen bond. Label all possible atoms, distances, and angles.

- 7. Analyze the energy between residues Y102 and Q408 in cetuximab (1YY9). (You'll need to load that structure into a new Pose object.
 - a. As explained in Workshop #2, internally, a Pose object has a list of residues, numbered starting from 1. To find the residue numbers of Y102 of chain D and Q408 of chain A, use the residue chain identifier and the PDB residue number to convert to the pose numbering:

b. Score the pose and determine the Van der Waals energies and solvation energy between these two residues. Use the following commands to isolate contributions from particular pairs of residues, where rsdl and rsd2 are the two residue objects of interest (not the residue number — use pose.residue(res_num) to access the objects):

```
emap = EMapVector()
scorefxn.eval_ci_2b(rsd1, rsd2, pose, emap)
print emap[fa_atr]
print emap[fa_rep]
print emap[fa sol]
```

c. How do Rosetta's calculations compare to what you might calculate by hand? (See references.)

d. Create a new PDB file containing coordinates for just the two residues Y102 and Q408. Repeat the above calculations. Which energies change? Why?

Energies and the PyMOL Mover

The PyMOLMover class contains a method for sending score function information to PyMOL, which will then color the structure based on relative residue energies.

8.	Instantiate a PyMOLMover and then use pymol.send_energy (pose) to send the
	coloring command to PyMOL after scoring ras with scorefxn.
	What color is residue Pro34?
	What color is residue Ala66?
	Which residue has a lower energy?

9. pymol.send_energy(pose, fa_atr) will have PyMOL color only by the attractive van der Waals energy component. What color is residue 34 if colored by solvation energy?_____

If its update_energy option is true, the PyMOL mover will update the colors by energy every time the mover is applied to the pose:

```
pymol.update_energy(True)
pymol.energy_type(fa_atr)
pymol.apply(pose)
```

You can also have PyMOL label each $C\alpha$ with the value of its residue's energy:

```
pymol.label_energy(pose, fa_rep)
```

Finally, if you have scored the pose first, you can have PyMOL display all of the calculated hydrogen bonds for the structure:

```
pymol.send hbonds(pose)
```

Programming Exercises

1. *Interface energy*. Write a program that can calculate the binding energy of EGFR to cetuximab. You will need to make separate PDB files for the antigen, antibody, and complex. In PyMOL, select one of these peptides, then use File→Save Molecule.

Use the following formula for binding energy:

$$E_{\text{binding}} = E_{\text{complex}} - E_{\text{antibody}} - E_{\text{antigen}}$$

Submit your script along with its output, which should include values for the total binding energy, along with the *weighted* contributions to the binding energy from Van der Waals, hydrogen bonding, and solvation. What does your result suggest about these two proteins *in vitro*? What are some inaccuracies in the way you've calculated the binding energy?

- 2. Statistical energy functions. Write a program to output a file of data of the C–N bond lengths observed in a set of ten high-resolution X-ray protein structures. (One source of curated structures is the WHATIF sets at http://swift.cmbi.ru.nl/swift/whatif/select/.)
 - a. Import the file into a spreadsheet, and plot the data as a histogram of probability versus bond length and as a statistical energy ($E = -kT \ln P$, where P is probability and kT is set to 0.6 kcal/mol.) versus bond length. Try a bin size of 0.01 Å.
 - b. Look up the CHARMm parameters for this bond stretch, and plot a curve over the statistical energy vs. bond length figure to show the CHARMm model for this motion.
 - c. Do the statistics match what would be produced by a harmonic oscillator under the CHARMm potential? Specifically, are the average bond length and the CHARMm spring constant *K* correct? If not, what should it be? You may need to fit a parabola to your data to find the average bond length and the spring constant *K*.
- 3. Write a program to loop over all pairs of atoms in two residues to confirm that the sum of the individual atom—atom pair energies (calculated using the Etable lookup) is the same as the total residue-residue pair energy.

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Workshop #4: Folding

In this workshop you will write your own Monte Carlo protein folding algorithm from scratch, and we will explore a couple of the tricks used by Simons *et al.* (1997, 1999) to speed up the folding search.

Suggested Readings

- 1. K. T. Simons *et al.*, "Assembly of Protein Structures from Fragments," *J. Mol. Biol.* **268**, 209-225 (1997).
- 2. K. T. Simons *et al.*, "Improved recognition of protein structures," *Proteins* **34**, 82-95 (1999).
- 3. Chapter 4 (Monte Carlo methods) of M. P. Allen & D. J. Tildesley, *Computer Simulation of Liquids*, Oxford University Press, 1989.

A Simple de Novo Folding Algorithm

1. First, we would like to create a simple folding algorithm. Begin with a new pose, and then create an all-atom starting structure with 10 alanines using:

```
pose = pose from sequence('A'*10)
```

Use the PyMOLMover to echo this structure to PyMOL:

```
from pyrosetta import PyMOLMover
pmm = PyMOLMover()
pmm.apply(pose)
```

You should see ideal bond lengths and angles, although the set of ϕ and ψ angles will not be useful.

Now, write a program that implements a Monte Carlo algorithm to optimize the protein conformation. In the main program, create a loop with 100 iterations. Each iteration should call a subroutine to make a random trial move, score the protein, and then accept or reject the new conformation based on the Metropolis criterion, for which the probability of accepting a move is $P = e^{-\Delta E/kT}$, when $\Delta E \ge 0$, and P = 1, when $\Delta E < 0$. Use kT = 1 Rosetta Energy Unit (REU).

For the random trial move, write a *subroutine* to choose one residue at random using random.randint() and then randomly perturb either the φ or ψ angles by a random number chosen from a Gaussian distribution. Use the Python built-in function random.gauss() from the random library with a mean of the current angle and a

standard deviation of 25° . After changing the torsion angle, use pmm.apply (pose) to update the structure in PyMOL.

For the energy function, use the standard full-atom scoring approach with *only* the van der Waals and hydrogen bonding terms. With this scoring function, what kind of structures do you expect to be most stable?

At each iteration of the search, output the current pose energy and the lowest energy ever observed. The final output of this program should be the lowest energy conformation that is achieved at any point during the simulation. Be sure to use low_pose.assign(pose) rather than low_pose = pose, since the latter will only copy a pointer to the original pose.

Output the last pose and the lowest-scoring pose observed and view them in PyMOL. Plot the energy and lowest-energy observed vs. cycle number. What are the energies of the initial, last, and lowest-scoring pose? Is your program working? Has it converged to a good solution?

- 2. Using the program you wrote for Workshop #2, force the A_{10} sequence into an α -helix. Does this structure have a lower score than that produced by your algorithm? What does this mean about your sampling or discrimination?
- 3. Since your program is a stochastic search algorithm, it may not produce an ideal structure consistently, so try running the simulation multiple times or with a different number of cycles (if necessary). Using a kT of 1, your program may need to make up to 500,000 iterations.

Low-Resolution (Centroid) Scoring

Following the treatment of Simons *et al.* (1999), Rosetta can score a protein conformation using a low-resolution representation. This will make the energy calculation faster.

4.	Load a protein with which you are familiar (e.g., Ras or cetuximab). Calculate the full-atom energy and note the coordinates of residue 5 using print pose.residue(5).
	E:
5.	Convert the pose to the centroid form by using a SwitchResidueTypeSetMover object and the apply method:
	<pre>switch = SwitchResidueTypeSetMover("centroid") switch.apply(pose) print pose.residue(5)</pre>
	How many atoms are now in residue 5? How is this different than before?
6.	Score the new, centroid-based pose using the standard score function "score3". What is the new total score? What scoring terms are included in "score3"? Do these match Simons?
7.	Convert the pose back to all-atom form by using another switch mover (SwitchResidueTypeSetMover("fa_standard")). Confirm that you have all the atoms back. Are the atoms in the same position as before?
8.	Adjust your folding algorithm to use centroid residue types. Use only vdw and hbond_sr_bb energy score components. How much faster does your program run?

Not counting the PyMolmover, which is a special case, SwitchResidueTypeSetMover is the first example we have seen of a Mover class in PyRosetta. Every Mover object in PyRosetta has been designed to apply specific and complex changes (or "moves") to a pose. Every mover must be "constructed" and have any options set before being applied to a pose with the apply() method. SwitchResidueTypeSetMover has a relatively simple construction with only the single option "centroid". (Some movers, as we shall see, require no options and are programmed to operate with default values.)

Protein Fragments

9. Create a 3-mer fragment file from the Robetta server (http://robetta.bakerlab.org/fragmentsubmit.jsp) for a given test sequence of at least 26 residues of your choice. Before submitting your job, select Exclude homologs. When your job is complete, download the file aatestA03_05.200_v1_3. This file contains

3-mer fragments for the test sequence we are trying to fold. You should see sets of
three-lines describing each fragment. For the first fragment, which PDB file does it
come from? Is this fragment helical, sheet, in a loop, or a combination?
What are the ϕ , ψ , and ω angles of the middle residue of the first
fragment window?
φ: ψ: ω

- 10. How many 3-residue windows are there in your 20-residue peptide? ____ How many fragments does the data file have per window?
- 11. Create a new subroutine in your folding code for an alternate random move based upon a "fragment insertion". A fragment insertion is the replacement of the torsion angles for a set of consecutive residues with new torsion angles pulled at random from a fragment library file. Prior to calling the subroutine, load the set of fragments from the fragment file:

```
from rosetta.core.fragment import *
fragset = ConstantLengthFragSet(3)
fragset.read_fragment_file("aatestA03_05.200_v1_3")
```

Next, we will construct another Mover object — this time a FragmentMover — using the above fragment set and a MoveMap object as options. A move map specifies which degrees of freedom are allowed to change in the pose when the mover is applied (in this case, all backbone torsion angles):

```
from rosetta.protocols.simple_moves import *
movemap = MoveMap()
movemap.set_bb(True)
mover 3mer = ClassicFragmentMover(fragset, movemap)
```

(Note that when a MoveMap is constructed, all degrees of freedom are set to False initially. If you still have a PyMOLMover instantiated, you can quickly visualize which degrees of freedom will be allowed by sending your move map to PyMOL with pmm.send movemap(pose, movemap).)

Each time this mover is applied, it will select a random 3-mer window and insert only the backbone torsion angles from a random matching fragment in the fragment set:

```
mover 3mer.apply(pose)
```

When you change your random move to a fragment insertion, how much faster is your folding code? Does it converge to a protein-like conformation more quickly?

Programming Exercises

- 1. Fold a 10-mer poly-alanine using 100 independent trajectories, using any variant of the folding algorithm that you like. (A trajectory is a path through the conformation space traveled during the calculation. The end result of each independent trajectory is called a "decoy". Given enough sampling, the lowest energy decoy may correspond to the global minimum.) Create a Ramachandran plot using the lowest-scoring conformations (decoys) from all 100 independent trajectories. Repeat this for a 10-mer poly-glycine. How do the plots differ? Compare with the plots in Richardson's article.
- 2. Test your folding program's ability to predict a real fold from scratch. Choose a small protein to keep the computation time down, such as Hox-B1 homeobox protein (1B72) or RecA (2REB). How many iterations and how many independent trajectories do you need to run to find a good structure?
- 3. Modify your folding program to include a simulated annealing temperature schedule, decaying exponentially from kT = 100 to kT = 0.1 over the course of the search. Again, fold a test protein. Does this approach work better?
- 4. Modify your folding program to remove the Metropolis criterion and instead accept trial moves *only* when the energy decreases. Plot energy vs. iteration and examine the final output structures from multiple runs. How is the convergence and performance affected? Why?

Thought Questions

- 1. [Introductory] What are the limitations of these types of folding algorithms?
- 2. [Advanced] How might you design an intermediate-resolution representation of side chains that has more detail than the centroid approach yet is faster than the full-atom approach? Which types of residues would most benefit from this type of representation?

Workshop #5: Structure Refinement

One of the most basic operations in protein structure and design algorithms is manipulation of the protein conformation. In Rosetta, these manipulations are organized into movers. A Mover object simply changes the conformation of a given pose. It can be simple, like a single ϕ or ψ angle change, or complex, like an entire refinement protocol.

Suggested Reading

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Introduction

In the last workshop, you encountered the ClassicFragmentMover, which inserts a short sequence of backbone torsion angles, and the SwitchResidueTypeSetMover, which doesn't actually change the conformation of the pose but instead swaps out the residue types used.

In this workshop, we will introduce a variety of other movers, particularly those used in high-resolution refinement (*e.g.*, in Bradley's 2005 paper).

Before you start, load a test protein and make a copy of the pose so we can compare later:

```
start = pose_from_pdb("test.pdb")
test = Pose()
test.assign(start)
```

For convenient viewing in PyMOL, set the names of both poses:

```
start.pdb_info().name("start")
test.pdb_info().name("test")

from pyrosetta.teaching import PyMOLMover
pmm = PyMOLMover()
pmm.apply(start)
pmm.apply(test)
```

We also want to activate the keep_history setting so that PyMOL will keep separate frames for each conformation as we modify it (more on this shortly):

```
pmm.keep history(True)
```

Small and Shear Moves

The simplest move types are small moves, which perturb ϕ or ψ of a random residue by a random small angle, and shear moves, which perturb ϕ of a random residue by a small angle and ψ of the same residue by the same small angle of opposite sign.

For convenience, the small and shear movers can do multiple rounds of perturbation. They also check that the new ϕ/ψ combinations are within an allowable region of the Ramachandran plot by using a Metropolis acceptance criterion based on the rama score component change. (The rama score is a statistical score from Simons *et al.* 1999, parametrized by bins of ϕ/ψ space.) Because they use the Metropolis criterion, we must also supply kT. Finally, like most movers, these require a MoveMap object to specify which degrees of freedom are fixed and which are free to change. Thus, we can create our movers like this:

```
from rosetta.protocols.simple_moves import *
kT = 1.0
n_moves = 1
movemap = MoveMap()
movemap.set_bb(True)
small_mover = SmallMover(movemap, kT, n_moves)
shear_mover = ShearMover(movemap, kT, n_moves)
```

We can also adjust the maximum magnitude of the perturbations as follows:

```
small_mover.angle_max("H", 25)
small_mover.angle_max("E", 25)
small_mover.angle_max("L", 25)
```

Here, "H", "E", and "L" refer to helical, sheet, and loop residues — as they did in the fragment library file — and the magnitude is in degrees. We will set all the maximum angles to 25° to make the changes easy to visualize. (The default values in Rosetta are 0°, 5°, and 6°, respectively.)

1. Test your mover by applying it to your pose:

```
small_mover.apply(test)
```

Confirm that the change has occurred by comparing the start and test poses in PyMOL. Second, try the PyMOL animation controls on the bottom right corner of the Viewer window. There should be a play button (▶) as well as frame-forward, rewind, etc. Play the movie to watch PyMOL shuffle your pose to move back and forth.

Can you identify which torsion angles changed? By how much? If it is hard to view on the screen, it may help to use your old programs to compare torsion angles or coordinates.

2. Comparing small and shear movers. Reset the test pose by re-assigning it the conformation from start, and create a second test pose (test2) in the same manner. Reset the existing MoveMap object to only allow the backbone angles of residue 50 to move. (Hint: Set all residues to False, then set just residues 50 and 51 to True using movemap.set bb(50, True) and movemap.set bb(51, True).) Note that the SmallMover contains a pointer to your MoveMap, and so it will automatically know you have made these changes and use the modified MoveMap in future moves.

Make one small move on one of your test poses and one shear move on the other test pose. Output both poses to PyMOL using the PyMOLMover. Be sure to set the name of each pose so they are distinguishable in PyMOL. Show only backbone atoms and view as lines or sticks. Identify the torsion angle changes that occurred. What was the magnitude of the change in the sheared pose? How does the displacement of residue 60 compare between the small- and shear-perturbed poses?

Minimization Moves

The MinMover carries out a gradient-based minimization to find the nearest local minimum in the energy function, such as that used in one step of the Monte-Carlo-plus-Minimization algorithm of Li & Scheraga.

```
min mover = MinMover()
```

3. The minimization mover needs at least a MoveMap and a ScoreFunction. You can also specify different minimization algorithms and a tolerance. (See Appendix A). For now, set up a new MoveMap that is flexible from residues 40 to 60, inclusive, using:

```
mm4060 = MoveMap()
mm4060.set bb true range(40, 60)
```

Create a standard, full-atom ScoreFunction, and then attach these objects to the default MinMover with the following methods:

```
min mover.movemap(mm4060)
min mover.score function(scorefxn)
```

Finally, attach an "observer". The observer is configured to execute a PyMOLMover.apply() every time a change is observed in the pose coordinates. The True is a flag to ensure that PyMOL keeps a history of the moves.

```
from rosetta.protocols.moves import *
observer = AddPyMOLObserver(test2, True)
```

4. Apply the MinMover to your sheared pose. Observe the output in PyMOL. (This may take a couple minutes — the Observer can slow down the minimization significantly.) How much motion do you see, relative to the original shear move? How many coordinate updates does the MinMover try? How does the magnitude of the motion change as the minimization continues? At the end, how far has the C_{α} atom of residue 60 moved?

Monte Carlo Object

PyRosetta has several object classes for convenience for building more complex algorithms. One example is the MonteCarlo object. This object performs all the bookkeeping you need for creating a Monte Carlo search. That is, it can decide whether to accept or reject a trial conformation, and it keeps track of the lowest-energy conformation and other statistics about the search. Having the Monte Carlo operations packaged together is convenient, especially if we want multiple Monte Carlo loops to nest within each other or to operate on different parts of the protein. To create the object, you need an initial pose, a score function, and a temperature factor:

```
mc = MonteCarlo(pose, scorefxn, kT)
```

After the pose is modified by a mover, we tell the MonteCarlo object to automatically accept or reject the new conformation and update a set of internal counters by calling:

```
mc.boltzmann(pose)
```

5. Test out a MonteCarlo object. Before doing so, you may need to adjust your small and shear moves to smaller maximum angles (3-5°) so they are more likely to be accepted. Apply several small or shear moves, output the score using print scorefxn(test) then call mc.boltzmann(test). A response of True indicates the move is accepted, and False indicates that the move is rejected. If the move is rejected, the pose is automatically reverted for you to its last accepted state. Manually iterate a few times between moves and calls to mc.boltzmann(). Do enough cycles to observe at least two True and two False outputs. Do the acceptances match what you expect given the

6. See what information is stored in the Monte Carlo object using:

```
mc.show_scores()
mc.show_counters()
mc.show_state()
```

What information do you get from each of these?

Trial Mover

A TrialMover combines a mover with a MonteCarlo object. Each time a TrialMover is called, it performs a trial move and tests that move's acceptance with the MonteCarlo object. You can create a TrialMover from any other type of Mover. You might imagine that, as we start nesting these together, we can build some complex algorithms!

```
trial_mover = TrialMover(small_mover, mc)
trial_mover.apply(pose)
```

- 7. Apply the TrialMover above ten times. Using trial_mover.num_accepts() and trial_mover.acceptance_rate(), what do you find?
- 8. The TrialMover also communicates information to the MonteCarlo object about the type of moves being tried. Create a second TrialMover using a ShearMover and the same MonteCarlo object, and apply this second TrialMover ten times. Look at the MonteCarlo object state (mc.show_state()). What are the acceptance rates of each mover? Which mover is accepted most often, and which has the largest energy drop per trial? What are the average energy drops?

Sequence and Repeat Movers

A SequenceMover is another combination Mover and applies several movers in succession. It is useful for building up complex routines and is constructed as follows.

```
seq_mover = SequenceMover()
seq_mover.add_mover(small_mover)
seq_mover.add_mover(shear_mover)
seq_mover.add_mover(min_mover)
```

The above example mover will apply first the small, then the shear, and finally the minimization movers.

9. Create a TrialMover using the sequence mover above, and apply it five times to the pose. How is the sequence mover shown by mc.show_state()?

A RepeatMover will apply its input Mover n times each time it is applied:

```
repeat mover = RepeatMover(trial mover, n)
```

10. Use these tools to build up your own *ab initio* protocol. Create trial movers for 9-mer and 3-mer fragment insertions. First, create repeat movers for each and then create the trial movers using the same MonteCarlo object for each. Create a SequenceMover to do the 9-mer trials and then the 3-mer trials, and iterate the sequence 10 times. Write out a flowchart of your algorithm here:

11. Hierarchical search. Construct a TrialMover that tries to insert a 9-mer fragment and then refines the protein with 100 alternating small and shear trials before the next 9-mer fragment trial. The interesting part is this: you will use one MonteCarlo object for the small and shear trials, inside the whole 9-mer combination mover. But use a separate MonteCarlo object for the 9-mer trials. In this way, if a 9-mer fragment insertion is evaluated after the optimization by small and shear moves and is rejected, the pose goes all the way back to before the 9-mer fragment insertion.

Refinement Protocol

The entire standard Rosetta refinement protocol, similar to that presented in Bradley, Misura, & Baker 2005, is available as a Mover. Note that the protocol can require ~40 minutes for a 100-residue protein.

```
from rosetta.protocols.relax import *
relax = ClassicRelax()
relax.set scorefxn(scorefxn)
relax.apply(pose)
```

Programming Exercises

- 1. Use the Mover constructs to create a complex folding algorithm. Create a simple program to do the following:
 - a. Five small moves
 - b. Minimize
 - c. Five shear moves
 - d. Minimize
 - e. Monte Carlo Metropolis criterion
 - f. Repeat a–e 100 times
 - g. Repeat a-f five times, each time decreasing the magnitude of the small and shear moves from 25° to 5° in 5° increments.

Sketch a flowchart, and submit both the flowchart and your code.

2. Ab initio folding algorithm. Based on the Monte Carlo energy optimization algorithm from Workshop #4, write a complete program that will fold a protein. A suggested algorithm involves preliminary low-resolution modifications by fragment insertion (first 9-mers, then 3-mers), followed by high-resolution refinement using small, shear, and minimization movers. Output both your low-resolution intermediate structure and the final refined, high-resolution decoy.

Test your code by attempting to fold domain 2 of the RecA protein (the last 60 amino acid residues of PDB ID 2REB). How do your results compare with the crystal structure? (Consider both your low-resolution and high-resolution results.) If your lowest-energy conformation is different than the native structure, explain why this is so in terms of the limitations of the computational approach.

Bonus: After using the PyMOLMover or PyMOLObserver to record the trajectory, export the frames and tie them together to create an animation. Search the Internet for "PyMOL animation" for additional tools and tips. Animated GIF files are probably the best quality; MPEG and QuickTime formats are also popular and widely compatible and uploadable to YouTube.

3. *AraC N-terminal arm*. The AraC transcription factor is believed to be activated by the conformational change that occurs in the N-terminus when arabinose binds. Let's test whether PyRosetta can capture this change. Specifically, we will start with the arabinose-bound form and see if PyRosetta can refold it to the apo form.

Download the arabinose-bound form of the AraC transcription factor. Edit the PDB file so that it contains only the arabinose-binding domain, and also remove any non-protein atoms (especially the arabinose). Set up a move map to include only the 15 N-terminal residues. Perform an *ab initio* search to find the lowest conformation state. How does it compare to the apo crystal form?

Thought Questions

- 1. With kT = 1, what is the change in propensity of the rama score component that has a 50% chance of being accepted as a small move?
- 2. How would you test whether an algorithm is effective? That is, what kind of measures can you use? What can you vary within an algorithm to make it more effective?

Workshop #6: Packing & Design

Rosetta uses a Monte Carlo optimization routine to pack side chains using a library of conformations, or rotamers. This operation can be used for side-chain packing for operations like refinement or for designing optimal sequences. This workshop will examine both capabilities.

Suggested readings

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le C	Chain Conformations, the Rotamer Library, and Dunbrack Energies
gin	by loading cetuximab from PDB 1YY8.
1.	What are the φ , ψ , and χ angles of residue K49?
	φ: ψ: χ ₁ : χ ₂ : χ ₃ : χ ₄ :
2.	Open asp.bbdep.rotamers.lib by unpacking asp.bbdep.rotamers.gz from the directory rosetta_database/rotamer/ExtendedOpt1-5. Find the ϕ/ψ bin for lysine at residue 49 and find the nearest rotamer. What are the χ angles and standard deviations of this rotamer? What is its probability?
	χ_1 :±
	$P = \underline{\hspace{1cm}}$
3.	Score your pose with the standard full-atom score function. What is the energy of K49? Note the Dunbrack energy component (fa_dun), which represents the side-chain conformational probability. Does it match what you found in the table? (You will need to convert between probability and energy; use $kT = 1$.) If not, why not?
4.	Use pose.set_chi(i, res_num, chi) to set the side chain of residue 49 to the all-anti conformation. (Here, i is the χ index, and chi is the new torsion angle in degrees.) Re-score the pose and note the Dunbrack energy. Does it match the probability in the table? Is this conformation valid for cetuximab (<i>i.e.</i> , is the total score of this residue acceptable)?

Monte Carlo Side-Chain Packing

Side-chain packing can be done in a Monte Carlo search routine that iteratively swaps rotamers of a random residue and tests each move using the Metropolis criterion. Rosetta has such a routine pre-packaged as a Mover that carries out a simulated annealing search each time it is applied. The specific scope of the packing is specified in a PackerTask object, which is similar to a MoveMap in that it specifies degrees of freedom. We can specify via commands or from an input file our settings for a PackerTask. Create a PackerTask as follows. This will set the task to allow packing only of residue 49:

```
task_pack = standard_packer_task(pose)
task_pack.restrict_to_repacking()
task_pack.temporarily_fix_everything()
task_pack.temporarily_set_pack_residue(49, True)
```

The default task allows *any* amino acid residue to be swapped in for another; that is, it would simulate a protein variant as a result of mutation. This would be useful for protein design but not for side-chain packing. restrict_to_repacking() only allows rotamers from the current residue at that position to be used. We can confirm our settings using

```
print task pack
```

We now can construct a PackRotamersMover:

```
pack mover = PackRotamersMover(scorefxn, task pack)
```

5. Apply the PackMover above to your pose with pack_mover.apply(pose). Now what are the χ angles of K49? Which rotamer is this? What is the Dunbrack energy?

6. What is the new total energy of K49? _____ Why did Rosetta pick this rotamer? Answer this in terms of the components of the score function and in terms of the residues with which K49 interacts.

Packing for Refinement

Side-chain packing can be used when converting a pose from centroid to full-atom mode, and it is used extensively in full-atom refinement calculations. Let's examine how packing improves scores.

Use your code from Workshop #5 to create a centroid-representation model for RecA protein domain 2. Save that centroid "decoy" so that we can compare several basic refinement steps.

- 7. Load the centroid decoy and convert it to full-atom representation using the SwitchResidueTypeSetMover. Save this starting configuration for future use. Score the pose with the standard score function. Why is the score so high?
- 8. Create a default PackRotamersMover with a PackerTask that allows all residues to vary χ angles. Create a test pose from your start pose and pack the side chains. What is the new pose score? _____
- 9. Reset the test pose to the start configuration. Create a MinMover using the Davidson-Fletcher-Powell minimization scheme by applying the method min_type("dfpmin") to your mover. Create a MoveMap that allows χ angles but not $\phi/\psi/\omega$ angles to vary. Apply the MinMover and rescore the pose. How does this energy compare?
- 10. Again, reset the test pose. Apply the packer and then minimize on the χ angles. Now what is the final score? _____

For fun, you might examine the individual residue energies to find the residues most responsible for the score changes. Typically, a small number of residues may make clashes that can be resolved using the χ angle minimization, which allows off-rotamer side-chain conformations.

Design

Design calculations can be accomplished simply by packing side chains with a rotamer set that includes all amino acid types. That is, when the Monte Carlo routine swaps rotamers, it could replace the existing side chain with another conformation of the same residue or some conformation of a different residue type. Trial mutations are accepted or rejected with the Metropolis criterion, and the standard full-atom energy function is supplemented by a reference energy term, ref, which represents the relative energies of each residue type in an unfolded peptide.

Design operations are easiest to specify through a data file called a "resfile." You can create a resfile for a given pdb file or pose using the following toolbox methods:

```
from pyrosetta.toolbox import generate_resfile_from_pdb
generate_resfile_from_pdb("1YY8.pdb", "1YY8.resfile")
from pyrosetta.toolbox import generate_resfile_from_pose
generate resfile from pose(pose, "1YY8.resfile")
```

Inside the resfile you will see a list of all residues and their chain with NATRO next to that, indicating that the position is set to use the <u>native rotamer</u>. NATRO can be changed to any of the following with a text editor:

NATRO	use native amino acid and native rotamer (does not repack)
NATAA	use native amino acid but allow repacking to other rotamers
PIKAA ILV	use only the following amino acids and allow repacking between them
ALLAA	use all amino acids and all repacking

Edit the resfile to force residue 49 to be glutamic acid (49 A PIKAA E) and save the file as 1948-K49E.resfile. Create a new task for design from the resfile:

```
from rosetta.core.pack.task import TaskFactory
task_design = TaskFactory.create_packer_task(pose)
parse resfile(pose, task design, "1YY8-K49E.resfile")
```

11.	Score	the	original	conformation	from	the	pdb	for	reference.	Create	a	new
	PackR	esio	duesMove	er with the desi	gn task	and	use it	to n	nutate residu	e 49 to	glut	amic
	acid. V	Vhat	is the pred	dicted ΔG of the	tion?]	Is this a stabi	ilizing n	ıuta	tion?	

12. Note the residue reference energy term (ref) in the scoring function. What is this value before and after you mutated the residue? What does this energy represent?

13.	Create a new	PackerTas:	k and	Packl	Rot	amersMo	over	using	a new	resfile	that	allows
	residue 49 to	be designed	freely	(49	Α	ALLAA),	and	apply 1	the mo	ver. W	/hat r	esidue
	does Rosetta	choose?	_ Wh	y?								

14. Create your own resfile that will restrict residue 49 to only negatively charged residues using the resfile line 49 A PIKAA DE and re-apply the design mover. Now what residue is chosen? _____ What is the new residue energy, and why (physically) is it less favorable than the last design?

15. Let's try to make this design more favorable. Select several surrounding residues for design, and set them also to enable mutations to any residue. Call the design mover again. Now what do you find?

It should be noted that PyRosetta includes a handy toolbox method mutate_residue() that will change a specified residue in a given pose into another. However, the rotamer of this new residue will not be optimized. For example:

```
from pyrosetta.toolbox import mutate_residue
mutate residue(pose, 49, 'E')
```

Programming Exercises

1. Refinement and discrimination. Download the "single misfold" decoy set from the Decoys 'R Us repository at dd.compbio.washington.edu/ddownload.cgi?misfold. (Documentation for this project is at dd.compbio.washington.edu.) This repository has a single "correct" and "incorrect" predicted structure for several proteins. For this exercise, analyze pdbs 2CI2 and 2CRO; each has two "incorrect" structures offered. (Technical note: These decoys have an empty occupancy field in the PDB ATOM records; a value of 1 needs to be added before Rosetta will load these structures.)

Write a program that will calculate and output the score for each decoy (i) as is from the PDB file, (ii) after packing only, (iii) after minimizing only, and (iv) after packing and minimizing. For each of the four cases, compare the scores of the "correct" structure with those of the "incorrect" structure. Which schemes successfully discriminate the correct structures?

- 2. Write a refinement protocol that will iterate between side-chain packing, small and shear moves, and minimization. Where is the best place to position the Monte Carlo acceptance test? Test your protocol by making 10 independently-refined structures for the correct and incorrect decoys of 2CRO from the Decoys 'R Us single misfold set. Is this protocol able to discriminate the correct decoy? Submit your code.
- 3. HIV-1 protease is a major drug target for antiretroviral therapies. Protease inhibitors are designed from substrate peptide mimics. We will attempt to take a natural substrate peptide of HIV-1 protease and design it for improved binding potentially to serve as a good template for drug design. Use PDB file 1KJG for the following analysis.
 - a. Turn on side-chain packing for the protease active site (residues 8, 23, 25, 29, 30, 32, 45, 47, 50, 53, 82, and 84 of both chains A and B) and for the peptide (residues 2–9 on chain P; all of these numbers follow the PDB numbering).
 - b. Repack the above side chains and then energy minimize those same side chains with the backbone fixed. Generate 10 decoys and record the energies for each decoy. This will represent the reference state: the wild-type peptide bound to the protease.
 - c. For residue 2 of the peptide (chain P), allow repacking to any of the 20 amino acid residues, while leaving the packing and side-chain minimization the same as in step b. Generate 10 decoys and record the energies. These will represent single mutants at that residue position.

- d. Repeat step c for each of the other 8 residues in the substrate peptide.
- e. Take the lowest energy for each mutation position and compare it to the lowest energy for the wild type. Do single mutants at any of these positions improve the energy over the wild type? Which ones? By how much? Which energy components are mostly responsible?
- f. Which peptide residue positions are easiest to improve? Which positions are the hardest?
- g. Are there any other trends? Hydrophobic vs. polar, bulky residues vs. small residues, etc.?
- h. Altman *et al.* (*Proteins* 2008) found, using their own computational design algorithm, that the most favorable sequences were a triple mutant E3D/T4I/V6L, a single mutant T4V, and a single mutant E3Q. How do their results compare with yours?
- i. Natural substrates are often sub-optimal binders. Why would this be advantageous?
- 4. Effect of backbone conformation on design. HIV-1 protease is promiscuous, meaning it can cleave a wide range of peptides beyond the ten natural substrates of the virus. Let's examine the preferences of the enzyme through Rosetta design calculations.
 - a. Download HIV-1 protease in complex with CA-P2 peptide (1F7A). Select the eight peptide residues for unrestricted design and let Rosetta redesign the substrate sequence. What is the new sequence and how does it compare to the original? What percent of the original sequence was optimal for its structure?
 - b. Download HIV-1 protease in complex with RT-RH peptide (1KJG). (Note that the enzyme is the same here, but it is crystallized with a different substrate.) Again, design the eight substrate residues with Rosetta. What percent of this substrate sequence is optimal for this crystal structure? _____%
 - c. How do the designed sequences of (a) and (b) compare? Why should they be the same? Why would they not be the same? What are the implications for the field of computational protein design?
- 5. Write a program which iterates between design of all residues of a protein and refinement via small, shear, and minimization moves.

Thought Question

1. What is the thermodynamic meaning of the ref energy term, and what does it correspond to *physically*?

- 2. During evolution, the genome sequence may mutate to cause protein sequence changes. Alternately, one could consider the difference in evolutionary propensities for each residue type. How could you derive reference energies from sequence data, and what would that mean?
- 3. How do Kuhlman & Baker fit the reference energies in their 2000 PNAS paper?

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Workshop #7: Docking

Protein—protein docking is the prediction of a complex structure starting from its monomer components. The search space can be extremely large, so large amounts of computational resources are typically required. In this workshop, we will explore several of the techniques briefly; keep in mind that for real applications, many more decoys will need to be tested.

Suggested Readings

- 1. J. J. Gray *et al.*, "Protein-protein docking with simultaneous optimization of rigid-body displacement and side-chain conformations," *J. Mol. Biol.* **331**, 281-299 (2003).
- 2. S. Chaudhury & J. J. Gray, "Conformer selection and induced fit in flexible backbone protein-protein docking using computational and NMR ensembles," *J. Mol. Biol.* **381**, 1068-1087 (2008).

Fast Fourier Transform Based Docking via ZDOCK

There are several servers available based on fast Fourier transforms (FFTs). These servers are able to quickly carry out a global, grid-based matching searches.

1.	Go to the ZDOCK server (http://zdock.bu.edu) and upload trypsin (2PTN) and its
	inhibitor (1BA7 chain B) for docking. If completing this workshop for a class, do this
	in groups in order to not overload the server. When the jobs have finished (typically
	under an hour), download the output file. You will have to also download a script for
	creating complexes from the output file. Use the script to generate the top five models.
	Are these models similar or diverse? How so?

2.	Are any o	of the	models	similar	to t	he c	rystal	structur	re of	the	bound	compl	ex ((1A)	/W)?

(Other servers include SmoothDock (http://structure.pitt.edu/servers/smoothdock), ClusPro (http://cluspro.bu.edu), Haddock (http://haddock.chem.uu.nl), and GRAMM-X (http://vakser.bioinformatics.ku.edu/resources/gramm/grammx). Any of these provide global docking services to create models that might be useful for refinement by RosettaDock.)

Docking Moves in Rosetta

For the following exercises, download and clean the complex of colicin D and ImmD (1V74). Store three poses — a full-atom starting pose and centroid and full-atom "working" poses.

The fundamental docking move is a rigid-body transformation consisting of a translation and rotation. Any rigid body move also needs to know which part moves and which part is fixed. In Rosetta, this division is known as a "jump" and the set of protein segments and jumps are stored in an object attached to a pose called a "fold tree."

```
print pose.fold_tree()
```

In the fold tree printout, each three number sequence following the word EDGE is the beginning and ending residue number, then a code. The codes are -1 for stretches of protein and any positive integer for a jump, which represents the jump number.

3. View the fold tree of your full-atom pose. How many jumps are there in your pose? ____

By default, there is a jump between the N-terminus of chain A and the N-terminus of chain B, but we can change this using the exposed method setup foldtree().

```
from pyrosetta.teaching import *
setup_foldtree(pose, "A_B", Vector1([1]))
print pose.fold tree()
```

The argument "A_B" tells Rosetta to make chain A the "rigid" chain and allow chain B to move. If there were more chains in the pdb structure, supplying "AB_C" would hold chains A and B rigid together as a single unit and allow chain C to move. (The third argument Vector1([1]) is required. The function Vector1() creates a Rosetta vector object — indexed from 1 — from a Python list. In this case, we pass a list with one element that identifies the first jump in the fold tree for docking use.)

4. Set up a new fold tree for docking using the command above and output the new fold tree. What has changed?

You can see the type of information in the jump by printing it from the pose:

```
jump_num = 1
print pose.jump(jump_num).get_rotation()
print pose.jump(jump_num).get_translation()
```

5. Write out the rotation matrix and the translation vector defined by the jump.

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The two basic manipulations are translations and rotations. For translation, the change in x, y, and z coordinates are needed as well as the jump number. A rotation requires a center and an axis about which to rotate. The rigid-body displacement can be altered directly with the RigidBodyTransMover for translations or the RigidBodySpinMover for rotations.

However, for structure prediction calculations, we have a mover that is preconfigured to make random movements varying around set magnitudes (in this case, a mean of 8° rotation and 3 Å translation) located in the rosetta.protocols.rigid namespace, (which we will rename with an alias rigid moves for our convenience):

6. Apply the RigidBodyPerturbMover to a pose and use a PyMOLMover to confirm that the motions are what you expect. What are the new rotation matrix and translation vector in the jump? How many ångströms did the downstream protein move?

Global perturbations are useful for making completely randomized starting structures. The following mover will rotate a protein about its geometric center. The final orientation is equally distributed over the "globe".

(partner_upstream and partner_downstream are predefined terms within the rosetta.protocols.rigid namespace, which in our case refer to chains A and B, respectively.)

7. Apply both movers to the starting structure, and view the structure in PyMOL. (You might view it along with the original pose.) Does the new conformation look like a candidate docked structure yet?

Since proteins are not spherical, sometimes the random orientation creates severe clashes between the docking partners, and other times it places the partners so they are no longer touching. The FaDockingSlideIntoContact mover will translate the downstream protein along the line of protein centers until the proteins are in contact.

The MinMover, which we have previously used to change torsion angles to find the nearest minimum in the score function, can also operate on the jump translation and rotation. It suffices to set the jump variable as moveable in the MoveMap:

```
movemap = MoveMap()
movemap.set_jump(jump_num, True)

min_mover = MinMover()
min_mover.movemap(movemap)
min_mover.score_function(scorefxn)  # use any scorefxn
scorefxn(pose)
min_mover.apply(pose)
```

8. Apply the above MinMover. How much does the score change? _____ What are the new rotation matrix and translation vector in the jump? How many Ångstroms did the downstream protein move?

Low-Resolution Docking via RosettaDock

RosettaDock can also perform global docking runs, but it can require significant time. Typically, 10^5 to 10^6 decoys are needed in a global run. For this workshop, we will create a much smaller number and learn the tools needed to handle large runs.

Docking is available as a mover that completely encompasses the protocol. To use the mover, you will need a starting pose with both chains and a jump defined. The structure must be in low-resolution (centroid) mode, and you will need the low-resolution docking score function:

```
scorefxn low = create score function("interchain cen")
```

Randomize your centroid version of the complex. Then, create low-resolution docking structures as follows:

```
dock_lowres = DockingLowRes(scorefxn_low, jump_num)
dock lowres.apply(pose)
```

- 9. You can compare structures by calculating the root-mean-squared deviation of all the C_{α} atoms, using the function CA_rmsd(pose1, pose2). In docking, a more useful measure is the ligand RMSD, which is the deviation of the backbone C_{α} atoms of the ligand after superposition of the receptor protein backbones. You can calculate ligand RMSD with calc_Lrmsd(pose1, pose2, Vector1([1])). Using both measures, how far did your pose move from the low-resolution search?
- 10. Examine the created decoy in PyMOL. Does it look like a reasonable structure for a protein-protein complex? Explain.

Job Distributor

For exhaustive searches with Rosetta (docking, refinement, or folding), it is necessary to create a large number of candidate structures, termed "decoys". This is often accomplished by spreading out the work over a large number of computers. Additionally, each decoy created needs to be individually labeled. The object that is responsible for managing the output is called a JobDistributor. Here, we will use a simple job distributor to create multiple structures. The following constructor sets the job distributor to create 10 decoys, with filenames like output_1.pdb, output_2.pdb, etc. The pdb files will also include scores according to the ScoreFunction provided.

```
from pyrosetta.teaching import *
jd = PyJobDistributor("output", 10, scorefxn_low)
```

It is also useful to compare each decoy to the native structure (if it is known; otherwise any reference structure can be used). The job distributor will do the RMSD calculation and final scoring upon output. To set the native pose:

```
native_pose = pose_from_pdb("your_favorite_protein.pdb")
jd.native pose = native pose
```

11. Create a randomized starting pose, working pose, fold tree, score function, job distributor, and low-resolution docking mover. Now, run the low-resolution docking protocol to create a structure, and output a decoy:

```
pose.assign(starting_pose)
dock_lowres.apply(pose)
jd.output decoy(pose)
```

Do this twice and confirm that you have two output files.

Whenever the output_decoy() method is called, the current_num variable of the JobDistributor is incremented, and it also outputs an updated score file: output.fasc. We can finish the set of 10 decoys by using the JobDistributor to set up a loop:

```
while not jd.job_complete:
    pose.assign(starting_pose)
    dock_lowres.apply(pose)
    jd.output decoy(pose)
```

Note the jd.job_complete Boolean variable that indicates whether all 10 decoys have been created.

- 12. Run the loop to create 10 structures. The score file, output.fasc summarizes the energies and RMSDs of all structures created. Examine that file. What is the lowest score? _____ What is the lowest energy? _____
- 13. Reset the JobDistributor to create 100 decoys (or more or less, as the speed of your processor allows) by reconstructing it. Rerun the loop above to make 100 decoys. Use your score file to plot score versus RMSD. (Two easy ways to do this are to import the score file into Excel or to use the Linux command gnuplot.) Do you see an energy funnel?

Error! Reference source not found. includes more helpful information about using the PyJobDistributor to distribute jobs over multiple computers.

High-Resolution Docking

The high-resolution stage of RosettaDock is also available as a mover. This mover encompasses random rigid-body moves, side-chain packing, and gradient-based minimization in the rigid-body coordinates. High-resolution docking needs an all-atom score function. The optimized docking weights are available as a patch to the standard all-atom energy function.

Note that unlike for DockingLowRes, we must supply the docking partners with "A_B" instead of jump_num.

A high-resolution decoy needs side chains. One way to place the side chains is to call the PackMover, which will generate a conformation from rotamers. A second way is to copy the side chains from the original monomer structures. This is often helpful for docking calculations since the monomer crystal structures have good side chain positions.

recover_	sidechains	=	ReturnSidechainMover(starting_	pose)
recover	sidechains	.ar	oply(pose)	

- 14. Load one of your low-resolution decoys, add the side chains from the starting pose, and refine the decoy using high-resolution docking. How far did the structure move during refinement? _____ How much did the score improve? _____
- 15. Starting from your lowest-scoring low-resolution decoy, create three high-resolution decoys. (You might use the JobDistributor.) Do the same starting from the native structure.
 - a. How do the refined-native scores compare to the refined-decoy scores?
 - b. What is the RMSD of the refined native? _____ Why is it not zero?
 - c. How much variation do you see in the refined native scores? In the refined decoy scores? Is the difference between the refined natives and the refined decoys significant?

Docking Funnel

Using a job distributor and <code>DockMcmprotocol</code>, create 10 decoys starting with a <code>RigidBodyRandomizeMover</code> perturbation of <code>partner_downstream</code>, 10 decoys starting from different local random perturbations (8°, 3 Å), 10 decoys starting from low-resolution decoys, and 10 starting from the native structure. Plot all of these points on a funnel plot. How is the sampling from each method? Does the scoring function discriminate good complexes?

Programming Exercises

- 1. Output a structure with a 10 Å translation and another with a 30° rotation (both starting from the same starting structure), and load them into PyMOL to confirm the motions are what you expect.
- 2. *Diffusion*. Make a series of random rigid body perturbations and record the RMSD after each. Plot RMSD versus the number of moves. Does this process emulate diffusion? If it did, how would you know? (Hint: there is a way to plot these data to make them linear.)
- 3. Starting from a low-resolution docking decoy, refine the structure in three separate ways:
 - a. side-chain packing
 - b. gradient-based minimization in the rigid-body coordinates
 - c. gradient-based minimization in the torsional coordinates
 - d. the docking high-resolution protocol

For each, note the change in RMSD and the change in score. Which operations move the protein the most? Which make the most difference in the score?

4. Using the MonteCarlo object, the RigidBodyMover, PackRotamers, and the MinMover, create your own high-resolution docking protocol. Bonus: Can you tune it to beat the standard protocol? "Beating" the standard protocol could mean achieving lower energies, running in faster time, and/or being able to better predict complexes.

Workshop #8: Loop Modeling

Loop modeling is an important step in building homology models, designing enzymes, or docking with flexible loops.

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Fold Tree

Because we typically want to isolate the conformational changes to the loop region, we need a framework to hold the rest of the protein together. This is accomplished — as was the case with protein-protein docking — with a *fold tree*, which is a graph that dictates the propagation of conformational changes throughout the Pose.

For the following exercises, you can use the sample files found in PyRosetta4/tests/data. There you will find test_in.pdb and a 3mer fragment file, test_in.frag3.

Load the test_in.pdb structure (116 residues). We want to operate on the first loop, residues 15–24. For the fold tree, we place the jump anchors two residues outside of the loop range, *i.e.*, residues 13–26. In loop modeling, the jump points are set at i-2 and j+2, where i and j are the beginning and end residues of the loop, respectively. The relevant fold tree looks like this:



That is, we want a cut between residues 19 and 20, to allow motions in the loop that do not propagate through the rest of the protein. To tie the pieces together, we use a jump between residues 13 and 26. These residues will stay connected to each other.

To make such a tree in PyRosetta, first we create a FoldTree object:

Then we add the "edges" and the jump. Both edges and jumps are entered using the FoldTree's add_edge(start, end, code) command, with peptide edges coded with a "-1" and jumps enumerated with the positive integers. (The first jump is coded "1", the second "2", etc.) The first edge is from residues 1 to 13:

```
ft.add edge(1, 13, -1)
```

Then the second is from 13 to 19. An edge must always start from a residue that has already been defined in another edge, thus we use 13 here and not 14. (The one exception is the first edge, which starts from the graph's "root").

```
ft.add edge (13, 19, -1)
```

Next, the jump, which is specified with the integer code 1, tells Rosetta that this is a rigid-body connection, not a peptide edge:

```
ft.add edge(13, 26, 1)
```

Finally, we add the last two edges, both starting from 26, which is the residue that has been previously defined in the tree:

```
ft.add_edge(26, 20, -1)
ft.add_edge(26, 116, -1)
```

Print the fold tree and check that this tree is valid:

```
print ft
ft.check_fold_tree()
```

The latter command will return False if there are any invalid connections, disconnected parts, or undefined residues.

Finally, we attach this fold tree to the pose, overwriting its default fold tree:

```
pose.fold tree(ft)
```

1. Test out your fold tree. Do pose.set_phi(res, 180) for res values of 10, 13, 16, 23, 26 and 29. View each in PyMOL with the PyMOL mover or viewer. (It may be helpful to color the structure by its foldtree using the PyMOLMover.send foldtree() method.) What do you observe in these structures?

2.	Sketch a fold tree that you could use for modeling a loop from residues 78-83.
	Remember that a loop from residues i to j uses a fold tree with a jump from residues i -2
	to $j+2$.

3. What edges would you use to generate the above fold tree?

```
4. Visualize the foldtree that you just sketched above in PyMOL using PyMOLMover.view_foldtree_diagram(pose, ft). Does your sketch match what is drawn on the screen? ____
```

To save some time and help avoid mistakes, there are a couple functions that will assist in the creation of fold trees:

5. Try each of the following and print the fold tree. What does each of the following do?

```
ft.clear()
ft.simple_tree(116)
ft.new jump(76, 85, 80)
```

- 6. Use these FoldTree methods to check your answer to question 3.
- 7. Use the above commands to make a fold tree to model both loops (15–24 and 78–83) simultaneously.

Cyclic Coordination Descent (CCD) Loop Closure

Canutescu & Dunbrack's CCD routine is implemented as a Mover. It first requires that the loop is defined using the Loop class. You will also need to create a MoveMap with the loop residues marked as flexible (both backbone and side-chain torsion angles). Like many specialty objects in Rosetta, the CCD mover is located in its own namespace and is not loaded in by default when the rest of Rosetta is imported into Python. You can either import the module or refer to its namespace when calling it. Here we show the module import.

```
from rosetta.protocols.loops.loop_closure.ccd import *
loop1 = Loop(15, 24, 19)
ccd = CCDLoopClosureMover(loop1, movemap)
```

Before running the CCD algorithm, it is important to convert the residues around the cut site of the loop to "cut-point variants":

```
add single cutpoint variant(pose, loop1)
```

8. Open the loop using set_phi, and run the CCD Mover. Does it close the loop? ______ Is the bond across the cut point protein-like? _____

Note also that if you have a loop defined in a Loop object, you can set your fold tree with the command:

```
set single loop fold tree (pose, loop)
```

Multiple Loops

Multiple loops can be stored in a Loops object. We can create a loop2 object for the 78–83 loop and then create a loops object:

```
loops = Loops()
loops.add_loop(loop1)
loops.add_loop(loop2)
```

To use CCD on all loops, we have to iterate over each one.

Loop Building

The MoveMap and the FoldTree work together. By using a MoveMap, you can ensure that a Mover will only operate inside the loop region.

- 9. At this point, you should be able to write your own loop protocol that will build the loop at low-resolution using fragments. Some tips:
 - Create a MoveMap that will allow motions only in the two loop regions defined in our MoveMap above.
 - Create a ClassicFragmentMover using your MoveMap and the 3-residue fragment file provided, test in.frag3.
 - Use the cen_std score function, but add the chainbreak score component with a weight of 1.
 - Do 100 fragment insertions.
 - After each fragment insertion, close the loop with CCD, then use a MonteCarlo object to accept or reject the combination move.
 - Bonus: use SequenceMover and TrialMover to tighten up your code.
 - Further bonus: use the JobDistributor to allow your program to make multiple structures.

Loop RMSD is typically measured in a fixed reference frame of the whole protein, and it can be computed on $C\alpha$ atoms or all backbone atoms. PyRosetta has a built-in function for calculating deviation of all the loops, and its output can be added as additional info in the JobDistributor:

```
lrms = loop_rmsd(pose, reference_pose, loops, True)
jd.additional_decoy_info = " LRMSD: " + str(lrms)
```

(The fourth argument in loop_rmsd() tells whether or not the RMSD is calculated for C_{α} atoms only.)

10	. If	you	first	perturb	the	loop	residu	ues	by	settii	ng	all	the	res	idues	to	ext	ende	1
	coı	nform	nation	s (φ=ψ=	180°), can	your	code	e cl	ose t	he	two	loop	os a	nd f	ind	reasc	nabl	9
	COI	ıforn	nation	s?	Wha	at is the	e loop	RMS	S?										

High-Resolution Loop Protocol

In high-resolution, loop optimization needs smaller perturbations such as that from small and shear moves. The classic Rosetta loop refinement protocol is available as a Mover and is located in the rosetta.protocols.loops.loop_mover.refine namespace:

```
from rosetta.protocols.loops.loop_mover.refine import *
loop refine = LoopMover Refine CCD(loops)
```

The mover uses its own default, high-resolution score function, and it will generate its own MoveMap based on the definition of the loops.

 Apply this mover to a few 	v of your low-resolution loop m	odels after switching them to
full atom versions. How	far does refinement move the l	oops? Do the loops
remain closed?		

Kinematic Closure (KIC) Protocols

The kinematic loop closure methods of Mandell *et al.* are also available in several prepared movers and protocols.

A single closure of a loop using the direct mathematical solution using polynomial resultants can be performed by applying the KinematicMover. Rather than using a Loop object, this mover is set up by specifying the three "pivot" residues. The kinematic mover determines new torsion angles for the pivot residues by solving the closure equations.

Like the CcdLoopClosureMover, the KinematicMover can be applied after various perturbations that alter or open the loop.

The full loop prediction protocol of Mandell *et al.* has been implemented as separate movers for the low- and high-resolution stages. The <code>LoopMover_Perturb_KIC</code> operates on a centroid representation pose, and it is designed to predict a loop *de novo*. The <code>LoopMover_Refine_KIC</code> operates in the full-atom representation, and it is designed to refine a loop making small perturbations from a starting conformation such as one output by the <code>LoopMover_Perturb_KIC</code> mover. Here is an example of the usage of both:

```
from rosetta.protocols.loops.loop_mover.perturb import *
from rosetta.protocols.loops.loop_mover.refine import *

sw = SwitchResidueTypeSetMover("centroid")
sw.apply(pose)
kic_perturb = LoopMover_Perturb_KIC(loops)
kic_perturb.apply(pose)

sw = SwitchResidueTypeSetMover("fa_standard")
sw.apply(pose)

kic_refine = LoopMover_Refine_KIC(loops)
kic_refine.apply(pose)
```

Because these are full prediction protocols, they will require some time to perform on your computer. Each will result in a single decoy structure; note that Mandell *et al.* generated 1000 decoy structures for blind predictions of 12-residue loops.

12. Time permitting, repeat exercises 8–10, replacing the CCD mover with the appropriate kinematic movers.

Simultaneous Loop Modeling and Docking

Antibodies have two chains, light (L) and heavy (H), which can move relative to each other. They also have a long, hypervariable H3 loop, typically residues 95–102. Antibodies are common protein drugs, and they are often created by exploiting the immune system of a mouse. There is a need for high-quality homology models of antibodies.

13. Sketch a fold tree that you could use to model an antibody with a flexible H3 loop and H and L chains that can move relative to each other.

14. Write a low-resolution protocol to alternate docking and loop modeling steps. Use your code to model cetuximab. Use the job distributor to track your decoys. What is the lowest RMSD you can create in 100 decoys? _____

Workshop #9: Custom Movers & Energy Methods

You may have noticed that every "mover" we have introduced in the preceding chapters has shared an <code>apply()</code> method, which takes a pose as its argument. One of the benefits of object-oriented programming is the ability to design a group of objects, such as movers, that are all related to each other. More complicated objects are said to inherit methods and/or data from simpler objects, known as base classes. Rosetta 3 has been carefully designed in an organized way with countless derived classes inheriting code from higher up in the inheritance tree.

Suppose you wish to create your own movers or score function scoring components for a specific project. PyRosetta allows you to make your own custom movers and energy methods that inherit from Rosetta's Mover and EnergyMethod base classes just as movers like SmallMover and MinMover do. This workshop will provide a quick overview of classes and inheritance in Python and demonstrate how to customize movers and energy methods.

Suggested Reading

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Classes in Python

Python is more than just a scripting language; it is designed for object-oriented programming, including class definitions, inheritance, instantiation, class properties, and class methods. A full description of object-oriented programming in Python will not be covered here, but we will provide a quick overview, using a simple example.

Let's say we wish to create two objects in Python that contain properties and methods for drawing shapes on the screen — one for drawing a circle and another for drawing a square. Since a circle and a square are both shapes, they share a lot in common. It is a good programming practice to first create a "base class" MyShape, which will contain properties and methods that MyCircle and MySquare will "inherit".

The class statement is used to declare a class; the properties and methods for the class are defined indented underneath the class declaration in the class statement block:

```
class MyShape:
    """A base class for a generic shape."""
    def __init__(self):
        self.color = "black" # default value for color
```

The __init__() method of any class — known as the "constructor" — is called whenever a new object is instantiated as part of that class. If we were to create a new MyShape() object using shape = MyShape(), the code below def __init__(self): would be run.

Note the use of the variable name self in the method declaration for __init__(). The keyword self refers to the particular instance of MyShape that is running the code. Whenever one calls any class method in Python, the first argument for the method is always the instance of the class calling the method. (For example, when we type pose.total_residue(), we are running a function within the Pose class and passing the variable pose as the first argument of total_residue().) In the example above, the variable color stored within whichever object called __init__() is set to the value "black". Such a variable stored within an object is called a "property".

Another common method for a class is __str__(). The function __str__() returns a string version of the object; that is, it will code for what happens if one tries to print the object:

```
def __str__(self):
    return self. doc
```

The keyword __doc__ is a predefined variable in Python that stores the value of the "docstring" of its object. Any block comments after a declaration between a pair of three double quotes (""") become the docstring for that class or method. If one were to type print shape, Python would return, in this case, A base class for a generic shape.

For our example class, we could code for a method that returns the area of the shape:

```
def area(self):
    """Return the area of the shape."""
    return # Code to calculate the area goes here.
```

Because MyShape is a base class and every shape has a different method for calculating its area, we simply return nothing here. This is a way to inform other programmers (or ourselves) that any shape objects created later should include and fully implement this method for that particular shape.

We could also include a method for outputting the shape on the screen. We will provide a default value for this method also. This allows one to call either MyShape.draw() or MyShape.draw(<some_integer>), and either one will work.

```
def draw(self, line_width=1):
    """Draw the shape on the screen."""
    pass # Code to draw the shape goes here.
```

Now we will code for a derived class, MyCircle. In our declaration line for MyCircle, we will include in parentheses the base class MyShape. This will cause MyCircle to "inherit" from MyShape all of its methods so we do not have to code them again. However, we will recode the init () and area() methods, because those are unique for a circle.

```
class MyCircle(MyShape):
    """A subclass of MyShape for a circle."""
    def __init__(self):
        # This overrides the __init__() method inherited
        # from MyShape.
        MyShape.__init__(self)
        self.radius = 1.0 # default value

def area(self):
    """Return the area of the circle."""
    # This overrides the area() method inherited from
    # MyShape.
    return math.pi * self.radius**2
```

Notice how we call the __init__() method of the base class MyShape. Doing such will set the color property of the instance of MyCircle when it is initialized or constructed. In this way we can inherit a class's method and then add additional things to it, such as the addition of the definition of the property radius here.

One could make a similar class MySquare with different __init__() and area() methods.

1. Create a single Python file (my_shapes.py) containing the above classes. In addition, create a class MySquare that initializes a property side_length and includes a mathematically appropriate area() method. Import the two derived classes into IPython using from my_shapes import MyCircle, MySquare, and then run the following lines of code:

```
circle = MyCircle()
square = MySquare()
print circle
print square
print circle.color
print square.color
square.side_length = 2
print square.area()
circle.radius, circle.color = 1.5, "pink"
print circle.area()
circle.draw(2)
```

After typing the above lines, what is the area of your square? ____ What is the area of your circle? ____ Assuming that you had put actual code for drawing a circle into the draw() method, what would the color of the drawn circle be? ____ What would be the line width of the drawn circle? ___

Custom Mover Classes

Now we have a foundation for creating our own mover classes in PyRosetta that are subclasses of a base class Mover.

2. Create a Python file with the following lines of code. (Be sure to import rosetta at the top of the file, but you do not need to call init().)

To function as a true Rosetta mover, we must do a few specific things. First, we must make our class inherit from rosetta.protocols.moves.Mover, a Rosetta base class. Furthermore, in the initialization code for our new mover object, we must run the __init__() constructor method of the Mover base class. One can also inherit from other Rosetta movers besides Mover. If this is done, simply call that particular mover's constructor instead. (You can — and should — include other mover initializations, such as is done in the code above, e.g., self.N = N_in.)

Now expand the above class with the following two methods:

```
def get_name(self):
    """Return name of class."""
    return self.__class__.__name__

def apply(self, pose):
    """Applies move to pose."""
    pose = pose.get()
    print "Incrementing phi of residue", self.N, "by",
    print self.X, "degrees...."
    pose.set_phi(self.N, pose.phi(self.N) + self.X)
```

All movers must include the above two methods, namely, <code>get_name()</code> and <code>apply()</code>. The <code>get_name()</code> method for every PyRosetta mover you make need only include the line <code>return self.__class__.__name__</code>, which will return the name of the class of the object, in this case, <code>PhiNByXDegreesMover</code>.

The apply() method contains your custom code that alters the pose. Note that you must first call the get() method on pose as shown above. (The reason why this must be done is related to the underlying C++ access pointers and is unfortunately beyond the scope of this workshop.)

- 3. Import the PhinbyxDegreesMover class from the Python file containing it. Construct two instances of the mover, one with N set to 1 and x set to 15, the other with N set to 10 and x set to 45. (Note that properties of movers made in PyRosetta can be accessed and set directly as you did for the properties in our shapes example whereas, those from the Rosetta3 library must be accessed and set using getter and setter methods.) Load a test pose and apply both of your movers. Confirm that your movers behaved as expected using PyMOL.
- 4. Create a mover that decrements the psi angle of every *even* residue in a pose by a value passed during initialization. Bonus: See if you can do this by using a *single instance* of PhiNByXDegreesMover called from within a for loop in your new mover.
- 5. Create a TrialMover containing PhinByXDegreesMover and one containing a similar PsinByXDegreesMover. Write a script that runs a Monte Carlo algorithm using these TrialMovers to fold a small protein.

Decorators in Python

Setting up a custom energy method with a corresponding scoring component is more complicated than creating a new mover. Fortunately, to assist us with this process, we can use a "decorator", which helps us to prepare all of the required class methods.

Decorators are a high-level coding feature available in Python. A decorator is a function that takes a class, object, or method as input and returns a modified, or decorated, version of that class, object, or method. For example, suppose we have a class, MyCircle. We could define a decorator function such as the following:

```
def hollow(shape_in):
    """Modify the draw() method of an input shape class to
    output a hollow shape."""
    # Code to modify the draw() method goes here.
    return shape_out
```

We can now pass an instance (an object) of MyCircle to our decorator to get a modified version of the object:

```
circle = MyCircle()
circle.draw()  # Draws a filled circle.
hollow_circle = hollow(circle)
hollow circle.draw()  # Draws a hollow circle.
```

We can also pass the class itself to our decorator function. In this example, we will overwrite our old MyCircle class with the new, decorated, hollow one:

```
MyCircle = hollow(MyCircle)
hollow circle = MyCircle()
```

Python provides an alternate "wrapper" syntax, in which the entire class definition block of code is passed to the decorator function:

```
@hollow
class MyCircle(MyShape):
    # The rest of the class definition would go here.
```

If the MyCircle class definition is decorated like this by @hollow, then every MyCircle object will have a "hollow" draw() method.

Custom Energy Methods

It is unlikely that you will need to write your own decorator functions for structure prediction or design applications. However, there is a decorator in the PyRosetta library already written for you that will modify any custom energy method classes you write so that your custom classes will contain most of the required methods automatically. For example, here is how we can create a custom context-independent, one-body scoring method that will score a pose based solely on the number of residues. We will call our new class LengthScoreMethod. First, we must import the proper parent class method from Rosetta:

Now, we will define our class:

And that's it! We should point out a few things. First, like when we inherited from Mover, we need to call the parent energy method class's __init__() constructor. An energy method constructor requires an additional argument, a "creator" function; where did this argument self.creator() come from? We did not explicitly define a method creator() to pass to ContextIndependentOneBodyEnergy's constructor. The decorator, EnergyMethod(), (which is a callable class just like ScoreFunction(),) does that for us. EnergyMethod() also makes life easier by defining several other required methods for us.

Before we explain how this new energy method works, let's demonstrate how we can use it.

6. Create a Python file with the LengthScoreMethod code. (Include the proper imports.) Import Rosetta, import the new energy method, create a pose from the sequence "ACDEFGHIKLMNPQRSTVWY", and construct an empty ScoreFunction() with sf = ScoreFunction(). What is the score of your pose?

Create a variable to hold the score type for your custom energy:

```
len_score = LengthScoreMethod.scoreType
```

(Note that we do not have to instantiate a LengthScoreMethod object; we simply can extract the score type directly from the class.)

Now set the weight for the len_score scoring component to 1, just as we would for any other scoring component, such as fa atr:

```
sf.set weight(len score, 1.0)
```

Score the pose. What is the score for the pose now?

Let's return to the code for our new energy method to understand how it works.

For one-body energy methods, whenever one scores a pose, the <code>ScoreFunction()</code> loops through each residue in the pose and calls the <code>residue_energy()</code> method of the energy method class associated with each score type. The <code>residue_energy()</code> method uses the residue and pose objects passed as arguments to calculate an energy score and sets the corresponding score type in the passed energy map. In our example above, we assign -1 energy unit per residue, independent of the context (e.g., what type of residue it is), so we did not need to do anything with the arguments <code>res</code> or <code>pose</code>; we simply had to set <code>self.scoreType</code> in <code>emap to-1.0</code>.

Note that, as with custom mover <code>apply()</code> methods, because the <code>residue_energy()</code> method is called by a Rosetta function (written in C++, not a Python), we need to "get()" <code>emap</code> or any other passed object before we can use it.

7. Create an energy method that gives a favorable (-1.0) score for each aromatic residue in a pose. (Remember to call res.get().) Repeat programming exercise 3c and d of Workshop 6, except add your aromatic-favoring energy method score type to the full atom standard score function to bias the design. How do your results change? How much do you have to adapt the weight of your score type before all of the designed residues are aromatic?

The procedure for making a custom two-body energy method is similar, but there are a few additional required methods and residue_energy() is replaced by residue_pair_energy(). Below is a template one can use for creating a context-independent, two body score type:

```
from rosetta.core.scoring.methods import
                           ContextIndependentTwoBodyEnergy
@rosetta.EnergyMethod()
class CI2BScoreMethod(ContextIndependentTwoBodyEnergy):
    """A scoring method that depends on pairs of residues.
    def init (self):
        """Construct CI2BScoreMethod."""
        ContextIndependentTwoBodyEnergy.__init__(self,
                                          self.creator())
    def residue pair energy(self, res1, res2, pose, sf,
                            emap):
        """Calculate energy of each pair of res1 and res2
        of pose and set emap."""
        # A real method would calculate a value for score
        # from res1 and res2.
        score = 1.0
        emap.get().set(self.scoreType, score)
    def atomic interaction cutoff(self):
        """Get the cutoff."""
        return 0.0 # Change this value to set the cutoff.
    def defines intrares energy(self, weights):
        """Return True if intra-residue energy is
        Defined."""
        return True
    def eval intrares energy(self, res, pose, sf, emap):
        """Calculate intra-residue energy if defined."""
        pass
```

The template for a context-dependent, two-body method is identical, except that it inherits from and initializes ContextDependentTwoBodyEnergy instead.

Programming Exercises

- 1. Pick a small protein and use the toolbox method <code>get_secstruct(pose)</code> to determine the secondary structure, store that information in the pose, and output the results. Using the method <code>Pose.sectruct(resnum)</code>, and <code>PhinbyxDegreesMover</code>, loop through all residues that are a part of loops, set <code>X</code> between 1 and 15 stepping by 1 each time, apply for each case, and record the <code>change</code> in score. Reset the pose after each move. Plot the average change in score vs. <code>X</code>. Repeat this process for helix and strand residues, and then do the same three plots using <code>PsinbyxDegreesMover</code> instead. Do the sets of plots look similar for phi and psi? Does secondary structure appear to have an effect on how large <code>X</code> can be before the score is severely penalized? Do the default <code>angle_max</code> values of <code>0°</code>, <code>5°</code>, and <code>6°</code> for helix, sheet, and loop, respectively, make sense based on your plots?
- 2. Create a context-dependent, two-body energy method to reward structures containing salt bridges. The energy method should give a bonus for each pair of acid and base side chains within 6 Å of each other. Find a small protein with several salt bridges. Run a *de novo* folding algorithm with and without your new scoring method. Does scoring for salt bridges give better results, that is, are the RMSDs from the native structure lower?

Appendix A: Command Reference

Python Commands and Syntax										
# I am a comment; Python ignores me.										
"""I am also ignored.	Block comments (doc strings)									
Me too!										
<pre>i = 1 # (After the # is ignored.) first_name = "Bob" j = 1.0 i_am_a_boolean = True i_am_an_integer = not i_am_a_boolean k = first name</pre>	Simple variable assignments (Python is case sensitive.)									
<pre>tuple = (1, 2, 3) list = [15, 'X', -1.5, "lion"] 2_D_list[[1, 0], [0, 1]] dict = {"apple": "sour", "days": 24}</pre>	Assignment to various sequences (tuples, lists, and dictionaries)									
<pre>print i + 2, 3/2, float(3)/2,</pre>	Outputs 3 1 1.5 1.5 2.0 16 to the screen. (Python returns the floor of integer-only calculations, so convert at least one to a float if needed.) Outputs Bob thinks 1 = 0. (Python will not									
" = 0."	concatenate objects of different types, so a function must be used to convert an integer to a string.)									
<pre>print list[1], tuple[1:2], k[0:2],</pre>	Outputs 15 (2, 3) Bo 24 0. (Lists, strings, etc., are indexed starting with 0.)									
<pre>i += 1 j -= 1 print i, j</pre>	Increment and decrement operators. Outputs 2 0.0									
<pre>tuple[2] = 4 first name[0] = 'R'</pre>	Raise errors; tuples and strings are immutable.									
<pre>list[3] = "tiger" dict["apple"] = "sweet"</pre>	Lists and dictionaries are mutable.									
<pre>list.append(False) dict["new entry"] = 'Z' print list, dict</pre>	Outputs [15, 'X', -1.5, "tiger", False] {"apple": "sweet", "days": 24, "new entry", 'Z'}									
for i in range(1, 10): print i	The newly defined variable i ranges from 1 up to but not including 10, and the command print i is executed for each value.									
<pre>for j in ("cats", "dogs", "fish"): print j</pre>	Outputs: cats dogs fish									
<pre>if x < 0: print "negative" elif x == 0: print "zero"</pre>	Conditional statement that executes lines only if Boolean statements are true. elif means "or else, check if". Do not mix up = and ==!									
else: print "positive"	Use indenting to indicate blocks of code executed together under the conditional.									

if i_am_a_boolean: print "Yes!" Outputs: Yes!	
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if not i_am_an_integer: No!	
print "No!"	
a, b = 1, 1 Outputs:	
print a is b False	
print a == b True	
(a and b contain the same value, but are not two	
names for the same object!)	
<pre>while len(list) <= 7:</pre> Outputs:	
list.append("blah") [15, 'X', -1.5, "tiger", False,	
print list	
def my_func(a, b): Defines a function (returns a value) or subroutine	
c = a + b (does not). If a and b were 1 and 2, this function $d = b + c$ would return (3 5 8)	1
d = b + c would return (3, 5, 8) e = c + d	
return c, d, e	
returned values = my func(1, 2) Syntax for using multiple values returned by a	
value_of_c = returned_values[0] function, e.g., value of c is 3.	
value of d = returned values[1]	
<pre>value of e = returned values[2]</pre>	
class MyCircle: Defines a class with two methods	
"""This is a MyCircle class."""	
<pre>definit():</pre>	
#Code to run when a Circle	
object is instantiated	
<pre>goes here. self.radius = 1.0 # Sets</pre>	
default value for radius	
derault value for radius	
<pre>def draw(self, color=0):</pre>	
#Code to draw the circle	
goes here.	
Pass	
circle = MyCircle() Constructs a MyCircle object, draws a circle in	1
circle.draw() color 0, and then draws a circle in color 1	
circle.radius = 1.5	
circle.draw(1)	
file = open("out.txt", 'w') Opens a new file named out.txt for writing ar	d
file.write("hello") outputs hello to the file. (Be sure to close your	
file.close() files when finished with them.)	
	:4
import module Imports and runs the module module.py so that	its
functions can be called with	
module.function().	1
from module import function Imports the specific function function so that	ι
can be called with simply function().	
from module import * Imports all of the (public) functions from	
module.py.	

Python Math				
math.exp(5)	Returns the value of e ⁵			
math.pi	Returns the value of π			
math.sin(theta)	Returns the value of sin θ , where θ is in radians			
math.acos(x)	Returns the value of arcos x in radians			
math.degrees(rad)	Converts radians to degrees			
meth.radians(deg)	Converts degrees to radians			
random.random()	Returns a random floating point number between 0.0 and 1.0			
random.randint(5, 10)	Returns a random integer between 5 and 10 (inclusive)			
random.gauss(10, 2)	Returns a random number from a Gaussian distribution with a mean of 10 and a standard deviation of 2			

Rosetta: Vector Calculus			
<pre>v = numeric.xyzVector_float(x, y, z)</pre>	Creates a displacement vector with floating point precision from Cartesian coordinates		
print v print v.x, v.y, v.z	Outputs v and its elements		
v - v2	Returns the displacement vector between v and v2		
v.norm	Returns the vector norm of v		
v.dot(v2)	Returns the dot product of v and v2		
v.cross(v2)	Returns the cross product of v and v2		

Rosetta: Toolbox Methods		
cleanATOM("1YY8.pdb")	Creates a "cleaned" pdb file with all non-ATOM	
	lines of a pdb file removed	
cleanCRYS("1YY8.pdb", 2)	Creates a "cleaned" crystal structure that removes redundant crystal contacts and isolates a monomer.	
<pre>pose = pose_from_rcsb("1YY8")</pre>	Loads pdb 1YY8 from the Internet	
<pre>generate_resfile_from_pdb("input.pdb",</pre>	Generate a resfile from a pdb file or a pose,	
"output.resfile")	respectively	
generate resfile from pose(pose,		
"output.resfile")		
<pre>mutate_residue(pose, 49, 'E')</pre>	Replaces residue 49 of pose with a glutamate (E) residue (does not optimize rotamers)	
get_secstruct(pose)	Assigns secondary structure information to pose	
	and outputs it to the screen	
hbond_set = get_hbonds(pose)	Instantiates and fills an H-bond set with	
	hydrogen-bonding data	

Rosetta: Pose Object		
pose = Pose()	Instantiates an empty pose object from the	
	Pose class	
<pre>pose = pose_from_pdb("input_file.pdb")</pre>	Loads a pdb file from the working directory into a	
	new pose object	
<pre>pose = pose from rcsb("1YY8")</pre>	Loads pdb 1YY8 from the Internet	
<pre>pose = pose_from_sequence("AAAAAA",</pre>	Creates a new pose from the given sequence	
"fa_standard")	using standard, full-atom residue type templates	
print pose	Displays information about the pose object: pdb	
	filename, sequence, and fold tree	
pose.sequence()	Returns the sequence of the pose structure	
<pre>get_secstruct(pose)</pre>	Assigns secondary structure information to pose and outputs it to the screen	
<pre>pose.assign(other_pose)</pre>	Copies other_pose onto pose. You cannot	
	<pre>simply type pose = other_pose, as that will</pre>	
	<pre>only point pose to other_pose and not</pre>	
	actually copy it.	
<pre>pose.dump_pdb("output_file.pdb")</pre>	Creates a pdb file named output_file.pdb	
	in the working directory using information from	
	pose object.	
<pre>pose.is_fullatom()</pre>	Returns True if the pose contains a full-atom	
maga tatal magidus()	representation of a structure	
<pre>pose.total_residue() pose.phi(5)</pre>	Returns total number of residues in the pose	
pose.psi(5)	Returns the φ, ψ, ω, or χ ₂ angles (in degrees) of	
pose.omega(5)	the 5 th residue in the pose	
pose.chi(2, 5)		
pose.set_phi(5, 60.0)	Sets the φ, ψ, ω, or χ ₂ angles of the 5 th residue in	
pose.set_psi(5, 60.0)	the pose to 60.0°	
pose.set_omega(5, 60.0)	6000 10 00.10	
pose.set_chi(2, 5, 60.0)		
<pre>print pose.residue(5)</pre>	Outputs the amino acid details of residue 5	
pose.residue(5).name()	Returns the 3-letter residue name for residue 5	
<pre>pose.residue(5).is polar()</pre>	Return True if the 5 th residue is of the queried	
<pre>pose.residue(5).is_aromatic()</pre>	type	
<pre>pose.residue(5).is_charged()</pre>	,,	
pose.residue(5).xyz("CA")	Return the displacement vector of the α carbon	
pose.residue(5).xyz(2)	(CA) of residue 5, which is the 2 nd atom listed for	
	that residue in the pose and a standard pdb file	
<pre>pose.residue(5).atom_index("CA")</pre>	Returns 2	
for i in range (1, pose.total_residue()	Loops through all residues in the pose and	
+ 1): print pose.residue(i).name()	outputs the 3-letter name of each (Unlike Python,	
atom = pose.residue(5).atom("CA")	Rosetta indexes residues starting with 1.)	
pode.restade (5).deom (on)	Constructs an atom object for the α carbon (CA)	
	of residue 5	
atom1 = AtomID(1, 5)	Construct unique atom identifier objects for the	
atom2 = AtomID(1, 5)	1 st , 2 nd , and 3 rd , atoms of <i>any</i> residue 5,	
atom3 = AtomID(3, 5)	respectively (This is not the same as the above	
	command!)	

<pre>pose.conformation().bond_length(atom1,</pre>	Returns the bond length (if stored in the conformation object) between atom1 and atom2
<pre>pose.conformation().bond_angle(atom1,</pre>	Returns the bond angle in radians (if stored in the conformation object) of atom1, atom2, and atom3
<pre>pose.conformation().set_bond_length(atom1, atom2, 1.5)</pre>	Sets the bond length between atom1 and atom2 to 1.5 Å
<pre>pose.conformation().set_bond_angle(atom1, atom2, atom3, 0.66666 * math.pi)</pre>	Sets the bond angle of atom1, atom2, and atom3 to ~120°
<pre>print pose.pdb_info()</pre>	Displays a table comparing the sequence numbering range in the pose with that of the pdb file from which the pose was generated
<pre>pose.pdb_info().name()</pre>	Returns the filename of the pdb file from which the pose was generated
<pre>pose.pdb info().number(5)</pre>	Returns the pdb number of pose residue 5
<pre>pose.pdb info().chain(5)</pre>	Returns the pdb chain label of pose residue 5
<pre>pose.pdb_info().pdb2pose("A", 100)</pre>	Returns which residue in the pose corresponds to residue 100 of chain A in the pdb file
<pre>pose.pdb_info().pose2pdb(25)</pre>	Returns a string containing the residue and chain label in the pdb file corresponding to residue 25 of the pose
CA_rmsd(pose1, pose2)	Returns the root-mean-squared deviation of the location of C_{α} atoms between the two poses

Rosetta Scoring Terms				
fa_atr	FA	van der Waals net attractive energy		
fa_rep	FA			
hbond_sr_bb, hbond_lr_bb	FA/CEN	Hydrogen-bonding energies, short and long-range, backbone–backbone		
hbond_bb_sc, hbond_sc	FA	Hydrogen-bonding energies, backbone-side-chain and side-chain-side-chain		
fa_sol	FA	Solvation energies (Lazaridis–Karplus)		
fa_dun	FA	Dunbrack rotamer probability		
fa_pair	FA	Statistical residue–residue pair potential		
fa_intra_rep	FA	Intraresidue repulsive Van der Waals energy		
fa_elec	FA	Distance-dependent dielectric electrostatics		
pro_close	FA	Proline ring closing energy		
<pre>dslf_ss_dst, dslf_cs_ang, dslf ss dih, dslf ca dih</pre>	FA	Disulfide statistical energies (S–S distance, etc.)		
Ref	FA/CEN	Amino acid reference energy of unfolded state		
p_aa_pp	FA/CEN	Propensity of amino acid in (φ,ψ) bin, P(aa φ,ψ)		
Rama	FA/CEN	Ramachandran propensities		
Vdw	CEN	van der Waals "bumps" (repulsive only)		
Env	CEN	Residue environment score (statistical)		
Pair	CEN	Residue–residue pair score (statistical)		
Cbeta	CEN	β-carbon score		

Rosetta: Scoring		
sf = ScoreFunction()	Instantiates an empty scorefxn object	
	from the ScoreFunction class	
sf = get fa scorefxn()	Constructs a score function with the default	
g(,	Rosetta full-atom energy terms and weights	
sf = create score function("my fxn")	Constructs a score function with terms and	
	weights from the my_fxn weights file	
sf = create_score_function_ws_patch(Constructs a score function from the	
"my_fxn", "docking")	my_fxn weights file with a patch for	
	docking simulations	
sf.set_weight(fa_atr, 1.0)	Sets the weight of the fa atr term of the	
	scoring function	
sf.get_weight(fa_atr)	Gets the weight of the fa atr term of the	
	scoring function	
print sf	Shows score function weights and details	
sf(pose)	Returns the score of pose with the defined	
	function scorefxn and stores the results	
	in the energies object within pose	
sf.show(pose)	Returns a table of weights and raw &	
SI. Show (pose)	weighted scores broken down by term	
	weighted scores broken down by term	
<pre>pose.energies().show()</pre>	Shows the breakdown of all energies	
	(except backbone hydrogen-bonding	
	energies) in the pose by residue	
pose.energies().show(5)	Shows the breakdown of all energy	
	contributions (except backbone hydrogen-	
	bonding energies) from residue 5	
etable_atom_pair_energies(atom1, atom2,	Returns a tuple of the attractive, repulsive,	
scorefxn)	and solvation score components of a pair of	
	Atom obects (not AtomIDs!)	
<pre>pose.energies().total_energies()[fa_atr]</pre>	Returns the fa_atr contribution to the	
	total energy	
<pre>pose.energies().residue_total_energies(5)</pre>	Returns the fa atr contributions from	
[fa_atr]	residue 5	
hbond set = hbonds.HBondSet()	Instantiates an empty set for storing	
ibolia_sec = libolias.liboliasec()	Instantiates an empty set for storing hydrogen-bonding energies and information	
pose.update residue neighbors()	Updates the Energies object within pose	
hbonds.fill hbond set(pose, False,		
hbond set)	based on neighboring residues and fills hbond set with this data (The option	
	_ ` ` .	
hhand got - got bhands/ssss	False is to forgo calculating a derivative.)	
hbond_set = get_hbonds(pose)	Combines the steps above to instantiate	
hhand sot show (nose)	and fill a set with hydrogen-bonding data	
hbond_set.show(pose)	Shows a listing of all hydrogen bonds and	
hbond set.show(pose, 5)	their energies in a given pose	
inona_sec.snow(pose, s)	Shows a listing of the hydrogen bonds and their energies from residue 5 of pose	
	their eliergies from residue 3 of pose	
emap = EMapVector()	Instantiates an energy man chiest to stare a	
emap - Emapvector()	Instantiates an energy map object to store a vector of scores	
scorefxn.eval_ci_2b(5, 6, pose, emap)	Evaluates context-independent two-body	
	energies between pose residues 5 and 6	
	and stores the energies in the energy map	
emap[fa_atr]	Returns the fa atr term from the map	
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PyMOL Mover		
pmm = PyMOLMover()	Instantiates the PyMOL mover	
pmm.apply(pose)	Sends the pose coordinates to PyMOL for viewing	
pmm.send_energy(pose)	Instructs PyMOL to color the pose by its total energy	
<pre>pmm.send_energy(pose,</pre>	Instructs PyMOL to color the pose by its total energy and	
label=True)	label each Cα with the value.	
<pre>pmm.send_energy(pose, "fa_atr")</pre>	Instructs PyMOL to color the pose by its fa_atr contribution	
pmm.label_energy(pose)	Instructs PyMOL to label each $C\alpha$ with the value of its	
	total energy contribution	
pmm.energy type(fa atr)	Sets the PyMOL mover to color by fa_atr every time the	
pmm.update_energy(True)	pose is updated with pmm.apply(pose)	
pmm.keep_history(True)	Instructs PyMOL to store all pose conformations in separate frames	
colors = {1:"red", 2:"blue"}	Instructs PyMOL to color residue 1 red, 2 blue, and all	
<pre>pmm.send_colors(pose, colors,</pre>	others gray	
pmm.send_hbonds(pose)	Instructs PyMOL to display distance lines for every hydrogen bond	
pmm.send_ss(pose)	Uses DSSP to reassign secondary-structure and instructs PyMOL to display it as a cartoon	
pmm.send_polars(pose)	Instructs PyMOL to color polar residues red and nonpolar residues blue	
<pre>pmm.send_movemap(pose, mm)</pre>	Instructs PyMOL to color movable regions of the pose green and non-movable regions red	
pmm.send_foldtree(pose)	Instructs PyMOL to color cutpoints red, jump points orange, and loop regions a unique color	
observer =	Updates PyMOL anytime a change is made to pose and	
AddPyMOLObserver(pose, TRUE)	keeps a history	

Residue Type Set Movers		
<pre>switch = SwitchResidueTypeSetMover("centroid")</pre>	Instantiates a mover object that will change poses to the centroid residue type set ("fa_standard" is also available.)	
switch.apply(pose)	Changes pose to the centroid residue type set	
<pre>recover_sidechains =</pre>	Instantiates a mover object that will return the side chains and rotamers from an initial full-atom pose to a centroid version of the same peptide	
recover_sidechains.apply(pose)	Changes pose to a full-atom type set and sets the rotamers to those found in initial_fa_pose	

MoveMap		
<pre>movemap = MoveMap()</pre>	Instantiates a movemap object from the MoveMap	
	class	
movemap.show(5)	Displays the movemap settings for residues 1 to 5	
movemap.set_bb(True)	Allows all backbone torsion angles to vary	
movemap.set_chi(True)	Allows all side-chain torsion angles (χ) to vary	
<pre>movemap.set_bb(10, False)</pre>	Forbid the backbone and side-chain torsion angles of	
<pre>movemap.set_chi(10, False)</pre>	residue 10 from varying	
<pre>movemap.set_bb_true_range(10, 20)</pre>	Allow backbone and side-chain torsion angles to vary	
<pre>movemap.set_chi_true_range(10, 20)</pre>	in residues 10 to 20, inclusive	
<pre>movemap.set_jump(1, True)</pre>	Allows jump #1 to be flexible	

Fragment Movers		
<pre>fragset = ConstantLengthFragSet(3)</pre>	Constructs a 3-mer fragment set object	
<pre>fragset.read_fragment_file("fragfile")</pre>	Loads data from the file fragfile into	
	fragset (A fragment file must be downloaded	
	from the Robetta server.)	
mover_3mer =	Constructs a fragment mover using the	
<pre>ClassicFragmentMover(fragset, movemap)</pre>	fragment set and the movemap	
mover_3mer.apply(pose)	Replaces the angles in pose with those from a random 3-mer fragment from fragset, only in positions allowed by movemap	
smoothmover =	Constructs a "smooth" fragment mover	
SmoothFragmentMover(fragset,	(Fragment "insertions" are followed by a	
movemap)	second, downstream fragment insertion chosen	
	to minimize global disruption.)	

Small and Shear Movers			
kT = 1.0			Variable simulating the product of the Boltzmann constant and temperature (1.0 approximates room temperature.)
<pre>smallmover = SmallMover(movemap, shearmover = ShearMover(movemap, smallmover.angle_max("H", 15) shearmover.angle max("H", 15)</pre>			Constuct a small or shear mover with a movemap, a temperature, and 5 moves Set the maximum change in dihedral angle within helix residues to 15° ("E" sets the max-
smallmover.apply(pose) shearmover.apply(pose)			imum for sheet residues; "L" loop residues.) Apply the movers

Minimize Mover		
minmover = MinMover()	Consructs a minimize mover with default	
	arguments	
<pre>minmover = MinMover(movemap,</pre>	Construct a steepest descent minimize mover with a particular MoveMap and	
True)	ScoreFunction and a score tolerance of 0.01	
minmover.movemap(movemap)	Sets a movemap	
minmover.score_function(scorefxn)	Sets a score function	
<pre>minmover.min_type("linmin")</pre>	Sets a the minimization type to a line minimization (one direction in space), <i>i.e.</i> , "steepest descent"	
<pre>minmover.min_type("dfpmin")</pre>	Sets a the minimization type to a David–Fletcher–Powell minimization (multiple iterations of "linmin" in conjugate directions)	
minmover.tolerance(0.5)	Sets the mover to iterate until within 0.5 score points of the minimum	
minmover.apply(pose)	Minimizes the pose	

Monte Carlo Object		
<pre>mc = MonteCarlo(pose, scorefxn,</pre>	Constructs a MonteCarlo object for a given pose and	
kT)	score function at a temperature of kT	
mc.set_temperature(1.0)	Sets the temperature in the MonteCarlo object	
mc.boltzmann(pose)	Accepts or rejects the current pose, compared to the last pose, according to the standard Metropolis criterion	
mc.show_scores()	Shows stored scores, counts of moves	
<pre>mc.show_counters()</pre>	accepted/rejected, or both, respectively.	
<pre>mc.show_state()</pre>		
<pre>mc.recover_low(pose)</pre>	Sets the pose to the lowest-energy configuration ever encountered during the search	
<pre>mc.reset(new_pose)</pre>	Resets all counters and sets the lowest and last pose	
	stored to new_pose.	

Trial Mover		
<pre>smalltrial = TrialMover(smallmover,</pre>	Constructs a combination mover that will apply the small mover, then call the MonteCarlo object mc to accept or reject the new pose	
<pre>smalltrial.num_accepts()</pre>	Returns the number of times the move was accepted	
<pre>smalltrial.acceptance_rate()</pre>	Returns the acceptance rate of the moves	

Sequence Movers and Repeat Movers		
<pre>seqmover = SequenceMover() seqmover.addmover(smallmover) seqmover.addmover(shearmover) seqmover.addmover(minmover)</pre>		Construct a combination mover that will call a series of other movers in sequence
<pre>repeatmover = RepeatMover(fragmover,</pre>	10)	Constructs a combination mover that will call fragmover 10 times
<pre>randommover = RandomMover() randmover.addmover(smallmover) randmover.addmover(shearmover) randmover.addmover(minmover)</pre>		Construct a combination mover that will randomly apply one of a set of movers each time it is applied

Classic Relax Protocol		
<pre>relax = ClassicRelax()</pre>	Instantiates an object that encompasses the entire standard Rosetta refinement protocol as presented in Bradley, Misura, & Baker 2005	
<pre>relax.set_scorefxn(scorefxn)</pre>	Sets the score function	
relax.apply(pose)	Applies the whole protocol	

Packer Task Object		
task = standard_packer_task(pose)	Constructs a packer task object with instructions to repack all residues in pose using default rotamer library options, without repacking disulfide bonds	
<pre>task = TaskFactory.create_packer_task(pose)</pre>	Constructs a default packer task object without any extra rotamer options	
<pre>task.restrict_to_repacking()</pre>	Restricts all residues to repacking only (no design/"mutations")	
<pre>task.temporarily_fix_everything()</pre>	Fixes/locks all residues' rotamers (no repacking)	
<pre>task.temporarily_set_pack_residue(5, True)</pre>	Sets residue 5 to allow repacking	
<pre>generate_resfile_from_pdb("input.pdb",</pre>	Generate a resfile from a pdb file or a pose, respectively	
<pre>parse_resfile(pose, task, "file.resfile")</pre>	Sets packer task for pose based on instructions in resfile	

Resfile Codes			
NATRO	Use the native amino acid residue and native rotamer (do not repack)		
NATAA	Use the <u>native</u> amino acid residue but allow repacking to other rotamers		
PIKAA ILV	Pick from amino acid residues Ile, Leu, and Val and allow repacking		
ALLAA	Use all amino acid residues and allow repacking		

	Side Chain Packing Mover				
Ī	<pre>pack_mover =</pre>	Constructs a mover that will use instructions			
	PackRotamersMover(scorefxn,	from the packer task to optimize or "mutate"			
	task)	side chain conformations in the pose			

Simple Point Mutation			
<pre>mutate_residue(pose,</pre>	49,	'E')	Replaces residue 49 of pose with a glutamate
			(E) residue (does not optimize rotamers)

Fold Tree				
ft = FoldTree()	Constructs an empty fold tree			
<pre>ft = pose.fold_tree()</pre>	Extracts the current fold tree from the pose			
pose.fold_tree(ft)	Attaches the fold tree ft to the pose			
ft.add_edge(1, 30, -1)	Creates a peptide edge (code -1) from residues 1 to 30 (This edge will build N-to-C)			
ft.add_edge(100, 31, -1)	Creates a peptide edge from residues 100 to 31 (This edge will build C-to-N.)			
ft.add_edge(30, 100, 1)	Creates a jump (rigid-body connection) between residues 30 and 100 (The jump number is 1; each jump needs a unique, sequential jump number.)			
ft.check_fold_tree()	Returns True only for valid trees			
print ft	Prints the fold tree			
ft.simple_tree(100)	Creates a single-peptide-edge tree for a 100-residue protein			
ft.new_jump(40, 60, 50)	Creates a jump from residue 40 to 60, a cutpoint between 50 and 51, and splits up the original edges to finish the tree			
ft.clear()	Deletes all edges in the fold tree			
setup_foldtree(pose, "A_B",	Creates a fold tree for pose with jump #1 between the			
Vector1([1])	centers of mass of chains A and B			
<pre>set_single_loop_fold_tree(pose,</pre>	Creates a fold tree for pose with jump points and a			
loop)	cutpoint defined by a Loop object, and splits up the original edges to finish the tree (See below for the Loop object.)			

Jump Object			
<pre>pose.jump(1).get_rotation()</pre>	Returns the rotation matrix for the jump		
<pre>pose.jump(1).get_translation()</pre>	Returns the translation vector for the jump		

Rigid Body Movers					
<pre>pert_mover = RigidBodyPerturbMover(1, 8,</pre>	Constructs a mover that will make a random rigid-body move of the downstream partner across jump #1 (Rotations and translations are chosen from a Gaussian with a mean of 8° and 3 Å, respectively.)				
<pre>trans_mover = RigidBodyTransMover(pose,</pre>	Constructs a mover that will translate two partners, defined by jump_num, along an axis defined by vector a by 5 Å				
<pre>spin_mover = RigidBodySpinMover(jump_num) spin_mover.spin_axis(axis) spin_mover.rot_center(center) spin mover.angle size(45)</pre>	Constructs a mover that will spin the chain downstream of jump_num around a spin axis and rotation center by 45° (No specified angle size randomizes the spin.)				
<pre>random_mover = RigidBodyRandomizeMover(pose,</pre>	Construct a mover that will rotate one of the partners across jump #1 randomly about its geometric center (partner_upstream and partner_downstream are predefined constants, not variables.)				
<pre>slide = DockingSlideIntoContact(1) slide = FADockingSlideIntoContact(1)</pre>	Construct movers to translate two centroid or full-atom chains across jump #1 into contact, respectively				

Docking Protocols					
<pre>dock_lowres = DockingLowRes(scorefxn_low,</pre>	Constructs a low-resolution, centroid- based Monte Carlo search protocol (50 rigid-body perturbations with adaptable step sizes)				
<pre>dock_hires = DockMCMProtocol(scorefxn_high,</pre>	Constructs a high-resolution, full-atom—based Monte Carlo search protocol with rigid-body moves, side-chain packing, and minimization				

Loop Objects			
loop = Loop(15, 24, 20)	Defines a loop with stems at residues 15 and 24, and a cutpoint at residue 20		
loops = Loops()	Constructs an object to contain a set of loops		
loops.add_loop(loop1)	Adds a Loop object to loops		

Loop Movers			
<pre>ccd = CCDLoopClosureMover(loop1,</pre>	Creates a mover which performs Canutescu & Dunbrack's cyclic coordinate descent loop closure algorithm		
<pre>loop_refine =</pre>	Creates a high-resolution refinement protocol consisting of cycles of small and shear moves, side-chain packing, CCD loop closure, and minimization.		

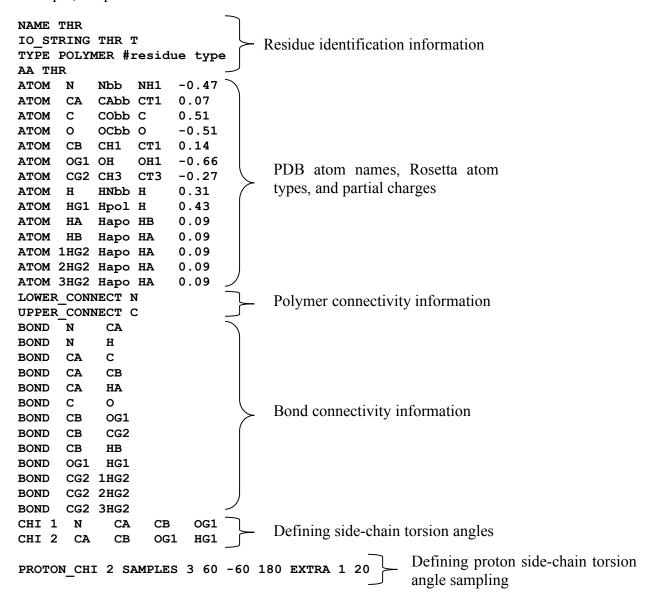
RMSD-Calculating Functions			
CA_rmsd(pose1, pose2)	Returns the RMSD between the $C\alpha$ atoms of		
	pose1 and pose2		
<pre>calc_Lrmsd(pose1, pose2, Vector([1]))</pre>	Return the ligand RMSD between pose1 and		
	pose2		
<pre>loop_rmsd(pose, ref_pose, loops,</pre>	Returns the RMSD of all loops in the reference frame of the fixed protein structure		

Job Distr	eibutor
jd = PyJobDistributor("output", 10, scorefxn)	Constructs a job distributor that will create 10 model structures named output_1.pdb to output_9.pdb and a file containing a table of scores
<pre>jd.native_pose = native_pose</pre>	Sets the native pose for RMSD comparisons
jd.job_complete	Returns True if all decoys have been output
<pre>jd.output_decoy(pose)</pre>	Outputs pose to a file and increments the decoy number
<pre>while not jd.job_complete: # Code for creating decoys jd.output_decoy(pose)</pre>	Loop to create decoys until all have been output
<pre>jd.additional_decoy_info = "Created by</pre>	Sets a string to be output to the pdb files

Appendix B: Residue Parameter Files

Parameter files describing the chemical and structural properties of each residue is found in the PyRosetta package in the database/chemical/residue_type_sets directory.

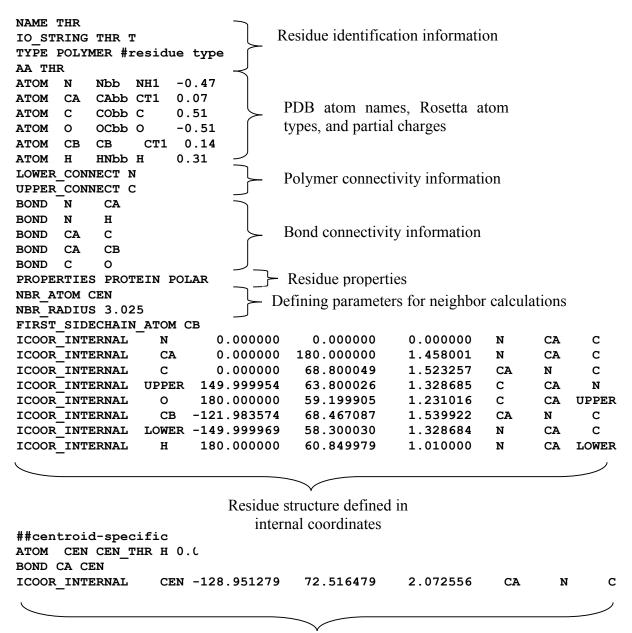
The full-atom residue parameters are stored in the /fa_standard/residue_types directory. As an example, the parameter file for threonine is shown below.



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ICOOR_INTERNAL	CA	0.000000	180.000000	1.458001	N	CA	С
ICOOR_INTERNAL	С	0.00000	68.800049	1.523257	CA	N	С
ICOOR_INTERNAL	UPPER	149.999954	63.800026	1.328685	С	CA	N
ICOOR INTERNAL	0	180.000000	59.199905	1.231016	С	CA	UPPER
ICOOR INTERNAL	CB	-121.983574	68.467087	1.539922	CA	N	С
ICOOR INTERNAL	OG1	-0.000077	70.419235	1.433545	CB	CA	N
ICOOR INTERNAL	HG1	0.000034	70.573135	0.960297	OG1	CB	CA
ICOOR INTERNAL	CG2	-120.544136	69.469185	1.520992	CB	CA	OG1
ICOOR INTERNAL	1HG2	-179.978256	70.557961	1.089826	CG2	CB	CA
ICOOR INTERNAL	2HG2	120.032188	70.525108	1.089862	CG2	CB	1HG2
ICOOR INTERNAL	3HG2	119.987984	70.541740	1.089241	CG2	CB	2HG2
ICOOR INTERNAL	HB	-120.292923	71.020676	1.089822	CB	CA	CG2
ICOOR INTERNAL	HA	-120.513664	70.221680	1.090258	CA	N	CB
ICOOR INTERNAL	LOWER	-149.999969	58.300030	1.328684	N	CA	С
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Residue structure defined in internal coordinates

The centroid residue parameters can be found in the /centroid/residue_types directory. The centroid parameter file for Threonine is shown below.



Centroid-specific information

Appendix C: Cleaning pdb Files

Many pdb files have extraneous information and often do not conform to file standards. You may have to "clean" your pdb file before loading it into PyRosetta. You can do this through a variety of methods.

• From within a UNIX shell:

```
grep "^ATOM" 1ABC.pdb > 1ABC.clean.pdb
```

• From within a DOS shell:

```
findstr /b "ATOM" 1ABC.pdb > 1ABC.clean.pdb
```

• Using a PyRosetta toolbox method cleanATOM

```
from pyrosetta.toolbox import cleanATOM
cleanATOM("1YY8.pdb")
```

In this example, the toolbox method cleanATOM will create a file called 1YY8.clean.pdb, with all non-ATOM lines removed. Warning: this method will overwrite any other files of the same name in its directory.

All of these methods will remove all lines that do not begin with ATOM in the pdb file and create a new "clean" pdb file named 1ABC.clean.pdb.

One could also easily write a script to clean multiple pdb files at once. Here is an example Bash (UNIX shell) script that will clean all pdb files in a single directory:

If after cleaning a pdb file, PyRosetta still gives errors, you might use your text editor to open the pdb file and edit or remove the offending data lines manually.

Appendix D: Links to Online Help

PyMOL

- http://www.pymol.org/support support
- http://www.pymolwiki.org wiki
- http://www.pyrosetta.org/pymol mover-tutorial PyMOLMover tutorial

Python

- http://docs.python.org documentation
- http://wiki.python.org wiki
- http://www.python.org/dev/peps/pep-0008 style guide for Python code

PyRosetta

- http://www.pyrosetta.org/tutorials these workshops
- http://www.pyrosetta.org/scripts sample scripts and useful tools
- http://www.pyrosetta.org/documentation documentation

Rosetta

- http://www.rosettacommons.org/docs/latest/Home documentation
- http://www.rosettacommons.org/forum forum

Coda

We hope these short tutorials have given you a broad set of basic abilities in protein structure prediction and design. PyRosetta's power is in its flexibility. You are now able to interactively combine folding, docking, and design operations and to use fold trees, move maps, and movers to tailor each operation to operate on the portion of the protein that is appropriate for the particular biological problem at hand.

There are many more features available in Rosetta and PyRosetta that you may find useful. Several particular useful features that are beyond the scope of this manual but currently implemented in PyRosetta include:

- *Ligands* composed of non-protein atoms or heteroatoms
- Nucleic acids, DNA and RNA
- Post-translationally modified and non-canonical amino acids

Each of these can be loaded into poses, measured, scored, manipulated, designed or designed around, and docked. Ligands and modified amino acids require manipulation of the params files in the PyRosetta database. Example params files are provided in Appendix B. Fuller details can be found in the PyRosetta User's Manual available on http://www.pyrosetta.org.

PyRosetta is being continually expanded, particularly with the expansion of the underlying Rosetta code. Please watch the website for future updates.