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1 Format of input files for all utilities

All the utilities read information about studied system from vsf/vcf files (formatted as described below) and FIELD file (input file for DL_MESO simulation package). Coordinates are read from a .vcf file (with either ordered timesteps or indexed timesteps). Structure of the system (names and numbers of beads and molecules, etc.) is read from FIELD file and .vsf files, but only bead types that are in the above mentioned .vcf file are considered.

Aggregate file is of my own format and is used by every utility doing calculation on whole aggregates (as opposed to calculations on individual molecules).

1.1 Structure file

The software package is designed with file dl_meso.vsf in mind, which is generated by the traject utility provided in DL_MESO software (and modified by me). Generally, the utilities are tested only against files generated by traject, but other .vsf files (such as the one generated by TransformVsf utility) should work fine, if formatted according to the following guidelines.

The first mandatory line specifies default bead type which means all atom lines for beads of this type are unnecessary (provided those beads are not in a molecule). All atom lines in $dl_{meso.vsf}$ specify VDW radius and atom name. If an atom is in a molecule, its molecule number is appended to the atom line as resid < id>:

```
atom default radius 1.000000 name <name>
...
atom <id> radius 1.000000 name <name> resid <id>...
```

Only the bead number and name are read, so both VDW radius and molecule number are not strictly necessary. Short version of atom and name keywords (a and n respectively) can be used. Other keywords can be included, because they will be ignored. No comments are allowed in .vsf file.

Bond lines of .vsf files are not read and are therefore irrelevant to all the utilities.

1.2 Optional bond file

Bonds for each molecule type are specified in FIELD, but they can be read from a different file if required.

The file with molecule bonds must contain name of the molecule type (same as in FIELD) followed by number of bonds on the next line and on every subsequent line two index numbers corresponding to the two connected beads (bead numbers start from one and are ordered according to beads in FIELD section for the given molecule). The bead numbers do not have to be sorted in any way and no blank lines should be present.

Example of bond file:

```
triangle
3
1 2 possible
3 1
2 3 comment
```

This file must be used for molecule types that have only some of its beads in .vcf file with indexed timesteps. In such a case, the bead indices correspond to FIELD as if the bead types not present in .vcf are not present FIELD.

Example of the relevant part of FIELD:

```
beads 3
A <float> <float> <float>
B <float> <float> <float>
A <float> <float> <float>
harm 1 2 <float> <float>
harm 2 3 <float> <float>
float>
```

Assuming only bead types A are present in .vcf file, the now necessary bond file would like like this:

```
name
1
1 2 possible comment
```

Should the bond file not be provided such case, the utilities detect no error, but will not work correctly (and may crash with segmentation fault).

Bond information about molecule types not present in the bond file will be read from FIELD.

1.3 Ordered coordinate file

First line of .vcf file with ordered timestep(s) contains box size. Each timestep starts with a comment line (i.e. line starting with # sign), the second line contains timestep (or the short version, t) and each following line contains the coordinates of a single bead. Every bead from .vsf structure file must be present in each timestep.

Exactly one blank line must be between every two timesteps and no blank lines are allowed at the end of the file.

Example of ordered coordinate file:

```
pbc <float> <float> <float>
<blank line>
# 1
timestep
<float> <float> <float>
```

An ordered coordinate file is generated using $traject-v2_5$, but $traject-v2_6$ produces indexed coordinate file (due to the way the original traject utility prints coordinates).

1.4 Indexed coordinate file

Unlike the .vcf file with ordered timesteps, the .vcf file with indexed timestep does not contain coordinates for every bead. Only beads of selected bead types are present and their names are written as comments at the beginning of the file (and followed by a blank line). Every bead is prepended by its index number according to the .vsf structure file. Keyword timestep (or t) at the beginning of every timestep is replaced by indexed (or its short version, i). The beads does not have to be ordered in any way, but the same number of beads must be in every timestep and every of given types must be present. Otherwise the file has the same format as the .vcf file with ordered timesteps.

Example of indexed coordinate file:

```
# name
...
<blank line>
pbc <float> <float> <float>
<blank line>
# 1
indexed
<id> <float> <float> <float>
```

1.5 Aggregate file

The aggregate file with .agg ending is generated using Aggregates utility. It contains information about the number of aggregates in the system in every simulation timestep and therefore is linked to the .vcf file used to calculate the aggregates. For every aggregate in each timestep there is a number and ids of molecules in that aggregate as well as a number and ids of monomeric beads near the aggregate.

The first line of an aggregate file contains the command used to generate it. The subsequent lines contain information on individual timesteps starting with Step keyword, followed by the number of aggregates in the timestep and followed by individual aggregates. Every aggregate is spread over two lines - the first one contains the number of molecules in the aggregate followed by their ids (according to a corresponding .vsf structure file) and the second line contains the number of monomeric beads in the aggregate followed by its ids (again, the ids correspond to the .vsf file). The line with monomeric beads is indented for easier reading.

Example of an aggregate file:

```
<command used to generate it>
<blank line>
Step: 1
<number of aggregates in step 1>
<blank line>
2 : 1 34
3 : 230 40000 41003
<number of molecules in the second aggregate> : <molecule ids>
<number of monomeric beads in the aggregate : <bead ids>
<blank line>
Step: 2
...
<blank line>
Last Step: <number>
```

2 Options for all utilities

A great majority of utilities has several options that are the same. These options are described here, but can be used with any utility unless stated otherwise. These options must be specified after any mandatory arguments.

```
-i <name>
    use custom .vsf structure file instead of the default dl_meso.vsf (must end with .vsf)
-b <name>
    file containing bond alternatives to FIELD (see Optional bond file for explanation)
-v verbose output providing information about the system
-V more detailed verbose output (also prints comments from .vcf file at the start of every timestep)
-s run silently, that is without any output at all (overrides verbose options)
--script do not rewrite terminal line (useful if output is routed to file)
-h print help and exit
```

3 Common utilities

Utilies that are not specific to any given system and are used for all simulations.

3.1 traject utility

This utility is from the DL_MESO simulation package. While originally it creates a .vtf file containing both structure and coordinates, I have changed it to create a separate $dl_meso.vsf$ structure file and All.vcf coordinate file containing ordered timesteps.

There are two versions from two versions of the DL_MESO simulation package, namely versions 2.5 and 2.6.

Usage:

The standard options cannot be used with this utility.> }}}

3.2 SelectedVcf utility

This utility takes .vcf file containing either ordered timesteps (such as All.vcf created by the traject utility which was modified by me) or indexed timesteps and creates a new .vcf coordinate file containing only beads of selected types with an option of removing periodic boundary condition and thus joining molecules. The otput .vcf file therefore contains i ndexed timesteps.

Specified molecules can be excluded which is useful when the same bead type is shared between more molecule types.

```
Usage:
```

```
SelectedVcf <input.vcf> <start> <skip> <output.vcf> <type names> <options>
     <input.vcf>
         input coordinate filename (must end with .vcf) containing either ordered or indexed
         timesteps
     <output.vcf>
         output filename with indexed coordinates (must end with .vcf)
     <type names>
         names of bead types to save
     <options>
          --join
             join individual molecules by removing periodic boundary conditions
         -st <int>
             starting timestep for calculation
          -sk <int>
             number of steps to skip per one used
          -x < name(s) >
             exclude specified molecule(s)
```

3.3 Config utility

This utility takes .vcf file containing either ordered timesteps (such as All.vcf created by DL_MESO traject utility which was modified by me) or indexed timesteps and creates CONFIG file (file containing initial coordinates for a simulation via DL_MESO simulation package).

Usage:

3.4 TransformVsf utility

This utility takes .vsf structure file and DL_MESO input file FIELD and transforms them into a different .vsf structure file that is well suited for visualisation using VMD software.

Usage:

```
TransformVsf <output.vsf> <output.vsf>
          output.vsf>
          output structure file that must end with .vsf
```

3.4.1 Format of output structure file

Every atom line in the generated structure file contains bead's index number, mass, charge and name. Atom lines for beads in molecules also contain molecule's id number and the name of the type of molecule. The bond section of output.vsf lists all bonds one by one (i.e. no chains of bonds in the format <id1>:: <id2> are used). Information about which bonds belong to which molecule is provided as a comment. The file has the following format:

```
atom default name <name> mass <m> charge <q>
...
atom <id> name <name> mass <m> charge <q>
...
atom <id> name <name> mass <m> charge <q> segid <name> resid
<id>
...
# resid <id>
<bonded bead id1>: <bonded bead id2>
```

For VMD atom selection:

```
segid <name>
    selects all molecules with given name(s)

resid <id>
    selects molecule(s) with given index number(s)

charge <q>
    selects all beads with given charge(s) (double quotes are required for negative charge)

mass <m>
    selects all beads with given mass(es)
```

Todo Optional bond file format: somehow avoid the need to use the special optional bond file, where the ids of beads must strictly adhere to FIELD. Possibly require use of a vcf file in conjunction with bond file

```
JoinRuns: implement wholy --script common option
```

Completely change this - either implement -x option or remove function writeCoorIndexed and hard code the writing to file

3.5 BondLength utility

BondLength utility calculates normalized distribution of bond length for specified molecule types.

Usage:

```
BondLength <input.vcf> <width> <output file> <molecule names> <options>

<input.vcf>
        input coordinate filename (must end with .vcf) containing either ordered or indexed timesteps

<width>
        width of each bin for the distribution

<output file>
        output filename containing distribution of bond lengths

<molecule names>
        names of molecule types to calculate the distribution for
```

3.6 Aggregates & Aggregates-NotSameBeads utility

These utilities determine which molecules belong to which aggregates according to a simple criterion: two molecules belong to the same aggregate if they share at least a specified number of contact pairs. A contact pair is a pair of two beads belonging to different molecules which are closer than certain distance. Both the distance and the number of needed contact pairs are arguments of the command as well as bead types to consider. Specified molecule(s) can be excluded from aggregate calculation (both from aggregate calculation and the output .agg file).

While the Aggregates utility uses all possible pairs of given bead types, Aggregates-NotSameBeads does not use same-type pairs. That is, if bead types A, B and C are given, Aggregates utility will use all six bead type pairs, that is A-A, A-B, A-C, B-B, B-C and C-C (provided the beads are in different molecules), but Aggregates-NotSame Beads will not use A-A, B-B or C-C contacts. Therefore at least two bead types must be provided for <type names > argument in Aggregates-NotSameBeads.

Usage:

```
Aggregates <input.vcf> <distance> <contacts> <output.agg> <type names> <options>

<input.vcf>
        input coordinate filename (must end with .vcf) containing either ordered or indexed timesteps

<distance>
        minimum distance for two beads to be in contact (constituting one contact pair)

<contacts>
        minimum number of contact pairs to consider two molecules to be in one aggregate

<output.agg>
```

output filename (must end with .agg) containing information about aggregates

<type names>

names of bead types to use for calculating contact pairs

<options>

-x < name(s) >

exclude specified molecule(s) from calculation of aggregates

-j <joined.vcf>

filename for coordinates of joined aggregates (must end with .vcf)

3.7 JoinAggregates utility

This utility reads input .vcf and .agg files and removes periodic boundary conditions from aggregates - e.i. it joins the aggregates. The distance and the bead types for closeness check are read from the first line of .agg file with contains full Aggregates command used to generate the file. JoinAggregates is meant for cases, where -j flag was omitted in Aggregates utility.

Usage:

Aggregates <input.vcf> <input.agg> <output.vcf> <options>

<input.vcf>

input coordinate filename (must end with .vcf) containing either ordered or indexed timesteps

<input.agg>

input filename (must end with .agg) containing information about aggregates

<output.vcf>

output filename (must end with .vcf) with joined coordinates

3.8 DistrAgg utility

DistrAgg calculates number and weight average aggregation numbers for each timestep (time evolution). The number average aggregation number, $\langle A_{\rm s} \rangle_{\rm n}$ is defined as:

$$\langle A_{\rm s} \rangle_n = \frac{\sum_{i=1}^N A_{{\rm s},i}}{N},\tag{1}$$

where $A_{s,i}$ is the aggregation number of an aggregate i and N is total number of aggregates. The weight average aggregation number, $\langle A_s \rangle_w$ is then defined as:

$$\langle A_{\rm s} \rangle_w = \frac{\sum_{i=1}^N A_{{\rm s},i}^2}{\sum_{i=1}^N A_{{\rm s},i}} = \frac{\sum_{i=1}^N A_{{\rm s},i}^2}{N_{\rm mol}},$$
 (2)

where $N_{
m mol}$ is the total number of molecules. The last average is the average mass of an aggregate:

$$\langle A_{\rm s} \rangle_m = \frac{\sum_{i=1}^N m_i}{N},\tag{3}$$

where m_i is mass of an aggregate i.

It also calculates overall number and weight distribution function. The number distribution function, $F_n(A_s)$ is defined as:

$$F_{\rm n}(A_{\rm s}) = \frac{N_{A_{\rm s}}}{\sum_{i=1}^{N} N_i},$$
 (4)

where N_i is the number of aggregates with aggregation number $A_{\rm s}=i$. The weight distribution function, $F_w(A_{\rm s})$ is then defined as:

$$F_{\rm w}(A_{\rm s}) = \frac{A_{\rm s} N_{A_{\rm s}}}{\sum_{i=1}^{N} A_{{\rm s},i}} = \frac{A_{\rm s} N_{A_{\rm s}}}{N_{\rm mol}},\tag{5}$$

where $m_{A_{\mathrm{s}}}$ and m_i are again the weight, that is the aggregation number.

Lastly, the utility calculates volume fractions of all aggregates. Volume fraction of an aggregate with aggregation number $A_{\rm s}$ is defined as:

$$\phi(A_{\rm s}) = \frac{n_{A_{\rm s}} N_{A_{\rm s}}}{\sum_{i=1}^{N} n_i N_i},\tag{6}$$

where n_i is volume of an aggregate with $A_{\rm s}=i$ (which is equivalent to the number of beads in the aggregate).

The utility reads information about aggregate from input file with Aggregate format. This file can be generated using Aggregates utility.

Usage:

```
DistrAgg <input> <output distr file> <output avg file> <options>
```

<input>

input filename with information about aggregates

<output distr file>

output filename with weight and number distribution functions

<output avg file>

output filename with weight and number average aggregation number in each timestep

<options>

-st <int>

starting timestep for calculation (does not affect calculation of time evolution)

--no-unimers

free chains shouldn't be used to calcalute average aggregation numbers

-x < name(s) >

exclude specified molecule(s)

3.9 DensityAggregates

This utility calculates number bead density for aggregates of specified size from their centre of mass. During the calculation, only the current aggregate is taken into account, so there is no possibility of getting 'false' densities from adjacent aggregates. Therefore if some bead type is never present in an aggregate of specified size (but is in the .vcf file), its density will always be 0.

Instead of true aggregate size, a number of molecules of specified name can be used, i.e. an aggregate with 1 A molecule and 2 B molecules can be specified with <agg sizes> of 3 without -m option or 1 if -m A is used (or 2 if -m B is used).

Also specified molecule type(s) can be excluded via the -x option. This is useful in case of several molecules sharing the same bead type. Calculated densities take into account only name of a bead type, not in which molecule(s) it occurs. The density from the bead type in different molecule types will therefore be the sum of the densities from those molecules.

Usage:

```
DensityAggregates <input.vcf> <input.agg> <width> <output.rho> <agg sizes> <options>
```

```
<input.vcf>
    input coordinate filename (must end with .vcf) containing either ordered or indexed
    timesteps
<input.agg>
    input filename (must end with .agg) containing information about aggregates
<width>
    width of each bin for the distribution
<output.rho>
    output density file (automatic ending agg#.rho added)
<agg sizes>
    aggregate sizes for density calculation
<options>
    --joined
        specify that the <input.vcf> contains aggregates with joined coordinates
    -n < int >
        number of bins to average
    -st <int>
        starting timestep for calculation
    -m <molecule type name>
        instead of aggregate size, use number of molecules of specified molecule types
    -x < name(s) >
         exclude specified molecule(s)
```

Todo DensityAggregates: check if only chains in one aggregate are used – anomalies in VanDerBurgh/AddedPol/

3.10 DensityMolecules

DensityMolecules works in similar way as the DensityAggregates, only instead of aggregates, the densities are calculated for specified molecule types. Care must be taken with beadtype names in various molecules types, because if one beadtype appears in more molecule types, the resulting density for that beadtype will be averaged without regard for the various types of molecule it appears in.

It is possible to use specified bead instead of the centre of mass for the coordinates to calculate densities from. Care must be taken, because the order of molecule types is taken from FIELD rather then from <code>DensityMolcules</code> arguments. For example: whether bead 1 will be connected with <code>NameA</code> or <code>NameB</code> in <code>DensityMolecules ... <code>NameA</code> <code>NameB</code> -c 1 2 depends on molecules' order in <code>FIELD</code> file; that is if <code>NameA</code> is first in <code>FIELD</code>, 1 will be associated with <code>NameA</code> and 2 with <code>NameB</code>, but if <code>NameB</code> is first, the associations are reverse, regardless of the order of names in the command's arguments. If the centre of mass should be used, <code>x</code> is given as argument. In the above example (assuming <code>NameA</code> is first in <code>FIELD</code>) if bead 1 is intended to be used for <code>NameB</code>, but centre of mass for <code>NameA</code>, then an argument of the form -c x 1 must be used.</code>

Usage:

```
DensityMolecules <input.vcf> <width> <output.rho> <mol name(s)> <options>
     <input.vcf>
          input coordinate filename (must end with .vcf) containing either ordered or indexed
     <width>
          width of each bin for the distribution
     <output.rho>
          output density file (automatic ending agg#.rho added)
     <mol name(s)>
          names of molecule types to calculate density for
     <options>
          --joined
              specify that the <input.vcf> contains aggregates with joined coordinates
          -n <int>
              number of bins to average
          -c x/<int>
              use specified molecule bead instead of centre of mass
```

3.11 GyrationAggregates utility

This utility calculates a gyration tensor and its eigenvalues (using Jacobi transformations) for aggregates of given size. It then determines various shape descriptors. It saves averages during the simulation (time evolution) to an output file and prints overall averages to standard output.

It calculates radius of gyration, $R_{\rm G}$:

$$R_{\rm G}^2 = \lambda_x^2 + \lambda_y^2 + \lambda_z^2,\tag{7}$$

where λ_i^2 is the i-th principle moment of the tensor of gyration ($\lambda_x^2 \leq \lambda_y^2 \leq \lambda_z^2$). Then it calculates the asphericity, b:

$$b = \lambda_z^2 - \frac{1}{2} \left(\lambda_x^2 + \lambda_y^2 \right) = \frac{3}{2} \lambda_z^2 - \frac{R_G^2}{2},\tag{8}$$

the acylindricity, c:

$$c = \lambda_y^2 - \lambda_x^2 \tag{9}$$

and the relative shape anisotropy , κ :

$$\kappa^2 = \frac{b^2 + 0.75c^2}{R_{\rm G}^4} = \frac{3}{2} \frac{\lambda_x^4 + \lambda_y^4 + \lambda_z^4}{\left(\lambda_x^2 + \lambda_y^2 + \lambda_z^2\right)^2} \tag{10}$$

Usage:

GyrationAggregates <input.vcf> <input.agg> <output> <agg sizes> <options>

<input.vcf>

input coordinate filename (must end with .vcf) containing either ordered or indexed timesteps

<input.agg>

input filename (must end with .agg) containing information about aggregates

<output.vcf>

output filename with shape descriptors for chosen sizes throughout simulation

<agg sizes>

aggregate sizes for gyration calculation

<options>

--joined

specify that the <input.vcf> contains aggregates with joined coordinates

-bt

specify bead types to be used for calculation (default is all)

-m <name>

take as an aggregate size the number of $<\!\!\text{name}\!\!>\!\!$ molecules in aggregates instead of the number of all molecules

Todo GyrationAggregates: understand jacobi function

3.12 GyrationMolecules utility

This utility function in the same way as GyrationAggregates, but it calculates radii of gyration for specified molecule names instead of aggregate sizes.

Right now it calculates gyration for all beads in the specified molecule types.

```
Usage:
```

Todo GyrationMolecules: implement using only selected bead types for calculation

Todo GyrationMolecules: understand jacobi function

Todo Gyration: move function from GyrationAggregates and GyrationMolecules to a separate header file

PairCorrel utility (#PairCorrel)

This utility calculates pair correlation function between specified bead types. All pairs of bead types (including same pair) are calculated - given A and B types, pcf between A-A, A-B and B-B are calculated.

Usage:

```
PairCorrel <input.vcf> <width> <output.pcf> <bead type(s)> <options>
<input.vcf>
    input coordinate filename (must end with .vcf) containing either ordered or indexed timesteps
    <width>
```

```
width of each bin for the distribution
<output.pcf>
   output file with pair correlation function(s)
<bead type(s)>
   bead type name(s) for pcf calculation
<options>
   -n <int>
        number of bins to average
   -st <int>
        starting timestep for calculation
```

PairCorrelPerAgg utility (#PairCorrel)

PairCorrelPerAgg utility calculates pair correlation function per aggregates - that is only beads in the same aggregate are used. If aggregate size(s) is not specified, average pcf is calculated (that is, regardless of aggregate size). In all probability the utility is working, but since it is not really useful, it has never been thouroughly tested.

Usage:

```
PairCorrel <input.vcf> <input.agg> <width> <output.pcf> <bed type(s)>
<options>
     <input.vcf>
          input coordinate filename (must end with .vcf) containing either ordered or indexed
          timesteps
     <input.agg>
          input filename (must end with .agg) containing information about
     <width>
          width of each bin for the distribution
     <output.pcf>
          output file with pair correlation function(s)
     <bead type(s)>
          bead type name(s) for pcf calculation
     <options>
          -n <int>
              number of bins to average
          -st <int>
```

starting timestep for calculation

3.13 JoinRuns utility

MOST LIKELY NOT WORKING - IT'S NOT USED.

This program is to be used if two simulation runs with different initial seeds (that is, two simulations with different bead id numbers .vsf files, but identical FIELD files) should be joined. Two .vcf files that contain the same bead types must be provided as well as the .vsf structure file for the second simulation. The output .vcf coordinate files has bead ids according to the structure file of the first simulation. The program is, however, extremely inefficient with unbonded beads, while bonded beads are always sorted in the same way by DL_MESO simulation software. The usefullness of such utility is confined to cases with more then one type of unbonded beads and under those conditions the utility may take around 1 minute per step (of the second simulation run) for system in box of side length 40.

Usage:

```
JoinRuns <1st input.vcf> <2nd input.vcf> <2nd input.vsf> <output.vcf>
<type names> <options>
     <1st input.vcf>
          input coordinate filename (must end with .vcf) containing either ordered or indexed
          timesteps for the first simulation
     <2nd input.vcf>
          input coordinate filename for the second sumation in the same format as the first coordinate
          file
     <2nd input.vsf>
           .vsf structure file for the second simulation (must end with .vsf)
     <output.vcf>
          output filename with indexed coordinates (must end with .vcf)
     <type names>
          names of bead types to save
     <options>
          --joined
              join individual molecules by removing periodic boundary conditions
          -n1 <int>
              number of timestep to start the first simulation from
          -n2 < int >
              number of timestep to start the second simulation from
          -u1 <int>
              leave out every skip steps in the first simulation
          -u2 < int >
              leave out every skip steps in the second simulation
```

Todo JoinRuns: base reindexing of beads in the second simulation on comparison between the two .vsf files

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3.14 Average utility

Utility calculating average values with standard deviation and autocorrelation time from values contained in a text file. The first line of the file has to contain the number of data lines and no comments are allowed.

Usage:

```
Average <filename> <column> <discard> <n_blocks>

<filename>
    name of data filel

<column>
    column number in the file containing the data to analyze

<discard>
    number of data values considered as equilibrium

<n_blocks>
    number of blocks for binning analysis
```

Todo Average: completely rewrite - especially remove requirement for number of lines on the first line of input file

4 Utilities for linear chains

This section provides information about utilities with calculations that are sensible to do only on linear polymer chains. No check whether the molecules are linear is done.

4.1 EndToEnd utility

This utility calculates end-to-end distance of specified molecules. End-to-end distance makes sense only for linear chains, therefore it is assumed that the provided molecule names are linear chains. No check is performed. The distance is calculated between the first and the last bead of the molecule; that is, between the first and the last bead in the FIELD entry for the given molecule. Also the use of joined coordinates (that is, without periodic boundary condition) is required, because the utility does not remove periodic boundary conditions.

The output is a file containing average end-to-end distance for every molecule type for each timestep.

Usage:

4.2 PersistenceLength utility

This utility calculates persistence length of specified molecules. It is assumed that the provided molecules are linear chains, but no check is performed. Also the use of joined coordinates (that is, without periodic boundary condition) is required, because the utility does not remove periodic boundary conditions.

The calculation of the persistence length is based on the projection of angles between bonds vectors (see e.g. this paper). The following formula for the persistence length, l_t is used:

$$l_{\rm P} = \langle b \rangle \sum_{i=0}^{i=N_b} \langle \cos \theta_i \rangle, \tag{11}$$

where $\langle b \rangle$ is the average bond length in a molecule, $\langle \theta_i \rangle$ is the average angle between two bond vectors separated by i bonds. N_b is the number of bonds in the given molecule.

The output is a file containing average persistence length for every molecule type for each timestep.

Usage:

```
PersistenceLength <input.vcf> <output.vcf> <molecule names> <options>
```

<input.vcf>

input coordinate filename (must end with .vcf) containing either ordered or indexed timesteps (with joined coordinates)

<output.vcf>

output filename with indexed coordinates (must end with .vcf)

<molecule names>

names of molecule types (linear chains) to use

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Optional bond file format: somehow avoid the need to use the special optional bond file, where the ids of beads must strictly adhere to FIELD. Possibly require use of a vcf file in conjunction with bond file

JoinRuns: implement wholy --script common option

Completely change this - either implement -x option or remove function writeCoorIndexed and hard code the writing to file

DensityAggregates: check if only chains in one aggregate are used – anomalies in VanDerBurgh/AddedPol/

GyrationAggregates: understand jacobi function

GyrationMolecules: implement using only selected bead types for calculation

GyrationMolecules: understand jacobi function

Gyration: move function from GyrationAggregates and GyrationMolecules to a separate header file

JoinRuns: base reindexing of beads in the second simulation on comparison between the two .vsf files

Average: completely rewrite - especially remove requirement for number of lines on the first line of input file

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8 Data Structure Documentation

8.1 Aggregate Struct Reference

Common/TransformVsf.h

Information about every aggregate.

#include <Structs.h>

Data Fields

int nMolecules

number of molecules in aggregate

int * Molecule

ids of molecules in aggregate

· int nBeads

number of bonded beads in aggregate

int * Bead

ids of bonded beads in aggregate

· int nMonomers

number of monomeric beads in aggregate

int * Monomer

ids of monomeric beads in aggregate

• double Mass

total mass of the aggregate

bool Use

should aggregate be used for calculation?

8.2 Bead Struct Reference

Information about every bead.

```
#include <Structs.h>
```

Data Fields

· int Type

type of bead corresponding to index in BeadType struct

· int Molecule

index number of molecule corresponding to Molecule struct (-1 for monomeric bead)

· int nAggregates

number of aggregates the bead is in (only monomeric beads can be in more aggregates - allocated memory for 10)

int * Aggregate

index numbers of aggregates corresponding to Aggregate struct (-1 for bead in no aggregate)

• int Index

index of the bead according to .vsf file (needed for indexed timesteps)

· Vector Position

cartesian coordinates of the bead

8.3 BeadType Struct Reference

Information about bead types.

#include <Structs.h>

Data Fields

char Name [16]

name of given bead type

int Number

number of beads of given type

· bool Use

should bead type in .vcf file be used for calculation?

· bool Write

should bead type in .vcf file be written to output .vcf?

· double Charge

charge of every bead of given type

· double Mass

mass of every bead of given type

8.4 Counts Struct Reference

Total numbers of various things.

```
#include <Structs.h>
```

Data Fields

· int TypesOfBeads

number of bead types

• int TypesOfMolecules

number of molecule types

int Bonded

total number of beads in all molecules

int Unbonded

total number of monomeric beads

· int BeadsInVsf

total number of all beads in .vsf file (not necessarily in .vcf)

• int Molecules

total number of molecules

int Aggregates

total number of aggregates

8.5 IntVector Struct Reference

3D vector of integers.

```
#include <Structs.h>
```

Data Fields

- int **x**
- int y
- int z

8.6 Molecule Struct Reference

Information about every molecule.

```
#include <Structs.h>
```

Data Fields

· int Type

type of molecule corresponding to index in MoleculeType struct

int * Bead

ids of beads in the molecule

int Aggregate

id of aggregate molecule is in (corresponding to index in Aggregate struct)

8.7 MoleculeType Struct Reference

Information about molecule types.

```
#include <Structs.h>
```

Data Fields

• char Name [16]

name of given molecule type

· int Number

number of molecules of given type

int nBeads

number of beads in every molecule of given type

• int nBonds

number of bonds in every molecule of given type

int ** Bond

pair of ids for every bond (with relative bead numbers from 0 to nBeads)

• int nBTypes

number of bead types in every molecule of given type

int * BType

ids of bead types in every molecule of given type (corresponds to indices in BeadType struct)

· double Mass

total mass of every molecule of given type

bool Use

should molecule type be used for calculation?

· bool Write

should molecule type be used for calculation?

8.8 Vector Struct Reference

3D vector of floats.

```
#include <Structs.h>
```

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Data Fields

- · double x
- · double y
- double z

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9.1 AnalysisTools.h File Reference

Functions common to all analysis utilities.

```
#include "Structs.h"
```

Functions

void CommonHelp (bool error)

Function printing help for common options.

void VerboseOutput (bool Verbose2, char *input_vcf, char *bonds_file, Counts Counts, BeadType *Bead←
 Type, Bead *Bead, MoleculeType *MoleculeType, Molecule *Molecule)

Function printing basic information about system if $\neg v$ or $\neg V$ option is provided.

• bool ReadStructure (char *vsf_file, char *vcf_file, char *bonds_file, Counts *Counts, BeadType **BeadType, Bead **Bead, MoleculeType **MoleculeType, Molecule **Molecule)

Function reading information from dl_meso FIELD and vsf structure files.

• int ReadCoorOrdered (FILE *vcf file, Counts Counts, Bead **Bead, char **stuff)

Function reading ordered coordinates from .vcf coordinate file.

• int ReadCoorIndexed (FILE *vcf_file, Counts Counts, Bead **Bead, char **stuff)

Function reading ordered coordinates from .vcf coordinate file.

int SkipCoor (FILE *vcf_file, Counts Counts, char **stuff)

Function to skip one timestep in coordinates file.

Function reading information about aggregates from .agg file.

 void WriteCoorIndexed (FILE *vcf_file, Counts Counts, BeadType *BeadType, Bead *Bead, MoleculeType *MoleculeType, Molecule *Molecule, char *stuff)

Function writing indexed coordinates to a .vcf file.

• int FindBeadType (char *name, Counts Counts, BeadType *BeadType)

Function to identify type of bead from its name.

int FindMoleculeType (char *name, Counts Counts, MoleculeType *MoleculeType)

Function to identify type of molecule from its name.

Vector Distance (Vector id1, Vector id2, Vector BoxLength)

Function to calculate distance vector between two beads.

 void RemovePBCMolecules (Counts Counts, Vector BoxLength, BeadType *BeadType, Bead **Bead, MoleculeType *MoleculeType, Molecule *Molecule)

Function to join all molecules.

• void RemovePBCAggregates (double distance, Aggregate *Aggregate, Counts Counts, Vector BoxLength, BeadType *BeadType, Bead **Bead, MoleculeType *MoleculeType, Molecule *Molecule)

Funcion to join all aggregates.

• void RestorePBC (Counts Counts, Vector BoxLength, Bead **Bead)

Function to restore pbc.

Vector CentreOfMass (int n, int *list, Bead *Bead, BeadType *BeadType)

Function to calculate centre of mass for a collection of beads.

• double Min3 (double x, double y, double z)

Function returning the lowest number from three floats.

· Vector Sort3 (Vector in)

Function returning sorted numbers x < y < z.

void FreeBead (Counts Counts, Bead **Bead)

Free memory allocated for Bead struct array.

• void FreeMolecule (Counts Counts, Molecule **Molecule)

Free memory allocated for Molecule struct array.

void FreeMoleculeType (Counts Counts, MoleculeType **MoleculeType)

Free memory allocated for MoleculeType struct array.

void FreeAggregate (Counts Counts, Aggregate **Aggregate)

Free memory allocated for Molecule Type struct array.

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9.1.1.1 CentreOfMass()

Parameters

in	n	number of beads	
in	list	list of bead ids (corresponding to indices in Bead struct)	
in	Bead	information about individual beads (coordinates)	
in	BeadType	information about beadtypes (masses)	

Returns

coordinates of centre of mass of a given aggregate

Function to calculate centre of mass for a given list of beads.

9.1.1.2 CommonHelp()

```
void CommonHelp (
          bool error )
```

Parameters

in	error	true or false whether to use stderr or stdout
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Function to print help for common options, either for -h help option or program error.

9.1.1.3 Distance()

Parameters

in	id1	first coordinate vector
in	id2	second coordinate vector
in	BoxLength	dimensions of simulation box

Returns

distance vector between the two provided beads (without pbc)

Function calculating distance vector between two beads. It removes periodic boundary conditions and returns x, y, and z distances in the range <0, BoxLength/2).

9.1.1.4 FindBeadType()

Parameters

in <i>name</i>		bead name
in	Counts	numbers of beads, residues, etc.
in	BeadType	information about bead types

Returns

bead type id corresponding to index in BeadType struct (or -1 if non-existent bead name)

9.1.1.5 FindMoleculeType()

Parameters

in	name	molecule name
in	Counts	numbers of beads, residues, etc.
in	<i>MoleculeType</i>	information about bead types

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Returns

molecule type id corresponding to index in BeadType struct (or -1 for non-existent molecule)

9.1.1.6 FreeAggregate()

Parameters

in	Counts	number of beads, molecu.es, etc.
out	Aggregate	information about individual molecules

Free memory allocated for Aggregate struct array. This function makes it easier other arrays to the Aggregate struct in the future

9.1.1.7 FreeBead()

Parameters

in	Counts	number of beads, molecu.es, etc.
out	Bead	information about individual beads

Free memory allocated for Bead struct array. This function makes it easier to add other arrays to the Bead struct in the future

9.1.1.8 FreeMolecule()

Parameters

in	Counts	number of beads, molecu.es, etc.
out	Molecule	information about individual molecules

Free memory allocated for Molecule struct array. This function makes it easier other arrays to the Molecule struct in the future

9.1.1.9 FreeMoleculeType()

```
void FreeMoleculeType (
```

```
Counts Counts,
MoleculeType ** MoleculeType )
```

Parameters

	in	Counts	number of beads, molecu.es, etc.
ſ	out	MoleculeType	information about individual molecules

Free memory allocated for MoleculeType struct array. This function makes it easier other arrays to the MoleculeType struct in the future

9.1.1.10 Min3()

```
double Min3 (  \begin{tabular}{lll} & double $x$, \\ & double $y$, \\ & double $z$ ) \end{tabular}
```

Parameters

in	X	first double precision number	
in	У	second double precision number	
in	Z	third double precision number	

Returns

lowest of the supplied numbers

Function returning the lowest number from three floats.

9.1.1.11 ReadAggregates()

```
void ReadAggregates (
          FILE * agg_file,
           Counts * Counts,
          Aggregate ** Aggregate,
          MoleculeType * MoleculeType,
          Molecule * Molecule )
```

Parameters

in	agg_file	name of input aggregate file
in	Counts	numbers of beads, molecules, etc.
out	Aggregate	information about aggregates
in	MoleculeType	information about molecule types
in	Molecule	information about individual molecules

Function reading information about aggregates from .agg file (Aggregate file) generated by Aggregates utility.

9.1.1.12 ReadCoorIndexed()

```
\verb"int ReadCoorIndexed" (
```

```
FILE * vcf_file,
Counts Counts,
Bead ** Bead,
char ** stuff )
```

Parameters

in	vcf_file	name of input .vcf coordinate file
in	Counts	numbers of beads, molecules, etc.
out	Bead	coordinates of individual beads
out	stuff	first line of a timestep

Returns

0 for no errors or index number of bead (starting from 1) for which coordinates cannot be read

Function reading coordinates from .vcf file with indexed timesteps (Indexed coordinate file).

9.1.1.13 ReadCoorOrdered()

```
int ReadCoorOrdered (
    FILE * vcf_file,
    Counts Counts,
    Bead ** Bead,
    char ** stuff )
```

Parameters

in	vcf_file	name of input .vcf coordinate file
in	Counts	numbers of beads, molecules, etc.
out	Bead	coordinates of individual beads
out	stuff	first line of a timestep

Returns

0 for no errors or index number of bead (starting from 1) for which coordinates cannot be read

Function reading coordinates from .vcf file with ordered timesteps (Ordered coordinate file).

9.1.1.14 ReadStructure()

Parameters

in	vsf_file	.vsf structure file
in	vcf_file	.vcf coordinate file
in	bonds_file	filename with bonds
out	Counts	numbers of beads, molecules, etc.
out	BeadType	information about bead types
out	Bead	informationn about individual beads
out	MoleculeType	information about molecule types
out	Molecule	information about individual molecules

Returns

'true' or 'false' for .vcf file with indexed or ordered timesteps, respectively

Function reading information about beads and molecules from DL_MESO FIELD file and a .vsf structure file. Name, mass and charge of every bead type is read from species lines in FIELD. The number of molecule types are read from molecule section. For each molecule type its name, the number of molecules, the number of beads and bonds in each molecule and the bonds themselves are read. Input structure file provides information about what bead is of which type. Optional file with bond declarations provides an alternative for bonds of any molecule type in FIELD. If optional bond file is not used, an empty string is passed to this function.

9.1.1.15 RemovePBCAggregates()

Parameters

in	distance	distance for closeness check (taken from agg file)
in	Aggregate	information about aggregates
in	Counts	number of beads, molecu.es, etc.
in	BoxLength	dimensions of the simulation box
in	BeadType	information about bead types
out	Bead	information about individual beads (coordinates)
in	MoleculeType	information about molecule types
in	Molecule	information about individual molecules

Function to remove periodic boundary conditions from all aggregates, thus joining them.

9.1.1.16 RemovePBCMolecules()

```
Vector BoxLength,
BeadType * BeadType,
Bead ** Bead,
MoleculeType * MoleculeType,
Molecule * Molecule
```

Parameters

in	Counts	numbers of beads, molecules, etc.
in	BoxLength	dimension of the simulation box
in	BeadType	information about bead types
out	Bead	information about individual beads (coordinates)
in	MoleculeType	information about molecule types
in	Molecule	information about individual molecules

Function to remove periodic boundary conditions from all individual molecules, thus joining them

9.1.1.17 RestorePBC()

Parameters

in	Counts	numbers of beads, molecules, etc.
in	BoxLength	dimension of the simulation box
out	Bead	information about individual beads (coordinates)

Function to restore removed periodic boundary conditions. Used in case of cell linked list, because it needs coordinates <0, BoxLength>.

9.1.1.18 SkipCoor()

```
int SkipCoor (
    FILE * vcf_file,
    Counts Counts,
    char ** stuff )
```

Parameters

in	vcf_file	file with vcf coordinates
in	Counts	number of beads in vcf file
out	stuff	first line of a timestep

Returns

1 if premature end of file or 0 for no error

Function to skip one timestep in coordinates file. It works with both indexed and ordered vcf files.

9.1.1.19 Sort3()

```
Vector Sort3 (

Vector in )
```

Parameters

in	in	first double precision number
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Returns

sorted vector

Function returning sorted numbers x < y < z.

9.1.1.20 VerboseOutput()

```
void VerboseOutput (
          bool Verbose2,
          char * input_vcf,
          char * bonds_file,
          Counts Counts,
          BeadType * BeadType,
          Bead * Bead,
          MoleculeType * MoleculeType,
          Molecule * Molecule )
```

Parameters

in	Verbose2	print extra information if 'true'
in	input_vcf	.vcf structure file
in	bonds_file	filename with bonds
in	Counts	numbers of beads, molecules, etc.
in	BeadType	information about bead types
in	Bead	informationn about individual beads
in	MoleculeType	information about molecule types
in	Molecule	information about individual molecules

Function providing standard verbose output (for cases when verbose option is used). It prints most of the information about used system.

9.1.1.21 WriteCoorIndexed()

```
void WriteCoorIndexed (
    FILE * vcf_file,
    Counts Counts,
    BeadType * BeadType,
    Bead * Bead,
    MoleculeType * MoleculeType,
    Molecule * Molecule,
    char * stuff )
```

Parameters

in	vcf_file	name of output .vcf coordinate file
in	Counts	numbers of beads, molecules, etc.
in	BeadType	information about bead types
in	Bead	coordinates of individual beads
in	MoleculeType	information about molecule types
in	Molecule	coordinates of individual molecules
in	stuff	array of chars containing comment line to place at the beginning

Function writing coordinates to a .vcf file. According to the Use flag in BeadType structure only certain bead types will be saved into the indexed timestep in .vcf file (Indexed coordinate file).

9.2 Options.h File Reference

Options usable in utilities.

```
#include "Structs.h"
```

Functions

- bool VsfFileOption (int argc, char **argv, char **vsf_file)
 - Option whether to use .vsf file different from dl_meso.vsf (-i <name.vsf>).
- bool BondsFileOption (int argc, char **argv, char **bonds_file)

Option whether to use bonds file (-b < name>).

- void VerboseLongOption (int argc, char **argv, bool *verbose, bool *verbose2)
 - Option whether to use long verbose output (overrides VerboseShortOutput) (-V).
- void SilentOption (int argc, char **argv, bool *verbose, bool *verbose2, bool *silent)
 - Option whether not to print to stdout (overrides Verbose options) (-s).
- bool ExcludeOption (int argc, char **argv, Counts Counts, MoleculeType **MoleculeType)

Option whether to exclude molecule types (-x < name(s) >).

• bool JoinCoorOption (int argc, char **argv, char *joined_vcf)

Option whether to write joined aggregate coordinates to file (-j < joined.vcf>).

- bool BeadTypeOption (int argc, char **argv, Counts Counts, BeadType **BeadType)
 - Option to choose which bead types to use in calculations (-bt < name(s) >).
- bool BoolOption (int argc, char **argv, char *opt)

Option whether not to print rewrite stdout line (--script).

- bool IntegerOption (int argc, char **argv, char *opt, int *value)
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9.2.1.1 BeadTypeOption()

```
bool BeadTypeOption (
                int argc,
                char ** argv,
                Counts Counts,
                 BeadType ** BeadType )
```

Parameters

in	argc	number of program's arguments
in	argv	program's arguments
in	Counts	numbers of beads, molecules, etc.
out	BeadType	information about bead types

Returns

true or false error or not error

Option to choose which bead types to use for calculation. If the option is absent, all bead types are switched to Use = true. Argument: -bt < name(s) >

9.2.1.2 BondsFileOption()

```
bool BondsFileOption (
                int argc,
                char ** argv,
                 char ** bonds_file )
```

Parameters

in	argc	number of program's arguments
in	argv	program's arguments
out	bonds_file	filename with bonds

Returns

true or false error or not error

Option whether to use bonds file with alternative bond definitions.

9.2.1.3 BoolOption()

```
bool BoolOption (
          int argc,
          char ** argv,
          char * opt )
```

Parameters

in	argc	number of program's arguments
in	argv	program's arguments
in	opt	option switch (e.g. array containing -n)

Returns

true if opt present, false otherwise

Function for any boolean option (i.e. without argument). The option (e.g. --script) is an argument of this function.

9.2.1.4 ExcludeOption()

```
bool ExcludeOption (
                int argc,
                char ** argv,
                Counts Counts,
                 MoleculeType ** MoleculeType )
```

Parameters

in	argc	number of program's arguments
in	argv	program's arguments
in	Counts	numbers of beads, molecules, etc.
out	MoleculeType	information about molecule types

Returns

true or false error or not error

Option to exclude specified molecule types from calculations. Gives specified molecule types Use = false and the rest Use = true. Arguments: -x < name(s) >

9.2.1.5 IntegerOption()

Function for any option with integer argument.

Parameters

in	argc	number of program's arguments
in	argv	program's arguments
in	opt	option switch (e.g. array containing -n)
out	value	integer value of given option

Returns

```
true or false for error
```

Function for any option with integer argument. The option (e.g. -n) is an argument of this function.

9.2.1.6 JoinCoorOption()

```
char ** argv,
char * joined_vcf )
```

Parameters

in	argc	number of program's arguments
in	argv	program's arguments
in	Counts	numbers of beads, molecules, etc.
out	MoleculeType	information about molecule types

Returns

true or false error or not error

Option whether to join aggregates and save joined coordinates into a specified file. Arguments: $-j < joined. \leftarrow vcf >$

9.2.1.7 SilentOption()

```
void SilentOption (
    int argc,
    char ** argv,
    bool * verbose,
    bool * verbose2,
    bool * silent )
```

Parameters

in	argc	number of program's arguments
in	argv	program's arguments
out	verbose	bool for -v option (verbose output)
out	verbose2	bool for -V option (detailed verbose output)
out	silent	bool for this option

Returns

 $\verb|true| \ \textit{or} \ \texttt{false} \ \textit{for error} \ \textit{on common options}$

Option to not print anything to stdout (or at least no system definitions and no Step: #). Overrides VerboseShort ← Option and VerboseLongOption. Argument: ¬s

9.2.1.8 VerboseLongOption()

```
void VerboseLongOption (
    int argc,
    char ** argv,
    bool * verbose,
    bool * verbose2 )
```

Parameters

in	argc	number of program's arguments
in	argv	program's arguments
out	verbose	bool for -v option (verbose output)
out	verbose2	bool for -V option (detailed verbose output)

Returns

true or false for error on common options

Option whether to print detailed data to stdout. Data are printed via VerboseOutput() function (and possibly some in-program code). Argument: -V

9.2.1.9 VsfFileOption()

```
bool VsfFileOption (
                int argc,
                char ** argv,
                char ** vsf_file )
```

Parameters

in	argc	number of utility's arguments
in	argv	utility's arguments
out	vsf_file	filename with structure information

Returns

true or false error or not error

Option whether to use .vsf file different from the default $dl_meso.vsf$.

9.3 Structs.h File Reference

Structures for utilities.

Data Structures

struct Vector

3D vector of floats.

struct IntVector

3D vector of integers.

struct Counts

Total numbers of various things.

struct BeadType

Information about bead types.

struct MoleculeType

Information about molecule types.

• struct Bead

Information about every bead.

• struct Molecule

Information about every molecule.

• struct Aggregate

Information about every aggregate.

Macros

#define PI 3.141593

value of pi

#define SQR(x) ((x)*(x))

macro for algebraic square

• #define CUBE(x) ((x)*(x)*(x))

macro for algebraic cube

Typedefs

• typedef struct Vector Vector

3D vector of floats.

typedef struct IntVector IntVector

3D vector of integers.

· typedef struct Counts Counts

Total numbers of various things.

typedef struct BeadType BeadType

Information about bead types.

• typedef struct MoleculeType MoleculeType

Information about molecule types.

· typedef struct Bead Bead

Information about every bead.

• typedef struct Molecule Molecule

Information about every molecule.

· typedef struct Aggregate Aggregate

Information about every aggregate.