

Mbar*

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If there are R different simulation with each performed at different temperature ($\beta_1 \neq \beta_2 \neq \dots \neq \beta_R, \beta_k = (k_B T_k)^{-1}$), and the number of snapshot at temperature T_k is N_k . Therefore, the probability (P_m) of finding snapshot(x) from all trajectory is:

$$P_m(x) = \frac{1}{N} \sum_{k=1}^R N_k p_k(x) \quad (1)$$

where $N = \sum_k N_k$, $p_k(x) = c_k^{-1} q_k(x)$ is the probability of locating at x for each snapshot in trajectory k, and $c_k = \int q_k(x) dx$

For any varibale \hat{O} , the expectation at Temperature T_i is $\langle O \rangle_i$, which is difined by:

$$\langle O \rangle_i = \int O(R) p_i(R) dR = \int O(R) \frac{p_i(R)}{P_m(R)} P_m(R) dR \approx \frac{1}{N} \sum_{n=1}^N \hat{O}(R_n) \frac{p_i(R_n)}{P_m(R_n)} = \sum_{n=1}^N \hat{O}(R_n) \frac{p_i(R_n)}{N P_m(R_n)} \quad (2)$$

$$= \sum_{n=1}^N \hat{O}(R_n) c_i^{-1} \frac{q_i(R_n)}{\sum_{k=1}^R N_k p_k(R_n)} \quad (3)$$

Therefore, the weight assigned to each snapshot is:

$$w_i(R_n) = c_i^{-1} \frac{q_i(R_n)}{\sum_{k=1}^R N_k p_k(R_n)} \quad (4)$$

Let $\hat{O}(R_n) = 1$, based on equation (3), we find:

$$c_i = \sum_{n=1}^N \frac{q_i(R_n)}{\sum_{k=1}^R N_k c_k^{-1} q_k(R_n)} \quad (5)$$

If q_i follows the Boltzmann statistics, $q_i(x) = \exp(-\beta_i U_i(x))$, and $f_i = -\beta_i^{-1} \ln c_i$, thus:

$$f_i = -\beta_i^{-1} \ln \sum_{n=1}^N \frac{\exp[-\beta_i U_i(R_n)]}{\sum_{k=1}^R N_k \exp[\beta_k f_k - \beta_k U_k(R_n)]} \quad (6)$$

Therefore, normalized weight is :

$$w_i(R_n) = \frac{e^{\beta_i f_i - \beta_i U_i(R_n)}}{\sum_{k=1}^R N_k e^{\beta_k f_k - \beta_k U_k(R_n)}} \quad (7)$$

And, unnormalized weight is:

$$w_{2i}(R_n) = \frac{e^{-\beta_i U_i(R_n)}}{\sum_{k=1}^R N_k e^{\beta_k f_k - \beta_k U_k(R_n)}} \quad (8)$$

Where $e^{\beta_k f_k} = c_k$ is the normalized factor at temperature T_k .

Specially, if all simulations were performed at constant temperature(T) and the hamiltonians differ only by bias($V_i(R_n)$, constant temperature umbrella sampling), where $U_i(R_n) = U_0(R_n) + V_i(R_n)$ and U_0 is the system's original potential energy, it can be reduced to:

$$w_i(R_n) = \frac{e^{\beta f_i - \beta V_i(R_n)}}{\sum_{k=1}^R N_k e^{\beta f_k - \beta V_k(R_n)}} \quad (9)$$

$$w_{2i}(R_n) = \frac{e^{-\beta V_i(R_n)}}{\sum_{k=1}^R N_k e^{\beta f_k - \beta V_k(R_n)}} \quad (10)$$

Relationship with WHAM

If we discretize all samples into two dimensions: reaction coordinate($\hat{\xi}(R_n)$) and system original potential($\hat{U}_m^0(R_n)$), according to equation (7), we can get the probability($P(T_i, U_m^0, \xi)$) of state with reaction coordinate equal to ξ and original potential energy equal to U_m^0 at temperature T_i , where the total potential energy $U_i(R_n) = \hat{U}_m^0(R_n) + V_i(\hat{\xi}(R_n)) = U_i(m, \xi)$, and express it by the following:

$$P(T_i, U_i(m, \xi)) = P(T_i, U_m^0, \xi) = P(T_i, m, \xi) = \sum_{n=1}^N w_i(R_n) \delta(\hat{U}_m^0(R_n) - U_m^0) \delta(\hat{\xi}(R_n) - \xi) \quad (11)$$

$$= \left(\frac{H_m(\xi)}{\sum_{k=1}^K N_k e^{\beta_k f_k - \beta_k U_k(m, \xi)}} \right) e^{\beta_i f_i - \beta_i U_i(m, \xi)} \quad (12)$$

$$= \left(\frac{\sum_{k=1}^K H_{mk}(\xi)}{\sum_{k=1}^K N_k e^{\beta_k f_k - \beta_k U_k(m, \xi)}} \right) e^{\beta_i f_i - \beta_i U_i(m, \xi)} = \left(\frac{\sum_{k=1}^K H_{mk}(\xi)}{\sum_{k=1}^K N_k e^{\beta_k f_k - \beta_k (U_m^0 + V_k(\xi))}} \right) e^{\beta_i f_i - \beta_i (U_m^0 + V_i(\xi))} \quad (13)$$

Therefore, the **unbiased** probability $P_0(T, m, \xi)$ at temperature T is:

$$P_0(T, m, \xi) = \left(\frac{\sum_{k=1}^K H_{mk}(\xi)}{\sum_{k=1}^K N_k e^{-\beta_k U_m^0} e^{\beta_k f_k - \beta_k V_k(\xi)}} \right) e^{\beta f_0 - \beta U_m^0} \quad (14)$$

where $H_m(\xi), H_{mk}(\xi)$ are the histogram of ξ from all trajectories and trajectory k respectively, where the system original potential energy ($\tilde{U}_m^0(R_n)$) is equal to U_m^0 , and $e^{\beta f_0}$ is defined based on the equation (6):

$$e^{-\beta f_0} = \sum_{n=1}^N \frac{\exp[-\beta U_m^0(R_n)]}{\sum_{k=1}^R N_k \exp[\beta_k f_k - \beta_k (U_m^0(R_n) + V_k(\hat{\xi}(R_n)))]} \quad (15)$$

Constant temperature umbrella sampling

Based on (14), when all the simulations were performed at the constant temperature ($\beta_0 = \beta_1 = \dots = \beta_k = \beta$, umbrella sampling), the **unbiased** probability ($P_0(T, U_m, \xi), P_0(T, \xi)$) can be expressed by:

$$P_0(T, m, \xi) = \left(\frac{\sum_{k=1}^K H_{mk}(\xi)}{\sum_{k=1}^K N_k e^{-\beta_k U_m^0} e^{\beta_k f_k - \beta_k V_k(\xi)}} \right) e^{\beta f_0 - \beta U_m^0} = \frac{\sum_{k=1}^K H_{mk}(\xi)}{\sum_{k=1}^K N_k e^{\beta_k f_k - \beta_k V_k(\xi)}} e^{\beta f_0} (\beta_1 = \dots = \beta_k = \beta) \quad (16)$$

$$P_0(T, \xi) = \sum_{m=1}^M P_0(T, m, \xi) = \frac{\sum_m \sum_{k=1}^K H_{mk}(\xi)}{\sum_{k=1}^K N_k e^{\beta_k f_k - \beta_k V_k(\xi)}} e^{\beta f_0} = \frac{\sum_{k=1}^K \overbrace{H_k(\xi)}^{\sum_m H_{mk}(\xi)}}{\sum_{k=1}^K N_k e^{\beta_k f_k - \beta_k V_k(\xi)}} e^{\beta f_0} \quad (17)$$

where $\widehat{H_k(\xi)} = \sum_m^M H_{mk}(\xi)$

Based on the equation (6), we can find:

$$\begin{aligned}
e^{-\beta_i f_i(\xi)} &= \sum_{m=1}^M \sum_{n=1}^N \frac{\exp[-\beta_i(U_m^0(R_n) + V_i(\xi(\hat{R}_n)))]}{\sum_{k=1}^R N_k \exp[\beta_k f_k - \beta_k(U_m^0(R_n) + V_k(\xi(\hat{R}_n)))]} \delta(\hat{\xi}(R_n) - \xi) \delta(\hat{U}_m^0(R_n) - U_m^0) \\
&= \frac{\sum_{k=1}^K \widehat{H_k(\xi)}}{\sum_{k=1}^K N_k e^{\beta_k f_k - \beta_k V_k(\xi)}} e^{-\beta_i V_i(\xi)} (\beta_1 = \dots = \beta_k = \beta)
\end{aligned} \tag{18}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
e^{-\beta f_0(\xi)} &= \sum_{m=1}^M \sum_{n=1}^N \frac{\exp[-\beta U_m^0(R_n)]}{\sum_{k=1}^R N_k \exp[\beta_k f_k - \beta_k(U_m^0(R_n) + V_k(\xi(\hat{R}_n)))]} \delta(\hat{\xi}(R_n) - \xi) \delta(\hat{U}_m^0(R_n) - U_m^0) \\
&= \frac{\sum_{k=1}^K \widehat{H_k(\xi)}}{\sum_{k=1}^R N_k e^{\beta_k f_k - \beta_k V_k(\xi)}} (\beta_1 = \dots = \beta_k = \beta)
\end{aligned} \tag{19}$$

$$e^{-\beta_i f_i} = \sum_{\xi} e^{-\beta_i f_i(\xi)} \tag{20}$$

$$e^{-\beta f_0} = \sum_{\xi} e^{-\beta f_0(\xi)} \tag{21}$$

Based on equation (17), the weight assigned to each snapshot is:

$$w_0(\hat{\xi}(R_n)) = \frac{e^{\beta f_0}}{\sum_{k=1}^K N_k e^{\beta_k f_k - \beta_k V_k(\xi)}} \tag{22}$$

Thus, For constant temperature simulation($\beta_1 = \dots = \beta_k = \beta$),

$$e^{-\beta_k f_k} e^{\beta f_0} = \sum_{\xi} e^{-\beta f_k(\xi)} e^{\beta f_0} = \sum_{\xi} \frac{\sum_{k=1}^K \widehat{H_k(\xi)}}{\sum_{k=1}^K N_k e^{\beta f_k - \beta V_k(\xi)}} e^{-\beta V_k(\xi)} e^{\beta f_0}$$

$$= \sum_{\xi} \left(\frac{\sum_{k=1}^K \widehat{H_k(\xi)}}{\sum_{k=1}^K N_k e^{\beta f_k - \beta V_k(\xi)}} e^{\beta f_0} \right) e^{-\beta V_k(\xi)} = \sum_{\xi} P_0(T, \xi) e^{-\beta V_k(\xi)} = \langle e^{-\beta V_k(\xi)} \rangle_0 \quad (23)$$

which is the same as equation(9) in paper "Extension to the weighted histogram analysis method: combining umbrella sampling with free energy calculations", Computer Physics Communications 135 (2001) 40–57.

As $e^{\beta f_0}$ (constant C in equation(9) in the above suggested paper) is the normalized factor, if we assume $P_0(T_m, \xi)$ is already normalized with $w_{2i}(R_n) = \sum_1^N \frac{-\beta_i U_i^0(R_n)}{\sum_{k=1}^R N_k e^{\beta_k f_k - \beta_k U_k(R_n)}} = 1$ ((8)), we can find:

$e^{-\beta_k f_k} = \langle e^{-\beta V_k(\xi)} \rangle_0$, which is widely used in caculating WHAM.

Different temperature umbrella sampling

Especially, when the umbrella simulations were performed at different temperature ($\beta_1 \neq \beta_2 \dots \neq \beta_k, V_k(\xi) \neq 0$), we can obtain that:

$$P_0(T, \xi) = \sum_{m=1}^M P_0(T, m, \xi) = \sum_m \left(\frac{\sum_{k=1}^K H_{mk}(\xi)}{\sum_{k=1}^K N_k e^{-\beta_k U_m^0} e^{\beta_k f_k - \beta_k V_k(\xi)}} \right) e^{\beta f_0 - \beta U_m^0} \quad (24)$$

Similarly, we find:

$$\begin{aligned} e^{-\beta_i f_i(\xi)} &= \sum_m \sum_{n=1}^N \frac{\exp[-\beta_i (U_m^0(R_n) + V_i(\xi(\hat{R}_n)))]}{\sum_{k=1}^R N_k \exp[\beta_k f_k - \beta_k (U_m^0(R_n) + V_k(\xi(\hat{R}_n)))]} \delta(\hat{\xi}(R_n) - \xi) \delta(\hat{U}_m^0(R_n) - U_m^0) \\ &= \sum_m \frac{\sum_{k=1}^K H_{mk}(\xi)}{\sum_{k=1}^K N_k e^{\beta_k f_k - \beta_k (U_m^0(R_n) + V_k(\xi))}} e^{-\beta_i (U_m^0(R_n) + V_i(\xi))} \end{aligned} \quad (25)$$

$$\begin{aligned}
e^{-\beta f_0(\xi)} &= \sum_m^M \sum_{n=1}^N \frac{\exp[-\beta U_m^0(R_n)]}{\sum_{k=1}^R N_k \exp[\beta_k f_k - \beta_k (U_m^0(R_n) + V_k(\hat{\xi}(R_n)))]} \delta(\hat{\xi}(R_n) - \xi) \delta(\hat{U}_m^0(R_n) - U_m^0) \\
&= \sum_m^M \frac{\sum_{k=1}^K H_{mk}(\xi)}{\sum_{k=1}^R N_k e^{\beta_k f_k - \beta_k (U_m^0(R_n) + V_k(\xi))}} e^{-\beta U_m^0(R_n)} \tag{26}
\end{aligned}$$

$$e^{-\beta_i f_i} = \sum_{\xi} e^{-\beta_i f_i(\xi)} \tag{27}$$

$$e^{-\beta f_0} = \sum_{\xi} e^{-\beta f_0(\xi)} \tag{28}$$

Similarly, we can also get the weight assigned to snapshot at temperature $T(\beta = k_B T)$ with **unbiased** potential according to equation (24):

$$w_0(\hat{\xi}(R_n)) = \sum_m^M \frac{e^{\beta f_0 - \beta U_m^0(R_n)}}{\sum_{k=1}^K N_k e^{-\beta_k U_m^0} e^{\beta_k f_k - \beta_k V_k(\xi)}} \tag{29}$$

$$e^{-\beta_i f_i} e^{\beta f_0} = \sum_{\xi} e^{-\beta_i f_i(\xi)} e^{\beta f_0} = \sum_{\xi} \sum_m^M \frac{\sum_{k=1}^K H_{mk}(\xi)}{\sum_{k=1}^K N_k e^{\beta_k f_k - \beta_k (U_m^0(R_n) + V_k(\xi))}} e^{-\beta_i (U_m^0(R_n) + V_i(\xi))} e^{\beta f_0}$$

$$= \sum_{\xi} \left(\sum_m^M \frac{\sum_{k=1}^K H_{mk}(\xi)}{\sum_{k=1}^K N_k e^{\beta_k f_k - \beta_k (U_m^0(R_n) + V_k(\xi))}} e^{\beta f_0 - \beta_i U_m^0(R_n)} \right) e^{-\beta_i V_i(\xi)} \tag{30}$$

If $\beta_i = \beta$, we can get:

$$e^{-\beta_i f_i} e^{\beta f_0} = \sum_{\xi} P_0(T, \xi) e^{-\beta V_k(\xi)} = \langle e^{-\beta V_k(\xi)} \rangle_0 \tag{31}$$

Similarly, if we assume that $e^{\beta f_0} = 1$, we also get that: $e^{\beta_i f_i} = \langle e^{-\beta V_k(\xi)} \rangle_0$

Parallel tempering simulation

While all the simulations were performed at different temperature without bias ($\beta_1 \neq \beta_2 \dots \neq \beta_k, V_k(\xi) = 0$, parallel tempering simulation(replica-exchange)), we can get $P(T_i, U_m, \xi), P(T_i, m)$ at temperature T_i :

$$P(T_i, m) = \sum_{\xi} P(T_i, U_m, \xi) = \left(\frac{\sum_{\xi} \sum_{k=1}^K H_{mk}(\xi)}{\sum_{k=1}^K N_k e^{-\beta_k U_m^0} e^{\beta_k f_k}} \right) e^{\beta_i f_i - \beta_i U_m^0} = \left(\frac{\sum_{k=1}^K \widetilde{H_{mk}}}{\sum_{k=1}^K N_k e^{\beta_k f_k - \beta_k U_m^0}} \right) e^{\beta_i f_i - \beta_i U_m^0} \quad (32)$$

Therefore, if $e^{\beta_i f_i} = 1$

$$P(T, E) = \left(\frac{\sum_{k=1}^K \widetilde{H_{mk}}}{\sum_{k=1}^K N_k e^{\beta_k f_k - \beta_k E}} \right) e^{-\beta E} \quad (33)$$

where $\widetilde{H_{mk}} = \sum_{\xi} H_{mk}(\xi)$, which is independent on the ξ . Calculating the expectation of variable \hat{A} ,

$$\langle \hat{A} \rangle_{T_i} = \frac{\sum_{m=1}^M \sum_{\xi} P(T_i, U_m, \xi) \hat{A}}{\sum_{m=1}^M \sum_{\xi} P(T_i, U_m, \xi)} = \frac{\sum_{m=1}^M P(T_i, U_m) \hat{A}}{\sum_{m=1}^M P(T_i, U_m)} \quad (34)$$

or

$$\langle \hat{A} \rangle_T = \frac{\sum_E P(T, E) \hat{A}}{\sum_E P(T, E)} \quad (35)$$