Energy

INTRODUCTION

With gromacs it is easy to calculate intermolecular interaction energies, for static lists of atoms. When the demand is to calculate the energies for a dynamic list of atoms, like waters occupying a nanopore or active site, the following Gromacs (versions; 5.0) commands have to be repeated for each timestep.

- a) g_select. Generates index file for pore water at timestep i.
- b) tpbvonv. Generates topology file for pore water at timestep i.
- c) trjconv. Generates compressed trajectory file for pore water at timestep i, porewater.xtc
- d) mdrun -rerun porewater.xtc. Recalculate energy functions for solute-solvent or solvent-solvent interactions.
- e) g_energy. Calculates short range LJ and Coulomb intermolecular energy for pore water at timestep i.
 - f) A nested loop to acquire the energies from the output file of g_energy.

Solenergy and Ligenergy are a wrapper programs composed of a C program plus several shell scripts, that repeat this procedure for the all of the simulation timesteps. The output is either the average solvent-solvent interaction energy, or solvent-solute interaction energy.

REQUIRMENTS

- 1) Simulation data in compressed trajectory format. Example simulation.xtc.
- 2) Simulation topology file. Example simulation.tpr
- 3) Distance file (.txt). See Structure manual for instructions on how to use g_dist. The distance file for this calculation is the distances of the solvent atoms with respect to the solute center-of-mass at timestep i.
 - 4) Index file for the solute(.ndx), generated using Gromacs command make_ndx.

INSTALLATION

clang solenergy_v4.5.c -o sole

and

clang ligsolenergy_v4.5.c -o ligsole

USING

Execute the following commands on the command line, or in a shell script to use the programs.

./sole full.xtc full.tpr sol_data.txt NSol NatomsperSol Simlength(ps) Timestep(ps) poreradius(nm) output)

./ligsole full.xtc full.tpr sol_data.txt solute.ndx NSol NatomsperSolvent NatomsperSolute Simlength(ps) timetsep(ps) poreradius(nm) output)