Lab 10

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Introduction to the RCSB Protein Data Bank (PDB)

The PDB is the major repository of information about the 3D structures of large biological molecules, including proteins and nucleic acids. Understanding the shape of these molecules helps to understand how they work and deduce the role of structure in human health. The structures in PDB range from bits of DNA/RNA to complex machines of many chains of protein.

We will use the main US based PDB website.

PDB Statistics

Q1. What percentage of structures in the PDB are solved by X-Ray and electron microscopy?

184362/219140

[1] 0.8412978

84.13% of entries are solved with X-Ray

20191/219140

[1] 0.09213745

9.21% of entries are solved with electron microscopy.

Q2. What proportion of structures in the PDB are protein?

189750/219140

[1] 0.8658848

86.59% of structures are protein only.

Q3. Type HIV in the PDB website search box on the home page and determine how many HIV-1 protease structures are in the current PDB:

There are 868 structures in the PDB for HIV-1 protease.

The PDB Format

Download the "PDB File" fo the HIV-1 protease structure with the PDB identifier 1HSG.

To view the contents in the Terminal, use less ~/Downloads/1hsg.pdb

The file contains a list of all the atoms in the molecule with their positions defined by X, Y, and Z coordinates. Additional data such as secondary structure elements are commonly also included.

Visualizing the HIV-1 protease structure

HIV-1 protease is vital for HIV replication, cleaving newly formed polypeptide chains to form functional proteins. Drugs that target this protein could be vital for suppressing viral replication.

In this section, we'll use the X-ray crystal structure with a bound drug (indinavir) and the Mol* molecular viewer to visually inspect the protein, binding site, and drug molecule. Then we will perform bioinformatics analysis of single and multiple crystallographic structures.

Image of HIV-Pr

HIV-Pr with Asp25 featured

The important role of water

Q4. Water molecules normally have 3 atoms, why do we see just one atom per water molecule in this structure?

A water molecule has 2 hydrogens and 1 oxygen, in this structure, hydrogens are not included since it would make the structure harder to see. Instead they include just the oxygen atom for each water molecule.

Q5. There is a critical "conserved" water molecule in the binding site, can you identify the molecule? What residue number does this molecule have?

The conserved water molecule is at number 308.

Q6. Generate and save a figure clearly showing the two distinct chains of HIV-protease along with the ligan. You might also consider showing the catalytic residues ASP 25 in each chain and the critical water.

Introduction to Bio3D in R

Bio3D is an R package for structural bioinformatics, including features to read, write, and analyze biomolecular structure, sequence, and dynamic trajectory data.

library(bio3d)

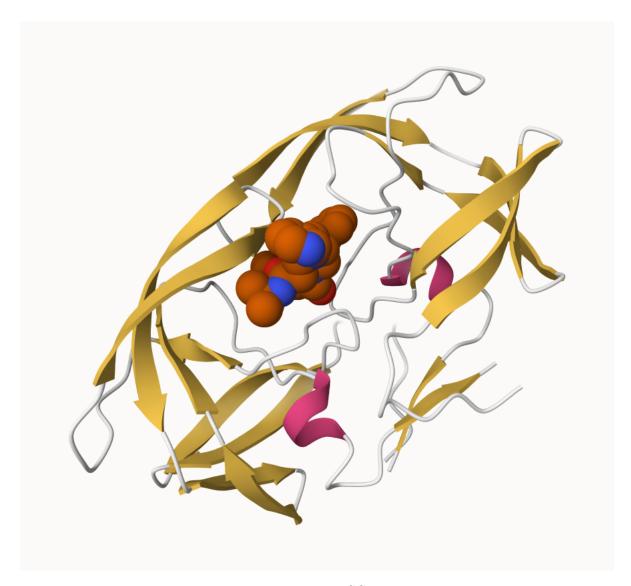


Figure 1: 1HSG

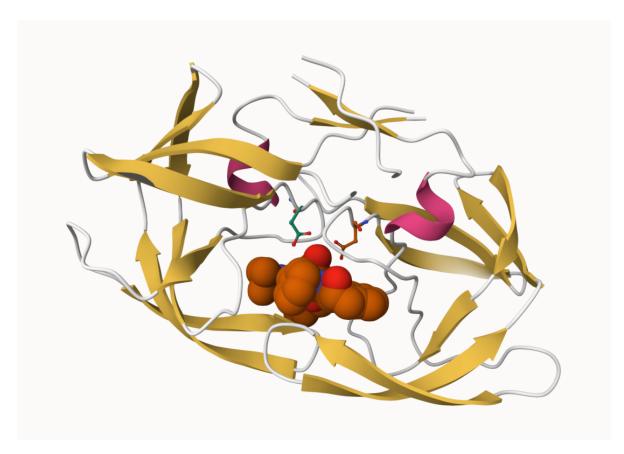


Figure 2: 1HSG with Asp25

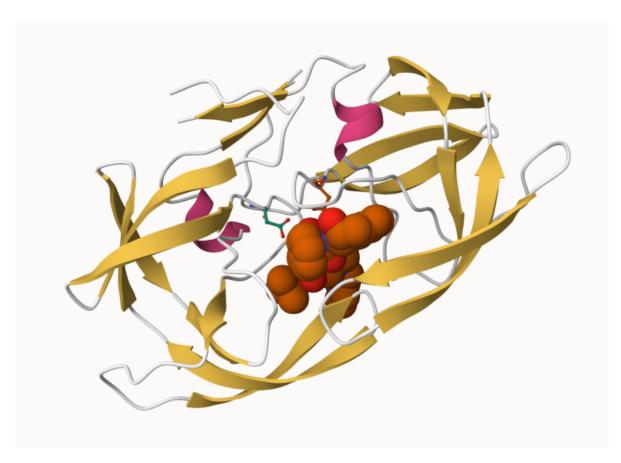


Figure 3: HIV-Pr

Reading the PDB file data into R

pdb <- read.pdb("1hsg")</pre>

object use:

```
Note: Accessing on-line PDB file
  pdb
        read.pdb(file = "1hsg")
   Total Models#: 1
     Total Atoms#: 1686, XYZs#: 5058 Chains#: 2 (values: A B)
     Protein Atoms#: 1514 (residues/Calpha atoms#: 198)
     Nucleic acid Atoms#: 0 (residues/phosphate atoms#: 0)
     Non-protein/nucleic Atoms#: 172 (residues: 128)
     Non-protein/nucleic resid values: [ HOH (127), MK1 (1) ]
   Protein sequence:
      PQITLWQRPLVTIKIGGQLKEALLDTGADDTVLEEMSLPGRWKPKMIGGIGGFIKVRQYD
      QILIEICGHKAIGTVLVGPTPVNIIGRNLLTQIGCTLNFPQITLWQRPLVTIKIGGQLKE
      ALLDTGADDTVLEEMSLPGRWKPKMIGGIGGFIKVRQYDQILIEICGHKAIGTVLVGPTP
      VNIIGRNLLTQIGCTLNF
+ attr: atom, xyz, seqres, helix, sheet,
        calpha, remark, call
     Q7. How many amino acid residues are in this pdb object?
There are 198 amino acid residues
     Q8. Name one of the two non-protein residues:
HOH
     Q9. How many protein chains are in this structure?
There are 2 protein chains
Note that the attributes of the object are listed at the end, to find the attributes of any such
```

```
attributes(pdb)
```

```
$names
[1] "atom" "xyz" "seqres" "helix" "sheet" "calpha" "remark" "call"
$class
[1] "pdb" "sse"
```

To access these individually use \$ like R list objects. For example, to find the atom attribute:

```
head(pdb$atom)
```

```
type eleno elety alt resid chain resno insert
                                                                  У
1 ATOM
           1
                  N <NA>
                            PRO
                                           1
                                               <NA> 29.361 39.686 5.862 1 38.10
2 ATOM
                            PRO
                                           1
                                               <NA> 30.307 38.663 5.319 1 40.62
                 CA <NA>
                                    Α
3 ATOM
           3
                  C <NA>
                            PRO
                                               <NA> 29.760 38.071 4.022 1 42.64
4 ATOM
           4
                  O <NA>
                            PRO
                                           1
                                               <NA> 28.600 38.302 3.676 1 43.40
                                    Α
5 ATOM
           5
                 CB <NA>
                            PRO
                                    Α
                                           1
                                               <NA> 30.508 37.541 6.342 1 37.87
           6
                                               <NA> 29.296 37.591 7.162 1 38.40
6 ATOM
                 CG <NA>
                            PRO
                                    Α
                                           1
  segid elesy charge
  <NA>
            Ν
                 < NA >
1
            С
2
   <NA>
                 <NA>
            С
3
  <NA>
                 <NA>
4
   <NA>
            0
                 <NA>
5
   <NA>
            С
                 <NA>
  <NA>
            C
                 <NA>
```

Predicting functional motions of a single structure

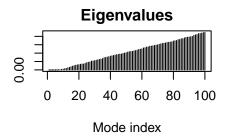
Let's read a new PDB structure, Adenylate Kinase, and perform Normal mode analysis (NMA).

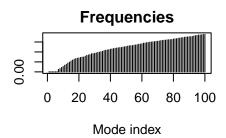
```
adk <- read.pdb("6s36")

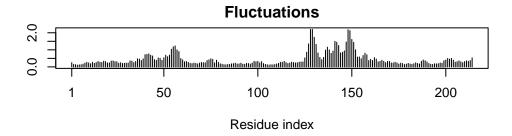
Note: Accessing on-line PDB file
PDB has ALT records, taking A only, rm.alt=TRUE

adk
```

```
Call: read.pdb(file = "6s36")
  Total Models#: 1
     Total Atoms#: 1898, XYZs#: 5694 Chains#: 1 (values: A)
     Protein Atoms#: 1654 (residues/Calpha atoms#: 214)
     Nucleic acid Atoms#: 0 (residues/phosphate atoms#: 0)
     Non-protein/nucleic Atoms#: 244 (residues: 244)
     Non-protein/nucleic resid values: [ CL (3), HOH (238), MG (2), NA (1) ]
   Protein sequence:
      MRIILLGAPGAGKGTQAQFIMEKYGIPQISTGDMLRAAVKSGSELGKQAKDIMDAGKLVT
      DELVIALVKERIAQEDCRNGFLLDGFPRTIPQADAMKEAGINVDYVLEFDVPDELIVDKI
      VGRRVHAPSGRVYHVKFNPPKVEGKDDVTGEELTTRKDDQEETVRKRLVEYHQMTAPLIG
      YYSKEAEAGNTKYAKVDGTKPVAEVRADLEKILG
+ attr: atom, xyz, seqres, helix, sheet,
        calpha, remark, call
NMA is a stuctural bioinformatic method to predict protein flexibility and potential functional
motions.
  # Perform flexibility prediction
  m <- nma(adk)
Building Hessian...
                            Done in 0.014 seconds.
Diagonalizing Hessian...
                            Done in 0.272 seconds.
  plot(m)
```







To view a "movie" of these motions we can generate a molecular "trajectory" with the mktrj() function.

Comparitive structure analysis of Adenylate Kinase

In this section we'll perform PCA on the complete collection of Adenylate Kinase structures in PDB. This is a ubiquitous enzyme that functions to maintain equilibrium of cytoplasmic nucleotides. It catalyzes the transfer of a phosphoryl from ATP to AMP, which requires a rate limiting conformational transition.

The bio3d pca() function provides a convenient interface for PCA of structure data. It can be used to capture major variations in a set of structures, making interpretation of conformational states more clear.

Overview

Search the entire PDB for structures related to 1AKE, superpose identified structures, perform PCA, and calculate normal modes of each individual structure to probe for potential differences in structural flexibility.

Setup

Have bio3d, devtools, biocmanager, msa, and bitbucket downloaded.

- Q10. Which of the packages above is found only on BioConductor and not CRAN?
- Q11. Which of the above packages is not found on BioConduction or CRAN? bio3d-view
 - Q12. True or false: Functions from the devtools package can be used to install packages from GitHub and BitBucket.

True

Search and retrieve ADK structures

Perform a blast search of the PDB database to identify related structures to ADK. Use get.seq() to fetch ADK and blast.pdb() to search.

```
library(bio3d)
  aa <- get.seq("1ake_A")</pre>
Warning in get.seq("lake_A"): Removing existing file: seqs.fasta
Fetching... Please wait. Done.
  aa
                                                                             60
              MRIILLGAPGAGKGTQAQFIMEKYGIPQISTGDMLRAAVKSGSELGKQAKDIMDAGKLVT
pdb | 1AKE | A
                                                                             60
                                                                             120
             61
pdb|1AKE|A
              DELVIALVKERIAQEDCRNGFLLDGFPRTIPQADAMKEAGINVDYVLEFDVPDELIVDRI
                                                                             120
                                                                             180
            121
pdb | 1AKE | A
              VGRRVHAPSGRVYHVKFNPPKVEGKDDVTGEELTTRKDDQEETVRKRLVEYHQMTAPLIG
```

```
121
                                                                            180
           181
                                                 214
             YYSKEAEAGNTKYAKVDGTKPVAEVRADLEKILG
pdb|1AKE|A
           181
                                                 214
Call:
  read.fasta(file = outfile)
Class:
  fasta
Alignment dimensions:
  1 sequence rows; 214 position columns (214 non-gap, 0 gap)
+ attr: id, ali, call
     Q13. How many amino acids are in this sequence?
```

There are 214 amino acids

Now use this as a query to BLAST search PDB:

```
#b <- blast.pdb(aa)
# Running the blast causes the pdf rendering to get stuck at this chunk for 5+ minutes</pre>
```

plot.blast() can be used to visualize and filter BLAST results by setting a seed position to the point of largest drop-off in normalized scores. Here we can specify only the relevant E. coli structures:

```
# Plot a summary of search results
#hits <- plot(b)</pre>
```

I got the graph of the blast results to work in R studio, but it caused the PDF rendering to get stuck for 5+ min on these chunks so I've turned it into comments here.

```
# List out some "top hits":
hits <- NULL
hits$pdb.id <- c('1AKE_A','6S36_A','6RZE_A','3HPR_A','1E4V_A','5EJE_A','1E4Y_A','3X2S_A','
head(hits$pdb.id)</pre>
```

```
[1] "1AKE_A" "6S36_A" "6RZE_A" "3HPR_A" "1E4V_A" "5EJE_A"
```

Use get.pdb() and pdbslit() to fetch and parse identified structures:

```
# Download related PDB files:
files <- get.pdb(hits$pdb.id,path="pdbs",split=TRUE,gzip=TRUE)</pre>
```

Warning in get.pdb(hits\$pdb.id, path = "pdbs", split = TRUE, gzip = TRUE): pdbs/1AKE.pdb.gz exists. Skipping download

Warning in get.pdb(hits\$pdb.id, path = "pdbs", split = TRUE, gzip = TRUE): pdbs/6S36.pdb.gz exists. Skipping download

Warning in get.pdb(hits\$pdb.id, path = "pdbs", split = TRUE, gzip = TRUE): pdbs/6RZE.pdb.gz exists. Skipping download

Warning in get.pdb(hits\$pdb.id, path = "pdbs", split = TRUE, gzip = TRUE): pdbs/3HPR.pdb.gz exists. Skipping download

Warning in get.pdb(hits\$pdb.id, path = "pdbs", split = TRUE, gzip = TRUE): pdbs/1E4V.pdb.gz exists. Skipping download

Warning in get.pdb(hits\$pdb.id, path = "pdbs", split = TRUE, gzip = TRUE): pdbs/5EJE.pdb.gz exists. Skipping download

Warning in get.pdb(hits\$pdb.id, path = "pdbs", split = TRUE, gzip = TRUE): pdbs/1E4Y.pdb.gz exists. Skipping download

Warning in get.pdb(hits\$pdb.id, path = "pdbs", split = TRUE, gzip = TRUE):
pdbs/3X2S.pdb.gz exists. Skipping download

Warning in get.pdb(hits\$pdb.id, path = "pdbs", split = TRUE, gzip = TRUE): pdbs/6HAP.pdb.gz exists. Skipping download

Warning in get.pdb(hits\$pdb.id, path = "pdbs", split = TRUE, gzip = TRUE): pdbs/6HAM.pdb.gz exists. Skipping download

```
Warning in get.pdb(hits$pdb.id, path = "pdbs", split = TRUE, gzip = TRUE):
pdbs/4K46.pdb.gz exists. Skipping download
Warning in get.pdb(hits$pdb.id, path = "pdbs", split = TRUE, gzip = TRUE):
pdbs/3GMT.pdb.gz exists. Skipping download
Warning in get.pdb(hits$pdb.id, path = "pdbs", split = TRUE, gzip = TRUE):
pdbs/4PZL.pdb.gz exists. Skipping download
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                                                                  85%
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```

Align and superpose structures

Next, use pdbaln() to align and optionally fit the identified PDB structures.

|-----| 100%

```
#Align related PDBs:
  pdbs <- pdbaln(files,fit=TRUE,exefile="msa")</pre>
Reading PDB files:
pdbs/split chain/1AKE A.pdb
pdbs/split_chain/6S36_A.pdb
pdbs/split_chain/6RZE_A.pdb
pdbs/split_chain/3HPR_A.pdb
pdbs/split_chain/1E4V_A.pdb
pdbs/split_chain/5EJE_A.pdb
pdbs/split_chain/1E4Y_A.pdb
pdbs/split_chain/3X2S_A.pdb
pdbs/split_chain/6HAP_A.pdb
pdbs/split_chain/6HAM_A.pdb
pdbs/split_chain/4K46_A.pdb
pdbs/split_chain/3GMT_A.pdb
pdbs/split_chain/4PZL_A.pdb
   PDB has ALT records, taking A only, rm.alt=TRUE
     PDB has ALT records, taking A only, rm.alt=TRUE
       PDB has ALT records, taking A only, rm.alt=TRUE
    PDB has ALT records, taking A only, rm.alt=TRUE
Extracting sequences
             name: pdbs/split_chain/1AKE_A.pdb
pdb/seq: 1
   PDB has ALT records, taking A only, rm.alt=TRUE
pdb/seq: 2
             name: pdbs/split_chain/6S36_A.pdb
   PDB has ALT records, taking A only, rm.alt=TRUE
             name: pdbs/split chain/6RZE A.pdb
pdb/seq: 3
   PDB has ALT records, taking A only, rm.alt=TRUE
pdb/seq: 4
             name: pdbs/split_chain/3HPR_A.pdb
   PDB has ALT records, taking A only, rm.alt=TRUE
pdb/seq: 5
             name: pdbs/split_chain/1E4V_A.pdb
pdb/seq: 6
             name: pdbs/split_chain/5EJE_A.pdb
   PDB has ALT records, taking A only, rm.alt=TRUE
```

pdb/seq: 7

pdb/seq: 8

name: pdbs/split_chain/1E4Y_A.pdb

name: pdbs/split_chain/3X2S_A.pdb

```
pdb/seq: 9
             name: pdbs/split_chain/6HAP_A.pdb
pdb/seq: 10
              name: pdbs/split_chain/6HAM_A.pdb
   PDB has ALT records, taking A only, rm.alt=TRUE
pdb/seq: 11
              name: pdbs/split_chain/4K46_A.pdb
   PDB has ALT records, taking A only, rm.alt=TRUE
pdb/seq: 12
              name: pdbs/split_chain/3GMT_A.pdb
pdb/seq: 13
              name: pdbs/split_chain/4PZL_A.pdb
  # Vector containing PDB codes for figure axis:
  ids <- basename.pdb(pdbs$id)</pre>
  # Draw schematic alignment:
  #plot(pdbs, labels=ids)
```

This graph also prevented R studio from rendering a PDF due to too large margins, here's an image of the graph it was creating for the html.

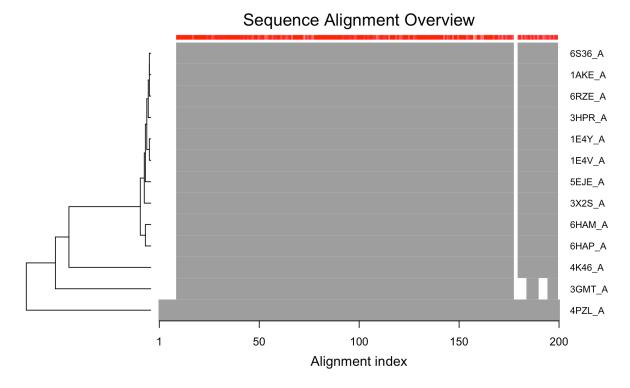


Figure 4: Alignment Graph

Annotate collected PDB structures

pdb.annotate() provides a way to annotate the PDB file, use the function to annotate each structure to its source species:

```
anno <- pdb.annotate(ids)
unique(anno$source)</pre>
```

- [1] "Escherichia coli"
- [2] "Escherichia coli K-12"
- [3] "Escherichia coli 0139:H28 str. E24377A"
- [4] "Escherichia coli str. K-12 substr. MDS42"
- [5] "Photobacterium profundum"
- [6] "Burkholderia pseudomallei 1710b"
- [7] "Francisella tularensis subsp. tularensis SCHU S4"

We can view all available annotation data:

anno

	structureId	chainId	macromo	leculeType	chainLer	ngth	experimentalTechnique
1AKE_A	1AKE	A		Protein		214	X-ray
6S36_A	6S36	A		Protein		214	X-ray
6RZE_A	6RZE	A		Protein		214	X-ray
3HPR_A	3HPR	A		Protein		214	X-ray
1E4V_A	1E4V	A		Protein		214	X-ray
5EJE_A	5EJE	A		Protein		214	X-ray
1E4Y_A	1E4Y	A		Protein		214	X-ray
3X2S_A	3X2S	A		Protein		214	X-ray
6HAP_A	6НАР	A		Protein		214	X-ray
6HAM_A	6HAM	A		Protein		214	X-ray
4K46_A	4K46	A		Protein		214	X-ray
3GMT_A	3GMT	A		Protein		230	X-ray
4PZL_A	4PZL	A		Protein		242	X-ray
	resolution	sco	pDomain				pfam
1AKE_A	2.00	Adenylate	kinase	Adenylate	kinase,	acti	ve site lid (ADK_lid)
6S36_A	1.60		<na></na>			A	denylate kinase (ADK)
6RZE_A	1.69		<na></na>	Adenylate	kinase,	acti	ve site lid (ADK_lid)
3HPR_A	2.00		<na></na>			A	denylate kinase (ADK)
1E4V_A	1.85	Adenylate	kinase			A	denylate kinase (ADK)
5EJE_A	1.90		<na></na>			A	denylate kinase (ADK)

```
1E4Y_A
             1.85 Adenylate kinase
                                                            Adenylate kinase (ADK)
3X2S_A
             2.80
                                <NA> Adenylate kinase, active site lid (ADK_lid)
             2.70
6HAP_A
                                <NA>
                                                            Adenylate kinase (ADK)
6HAM_A
             2.55
                                <NA> Adenylate kinase, active site lid (ADK_lid)
                                <NA>
                                                            Adenylate kinase (ADK)
4K46 A
             2.01
3GMT A
             2.10
                                <NA>
                                                            Adenylate kinase (ADK)
4PZL A
             2.10
                                <NA>
                                                            Adenylate kinase (ADK)
                ligandId
1AKE A
                     AP5
6S36_A CL (3), NA, MG (2)
6RZE_A
          NA (3),CL (2)
3HPR_A
                     AP5
                     AP5
1E4V_A
                  AP5,CO
5EJE_A
1E4Y_A
                     AP5
3X2S_A
         JPY (2), AP5, MG
6HAP_A
                     AP5
6HAM_A
                     AP5
4K46_A
            ADP, AMP, PO4
3GMT A
                 SO4 (2)
4PZL A
             CA, FMT, GOL
                                                                                  ligandName
1AKE A
                                                          BIS (ADENOSINE) -5'-PENTAPHOSPHATE
6S36 A
                                            CHLORIDE ION (3), SODIUM ION, MAGNESIUM ION (2)
6RZE_A
                                                           SODIUM ION (3), CHLORIDE ION (2)
3HPR_A
                                                          BIS (ADENOSINE) -5'-PENTAPHOSPHATE
1E4V_A
                                                          BIS (ADENOSINE) -5'-PENTAPHOSPHATE
5EJE_A
                                         BIS(ADENOSINE)-5'-PENTAPHOSPHATE, COBALT (II) ION
1E4Y A
                                                          BIS (ADENOSINE) -5'-PENTAPHOSPHATE
3X2S_A N-(pyren-1-ylmethyl)acetamide (2),BIS(ADENOSINE)-5'-PENTAPHOSPHATE,MAGNESIUM ION
6HAP_A
                                                          BIS (ADENOSINE) -5'-PENTAPHOSPHATE
6HAM_A
                                                          BIS (ADENOSINE) -5'-PENTAPHOSPHATE
                          ADENOSINE-5'-DIPHOSPHATE, ADENOSINE MONOPHOSPHATE, PHOSPHATE ION
4K46_A
3GMT_A
                                                                             SULFATE ION (2)
4PZL A
                                                          CALCIUM ION, FORMIC ACID, GLYCEROL
                                                    source
1AKE A
                                         Escherichia coli
6S36 A
                                         Escherichia coli
6RZE_A
                                         Escherichia coli
                                    Escherichia coli K-12
3HPR_A
1E4V_A
                                         Escherichia coli
                  Escherichia coli 0139:H28 str. E24377A
5EJE_A
1E4Y_A
                                         Escherichia coli
```

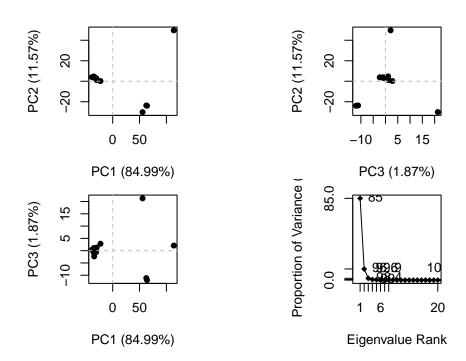
```
3X2S_A
               Escherichia coli str. K-12 substr. MDS42
                 Escherichia coli 0139:H28 str. E24377A
6HAP_A
6HAM_A
                                  Escherichia coli K-12
4K46_A
                               Photobacterium profundum
                        Burkholderia pseudomallei 1710b
3GMT A
4PZL_A Francisella tularensis subsp. tularensis SCHU S4
1AKE_A STRUCTURE OF THE COMPLEX BETWEEN ADENYLATE KINASE FROM ESCHERICHIA COLI AND THE INHIB
6S36 A
6RZE_A
3HPR_A
1E4V_A
5EJE_A
                                                                                          Crys
1E4Y_A
3X2S_A
6HAP_A
6HAM_A
4K46_A
3GMT_A
4PZL A
                                                                                     The crys
                                                      citation rObserved
                                                                           rFree
1AKE A
                       Muller, C.W., et al. J Mol Biol (1992)
                                                                 0.19600
6S36_A
                        Rogne, P., et al. Biochemistry (2019)
                                                                 0.16320 0.23560
                        Rogne, P., et al. Biochemistry (2019)
6RZE_A
                                                                 0.18650 0.23500
3HPR_A
       Schrank, T.P., et al. Proc Natl Acad Sci U S A (2009)
                                                                 0.21000 0.24320
                         Muller, C.W., et al. Proteins (1993)
1E4V_A
                                                                 0.19600
5EJE_A Kovermann, M., et al. Proc Natl Acad Sci U S A (2017)
                                                                 0.18890 0.23580
                         Muller, C.W., et al. Proteins (1993)
1E4Y_A
                                                                 0.17800
                      Fujii, A., et al. Bioconjug Chem (2015)
3X2S_A
                                                                 0.20700 0.25600
6HAP_A
                     Kantaev, R., et al. J Phys Chem B (2018)
                                                                 0.22630 0.27760
6HAM_A
                     Kantaev, R., et al. J Phys Chem B (2018)
                                                                 0.20511 0.24325
4K46_A
                          Cho, Y.-J., et al. To be published
                                                                 0.17000 0.22290
3GMT_A Buchko, G.W., et al. Biochem Biophys Res Commun (2010)
                                                                 0.23800 0.29500
                             Tan, K., et al. To be published
                                                                 0.19360 0.23680
4PZL_A
         rWork spaceGroup
1AKE_A 0.19600 P 21 2 21
6S36_A 0.15940
                  C 1 2 1
6RZE_A 0.18190
                  C 1 2 1
3HPR_A 0.20620 P 21 21 2
1E4V_A 0.19600 P 21 2 21
5EJE_A 0.18630 P 21 2 21
1E4Y_A 0.17800
                 P 1 21 1
3X2S_A 0.20700 P 21 21 21
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6HAP_A 0.22370 I 2 2 2
6HAM_A 0.20311 P 43
4K46_A 0.16730 P 21 21 21
3GMT_A 0.23500 P 1 21 1
4PZL_A 0.19130 P 32
```

PCA

Perform a PCA on the structure ensemble with pca.xyz() or pca():

```
pc.xray <- pca(pdbs)
plot(pc.xray)</pre>
```



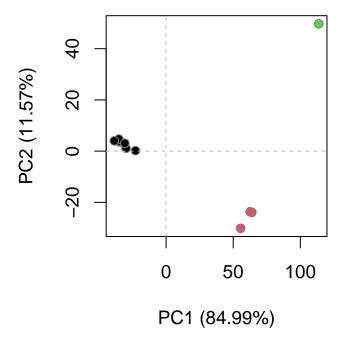
rmsd() will calculate all pairwise RMSD values of the structural ensemble. This fascilitates clustering analysis based on the pairwise structural deviation:

```
# Calculate RMSD
rd <- rmsd(pdbs)</pre>
```

Warning in rmsd(pdbs): No indices provided, using the 204 non NA positions

```
# Structure-based clustering
hc.rd <- hclust(dist(rd))
grps.rd <- cutree(hc.rd,k=3)

plot(pc.xray,1:2,col="grey50",bg=grps.rd,pch=21,cex=1)</pre>
```



This shows a conformer plot, representing the conformational variability between the ensemble of PDB structures. It projects their structures onto two selected PCs, displaying the interconformer relationship in terms of differences described by the selected PCs.