Class 09: Structural Bioinformatics (pt.1)

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The PDB database

The main database for structural biology is called the PDB. Let's have a look at what is contains:

Download a CSV file from the PDB site (accessible from "Analyze" > "PDB Statistics" > "by Experimental Method and Molecular Type"

```
stats <- read.csv("Data Export Summary.csv")
stats
```

```
           Molecular.Type   X.ray     EM    NMR Integrative Multiple.methods
1          Protein (only) 176,204 20,299 12,708         342               218
2 Protein/Oligosaccharide  10,279  3,385     34           8                11
3              Protein/NA   9,007  5,897    287          24                 7
4     Nucleic acid (only)   3,066    200  1,553           2                15
5                   Other     173     13     33           3                 0
6  Oligosaccharide (only)      11      0      6           0                 1
  Neutron Other   Total
1      83    32 209,886
2       1     0  13,718
3       0     0  15,222
4       3     1   4,840
5       0     0     222
6       0     4      22
```

```
stats$Total
```

```
[1] "209,886" "13,718"  "15,222"  "4,840"   "222"     "22"
```

Oh, these characters are not numeric...

```
as.numeric( sub(",", "", stats$Total))
```

```
[1] 209886  13718  15222   4840    222     22
```

```
library(readr)

stats <- read_csv("Data Export Summary.csv")
stats
```

```
# A tibble: 6 x 9
  `Molecular Type`    `X-ray`    EM   NMR Integrative `Multiple methods` Neutron
  <chr>                 <dbl> <dbl> <dbl>       <dbl>               <dbl>   <dbl>
1 Protein (only)       176204 20299 12708         342                 218      83
2 Protein/Oligosacch~   10279  3385    34           8                  11       1
3 Protein/NA             9007  5897   287          24                   7       0
4 Nucleic acid (only)    3066   200  1553           2                  15       3
5 Other                   173    13    33           3                   0       0
6 Oligosaccharide (o~      11     0     6           0                   1       0
# i 2 more variables: Other <dbl>, Total <dbl>
```

```
n.total <- sum(stats$Total)
n.total
```

```
[1] 243910
```

```
sum(stats$Neutron)
```

```
[1] 87
```

> Q1: What percentage of structures in the PDB are solved by X-Ray and Electron Microscopy. Give your ansmwer to 2 significant figures.

```
n.xray <- sum(stats$`X-ray`)
p.xray <- n.xray / n.total * 100
round(p.xray, 2)
```

```
[1] 81.48
```

```
n.em <- sum(stats$`EM`)
p.em <- n.em / n.total * 100
round(p.em, 2)
```

```
[1] 12.22
```

There are 81.48 percent Xray structures in the PDB

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

```
round( stats$Total[1]/n.total * 100, 2)
```

```
[1] 86.05
```

Exploring PDB structures

Package for structural bioinformatics

```
library(bio3d)

hiv <- read.pdb("1hsg")
```

```
  Note: Accessing on-line PDB file
```

```
hiv
```

```

 Call:  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
```

Let's first use the Mol* viewer to explore this structure.

Figure 1: My first view of HIV-Pr

And a view of the ligand (ball and stick) with catalytic ASP 25 amino-acids (spacefull)

PDB objects in R

```
head(hiv$atom)
```

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

Extract the sequence

```
pdbseq(hiv)
```

```
  1   2   3   4   5   6   7   8   9  10  11  12  13  14  15  16  17  18  19  20
"P" "Q" "I" "T" "L" "W" "Q" "R" "P" "L" "V" "T" "I" "K" "I" "G" "G" "Q" "L" "K"
 21  22  23  24  25  26  27  28  29  30  31  32  33  34  35  36  37  38  39  40
"E" "A" "L" "L" "D" "T" "G" "A" "D" "D" "T" "V" "L" "E" "E" "M" "S" "L" "P" "G"
 41  42  43  44  45  46  47  48  49  50  51  52  53  54  55  56  57  58  59  60
"R" "W" "K" "P" "K" "M" "I" "G" "G" "I" "G" "G" "F" "I" "K" "V" "R" "Q" "Y" "D"
 61  62  63  64  65  66  67  68  69  70  71  72  73  74  75  76  77  78  79  80
"Q" "I" "L" "I" "E" "I" "C" "G" "H" "K" "A" "I" "G" "T" "V" "L" "V" "G" "P" "T"
 81  82  83  84  85  86  87  88  89  90  91  92  93  94  95  96  97  98  99   1
"P" "V" "N" "I" "I" "G" "R" "N" "L" "L" "T" "Q" "I" "G" "C" "T" "L" "N" "F" "P"
  2   3   4   5   6   7   8   9  10  11  12  13  14  15  16  17  18  19  20  21
"Q" "I" "T" "L" "W" "Q" "R" "P" "L" "V" "T" "I" "K" "I" "G" "G" "Q" "L" "K" "E"
 22  23  24  25  26  27  28  29  30  31  32  33  34  35  36  37  38  39  40  41
"A" "L" "L" "D" "T" "G" "A" "D" "D" "T" "V" "L" "E" "E" "M" "S" "L" "P" "G" "R"
```

```
 42  43  44  45  46  47  48  49  50  51  52  53  54  55  56  57  58  59  60  61
"W" "K" "P" "K" "M" "I" "G" "G" "I" "G" "G" "F" "I" "K" "V" "R" "Q" "Y" "D" "Q"
 62  63  64  65  66  67  68  69  70  71  72  73  74  75  76  77  78  79  80  81
"I" "L" "I" "E" "I" "C" "G" "H" "K" "A" "I" "G" "T" "V" "L" "V" "G" "P" "T" "P"
 82  83  84  85  86  87  88  89  90  91  92  93  94  95  96  97  98  99
"V" "N" "I" "I" "G" "R" "N" "L" "L" "T" "Q" "I" "G" "C" "T" "L" "N" "F"
```

```
chainA_seq <- pdbseq(trim.pdb(hiv, chain="A"))
```

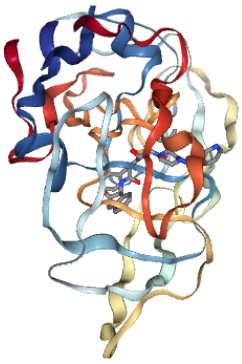
I can interactively view these PDB objects in R with the new **bio3dview** package. This is not yet on CRAN

To install this I can setup **pak** package and use it to install **bio3dview** from GitHub. In my console I first run

install.packages("pak") pak::pak("bioboot/bio3dview") install.packages("NGLVieweR")

```
library(bio3dview)
library(NGLVieweR)

view.pdb(hiv) |>
  setSpin()
```

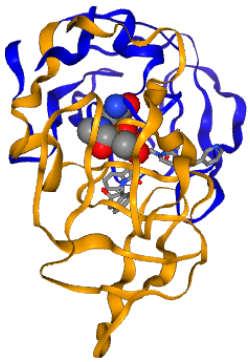
```
PhantomJS not found. You can install it with webshot::install_phantomjs(). If it is installe

file:////private/var/folders/x1/9bbvsbhn3vs151vy2jr02xb40000gn/T/RtmpnOq3RR/file10f4a734e4c6
```



Change some settings

```
sel <- atom.select(hiv, resno = 25)

view.pdb(hiv, highlight = sel,
         highlight.style = "spacefill",
         colorScheme="chain",
         col=c("blue", "orange"),
         backgroundColor= "pink")
```

file:////private/var/folders/x1/9bbvsbhn3vs151vy2jr02xb40000gn/T/RtmpnOq3RR/file10f4a511336d/



Predict protein flexibility

We can run a bioinformatics calculation to predict protein dynamics - i.e. functional motions.

We will use the `nma()` function:

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

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

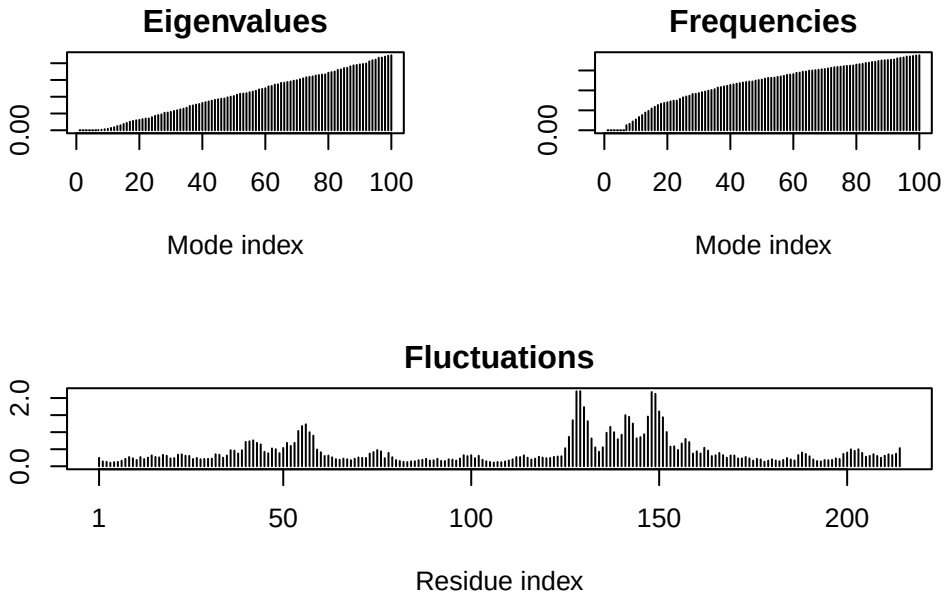
```
adk
```

```
 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
```

```
m <- nma(adk)
```

```
 Building Hessian...        Done in 0.012 seconds.
 Diagonalizing Hessian...   Done in 0.275 seconds.
```

```
plot(m)
```



Generate a "trajectory" of predicted motion

```
mktrj(m, file="ADK_nma.pdb")
```

```
view.nma(m)
```

```
file:////private/var/folders/x1/9bbvsbhn3vs151vy2jr02xb40000gn/T/RtmpnOq3RR/file10f4a3c3168c1
```