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COARSE GRAINED MODEL UTILITIES

The foldamers package uses “CGModel()” objects to define and store information about the properties of coarse grained models.

1.1 ‘basic_cgmodel’: a simple function to build coarse grained homopolymers

Shown below is the ‘basic_cgmodel’ function, which requires a minimal set of input arguments to build a coarse grained homopolymer model.

```
cg_model.cgmodel.basic_cgmodel (polymer_length=12,                back-
                                bone_length=1,                sidechain_length=1,
                                sidechain_positions=[0],
                                mass=Quantity(value=100.0, unit=dalton),
                                bond_length=Quantity(value=0.75,
                                unit=nanometer),
                                sigma=Quantity(value=1.85,
                                unit=nanometer),                ep-
                                silon=Quantity(value=0.5,
                                unit=kilocalorie/mole), positions=None)
```

Parameters

- **polymer_length** (*int*) – Number of monomer units, default = 8
- **backbone_length** (*int*) – Number of beads in the backbone for individual monomers within a coarse grained model, default = 1
- **sidechain_length** (*int*) – Number of beads in the sidechain for individual monomers within a coarse grained model, default = 1
- **sidechain_positions** (*List (int)*) – Designates the indices of backbone beads upon which we will place sidechains, default = [0] (add a sidechain to the first backbone bead in each monomer)

- **mass** (`Quantity()`) – Mass for all coarse grained beads, default = 100.0 * unit.amu
- **bond_length** – Defines the length for all bond types, default = 7.5 * unit.angstrom
- **sigma** – Lennard-Jones equilibrium interaction distance (by default, calculated for particles that are separated by 3 or more bonds), default = 18.5 * bond_length (for all interaction types)
- **epsilon** – Lennard-Jones equilibrium interaction energy (by default, calculated for particles that are separated by 3 or more bonds), default = 0.5 * unit.kilocalorie_per_mole
- **positions** – Positions for coarse grained particles in the model, default = None

Returns

- cgmodel (class) - CGModel() class object

..warning :: this function has significant limitations, in comparison with building a coarse grained model with the CGModel() class. In particular, this function makes it more difficult to build heteropolymers, and is best-suited for the simulation of homopolymers.

Example

```
>>> from simtk import unit
>>> polymer_length = 20
>>> backbone_length = 1
>>> sidechain_length = 1
>>> sidechain_positions = [0]
>>> mass = 100.0 * unit.amu
>>> bond_length=0.75 * unit.nanometer
>>> sigma=1.85*unit.nanometer
>>> epsilon=0.5 * unit.kilocalorie_per_mole
>>> cgmodel = basic_cgmodel(polymer_length=polymer_length, backbone_
    ↳length=backbone_length, sidechain_length=sidechain_length,
    ↳sidechain_positions=sidechain_positions, mass=mass, bond_
    ↳length=bond_length, sigma=sigma, epsilon=epsilon)
```

1.2 Using the ‘CGModel()’ class to build coarse grained heteropolymers

Shown below is a detailed description of the ‘CGModel()’ class object, as well as some of examples demonstrating how to use its functions and attributes.

```
class cg_model.cgmodel.CGModel(positions=None, polymer_length=12, backbone_lengths=[1], sidechain_lengths=[1], sidechain_positions=[0], masses={'backbone_bead_masses': Quantity(value=100.0, unit=dalton), 'sidechain_bead_masses': Quantity(value=100.0, unit=dalton)}, sigmas={'bb_bb_sigma': Quantity(value=1.875, unit=nanometer), 'bb_sc_sigma': Quantity(value=1.875, unit=nanometer), 'sc_sc_sigma': Quantity(value=1.875, unit=nanometer)}, epsilons={'bb_bb_eps': Quantity(value=0.05, unit=kilocalorie/mole), 'sc_sc_eps': Quantity(value=0.05, unit=kilocalorie/mole)}, bond_lengths={'bb_bb_bond_length': Quantity(value=0.75, unit=nanometer), 'bb_sc_bond_length': Quantity(value=0.75, unit=nanometer), 'sc_sc_bond_length': Quantity(value=0.75, unit=nanometer)}, bond_force_constants=None, bond_angle_force_constants=None, torsion_force_constants=None, equil_bond_angles=None, equil_torsion_angles=None, charges=None, constrain_bonds=True, include_bond_forces=False, include_nonbonded_forces=True, include_bond_angle_forces=True, include_torsion_forces=True, check_energy_conservation=True, use_structure_library=False, heteropolymer=False, monomer_types=None, sequence=None, random_positions=False)
```

Build a coarse grained model class object.

Example

```
>>> from foldamers.cg_model.cgmodel import CGModel
>>> cgmodel = CGModel()
```

Example

```
>>> from foldamers.cg_model.cgmodel import CGModel
>>> from simtk import unit
>>> bond_length = 7.5 * unit.angstrom
>>> bond_lengths = {'bb_bb_bond_length': bond_length, 'bb_sc_bond_
↳length': bond_length, 'sc_sc_bond_length': bond_length}
>>> constrain_bonds = False
>>> cgmodel = CGModel(bond_lengths=bond_lengths, constrain_
↳bonds=constrain_bonds)
```

Example

```
>>> from foldamers.cg_model.cgmodel import CGModel
>>> from simtk import unit
>>> backbone_length=1
>>> sidechain_length=1
>>> sidechain_positions=0
>>> bond_length = 7.5 * unit.angstrom
>>> sigma = 2.0 * bond_length
>>> epsilon = 0.2 * unit.kilocalorie_per_mole
>>> sigmas = {'bb_bb_sigma': sigma, 'sc_sc_sigma': sigma}
>>> epsilons = {'bb_bb_eps': epsilon, 'bb_sc_eps': epsilon, 'sc_sc_
↳eps': epsilon}
>>> A = {'monomer_name': "A", 'backbone_length': backbone_length,
↳'sidechain_length': sidechain_length, 'sidechain_positions':_
↳sidechain_positions, 'num_beads': num_beads, 'bond_lengths':_
↳bond_lengths, 'epsilons': epsilons, 'sigmas': sigmas}
>>> B = {'monomer_name': "B", 'backbone_length': backbone_length,
↳'sidechain_length': sidechain_length, 'sidechain_positions':_
↳sidechain_positions, 'num_beads': num_beads, 'bond_lengths':_
↳bond_lengths, 'epsilons': epsilons, 'sigmas': sigmas}
>>> monomer_types = [A,B]
>>> sequence = [A,A,A,B,A,A,A,B,A,A,A,B]
>>> cgmodel = CGModel(heteropolymer=True, monomer_types=monomer_
↳types, sequence=sequence)
```

`get_all_particle_masses()`

Returns a list of all unique particle masses

Parameters `CGModel` (*class*) – `CGModel()` class object

Returns

- `list_of_masses (List(Quantity()))` - List of unique particle masses

get_bond_angle_force_constant (*particle_1_index*, *particle_2_index*, *particle_3_index*)

Determines the correct bond angle force constant for a bond angle between three particles, given their indices within the coarse grained model

param CGModel CGModel() class object

type CGModel class

param particle_1_index Index for the first particle

type particle_1_index int

param particle_2_index Index for the second particle

type particle_2_index int

param particle_3_index Index for the third particle

type particle_3_index int

returns

- `bond_angle_force_constant (Quantity() <

tk.unit.quantity.Quantity.html>‘_ \) - The assigned bond angle force constant for the provided particles`

get_bond_angle_list ()

Construct a list of bond angles, which can be used to build bond angle potentials for the coarse grained model

Parameters CGModel (*class*) – CGModel() class object

Returns

- `bond_angles (List(List(int, int, int)))` - A list of indices for all of the bond angles in the coarse grained model

get_bond_force_constant (*particle_1_index*, *particle_2_index*)

Determines the correct bond force constant for two particles, given their indices

Parameters

- **CGModel** (*class*) – CGModel() class object
- **particle_1_index** (*int*) – Index for the first particle
- **particle_2_index** (*int*) – Index for the second particle

Returns

- `bond_force_constant (Quantity())` - The assigned bond force constant for the provided particles

get_bond_length (*particle_1_index, particle_2_index*)

Determines the correct bond length for two particles, given their indices.

param CGModel `CGModel()` class object

type CGModel class

param particle_1_index Index for the first particle

type particle_1_index int

param particle_2_index Index for the second particle

type particle_2_index int

returns

- `bond_length ('Quantity()' <https://docs.openmm.org/development/api-python/generated/simtk.unit.quantity.Quantity.html>')` - The assigned bond length for the provided particles

get_bond_length_from_names (*particle_1_name, particle_2_name*)

Determines the correct bond length for two particles, given their symbols.

param CGModel `CGModel()` class object

type CGModel class

param particle_1_name Name for the first particle

type particle_1_name str

param particle_2_name Name for the second particle

type particle_2_name str

returns

- `bond_length ('Quantity()' <https://docs.openmm.org/development/api-python/generated/simtk.unit.quantity.Quantity.html>')` - The assigned bond length for the provided particles

get_bond_list ()

Construct a bond list for the coarse grained model

Parameters **CGModel** (*class*) – `CGModel()` class object

Returns

- `bond_list (List(List(int, int)))` - A list of the bonds in the coarse grained model.

get_epsilon (*particle_index*, *particle_type=None*)

Returns the Lennard-Jones potential epsilon value for a particle, given its index within the coarse grained model.

param CGModel CGModel() class object

type CGModel class

param particle_index Index of the particle for which we would like to determine the type

type particle_index int

param particle_type Designates a particle as “backbone” or “sidechain”

type particle_type str

returns

- epsilon (`Quantity()` <<https://docs.openmm.org/development/api-python/generated/simtk.unit.quantity.Quantity.h>

tml>‘_’) - The assigned Lennard-Jones epsilon value for the provided particle index

get_equil_bond_angle (*particle_1_index*, *particle_2_index*, *particle_3_index*)

Determines the correct equilibrium bond angle between three particles, given their indices within the coarse grained model

Parameters

- **CGModel** (*class*) – CGModel() class object
- **particle_1_index** (*int*) – Index for the first particle
- **particle_2_index** (*int*) – Index for the second particle
- **particle_3_index** (*int*) – Index for the third particle

Returns

- **equil_bond_angle** (float) - The assigned equilibrium bond angle for the provided particles

get_equil_torsion_angle (*torsion*)

Determines the correct equilibrium angle for a torsion (bond angle involving four particles), given their indices within the coarse grained model

Parameters

- **CGModel** (*class*) – CGModel() class object
- **torsion** (*List(int)*) – A list of the indices for the particles in a torsion

Returns

- `equil_torsion_angle` (float) - The assigned equilibrium torsion angle for the provided particles

`get_monomer_types()`

Get a list of 'monomer_types' for all unique monomers.

param `CGModel` `CGModel()` class object

type `CGModel` class

returns

- `monomer_types` (`List(dict('monomer_name': str, 'backbone_length': int, 'sidechain_length': int, 'sidechain_positions': List(int), 'num_beads': int, 'bond_lengths': List(Quantity\(\)), 'epsilons': List(Quantity\(\)), 'sigmas': List(Quantity\(\))))`) - A list of unique monomer types in the coarse grained model

`get_nonbonded_exclusion_list()`

Get a list of the nonbonded interaction exclusions, which are assigned if two particles are separated by less than three bonds

Parameters `CGModel` (*class*) – `CGModel()` class object

Returns

- `exclusion_list` (`List(List(int, int))`) - A list of the nonbonded particle interaction exclusions for the coarse grained model

`get_nonbonded_interaction_list()`

Construct a nonbonded interaction list for the coarse grained model

Parameters `CGModel` (*class*) – `CGModel()` class object

Returns

- `interaction_list` (`List(List(int, int))`) - A list of the nonbonded interactions (which don't violate exclusion rules) in the coarse grained model

`get_num_beads()`

Calculate the number of beads in a coarse grained model class object

Parameters `CGModel` (*class*) – `CGModel()` class object

Returns

- `num_beads` (int) - The total number of beads in the coarse grained model

`get_particle_charge(particle_index)`

Returns the charge for a particle, given its index within the coarse grained model

param CGModel CGModel() class object

type CGModel class

param particle_index Index of the particle for which we would like to determine the type

type particle_index int

returns

- particle_charge (`Quantity()` <https://docs.openmm.org/development/api-python/generated/simtk.unit.quantity.Quantity.h>

tml>'_) - The charge for the provided particle index

get_particle_list()

Get a list of particles, where the indices correspond to those in the system/topology.

Parameters **CGModel** (*class*) – CGModel() class object

Returns

- particle_list (`List(str)`) - A list of unique particles in the coarse grained model

get_particle_mass (*particle_index*)

Get the mass for a particle, given its index within the coarse grained model

param CGModel CGModel() class object

type CGModel class

param particle_index Index of the particle for which we would like to determine the type

type particle_index int

returns

- particle_mass (`Quantity()` <https://docs.openmm.org/development/api-python/generated/simtk.unit.quantity.Quantity.h>

tml>'_) - The mass for the provided particle index

get_particle_name (*particle_index*)

Returns the name of a particle, given its index within the model

Parameters

- **CGModel** (*class*) – CGModel() class object
- **particle_index** (*int*) – Index of the particle for which we would like to determine the type

Returns

- **particle_name** (*str*) - The name of the particle

get_particle_type (*particle_index*, *particle_name=None*)

Indicates if a particle is a backbone bead or a sidechain bead

Parameters

- **CGModel** (*class*) – CGModel() class object
- **particle_index** (*int*) – Index of the particle for which we would like to determine the type
- **particle_name** (*str*) – Name of the particle that we would like to “type”.

Returns

- **particle_type** (*str*) - ‘backbone’ or ‘sidechain’

get_sigma (*particle_index*, *particle_type=None*)

Returns the Lennard-Jones potential sigma value for a particle, given its index within the coarse grained model.

Parameters

- **CGModel** (*class*) – CGModel() class object
- **particle_index** (*int*) – Index of the particle for which we would like to determine the type
- **particle_type** (*str*) – Designates a particle as “backbone” or “sidechain”

Returns

- **sigma** (*Quantity()*) - The assigned Lennard-Jones sigma value for the provided particle index

get_torsion_force_constant (*torsion*)

Determines the correct torsion force constant for a torsion (bond angle involving four particles), given their indices within the coarse grained model

param CGModel CGModel() class object

type CGModel class

param torsion A list of the indices for the particles in a torsion

type `torsion` `List(int)`

returns

- `torsion_force_constant` (`'Quantity()` [https://docs.openmm.org/development/api-python/generated/simtk.](https://docs.openmm.org/development/api-python/generated/simtk.unit.quantity.Quantity.html)

`unit.quantity.Quantity.html>'_)` - The assigned torsion force constant for the provided particles

get_torsion_list ()

Construct a list of particle indices from which to define torsions for the coarse grained model

Parameters `CGModel` (*class*) – `CGModel()` class object

Returns

- `torsions` (`List(List(int, int, int, int)))` - A list of the particle indices for the torsions in the coarse grained model

nonbonded_interaction_list = `None`

Initialize new (coarse grained) particle types:

ENSEMBLE BUILDING TOOLS

The `foldamers` package contains several tools for building conformational ensembles. The `MDTraj` and `MSMBuilder` packages are leveraged to perform structural analyses in order to identify poses that are structurally similar.

2.1 Using MSMBuilder to generate conformational ensembles

The `foldamers` package allows the user to apply K-means clustering tools from `MSMBuilder` in order to search for ensembles of poses that are structurally similar. The centroid configurations for individual clusters are used as a reference, and ensembles are defined by including all structures that fall below an RMSD positions threshold (<2 Angstroms).

2.2 Native structure-based ensemble generation tools

The `foldamers` package allows the user to build “native” and “nonnative” structural ensembles, and to evaluate their energetic differences with the Z-score. These tools require identification of a “native” structure.

```
ensembles.ens_build.get_ensembles(cgmodel, native_structure, ensemble_size=None)

ensembles.ens_build.get_native_ensemble(cgmodel, native_structure,
                                         ensemble_size=10, native_fraction_cutoff=0.9,
                                         rmsd_cutoff=10.0, ensemble_build_method='native_contacts')
```

```
ensembles.ens_build.get_nonnative_ensemble (cgmodel, native_structure,
                                             ensemble_size=100, na-
                                             tive_fraction_cutoff=0.75,
                                             rmsd_cutoff=10.0, ensem-
                                             ble_build_method='native_contacts')
```

```
ensembles.ens_build.z_score (topology, system, nonnative_ensemble_energies,
                             native_ensemble_energies)
```

Given an ensemble of nonnative structures, and a low-energy (“native”) structure, this sub-routine will calculate the Z-score.

nonnative_ensemble: List(positions(np.array(float * simtk.unit (shape = num_beads x 3)))

A list of the positions for all members in the high_energy ensemble.

native_structure: positions(np.array(float * simtk.unit (shape = num_beads x 3))

The positions for a low energy structure.

2.3 Energy-based ensemble generation tools

The foldamers package allows the user to build structural ensembles that exhibit similar energies. Shown below are tools that enable energy-based ensemble generation.

```
ensembles.ens_build.get_ensemble (cgmodel, ensemble_size=100,
                                  high_energy=False, low_energy=False)
```

Given a coarse grained model, this function generates an ensemble of high energy configurations and, by default, saves this ensemble to the foldamers/ensembles database for future reference/use, if a high-energy ensemble with these settings does not already exist.

Parameters

- **cgmodel** (*class*) – CGModel() class object.
- **ensemble_size** (*integer*) – Number of structures to generate for this ensemble, default = 100
- **high_energy** (*Logical*) – If set to ‘True’, this function will generate an ensemble of high-energy structures, default = False
- **low_energy** (*Logical*) – If set to ‘True’, this function will generate an ensemble of low-energy structures, default = False

Returns

- ensemble (List(positions(np.array(float*simtk.unit (shape = num_beads x 3)))) - A list of the positions for all members in the ensemble.

```
ensembles.ens_build.test_energy (energy)
```

Given an energy, this function determines if that energy is too large to be “physical”. This function is used to determine if the user-defined input parameters for a coarse grained model give a reasonable potential function.

Parameters **energy** ([Quantity\(\)](#) or float) – The energy to test.

Returns

- `pass_energy_test (Logical)` - A variable indicating if the energy passed (“True”) or failed (“False”) a “sanity” test for the model’s energy.

```
ensembles.ens_build.improve_ensemble (energy,      positions,      ensemble,
                                       ensemble_energies,  unchanged_
                                       iterations)
```

Given an energy and positions for a single pose, as well as the same data for a reference ensemble, this function “improves” the quality of the ensemble by identifying poses with the lowest potential energy.

Parameters

- **energy** – The energy for a pose.
- **positions** – Positions for coarse grained particles in the model, default = None
- **ensemble** (`List(positions(np.array(float*simtk.unit (shape = num_beads x 3))))`) – A group of similar poses.
- **ensemble_energies** – A list of energies for a conformational ensemble.
- **unchanged_iterations** (`int`) – The number of iterations for which the ensemble has gone unchanged.

Returns

- `ensemble (List(positions(np.array(float*simtk.unit (shape = num_beads x 3))))`) - A list of the positions for all members in the ensemble.
- `ensemble_energies (List(Quantity\(\)))` - A list of the energies that were stored in the PDB files for the ensemble, if any.
- `unchanged_iterations (int)` - The number of iterations for which the ensemble has gone unchanged.

2.4 Writing and reading ensemble data from the ‘foldamers’ database

The foldamers package is designed to store the low-energy poses from simulation runs of new (previously un-modelled) coarse grained representations. At present, the package does not enable storage of heteropolymers, in order to minimize the size of the database. For homopolymers, the syntax for assigning directory names for coarse grained model data is as follows:

```
directory_name = str( "foldamers/ensembles/" + str(polymer_length) + "_" + str(backbone_length)
+ "_" + str(sidechain_length) + "_" + str(sidechain_positions) + "_" + str(bb_bb_bond_length) + "_"
+ str(sc_bb_bond_length) + "_" + str(sc_sc_bond_length) )
```

For example, the directory name for a model with 20 monomers, all of which contain one backbone bead and one sidechain bead, and whose bond lengths are all 7.5 Angstroms, would be: "foldamers/ensembles/20_1_1_0_7.5_7.5_7.5".

The following functions are used to read and write ensemble data to the foldamers database (located in 'foldamers/ensembles').

```
ensembles.ens_build.get_ensemble_directory (cgmodel, ensemble_type=None)
```

Given a CGModel() class object, this function uses its attributes to assign an ensemble directory name.

For example, the directory name for a model with 20 monomers, all of which contain one backbone bead and one sidechain bead, and whose bond lengths are all 7.5 Angstroms, would be: "foldamers/ensembles/20_1_1_0_7.5_7.5_7.5".

Parameters

- **cgmodel** (*class*) – CGModel() class object
- **ensemble_type** (*str*) – Designates the type of ensemble for which we will assign a directory name. default = None. Valid options include: "native" and "nonnative"

Returns

- **ensemble_directory** (*str*) - The path/name for the ensemble directory.

```
ensembles.ens_build.write_ensemble_pdb (cgmodel, ensemble_directory=None)
```

Given a CGModel() class object that contains positions, this function writes a PDB file for the coarse grained model, using those positions.

Parameters

- **cgmodel** (*class*) – CGModel() class object
- **ensemble_directory** (*str*) – Path to a folder containing PDB files, default = None

Warning: If no 'ensemble_directory' is provided, the

```
ensembles.ens_build.get_pdb_list (ensemble_directory)
```

Given an 'ensemble_directory', this function retrieves a list of the PDB files within it.

Parameters **ensemble_directory** (*str*) – Path to a folder containing PDB files

Returns

- `pdb_list (List(str))` - A list of the PDB files in the provided 'ensemble_directory'.

`ensembles.ens_build.get_ensemble_data (cgmodel, ensemble_directory)`

Given a `CGModel()` class object and an 'ensemble_directory', this function reads the PDB files within that directory, as well as any energy data those files contain.

Parameters

- `cgmodel (class)` – `CGModel()` class object
- `ensemble_directory (str)` – The path/name of the directory where PDB files for this ensemble are stored

Returns

- `ensemble (List(positions(np.array(float*simtk.unit (shape = num_beads x 3)))))` - A list of the positions for all members in the ensemble.
- `ensemble_energies (List(Quantity()))` - A list of the energies that were stored in the PDB files for the ensemble, if any.

Warning: When energies are written to a PDB file, only the sigma and epsilon values for the model are written to the file with the positions. Unless the user is confident about the model parameters that were used to generate the energies in the PDB files, it is probably best to re-calculate their energies. This can be done with the 'cg_openmm' package. More specifically, one can compute an updated energy for individual ensemble members, with the current coarse grained model parameters, with 'get_mm_energy', a function in 'cg_openmm/cg_openmm/simulation/tools.py'.

PARAMETER ANALYSIS TOOLS FOR COARSE GRAINED MODELING

The ‘foldamers’ package allows wide-ranging parameter analyses for a coarse grained model. In particular, the package contains tools to analyze quantities that reflect secondary structure, including: 1) the fraction of native contacts, 2) the orientational ordering parameter ‘P2’, and 3) using kHelios, helical order parameters such as the pitch.

3.1 How to

Shown below are functions/tools used in order to calculate the heat capacity with pymbar.

THERMODYNAMIC ANALYSIS TOOLS FOR COARSE GRAINED MODELING

This page details the functions and classes in src/thermo

4.1 Tools to calculate the heat capacity with pymbar

Shown below are functions/tools used in order to calculate the heat capacity with pymbar.

UTILITIES FOR THE ‘FOLDAMERS’ PACKAGE

This page details the functions and classes in `src/util`.

5.1 Input/Output options (`src/utilities/iotools.py`)

Shown below is a detailed description of the input/output options for the foldamers package.

`utilities.iotools.write_bonds (CGModel, pdb_object)`

Writes the bonds from an input CGModel class object to the file object ‘`pdb_object`’, using PDB ‘CONNECT’ syntax.

CGModel: Coarse grained model class object

`pdb_object`: File object to which we will write the bond list

`utilities.iotools.write_cg_pdb (cgmodel, file_name)`

Writes the positions from an input CGModel class object to the file ‘`filename`’. Used to test the compatibility of coarse grained model parameters with the OpenMM PDBFile() functions, which are needed to write coordinates to a PDB file during MD simulations.

CGModel: Coarse grained model class object

`filename`: Path to the file where we will write PDB coordinates.

`utilities.iotools.write_pdbfile_without_topology (CGModel, filename, energy=None)`

Writes the positions from an input CGModel class object to the file ‘`filename`’.

CGModel: Coarse grained model class object

`filename`: Path to the file where we will write PDB coordinates.

`energy`: Energy to write to the PDB file, default = None

5.2 Utilities and random functions (src/utilities/util.py)

`utilities.util.assign_position` (*positions, bond_length, distance_cutoff, parent_index, bead_index*)

Assign random position for a bead

param positions Positions for the particles in a coarse grained model.

type positions `np.array(float * unit.angstrom (num_particles x 3))`

param bond_length The distance to step when placing new particles.

type bond_length `Quantity()`

param distance_cutoff The distance below which particles will be considered to have “collisions”.

type distance_cutoff `Quantity()` <https://docs.openmm.org/development/api-python/generated/simtk.unit.quantity.Quantity.html>

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param parent_bead_index The index of the particle from which we will bond a new particle, when assigning pos

itions.

type parent_bead_index `int`

param bead_index The index of the particle for which the function will assign positions.

type bead_index `int`

returns

- `positions (np.array(float * unit.angstrom (num_particles x 3)))` - A set of positions for the updated model, including the particle that was just added.
- `success (Logical)` - Indicates whether or not a particle was placed successfully.

`utilities.util.assign_position_lattice_style` (*cgmodel, positions, distance_cutoff, parent_bead_index, bead_index*)

Assign random position for a particle

param cgmodel `CGModel()` class object.

type cgmodel class

param positions Positions for the particles in a coarse grained model.

type positions np.array(float * unit.angstrom (num_particles x 3))

param distance_cutoff The distance below which particles will be considered to have “collisions”.

type distance_cutoff `Quantity()` <https://docs.openmm.org/development/api-python/generated/simtk.unit.quantity.html>

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param parent_bead_index The index of the particle from which we will bond a new particle, when assigning positions.

type parent_bead_index int

param bead_index The index of the particle for which the function will assign positions.

type bead_index int

returns

- test_positions (np.array(float * unit.angstrom (num_particles x 3))) - A set of positions for the updated model, including the particle that was just added.
- success (Logical) - Indicates whether or not a particle was placed successfully.

`utilities.util.attempt_lattice_move`(*parent_coordinates*, *bond_length*, *move_direction_list*)

Given a set of cartesian coordinates this function positions a new particle a distance of ‘bond_length’ away in a random direction.

param parent_coordinates Positions for a single particle, away from which we will place a new particle a distance of ‘bond_length’ away.

type parent_coordinates np.array(float * unit.angstrom (length = 3))

param bond_length Bond length for all beads that are bonded.

type bond_length `Quantity()` <https://docs.openmm.org/development/api-python/generated/simtk.unit.quantity.Q>

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param move_direction_list A list of cartesian directions (denoted by integers) that tracks the directions in which a particle placement has been attempted.

type move_direction_list List(int)

returns

- **trial_coordinates** (np.array(float * unit.angstrom (length = 3))) - The coordinates for a new, trial particle.
- **move_direction_list** (List(int)) - A list of cartesian directions (denoted by integers) that tracks the directions in which a particle placement has been attempted.

`utilities.util.attempt_move` (*parent_coordinates*, *bond_length*)

Given a set of cartesian coordinates, assign a new particle a distance of ‘bond_length’ away in a random direction.

param parent_coordinates Positions for a single particle, away from which we will place a new particle a distance of ‘bond_length’ away.

type parent_coordinates np.array(float * unit.angstrom (length = 3))

param bond_length Bond length for all beads that are bonded.

type bond_length [Quantity\(\)](#)

returns

- **trial_coordinates** (np.array(float * unit.angstrom (length = 3))) - The coordinates for a new, trial

particle.

`utilities.util.collisions` (*positions*, *distance_list*, *distance_cutoff*)

Determine if there are any collisions between non-bonded particles, where a “collision” is defined as a distance shorter than ‘distance_cutoff’.

Parameters

- **positions** (np.array(float * unit.angstrom (num_particles * 3))) - Positions for the particles in a coarse grained model.
- **distance_list** - A list of distances.
- **distance_cutoff** - The distance below which particles will be considered to have “collisions”.

Returns

- **collision** (Logical) - A variable indicating whether or not the model contains particle collisions.

`utilities.util.distance` (*positions_1*, *positions_2*)

Calculate the distance between two particles.

Parameters

- **positions_1** – Positions for a particle
- **positions_2** – Positions for a particle

Returns

- `distance (Quantity())` - The distance between the provided particles.

`utilities.util.distance_matrix(positions)`

Construct a matrix of the distances between an input array of particles.

Parameters **positions** (`np.array(float * unit.angstrom (num_particles x 3))`) – Positions for an array of particles.

Returns

- `distance_matrix (np.array(num_particles x num_particles))` - Matrix containing the distances between all beads.

`utilities.util.distances(interaction_list, positions)`

Calculate the distances between all non-bonded particles in a model, given a list of particle interactions and particle positions.

Parameters

- **interaction_list** (`List([int, int])`) – A list of non-bonded particle interactions
- **positions** (`np.array(float * unit.angstrom (num_particles x 3))`) – Positions for the particles in a coarse grained model.

Returns

- `distance_list (List(Quantity()))` - A list of distances for the non-bonded interactions in the coarse grained model.

`utilities.util.first_bead(positions)`

Determine if the provided ‘positions’ contain any particles (are the coordinates non-zero).

Parameters **positions** (`np.array(float * unit (shape = num_beads x 3))`) – Positions for all beads in the coarse-grained model.

Returns

- `first_bead (Logical)` - Variable stating if the positions are all non-zero.

`utilities.util.get_move(trial_coordinates, move_direction, distance, bond_length, finish_bond=False)`

Used to build random structures. Given a set of input coordinates, this function attempts to add a new particle.

Parameters

- **trial_coordinates** (*np.array(float * unit.angstrom (length = 3))*) – Positions for a particle
- **move_direction** – Cartesian direction in which we will

attempt a particle placement, where: x=0, y=1, z=2. :type move_direction: int

Parameters

- **distance** – Current distance between the trial coordinates for the particle this function is positioning and the particle that it is branched from (bonded to).
- **bond_length** – The distance to step before placing a new particle.
- **finish_bond** – Logical variable determining how we will update the coordinates for this particle, default = False. If set to “True”, the “move” length will be the difference between “distance” and “bond_length”.

Returns

- trial_coordinates (*np.array(float * unit.angstrom (length=3))*) - Updated positions for the particle.

```
utilities.util.get_structure_from_library(cgmodel,
                                         high_energy=False,
                                         low_energy=False)
```

Given a coarse grained model class object, this function retrieves a set of positions for the model from the ‘foldamers’ ensemble library, in: ‘foldamers/ensembles/\${backbone_length}_\${sidechain_length}_\${sidechain_positions}’. If this coarse grained model does not have an ensemble library, an error message will be returned and positions at random with ‘random_positions()’.

cgmodel: CGModel() class object.

Parameters

- **high_energy** (*Logical*) – If set to ‘True’, this function will generate an ensemble of high-energy structures, default = False
- **low_energy** (*Logical*) – If set to ‘True’, this function will generate an ensemble of low-energy structures, default = False

Returns

- positions (*np.array(float * unit.angstrom (num_particles x 3))*) - A set of coarse grained model positions.

```
utilities.util.random_positions (cgmodel, max_attempts=1000,  
                                  use_library=False, high_energy=False,  
                                  low_energy=False, generate_library=False)
```

Assign random positions for all beads in a coarse-grained polymer.

cgmodel: CGModel() class object.

Parameters

- **max_attempts** (*int*) – The maximum number of attempts to generate random positions a coarse grained model with the current parameters, default = 1000
- **use_library** – A logical variable determining if a new random structure will be generated, or if an ensemble will be read from the ‘foldamers’ database, default = False
- **use_library** – Logical
- **high_energy** (*Logical*) – If set to ‘True’, this function will generate an ensemble of high-energy structures, default = False
- **low_energy** (*Logical*) – If set to ‘True’, this function will generate an ensemble of low-energy structures, default = False
- **generate_library** – If set to ‘True’, this function will save the poses that are generated to the ‘foldamers’ ensemble database.

Returns

- positions (np.array(float * unit.angstrom (num_particles x 3))) - A set of coarse grained model positions.

```
utilities.util.random_sign (number)
```

Returns the provided ‘number’ with a random sign.

Parameters **number** (*float*) – The number to add a random sign (positive or negative) to

Returns

- number (float) - The provided number with a random sign added

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