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Konformationsdaten aus NMR Messungen

- 1. NOEs
- 2. ³J skalare Kopplungen
- 3. H-Brücken
- 4. Chemische Verschiebungen
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NOE (Nuclear Overhauser Effect)

NMR Daten: Integral V von NOESY Kreuzsignalen Konformationsdaten: obere Schranken für ¹H-¹H Distanzen, d Fuer isoliertes Spinpaar im starren Molekül: $V = C/d^6$ mit C = konstant

Eigenschaften:

- nur kurze Distanzen < 5 Å messbar
- dichtes Netzwerk bzgl. der Sequenz kurz- und langreichweitiger Distanzschranken
- viele ¹H Atome im Molekül \rightarrow "Spindiffusion"
- interne Bewegungen \rightarrow nicht-lineare Mittelung
- Bestimmung von C?
- Überlapp \rightarrow mehrdeutige Zuordnung, verfälschte Integrale



Problems when interpreting NOEs

- Internal motion
- · Spin diffusion
- Spectral overlap
- Chemical shift degeneracy
- Time consuming spectral analysis, if done manually → automation

Ambiguity of chemical shift based NOE assignment



 $|\omega_1 - \omega_A| < \Delta \omega$ $|\omega_2 - \omega_B| < \Delta \omega$

In general, several different ¹H chemical shifts ω_A , ω_B match the position of a NOESY peak within the experimental uncertainty $\Delta \omega$.

 \rightarrow Assignment ambiguity

Manual assignment is very cumbersome!

NOEs with a unique chemical shift based assignment



2D NOESY:

 $N^{(1)} \approx N \exp(-4n\Delta\omega/\Delta\Omega)$

3D NOESY:

 $N^{(1)} \approx N \exp(-2n\Delta\omega/\Delta\Omega)$

 $N^{(1)}$ Number of uniquely assigned peaks

- Ν Number of cross peaks
- Number of chemical shifts n
- $\Delta \omega$ Chemical shift tolerance
- $\Delta \Omega$ Spectrum width

NOE Calibration

Volume of NOESY $V = C / d^6$ cross peak Distance (upper Calibration

distance bound)

How to set the calibration constant?

· Known distances (intraresidual or in standard secondary structures)

constant"

· Preliminary structure, if available

User-defined value for the average (median) upper distance limit

Ambiguous distance restraints



- Restraint with multiple assignments
- If one assignment possibility leads to a sufficiently short distance, then the ambiguous distance restraint will be fulfilled.
- \rightarrow The presence of wrong assignment possibilities has no (or little) influence on the structure, as long as the correct assignment possibility is present.

Nilges et al., J. Mol. Biol. 269, 408-422 (1997)

³J scalar couplings

³J skalare Kopplungen

NMR Daten: Aufspaltung eines Signals

Konformationsdaten: Einschränkungen von Torsionswinkeln, θ

Karplus-Kurve: ${}^{3}J(\theta) = A \cos^{2}\theta + B \cos\theta + C$ mit emprischen Konstanten A, B, C

Zum Beispiel: ${}^{3}J_{HNH\alpha}(\phi)$, ${}^{3}J_{H\alpha H\beta}(\chi^{1})$

Eigenschaften:

- Information nur über lokale Konformation
- mehrdeutige Beziehung ${}^{3}J \leftrightarrow \theta$



- ${}^{3}J(\theta) = A \cos^{2}\theta + B \cos\theta + C$
- local information only
- ambiguous relation to torsion angle



H-Brücken

NMR Daten: langsamer ${}^{1}H \rightarrow {}^{2}H$ Austausch + NOEs Konformationsdaten: Donor-Akzeptor Distanz

Typische H-Brücken: -N-H \cdots O=C- in regulären Sekundärstrukturen (Helices, β -Blätter)

Eigenschaften:

- Bzgl. Sequenz mittel- und langreichweitig
- Donor (H) identifizierbar
- Akzeptor (O) nur indirekt bestimmbar (benachbarte NOEs + Annahmen über Sekundärstruktur)

Impact of hydrogen bond restraints



- Strong impact on structure
- Direct detection of H-bonds by NMR is possible, but not sensitive
- Without identification of acceptor atom ≈ assumption on secondary structure

Chemische Verschiebungen

NMR Daten: chem. Verschiebungen, δ

Konformationsdaten: (ϕ, ψ) Torsionswinkelbereiche

Komplexe Beziehung: $\delta \leftrightarrow (\phi, \psi)$

Eigenschaften:

- einfache Messung
- (ϕ, ψ) -Werte aus Datenbank von Proteinen mit bekannter Struktur und chem. Verschiebungen (TALOS)
- Information nur über lokale Konformation

Residuelle dipolare Kopplungen (RDC)

NMR Daten: Zusätzliche Signalaufspaltung bei partieller Molekülausrichtung, z.B. ${}^{1}J_{\rm NH} \rightarrow {}^{1}J_{\rm NH} + D_{\rm NH}$

Konformationsdaten: Orientierung von Bindungen relativ zur Molekülausrichtung

- Residuelle dipolare Kopplung: $D(\theta, \phi) = A [(3\cos^2\theta 1) + 3/2 R \sin^2\theta \cos 2\phi]$ *A*, *R* Amplitude (Betrag) und Rhombizität (Abweichung von
- Rotationssymmetrie) des Ausrichtungstensors θ, φ Richtung der Bindung relativ zum Ausrichtungstensor (Polarkoordinaten)

Eigenschaften:

- Proteinprobe in schwach ausrichtendem Medium
- (Flüssigkristalle/Bizellen, fadenförmige Phagen, komprimierte Gele)
- Information über globale Konformation,
- z.B. relative Ausrichtung von Domänen
- Entartung: 1 Messwert \rightarrow Doppelkegel von Richtungen
- Bestimmung des Ausrichtungstensors (A, R)?

Residuelle dipolare Kopplungen



 $D(\theta,\phi) = A \left[(3\cos^2\theta - 1) + 3/2 R \sin^2\theta \cos^2\phi \right]$

Strukturbeschreibung

Atomkoordinaten (kartesische Koordinaten):

- 3 Freiheitsgrade pro Atom
- abhängig von der Wahl des Koordinatensystems
- beinhalten auch "unwichtige" Freiheitsgrade
- einfach

Torsionswinkel (= Diederwinkel, Dihedralwinkel):

- Drehungen um Einfachbindungen
- interne Koordinaten
- essentielle Freiheitsgrade
- Bindungslängen, Bindungswinkel fest
- kompliziertere aber effizientere Algorithmen

Torsionswinkel

- Definiert durch 4 Atome: A—B—C—D
 Drehung um Bindung B—C
 Werte von -180° bis +180°
- Torsionswinkel von AS *i*: $\phi_i: C'_{i-1} - N_i - C^{\alpha}_i - C'_i$ $\psi_i: N_i - C^{\alpha}_i - C'_i - N_{i+1}$ $\omega_i: C^{\alpha}_i - C'_i - N_{i+1} - C^{\alpha}_{i+1}$ (fest) $\chi^{l}_i: N_i - C^{\alpha}_i - C^{\beta}_i - C^{\gamma}_i$

Torsionswinkel: Baumstruktur



Ist NMR Strukturberechnung möglich?

- Grundsätzlich:
 - NOEs messen nur kurze Distanzen < 5 Å
 - ungenaue obere Schranken
 - Kann damit die globale Struktur eines 30 Å langen Proteins bestimmt werden?
 JA, wenn genügend Daten da sind.
- Praktisch:
 - Zielfunktion hat viele lokale Minima
 - Kann die optimale Struktur gefunden werden? JA.

Strukturberechnungsalgorithmen

- Frühere Methoden:
 - Interaktiver Modellbau
 - Distanzgeometrie
 - Minimierung einer variablen Zielfunktion
- Simulated annealing:
 - Monte Carlo
 - Moleküldynamiksimulation im kartesischen Raum
 - Moleküldynamiksimulation im Torsionswinkelraum

Target function (CYANA)



Target function = potential energy





Molecular Dynamics Simulation



Numerical integration of classical equations of motion

Integration of the equations of motion

e.g. "leap-frog" algorithm

 $q(t + \Delta t) = q(t) + \Delta t \dot{q}(t + \Delta t/2) + O(\Delta t^3)$ $\dot{q}(t + \Delta t/2) = \dot{q}(t - \Delta t/2) + \Delta t \ddot{q}(t) + O(\Delta t^3)$

 $\begin{array}{ll} q & \mbox{coordinates (Cartesian or torsional)} \\ \dot{q} &= \frac{dq}{dt} & \mbox{velocities} \\ \ddot{q} &= \frac{d^2q}{dt^2} & \mbox{accelerations} \end{array}$

∆t time step

MD Simulation im Torsionswinkelraum "Torsionswinkeldynamik"

- Klassische Mechanik
- N Torsionswinkeln als einzige Freiheitsgrade
- Etwa 10 Mal weniger Freiheitsgrade als im kartesischen Raum.
- Feste Bindungslängen und -winkel:
 - \rightarrow "Einfrieren" der schnellsten Bewegungen
 - → Längere Zeitschritte

Jain, Vaidehi, Rodriguez, J. Comp. Phys. 106, 258–268 (1993) Güntert, Mumenthaler, Wüthrich, J. Mol. Biol. 273, 283–298 (1997)

Equations of motion

Cartesian coordinates: x1, ..., xN

$$m_i \ddot{x}_i = -\frac{\partial E_{\text{pot}}}{\partial x_i}$$
 (Newton)

Generalized coordinates: $q_1, ..., q_n$

$$\frac{d}{dt}\left(\frac{\partial L}{\partial \dot{q}_k}\right) - \frac{\partial L}{\partial q_k} = 0 \qquad \text{(Lagrange)}$$

with $L = E_{kin} - E_{pot}$

Molecular Dynamics

Kinetic energy

Mass matrix

M

Accelerations

Computational

complexity

Cartesian space



diagonal, constant (elements m.)

$$\vec{x}_i = -\frac{1}{m_i} \frac{\partial E_{\text{pot}}}{\partial x_i}$$

proportional to N

$$E_{\rm kin} = \frac{1}{2} \sum_{k=1}^{n} M(\theta)_{kl} \dot{\theta}_k \dot{\theta}_l$$

non-diagonal, non-constant, $n \times n$

 $M(\theta)\ddot{\theta} = C(\theta, \dot{\theta})$ (*n* linear equations)

solving linear system of equations: $\sim n^3$

exploiting tree structure of the molecule: ~n

Simulated annealing protocol

- Start from random structure
- Use all restraints simultaneously
- Adjustable parameters: - start temperature, Thigh - number of TAD steps



Temperature control

Weak coupling to a heat bath is used to control the temperature:

$$\dot{\theta} \leftarrow \dot{\theta} \sqrt{1 + \frac{T^{\text{ref}} - T}{\tau T}}$$

- torsional velocities θ
- $\frac{2E_{\rm kin}}{nk_B}$ instantaneous temperature, T =T coupling constant

(Berendsen et al., J. Chem. Phys. 81, 3684-3690, 1984)

Simulated annealing mit Torsionswinkeldynamik



Temperatur

Zeitschritt

Torsionswinkeländerung

Strukturbündel

- 100 Startstrukturen mit zufälligen Torsionwinkeln
- 100 unabhängige simulated annealing Läufe mit: - gleichen experimentellen Daten
 - unterschiedlichen Starttrukturen
- Auswahl der 20 "besten" Strukturen mit den tiefsten Zielfunktionswerten
- Sampling des Konformationsraums?



Strukturbündel



RMSD 0.8 Å RMSD 1.3 Å ENTH-VHS domain At3g16270

RMSD 6.3 Å

RMSD (root-mean-square deviation)

 Zwei Strukturen mit *n* Atomen und Koordinaten *x*₁, *x*₂,..., *x_n* und *y*₁, *y*₂,..., *y_n*

$$RMSD = \min_{R,\vec{t}} \sqrt{\frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^{n} \left| \vec{x}_{i} - R\vec{y}_{i} - \vec{t} \right|^{2}}$$

 Minimum über alle Rotationen *R* und Translationen *t* → optimale Überlagerung



Output overview table

Cycle	:	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	final
eaks:									
selected	:	5439	5439	5439	5439	5439	5439	5439	
with assignment	:	5100	4806	4742	4749	4712	4678	4675	
without assignment	:	339	633	697	690	727	761	764	
with diagonal assignment	:	12	12	12	12	12	12	12	
Cross peaks:									
with off-diagonal assignment	:	5088	4794	4730	4737	4700	4666	4663	
with unique assignment	:	675	3591	3872	3950	4115	4195	4194	
with short-range assignment	i-j <=1:	3295	3208	3165	3154	3120	3102	3089	
with medium-range assignment 1<	i-j <5 :	1020	925	921	914	904	884	893	
with long-range assignment	i-j >=5:	773	661	644	669	676	680	681	
<pre>Jpper distance limits:</pre>									
total	:	3786	2996	2832	2789	2707	2643	2683	2731
short-range, i-j <=1	:	2007	1586	1486	1440	1388	1348	1273	1304
medium-range, 1< i-j <5	:	1220	959	787	775	751	726	760	765
long-range, i-j >=5	:	559	451	559	574	568	569	650	662
Average assignments/restraint	:	4.81	1.73	1.27	1.25	1.18	1.14	1.00	1.00
verage target function value	:	230.84	69.79	68.20	9.22	3.99	2.98	1.70	0.43
MSD (residues 15130):									
Average backbone RMSD to mean	:	1.34	0.97	0.57	0.67	0.68	0.60	0.53	0.53
Average heavy atom RMSD to mean	:	1.76	1.44	1.09	1.19	1.20	1.07	0.98	1.01

CYANA Computation Time

- Combined NOE assignment and structure calculation of a 114 amino acid residue protein with the program CYANA:
 8 cycles × 100 conformers = 800 structures
 10000 torsion angle dynamics steps per conformer
- Linux cluster system with Quad-core Intel Xeon E5462 (2.8 GHz, 12 MB cache), 2 GB memory/core

Processors	Computation time (s)				
	Total	per structure			
100	147	0.011			
50	217	0.019			
25	354	0.036			
10	769	0.088			



SARS coronavirus nucleocapsid protein

Correct and wrong structure: Dynein light chain 2A

Wrong structure (1TGQ)

Correct structure (1Y4O): Homodimer



Nabuurs, S. B., Spronk, C. A. E. M., Vuister, G. W. & Vriend, G. (2006). Traditional biomolecular structure determination by NMR spectroscopy allows for major errors. *PLoS Comp. Biol.* 2, 71–79.

Validation principles

Agreement of the three-dimensional structure with

- Experimental data
- Unused experimental data: cross-validation
- Physical principles
- · Empirical knowledge about protein structures
- Validation of the
- Local structure
- Global structure
- Absolute/relative validation:
- Is my structure correct? ("absolute")
- Is structure A more likely to be correct than structure B? ("relative")

X-ray crystallography: R-factor

- Measures agreement between measured data (reflections) and 3D structure
- Definition: Relative difference between structure factors, F(hkl), that were observed (F_{obs}) and back-calculated from the 3D structure (F_{calc}):

$$R = \frac{\sum ||F_{obs}| - |F_{calc}||}{\sum |F_{obs}|} \quad \text{with} \quad I_{hkl} \propto |F(hkl)|^2$$

 I_{hkl} = intensity of reflection (*hkl*)

• Perfect agreement: R = 0Good protein X-ray structure: R < 0.2Random structure: $R \approx 0.6$

X-ray: Free R-factor

- Use, say, 90% of the data (reflections) for the structure determination
- Use the remaining 10% to compute the *R* value
 → "free" *R* value, obtained from independent data
- Detects errors better than conventional *R*-factor
- · Each reflection influences whole electron density
- Many reflections → No problem to omit 10% of the reflections from the structure determination

Brünger, A. T. (1992). Free *R* value: a novel statistical quantity for assessing the accuracy of crystal structures. *Nature* 355, 472-475.

R-factor in NMR

- NMR restraints (NOEs) are not raw data but require assignments, calibration, etc.
- Agreement between measured and back-calculated NOESY peak volumes:
- dominated by strong short-range NOEs
- absence/presence of a weak (but structurally important!) long-range NOE has negligible influence on the *R*-factor
- Agreement of distances?

Free *R*-factor using RDCs

- Use NOE distance restraints to determine structure
- · Use residual dipolar couplings to validate
- Quality factor (R-factor):

$$Q = rms(D^{calc} - D^{obs})/rms(D^{obs}),$$

where D^{obs} and D^{calc} are observed and calculated one-bond dipolar couplings.

Simon, K., Xu, J., Kim, C. & Skrynnikov, N. (2005). Estimating the accuracy of protein structures using residual dipolar couplings. *J. Biomol. NMR* 33, 83-93.

Validation without experimental data

- Stereochemical quality
- "Normality" of the structure with respect to the existing structures in Protein Data Bank
- Parameters:
 - Bond lengths, bond angles
 - Ramachandran plot
 - Steric overlap ("bumps")
- · Conformational energy
- 3D structure (molecular graphics!)

Ramachandran-Plot



Example:

- Each black dot = 1 residue in 1 conformer
- 73% in most favored regions (dark blue)
- 21% in additionally allowed regions (light blue)
- 4% in generously allowed regions (blue-grey)
- 2% in disallowed regions (white)

(Programm PROCHECK)

WHAT_CHECK validation checks

- Administrative checks: nomenclature, missing atoms
- **Geometry:** chirality, bond lengths, bond angles, torsion angles (evaluation, Ramachandran plot, omega, χ^1/χ^2), rings and planarity, proline puckering
- **Structure:** inside/outside profile, bumps, packing, backbone (number of hits, backbone normality, peptide flips), sidechain rotamers
- Hydrogen bonds: unsatisfied, flip check, His assignments
- Summary: overall Z-scores and RMS Z-scores

 $Z = \frac{X_i - \langle X \rangle}{\sigma(X)}$

RMS - $Z = \sqrt{\langle Z^2 \rangle}$

WHAT_IF/WHAT_CHECK output

- Structure Z-scores, positive is better than average: 1st generation packing quality : 0.891 2nd generation packing quality : 1.444 Ramachandran plot appearance : -0.105 chi-1/chi-2 rotamer normality : -0.431 Backbone conformation : 0.551
- RMS Z-scores, should be close to 1.0: Bond lengths : 0.887 Bond angles 1.143 Omega angle restraints 0.437 (tight) • 0.934 Side chain planarity Improper dihedral distribution : 1.053 B-factor distribution 3.497 (loose) : Inside/Outside distribution 0.930 :

Hooft, R. W. W., Vriend, G., Sander, C., Abola, E. E. (1996) Errors in protein structures. Nature 381, 272.

Correlation between validation parameters and structure accuracy

- 252 ubiquitin structures
- Accuracy = RMSD from reference structure
- 7 quality parameters, S_i
 Overall Z-score:

$$Z = \sum_{i=1}^{7} \frac{S_i - \overline{S}_i}{\sigma(S_i)}$$

Correlation coefficient 93%

Teppei Ikeya



Quality indicators for correct and wrong structures of DLC2A

Criteria	Characteristic	1Y40 (Original)	1Y40 (Refined)	1TGQ (Original)	1TGQ (Refine
Agreement with experimental data	RMS violation 1Y4O distance restraints (Å)	0.0129	0.0097	0.607	0.0284
	Violations >0.5 Å 1Y4O distance restraints	0	0	63	0
	RMS violation 1TGQ _{aim} restraints (Å)	12.8	12.6	0.521	0.0231
	Violations >0.5 Å 1TGQ _{sim} restraints	32	32	4	0
	RMS violation 1Y4O dihedral restraints (")	0.497	0.336	25.0	1.59
	Violations >5° 1Y40 dihedral restraints	0	0	34	4
PROCHECK validation results*	Most favored regions	91.2	90.5	67.7	85.8
	Additionally allowed regions	8.4	9.0	27.3	12.8
	Generously allowed regions	0.2	0.2	4.7	0.5
	Disallowed regions	0.2	0.3	0.2	0.9
WHAT IF structure Z-scores ^b	Packing quality	-0.4	0.1	-2.1	-1.5
	Ramachandran plot appearance	-3.6	-3.3	-6.6	-4.6
	χ ₁ /χ ₂ rotamer normality	-03	-0.7	-5.8	-3.0
	Backbone conformation	- 0.8	-1.1	-5.4	-5.4
Better quality ind	licators for correct struc	ture	R	- AS	là-
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-NMR 1 MR computational infrastruc CASD-NMR Critical Assessment of Automated Structure Determination of Proteins from NMR data The CASD-NMR manifesto has been published in Nature Metho

Scope

How does it work?

CASD-MMR is a noting community-wide experiment involving developers of software tools / protocols for the automated calculation of protein structures from MMR data. The goal of CASD-MMR is to help automote the relevant methodology in order to reach the level of quality and reliability required for direct structure deposition in the FDB. CASD-MMR will also produce extensive data sets that will be useful to develop better methods for MMR structure.

www.enmr.eu/CASD-NMR

A. Rosato et al. CASD-NMR: a rolling experiment for the critical assessment of automated structure determination of proteins from NMR data. Nature Methods 6, 625-626 (2009)

How does it work? CASD-MMR collects and makes available to the participants NMR data sets that can be successfully used for proten structure determination. All data sets in CASD-NMR lead to a satisfactory structure through the traditional manually carated procedures. They are released as <u>limit</u> data sets, i.e., the corresponding protein structures in *rat packety available* at the time of release. The participants are given its weeks to generate a structure using fully automated methods <u>as if they would directly degost them into the FDB</u>. The conditionals are the corresponding manually solved structure (the "offence" in *Exerc.* The results will be analyzed through various validation tools and the corresponding outputs will be made patiekly available and their this truth, the corresponding manually solved structure (the "offence" structure") will normally be released from the FDB. CASD-NMR is a roling experiment: data sets will be released regularly over one year time and them a global assessment of the results will be performed. At the beginning, <u>we envisage to</u> release one data set per month.

CASD-NMR data sets

This page provides access to the data sets and corresponding validation results for CASD-NMR. Disclosed data sets are flagged.

Target (download)	Oligomeric state	Date of release	PDB deposition date	PDB ID	PDB release date	Blind (Y/N)	LACS CA/CB Offset
VpR247	Monomer	16/04/2009	03/05/2009	2KIF	30/06/2009	Ν	-0.11
AR3436A	Monomer	16/04/2009	22/05/2009	2KJ6	17/07/2009	Ν	-0.19
HR5537A	Monomer	30/06/2009	14/06/2009	2KK1	09/08/2009	Ν	0.03
ET109A	Monomer	30/06/2009	29/06/2009	2ККХ 2ККҮ	24/08/2009	Ν	-0.25/ -0.35
AtT13	Monomer	14/09/2009	02/09/2009	2KNR	28/10/2009	Ν	na
PGR122A	Monomer	17/09/2009	31/07/2009	2KMM	09/11/2009	Y	na
NeR103A	Monomer	22/10/2009	20/10/2009	2KPM	11/12/2009	Y	-0.19
CGR26A	Monomer	22/10/2009	20/10/2009	2KPT	14/12/2009	Y	0.13

Validation report for CASD-NMR structures (PSVS)



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