Machine Learning is Revolutionizing Structural Bioinformatics

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Biomolecules



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Quantum Computation



Quantum computation supports calculating the dynamics of a **small molecule**



Molecular Dynamics Simulation



Newton's second law: $F = m \cdot a$

By using force field, molecular dynamics simulation supports the simulation of the dynamics of a **protein**



Molecular Dynamics Simulation





Graph



Chemical Compound





Protein Structure







RNA







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Non-coding RNA 3D structure prediction



1969

The first manually predicted tertiary structure of tRNA was regarded as a milestone in the emergence of bioinformatics

1989

The core of group I intron was solved based on extensive sequence comparisons, secondary structures, and published mutagenesis data.

1995 31 RNA 3D structures in PDB

2005 462 RNA 3D structures in PDB

Now

Only **4924** RNA 3D structures in PDB (>**165,266** proteins in PDB) **22,776,905** non-coding RNA sequences in RNAcentral



Difficulties in RNA 3D structure prediction





Distance distribution



Base pairing and base stacking information is implied in distance distribution



Backbone torsion angle distribution



Backbone conformation is implied in torsion angle distribution



Results in Test I, II, and III





Difficulties in RNA 3D structure prediction





Secondary Structure Tree





Fragment-assembly





Fragment-assembly



Fragment assembly is like **building blocks**.



Integrating Restraints



Restraints such as **hydroxyl radical probing (HRP), cross-linking, and direct coupling analysis (DCA)** can be used as restraints to improve RNA modeling



RNA 3D Structure Optimization





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Test Results



Native, Optimize w/o restraints, Optimize w/ restraints



How many restraints should we impose?



When using more than **60**% of the contacts as constraints, the RMSD of the predicted model gets higher.



Difficulties in RNA 3D structure prediction



By using more restraints, there may be more energy barriers in the free energy landscape.

NN: local minimum state near the native state DN: local minimum state distant from the native state



Restraints Derivation



Distance Variation (DV): the difference between the minimum distance and the maximum distance between two residues

The larger the distance variation, the higher the **importance** of the corresponding restraint.



Difficulties in RNA 3D structure prediction



By sorting the constraints by the importance, we can use only the constraints that let us achieve the highest performance.



iFoldRNA

iFoldRNA v2	Dokholyan Group
Welcome to iFoldRNA Ver 2.0 - a web portal for interactive RNA folding simulations. We perform discrete molecular dynamics simulations of RNA using coarse-grained structural models (three-beads/residue).	Username: Password: Login
Important note: Please visit the Help Center before submitting your RNA foldig jobs. Especially, please read the section of "Choosing iFoldRNA simulation-time" for the appropraite simulation time.	Register Account
To cite iFoldRNA in your research, please use the following references: A. Krokhotin, K. Houlihan, and N. V. Dokholyan, "iFoldRNA v2: folding RNA with constraints" <i>Bioinformatics</i> , 31: 2891-2893 (2015). S. Sharma, F. Ding, and N. V. Dokholyan, "iFoldRNA:Three-dimensional RNA structure prediction and folding" <i>Bioinformatics</i> , 24: 1951-1952 (2008). F. Ding, S. Sharma, P. Chalasani, V. V. Demidov, N. E. Broude, and N. V. Dokholyan, "Large scale simulations of 3D RNA folding by discrete molecular dynamics: From structure prediction to folding mechanisms" <i>RNA</i> , 14: 1164-1173 (2008). We recommend you to carefully read the Terms of Use and the Privacy Policy. If you have any questions, please contact the iFoldRNA Team. How good is your RNA model? Submit the following form to estimate significance of RNA structure prediction Length of the RNA molecule: Predicted RMSD: Submit You may now download the source code for this tool here.	Username: Password: Confirm Pass: First Name: Last Name: Organization: Email: Register An Account



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Virtual Screening



Re-ranking Virtual Screening results Compound selection & *in vitro* assays



Molecular Docking



Time-consuming

QSAR (Quantitative structure-activity relationship)



Risk of highly inaccurate predictions of pharmacological or biological activity

Wang, Jian, and Nikolay V. Dokholyan. JCIM 59.6 (2019): 2509-2515. https://summerofhpc.prace-ri.eu/re-ranking-virtual-screening-results-in-computer-aided-drug-design https://www.cresset-group.com/software/forge-qsar-models/

MedusaDock





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MedusaDock website



MedusaĐock



Please specify the position or upload the structure of the binding site.





MedusaNet: Guiding Conventional Protein–Ligand Docking Software





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(a) MeudsaDock run less attempts with CNN guiding.

(b) Number of proteins found good pose by each approach.

MedusaNet improves both the efficiency and accuracy of MedusaDock



NeuralDock: Rapid and conformation-agnostic docking of small molecules





Congzhou Sha



Dr. Nikolay Dokholyan



Congzhou, M. Sha, Jian Wang, and Nikolay V. Dokholyan. bioRxiv (2021).

Comparison to traditional docking software



96000 protein-small molecule pairs Tesla T4 GPU, training in a week 937 million ZINC compounds took 21 hours on 25 GPUs



NeuralDock is comparable to traditional docking software Congzhou, M. Sha, Jian Wang, and Nikolay V. Dokholyan. bioRxiv (2021).

Target identification





Current compound-protein interaction prediction models



DeepDTA

Compound-Protein Interaction Predictor (Yuel)



The protein features and the compound features are multiplied to evaluate the pairwise residue-atom interaction.



Evaluation of the predictability of Yuel







Davis and PDBbind are dissimilar

Davis/Davis:Models are trained on Davis and tested on DavisPDBbind/PDBbind:Models are trained on PDBbind and tested on PDBbindDavis/PDBbind:Models are trained on Davis and tested on PDBbind

Testing CPIP in the datasets with the protein sequence shuffled

Shuffle the protein sequence in the test sets



When **shuffling** the protein sequences, DeepDTA and Deep-Conv-DTI still predict high affinity between the shuffled protein and the compounds.





Yuel can predict hotspot atoms and residues



Yuel can predict compound atoms that interact with the protein (**hotspot atoms**) as well as protein residues that interact with the compound (**hotspot residues**).



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Allostery in various heterogeneous materials



Allosteric Pathways and Critical Nodes





Residue Interaction Network





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Allosteric Correlation Intensity



Chemotaxis protein Y (CheY)



The phosphorylation of D57 residue of CheY can activate the binding of FliM and other flagellar motors at the distal binding surface.



Lee S-Y, et al. Nat Struct Biol 2001; 1: 52–56. Formaneck, et al. Proteins 2006; 63: 846-867.

Identification of the allosteric site in CheY





Critical residues in allosteric pathways of CheY





Allosteric correlation intensities in mutations of CheY





Prediction of All Residue-wise Allosteric Correlations





Ohm website





What is Ohm?

Allostery is a natural phenomenon in proteins whereby distal structural elements are dynamically coupled. The origins of the allosteric phenomenon are rooted in physical properties of inter-atomic interactions in heterogenous media. Protein sequences are heterogeneous and their corresponding structures represent a diverse range of forces

between amino acids that shape their structures. In proteins perturbations of amino acids will propagate nonuniformly throughout the structure: a residue that is stronger coupled to a neighbor, would be more affected by the perturbation of the neighbor.







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RNA Modeling in Nucleic Acid Nanoparticle Design







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Virtual Screening





https://summerofhpc.prace-ri.eu/re-ranking-virtual-screening-results-in-computer-aided-drug-design/

Targeting 6- and 7-transmembrane μ -opioid receptor isoforms





Conclusion





Designing new biomolecules





Graph Design



Policy network makes decisions and Value network evaluates the situation



Questions?

