

STRUCTURE BASED PROPERTIES (Features) – Propensities

1. Amino acid compositions in high B-value regions

Normalize B-values:
$$B_{\text{norm}} = \frac{B - B_{\text{mean}}}{B_{\sigma}}$$

Amino acids with B-values greater than $B_{\text{mean}} + 0.5 B_{\sigma}$ are high B-value residues.

Output: amino acid % =
$$\frac{\text{Number of particular amino acid residue} * 100}{\text{total number of particular amino acid residue in the protein}}$$

Ex: amino acid % =
$$\frac{\text{No. of ALA in high B-value regions} * 100}{\text{Total No of ALA in the protein}}$$

Ref: Parthasarathy, S., & Murthy, M. R. N. (2000). Protein thermal stability: insights from atomic displacement parameters (B values). *Protein engineering*, **13**, 9-13.

2. Frequency of occurrence in β -bends

β -bends are identified from DSSP output.

Amino acid frequency =
$$\frac{\text{Number of particular amino acid residue}}{\text{total number of particular amino acid residue in the protein}}$$

Ref : Lewis, P. N., Momany, F. A., & Scheraga, H. A. (1971). Folding of polypeptide chains in proteins: a proposed mechanism for folding. *Proceedings of the National Academy of Sciences*, **68**, 2293-2297.

3. Normalized frequency of turn

Turns are identified from DSSP output.

Amino acid frequency =
$$\frac{\text{Number of particular amino acid residue}}{\text{total number of particular amino acid residue in the protein}}$$

Ref : Crawford, J. L., Lipscomb, W. N., & Schellman, C. G. (1973). The reverse turn as a polypeptide conformation in globular proteins. *Proceedings of the National Academy of Sciences*, **70**, 538-542.

4. Normalized frequency of N-Helix (Crawford et al., 1973)

Frequency of N-helix =
$$\frac{\text{Number of particular amino acid residue in the N-helix region} * 100}{\text{total number of particular amino acid residue in the protein}}$$

5. Normalized frequency of C-Helix (Crawford et al., 1973)

Frequency of C-helix =
$$\frac{\text{Number of particular amino acid residue in the C-helix region} * 100}{\text{total number of particular amino acid residue in the protein}}$$

6. Normalized frequency of middle helix (Crawford et al., 1973)

Frequency of middle-helix =

$$\frac{\text{Number of particular amino acid residue in the middle-helix region} * 100}{\text{total number of particular amino acid residue in the protein}}$$

7. Normalized frequency of β -sheet (Crawford et al., 1973)

$$\text{Frequency of } \beta \text{ sheet} = \frac{\text{Number of particular amino acid residue in the beta sheet region} * 100}{\text{total number of particular amino acid residue in the protein}}$$

8. Propensity to form MCI for two state proteins

$$P_{mc}(i) = f_{mc}(i) / f_t(i)$$

$f_{mc}(i)$ = frequency of occurrence of amino acids that form multiple contacts

$f_t(i)$ = frequency of residues in the whole protein

Ref: Gromiha, M.M. *Protein bioinformatics: from sequence to function*. Academic Press, 2010.

9. Propensity to form MCI for three state proteins

$$P_{mc}(i) = f_{mc}(i) / f_t(i)$$

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Ref: Gromiha, M.M. *Protein bioinformatics: from sequence to function*. Academic Press, 2010.

10. P_α , α -helical tendency;

$$\% \text{ of residue in } \alpha\text{-helix} = \frac{\text{no.of particular residue in } \alpha\text{-helix}}{\text{total no.of particular residue in whole protein}}$$

Ref: Gromiha, M.M. *Protein bioinformatics: from sequence to function*. Academic Press, 2010.

11. P_β β -sheet tendency

$$\% \text{ of residue in } \beta \text{ sheet} = \frac{\text{no.of particular residue in } \beta\text{-sheet}}{\text{total no.of particular residue in whole protein}}$$

Ref: Gromiha, M.M. *Protein bioinformatics: from sequence to function*. Academic Press, 2010.