Part II - Applications of MultiSeq: Network Analysis of Dynamical Recognition in RNA:Protein Complexes

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Protein: RNA Complexes in Translation Evolutionary Analysis & Dynamics



"Capture & Selection of ATP" JACS 2013



r-Proteins/r-RNA "Signatures ribosomal evolution"

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Network Viewer, Bioinf., JCTC 2012 Nature 2014, BJ 2015

MD Simulations of RNA:Proteins Complexes¹

MD performed with NAMD2 (2) - System Setup

Simulation Parameters

Minimization: 290,000 steps Production run: 108 ns Forcefields: CHARMM27 (3), AMBER (4) Time step: 1 fs VdW frequency: 2 fs VdW cutoff: 12 Å Switching distance: 10 Å Pair list distance: 14 Å Particle Mesh Ewald Full electrostatic update: 4 fs Ensemble: NPT Langevin temperature: 298.15 K Langevin pressure: 1 atm Periodic boundary conditions

Contents of System(5) GluRS Glu-tRNA^{Glu} EF-Tu GTP Ions: Mg²⁺, K⁺ H₂O: ~27,000 molecules System: ~130,000 atoms

System Perturbations

Deprotonation/protonation of reactants (aa,NTs) Changing rotamer states of residues (6) involved in long-lived salt bridges

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Charging tRNA through allosteric signaling



How to Construct a Network?



Nodes - defined at C_a (protein) and P (nucleotide) atoms

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Edges - connect nodes that are within a contact distance threshold for more than 75% of an MD trajectory



Path length = 10 (*unweighted*)

Information transfer? Weight contacts/links by correlations !

Correlations (C_{ij}) define signaling pathways in GluRS:tRNA



- C_{ii} values calculated over a 16-ns window

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Communities are subnetworks with many intracommunity edges but few intercommunity edges. (Girvan-Newman Algorithm)



Reaction Mechanism for the Transfer of Glu to tRNA^{Glu}

Perona JJ, Rould MA, Steitz TA Biochemistry 1993

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community containing amino acid moiety

community containing AMP moiety







Communities Partition the Interaction Network Hierarchically



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Dynamical Networks, Conservation, and Betweeness



Optimal signal pathways: U13, U35 to A76 Critical(conserved) nodes connecting communities

Betweeness routes - highest density pair optimal paths

VMD/MultiSeq Tutorials

- 1. Evolution of Translation: AARS: tRNA
- 2. Evolution of Translation: EF-Tu:tRNA
- 3. Evolution of Translation: Ribosome
- 4. Dynamical Network Analysis

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