Free energy Calculation

2024 Winter Son Lab Seminar

February 22th, 2024

SeungBin Hong

Content

Common Concept

Unbiased Enhanced sampling

Take-home Massage

Common Concept

What is "Unbiased Enhanced Sampling"?

Steered Molecular Dynamics

The free energy change between two different coordinated states, each states are λ_0 , λ_1

$$
\Delta F = \Delta F_{\lambda_1} - \Delta F_{\lambda_0} = -\frac{1}{\beta} \ln \left(\frac{Z_{\lambda_0}}{Z_{\lambda_1}} \right)
$$

Free energy change between two states can be exactly related to the ensemble average of the Boltzmann-weighted work performed in many non-equilibrium transformations from the initial to final states.

$$
\Delta F = -\frac{1}{\beta} \mathrm{ln} \langle e^{-\beta W} \rangle
$$

sMD restrain to a particular center that changes according to a constant velocity v during a simulation of the irreversible transformation from λ_0 to λ_1

$$
V(q,t) = \frac{1}{2}k[\lambda(t) - \lambda'(q)]^2 \text{ where } \lambda(t) = \lambda_0 + vt
$$

Steered Molecular Dynamics

Three amino acid residues (Gly49, Gly112 and Ile149) are affected by the restrained force $F =$ $-k[x_{pull}(t) - x_{ pull}(0) - vt].$

Replica Exchange Molecular Dynamics

There are much types of REMD (Temperature REMD, Hamiltonian REMD, etc….).

Several replicas of the system are evolved at different temperatures.

A pair of replicas with adjacent temperatures is tried to exchange.

Replica Exchange Molecular Dynamics

The probability of populating configuration X_m in the mth replica obeys the Boltzmann distribution at T_m

$$
P_m(X_m) = \frac{e^{-\beta_m E(X_m)}}{Z_m} \qquad \beta_m = (k_B T_m)^{-1}
$$

$$
P_{all} = \prod_i^M P_i(X_i)
$$

Probability that configuration X_m, X_n in the m,n replicas are exchanged by configuration X_n , X_M in the n,m.

Replica Exchange Molecular Dynamics

For a system in thermal equilibrium the detailed balance condition holes:

 $P_{all}(X_m, T_m, X_n, T_n, X_o, T_o, X_p, T_p)W(X_m, T_m, X_n, T_n) =$ $P_{all}(X_m, T_n, X_n, T_m, X_o, T_o; X_p, T_p)W(X_m, T_n, X_n, T_m)$

Replica Exchange Molecular Dynamics $P_{all}(X_m, T_m, X_n, T_n, X_o, T_o, X_p, T_p)W(X_m, T_m, X_n, T_n) =$ $P_{all}(X_m, T_n, X_n, T_m, X_o, T_o, X_p, T_p)W(X_m, T_n, X_n, T_m)$

$$
\Rightarrow \frac{W(X_m, T_m; X_n, T_n)}{W(X_m, T_n; X_n, T_m)} = \frac{P_m(X_m, T_m)P_n(X_n, T_n)}{P_m(X_n, T_m)P_n(X_m, T_n)} = \frac{\frac{e^{-\beta_m E(X_n)}}{Z_m} \frac{e^{-\beta_n E(X_n)}}{Z_n}}{\frac{e^{-\beta_m E(X_m)}}{Z_m} \frac{e^{-\beta_n E(X_m)}}{Z_n}}
$$

$$
\frac{W(X_m, T_m, X_n, T_n)}{W(X_m, T_n, X_n, T_m)} = e^{-(\beta_m - \beta_n)(E(X_n) - E(X_m))} = e^{-\Delta} , \qquad \beta_m = (k_B T_m)^{-1}
$$

The exchange between replica is accepted according to **Metropolis criteria**:

$$
W(X_m, T_m; X_n, T_n) = 1 \quad \text{for} \quad \Delta \le 0
$$

$$
W(X_m, T_m, X_n, T_n) = e^{-\Delta} \quad \text{for} \quad \Delta > 0
$$

Exchange between replicas is accepted when **the energy of the high temperature configuration is smaller than the energy of the low-temperature configuration**.

Replica Exchange Molecular Dynamics

M-crystallins are long-lived and structural intactness is required for maintaining lens transparency and protein solubility.

Accelerated Molecular Dynamics & Gaussian accelerated molecular dynamics With adding a boost potential /harmonic boost potential to smoothen the system potential energy surface.

$$
\Delta V(\vec{r}) = \frac{1}{2}k(E - V(\vec{r}))^2 \text{ for } V(\vec{r}) < E \quad \Delta V(\vec{r}) = \frac{(E - V(r))^2}{a + (E - V(r))} \text{ for } V(\vec{r}) < E
$$
\nThe modified system potential is given by\n
$$
\frac{V^*(\vec{r}) = V(\vec{r}) + \frac{1}{2}k(E - V(\vec{r}))^2 \text{ for } V(\vec{r}) < E}{\text{for } V(\vec{r}) \ge E}
$$
\nIf $V_1(\vec{r}) < V_2(\vec{r})$ \n
$$
\frac{1}{2}[V_1(\vec{r}) + V_2(\vec{r})] < E < \frac{1}{2}[V_1(\vec{r}) + V_2(\vec{r})] + \frac{1}{k}
$$
\nTime

With $V_{\text{min}} \leq V_1(\vec{r}) < V_2(\vec{r}) \leq V_{\text{max}}$, we need to set the **Threshold energy** in the following range.

$$
V_{max} \le \mathbf{E} \le V_{min} + \frac{1}{k}
$$

11

JCTC, 2015, 11, 8, 3584-3595

1 2

Problem of accelerated Molecular Dynamics

$$
\Delta V(\vec{r}) = \frac{1}{2}k(E - V(\vec{r}))^2 \text{ for } V(\vec{r}) < E \quad \Delta V(\vec{r}) = \frac{(E - V(r))^2}{(a + (E - V(r)))} \text{ for } V(\vec{r}) < E
$$
\n
$$
\Delta U = U' - U = \underbrace{[0 \overline{(E_0 - U)}]}_{\text{The type of Heaviside function}} \times \frac{(E_0 - U)^2}{a + E_0 - U}
$$

- 1) This function form was designed to alter the original energy function efficiently at the same time keeping the **smoothness up to the second order derivative of the energy**.
- 2) Variance of potential energy's order of tens-to-hundreds of kilocalories per mole.

So , if we can use same exponent with usual harmonic equation , we can avoid this problem !

Gaussian accelerated molecular dynamics

Takeaways

■ Take Home Message 1 Use adequate tool for each systems

■ Take Home Message 2

Always keep conscious about thermodynamics