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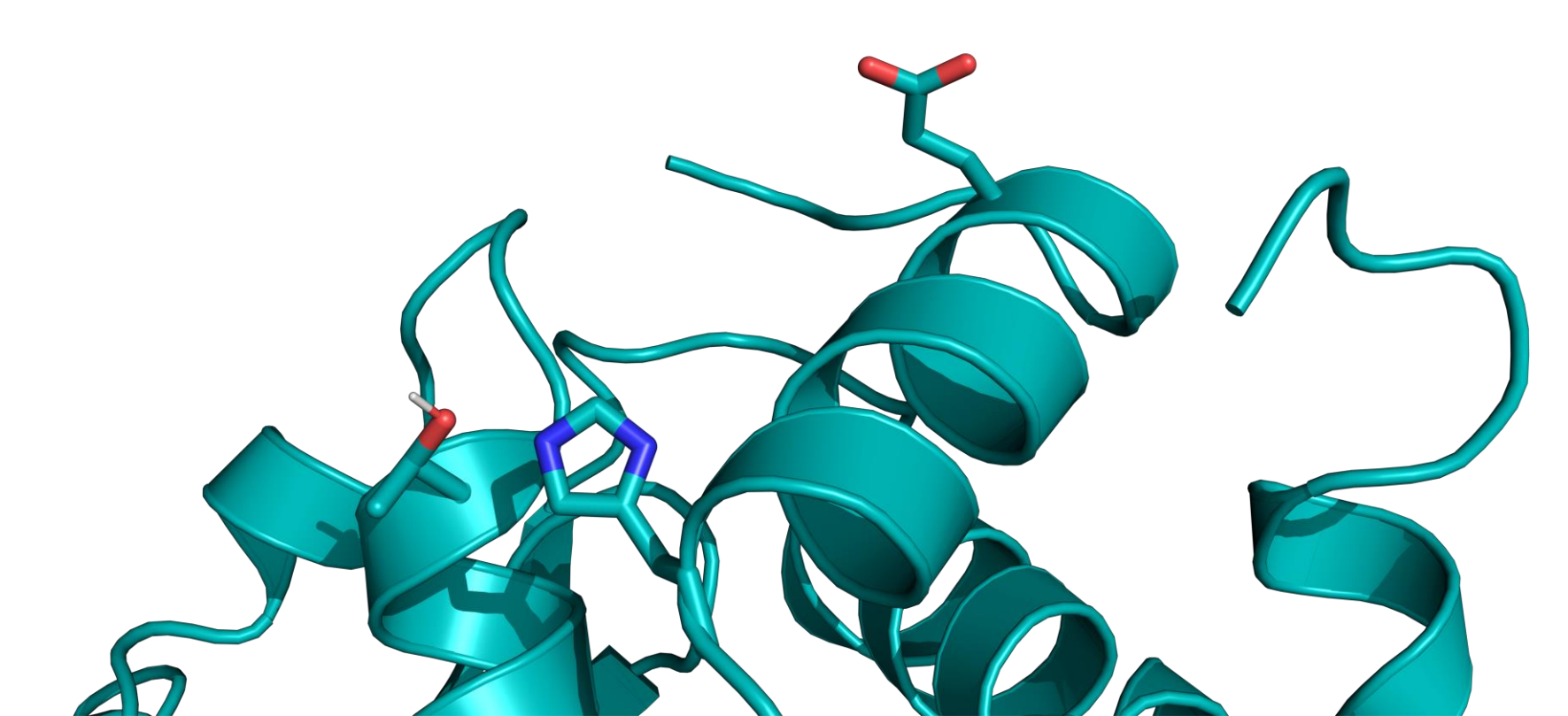
PypKa: a python module for flexible Poisson-Boltzmann based pK_a calculations with proton tautomerism

MD Protonation States



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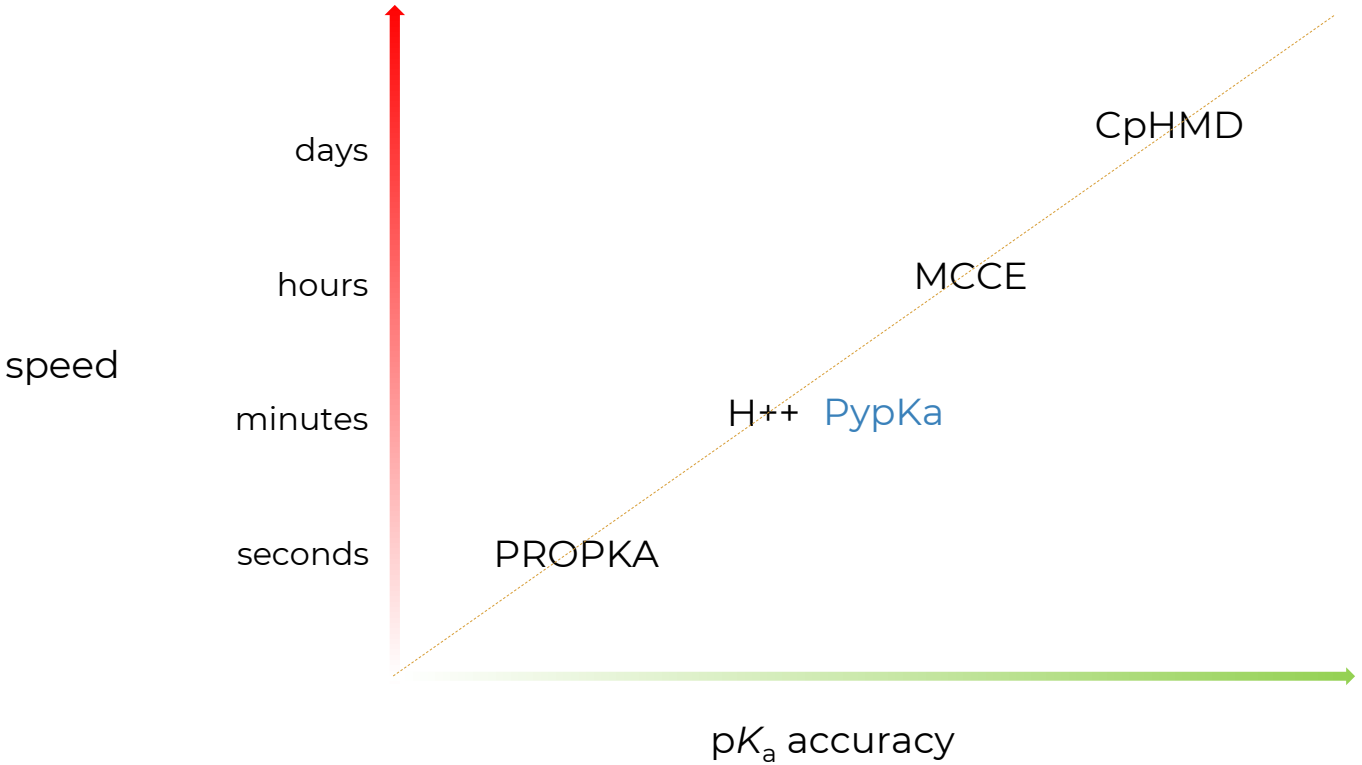

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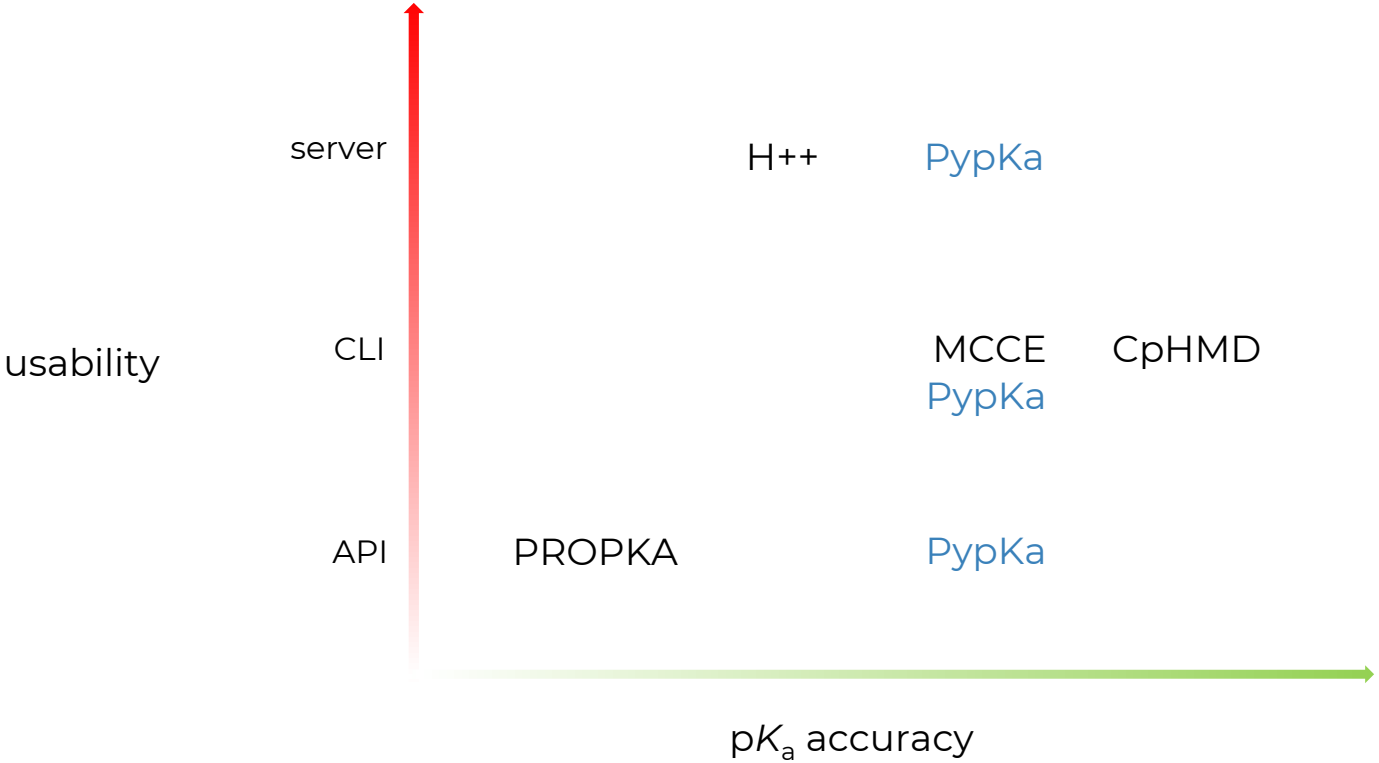
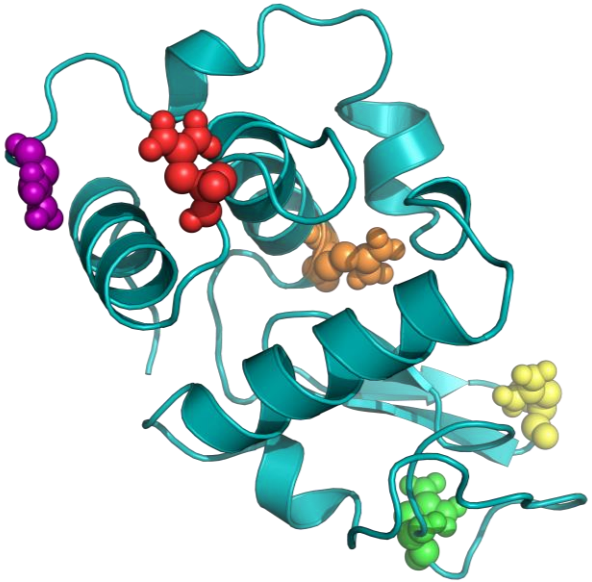


Step 01: Input pdb file

RCSB PDB
PROTEIN DATA BANK

PDB2PQR

Dolinsky TJ et al. 2007



HEWL PDB ID: 4LZT

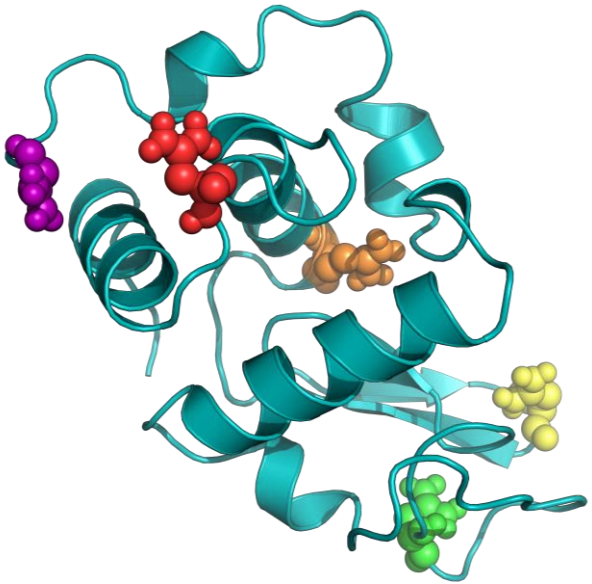
AMBER

CHARMM

MD
Trajectories

GROMOS

Step 02: Titrable residues & Parameters



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from PypKa import *

# Reference pdb file location
pdb = 'protein.pdb'

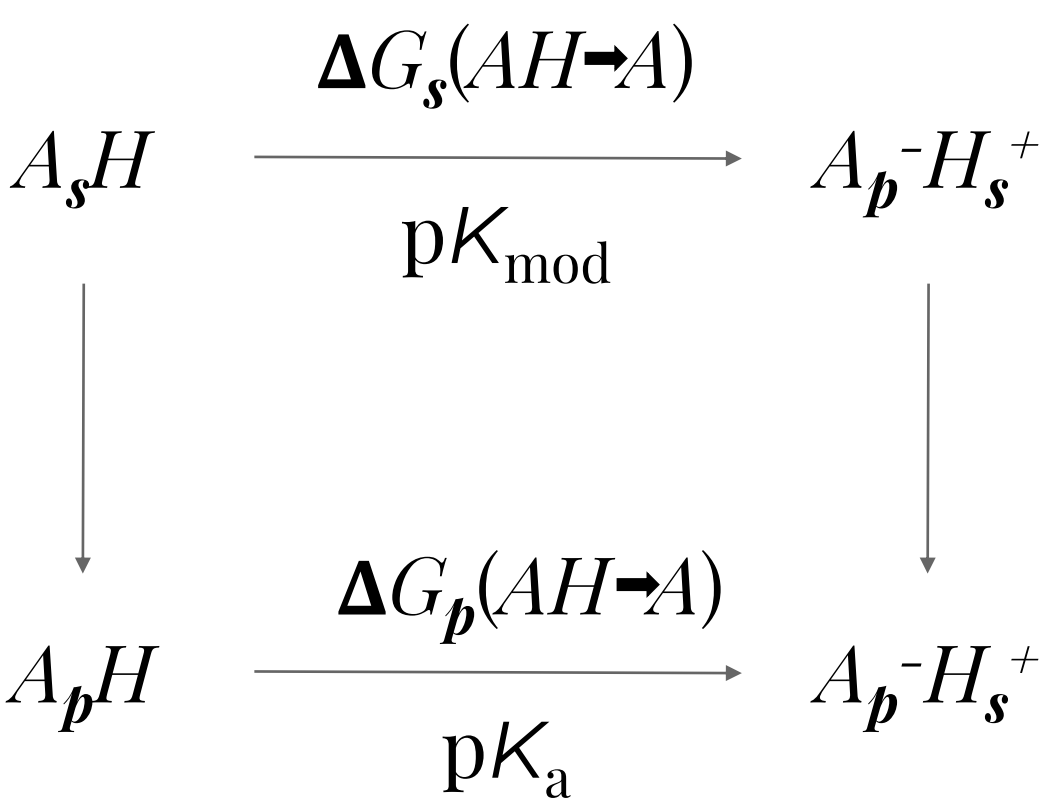
# Custom titrable sites found in pdb
sites = ['ASP18', 'GLU35', 'ASP48', 'ASP66', 'CTR']
```

```
# Calculate sites pKa values using 8 cores
# 0.5A grid spacing, system occupies 90% of the grid
# convergence criterion of 0.01 kT/e
pKa = Titration(pdb, sites=sites,
                ncpus=8, perfil=0.9,
                gscale=0.5, convergence=0.01)
```

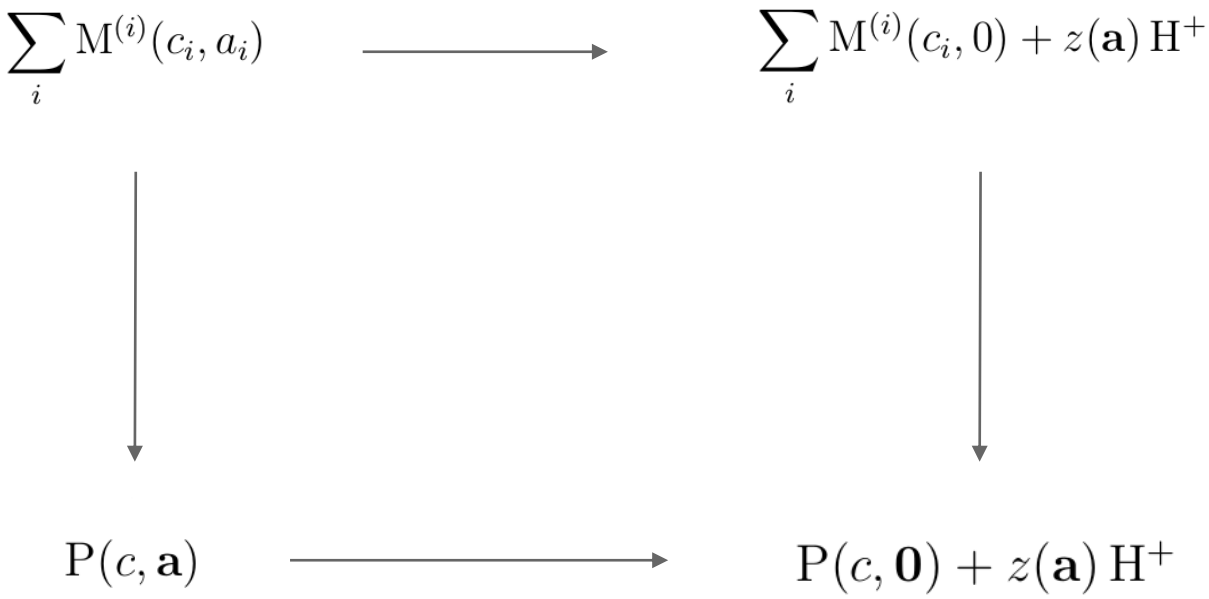
```
# Iterate all sites and print their pKa values
# and their most probable protonation state at pH 7
for site in pKa:
  print site, pKa[site], pKa.protstate(site, 7)

# Print parameters used in the previous calculation
print pKa.parameters()
```

Single Conformation Unique Site in a Protein



Single conformation
Multiple Sites



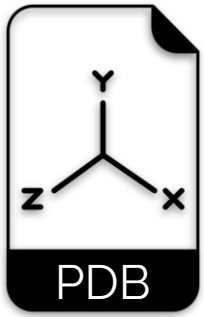
PB/MC

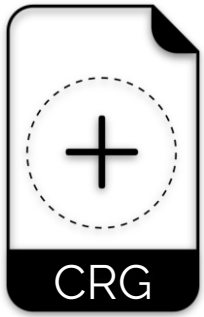
$$\Delta G^P(c, \mathbf{a} \to 0) = 2.3 k_B T \sum_i a_i \gamma_i \mathrm{p}K_{intr}(c, a_i) + 2 \sum_i \sum_{j<i} a_i a_j \Delta \mathcal{V}_{ij}^P(c)$$

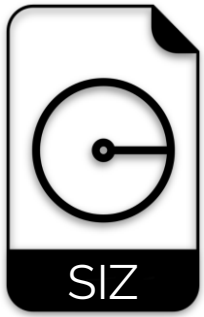
$$\mathrm{p}K_{intr}(c, a_i) = \mathrm{p}K_{mod}(c, a_i) - \frac{\gamma_i}{2.3 k_B T} \left[\Delta\Delta G_{solv}^{M \to P}(c, a_i^*) + \Delta\Delta G_{back}^{M \to P}(c, a_i^*) \right]$$

$$\mathrm{p}(\mathbf{a}|c) = \frac{e^{-\beta \Delta G^P(c,\mathbf{a}) - 2.3 z(\mathbf{a}) \mathrm{pH}}}{\sum e^{-\beta \Delta G^P(c,\mathbf{a}') - 2.3 z(\mathbf{a}') \mathrm{pH}}}$$

DelPhi4Py: a simple to use python wrapper for DelPhi








```python
from delphi4py import delphi

fpdb = 'protein.pdb'
f_crg = 'Database.crg'
f_siz = 'Database.siz'

# Set parameters for delphi calculations
# 0.1M of ion concentration
# 500 iterations with lPBE
delphimol = delphi(f_crg, f_siz, fpdb,
                   conc=0.1, nlit=500)

delphimol.runDelPhi()

print delphimol.getSolvation()      # float
print delphimol.getSitePotential() # array
```

Step 02: Titrable residues & Parameters

SITE	pK_{mod}	pK_{comp}	pK_{exp}	Δ
ASP 18	3.8	2.9	2.7	0.2
GLU 35	4.2	4.6	6.2	-1.6
ASP 48	3.8	1.4	1.6	-0.2
ASP 66	3.8	1.3	0.9	0.4
CTR 129	3.0	2.9	2.8	0.1

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Main Features


easy to use and incorporate in existing scripts


anisotropic and isotropic systems


GROMOS 54A7 validated parameters


CPU & GPU parallel computing


optional proton tautomerism


open source project

Future Development

1. Parameter calibration
    a. Dieletric constant
    b. Radii
    c. DelPhi Settings
2. Extensive benchmarking
3. Support more Force Fields
4. Online server
5. CpHMD integration

GitHub

https://github.com/mms-fcul/DelPhi4Py

https://github.com/mms-fcul/PypKa

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