# Dimensionality reduction in computational demarcation of protein tertiary structures 

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#### Abstract

Predictive classification of major structural families and fold types of proteins is investigated deploying logistic regression. Only five to seven dimensional quantitative feature vector representations of tertiary structures are found adequate. Results for benchmark sample of non-homologous proteins from SCOP database are presented. Importance of this work as compared to homology modeling and bestknown quantitative approaches is highlighted.


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## Introduction

Structural classification of proteins helps deciphering their evolutionary connections and local and tertiary fold relationship between them. Several databases in public domain exist which perform this classification at various hierarchical levels, with different objectives. Principal among them are the SCOP [1] and CATH [2] databases.

[^0]Computational modeling of protein structures using quantitative data structures offers efficient, cost-effective applications for classification as well as characterization of protein structures, analysis of protein structure-function correlations and understanding of protein structural genomics. Quantitative data structures found computationally feasible in wide-ranging applications of this kind mostly consists of feature vectors, trees, and graphs. While tree or graphs are of direct applications in homology mapping and/or computer aided analysis of molecular recognition, protein binding and functional interactions (e.g., [3-6]), computing with these is more complex and often requires special data mining algorithms and tools as compared to feature vector representation.

Quantitative feature vectors are computationally the simplest data structures. These are also most suitable for applications of theoretically sound statistical data mining techniques. Representation of fixed size segments of protein sequences as quantitative feature vectors has been useful in phylogenic classification and secondary structure analysis of proteins and has also offered applications in ab initio prediction of tertiary structure [7-11].

Chi et al. [12, 13] have used 25 -dimensional feature vector for fast protein structure retrieval and fold classification. We have attempted structural classification at the first level of the hierarchy in SCOP considering the local and global quantitative features used by them. Sequential as well as structural similarity is important in homology modeling. In view of this, we considered also incorporating some sequential features which are not a linear combination of the features used by Chi et al., yet which are of the same 'type' in the sense that it pertains to geometry and does not explicitly require the knowledge of which amino acids are there in the sequence and in what order, etc.

Length of a protein sequence is simplest if its linear geometrical features satisfying the above criterion. Our earlier
studies on ab initio prediction of protein tertiary structure using only the primary sequence have shown this feature as a statistically significant variable in correlation of the interresidue distances in primary and tertiary structures of proteins [10, 14]. Moreover, inclusion of this feature does not increase the complexity of computing the feature-vector, so we have included it along with the features used by Chi et al [12, 13].

Principal component analysis is carried out to get descriptors of these features collectively in a reduced dimensional space. Multi-class logistic regression is then applied to provide possible application for predictive classification. The results show significance of specific features in characterizing specific structural families of proteins, and also in identifying different types of folds within a family (class).

## Materials and methods: quantitative feature vector representation and analysis

We represent a structured protein as a data point in a 26dimensional feature space. These 26 features are listed in Table 1. Length of protein sequence, listed as the first

Table 1 Serial numbers, as successive components of the feature vector $\underline{X}$, of features are shown as " 1 )", " 2 )", etc. in this table. Local feature numbers 2 to 17 are histogram features and global features 18 to 26 are texture measures of pixel matrix. The abbreviations in parenthesis for each feature are used throughout the text

| Features |  |
| :--- | :--- |
| Local | Global |
| 16 Histogram feature |  |
| Band1 | 1) Length (Len) |
| 2) Histogram [1, 1] (H1) |  |
| 3) Histogram [1, 2] (H2) | 9 Texture measure |
| 4) Histogram [1, 3] (H3) | Orderliness group |
| 5) Histogram [1, 4] (H4) | 18) Maximum probability (Mxpr) |
| Band2 | 19) Uniformity Of energy (Ener) |
| 6) Histogram [2, 1] (H5) | 20) Entropy (Entr) |
| 7) Histogram [2, 2] (H6) | Contrast group |
| 8) Histogram [2, 3] (H7) | 21) Homogeneity (Homo) |
| 9) Histogram [2, 4] (H8) | 22) Contrast (Cont) |
| Band3 | 23) Dissimilarity (Dis) |
| 10)Histogram [3, 1] (H9) | 24) Inverse difference moment (Idm) |
| 11)Histogram [3, 2] (H10) | Statistical group |
| 12)Histogram [3, 3] (H11) | 25) Cluster tendency (Clust) |
| 13)Histogram [3, 4] (H12) | 26) Correlation (Cor) |
| Band4 |  |
| 14)Histogram [4, 1] (H13) |  |
| 15)Histogram [4, 2] (H14) |  |
| 16)Histogram [4, 3] (H15) |  |
| 17)Histogram [4, 4] (H16) |  |

global feature in this table, is computed as the number of amino acids in the primary sequence. The remaining 25 features are as defined by Chi et al. [12]. These incorporate features of geometrical model as well as stereochemical nature of a protein's tertiary structure.

As no web-server or software is available for computing these features, we have developed our own programs on Linux platform to compute these features, as described in Chi et al. [12]. The names and notations of these features are retained as in their paper. Among these, there are a total of 16 local features (histogram features) and the remaining nine are global features that are measured as texture measures. All these computed from the pixel matrix of inter-residue distances. If only specific (structural) domain of a protein is under consideration then the feature vector is computed only for that portion.

Pixel Matrix Pair-wise Euclidean distances between the coordinates of the backbone residues of the protein under consideration are computed. (This matrix is symmetric with diagonal elements as zeros. So, only its upper or lower triangle is computed). This inter-residue distance matrix is converted into a Pixel Matrix where distances are converted to 32 gray levels: minimum distance $=0$ and maximum distance $=31$ pixels.

The 16 local (histogram) features are obtained as follows. The pixel matrix is partitioned diagonally into four band-strips as illustrated in Fig. 1. In each band, four local features are computed as relative frequencies of inter-residue distances in the (pixel) ranges 0 to $7 ; 8$ to $15 ; 16$ to 23 ; and 14 to 31 .

The nine global features are calculated as texture measures of the pixel matrix; these are defined as functions


Fig. 1 Illustration of four bands in an $n \mathrm{X} n$ pixel matrix; values above the top horizontal boundary indicate column nos; and those on the left of 1 st vertical boundary denote the row nos. Pixel at $i$ th row, $j$ th column corresponds to distance between $i$ th $\& j$ th residues

Table 2 Cumulative percentage of variance contributed by the first five PCs in different classes

|  | All Alpha | All Beta | Alpha/Beta | Alpha+Beta |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| PC 1 | 49.21 | 45.60 | 48.90 | 41.80 |
| PC 2 | 15.49 | 17.41 | 15.31 | 25.07 |
| PC 3 | 11.11 | 10.67 | 10.57 | 10.55 |
| PC 4 | 6.23 | 7.41 | 8.10 | 6.11 |
| PC 5 | 3.54 | 4.88 | 5.17 | 2.69 |
| Total | 85.58 | 85.97 | 88.05 | 86.22 |

of the spatial variation in pixel intensities (gray levels). These are computed using the gray level co-occurrence matrix (GLCM), which explains the distribution of a pairs of gray levels in the pixel matrix. The $(i, j)$ th element of the GLCM denoted by $\mathrm{P}(d, \theta)$ is computed as the number of times the gray level $i$ and $j$ are separated by distance ' $d$ ' with direction ' $\theta$ ' in the pixel matrix. In our computations, we have taken $d=1$ and $\theta=(0,45,90,135,180,225,270$, 315). We thus obtain eight GLCM matrices in total.

The desired nine texture measures are computed using the formula given in Chi et al. [12]. Our computer program
to calculate the feature vector may be obtained from the corresponding author.

Pixel matrix and local structural folds Pair-wise distances between $C_{\alpha}$ backbone residues are of key importance in determination or prediction of protein structures - especially the secondary structure and local folds of the tertiary structures [15]. The ab initio methods of prediction of protein tertiary structure from primary sequence extensively rely upon inter-residue distances. Conventional statistical estimates of the lower and upper bounds on inter-residue distances in alpha-helix, beta sheets, and coils obtained from large samples, are often useful for short range span: For example, if amino acid a primary sequence positions ' $i$ ' and ' $j$ ' are both part of an alpha helices fold in the tertiary structure then the distance $d_{\mathrm{ij}}$ (i.e., distance between them in 3-dimensional Euclidean space) between them would satisfy, $d_{\mathrm{ij}} \in[4.5,7.5]$ if $j$ is 3 rd or 4th neighbor of ' $i$ ' on the primary sequence, etc. However, no such estimates are available for medium or long-range spans in general, e.g., for $j>i+20$, etc. Different methods deploy different approaches to compute/estimate or otherwise incorporate inter-residue distances; for example, lattice models [16],

Fig. 2 The bar-diagrams correspond to the data from class (a) All Alpha; (b) All Beta; (c) Alpha/Beta; and (d) Alpha + Beta. In each diagram, labels, $1,2, \ldots$, etc on the $X$-axis denote the successive principal components PC1, PC2, ....,etc. The $Y$-axis shows eigenvalues of covariance matrix of the 26 dimensional feature vector. A horizontal line is drawn at eigenvalue $=1$ for clear indication of the fact that in each class, the eigenvalue corresponding to the first five PCs is $>1$. In most cases the eigenvalues corresponding to PC16 onward are negligible


Table 3 The features that were found important in terms of statistically significant (confidence level $>90 \%$ ) correlation with the first three* PCs are listed here for the data described in section "Data set for common structural fold within a class"; abbreviated names of
features are as in Table 1. (*correlation with other PCs are not found significant). Magnitude of correlation coefficient in each case is $\geq 0.75$. Superscript ' $(-)$ ' indicates that its sign is negative

| Class | Significant features |
| :---: | :---: |
| All Alpha | H2, H5 ${ }^{(-)}$, $\mathrm{H} 9^{(-)}$, H10 ${ }^{(-)}$, Ener, Entr ${ }^{(-)}$, Homo, Cont ${ }^{(-)}$, Dis ${ }^{(-)}$, Idm, Cor |
| All Beta | Len ${ }^{(-)}$, $\mathrm{H} 1^{(-)}$, $\mathrm{H} 5^{(-)}$, H9, Ener ${ }^{(-)}$, Entr, Homo ${ }^{(-)}$, Cont, Dis, $\mathrm{Idm}^{(-)}$, $\mathrm{Cor}^{(-)}$ |
| Alpha/Beta | H1, H8 ${ }^{(-)}$, $\mathrm{H} 9^{(-)}$, H10 ${ }^{(-)}$, H11 ${ }^{(-)}$, H12, H13, Ener, Entr ${ }^{(-)}$, Homo, Cont ${ }^{(-)}$, Dis ${ }^{(-)}$, Idm, Cor, Mxpr |
| Alpha+Beta | Len ${ }^{(-)}$, $\mathrm{H} 1^{(-)}, \mathrm{H} 2^{(-)}$, H8 ${ }^{(-)}$, H9, H10, H12, H16, Mxpr, Ener ${ }^{(-)}$, Entr, Homo ${ }^{(-)}$, Cont, Dis, Idm ${ }^{(-)}$, Clust, Cor ${ }^{(-)}$ |

threading [17], and/or nonparametric statistics and knowledge-based heuristic [10].

The bands in pixel matrix incorporate important information on inter-residue distance distribution in certain structural folds. In view of the earlier studies [18], if the pixel matrices of alpha helices in proteins of length $n$ are aligned then there will be maximal alignment and matching in the segments (in one or more of the four bands) that are close and parallel to the diagonal. Thus, for helices of length $\leq n / 4$, the value of feature H 1 will be almost the same in all the corresponding feature-vectors and H2 may also have small variance in any sample of these feature-vectors.

For parallel beta sheets the aligned portions of pixel matrices would be away from the diagonal in the bands corresponding to the size of the sheet. Thus, for example, features like H 4 and H 8 and may be $\mathrm{H} 3, \mathrm{H} 7$ would have small variances in the sample of feature-vectors of parallel beta sheets of length greater than $n / 4$ and $\leq n / 2$. Alignment of inter-residue distances for anti-parallel beta sheets would span across segments perpendicular to the diagonal of their superimposed pixel matrices. These segments would be spread across one or more bands depending upon the length of the anti-parallel beta sheets. Thus, the distribution of pixels and the angle between the farther ones in these segments would be similar across the motifs (aligned portions) of such sheets.

In essence, the length of protein, 16 histogram-features, and texture measures depending upon ' $d$ ' and the direction angle ' $\theta$ ' of corresponding GLMCs $\mathrm{P}(d, \theta)$, would collectively extract the secondary structural (local) folds of different types and sizes and their relative and interactive positions in the tertiary structural domains.

## Structural classes and fold types

We focus on classification of protein tertiary structures in four major families - All Alpha, All Beta, Alpha/Beta and Alpha+ Beta. Introduction to these structural folds with illustrative graphics may be found in [15] and in structural domain definitions of SCOP database (http://scop.mrc-lmb.cam.ac.uk/ scop/). We have carried out quantitative representation and analysis in both the cases - (i) classification among these
four classes (families) while considering protein domains having common fold types within a class; (ii) classification while allowing different structural folds within each class.

## Data set for common structural fold within a class

Considering that SCOP database does finer structural classifications at different fold levels and is also the basis/ yardstick of test of the work reported by Chi et al. [13], we have considered structural families and fold types of protein (domains) as identified in this database. For exhaustive search we randomly selected maximum possible number of high-resolution structures of proteins the structural domains of which are authenticated in SCOP such that a comparable number of non-redundant observations are available from each of the four classes of interest and such that samples from each class will contain different possible sizes and orientation of the structural domain it represents.

Development of any data-mining algorithm for predictive applications requires the data set to be bias-free. Considering this, from among the randomly selected set we have chosen a sample of 225 proteins, which are mutually non-homologous [1]. List of these with indication of specific chains and structural domains as tagged in SCOP is given in the Appendix. Pair-wise sequential homology between these was tested using ClustalW program [19] and is found to be less than $\leq 25 \%$ with most pairs having less than $18 \%$ identity.

Table 4 Coefficients (i.e., components of vectors $\beta_{\mathrm{j}}$ in model-Eq. 1 for $j$ th class ) of the PCs, and intercept ( $\alpha_{\mathrm{j}}$ ), in logistic regression model

| Regressor variable | Class |  |  |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
|  | All Alpha | All Beta | Alpha/Beta |
| PC1 | -0.3822 | 0.2904 | 1.5661 |
| PC2 | -1.1679 | 0.6538 | -6.2338 |
| PC3 | -0.6 | 1.7431 | 1.8762 |
| PC4 | 2.3261 | -1.3407 | 2.4824 |
| PC5 | 2.291 | -0.0603 | 4.3087 |
| Intercept | 1.4423 | -2.3951 | -13.519 |

Table 5 Average accuracy parameters (in \%): True positives (TP), false positives (FP) and area under the RO- curve $\left(A_{\mathrm{ROC}}\right)$

| Class | TP | FP | A ROC |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| All Alpha | 75.7 | 16.1 | 88.5 |
| All Beta | 69.6 | 19.4 | 71.6 |
| Alpha/Beta | 79.7 | 8.3 | 89.7 |
| Alpha+Beta | 70.4 | 16.2 | 76.5 |

Common fold types within the classes of interest are: fold "a.4" of class All Alpha; fold "b.1" of class All Beta ; fold "c. 1 " of class Alpha/Beta and fold "d. 58 " of class Alpha + Beta.

A Jackknife type technique is applied for optimal training and cross-validation [20, 21]. In each experiment, a random subset of the above described set of 225 proteins is used as the training sample and the remaining as validation. Everytime, the training sample has about 40 representatives from each class.

## Data set for different structural fold types within a class

We have extended the above work on different folds within each class. This data set consists of vectors of about 30-35 proteins from each major fold type in each class. A list of these is also given in the Appendix. Structural domains satisfying non-homology at sequential levels and different structural fold types (as identified in SCOP database) are considered. The following are the different fold types chosen from the four classes of interest.

| Class | Fold types considered in our study |
| :--- | :---: |
| All Alpha | Alpha Alpha Superhelix (a.207); EF |
|  | hand like (a.51); DNA/RNA 3 helical (a.8); |
|  | Cytochrome c (a.7); |
| All Beta | Concanavaline (b.51); Immunoglobin like |
|  | (b.1); OB folds (b.71); Trypsin like serine |
|  | protease (b.80) |
| Alpha/Beta | Flavodoxin (c.27); Ribonuclease H like (c.77); |
|  | Thioredoxin (c.68); Tim beta (c.1) |
| Alpha + Beta | Beta grasp (d.30); Cystatin like (d.34); Protein <br> kinase (d.300); Ferredoxin (d.129) |
|  |  |

Table 6 The features that were found important in terms of statistically significant (confidence level $>90 \%$ ) correlation with the first three ${ }^{\text {PCs are listed here for the data described in Sect. "Data set }}$ for different structural fold types within a class"; abbreviated names of

We consider classification into different fold types within each structural class. This is further extended on a combined sample for classification among the four classes, using an equal number of observations on each type of fold from a class as representative of that class.

Quantitative representation and dimensionality reduction
The 26 features listed in Table 1 are computed for the chosen dataset using our programs [22, 23] on Linux platform with the support of bio3d utility of R-software. Principal component analysis ( PCA ) is then applied to reduce dimension of the 26 -dimensional feature vector.

## Principal component analysis (PCA)

Dimensionality reduction is most sought of in mining, analysis and applications of multidimensional data. PCA is a theoretically sound method that offers dimensionality reduction while also preserving all the significant information contained in the original data. It is a method of dimensionality reduction in multivariate statistics that transforms a number of possibly correlated variables into a smaller number of mutually uncorrelated variables called principal components. The $k$ principal components of a $k$ dimensional feature vector $\underline{X}$ are obtained by orthogonal linear transformation: $i$ th principal component of $\underline{X}=\left(\underline{v}_{\mathrm{i}}\right)^{\mathrm{T}}$ $\underline{X}$; where superscript ' $T$ ' denotes transpose of a vector; $\underline{v}_{1}$ denotes the eigenvector corresponding to the $i$ th (in descending order of magnitude) eigenvalue of the covariance matrix of $\underline{X}$.

Multivariate statistics theory [24] shows that the first principal component captures maximum variability in the data, followed by the second principal component and so on. So, the first few principal components would provide most of the useful information contained in any random sample of observations on $\underline{X}$. Thus, for further application, instead of using $k$-dimensional vector $\underline{X}$ we may use a $k^{*}$-dimensional vector $\left(k^{*}<k\right)$ of the first $k^{*} \underline{\underline{X}}$ principal components of $\underline{X}$.

As presented in section "Results" below, in our study use of only the first five (i.e., $k^{*}=5$ ) principal components of
features are as in Table 1. (* correlation with other PCs are not found significant). Magnitude of correlation coefficient in each case is $\geq 0.75$. Superscript ' $(-)$ ' indicates that its sign is negative

| Class | Significant features |
| :---: | :---: |
| All Alpha | $\mathrm{H} 1, \mathrm{H} 2, \mathrm{H} 5^{(-)}, \mathrm{H} 6^{(-)}$, $\mathrm{H} 9{ }^{(-)}$, $\mathrm{H} 10^{(-)}$, H11, Mxpr, Ener, Entr ${ }^{(-)}$, Homo, Cont ${ }^{(-)}$, Dis ${ }^{(-)}$, Idm, Clust, Cor |
| All Beta | H1, H2, H5 ${ }^{(-)}$, H11 ${ }^{(-)}$, H12 $2^{(-)}$, Mxpr, Ener, Entr ${ }^{(-)}$, Homo, Cont ${ }^{(-)}$, Dis ${ }^{(-)}$, Idm, Clust, Cor |
| Alpha/Beta | Len, H1 ${ }^{(-)}$, H2 ${ }^{(-)}$, H3 ${ }^{(-)}$, H5, H9, H10, H11, H14, H16, Mxpr ${ }^{(-)}$, Ener ${ }^{(-)}$, Entr, Homo ${ }^{(-)}$, Cont, Dis, Idm ${ }^{(-)}$ |
| Alpha+Beta | Len, $\mathrm{H} 1^{(-)}$, $\mathrm{H} 3{ }^{(-)}$, $\mathrm{H} 8^{(-)}$, $\mathrm{H} 9^{(-)}$, H11, H12, H13, H14, Mxpr ${ }^{(-)}$, Ener ${ }^{(-)}$, Entr, Homo ${ }^{(-)}$, Cont, Dis, $\mathrm{Idm}^{(-)}$, Clust, Cor ${ }^{(-)}$ |

Table 7 Estimates of intercept and coefficients ( $\beta_{\mathrm{j}}$ for $j$ th PC) for different fold types in the structural class All Alpha. Fold type Cytochrome-C is used as a reference in logistic regression model

| Fold type | Intercept | PC1 | PC2 | PC3 | PC4 | PC5 | PC6 | PC7 |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| Alpha Alpha superhelix | 15.172 | -7.716 | 4.1634 | 1.1664 | -3.479 | 3.5792 | 2.882 | -4.077 |
| EF hand like | 18.233 | -6.812 | 3.3299 | 2.0851 | -2.852 | 2.048 | 2.398 |  |
| DNA/RNA 3 helical | 18.448 | -6.605 | 2.8673 | 2.5311 | -2.704 | 1.4128 | 2.620 | -4.273 |

the 26 -dimenstional feature vector of protein-structure is found adequate.

## Relation of PCs with original descriptors

There need not be a one-to-one correspondence between an original feature and a principal component. By definition, every principal component being a linear combination of original features would represent their combined effect. First few principal components, which explain maximum variability (and hence the information content) of the data would capture the joint effect of the important features and thus preserve the collective role of original descriptors more efficiently.

In section "Materials and methods" we have highlighted the importance of pixel matrix and hence the feature vectors vis-à-vis the protein's secondary structural folds. While some individual histogram features might capture the signature (motif) of an alpha helix or beta sheet of specific lengths, the anti-parallel beta sheets require several global features as well. As a single protein could have several local folds of varied sizes at different positions, collective role of all the features is essential to represent these. Even if single structural domains per protein are considered, there would be diversity of sizes and relative positioning across the training sample from which the characteristic of a class is to be extracted.

Therefore, the projection of original data into a reduced dimensional space is required to be such that the collective role of all the features is reflected. Principal component analysis fulfils this requirement with an additional advantage that the sign and magnitude of the correlation coefficients of different features with a principal component also reflect their relative importance in representing the data.

Classification using multi-class logistic regression

Consider the problem of classifying a feature vector $\underline{Y}$ in one of the $C$ classes of interest. A standard multi-class logistic regression model defines the probability $p_{\mathrm{j}}$ of $\underline{Y}$ belonging to $j$ th class, $j=1,2, \ldots, C-1$ as a logit function [25]:
$\ln \left(\frac{p_{j}}{1-p_{j}}\right)=\alpha_{\mathrm{j}}+\underline{Y}^{\mathrm{T}} \underline{\beta}_{\mathrm{j}}+$ random error term.
The probability of $\underline{Y}$ belonging to the $C$ th class is defined as $p_{\mathrm{j}}=1-\sum_{j=1}^{C-1} p_{j}$. This class is termed the reference class.

Fitting of such a model amounts to estimating the intercepts $\alpha_{\mathrm{j}}$ and the vector $\underline{\beta}_{\mathrm{j}}$ of unknown coefficients using a training sample - of observations (on $\underline{Y}$ ) from the $C$ classes of interest, so as to minimize the squared sum of random error. Once the model is fitted, any given vector $\underline{Y}$ is assigned to the class to which it would lie with maximum probability.

In our study, $C=4$. Having estimated the principal components of the 26 -dimensional feature vector $\underline{X}$, we obtain for each observation $\left(\underline{X}_{\mathrm{i}} ; i=1,2, \ldots, n\right)$ in the training sample, the corresponding vector $\left(\underline{Y}_{\mathrm{i}}\right)$ of the first five principal components and fit the logistic regression model.

## Results

We first present the results for the data set described in section "Data set for common structural fold within a class".

Principal component analysis
We found that in each of the four classes of interest, the first five principal components explain nearly $85 \%$ (see

Table 8 Estimates of intercept and coefficients ( $\beta_{\mathrm{j}}$ for $j$ th PC) for different fold types in the structural class All Beta. Fold type Trypsin-like-serine-protease is used as a reference in logistic regression model

| Fold type | Intercept | PC1 | PC2 | PC3 | PC4 | PC5 | PC6 | PC7 |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| Concanavaline | 111.381 | 38.774 | 22.323 | -50.104 | 39.854 | 99.182 | 1.2854 | -5.268 |
| Immunoglobin like | 172.176 | 57.598 | 39.323 | -73.44 | 81.096 | 28.744 | 47.703 | 6.078 |
| OB folds | 171.860 | 57.325 | 39.482 | -73.679 | 81.229 | 27.734 | 47.809 | 5.165 |

Table 9 Estimates of intercept and coefficients ( $\beta_{\mathrm{j}}$ for $j$ th PC) for different fold types in the structural class Alpha/Beta. Fold type Tim-Beta is used as a reference in logistic regression model

| Fold type | Intercept | PC1 | PC2 | PC3 | PC4 | PC5 | PC6 |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| Flavodoxin | 146.439 | 53.569 | -46.669 | 35.449 | -143.669 | -24.355 | 48.288 |
| Ribonuclease H like | 147.600 | 53.694 | -46.664 | 36.826 | -141.781 | -24.945 | 48.642 |
| Thioredoxin | 147.571 | 53.645 | -47.174 | 36.862 | -142.458 | -24.765 | 48.252 |

Table 2) of the total variance in the training sample. Figure 2 shows the significance of the first five principal components (PCs).

## Role of different features in structural motifs

Analysis of the correlation of the first five PCs with different features shows significant difference in influence of certain features in different structural classes - in terms of statistical significance of the correlation coefficient and its magnitude and/or direction (positive or negative). Table 3 summarizes the main results.

From, this table it is clear that the classes All Beta and Alpha + Beta are more similar to each other as compared to the other two classes and the classes All Alpha and Alpha/ Beta are similar with respect to the features that are found to describe them. Len (length of the protein sequence under consideration) is found as a significant feature in the description of the All Beta and Alpha + Beta but not in the other two classes; another global feature mxpr (maximum probability) is found as significant only in Alpha/Beta and Alpha + Beta. Histogram feature H 2 is found significant only in All Alpha; H13 in only Alpha/Beta; and H16 only in Alpha + Beta .

Cluster tendency (Clust) is found significant only in describing the class Alpha + Beta. Most of the other texture measures are found significant in all the classes except that the signs of their correlation with the combined descriptors (the first three PCs) are opposite in the All Alpha and Alpha/Beta classes as against All Beta and Alpha + Beta .

## Predictive classification

As described earlier, several computational experiments are conducted using random subsets of the dataset described in
section "Data set for common structural fold within a class" as training samples. In each experiment, 4-class logistic regression is fitted using the R-software (http://www.rproject.org/); the first five principal components (PC) are regarded as the explanatory (regressor) variables. Alpha+ Beta class is considered as the reference class. Classes of the feature-vectors in the validation samples are predicted using the fitted model.

Coefficients of the PCs in this model are shown in Table 4. The best model gave more than $82 \%$ prediction accuracy for each class. Averages (of cross-validation results) of the accuracy parameters are shown in Table 5.

The accuracies of predictive classification by other models have also been satisfactory. The following table shows average performance.

Results for different folds within a class

For the data set described in section "Data set for different structural fold types within a class" we have found that the first five PCs explain more than $85 \%$ of variation in the data. The contributions of individual PCs are also comparable with those shown in Table 2 and Fig. 2.

## Role of different features

Analysis of correlation of the first five PCs with the features described in Table 1 shows interesting results. As far as comparison between classes is concerned the roles of features significant in distinguishing between the classes remain similar to those summarized in Table 3. However, comparisons within a class show distinct roles of certain features with respect to different folds. Table 6 underneath summarizes the key results.

Table 10 Estimates of intercept and coefficients ( $\beta_{\mathrm{j}}$ for $j$ th PC) for different fold types in structural class Alpha + Beta. Fold type Ferredoxin is used as a reference in logistic regression model

| Fold type | Intercept | PC1 | PC2 | PC3 | PC4 | PC5 | PC6 |  |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| Beta grasp | 0.293 | 0.201 | 0.336 | 0.528 | -0.510 | -1.057 | -0.861 |  |
| Cystatin like | 1.844 | 0.373 | 1.683 | 0.856 | 2.258 | 1.122 | 0.398 |  |
| Protein kinase like | -56.551 | 3.281 | 25.134 | 6.901 | 22.087 | 23.250 | 10.222 | 1.415 |

Table 11 Average accuracy parameters (in \%) for classification of different fold types within class All Alpha: True positives (TP), False positives (FP) and area under the ROC- curve ( $A_{\text {ROC }}$ )

| Fold type | TP | FP | A ROC |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| Alpha Alpha superhelix | 83.9 | 7.5 | 93.2 |
| EF hand like | 57.1 | 14.6 | 74.4 |
| DNA/RNA 3 helical | 62.3 | 13.9 | 79.4 |
| Cytochrome C | 91.7 | 4.1 | 91.6 |

Because of higher within-class variability (due to different fold types), except H16, roles of no other local or global features are so distinct as found in the case of common fold types within a class (section "Role of different features in structural motifs" above). Except "Len", no other feature is found to prominently distinguish even between groups of classes. The role of length of protein sequence (len) is now found significant in distinguishing between the classes Alpha/Beta and Alpha + Beta against All Alpha and All Beta. This indicates that the sizes of local (secondary) structural domains are more variable with respect to the fold types in the latter classes as compared to those in the former. This is justified in view of the fact that the classes Alpha/Beta and Alpha + Beta already have a mixed kind of local structural domains, so variability with respect to different fold types within such a class does not influence the role of length (size) of the domains.

## Predictive classification of structural fold types within a class

As described in section "Data set for different structural fold types within a class", within each class we have considered proteins with four different types of structural folds. We have used multi-class logistic regression on the first seven PCs, to predict these structural folds within each class. As in each class, the first seven PCs explained more than $85 \%$ of the total variation in data, so the first seven PCs were considered as predictor variables. Similar to the case of data with common structural folds within a class, we have carried out several computational experiments using the jackknife technique of cross-validation.

Table 12 Average accuracy parameters (in \%) for classification of different fold types within class All Beta: True positives (TP), False positives (FP) and area under the ROC- curve $\left(A_{\mathrm{ROC}}\right)$

| Fold type | TP | FP | $\mathrm{A}_{\text {ROC }}$ |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| Concanavaline | 89.6 | 3.4 | 98.6 |
| Immunoglobin like | 66.7 | 12.2 | 90.1 |
| OB folds | 59.4 | 13.1 | 85.9 |
| Trp like serine protease | 88.9 | 3.8 | 98.2 |

Table 13 Average accuracy parameters (in \%) for classification of different fold types within class Alpha/Beta: True positives (TP), false positives (FP) and area under the ROC- curve ( $A_{\mathrm{ROC}}$ )

| Fold type | TP | FP | A ROC |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| Flavodoxin | 85.3 | 12.1 | 90.2 |
| Ribonuclease H like | 59.6 | 12.4 | 84.6 |
| Thioredoxin | 61.4 | 10.6 | 82.3 |
| Tim Beta | 89.3 | 1.6 | 97.4 |

The estimated regression coefficients and intercepts of best models for each class under consideration are shown in Tables 7, 8, 9, and 10. For each class, the models show overall predictive accuracy (i.e., percentage of correctly classified fold types) $\geq 73 \%$. Averages (of cross-validation results) of the accuracy parameters are shown in Tables 11, 12,13 , and 14.

## Predictive classification of using different structural folds within a class

We have also carried out computational experiments on predictive classification by multi-class logistics using training samples of sizes about 40 from each of the structural classes - All Alpha, All Beta, Alpha/Beta, and Alpha + Beta. In this case the first seven PCs explain the desired ( $>85 \%$ ) of total variation in the data. In all experiments, the training sample from a class consists of about ten observations for each of the four different types (described in section "Data set for different structural fold types within a class") of folds prominently found in this class. Class Alpha + Beta is regarded as the reference class for fitting of the logistic regression model with the first seven PCs as the predictor variables.

Estimated parameters of the model are shown in Table 15 and average (of cross-validation results) accuracy results are shown in Table 16.

The overall accuracy of correct classification (TP) in the best model is around $74 \%$. This as well as the average TP for each class are lower as compared to those for the case (section "Predictive classification" above) when the training sample from a class consisted of common structural

Table 14 Average accuracy parameters (in \%) for classification of different fold types within class Alpha+Beta: True positives (TP), false positives (FP) and area under ROC- curve $\left(A_{\mathrm{ROC}}\right)$

| Fold type | TP | FP | A ROC |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| Beta grasp | 64.7 | 18.1 | 86.5 |
| Cystatin like | 74.2 | 8.2 | 92.4 |
| Protein kinase like | 98.4 | 1.1 | 99.2 |
| Ferredoxin | 62.3 | 9.4 | 86.9 |

Table 15 Coefficients (components of vectors $\beta_{\mathrm{j}}$ in model-equation (1) for $j$ th class) of the PCs; and the intercept ( $\alpha_{\mathrm{j}}$ )

| Class | Intercept | PC1 | PC2 | PC3 | PC4 | PC5 | PC6 | PC7 |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| Alpha | -0.661 | 0.065 | 0.897 | 0.542 | -1.498 | -0.872 | 1.418 | 0.359 |
| Beta | -0.18 | 0.164 | -0.379 | 0.476 | 0.111 | -0.711 | -0.385 | -2.099 |
| Alpha/Beta | 0.097 | 0.232 | 0.059 | 0.082 | -1.184 | -1.637 | 0.141 | -2.038 |

fold type. It is expected because in the present case the size of the training sample is comparable to that used in the case of common with-in class folds, but this training sample is significantly heterogeneous.

## Discussion

Statistical modeling and analysis of protein data carried out in this paper has provided important quantitative insight into major structural families (as identified in SCOP database) and has also offered computationally feasible and efficient predictive methods for their classification. Computational methods using feature vectors are remarkably simpler to structural homology for classification of proteins. Our approach has added advantages of reduced dimension of the feature vector and use of statistical data mining.

It is notable that though we have reduced the dimension of quantitative feature-vector representation of protein tertiary structures to at the most seven, the accuracy of structural classification we get is comparable to or better than that of Chi et al. [12, 13]. In the case of common fold types representing a structural class, the dimension as less than five is adequate for predictive classification with high accuracy. Apart from dimensionality reduction, insight into relative importance of certain features in specific structural folds is another gain over the best-known relevant approach [12].

Efficient and theoretically sound method of principal component analysis (PCA) is used here for dimensionality reduction. Principal components being linear transformations of the original data are easy to compute. Moreover, these being orthogonal (and hence uncorrelated) to each other can also be used as explanatory variables in the powerful predictive applications of regression modeling.

Table 16 Average accuracy parameters (in \%): True positives (TP), false positives (FP) \& area under ROC- curve ( $A_{\text {ROC }}$ )

| Class | TP | FP | A $_{\text {ROC }}$ |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| All Alpha | 59.6 | 12.5 | 83.7 |
| All Beta | 67.8 | 16.8 | 82.6 |
| Alpha/Beta | 57.7 | 18.5 | 77.4 |
| Alpha+Beta | 69.5 | 5.2 | 88.7 |

Comparative analysis in terms of significant correlation of features with the key $P C$ s reveals interesting results on relative importance and representative roles of certain topological, structural and stereochemical features in describing and distinguishing the four major 'classes' of protein structures.

As shown in Table 3, no histogram features in band4, i.e., no long-range inter-residue distances are important in characterizing the All Alpha and All Beta type folds. Texture measures and hence topological as well as stereochemical factors are found more important (though mostly with respect to the sign of correlation with the important PCs) than local features in distinguishing between these classes. Alpha/Beta structures appear closer to All Alpha with respect to these features, whereas Alpha + Beta types seem to share this similarity with All Beta.

When common fold types within a class are considered, length (len) of a protein sequence under consideration is found to play an important role in distinguishing All Beta and Alpha + Beta classes from All Alpha and Alpha/Beta. Another global feature mxpr (maximum probability) is found to distinguish Alpha/Beta and Alpha + Beta from the other two classes. Interestingly, for each class, one significant local feature or global feature along with the above is also found as an important descriptor. It is notable that within class variability different fold types perturb this influence except for the roles of H16 and len in the mixed class Alpha + Beta .

Exact values of correlation coefficients and the regression coefficients of the PCs in each class can be used for detailed statistical analysis of interactive roles of local folds in a tertiary structure, which is not possible otherwise. Using these values, computer aided molecular designs of certain structures - e.g., functionally important tertiary motifs - may be obtained. Random variation in values of features found important in distinguishing different types of structural folds (e.g., Table 6) would provide computationally simpler techniques than molecular dynamics for simulation of protein tertiary folds and would also help in testing the empirical hypotheses on this yet un-deciphered phenomenon. We shall report some results in this regard subsequently.

Multi-class logistic regression has been extensively used in wide-ranging applications including medical- and bioinformatics and immunology (e.g., [25, 26]). Here it provides a computationally feasible and predictive method
of classifying protein structural families. It is remarkably simpler in computation than the methods of structural homology used to distinguish between structurally similar and dissimilar proteins. Another significant importance of this method lies in the fact that we can assign confidence levels of accuracy to predictive classifications and also to class-definition in terms of the feature vectors.

Our results for classification between four major structural classes, with (i) common fold types representing a class; and also for (ii) different fold-types within a class, are excellent in terms of overall accuracy of classification and area under ROC. Often in predictive applications, there is compromise between true positives and false positives. $\mathrm{A}_{\text {ROC }}$ - area under the receiver operating characteristic curve (ROC) provides a comprehensive measure of reliability and consistency of a predictive method or model [27, 28]. The models fitted here for classification into one of the four structural classes and those for further discrimination among different fold types within a class are found to be good in terms of this criterion. The corresponding regression models can be used in predictive application to classify any new protein.

Further, the present study strengthens the possibility of deploying similar quantitative modeling to predict functionally important structural motifs or functional sites in proteins. We have used it to infer the presence and location of certain functional sites in new or predicted structures of proteins [29].

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## Appendix

List of proteins referred to in section "Materials and methods"
(a) pdb ids of the 225 proteins in the data set referred in section "Data set for common structural fold within a class"

| All Alpha | All Beta | Alpha/Beta | Alpha+Beta |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 1aoy | 1 a 3 r | 1a4m | 1ab8 |
| 1b9m | 1 b 4 r | 1aj2 | 1afj |
| 1bby | 1bww | 1 b 5 t | 1aop |
| 1 bia | 1cf1 | 1bd0 | 1 b 64 |
| 1 bja | 1 cvr | 1bqg | 1cg2 |
| $1 \mathrm{bl0}$ | 1dqi | 1ccw | 1dur |
| 1 bm 9 | 1ehx | $1 \mathrm{ct5}$ | 1 ekr |
| 1 cf 7 | 1 ex 0 | 1 d 8 c | 1f0x |
| 1 d 8 j | 1 ex 0 | 1d8w | 1f3v |
| 1 dp 7 | $1 \mathrm{f00}$ | 1 dbt | $1 \mathrm{f9y}$ |
| 1 e 17 | 1 gof | 1dos | 1 feh |
| 1e3h | 1 gyv | 1dxe | 1 ffg |


| All Alpha | All Beta | Alpha/Beta | Alpha+Beta |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 1ef4 | 1i8a | 1 e 4 m | 1fi4 |
| 1etx | 1ifr | 1eep | 1 ftr |
| 1 fc 3 | 1 im 3 | legv | 1fvg |
| 1 fli | 1jz8 | 1ejx | 1gmu |
| 1 fp 1 | 1 kmt | 1ezw | 1 gpj |
| 1 fse | 1 kyf | 1f6y | 1h72 |
| 1fsh | 116p | 1 fcq | 1hbn |
| 1g3w | 11la | 1 frb | 1hbn |
| 1 gvd | 11 mi | 1gkp | 1hw8 |
| 1hc8 | 1 mlx | 1h41 | 1119 |
| 1 hcr | 1 msp | 1h19 | 1i1g |
| 1hks | 1n9p | 1i0d | 1in0 |
| 1hlv | 1 nci | 1160 | 1iuj |
| 1 hst | 1 nep | 1itu | livz |
| 1hw1 | 106v | 1 j 5 s | 1 j 27 |
| 1 ilg | 1075 | 1 j 6 o | 1 j e |
| 1 i 27 | 1osy | 1 j 79 | 1 jmt |
| 1 i 5 z | 1p7h | 1jfx | 1k47 |
| $1 \mathrm{if1}$ | 1 pby | 1 jqn | 1kkh |
| 1ign | $1 \mathrm{pl3}$ | 1jub | $1 \mathrm{kn6}$ |
| 1 irz | 1 q 0 e | 1k77 | 1koh |
| 1ixc | 1 qfh | 1 kbl | 1kp6 |
| 1ixs | 1 r 4 x | 11t8 | 113k |
| 1 j 5 e | 1 roc | 1luc | 11 u |
| 1 jgs | 1svb | 1m5w | 11q9 |
| 1 jhf | 1 tza | 1 n 8 f | 11 nn |
| 1jhg | 1u2c | 1 nfp | 1m1h |
| 1k6y | 1 uad | 1 nqk | 1 mg 7 |
| 1k78 | 1ug9 | 1 nth | 1 mla |
| 1 kqq | 1v8h | 1 nvm | 1 mli |
| 1ku9 | 1 vca | 1olz | 1 mwq |
| 118q | 1 vca | 1ob0 | 1nh8 |
| 11dd | 1xak | 1ohl | 1nue |
| 1lva | 1xo8 | 1olt | 1 nxi |
| 1 mkm | 2a9d | 1onw | 1 nza |
| 1 mzb | 2b20 | 1 loy 0 | 1051 |
| 1057 | 2c9q | 1p1m | 108 b |
| 1 ofc | 2 dpk | 1 plx | $10 y 8$ |
| 1okr | 2h7w |  | 1pbu |
| 1 opc | 2 hft |  | 1 pca |
| 1oyw | 2j2z |  | 1phz |
| 1p7i | 2 mcm |  | 1 pie |
| 1 pp 7 | 4kbp |  | 1pys |
| 1 q 1 h |  |  | 1 q 4 r |
| 1 rlt |  |  | 1q5y |
| 1 r 71 |  |  | 1q8b |
| 1 r 7 j |  |  | 1q8k |
| 1rep |  |  | 1qd1 |

(b) SCOP ids of the 225 proteins listed in the above Table

| All Alpha | All Beta | Alpha/Beta | Alpha+Beta |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| d1aoya_16087.pdb | d1a3r12_20890.pdb | d1a4ma__29014.pdb | d1ab8a__39414.pdb |
| d1b9mal_16118.pdb | d1b4ra_22072.pdb | d1aj2a__29665.pdb | d1afja__39338.pdb |
| dlbbya__16149.pdb | d1bwwa__20518.pdb | d1b5ta_29676.pdb | d1aopa1_39501.pdb |
| d1biaa1_16083.pdb | d1cflal_21907.pdb | dlbd0a2_28642.pdb | d1b64a__39306.pdb |
| d1bjaa__16122.pdb | d1cvral_21949.pdb | dlbqga1_29217.pdb | d1cg2a2_39360.pdb |
| d1bl0a1_16053.pdb | d1dqia__22357.pdb | d1ccwb_29646.pdb | d1dura__38943.pdb |
| d1bm9a_16116.pdb | d1ehxa__21950.pdb | d1ct5a__28663.pdb | dlekra__39380.pdb |
| d1cf7a__16151.pdb | d1ex0a1_90465.pdb | d1d8ca__29325.pdb | d1f0xa1_39483.pdb |
| d1d8ja__16153.pdb | d1ex0a2_90466.pdb | d1d8wa_29394.pdb | d1f3va__39382.pdb |
| d1dp7p__16159.pdb | d1f00i1_22368.pdb | d1dbta_28539.pdb | d1f9ya__83249.pdb |
| d1e17a_16143.pdb | d1gofa1_21807.pdb | d1dosa_29175.pdb | d1 feha3_38998.pdb |
| dle3ha1_16257.pdb | d19yva__70790.pdb | d1dxea__29310.pdb | d1ffgb__39384.pdb |
| d1ef4a__16272.pdb | d188aa__61951.pdb | d1e4mm__59226.pdb | d1fi4a2_59848.pdb |
| d1etxa__18978.pdb | d1ifra__71203.pdb | dleepa_28636.pdb | d1ftra1_39485.pdb |
| d1fc3a__16237.pdb | d1im3d_62568.pdb | dlegva__29652.pdb | d1fvga_39408.pdb |
| d1flia__16160.pdb | d1jz8a1_67830.pdb | d1ejxc2_83185.pdb | d1gmua2_65336.pdb |
| d1fp1d1_59939.pdb | d1kmta_77442.pdb | dlezwa_29558.pdb | d1gpja3_65453.pdb |
| d1fsea__60000.pdb | d1kyfa1_73220.pdb | d1f6ya__29673.pdb | d1h72c2_60713.pdb |
| d1fsha__60006.pdb | d116pa_73626.pdb | d1ffqa_65006.pdb | d1hbna2_60899.pdb |
| d1g3wa1_65133.pdb | d11laa3_21861.pdb | d1frba__28665.pdb | d1hbnc_60902.pdb |
| d1gvda_83338.pdb | d11mia_78098.pdb | d1gkpa2_70232.pdb | d1hw8a1_61298.pdb |
| d1hc8a_70963.pdb | d1m1xal_74422.pdb | d1h41a1_83472.pdb | d1i19a1_61522.pdb |
| d1 hcra__16020.pdb | d1mspa_22333.pdb | d1h19a2_90651.pdb | dlilga2_65983.pdb |
| d1hksa_16172.pdb | d1n9pa_80343.pdb | d1i0da_61487.pdb | d1in0a1_83694.pdb |
| d1hlva1_65854.pdb | d1ncia__22191.pdb | d1i60a_71118.pdb | d1iuja__90701.pdb |
| d1hsta__16140.pdb | d1nepa__80440.pdb | d1itua__71423.pdb | d1ivza__76863.pdb |
| d1hw1a1_16111.pdb | dlo6val_81099.pdb | d1j5sa__71580.pdb | d1j27a__90778.pdb |
| dli1ga1_65982.pdb | d1o75a1_81117.pdb | d1j60a__77088.pdb | d1j5ej__71553.pdb |
| d1i27a__61555.pdb | dlosya_93502.pdb | d1j79a_62675.pdb | d1jmta_63180.pdb |
| d1i5za1_83669.pdb | d1p7hl1_94271.pdb | d1jfxa__62943.pdb | d1k47a2_72041.pdb |
| d1ifla__16183.pdb | dlpbya3_94419.pdb | d1jqna__77159.pdb | d1kkha2_72646.pdb |
| dligna1_16048.pdb | d1pl3a__88158.pdb | d1juba__90908.pdb | d1kn6a_72770.pdb |
| d1irza__76772.pdb | d1q0ea_ 95504.pdb | d1k77a_72096.pdb | d1koha2_68720.pdb |
| d1ixca1_83764.pdb | d1qfha1_21893.pdb | d1kbla1_68384.pdb | d1kp6a_39397.pdb |
| d1ixsb1_76933.pdb | d1r4xa1_97054.pdb | d11t8a__78186.pdb | d113ka1_73539.pdb |
| d1j5er__71561.pdb | d1roca__97673.pdb | d1luca__29547.pdb | d1loua__39323.pdb |
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| dljhga__19009.pdb | dlu2ca1_107610.pdb | d1nfpa_29555.pdb | d1m1ha2_78416.pdb |
| d1k6ya1_68239.pdb | dluadc_88379.pdb | d1nqka_92050.pdb | d1mg7a2_84955.pdb |
| d1k78a1_68255.pdb | dlug9a3_99363.pdb | d1ntha__80730.pdb | d1mlaa2_39383.pdb |
| d1kqqa_ $72885 . \mathrm{pdb}$ | d1v8ha1_119870.pdb | d1nvma2_86250.pdb | d1mlia__39070.pdb |
| d1ku9a_77544.pdb | d1vcaa1_21649.pdb | d1o1za_86555.pdb | d1mwqa__91481.pdb |
| d118qa1_77809.pdb | d1vcaa2_21685.pdb | dlob0a2_81257.pdb | d1nh8a2_80508.pdb |
| d11dda__73841.pdb | d1xaka__115037.pdb | d1ohla_87035.pdb | d1nuea__39076.pdb |
| d1lvaa1_74276.pdb | d1xo8a__115698.pdb | d1olta_ 93334.pdb | d1nxia__86381.pdb |
| d1mkma1_79242.pdb | d2a9da1_126431.pdb | d1onwa2_87173.pdb | d1nzaa__86444.pdb |


| All Alpha | All Beta | Alpha/Beta | Alpha+Beta |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| d1mzba_91497.pdb | d2b20a1_127685.pdb | dloy0a_87543.pdb | d1o51a_ 92480.pdb |
| d1057a1_92483.pdb | d2c9qa1_130138.pdb | d1p1ma2_87697.pdb | d108ba2_81181.pdb |
| d1ofcx2_92827.pdb | d2dpka1_131616.pdb | d1p1xa__104060.pdb | d1oy8a1_87563.pdb |
| d1okra_ $93269 . \mathrm{pdb}$ | d2h7wa1_136225.pdb |  | d1pbua_88030.pdb |
| d1opca_16231.pdb | d2hfta1_21951.pdb |  | d1pcaa1_39063.pdb |
| d1oywa1_93760.pdb | d2j2zal_137974.pdb |  | d1phza1_39358.pdb |
| d1p7ia_94279.pdb | d2mcma__22207.pdb |  | d1piea2_94707.pdb |
| d1pp7u_194973.pdb | d4kbpa1_22345.pdb |  | d1pysb4_39310.pdb |
| d1q1ha_ 95580.pdb |  |  | d1q4ra_95823.pdb |
| d1r1ta_104769.pdb |  |  | d1q5ya_ $95950 . \mathrm{pdb}$ |
| d1r71a__104823.pdb |  |  | d1q8ba_96201.pdb |
| d1r7ja_104836.pdb |  |  | d1q8ka2_104557.pdb |
| d1repc1_16125.pdb |  |  | d1qd1a1_39493.pdb |

(c) pdb ids of the proteins in the data set referred to in section "Data set for different structural fold types within a class"

Codes of the fold types are as in SCOP (c.f. Table in section "Data set for different structural fold types within a class" for names)

All distinct structural domains (found in SCOP) of the type listed here were used in the study. Therefore no
separate list with SCOP ids of those is given here. Sequential homology between most pairs is $<20 \%$. However, in some pairs within a subclass (e.g., in a.207) it is greater than $45 \%$, common domains of both members of such pairs were not used simultaneously in training or validation samples.

| All Alpha |  | All Beta |  |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| a. 207 | a. 51 | a. 8 | a. 7 | b. 51 | b. 1 | b. 71 | b. 80 |
| 1A17 | 1C3Y | 1B1B | 155C | 1CPN | 1CCZ | 1A1D | 1A7S |
| 1BC9 | 1DGU | 1 C 20 | 1A8C | 1DYK | 1CDY | 1A62 | 1 BIO |
| 1DVP | 1EH2 | 1E17 | 1 C 2 N | 1DYP | 1CID | 1BKB | 1BRU |
| 1EYH | 1EXR | 1IUF | 1 C 52 | 1FNY | 1E5U | 1BR9 | 1BT7 |
| 1HH8 | 1FPW | 1JGS | 1 C 53 | 1GBG | 1ESO | 1D2B | 1CQQ |
| 1HXI | 1GGW | 1KN5 | 1C6R | 1GNZ | 1F2Q | 1FL0 | 1DPO |
| 1JWF | 1HQV | 1MGT | 1C6S | 1GV9 | 1 FHG | 1H9K | 1EAX |
| 1KLX | 1IQ3 | 1MIJ | 1 C 75 | 1GZC | 1FNL | 1 I40 | 1ELT |
| 1LKV | 1JFK | 1MZB | $1 \mathrm{CC5}$ | 1H9P | 1 HNF | 1J6Q | 1EUF |
| 1LRV | 1K95 | 1QNT | 1 CCR | 1J1T | 118A | 1JB3 | 1EXF |
| 1N8U | 1LKJ | 1R36 | $1 \mathrm{CO6}$ | 1KS5 | 1IAM | 1K0S | 1GVZ |
| 1NZN | 1NCX | 1RI7 | 1COR | 1LED | 1IJ9 | 1KHI | 1H4W |
| 1OXJ | 1NX2 | 1RR7 | 1 COT | 1LU1 | 1 JBJ | 1KL9 | 1HJ8 |
| 1PAQ | 1NYA | 1RYU | 1 CTJ | 1MVE | 1 JCV | 1KRS | 1HJ9 |
| 1PC2 | 1OOI | 1S7E | 1CXC | 1MVQ | 1JPE | 1KXL | 1K2I |
| 1Q2Z | 1PUL | 1V3F | 1 CYJ | 1NLS | 1MFM | 1Q46 | 1 KXB |
| 1R8M | 1Q80 | 1WJ5 | 1E29 | 104Y | 1OAL | 1SNC | 1LO6 |
| 1RW2 | 1QV1 | 1 XCV | 1E8E | 1OA4 | 1OLL | 1SR3 | 1MZA |
| 1RZ4 | 1RRO | 1XD7 | 1F1F | 1OLR | 1OP4 | 1TWL | 1NN6 |
| 1TE4 | 1S3P | 1YG2 | 1FI3 | 1S2B | 1 ROC | 1UAP | 1OP0 |


| All Alpha |  |  |  | All Beta |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| a. 207 | a. 51 | a. 8 | a. 7 | b. 51 | b. 1 | b. 71 | b. 80 |
| 1WY6 | 1S6I | 1Z91 | 1GDV | 1SBF | 1 TEY | 1WI5 | 1OS8 |
| 1XT0 | 1SL8 | 2AXL | 1GKS | 1UAI | 1UFG | 1WJJ | 1P3C |
| 1Y6I | 1SNL | 2BV6 | 1HRC | 1UX6 | 1UGN | 1X60 | 1PQ7 |
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| 2D2S | 2JPO | 2ESH | 1LS9 | 2AYH | 1ZXQ | 2K5W | 1 T 32 |
| 219C | 2P71 | 2F5C | 1MZ4 | 2C9A | 2CU9 | 2PRD | 1TON |
| 2 ION | 2PAS | 2 FBH | 1 YCC | 2ERF | 2DPK | 2TMP | 2A31 |
| 2NSZ | 2PVB | 2FBI | $2 \mathrm{AI5}$ | 2NLR | 2FCB | 3TSS | 2 CXV |
| 208P | 2SAS | 2IPQ | 2C8S |  | 2 FWU |  | $2 \mathrm{H5C}$ |
|  | 5PAL | 2OD5 | 2DVH |  | 2MFN |  | 2RG3 |
|  |  | 2V7F | 3C2C |  |  |  | 2SFA |
|  |  | 2 V 9 V | 451C |  |  |  | 2SGA |
|  |  | 2VQC | 5CYT |  |  |  |  |
| Alpha/Beta | Alpha+Beta |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| c. 27 | c. 77 | c. 68 | c. 1 | d. 30 | d. 34 | d. 300 | d. 129 |
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| 1B1A | 1EH6 | 1BED | 1CT5 | 1B9R | 1EQK | 1FOT | 1527 |
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| 1EIW | 1 IO 2 | 1KNG | 1160 | 1L2N | 1Q7H | 1M2R | 1P1L |
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| 2 C 4 V |  | 2H01 | 2PLC | 2BYF | 8 CHO | 3C1X | 2K3K |


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| a.207 | a.51 | a.8 | a.7 | b.51 | b.1 | b.71 |

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