Molecular Docking

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Our Purpose

Assess and compare the accuracy of molecular docking methods







Protein-Ligand Binding



Molecular Docking

Predicts **binding conformation** between **ligand** and **target protein**

- In-silico method
- Widespread applications in pharmaceutical fields
- Traditional programs vs. AI-based programs



Traditional Molecular Docking Programs

2 main parts:

Search Algorithm

Generates protein-ligand binding poses

- Conformational search
- Fragmentation
- Monte Carlo
- Genetic Algorithm
- Tabu Search



Score Algorithm

Calculates binding affinity

- Different metrics (kcal/mol vs. M)
- Determines optimal
 - binding conformation

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SeeSAR

A traditional docking method



Estimated Affinities

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Machine Learning-Based Molecular Docking Programs

- Optimization and accuracy through reverse diffusion
- "Learn" and predict data using scoring function



Gabriele Corso, Hannes Stärk, Bowen Jing, Regina Barzilay, Tommi Jaakkola, DiffDock: "Diffusion Steps, Twists,and Turns for Molecular Docking" 2022

DiffDock-Pocket

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A deep learning-based pocket-docking method



Process Overview

Step 1

Protein identification

• Establish protein dataset

Step 2

Molecular docking

- SeeSAR
- DiffDock-Pocket





Step 3

Analysis/Evaluation: compare generated RMSDs

2 > 0.999... = 1 \approx $^{5(2+2)}$ **101**₂= 5₁₀

Protein Dataset

 DockGen and why it's important







Calculating RMSD Values

- Python script
- Loaded molecules
- Matched atom order and aligned molecules

 $RMSD = \sqrt{\frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^{n} d_i^2}$

Calculated RMSD

Results



Limitations of the Study

- Solely using RMSD/Ångström
 - Small vs. Large structures
- Interface Limitations
- Operating System Optimizations





Future Research

- RMSD Calculators

- Alter the Dataset



Future Research

Why do this research?



Dockingin drug designing

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