

TLS REFINEMENT WITH REFMAC5

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REFMAC5

REFMAC5 is a program for the refinement of macromolecular structures, written by Garib Murshudov et al., York, UK.

Distributed as part of the CCP4 suite:

<http://www.ccp4.ac.uk/download.php>

http://www.yesbl.york.ac.uk/~garib/refmac/latest_refmac.html

Some points about the program:

It is strongly based on ML and Bayesian statistics

It is very easy to use (CCP4*i*)

It has an extensive built-in dictionary

It allows various tasks (model idealisation, rigid-body refinement, phased and non-phased restrained and unrestrained refinement)

It allows a flexible model parameterization (iso-, aniso-, mixed-ADPs, TLS, bulk solvent)

It exploits a good minimization algorithm

What's new in Refmac?

Current version is 5.2

Recent major changes are in the dictionary and ligand handling.

Refmac publications:

- Murshudov, G.N. & al. (1997), Refinement of macromolecular structures by the maximum-likelihood method, Acta Cryst. D**53**, 240-255
- Murshudov, G.N. & al. (1999), Efficient anisotropic refinement of macromolecular structures using FFT, Acta Cryst. D**55**, 247-255
- Winn, M.D. & al. (2001), Use of TLS parameters to model anisotropic displacement parameters, Acta Cryst. D**57**, 122-133
- Steiner, R.A. & al. (2003), Fisher's information in maximum-likelihood macromolecular crystallographic refinement, Acta Cryst. D**59**, 2114-2124
- Vagin, A.A. & al. (2004), REFMAC5 dictionary: organization of prior chemical knowledge and guidelines for its use, Acta Cryst. D**60**, 2184-2195

See Roberto Steiner's tutorial from ACA05:

http://www.ccp4.ac.uk/courses/ACA2005/PPT/ACA05_Refmac5.ppt

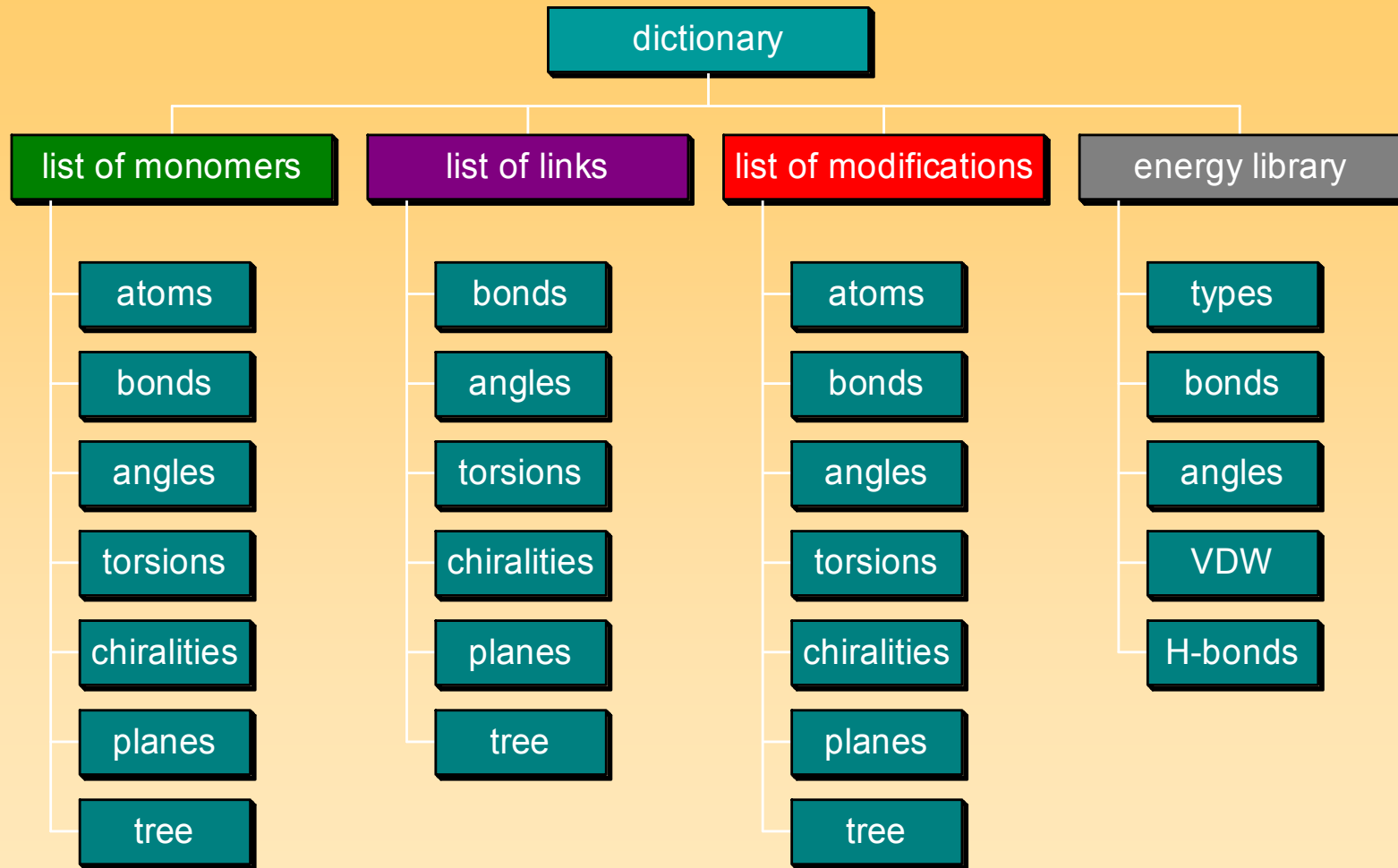
Covers:

Maximum likelihood refinement

Dictionary

TLS refinement

Organization of dictionary



Links e.g. trans or cis peptide bond, disulphide bond, sugar links, etc

Modifications e.g. NH₃ terminus, phosphorylation, renaming, etc.

Monomer library

\$CCP4/lib/data/monomers/

moner_lib.cif	Definition of atom types
mon_lib_list.html	Lists monomers, links, modifications with hyperlinks to detailed descriptions
0/1/...a/b/...	Definition of various monomers

~1000 monomers have complete description

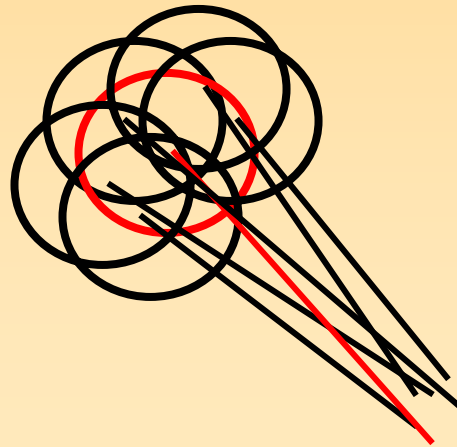
Others have “minimal” description

If you have monomer(s) in your coordinate file for which there is no/minimal description, REFMAC5 generates a complete library description (monomer.cif) and then it stops so you can check the result.

Also: [Sketcher](#) in ccp4i, [PRODRG2](#) server

TLS refinement: Aims

- Experiment measures time- and space-averaged structure
- In addition to mean atomic positions, mean square atomic displacements from mean position (static and dynamic) are an important part of the model of a protein.



TLS refinement: Aims

- Atomic displacements are likely anisotropic, but rarely have luxury of refining individual anisotropic Us. Instead isotropic Bs.
- TLS parameterisation allows an intermediate description

T = translation
L = libration
S = screw-motion

Contributions to atomic U

$$U = U_{\text{crystal}} + U_{\text{TLS}} + U_{\text{internal}} + U_{\text{atom}}$$

U_{crystal} : overall anisotropic scale factor w.r.t. crystal axes.

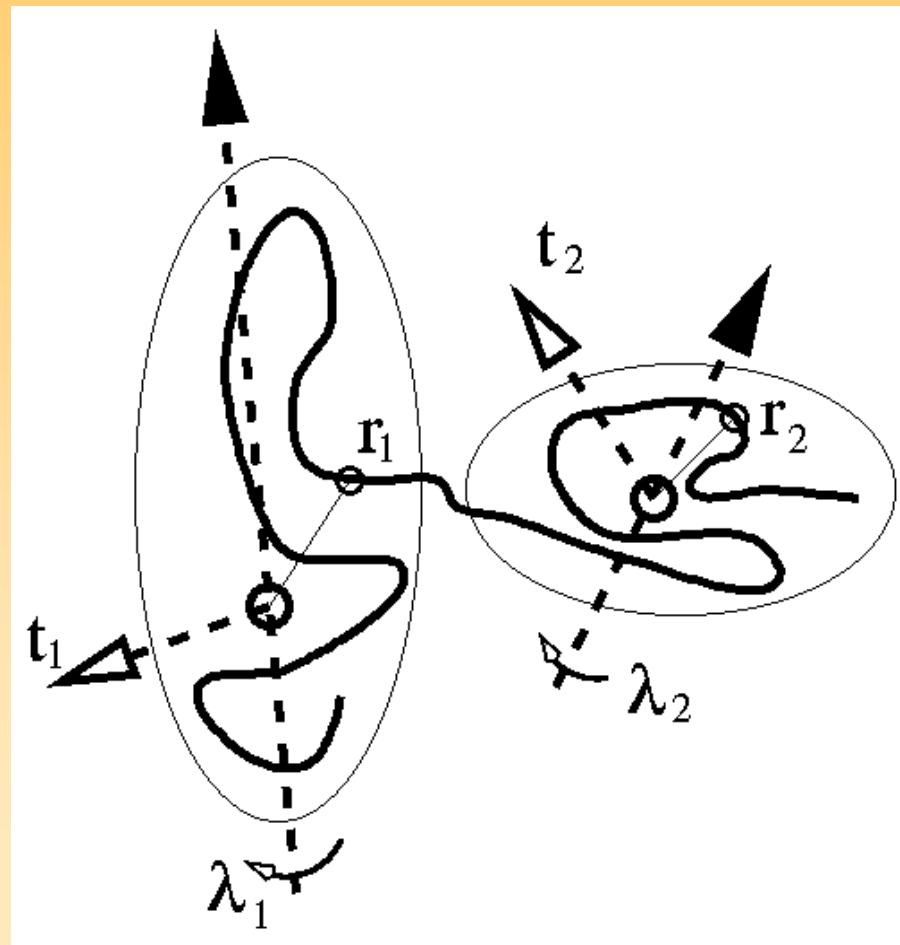
U_{TLS} : pseudo rigid body displacements e.g. of molecules, domains, secondary structure elements, side groups, etc.

U_{internal} : internal displacements of molecules, e.g. normal modes of vibration, torsions, etc.

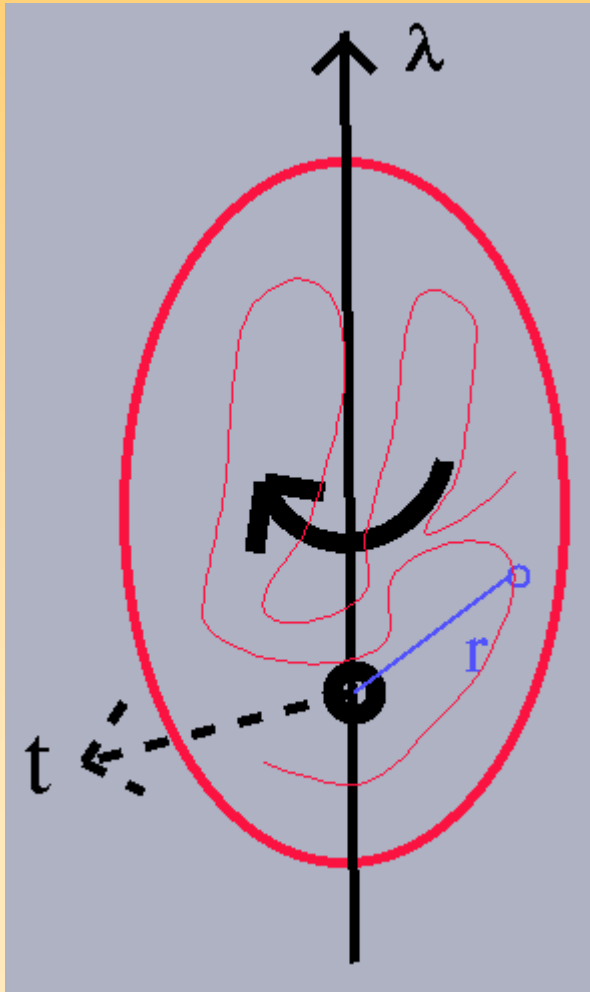
U_{atom} : anisotropy of individual atoms

$$U \text{ are } 3 \times 3 \text{ tensors. } B = (8\pi^2/3) \text{ Tr}(U)$$

Rigid body model



Rigid body motion



General displacement
of atom (position \mathbf{r}
w.r.t. origin O) in
rigid body:

$$\mathbf{u} = \mathbf{t} + \mathbf{D} \cdot \mathbf{r}$$

For small libration λ :

$$\mathbf{u} \approx \mathbf{t} + \lambda \times \mathbf{r}$$

TLS parameters

Experiment yields **mean square** displacements

- Corresponding dyad:

$$\mathbf{uu} = \mathbf{tt} + \mathbf{t}\lambda \times \mathbf{r} - \mathbf{r} \times \lambda\mathbf{t} - \mathbf{r} \times \lambda\lambda \times \mathbf{r}$$

- Average over dynamic motion and static disorder gives atomic anisotropic displacement parameter (ADP):

$$\mathbf{U}_{\text{TLS}} \equiv \langle \mathbf{uu} \rangle = \mathbf{T} + \mathbf{S}^T \times \mathbf{r} - \mathbf{r} \times \mathbf{S} - \mathbf{r} \times \mathbf{L} \times \mathbf{r}$$

- T, L and S describe mean square translation and libration of rigid body and their correlation.
- T \Rightarrow 6 parameters, L \Rightarrow 6 parameters, S \Rightarrow 8 parameters (trace of S is undetermined)

Use of TLS

$$U_{\text{TLS}} \equiv \langle \mathbf{u}\mathbf{u} \rangle = \mathbf{T} + \mathbf{S}^T \times \mathbf{r} - \mathbf{r} \times \mathbf{S} - \mathbf{r} \times \mathbf{L} \times \mathbf{r}$$

- Given refined atomic U's, fit TLS parameters
 - **analysis**
 - Harata, K. & Kanai, R., (2002) Crystallographic dissection of the thermal motion of protein-sugar complex, *Proteins*, **48**, 53-62
 - Wilson, M.A. & Brunger, A.T., (2000) The 1.0 Å crystal structure of Ca(2+)-bound calmodulin: an analysis of disorder and implications for functionally relevant plasticity, *J. Mol. Biol.* **301**, 1237-1256
- Use TLS as refinement parameters

TLS \Rightarrow U's \Rightarrow structure factor

- refinement

- Winn et al., (2003) Macromolecular TLS refinement in REFMAC at moderate resolutions, *Methods Enzymol.*, **374**, 300-321

TLS in refinement

- TLS parameters are contribution to displacement parameters of model
- Can specify 1 or more TLS groups to describe contents of asymmetric unit (or part thereof)
- $6 + 6 + 8 = 20$ parameters per group (irrespective of number of atoms in the group)
- **Number of extra refinement parameters depends on how many groups used!**

At what resolution can I use TLS?

Any! Resolution only affects level of detail:

- Resolution $< 1.2 \text{ \AA}$ - full anisotropic refinement
- Resolution $\sim 1.5 \text{ \AA}$ - marginal for full anisotropic refinement. But can do detailed TLS, e.g. Howlin *et al*, Ribonuclease A, 1.45 \AA , 45 side chain groups; Harris *et al*, papain, 1.6 \AA , 69 side chain groups.
- Resolution $1.5 \text{ \AA} - 2.5 \text{ \AA} \Rightarrow$ model molecules/domains rather than side chains.
- T.Sandalova *et al* (2001) *PNAS*, **98**, 9533-9538 - thioredoxin reductase at 3.0 \AA - TLS group for each of 6 monomers in asu

In fact, rigid-body assumption works better at low resolution

Implementation in REFMAC

Refinement parameters: scaling parameters, TLS parameters and residual B factors.

Typical procedure:

- Specify TLS groups (currently via TLSIN file).
- Use anisotropic scaling.
- Set B values to constant value
- Refine TLS parameters (and scaling parameters) against ML residual.
- Refine coordinates and residual B factors.

CCP4 Program Suite

List of jobs (finished or running) in the queue

Refinement

- Run Refmac5
- Edit Restraints in PDB File
- Monomer Library Sketcher
- Merge monomer libraries
- NCS Phased Refinement
- Tidy Waters
- Create/Edit TLS File
- Analyse anisotropic U parameters
- Analyse TLS parameters
- Run Sfccheck & Procheck

Create/Edit TLS File

Job title

Create a TLS file

TLS out

TLS group definitions

Group 1

Group title

Include residues to in chain with atom selection

Include residues to in chain with atom selection

Group 2

Group title

Include residues to in chain with atom selection

Group 3

Group title

Include residues to in chain with atom selection

Include residues to in chain with atom selection

Group 4

Group title

Include residues to in chain with atom selection

Initial TLSIN file

```
TLS Chain O NAD binding  
RANGE 'O 1.' 'O 137.' ALL  
RANGE 'O 303.' 'O 340.' ALL
```

```
TLS Chain O Catalytic  
RANGE 'O 138.' 'O 302.' ALL
```

```
TLS Chain Q NAD binding  
RANGE 'Q 1.' 'Q 137.' ALL  
RANGE 'Q 303.' 'Q 340.' ALL
```

```
TLS Chain Q Catalytic  
RANGE 'Q 138.' 'Q 302.' ALL
```

Choice of TLS groups

- Chemical knowledge, e.g. aromatic side groups of amino acids, secondary structure elements, domains, molecules
- Best fit of TLS to ADPs of test structure, or rigid-body criterion applied to ADPs. Both implemented in CCP4 program ANISOANL.

S.R.Holbrook & S.H.Kim, *J.Mol.Biol.*, **173**, 361 (1984)

T.R.Schneider, in *Proc. CCP4 Study Weekend*, 133 (1996)

M.J.Bernett *et al*, *Proteins Struct. Funct. Genet.*, **57**, 626 (2004)

Choice of TLS groups (cont.)

- Fit TLS groups to refined ADPs or isotropic B factors. TLSMD server finds best single group, then best split into 2 groups, etc. See later slide.

<http://skuld.bmsc.washington.edu/~tlsmd>

- Dynamic domains identified from multiple configurations, e.g. more than one crystal form (DYNDOM), difference distance matrices (ESCET), MD simulations.

S.Hayward and H.J.C.Berendsen, *Proteins Struct. Funct. Genet.*, **30**, 144, (1998)

T.R.Schneider, *Acta Cryst.* **D60**, 2269 (2004)

Initialisation of B factors

1. First TLS refinement.

Set B values to constant value (precise value irrelevant) - allows TLS parameters to describe coarse-grained features

2. Subsequent TLS refinement.

TLSIN contains TLS parameters from earlier cycle. Can then keep residual Bs from earlier cycle.

3. Problematic TLS refinements (many `MAKE_U_POSITIVE` warnings).

Re-refine TLS parameters from initial zero values, but recycling earlier residual Bs. Aids stability in some cases.

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Run Refmac5

Job title: **tls refinement of gapdh**

Do **TLS & restrained refinement** using **no prior phase information** input

Generate weighted difference maps files in **CCP4** format

Extend map to cover molecule with border **5.0**

MTZ in: **refine02** **gapdh_g3p_free.mtz** Browse View

FP: **F** Sigma **SIGF**

MTZ out: **refine02** **gapdh_g3p_free_refmac1.mtz** Browse View

PDB in: **refine02** **gapdh_in.pdb** Browse View

PDB out: **refine02** **gapdh_in_refmac1.pdb** Browse View

Library: **refine02** Browse View

Output lib: **refine02** **gapdh_in.cif** Browse View

TLS in: **refine02** **gapdh_in.tls** Browse View

TLS out: **refine02** **gapdh_in_refmac1.tls** Browse View

Fwt map: **refine02** **gapdh_fwt.map** Browse View

DelFwt map: **refine02** **gapdh_delfwt.map** Browse View

Specify an external keyword script file for Refmac5

Data Harvesting

Create harvest file in harvest directory

Harvest project name **gapdh** and dataset name **native**

Required Parameters

Do **maximum likelihood** refinement

10 cycles of refinement in each Refmac run

Use hydrogen atoms: generate all hydrogens and output to coordinate file

Resolution range from minimum **21.617** to **1.999**

Use **matrix** scaling. Diagonal weighting term **0.5** Use expt sigmas to weight Xray terms

Exclude data with freeR label **FreeR_flag** with value of **0**

Setup Restraints

Non-crystallographic symmetry

TLS Parameters

Number of cycles of TLS refinement **20**

Fix Bfactors to **20.0**

Partial Checksum Features

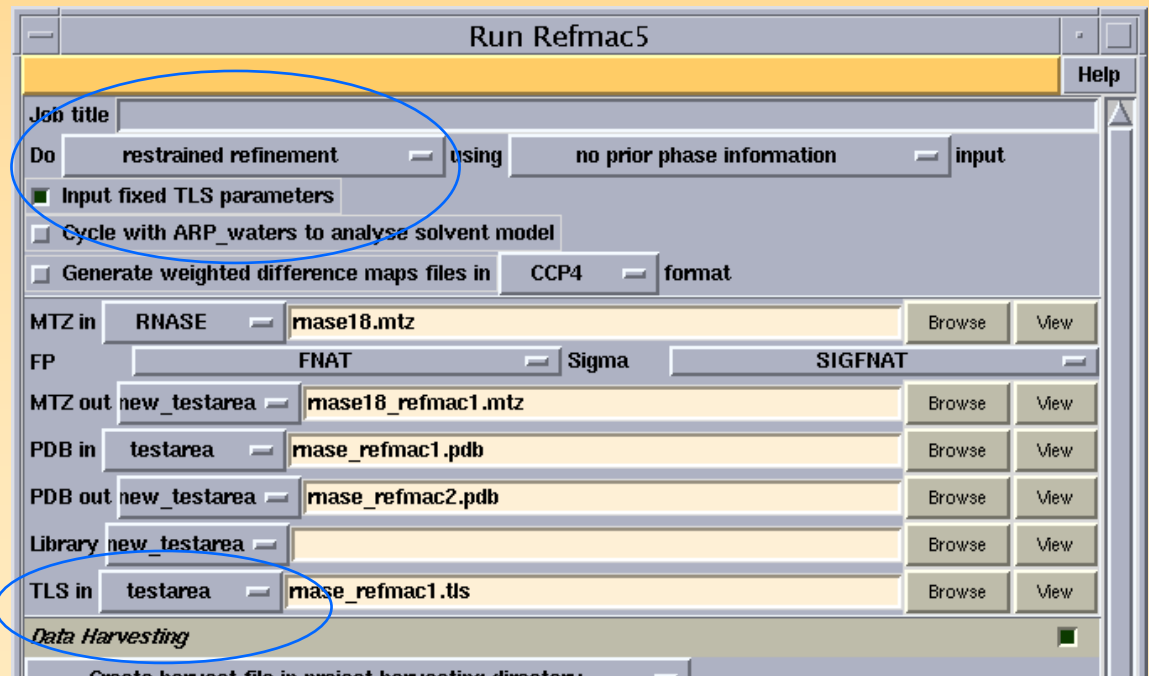
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Re-running Refmac

1. If major re-building or changes in model - start again from zero TLS parameters. Ensures realistic set of TLS parameters.

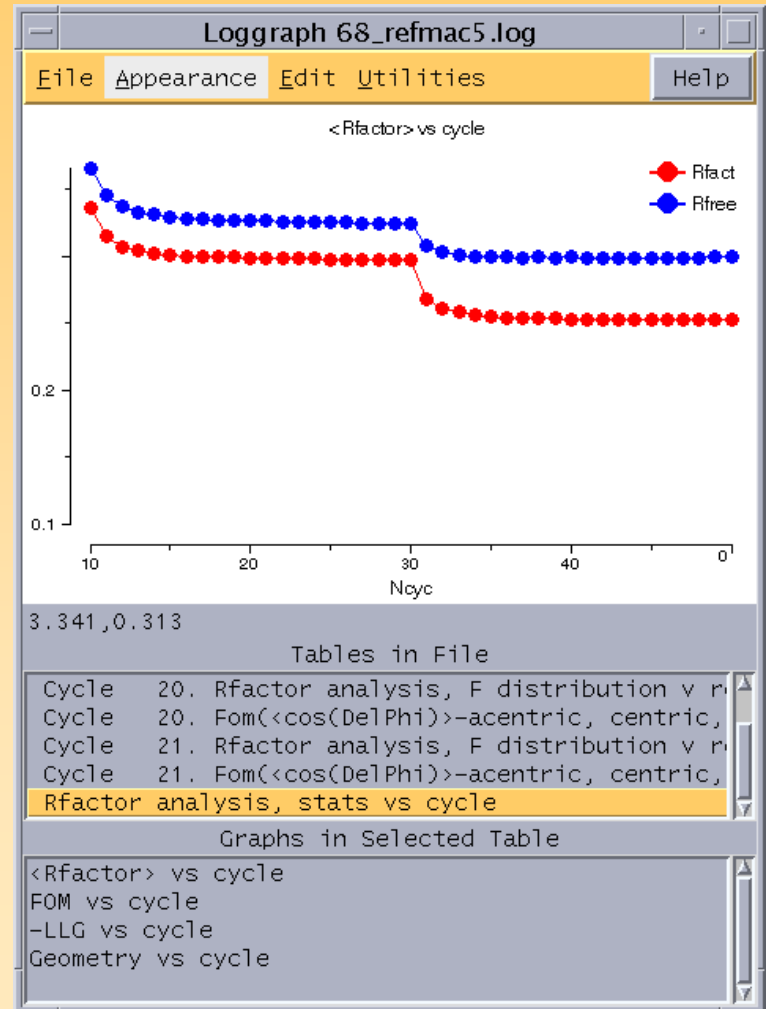
2. If minor re-building - TLSIN is TLSOUT from previous cycle

3. Can input fixed TLS parameters, and do restrained refinement only.



What to look for in output

- Usual refinement statistics.
- Check R_{free} and TLS parameters in log file for convergence.
- Check TLS parameters to see if any dominant displacements.
- Pass XYZOUT and TLSOUT through TLSANL for analysis
- Consider alternative choices of TLS groups



Affect on electron density

- In general, produces “cleaner” electron density.
- Often allows additional minor model building.
- Occasionally allows major model building.

TLSOUT from Refmac

```
TLS Chain O NAD binding
RANGE 'O 1.' 'O 137.' ALL
RANGE 'O 303.' 'O 340.' ALL
ORIGIN 94.142 6.943 75.932
T 0.5200 0.5278 0.5031 -0.0049 -0.0040 0.0081
L 0.11 0.08 0.04 -0.03 0.02 0.06
S -0.014 0.020 0.002 0.022 0.000 -0.016 -0.005 0.022
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Running TLSANL

- XYZIN : output coordinates from reftac with residual B factors
(BRESID keyword)
- TLSIN : output TLS parameters from reftac
- XYZOUT : ANISOU records including TLS and residual B
contributions
ATOM records containing choice of B (ISOOUT
keyword)
- AXES : If AXES keyword set, file of principal axes in
mmCIF format (for ccp4mg) or in molscript
format

Howlin, B. et al. (1993) TLSANL: TLS parameter-analysis program for segmented anisotropic refinement of macromolecular structures, *J. Appl. Cryst.* **26**, 622-624

CCP4 Program Suite 4.2b CCP4Interface 1.3.6 running on dlp1.dl.ac.uk Project: refine02

List of jobs (finished or running) in this project Help

Refinement	1	11:38:47	FINISHED	edit_tls	create TLS	Directories&ProjectDir
Run Refmac5						
Edit Restraints in PDB File						
Monomer Library Sketcher						
Merge monomer libraries						
NCS Phased Refinement						
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Create/Edit TLS File						
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Analyse TLS parameters						
Run Sfcheck & Procheck						

Directories&ProjectDir
View Any File

Analyse TLS parameters Help

Job title analyse TLS for gapdh

Analyse TLS parameters from Refmac

Output coordinate file (XYZOUT) should contain total B factor

Output file containing the axes for translation, libration, etc.

TLS in refine02 gapdh_in_refmac1.tls Browse View

PDB in refine02 gapdh_in_refmac1.pdb Browse View

PDB out refine02 gapdh_in_tlsan1.pdb Browse View

Run Save or Restore Close

Log output of TLSANL

Origins (T and S, but not L, origin-dependent):

- Origin of calculation
- Centre of Reaction

Axial systems for each tensor:

- orthogonal
- librational

“Simplest” description:

3 non-intersecting screw axes + 3 reduced translations

GAPDH: dimer as 1 TLS group

Eigenvalues of reduced translation tensor:

$$0.267 \text{ \AA}^2$$

$$0.112 \text{ \AA}^2$$

$$-0.005 \text{ \AA}^2$$

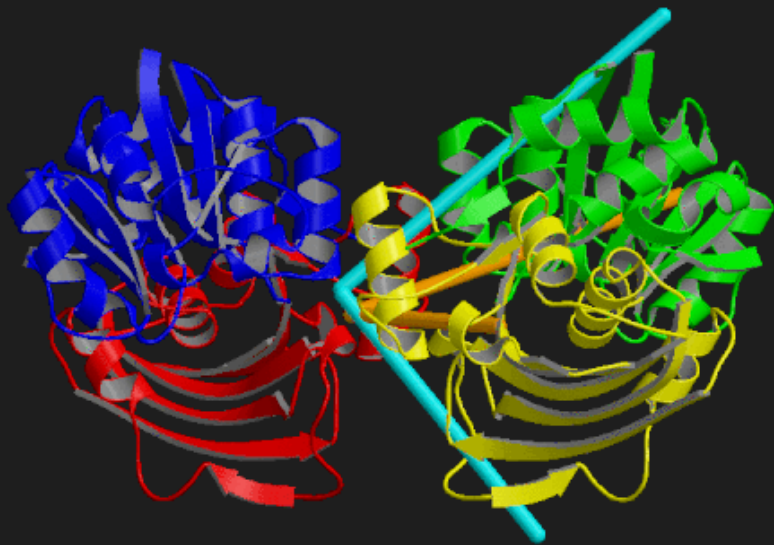
Eigenvalues and pitches of screw axes:

$$1.403 \text{ (}^\circ\text{)}^2 \quad 0.888 \text{ \AA}$$

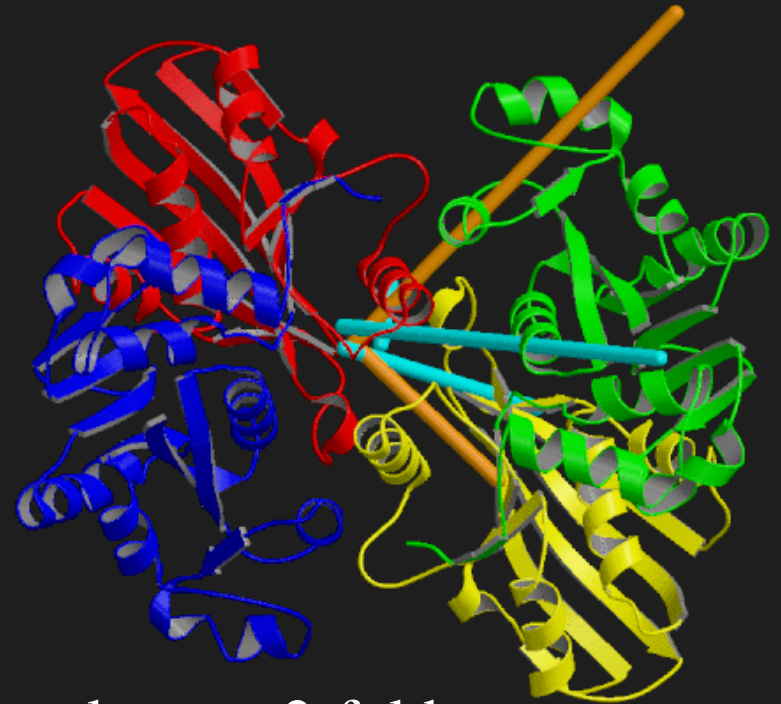
$$1.014 \text{ (}^\circ\text{)}^2 \quad 1.472 \text{ \AA}$$

$$0.204 \text{ (}^\circ\text{)}^2 \quad 1.214 \text{ \AA}$$

GAPDH: dimer as 1 TLS group



perpendicular to 2-fold



along to 2-fold

orange = reduced translation, cyan = non-intersecting screw

Atomic parameters from TLSANL

- TLS tensors \rightarrow U_{TLS} for atoms in group (XYZOUT)
- $U_{\text{TLS}} \rightarrow B_{\text{TLS}}$ and anisotropy A
- Also have individually refined B_{res} from Refmac
- $B_{\text{TOT}} = B_{\text{TLS}} + B_{\text{res}}$ (XYZOUT, keyword ISOOUT)

Displaying derived ADPs

ccp4mg: <http://www.ysbl.york.ac.uk/~ccp4mg>

Coot: <http://www.ysbl.york.ac.uk/~emsley/coot>

rastep, render from RASTER3D package:

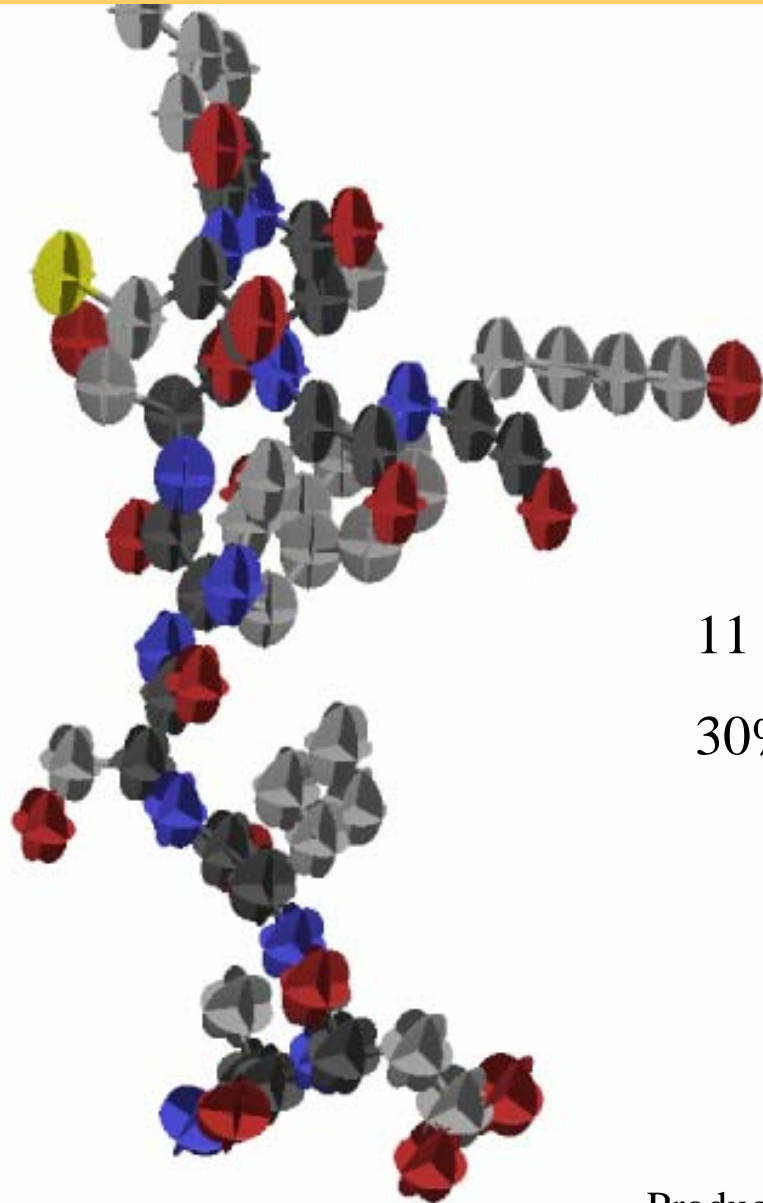
<http://www.bmsc.washington.edu/raster3d/raster3d.html>

ORTEP: <http://www.ornl.gov/ortep/ortep.html>

xtalview: <http://www.scripps.edu/pub/dem-web/toc.html>

Xfit: http://www.ansto.gov.au/natfac/asrp7_xfit.html

povscript: <http://people.brandeis.edu/~fenn/povscript>



11 a.a. (8% of TLS group)

30% probability level

Produced with Raster3D

GAPDH - TLS-derived aniso-U ellipsoids

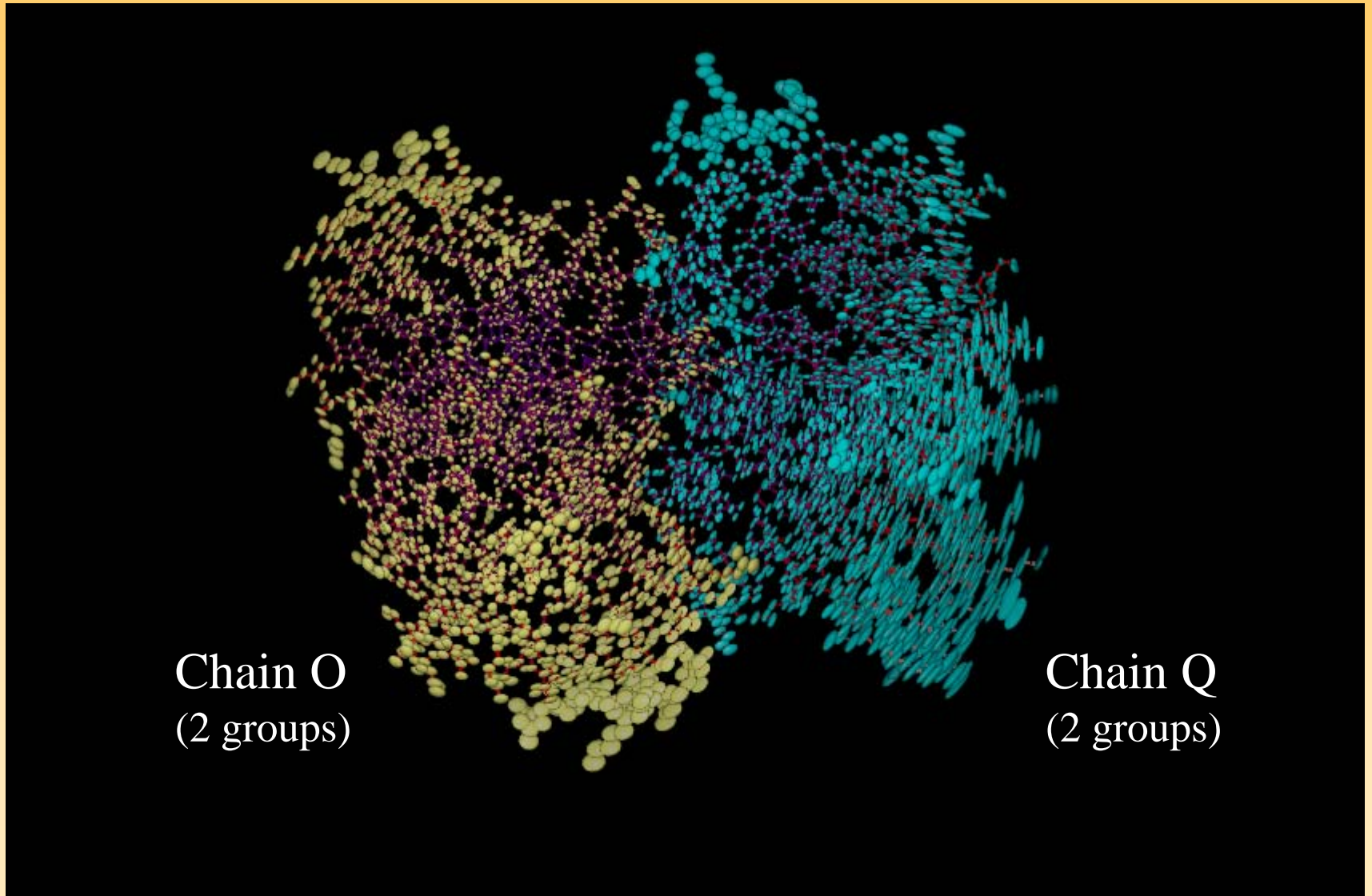


Figure produced by ccp4mg

Contributions to total B factor

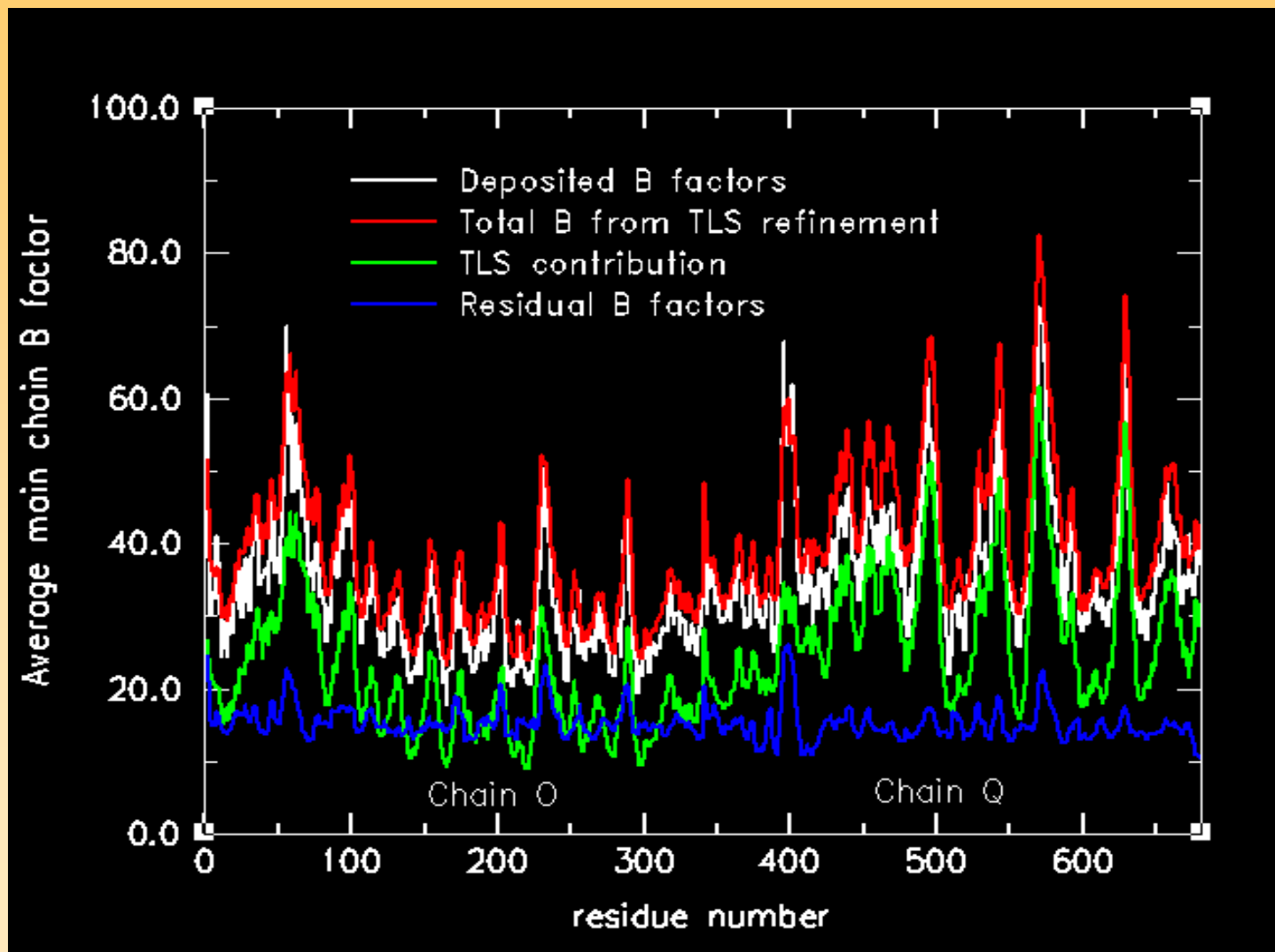
$$B_{\text{TOT}} = B_{\text{TLS}} + B_{\text{res}}$$

B_{TLS} describes overall displacements of molecules or domains

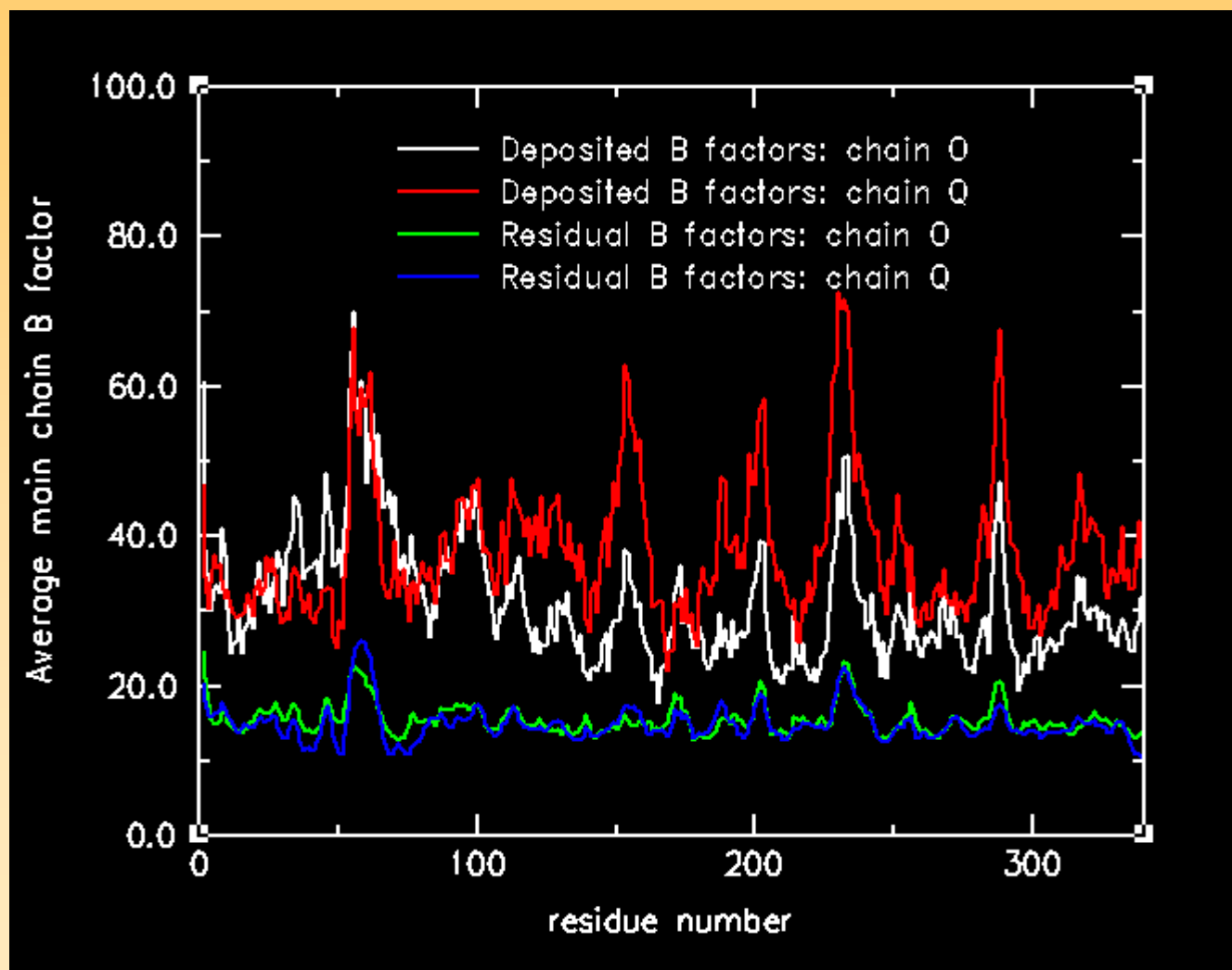
B_{res} describes local displacements, and expected to be similar between molecules

Some ambiguity in the division between B_{TLS} and B_{res} . It is total that is meaningful. Individual contributions can even be negative!

Example: GAPDH



Example: GAPDH



Example - mannitol dehydrogenase

Hörer *et al.*, *J.Biol.Chem.* **276**, 27555 (2001)

1.5 Å data

3 tetramers in a.s.u.

TLS refinement with 1 group per monomer

Free-R 23.6% → 20.9%

<i>Tetramer</i>	<i>B's before TLS</i>	<i>B's after TLS</i>	<i>crystal contacts</i>
ABCD	27.1	13.3	38
EFGH	18.0	13.3	50
IJKL	18.6	13.3	49

Example of problematic refinement

Round 1:

Initialise TLS to zero, and Bs to constant

Later rounds:

Re-refine TLS from zero, but recycle earlier residual Bs

Round	Monomer	av(B_total)	av(B_TLS)	av(B_res)	non-pos
1	B	0.421	-8.479	8.900	6187
	E	8.994	-0.106	9.100	
2	B	12.621	-6.306	18.927	2
	E	21.555	2.198	19.357	
3	B	13.468	-5.320	18.787	0
	E	22.438	3.144	19.294	

Example: octamer in a.s.u., data to 1.8Å, refines to R/Rfree = 0.153/0.199 (round 1), 0.162/0.197 (rounds 2 & 3)

See also Jay Painter's TLS damp patch

Depositing TLS parameters

- TLS parameters are included in the header of the PDB file, and also in the mmCIF-format data harvesting file. Either or both can be used for deposition.
- The residual B factors are the parameters of your model, and should be deposited rather than any derived quantity. The PDB header should include:

```
REMARK      3      ATOM RECORD CONTAINS RESIDUAL B FACTORS ONLY
```

to confirm this.

N.B. TLSEXTRACT (new in CCP4 5.0) can extract TLS parameters from the head of a PDB file, and write to TLSOUT.

Large example - light harvesting complex

Complex is nonamer. Each monomer contains:

α peptide

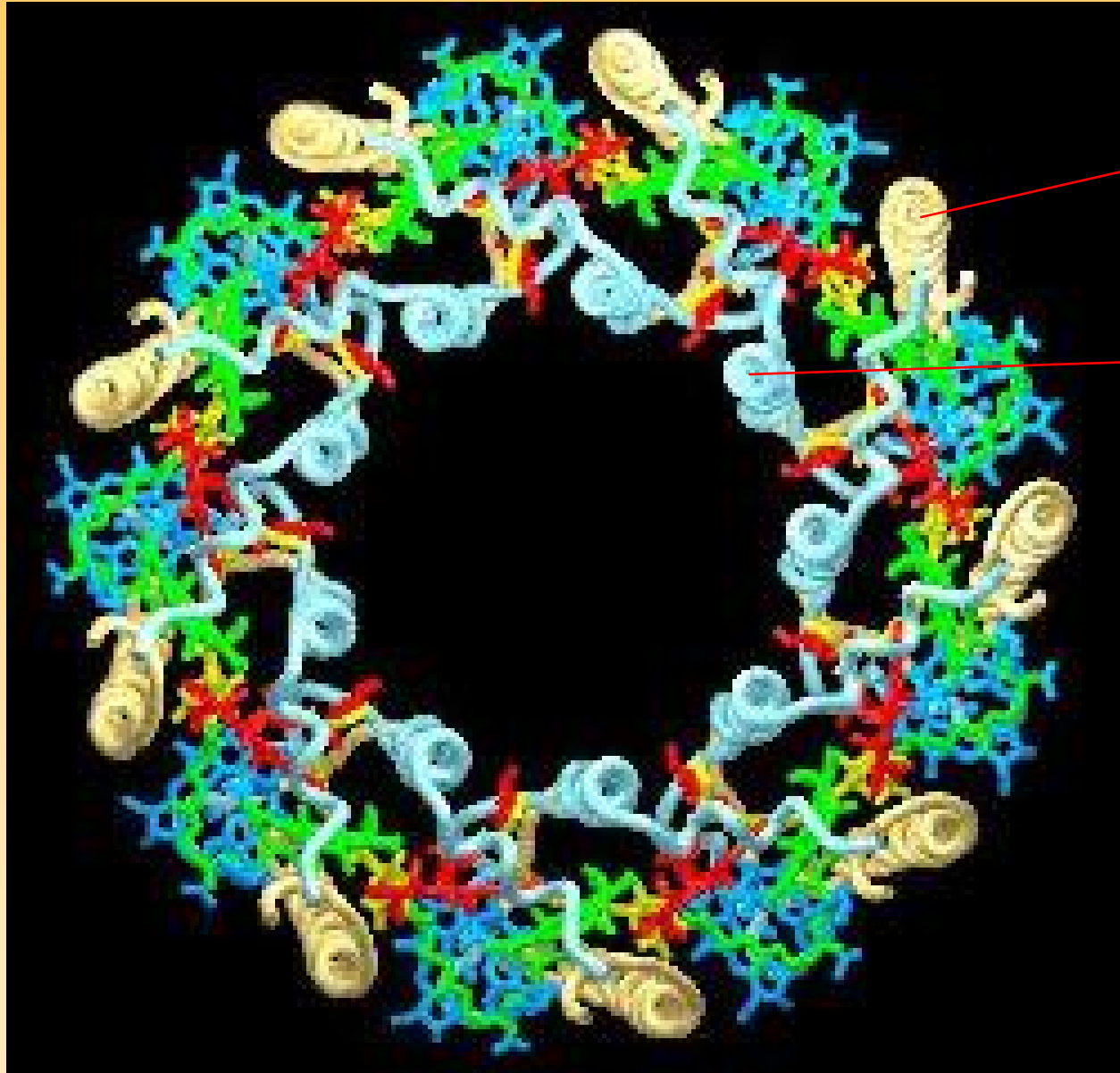
β peptide

2 x B850 bacteriochlorophyll

1 x B800 bacteriochlorophyll

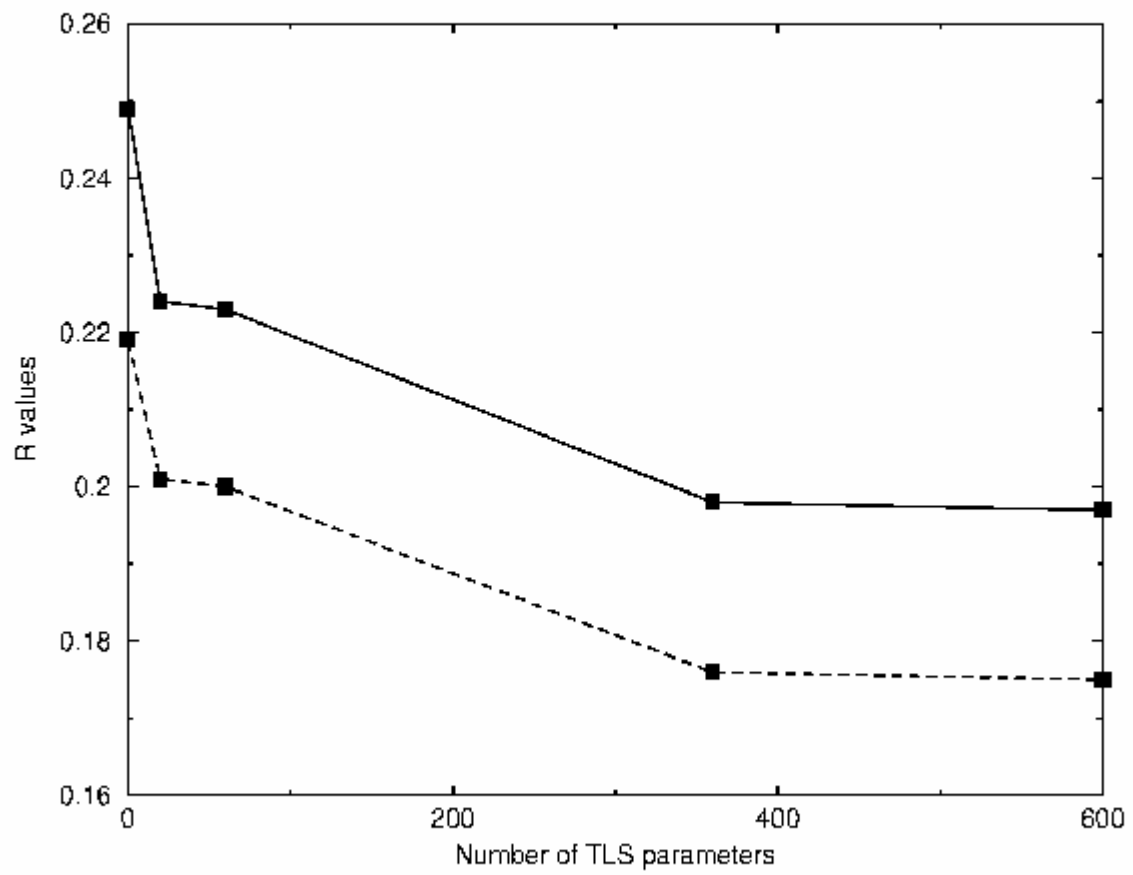
2 x carotenoids

Crystallographic asu = 3 monomers



TLS models

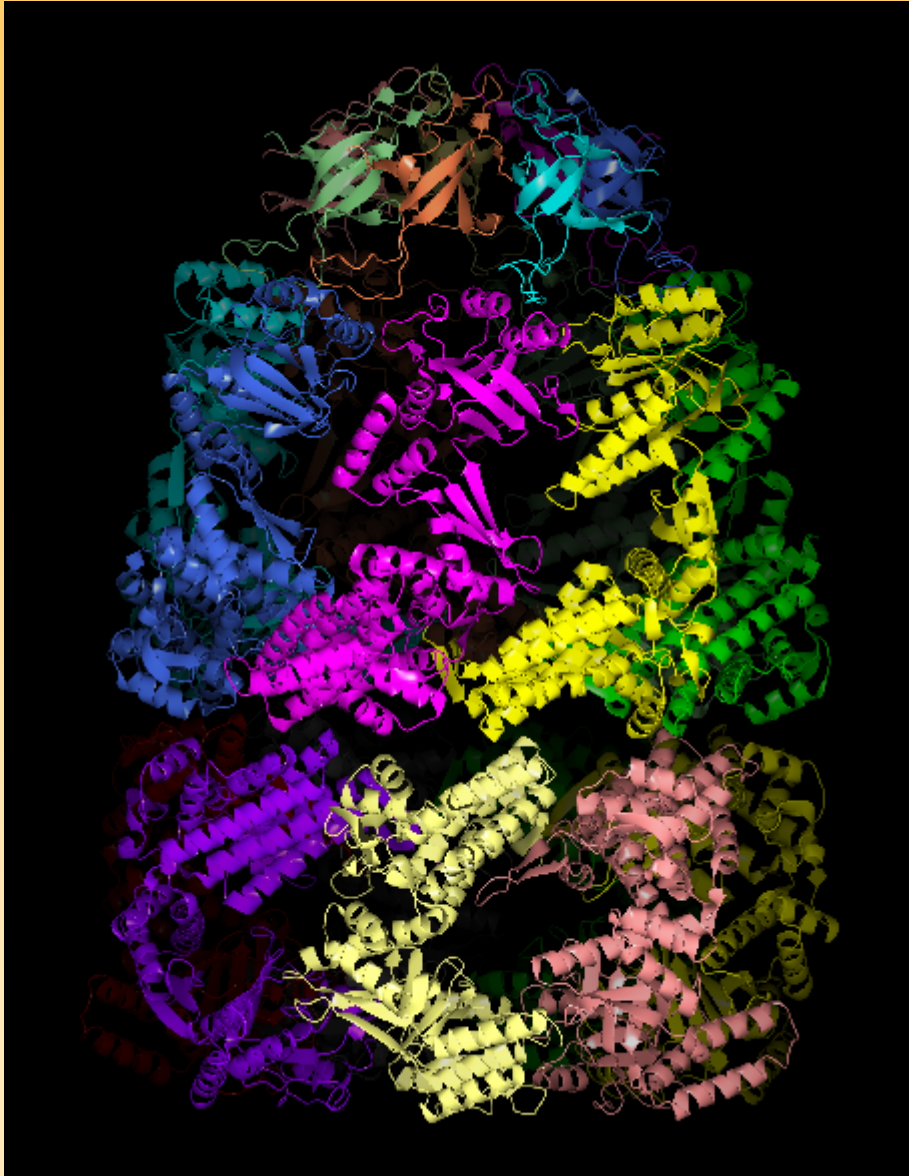
- a) 1 group for a.s.u. (20 parameters)
- b) 1 group per NCS unit (3 x 20 pars)
- c) 1 group per molecule (18 x 20 pars)
- d) 3 groups per peptide
 - + 1 group per pigment
 - (total 30 x 20 parameters)



Another large example - GroEL

C.Chaudhry et al., JMB, 342, 229-245 (2004)

- TLS refinement of unliganded GroEL, GroEL-ATP γ S complex, GroEL-GroES-ADP.AIF_x complex, and GroEL-GroES-ADP complex.
- Best results with one TLS group per GroEL domain “indicating that the inclusion of relative domain displacements significantly improves the quality of the model”
- Show that binding of ligands and GroES causes large changes in dynamic properties
- Can correlate TLS results with changes between states of the machine.



GroES - 7 groups

GroEL - 42 groups

Figure produced by ccp4mg

Problems

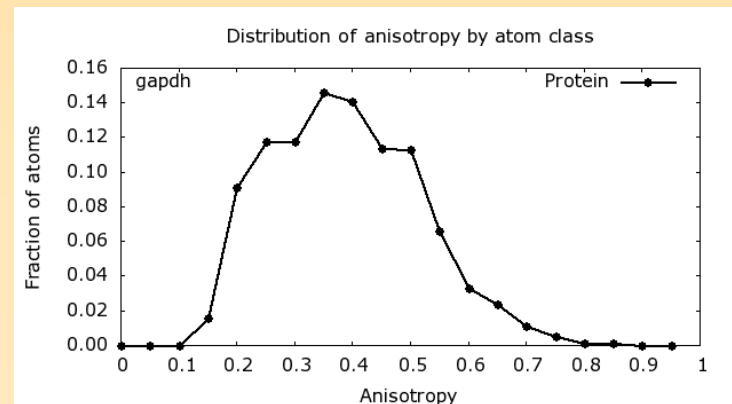
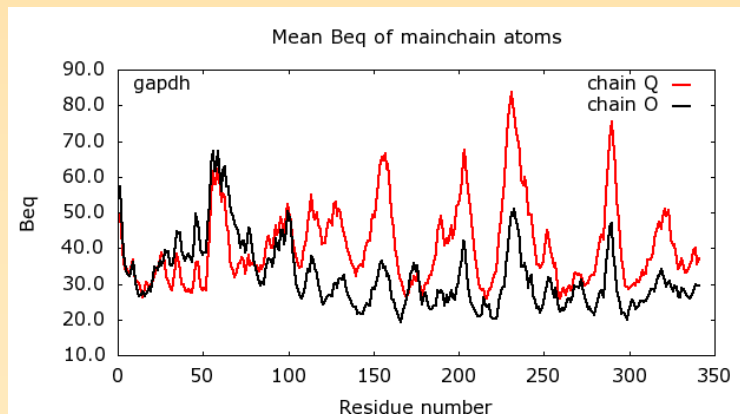
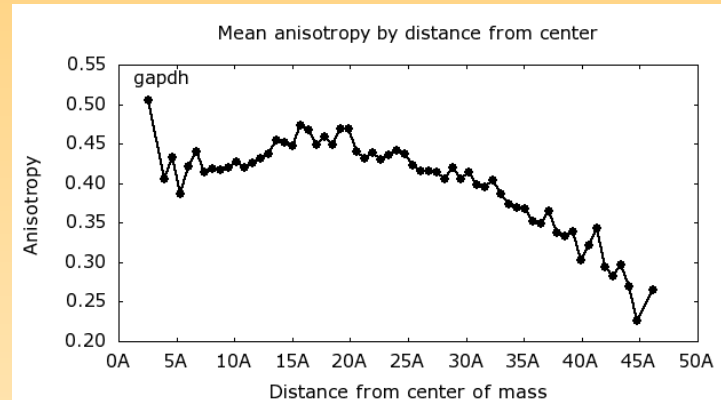
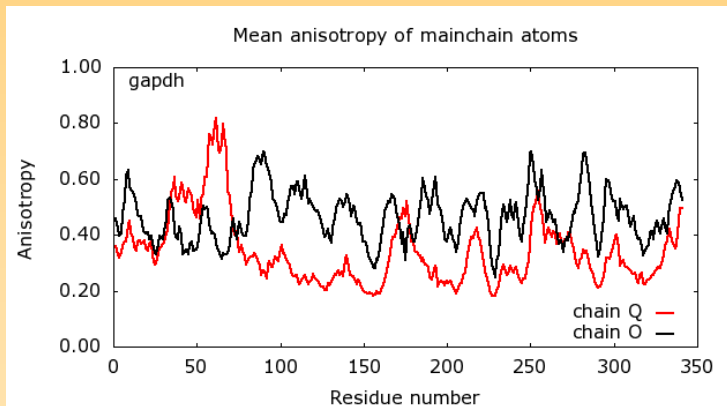
See http://www.ccp4.ac.uk/martyn/tls_research.html

- TLS refinement can be unstable when the model is incomplete.
- Look for atoms or groups of atoms that don't fit quasi-rigid-body assumption
- Try different scaling models

PARVATI server

<http://www.bmsc.washington.edu/parvati/parvati.html>

Protein Anisotropic Refinement Validation and Analysis Tool

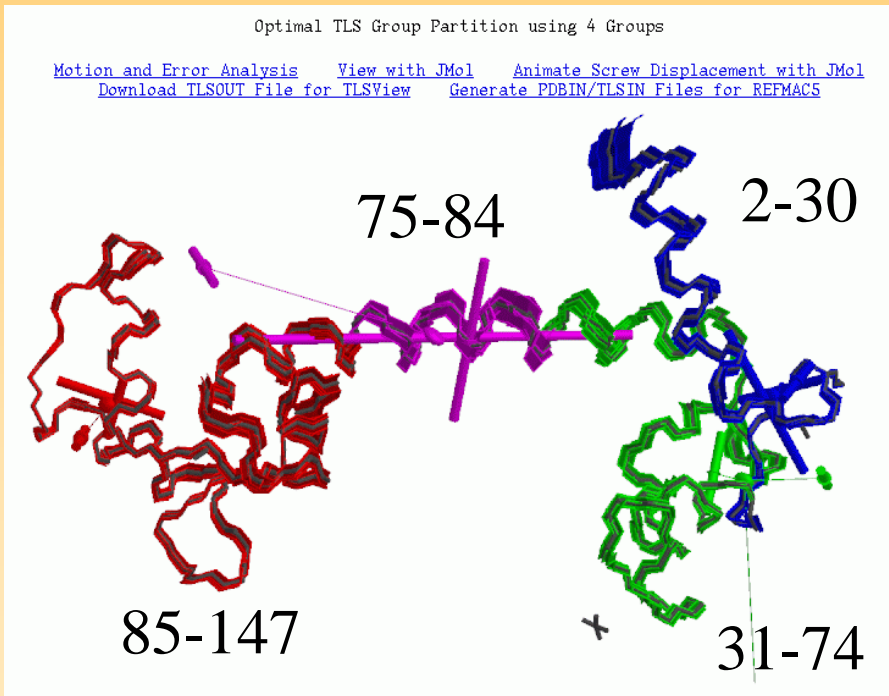


TLS Motion Determination (TLSMD)

<http://skuld.bmsc.washington.edu/~tlsmd>

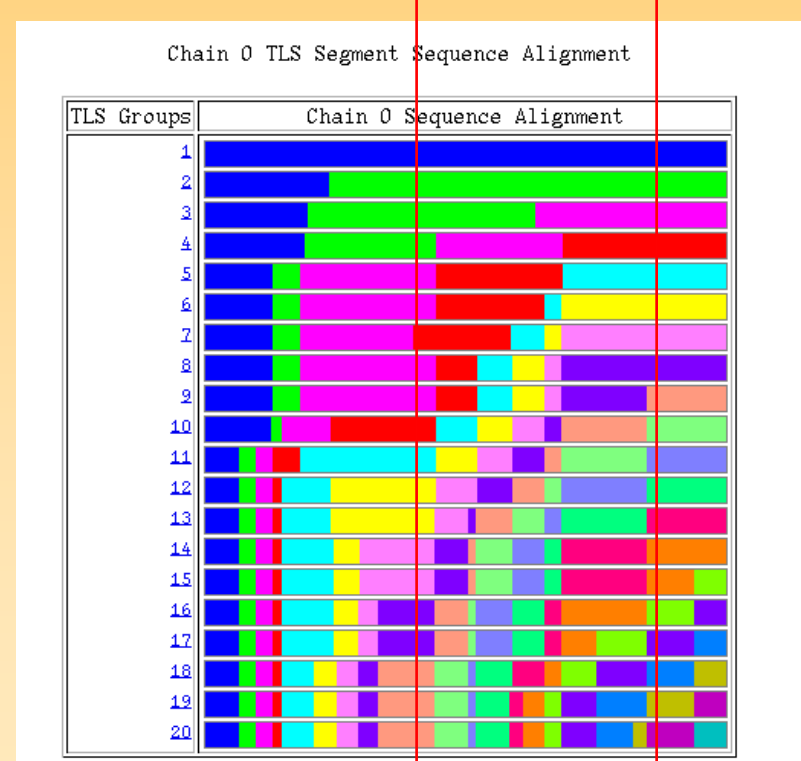
Uses TLSView: J.Painter and E.A.Merritt, *Acta Cryst* **D61**, 465 (2005)

calmodulin (1exr) 1.0Å



N.B. 3 groups combines red and pink into one
 cf. M.A.Wilson & A.T.Brunger, *JMB*, **301**, 1237 (2000)
 TLS groups 2-70, 71-90, 91-147

GAPDH (1b7g) 2.05Å



NAD-binding domain 1-137 & 303-340
 catalytic domain 138-302

Summary TLS

- TLS parameterization allows to partly take into account anisotropic motions at modest resolution ($> 3.5 \text{ \AA}$)
- TLS refinement might improve refinement statistics of several percent
- TLS refinement in *REFMAC5* is fast and therefore can be used routinely
- TLS parameters can be analyzed to extract physical significance

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