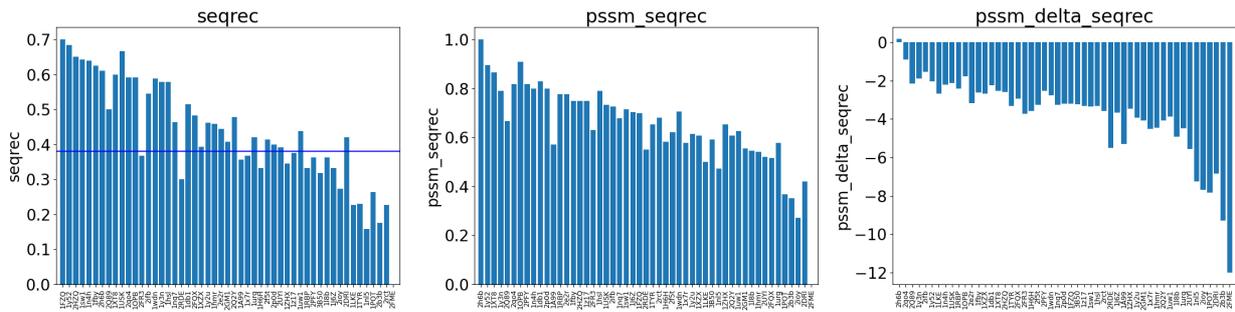


# Scientific test: enzyme\_design

## FAILURES

(NONE)

## RESULTS



Protein	pssm_delta_seqrec	pssm_seqrec	seqrec
AVERAGE	-3.780	0.647	0.433
1A99	-5.286	0.571	0.357
1FZQ	-3.200	0.700	0.700
1H6H	-3.583	0.583	0.333
1J6Z	-3.667	0.704	0.333
1LKE	-2.682	0.500	0.227
1OPB	-1.773	0.909	0.591
1POT	-7.842	0.368	0.263
1RBP	-2.407	0.778	0.333
1TYR	-3.308	0.654	0.231
1USK	-2.133	0.733	0.667
1XT8	-2.533	0.867	0.600
1XZX	-2.679	0.607	0.393
1ZHx	-3.462	0.654	0.346
1db1	-2.257	0.829	0.514
1fby	-2.625	0.750	0.625
1hmr	-4.458	0.542	0.458
1hsl	-3.316	0.789	0.579
1l8b	-4.909	0.545	0.364
1n4h	-2.200	0.800	0.640
1nl5	-7.263	0.474	0.158
1nq7	-3.250	0.679	0.464
1sw1	-3.357	0.714	0.643
1urg	-4.474	0.579	0.421
1uw1	-3.875	0.625	0.438

1wdn	-2.765	0.706	0.588
1x7r	-4.526	0.579	0.368
1y2u	-3.923	0.615	0.462
1y3n	-1.895	0.789	0.579
1y52	-2.053	0.895	0.684
1z17	-3.312	0.750	0.375
2DRI	-6.842	0.421	0.421
2FME	-12.000	0.000	0.000
2FQX	-2.931	0.517	0.483
2FR3	-3.737	0.632	0.368
2GM1	-4.074	0.556	0.407
2HZQ	-2.600	0.750	0.650
2PFY	-2.545	0.818	0.364
2Q2Y	-4.087	0.609	0.478
2Q89	-2.167	0.667	0.500
2RDE	-5.500	0.550	0.300
2UYI	-5.565	0.522	0.391
2b3b	-9.294	0.353	0.176
2e2r	-3.167	0.778	0.444
2f5t	-3.276	0.621	0.414
2h6b	0.167	1.000	0.611
2ifb	-1.545	0.727	0.545
2ioy	-7.682	0.273	0.273
2p0d	-3.200	0.800	0.400
2qo4	-0.909	0.818	0.591
2rct	-3.591	0.682	0.227
3B50	-3.227	0.591	0.318

## ## AUTHOR AND DATE

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## ## PURPOSE OF THE TEST

This benchmark tests how well the enzyme design code is able to recapitulate native-like sequences when run over a set of cocrystal structures of small-molecule binding proteins with their native substrates.

## ## BENCHMARK DATASET

There are 50 proteins in this set, chosen for being a high-quality structures of proteins binding to their native substrates. This benchmark set (and the basic protocol) is partly described in [Nivon et al. \(2014\)](#) "Automating human intuition for protein design." The input PDBs are from the previous benchmark

tests, so their provenance is not 100% clear, but I believe that they have been downloaded from the RCSBV, minimally cleaned, and subjected to the all-atom constrained relax protocol of [Nivon et al. \(2013\)](#) (probably under the score12/enzdes scorefunction).

## ## PROTOCOL

The protocol follows more-or-less that of [Nivon et al. \(2014\)](#), updated for RosettaScripts XML. Briefly, the residues surrounding the ligand (design within 6 Ang (8 if pointed toward ligand) and repack within 10 (12) Ang) are subjected to 2 cycles of softpack/hardmin followed by 1 cycle of hardpack/hardmin. The protein-ligand interactions are upweighted by 1.8-fold for those residues being designed.

One big change from the publication is that the scorefunction being used is the (currently default) REF2015, rather than the older scorefunction used in the paper/in previous benchmarks. (It's the intention that the score function be updated based on whatever the current default is.)

Currently we are only running one output structure for each input, which results in the test taking somewhere around 25-50 CPU hours.

## ## PERFORMANCE METRICS

The original test only looked at percent sequence recovery at designed positions; whether or not the design recapitulated the identical residue type as the input. ("seqrec") The concept is that, as the structures are native binders, their current sequence should be close to optimal for binding the ligand.

This reimplemention added two new metrics, based on matching the design result to a PSSM of the input protein. This PSSM was generated with the 2.6.0 version of psiblast, using the BLAST nr database from 21May2014 (yes, both the psiblast and nr database were old when this was done in late 2018) with the following command:

```
psiblast -query 1A99.fasta -db /path/to/db.21May2014/nr -out_pssm 1A99.chk  
-out_ascii_pssm 1A99.pssm -save_pssm_after_last_round
```

The first PSSM-based metric ("pssm\_seqrec") is a percent recovery metric, but instead of attempting to match the input sequence exactly, it counts as a "success" matching any amino acid which has a favorable score in the PSSM. This metric is described in [DeLuca et al. 2011](#). This is a 0-100% normalized scale which better allows for modest changes (e.g. S->T) which are permitted evolutionarily.

The second PSSM-based metric ("pssm\_delta\_seqrec") looks at the per-residue change in the PSSM score compared to the "native" input sequence. (Where more positive is a "better" design.) This attempts to capture the magnitude of the mutational change.

The benchmark set is summarized by averaging the scores for each protein. (This average is on a per-protein basis, and is not weighted by the number of positions mutated.)

The current tested cutoffs is based only on the match/fail seqrec metric, and is taken directly from the previous iteration of this benchmark. This value is somewhat arbitrary, and was set based on what didn't give overly noisy results when the benchmark was being run.

## **## KEY RESULTS**

I am unaware of any objective level one could compare the results to. Generally you'd be limited to a comparative performance based on prior results.

There's currently no analysis of outliers or per-protein performance, over and above anything discussed in [Nivon et al. \(2014\)](#).

## **## DEFINITIONS AND COMMENTS**

Comparing different runs and different scorefunctions, you're probably looking for something which is consistently higher.

There's a bit of noise in the runs, so you may need to compare several runs to get better sense of how different scorefunctions compare.

## **## LIMITATIONS**

While the dataset attempted to be comprehensive (all structures which fit the criteria) when it was produced, the quality/breadth of structures these days may be better.

The preparation of the input structures may be another issue. The input structures may have been minimized/relax with an older version of the scorefunction. Updating the structure preparation may improve benchmark performance.

The run-to-run variability is rather high, which might indicate that the benchmark could be improved by running several output structures for each input, rather than just the current one.

The exact protocol being used may not be optimal for ligand binding design, and a different packing/minimization scheme might improve performance.

Finally, keep in mind the intrinsic limitations of sequence-recovery based protocols. While low values are likely bad, you wouldn't necessarily expect the metric to saturate near a "perfect" score, as native proteins are optimized for more than just ligand-binding affinity, so even family PSSM profiles may not match the ideal design that Rosetta would be aiming for.