
alchemytest Documentation

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Warning: This library is in an **alpha** state. The library and the documentation is incomplete. Use in production at your own risk.

alchemtest is a collection of test datasets for alchemical free energy calculations. The datasets come from a variety of software packages, primarily molecular dynamics engines, and are used as the test set for [alchemlyb](#). The package is standalone, however, and can be used for any purpose.

CHAPTER 1

Installing alchemtest

alchemtest is pure-Python, so it can be installed easily via `pip`:

```
pip install alchemtest
```

If you wish to install this in your user `site-packages`, use the `--user` flag:

```
pip install --user alchemtest
```

1.1 Installing from source

from source. Clone the source from GitHub with:

```
git clone https://github.com/alchemistry/alchemtest.git
```

then do:

```
cd alchemtest  
pip install .
```

If you wish to install this in your user `site-packages`, use the `--user` flag:

```
pip install --user .
```


CHAPTER 2

Basic usage

All datasets in `alchemtest` are accessible via `load_*` functions, organized in submodules by the software package that generated them. The current set of submodules are:

<i>gmx</i>

Gromacs molecular dynamics simulation datasets.

As an example, we can access the *Gromacs: Benzene in water* dataset with:

```
>>> from alchemtest.gmx import load_benzene
>>> bz = load_benzene()
```

and use the resulting Bunch object to introspect what this dataset includes. In particular, it features a `DESCR` attribute with a human-readable description of the dataset:

```
>>> print(bz.DESCR)
Gromacs: Benzene in water
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Notes
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Data Set Characteristics:
    :Number of Legs: 2 (Coulomb, VDW)
    :Number of Windows: 5 for Coulomb, 16 for VDW
    :Length of Windows: 40ns

    :Missing Values: None
    :Creator: \I. Kenney
    :Donor: Ian Kenney (ian.kenney@asu.edu)
    :Date: March 2017

Benzene in water, alchemically turned into benzene in vacuum separated from water

This dataset was generated using `MDPOW <https://github.com/Becksteinlab/MDPOW>`,
↳ with
the `Gromacs <http://www.gromacs.org/>` molecular dynamics engine.
```

as well as the dataset itself:

```
>>> bz.data.keys()
['VDW', 'Coulomb']
```

which consists in this case of two alchemical legs, each having several files. For this dataset each file happens to correspond to a simulation sampling a particular λ :

```
>>> bz.data['Coulomb']
['/usr/local/python3.6/site-packages/alchemtest/gmx/benzene/Coulomb/0000/dhdl.xvg.bz2',
↪ ' ',
'/usr/local/python3.6/site-packages/alchemtest/gmx/benzene/Coulomb/0250/dhdl.xvg.bz2',
↪ ' ',
'/usr/local/python3.6/site-packages/alchemtest/gmx/benzene/Coulomb/0500/dhdl.xvg.bz2',
↪ ' ',
'/usr/local/python3.6/site-packages/alchemtest/gmx/benzene/Coulomb/0750/dhdl.xvg.bz2',
↪ ' ',
'/usr/local/python3.6/site-packages/alchemtest/gmx/benzene/Coulomb/1000/dhdl.xvg.bz2',
↪ ' ']
```

These paths can be read by any appropriate parser for further analysis. For this particular dataset, see [alchemlyb.parsing.gmx](#) for a good set of parsers.

Gromacs datasets

Gromacs molecular dynamics simulation datasets.

The `alchemylib.gmx` module features datasets generated using the [Gromacs](#) molecular dynamics engine. They can be accessed using the following accessor functions:

`load_benzene()`Load the Gromacs benzene dataset.

3.1 Gromacs: Benzene in water

3.1.1 Notes

Data Set Characteristics:

Number of Legs 2 (Coulomb, VDW)

Number of Windows 5 for Coulomb, 16 for VDW

Length of Windows 40ns

System Size 1668 atoms

Temperature 300 K

Pressure 1 bar

Alchemical Pathway vdw + coul -> vdw -> vacuum

Experimental Hydration Free Energy -0.90 +/- 0.2 kcal/mol

Missing Values None

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Date March 2017

Benzene in water, alchemically turned into benzene in vacuum separated from water

This dataset was generated using [MDPOW](#), with the [Gromacs](#) molecular dynamics engine.

Experimental value sourced from [Mobley2013].

```
alchemtest.gmx.load_benzene()
```

Load the Gromacs benzene dataset.

Returns data – Dictionary-like object, the interesting attributes are: - ‘data’ : the data files by alchemical leg - ‘DESCR’: the full description of the dataset

Return type Bunch

Bibliography

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