

Structure determination of genomes and genomic domains by satisfaction of spatial restraints

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### Level I: Radial genome organization

Takizawa, T., Meaburn, K. J. & Misteli, T. The meaning of gene positioning. Cell 135, 9–13 (2008).



## Level II: Euchromatin vs heterochromatin

### **Electron microscopy**



## Level III: Lamina-genome interactions







internal chromatin (mostly active) lamina-associated domains (repressed)

Genes

**%** mRNA

Adapted from Molecular Cell 38, 603-613, 2010

## Level IV: Higher-order organization

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Compartments









## Level V: Chromatin loops

![](_page_10_Picture_0.jpeg)

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## Level VI: Nucleosome

# Complex genome organization

Cavalli, G. & Misteli, T. Functional implications of genome topology. Nat Struct Mol Biol 20, 290–299 (2013).

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# Chromosome Conformation Capture

![](_page_12_Figure_1.jpeg)

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### ARTICLE

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### Single-cell Hi-C reveals cell-to-cell variability in chromosome structure

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### Capturing pairwise and multi-way chromosomal conformations using chromosomal walks

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Resource

### Higher-Order Inter-chromosomal Hubs Shape 3D **Genome Organization in the Nucleus**

### **Graphical Abstract**

Cell

![](_page_12_Figure_18.jpeg)

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### ARTICLE

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### Chromatin conformation analysis of primary patient tissue using a low input Hi-C method

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### Compartment-dependent chromatin interaction dynamics revealed by liquid chromatin Hi-C

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## TADs Chromosome 14

Hnisz, D., et al. (2016). Science

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# TADs are functional units

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# TADs are functional units

Figure adapted from Hui Zheng and Wei Xie. Nature Reviews Molecular Cell Biology (2019)

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# TADs are functional units

# Loop-extrusion as a TAD forming mechanism

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### Biomolecular structure determination 2D-NOESY data

### Chromosome structure determination 3C-based data

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Sequence @FORTUSP82AJWD1 CCGTCANTTCATTTAAGTTTTAACCTTGCGGCCGTACTCCCCAGGCGGT + AMAMAMAAA: : 99@::::??@@::FFAAMACCAA::::BB@@?A? Q scores (us ASCII chars) Base-T, Q=':'=25 -----\_ \_ \_ \_ \_ \_ \_ \_ \_ \_ \_ . . . . . . . . . . . . .

### FastQ files to Maps

Map analysis

Model building

Model analysis

### Serra, F., Baù, D. et al. PLOS CB (2017)

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# Model representation and scoring

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Harmonic

$$H_{i,j} = k \Big( d_{i,j} - d_{i,j}^0 \Big)^2$$

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### Harmonic Upper Bound

$$\begin{cases} if \ d_{i,j} \ge d_{i,j}^{0}; & ubH_{i,j} = k \left( d_{i,j} - d_{i,j}^{0} \right)^{2} \\ if \ d_{i,j} < d_{i,j}^{0}; & ubH_{i,j} = 0 \end{cases}$$

### Harmonic Lower Bound

$$\begin{cases} if \ d_{i,j} \le d_{i,j}^{0}; & lbH_{i,j} = k \left( d_{i,j} - d_{i,j}^{0} \right)^{2} \\ if \ d_{i,j} > d_{i,j}^{0}; & lbH_{i,j} = 0 \end{cases}$$

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## Parameter optimization

# Optimization of the scoring function

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## Model analysis: clustering and structural features

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Accessibility (%)

Density (bp/nm)

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Interactions

Angle

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Serra, Baù, et al. (2017). PLOS CompBio

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https://github.com/3DGenomes/tadbit https://github.com/3DGenomes/MethodsMolBiol

# ADbit

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![](_page_28_Picture_6.jpeg)

Tool	Short-read aligner(s)	Mapping improvement	Read filtering	Read-pair filtering	Normalization	Visualization	Confidence estimation	Implementation language(s)
HiCUP [46]	Bowtie/Bowtie2	Pre-truncation	✓	✓	_	_	_	Perl, R
Hiclib [47]	Bowtie2	Iterative	$\checkmark^{a}$	$\checkmark$	Matrix balancing	$\checkmark$	_	Python
HiC-inspector [131]	Bowtie	_	$\checkmark$	$\checkmark$	_	$\checkmark$	_	Perl, R
HIPPIE [132]	STAR	✓ <sup>b</sup>	$\checkmark$	$\checkmark$	_	_	_	Python, Perl, R
HiC-Box [133]	Bowtie2	_	$\checkmark$	$\checkmark$	Matrix balancing	$\checkmark$	_	Python
HiCdat [122]	Subread	_c	$\checkmark$	$\checkmark$	Three options <sup>d</sup>	$\checkmark$	_	C++, R
HiC-Pro [134]	Bowtie2	Trimming	$\checkmark$	$\checkmark$	Matrix balancing	_	_	Python, R
TADbit [120]	GEM	Iterative	$\checkmark$	$\checkmark$	Matrix balancing	$\checkmark$	_	Python
HOMER [62]	_	_	$\checkmark$	$\checkmark$	Two options <sup>e</sup>	$\checkmark$	$\checkmark$	Perl, R, Java
Hicpipe [54]	_	_	_	_	Explicit-factor	_	_	Perl, R, C++
HiBrowse [69]	_	_	_	_	_	$\checkmark$	$\checkmark$	Web-based
Hi-Corrector [57]	_	_	_	_	Matrix balancing	_	_	ANSI C
GOTHIC [135]	_	_	$\checkmark$	$\checkmark$	_	_	$\checkmark$	R
HiTC [121]	_	_	_	_	Two options <sup>f</sup>	$\checkmark$	$\checkmark$	R
chromoR [59]	_	_	_	_	Variance stabilization	_	_	R
HiFive [136]	_	_	$\checkmark$	$\checkmark$	Three options <sup>g</sup>	$\checkmark$	_	Python
Fit-Hi-C [20]	_	_	_	_	_	$\checkmark$	$\checkmark$	Python

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Analysis methods for studying the 3D architecture of the genome Ay, F. & Noble, W. S. Genome Biol. 16, 183 (2015).

Method *available online	Representation	Scoring			Sampling	Models	
		U <sub>3C</sub>		$U_{\text{Biol}}$	UPhys		
		$F_{ij} \rightarrow D_{ij}$ conversion	Functional form				
ChromSDE <sup>*</sup> [37]	Points	$D_{ij} = \begin{cases} \left(\frac{1}{F_{ij}}\right)^{\alpha} \text{ if } F_{ij} > 0\\ \infty \text{ if } F_{ij} = 0 \end{cases} \alpha \text{ is optimized}$	$\frac{\sum_{(ij)D_{ij}<\infty)} \frac{\langle r_{ij}^2 - D_{ij}^2 \rangle}{D_{ij}} - \lambda \sum_{(i,j)} r_{ij}^2 \text{ where } \lambda \text{ is set to } 0.01$	N/A	N/A	Deterministic semidefinite programming to find the coordinates	Consensus
ShRec3D* [38]	Points	$D_{ij} = \begin{cases} \left(\frac{1}{F_{ij}}\right)^{\alpha} & \text{if } F'_{ij} > 0\\ \frac{N^2}{\sum_{y,y}^{N'}} & \text{if } F'_{ij} = 0 \end{cases} F'_{ij} \text{ is the original } F_{ij} \text{ corrected to} \\ \text{satisfy all triangular inequalities with the shortest path} \\ \text{reconstruction} \end{cases}$	N/A	N/A	N/A	Deterministic transformations of D <sub>ij</sub> into coordinates	Consensus
TADbit <sup>*</sup> [43]	Spheres	$D_{ij} \propto \begin{cases} \alpha F_{ij} + \beta & \text{if } F_{ij} < \gamma' \text{ or } F_{ij} > \gamma \\ \frac{S_i + S_j}{2} & \text{if }  i - j  = 1 \end{cases} \alpha \text{ and } \beta \text{ are estimated} \\ \text{from the max and the min } F_{ij}, \text{ from the optimized max} \\ \text{distance and from the resolution. } \gamma' < \gamma \text{ are optimized too. } s_i \\ \text{is the radius of particle } i \end{cases}$	$\sum_{(i,j)} k_{ij} (r_{ij} - D_{ij})^2$ where $k_{ij} = 5$ if $ i - j  = 1$ or proportional to $F_{ij}$ otherwise	Yes	U <sub>esci</sub> and U <sub>bond</sub> have harmonic forms	Monte Carlo (MC) sampling with Simulated annealing and Metropolis scheme	Resampling
BACH <sup>*</sup> [45]	Points	$D_{ij} \propto \frac{B_1B_j}{F_{ij}^2}$ . The biases $B_i$ and $B_j$ and $\alpha$ are optimized	$b_{ij}D_{ij}^{1/x} + c_{ij} \log(D_{ij})$ where $b_{ij}$ and $c_{ij}$ are optimized parameters	No	No	Sequential importance and Gibbs sampling with hybrid MC and adaptive rejection	Population
Giorgetti et al. [40]	Spheres	Particles interact with pair-wise well potentials of depths $B_{ij}$ a hard-core radius and smaller than a maximum contact radiu the population of models	nd contact radius <i>a</i> , which is larger than a s. The parameters are optimized over all	No	N/A	MC sampling with metropolis scheme	Population
Duan et al. [41]	Spheres	$\overline{F_{ i-j }} = \frac{\sum_{k=0}^{N- i-j } F_{ i k+ i-j }}{N- i-j }$ is the average of $F_{ij}$ at genomic distance $ i-j $ expressed in kb. $D_{ij} = \overline{F_{ i-j }} \times 7.7 \times  i-j $ assuming that $\alpha$ 1 kb maps onto 7.7 nm	$\sum_{\langle i,j \rangle} (r_{ij} - D_{ij})^2$	Yes	U <sub>excl</sub> and U <sub>bond</sub> have harmonic forms	Interior-point gradient- based method	Resampling
MCMC5C* [49]	Points	$D_{ij} \propto \frac{1}{F_{ij}^2}$ where is optimized	$\sum_{(i,j)} (F_{ij} - r_{ij}^{-1/2})^2$	N/A	N/A	MC sampling with Markov chain based algorithm	Resampling
PASTIS <sup>*</sup> [47]	Points	$D_{ij} \propto \frac{1}{F_{ij}^2}$ where $\alpha$ is optimized	$b_{ij}D_{ij}^{1/2} + c_{ij}\log(D_{ij})$ where $b_{ij}$ and $c_{ij}$ are optimized parameters	No	No	Interior point and isotonic regression algorithms	Resampling
Meluzzi and Arya [48]	Spheres	$\sum_{\langle i,j\rangle\rangle}k_{ij}r_{ij}^2$ where $k_{ij}$ are adjusted such that the contact probab $F_{ij}$	ilities computed on the models match the	No	U <sub>exct</sub> is a pure repulsive LJ potential. U <sub>bond</sub> and U <sub>bend</sub> have harmonic forms	Brownian dynamics	Resampling
AutoChrom3D* [44]	Points	$D_{ij} \propto \begin{cases} \alpha F_{ij} + \beta & \text{if } F_{\min} < F_{ij} < F_{\gamma} \\ \alpha' F_{ij} + \beta' & \text{if } F_{\gamma} < F_{ij} < F_{\max} \end{cases} \text{ where } F_{\min} (F_{\max}) \text{ are } \\ \text{the min(max) of } F_{ij}. \text{ The parameters } (\alpha, \beta), (\alpha', \beta') \text{ and } F_{\gamma} \text{ are } \\ \text{found using the nuclear size, the resolution and the decay of } \\ F_{ij} \text{ with }  i - j  \end{cases}$	$\sum_{(l,j)} \frac{(r_0 - D_0)^2}{D_0^2}$	Yes	N/A	Non-linear constrained	Consensus
Kalhor et al. [14]	Spheres	$D_{ij} = R_{contact}$ to enforce the pair contact, if the normalized contact frequency $F_{ij}$ is higher than 0.25. Otherwise the contact is not enforced	$\sum_{\text{models}} \sum_{(i,j)} k_{ij} (r_{ij} - D_{ij})^2$ where $k_{ij}$ is different for pairs of particles, on different chromosomes, on the same chromosome, or connected	Yes	U <sub>excl</sub> and U <sub>bond</sub> have harmonic forms	Conjugate gradients sampling with Simulated annealing scheme	Population

\* These methods are publicly available.

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Restraint-based three-dimensional modeling of genomes and genomic domains. Serra F, Di Stefano M, Spill YG, Cuartero Y, Goodstadt M, Baù D, Marti-Renom MA. FEBS Lett 589: 2987–2995 (2015)

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Kalhor (2011) Nature Biotechnology Tjong (2012) Genome Research

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Hu (2013) PLoS Computational Biology

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### Assessing the limits of restraint-based 3D modeling of genomes and genomic domains

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### ABSTRACT

Restraint-based modeling of genomes has been recently explored with the advent of Chromosome Conformation Capture (3C-based) experiments. We previously developed a reconstruction method to resolve the 3D architecture of both prokaryotic and eukaryotic genomes using 3C-based data. These models were congruent with fluorescent imaging validation. However, the limits of such methods have not systematically been assessed. Here we propose the first evaluation of a mean-field restraint-based reconstruction of genomes by considering diverse chromosome architectures and different levels of data noise and structural variability. The results show that: first, current scoring functions for 3D reconstruction correlate with the accuracy of the models; second, reconstructed models are robust to noise but sensitive to structural variability; third, the local structure organization of genomes, such as Topologically Associating Domains, results in more accurate models; fourth, to a certain extent, the models capture the intrinsic structural variability in the input matrices and fifth, the accuracy of the models can be a priori predicted by analyzing the properties of the interaction matrices. In summary, our work provides a systematic analysis of the limitations of a meanfield restrain-based method, which could be taken into consideration in further development of methods as well as their applications.

Recent studies of the three-dimensional (3D) conforma-

tion of genomes are revealing insights into the organiza-

tion and the regulation of biological processes, such as gene

### INTRODUCTION

the so-called Chromosome Conformation Capture (3C) assays (7), which allowed identifying chromatin-looping interactions between pairs of loci, helped deciphering some of the key elements organizing the genomes. High-throughput derivations of genome-wide 3C-based assays were established with Hi-C technologies (8) for an unbiased identification of chromatin interactions. The resulting genome interaction matrices from Hi-C experiments have been extensively used for computationally analyzing the organization of genomes and genomic domains (5). In particular, a significant number of new approaches for modeling the 3D organization of genomes have recently flourished (9-14). The main goal of such approaches is to provide an accurate 3D epresentation of the bi-dimensional interaction matrices, which can then be more easily explored to extract biological insights. One type of methods for building 3D models from interaction matrices relies on the existence of a limited number of conformational states in the cell. Such methods are regarded as mean-field approaches and are able to capture, to a certain degree, the structural variability around these mean structures (15).

expression regulation and replication (1-6). The advent of

We recently developed a mean-field method for modeling 3D structures of genomes and genomic domains based on 3C interaction data (9). Our approach, called TADbit, was developed around the Integrative Modeling Platform (IMP, http://integrativemodeing.org), a general framework for restraint-based modeling of 3D bio-molecular structures (16). Briefly, our method uses chromatin interaction frequencies derived from experiments as a proxy of spatial proximity between the ligation products of the 3C libraries. Two fragments of DNA that interact with high frequency are dynamically placed close in space in our models while two fragments that do not interact as often will be kept apart. Our method has been successfully applied to model the structures of genomes and genomic domains in eukaryote and prokaryote organisms (17–19). In all of our studies, the final models were partially validated by assessing their

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## Toy models

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150 bp/nm

75 bp/nm

40 bp/nm

set 0 ( $\Delta$ ts = 10°)

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- set 1 ( $\Delta ts = 10^{1}$ )
- set 2 ( $\Delta ts = 10^2$ )

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## Toy interaction matrices

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## Reconstructing toy models

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chr40\_TAD **α=100 ∆ts=10** TADbit-SCC: 0.91 <dRMSD>: 32.7 nm <dSCC>: 0.94

chr150\_TAD α**=50** ∆ts=1 TADbit-SCC: 0.82 <dRMSD>: 45.4 nm <dSCC>: 0.86

![](_page_34_Picture_8.jpeg)

## TADs & higher-res are "good"

![](_page_35_Figure_1.jpeg)

Noise is "OK"

![](_page_36_Figure_1.jpeg)

### Structural variability is "NOT OK" + structural variability 150 125 0 0 0 0 0 $\diamond$ 0

![](_page_37_Figure_1.jpeg)

0.6 0.7 0.8 0.9 1.0 **TADbit-SCC** 

## Can we predict the accuracy of the models?

![](_page_38_Figure_1.jpeg)

![](_page_39_Picture_0.jpeg)

![](_page_39_Figure_1.jpeg)

## Skewness "side effect"

## Can we predict the accuracy of the models?

# MMP = -0.0002 \* Size + 0.0335 \* SK - 0.0229 \* KU + 0.0069 \* SEV + 0.8126

![](_page_40_Figure_2.jpeg)

## Can we predict the accuracy of the models?

# MMP = -0.0002 \* Size + 0.0335 \* SK - 0.0229 \* KU + 0.0069 \* SEV + 0.8126

![](_page_41_Figure_2.jpeg)

Human Chr1:120,640,000-128,040,000

![](_page_42_Picture_1.jpeg)

homogenize your cell population!

...but we can differentiate between noise and structural variability

and we can a priori predict the accuracy of the models

Higher-res is "good" put your \$\$ in sequencing

Noise is "OK"

no need to worry much

Structural variability is "NOT OK"

http://marciuslab.org http://3DGenomes.org

![](_page_43_Picture_1.jpeg)

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