Plotting Tools for a Molecular Dynamics Trajectory Database

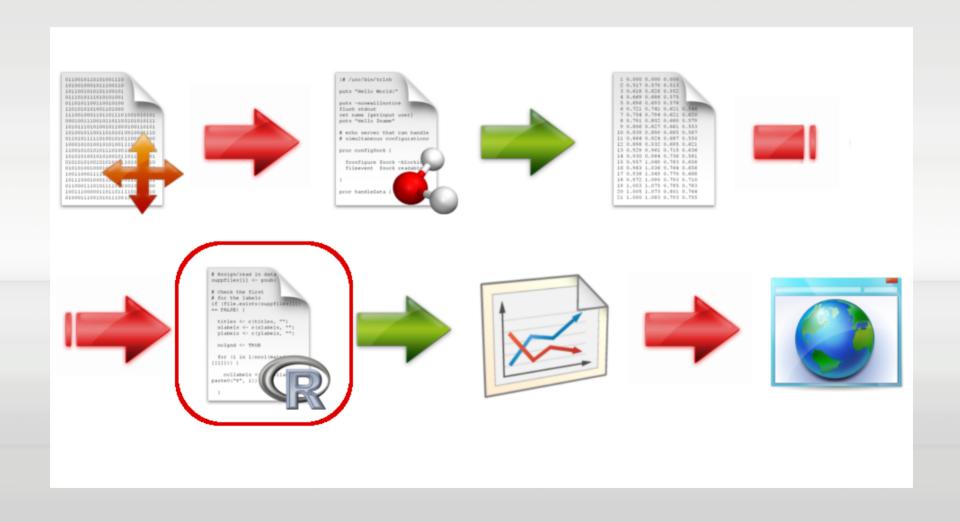
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Topics of Discussion

Big Picture
Overview of R
Development Experience
Outcome

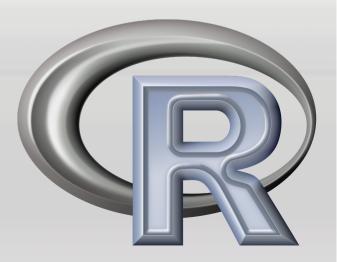
The Workflow



What is R?

Programming Language
Developed by Bell Laboratories
Based on S programming language
Feels like a scripting language
Source code is interpreted, not compiled
Maximum processing per statement approach

Software environment
Can run interactively
GUI on Windows systems



Early Stages

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Previous experience
  ıKnew a little syntax, some functions
  No file I/O, standalone source file experience
  General programming knowledge
Linux!
Documentation
Proof-of-concept programs
  One per plot type (line, box, violin)
  Read special test files
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Gaining Momentum

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rmsd2plot.R
  Could be run non-interactively
  One analysis type, but plot types and file structure
  could vary
  Much time spent on special checks and error handling
First specification of objective (First dat2plot.R)
  Multiple plots per image
     Many bugs
     rand2dat.tcl for test data
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The Real Challenge

Second specification of objective

Much more data available for testing

Much more functionality needed

Range, interactivity, number of plots, labels

Development questions raised

Program per analysis, number of plots, or only one?

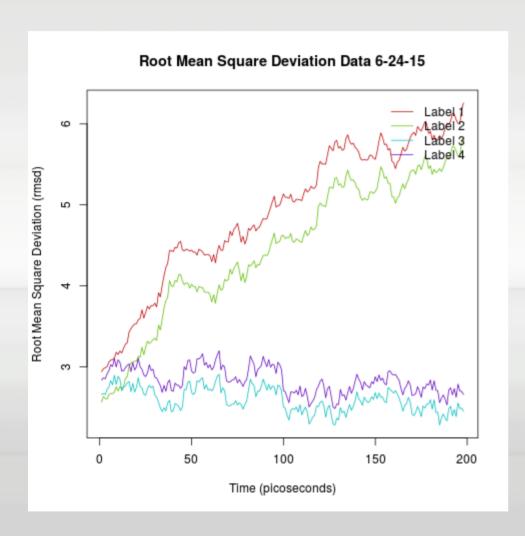
How to intuitively get information from user?

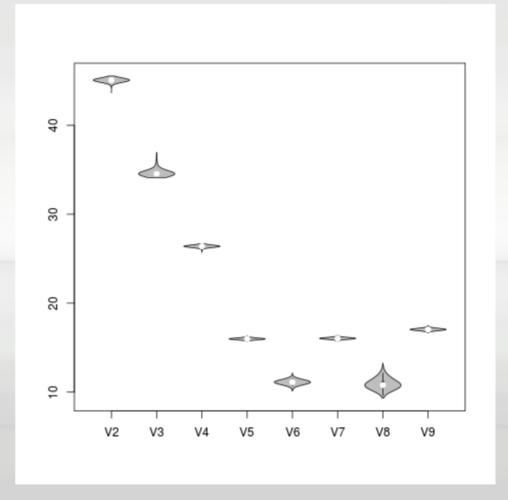
Time constraints
Two late evenings later...

Results

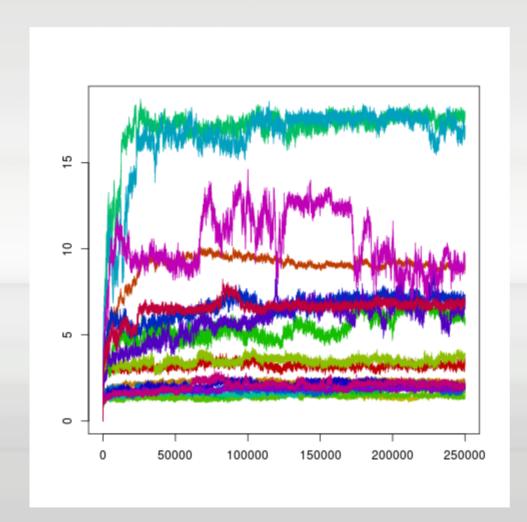
Idat2plot.R, iteration 3
ISingle program for all operations
ICode length increased by five times!
IPlot types and data range user arguments
Interactive mode
IPics or it didn't happen!

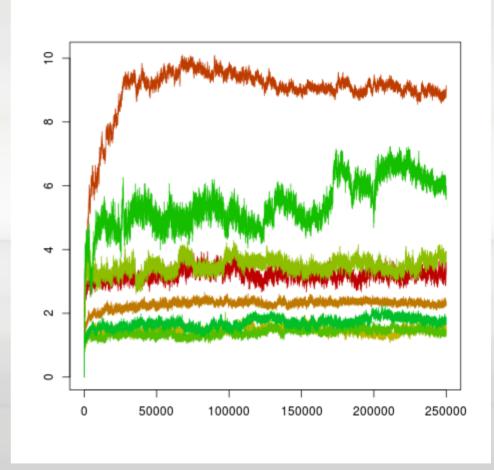
Legend Display and Plot Types



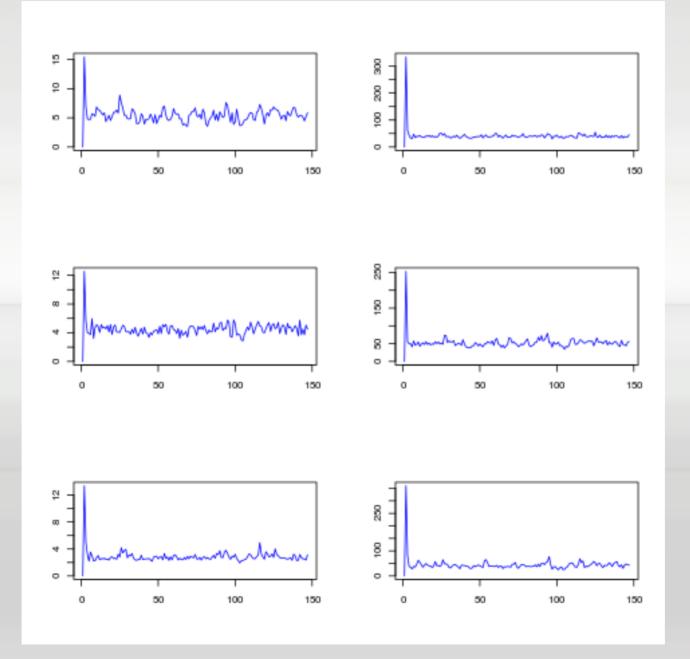


Range Specification

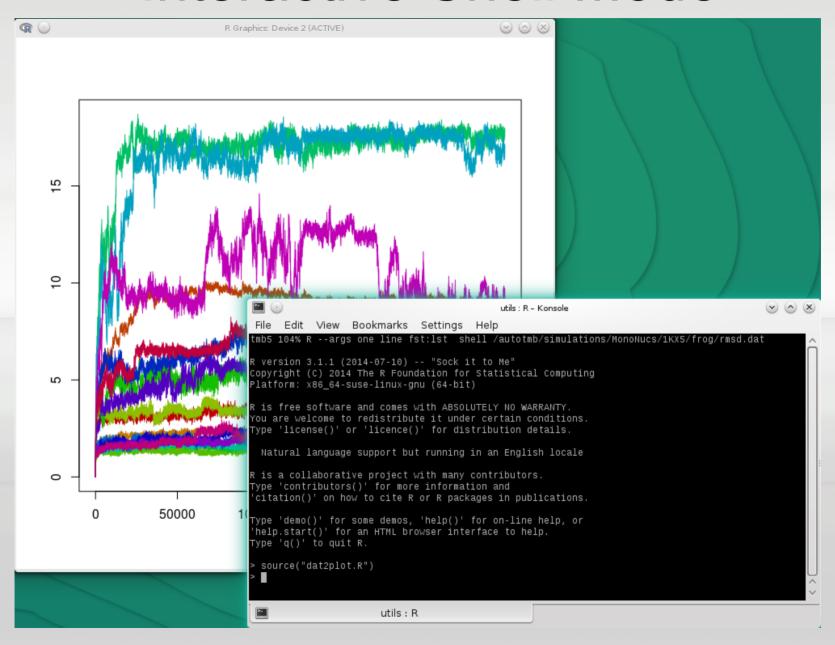




Array Plot Functionality



Interactive Shell Mode



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