Extract the executables by first typing "gunzip darc1.0.6_i86linux64.tar.gz" and then "tar xvf darc1.0.6_i86linux64.tar" This will create the directory 'darc1.0.6_i86linux64', which contains the darc and sbsmpl_dca programs. To create a cma-formatted MSA as input go to the MAPGAPS website

http://www.igs.umaryland.edu/labs/neuwald/software/mapgaps/ and download mapgaps. Type 'darc' or 'sbsmpl_dca' on the command line shows usage and input and output file descriptions.

These programs have been tested under the following Linux operating systems: RedHat version 7.6, and Ubuntu version X.X. No non-standard hardware is required and the program needs no installation requirements other than placing the executable on a user's path. This program and the source code are freely available under the MIT License (see LICENSE file).

Extract the source code by first typing "gunzip darc_src_1.0.6.tar.gz" and then "tar xvf darc_src_1.0.6.tar" This will create the directory 'darc_src_1.0.6', which contains several subdirectories.

----- Demo in example subdirectory ------To perform DARC and sbsmpl_dca analyses of C-type lectin domains go into the 'example/' subdirectory and type './run_example'. This example, which includes a minimal subsampling option, should take about 10 minutes to finish on a typical Linux workstation (or less time without subsampling). From the input multiple sequence alignment (MSA) file (C_Lectin.mma), DARC produces the following output files:

Temporary files: C_Lectin_fg.in: query MSA in PSICOV format for DCA analysis: C_Lectin_fg_X.dca: CCMpred output file (input for STARC). C_Lectin_fg_X.mst: STARC input file. C_Lectin_fg_X: EVcouplings formated DCA file (required by STARC).

------ Reproducing the published analysis ------To reproduce the analysis in the DARC paper, with slight variation due to DARC's stochastic nature, download darc_data.tar.gz, then, within the darc1.0.6 directory, uncompress and extract from darc_data.tar.gz the directory 'data'. Go into the data subdirectory and type 'run_gdp' (for the gamma + delta prime versus other AAA+ analysis) or 'run_gmm' (for the gamma versus delta prime analysis). Run the script 'run_gdp_sbsmpl' script to reproduce the subsampling analysis. Note that this analysis requires quite a bit of RAM.

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