## Protein Structure Hierarchy

## Protein Structure Analysis

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-Primary - the sequence of amino acid residues
-Secondary - ordered regions of primary sequence (helices, beta-sheets, turns)
-Tertiary - the three-dimensional fold of a protein subunit
-Quaternary - the arrangement of subunits in oligomers.

## Secondary Structure:

Computational Problems

Secondary structure characterization
Secondary structure assignment
Secondary structure prediction
Protein structure classification


Protein representations


Protein representations



Protein representations

Protein representations



Protein backbone


NWVLSTAADMQGVVTDGMASGLDKD

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Adopted from Zvelebil, Baum, 2008

Amino Acid Residue Clustering


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Secondary Structures


Helix



Secondary Structure (Helices)


Secondary Structure (Beta-sheets)



White dots indicate hydrogen bonds.
The main difference between these two turns is the orientation of the peptide group between residues 1 and 2.


## Reverse Turns on a Ramachandran Plot



Beta-hairpin Turns on a Ramachandran Plot


Side-Chain Atom Nomenclature


Side-Chain Torsional Angles


