

## GROMACS - Bug #2026

### pdb2gmx says it reads multiple \*.c.tdb but that is not honored

08/09/2016 06:42 AM - Chris Neale

<b>Status:</b> Closed	
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<b>Affected version - extra info:</b>	<b>Difficulty:</b> uncategorized
<b>Affected version:</b> 5.1.2	

#### Description

When more than one \*.c.tdb file exists, pdb2gmx "reads" the additional file but does not allow the use of the options specified therein.

test:

A. Use oplsaa.ff

B. modify aminoacids.c.tdb to only contain [ None ] and [ GLY-COO- ] and [ COO- ] entries while new file aminoacids\_more.c.tdb contains the remainder

RESULT:

with regular oplsaa.ff:

Select end terminus type for GLU-3

0: COO-

1: ZWITTERION\_COO- (only use with zwitterions containing exactly one residue)

2: COOH

3: None

with the modified folder:

Select end terminus type for GLU-3

0: COO-

1: None

This happens even though with the modified folder gmx pdb2gmx outputs:

Opening force field file

/nh/nest/u/cneale/exe/GROMACS/exec/gromacs-5.1.2/serial/share/gromacs/top/oplsaa\_mod.ff/aminoacids.c.tdb

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There is an obvious workaround, which is to have only one \*.c.tdb file. However, if gromacs will only allow one then it should not say it is reading the other and, ideally, gromacs would either faithfully read and allow use of the other or throw an error if there is more than one \*.c.tdb. I presume this also holds for \*.n.tdb but I did not check. The reason to desire multiple tdb files is when adding new options to an existing force field then one does not pollute the original with the addition, thus making it cleaner to share modifications without one having to test that there were no undesired additions/deletions to the file.

#### Associated revisions

##### Revision 61e5b736 - 01/02/2018 12:24 PM - Erik Lindahl

Don't require matching names between rtp and tdb files

This was only documented in the source. It's a remnant from the days when all force fields were in the same directory, and no longer necessary. With this change we will properly match all termini to all amino acids.

Fixes #2026, #2027.

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#### History

**#1 - 12/31/2017 03:02 PM - Erik Lindahl**

Technically this was not caused by ignoring additional files, but a requirement that the base names need to match between the file with the RTP and TDB entries.

**#2 - 12/31/2017 03:06 PM - Gerrit Code Review Bot**

Gerrit received a related patchset '1' for Issue [#2026](#).  
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**#3 - 12/31/2017 03:07 PM - Erik Lindahl**

- Status changed from New to Fix uploaded

**#4 - 01/01/2018 10:19 AM - Mark Abraham**

- Category set to preprocessing (pdb2gmx,grompp)  
- Assignee set to Erik Lindahl  
- Target version set to 2018

**#5 - 01/02/2018 04:05 PM - Erik Lindahl**

- Status changed from Fix uploaded to Resolved

Applied in changeset [61e5b7363f232a77ede2e6dbc227a9409110b86a](#).

**#6 - 01/02/2018 11:52 PM - Erik Lindahl**

- Status changed from Resolved to Closed