

May 19-23, 2014

# Hands-on Workshop on Computational Biophysics

by

The Theoretical and Computational Biophysics Group  
(TCBG)

and

The National Center for Multiscale Modeling of  
Biological Systems (MMBioS)

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**9:45 – 10:15 am:** Applications and Comparison with Ensembles of Experimental Structures <sup>(2)</sup> *Ivet Bahar*

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*Coffee Break*

**10:30 – 12:00pm** ProDy Overview and Applications <sup>(3)</sup> *Tim Lezon, Chakra Chennubhotla*

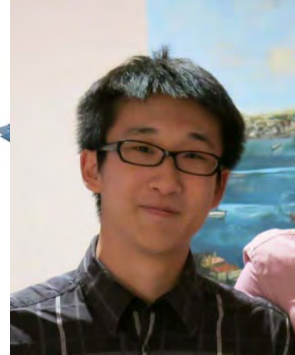
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2. Bakan & Bahar (2009) *Proc Natl Acad Sci* **106**, 14349-54; 3. Bakan et al. (2011) *Bioinformatics* **27**:1575-77.



# ProDy

Protein Dynamics Analysis in Python



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## Reference:

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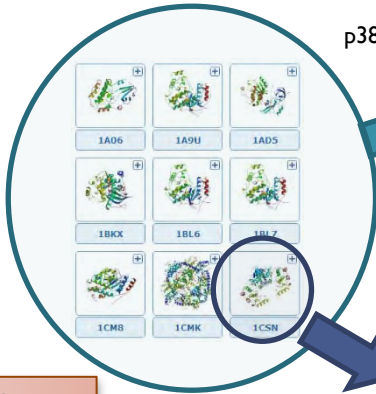
# ProDy for exploring conformational space

Protein Dynamics Analysis in Python

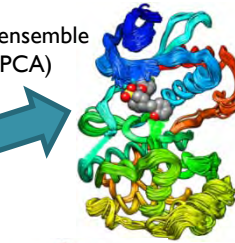
User inputs a protein sequence

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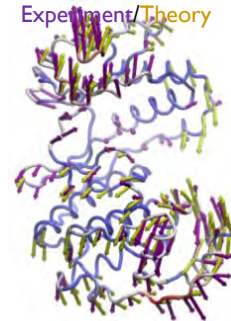
ProDy identifies, retrieves, aligns, and analyzes (PCA) structures that match the input sequence



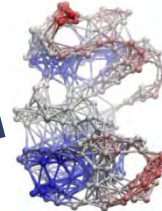
p38 ensemble (PCA)



Experiment/Theory

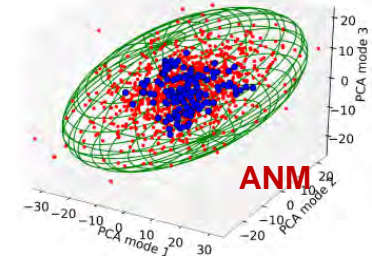
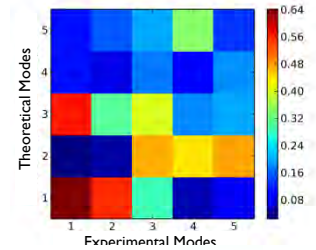


p38 network model (ANM)



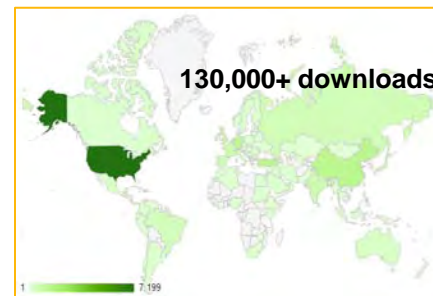
User can compare experimental and theoretical models

Overlap table

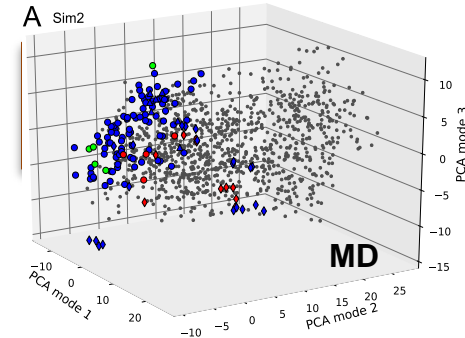


Growth of Source Code and Usage

	Releases	Downloads	Visits <sup>2</sup>	Unique <sup>3</sup>
Nov '10 - Oct '11	19	8,530	8,678	2,946
Nov '11 - Oct '12	15	35,108	16,472	6,414
Nov '12 - Oct '13	8*	87,909	19,888	8,145
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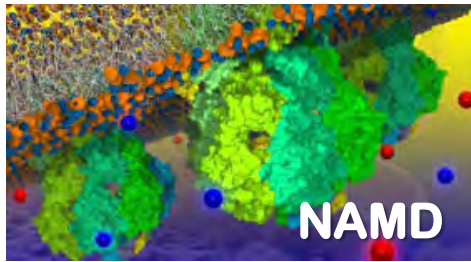
Source <http://www.google.com/analytics/>



# Tutorials

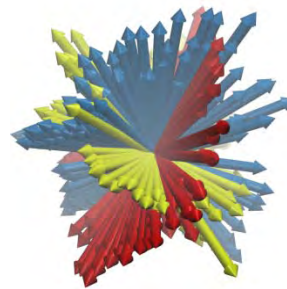
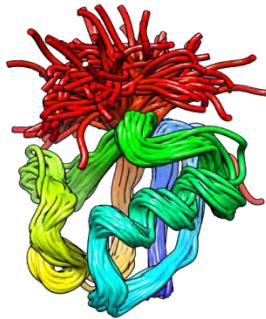
## Days 1-3

<http://www.ks.uiuc.edu/Training/Tutorials/>



## Days 4-5

<http://www.csb.pitt.edu/prody/#tutorials>



**Biomedical Technology Research Center (BTRC)**

# **High Performance Computing** *for*

# **Multiscale Modeling of Biological Systems**

**Overarching biological theme:**

- **Spatial organization**
- **Temporal evolution**

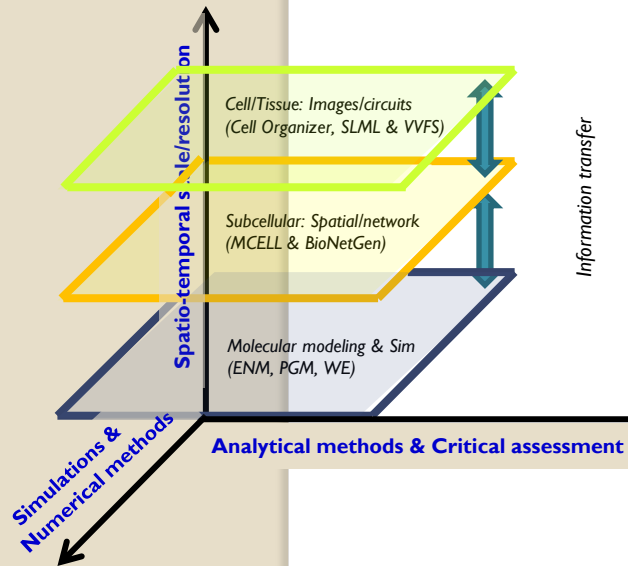
**of (neuro)signaling systems/events**

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# GOAL: TO GENERATE DATA FOR MESOSCOPIC SCALE

*Developing integrated methodology to enable information transfer across scales*

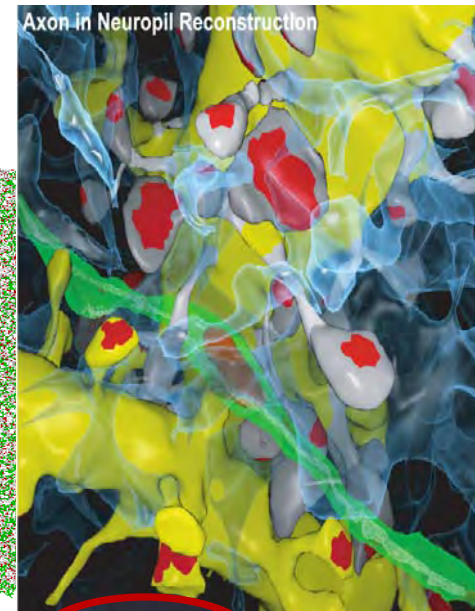


**Microphysiological simulations**

**to subcellular events**

**from molecules**

13nm

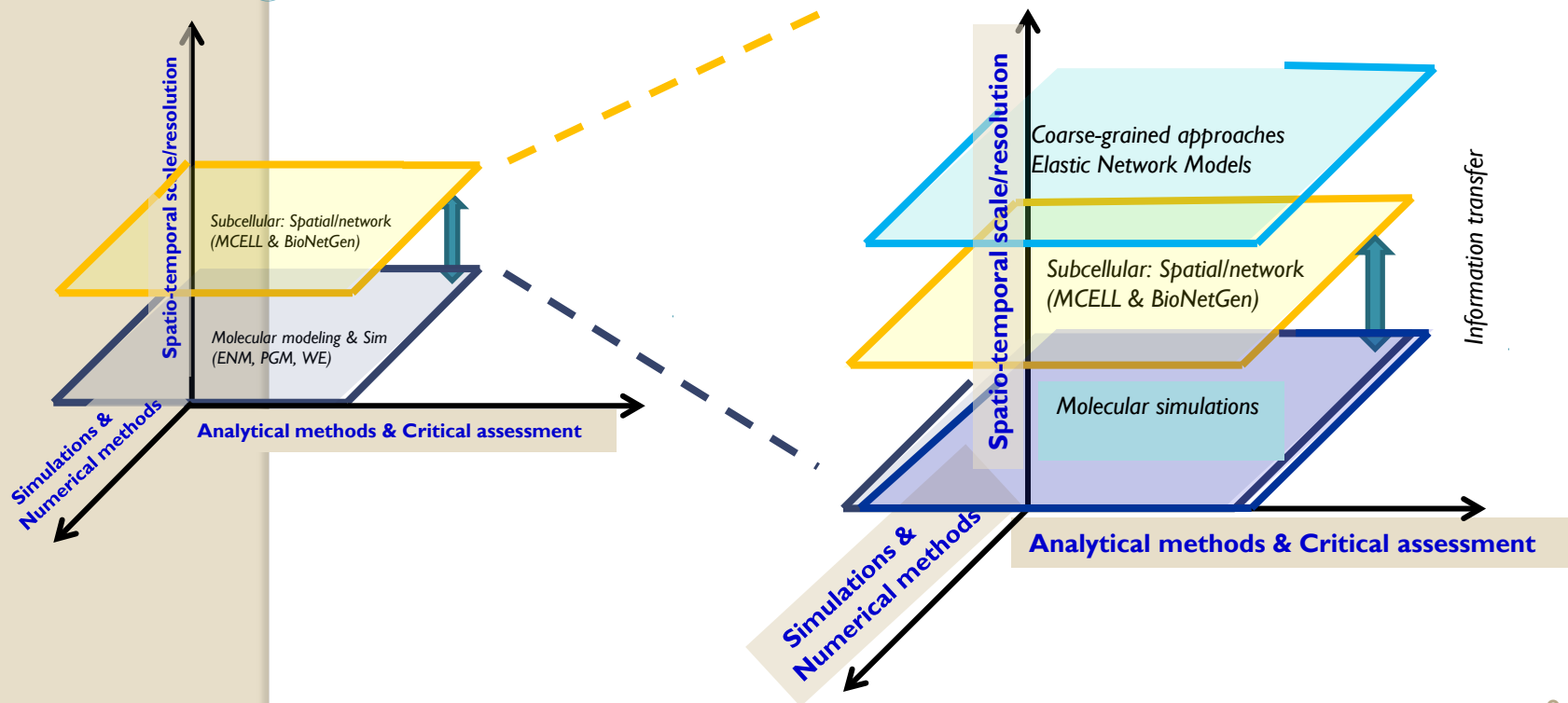


from  $6 \times 6 \times 5 \mu\text{m}^3$  sample of adult rat hippocampal stratum radiatum neuropil

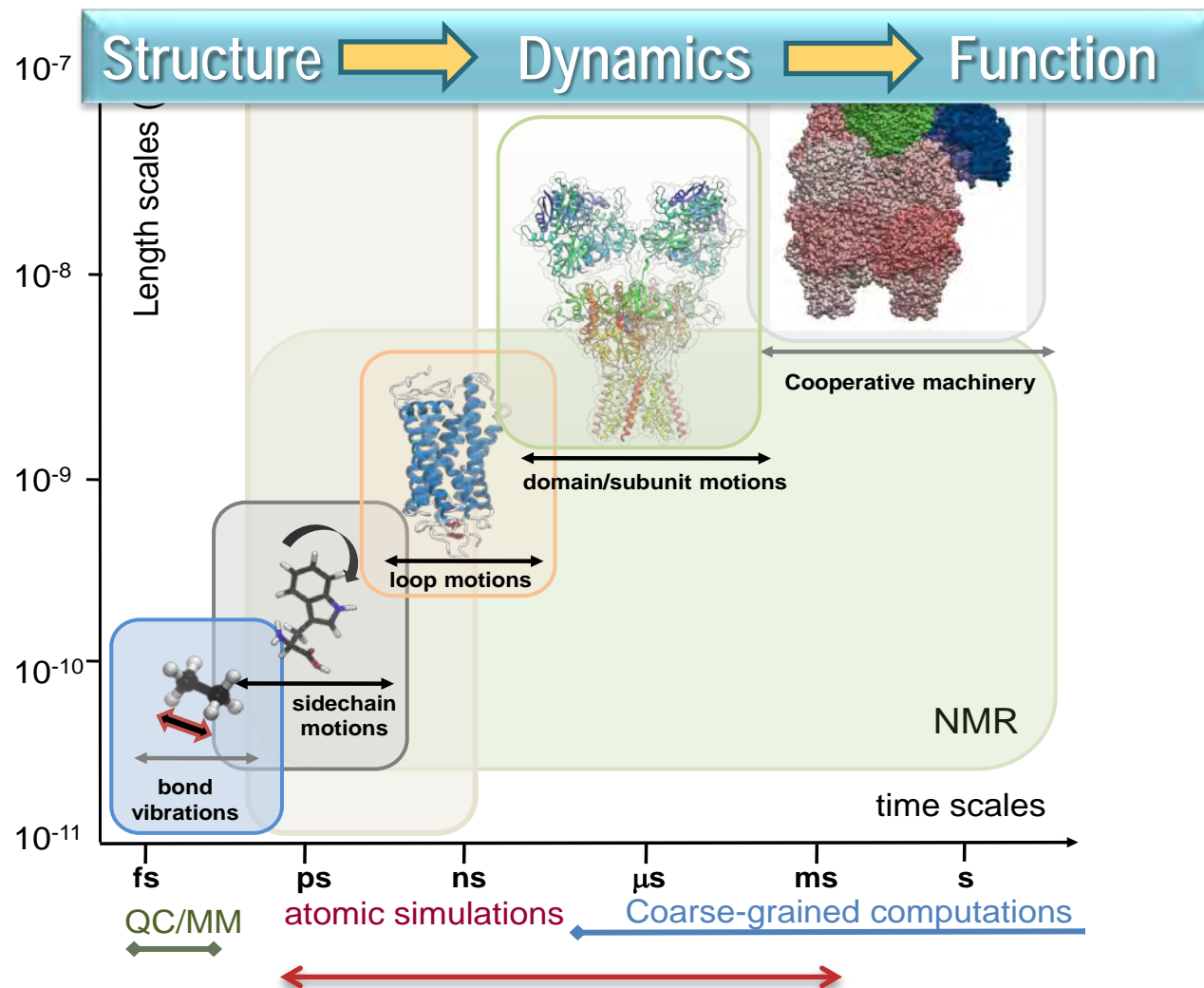


# Goal: to generate data for mesoscopic scale

**Developing integrated** methodology for complex systems dynamics, to enable information transfer across scales



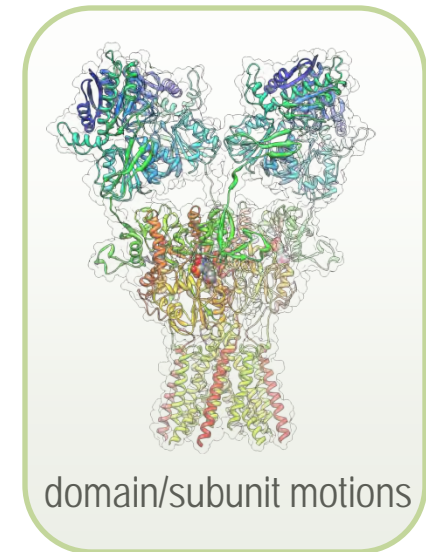
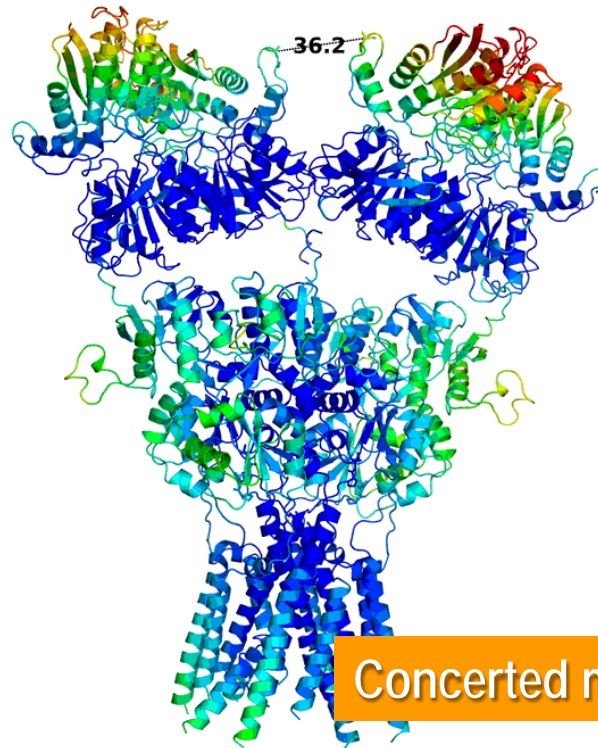
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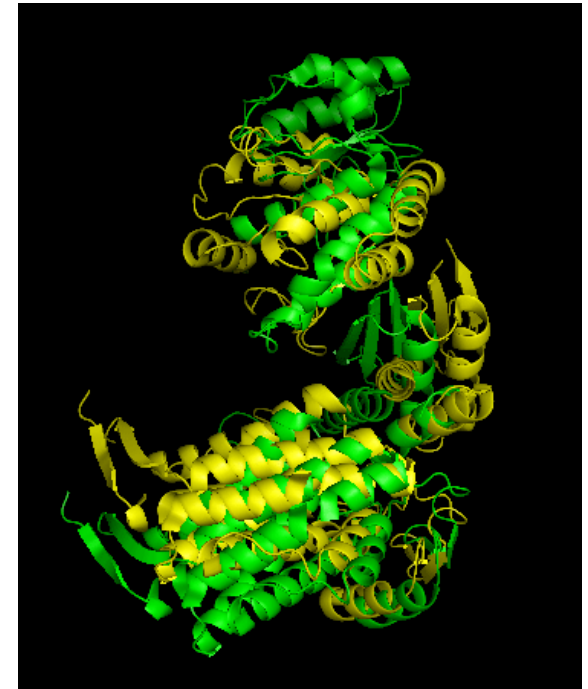
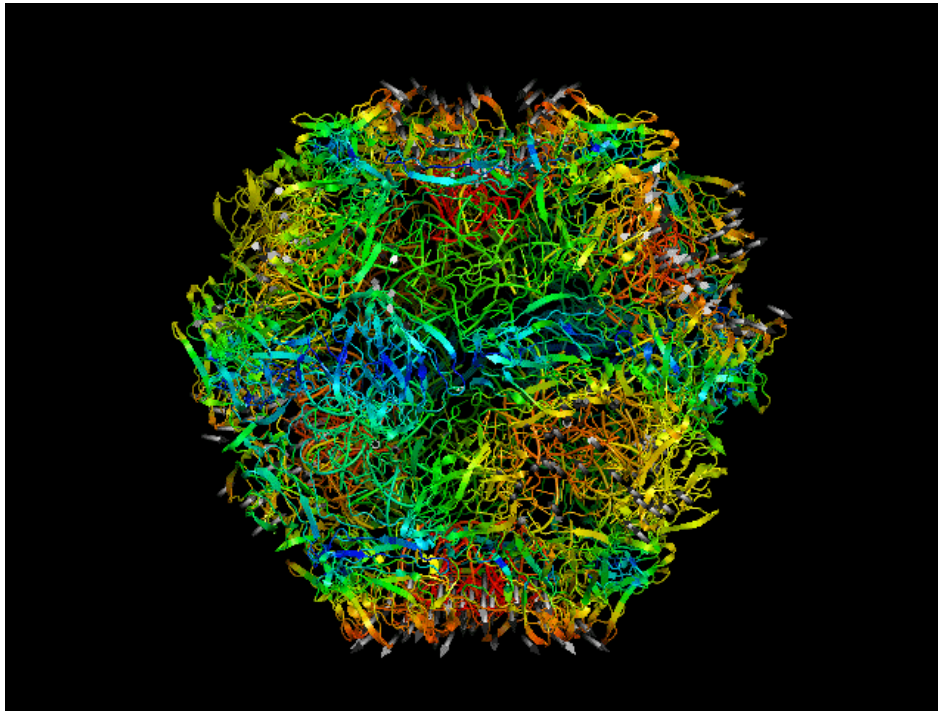
Signaling dynamics of AMPARs and NMDARs



Concerted movements of signaling molecules

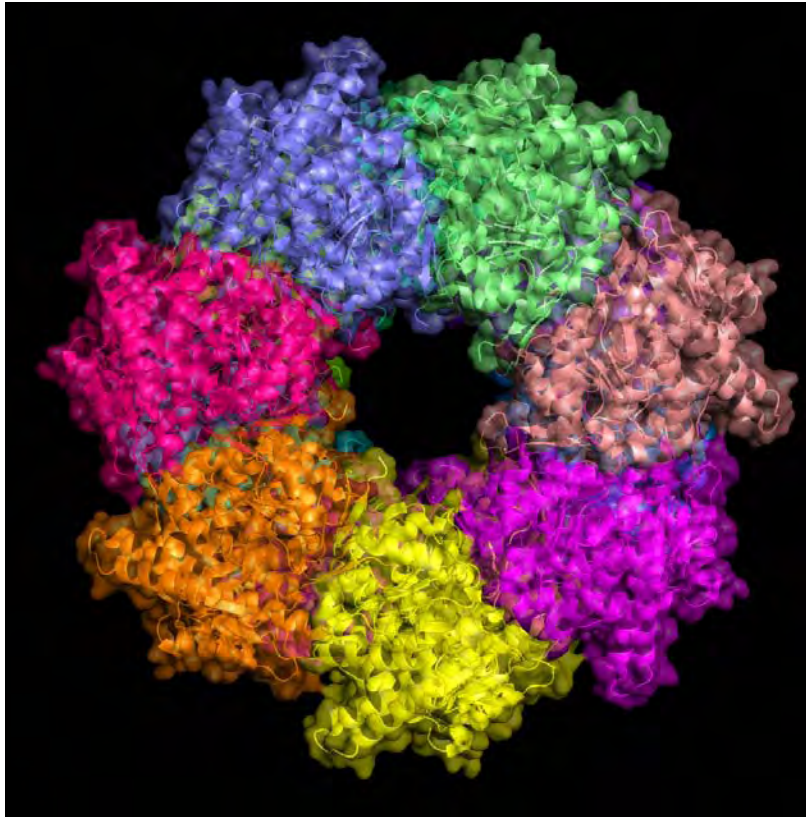
# Many proteins are **molecular machines**

And mechanical properties become more important in complexes/assemblies



STMV dynamics (Zheng Yang)

# Representation of structure as a network



## Why network models?

- for large systems' collective motions & long time processes beyond the capability of full atomic simulations
- to incorporate structural data in the models – at multiple levels of resolution
- to take advantage of theories of polymer physics, spectral graph methods, etc.

# Physics-based approach

- Statistical Mechanics of Polymers
- Theory of Rubber Elasticity



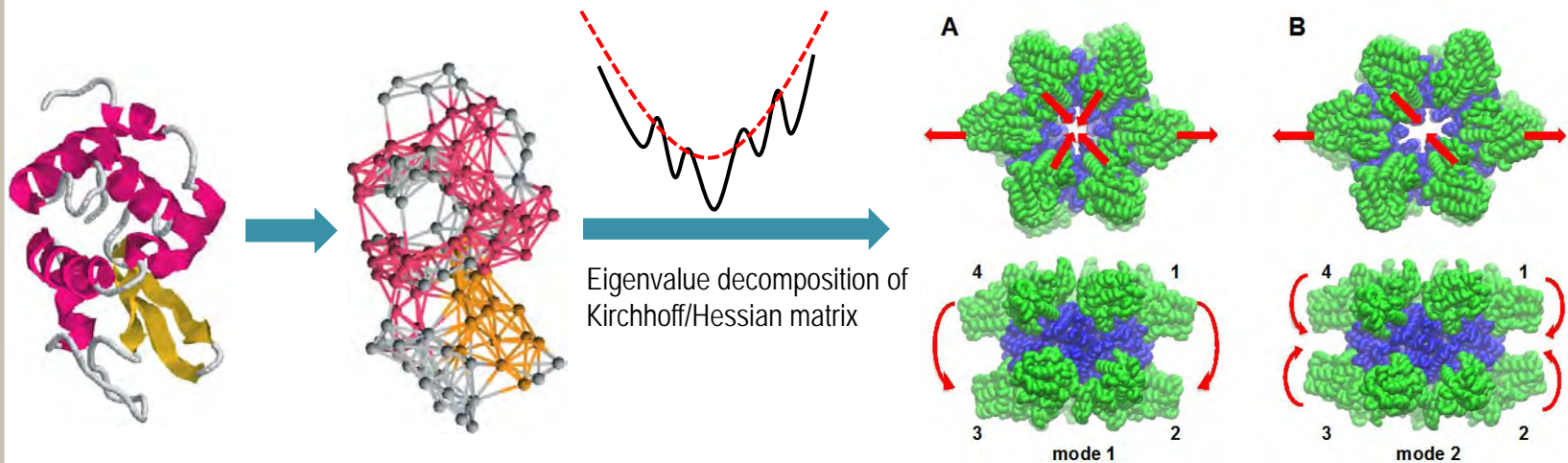
Elastic Network Model for Proteins



Paul J. Flory (1910-1985)  
Nobel Prize in Chemistry 1974



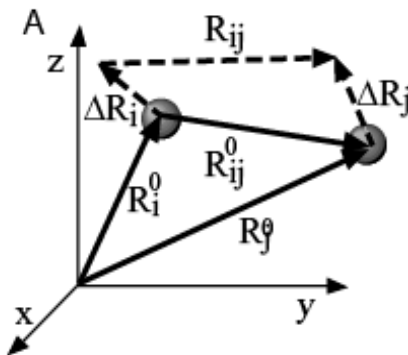
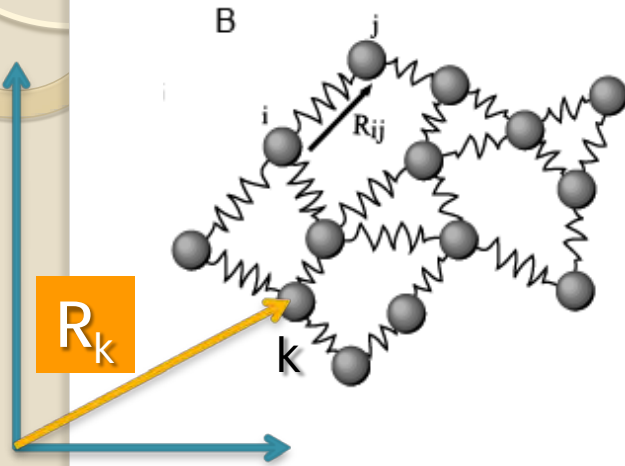
# Collective motions using elastic network models (ENM)



**GNM:** Bahar et al *Fold & Des* 1996; Haliloglu et al. *Phys Rev Lett* 1997  
**ANM:** Doruker et al. *Proteins* 2000; Atilgan et al, *Biophys J* 2001

Based on theory of elasticity for  
polymer networks by **Flory, 1976**

# Gaussian network model (GNM)



- Each node represents a residue
- Residue positions,  $\mathbf{R}_i$ , identified by their  $\alpha$ -carbons' coordinates
- Springs connect residues located within a cutoff distance (e.g., 10 Å)

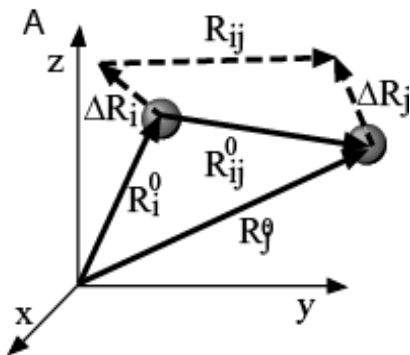
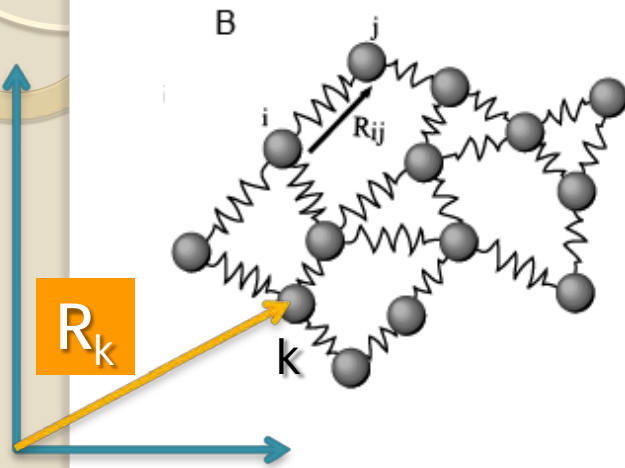
→ Nodes are subject to **Gaussian fluctuations**  $\Delta \mathbf{R}_i$   
→ Inter-residue distances  $R_{ij}$  also undergo Gaussian fluctuations

$$\rightarrow \Delta \mathbf{R}_{ij} = \Delta \mathbf{R}_j - \Delta \mathbf{R}_i$$

Fluctuations in residue positions



# Gaussian network model (GNM)



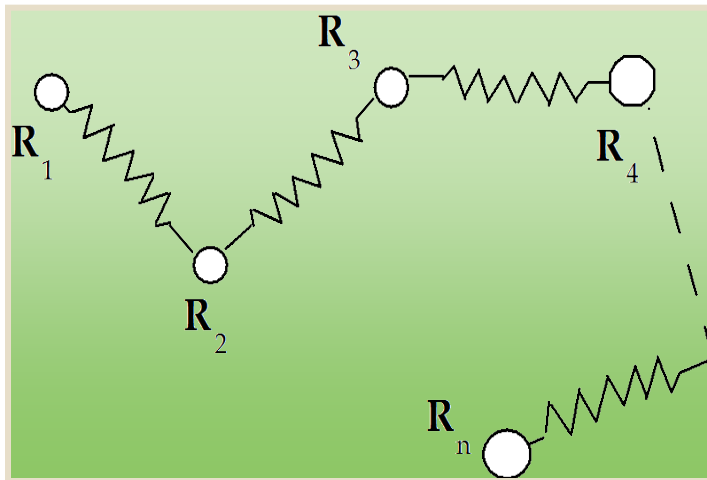
Fluctuation vector:

$$\rightarrow \Delta \mathbf{R} = \begin{bmatrix} \Delta \mathbf{R}_1 \\ \Delta \mathbf{R}_2 \\ \Delta \mathbf{R}_3 \\ \Delta \mathbf{R}_4 \\ \dots \\ \Delta \mathbf{R}_N \end{bmatrix}$$

Fluctuations in residue positions

# Rouse model for polymers

## Classical bead-and-spring model



## Kirchhoff matrix

$$\Gamma = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & -1 & & & & & \\ -1 & 2 & -1 & & & & \\ & -1 & 2 & -1 & & & \\ & & & \dots & \dots & & \\ & & & & -1 & 2 & -1 \\ & & & & & -1 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

Force constant  $\Delta R_{12} = R_{12} - R_{12}^0$

$$V_{\text{tot}} = \frac{\gamma}{2} [ (\Delta R_{12})^2 + (\Delta R_{23})^2 + \dots + (\Delta R_{N-1,N})^2 ]$$

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Fluctuation vector

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$$V_{\text{tot}} = (\gamma/2) \Delta R^T \Gamma \Delta R$$

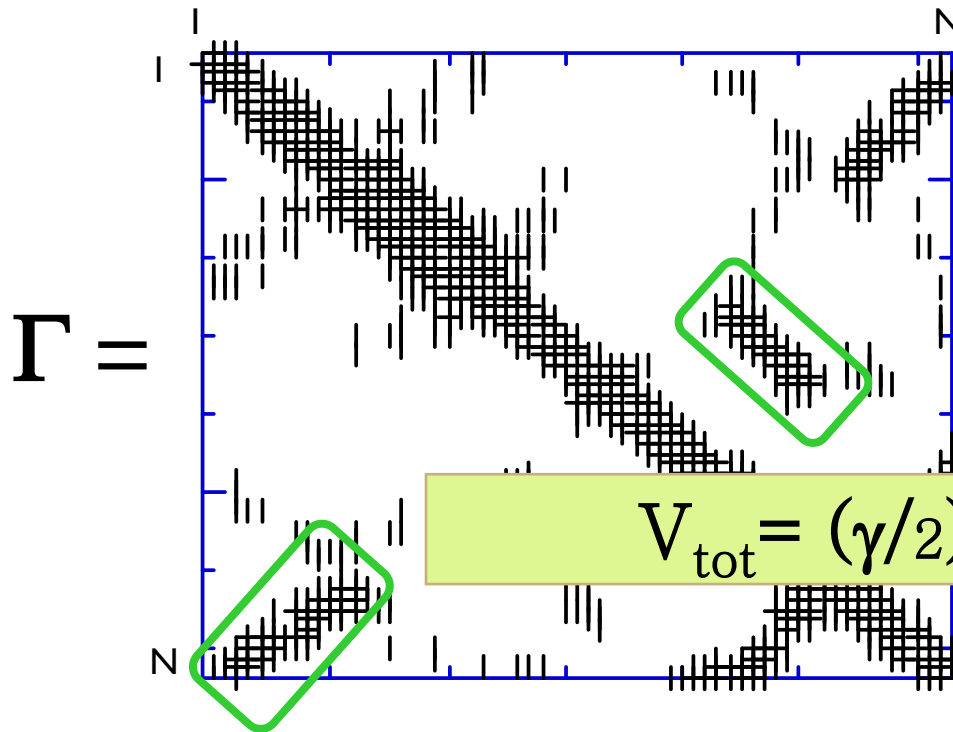
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# Kirchhoff matrix for inter-residue contacts

For a protein of N residues



$$\Gamma_{ik} = \begin{cases} -1 & \text{if } r_{ik} < r_{\text{cut}} \\ 0 & \text{if } r_{ik} > r_{\text{cut}} \end{cases}$$

$$\Gamma_{ii} = - \sum_k \Gamma_{ik}$$

$$V_{\text{tot}} = (\gamma/2) \Delta R^T \Gamma \Delta R$$

$\Gamma$  provides a complete description of contact topology!

# Statistical mechanical averages

For a protein of N residues

$$\langle \Delta \mathbf{R}_i \cdot \Delta \mathbf{R}_j \rangle = (1/Z_N) \int (\Delta \mathbf{R}_i \cdot \Delta \mathbf{R}_j) e^{-V/k_B T} d\{ \Delta \mathbf{R} \}$$

$$= (3 k_B T / \gamma) [\Gamma^{-1}]_{ij}$$

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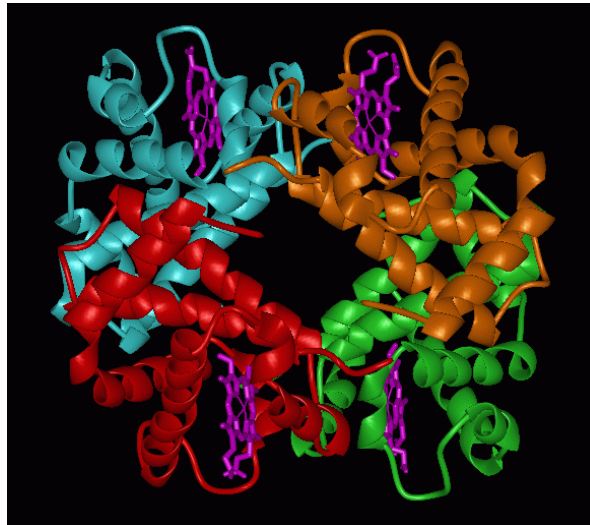
Kirchhoff matrix determines the mean-square fluctuations

$$[\Gamma^{-1}]_{ii} \sim \langle (\Delta \mathbf{R}_i)^2 \rangle$$

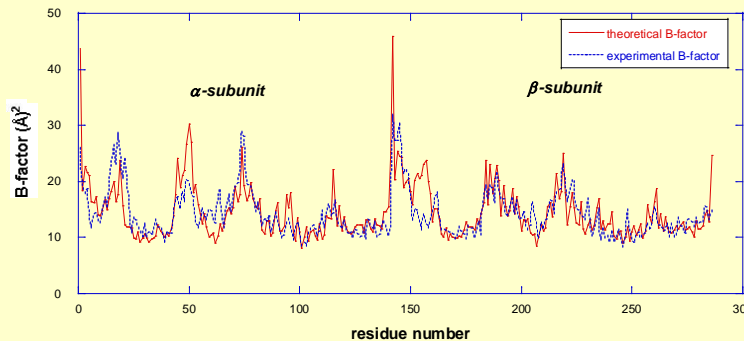
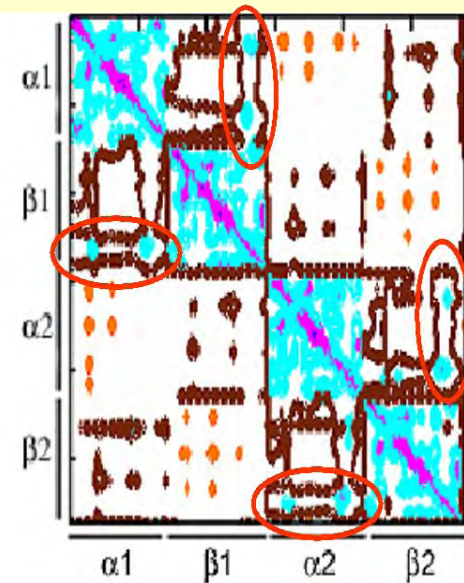
And cross-correlations between residue motions

$$[\Gamma^{-1}]_{ij} \sim \langle (\Delta \mathbf{R}_i \cdot \Delta \mathbf{R}_j) \rangle$$

# 1. Application to hemoglobin



$$B_i = 8\pi^2/3 \langle (\Delta R_i)^2 \rangle$$

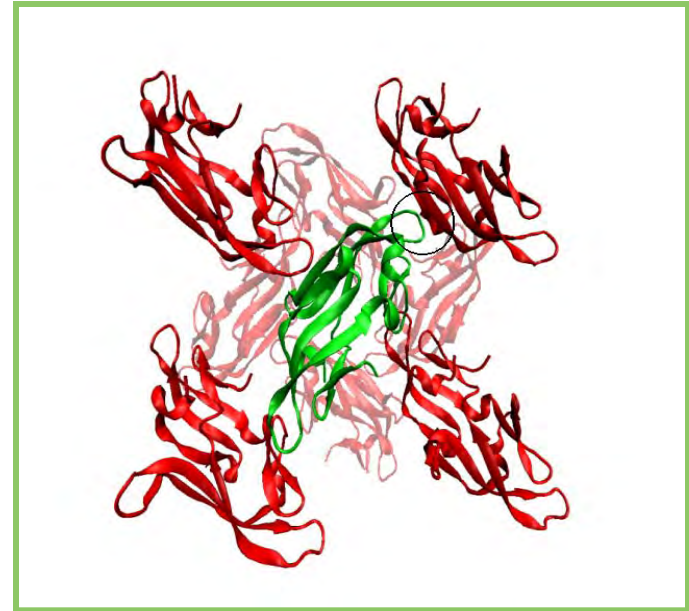


B- factors – Comparison with experiments

Intradimer cooperativity – Symmetry rule (Yuan et al. JMB 2002; Ackers et al. PNAS 2002.)



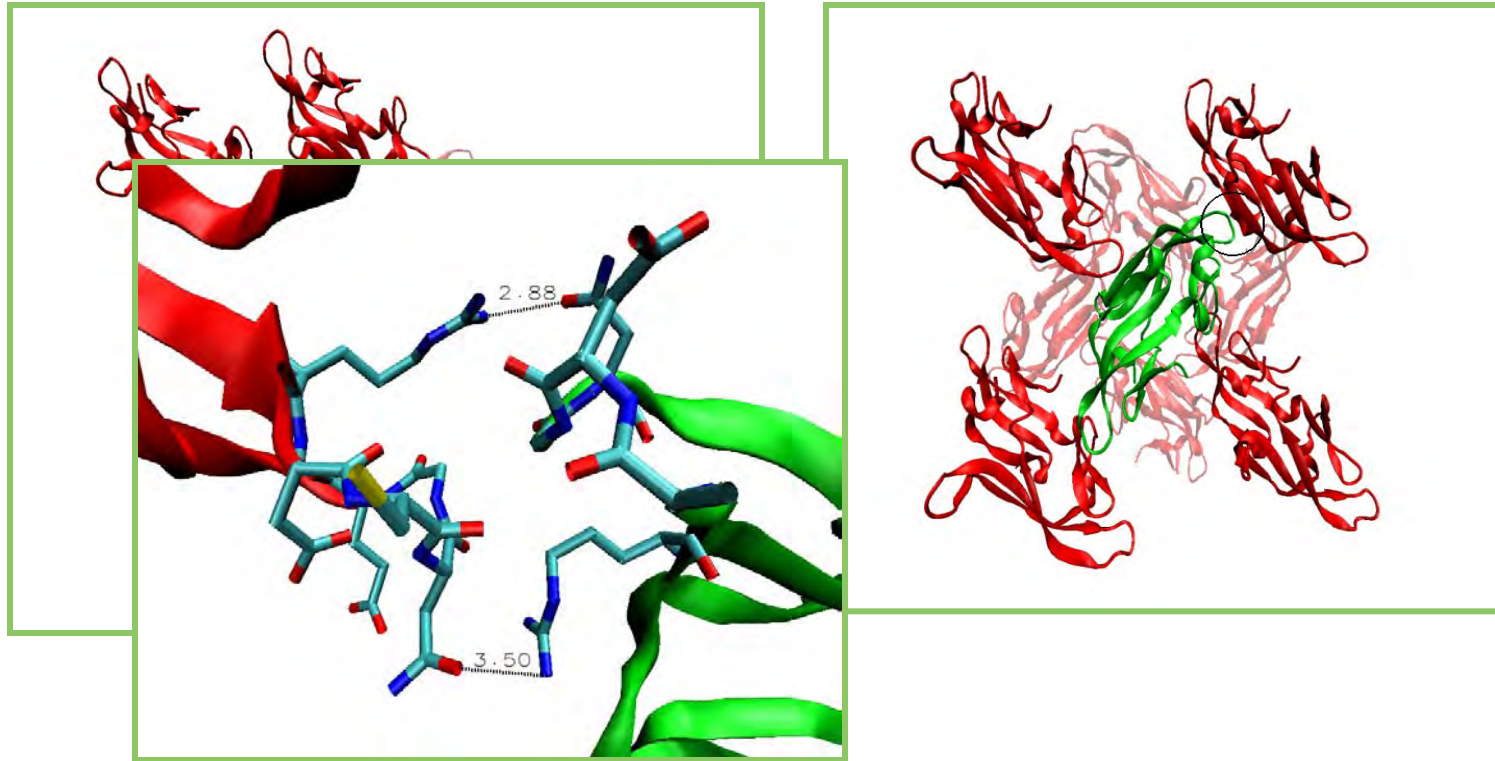
# B-factors are affected by crystal contacts



Two X-ray structures for a designed sugar-binding protein LKAMG

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# B-factors are affected by crystal contacts

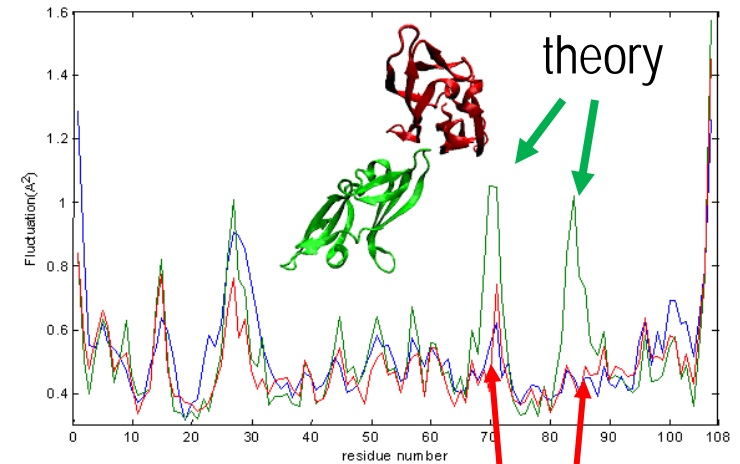
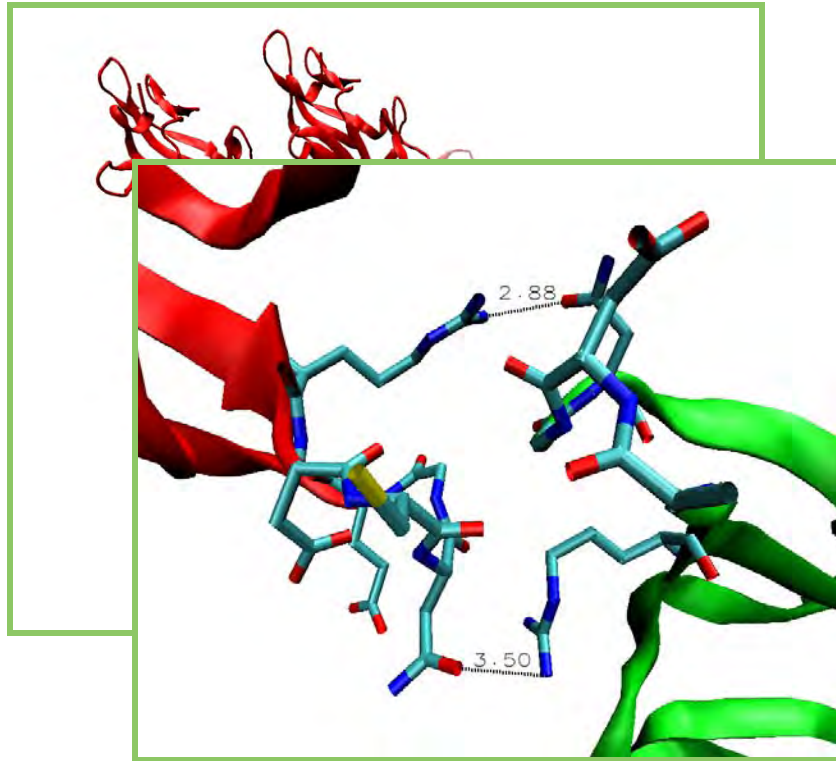


Particular loop motions are curtailed by intermolecular contacts in the crystal environment causing a discrepancy between theory and experiments

FOR MORE INFO...

Liu, Koharudin, Gronenborn & Bahar (2009) *Proteins* 77, 927-939.

# Agreement between theory and experiments upon inclusion of crystal lattice effects into the GNM



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Collective Motions Encoded by the  
Structure: **Normal Modes**

# Several modes contribute to dynamics

Contribution of mode k

$$\langle \Delta \mathbf{R}_i \cdot \Delta \mathbf{R}_j \rangle = \sum_k [\Delta \mathbf{R}_i \cdot \Delta \mathbf{R}_j]_k$$

$$\langle \Delta \mathbf{R}_i \cdot \Delta \mathbf{R}_j \rangle = (3k_B T / \gamma) [\boldsymbol{\Gamma}^{-1}]_{ij}$$

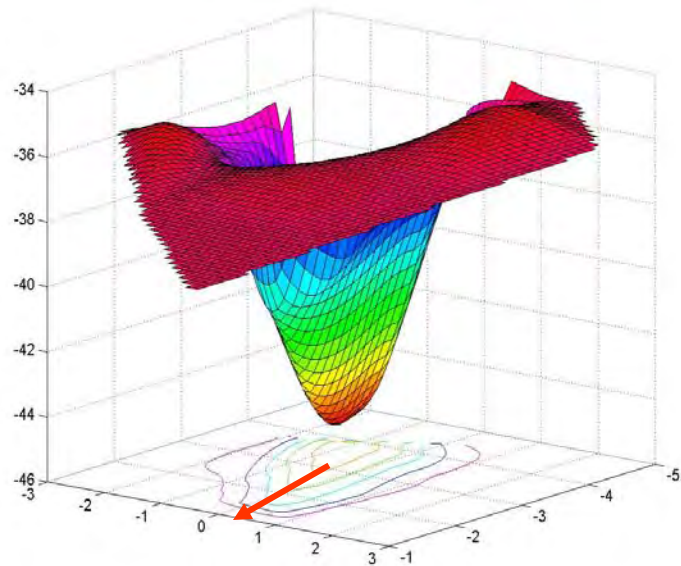
Contribution of mode k

$$[\Delta \mathbf{R}_i \cdot \Delta \mathbf{R}_j]_k = (3k_B T / \gamma) [\lambda_k^{-1} \mathbf{u}_k \mathbf{u}_k^T]_{ij}$$

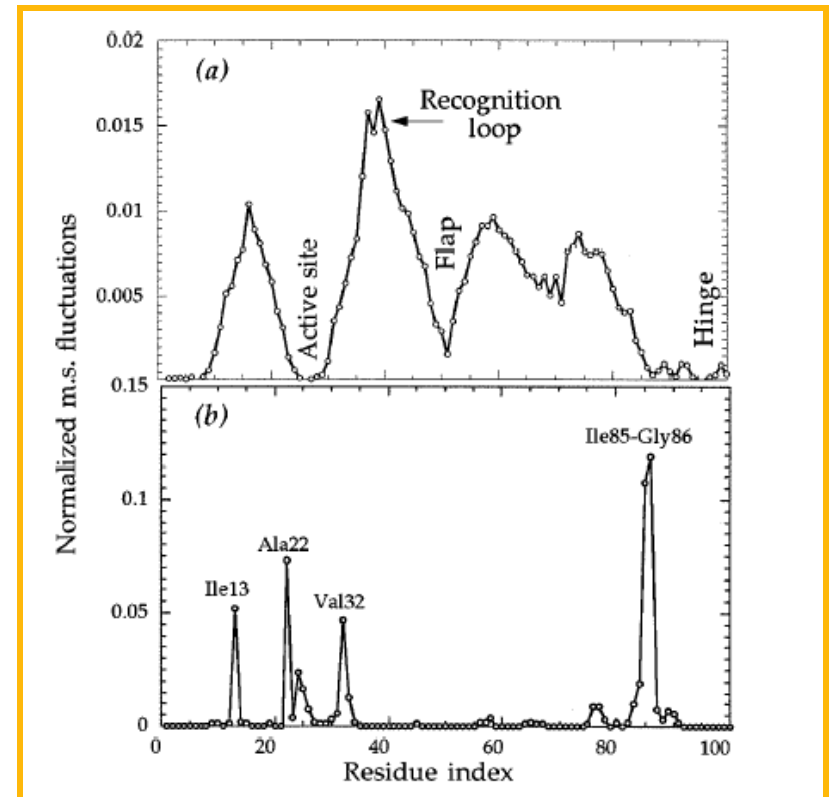
expressed in terms of kth eigenvalue  $\lambda_k$  and kth eigenvector  $\mathbf{u}_k$  of  $\boldsymbol{\Gamma}$

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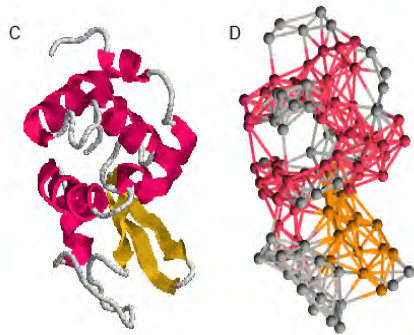


The first mode selects the 'easiest' collective motion

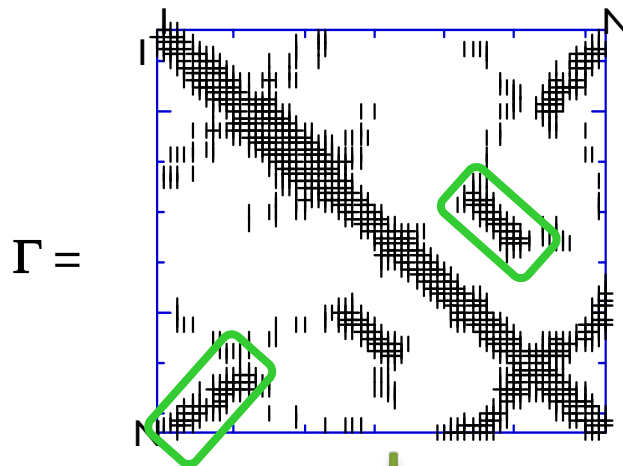


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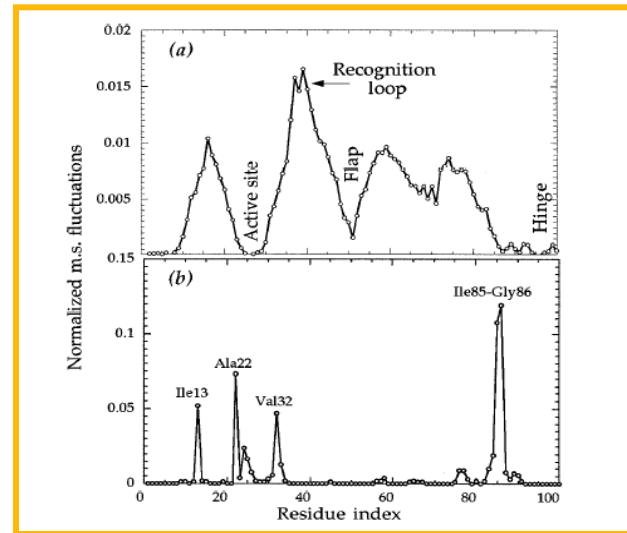
# Gaussian network model (GNM)



Kirchhoff matrix for inter-residue contacts



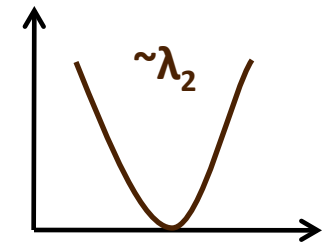
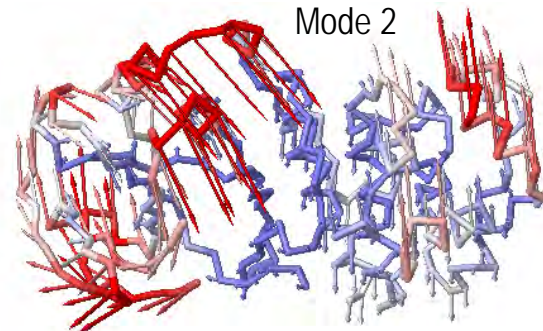
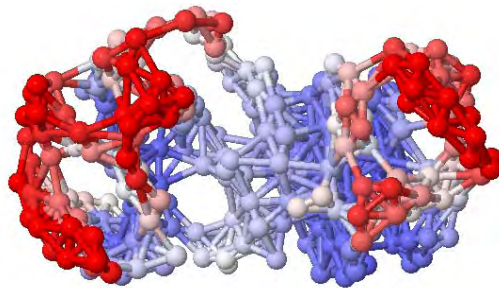
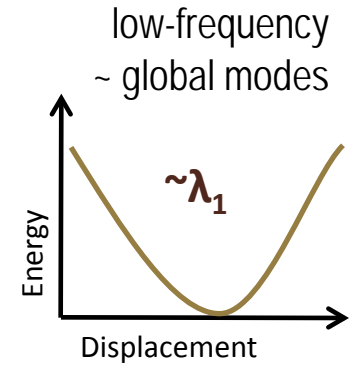
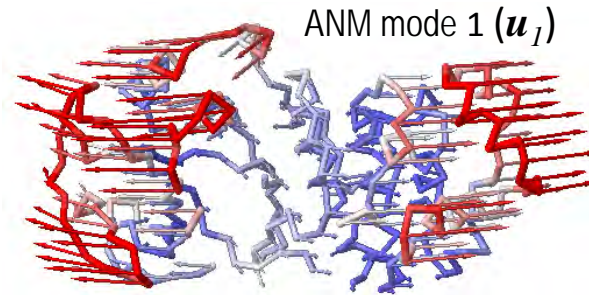
$$[\Delta \mathbf{R}_i \cdot \Delta \mathbf{R}_j]_k = (3k_B T / \gamma) [\lambda_k^{-1} \mathbf{u}_k \mathbf{u}_k^T]_i$$



**Several modes of motion contribute to dynamics**

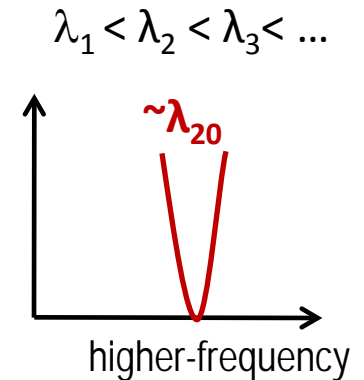
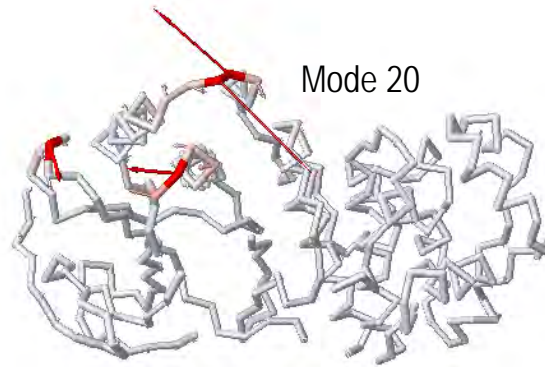
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# Anisotropic Network Model (ANM)



$$\mathbf{H} = \sum_{i=1}^{3N-6} \lambda_i \mathbf{u}_i \mathbf{u}_i^T$$

$$\mathbf{H}^{(ij)} = \frac{\gamma}{(R_{ij}^0)^2} \begin{bmatrix} X_{ij}X_{ij} & X_{ij}Y_{ij} & X_{ij}Z_{ij} \\ Y_{ij}X_{ij} & Y_{ij}Y_{ij} & Y_{ij}Z_{ij} \\ Z_{ij}X_{ij} & Z_{ij}Y_{ij} & Z_{ij}Z_{ij} \end{bmatrix}$$

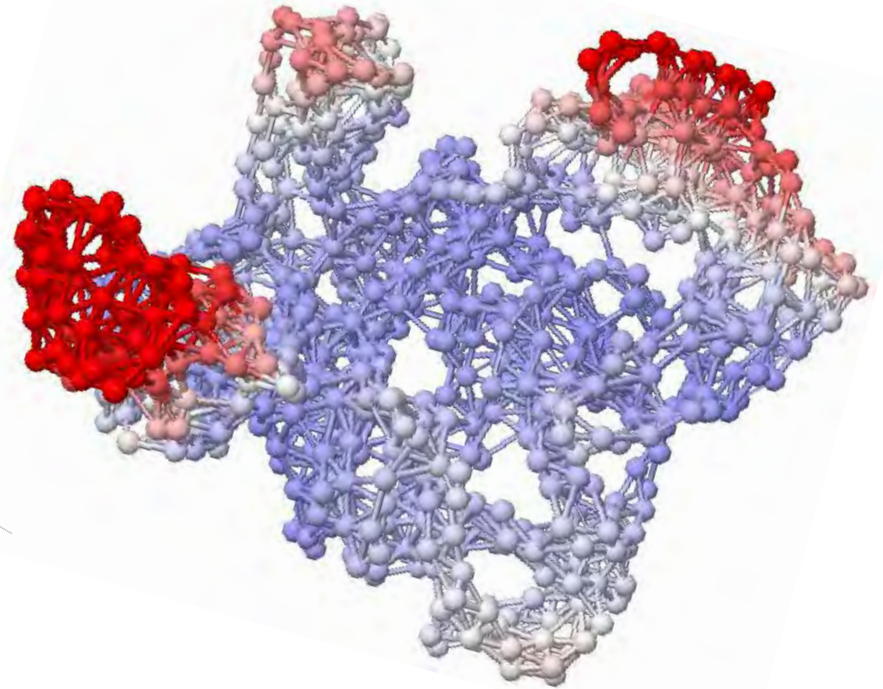
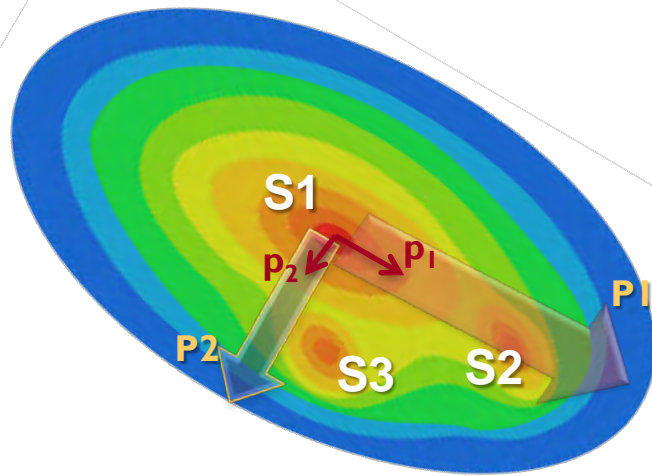




# Allosteric changes in conformation

## ANM (anisotropic network model)

Elastic Network Models are particularly useful for exploring the allosteric dynamics of large multimeric structures



Comparison with experimental data shows that the functional movements are those predicted by the ENM to be intrinsically encoded by the structure

# Session I: Plotting $\langle(\Delta\mathbf{R}_i)^2\rangle$ and contributions of selected modes

- `from prody import *`
- `anm = calcANM('1cot', selstr='alpha')`
- `anm, cot = calcANM('1cot', selstr='alpha')`
- `anm`
- `cot`
- `figure()`
- `showProtein(cot)`
  
- `figure()`
- `showSqFlucts(anm)`
- 
- `figure()`
- `showSqFlucts(anm[0])`
- `showSqFlucts(anm[:10])`
- 
- `figure()`
- `showSqFlucts(anm[:10], label='10 modes')`
- `legend()`

*Application to cytochrome c  
PDB: 1cot  
A protein of 121 residues*

## Session 2: Viewing color-coded animations of individual modes

- `writeNMD('cot_anm.nmd', anm, cot)`
- *Start VMD*
- *select* Extensions → Analysis → Normal Mode Wizard
- *Select* 'Load NMD File'

# Session 3: Cross-correlations

## $\langle (\Delta \mathbf{R}_i \cdot \Delta \mathbf{R}_j) \rangle$ between fluctuations

- `cross_corr = calcCrossCorr?`
- `cross_corr = calcCrossCorr(anm[0])`
- `figure()`
- `showCrossCorr(anm[0])`
- `writeHeatmap('anm_cross I.hm', cross_corr)`

## Session 4:

# Viewing cross-correlations using VMD

- *VMD – Load file*
- *Select cot\_anm.nmd (from your local folder)*
- *Load HeatMap*
- *open anm\_cross1.hm (from your local folder)*

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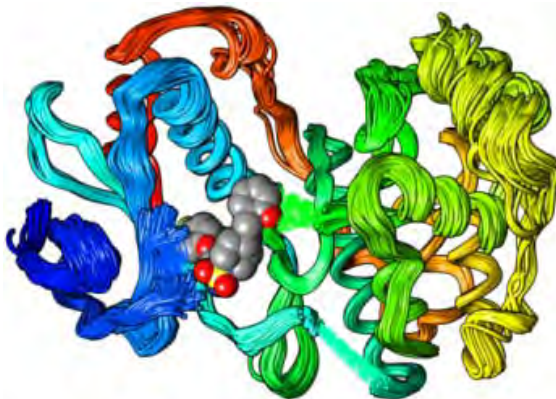
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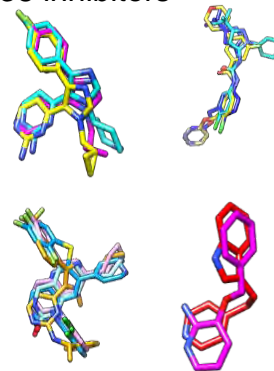


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p38 MAP kinase  
**(182 structures)**

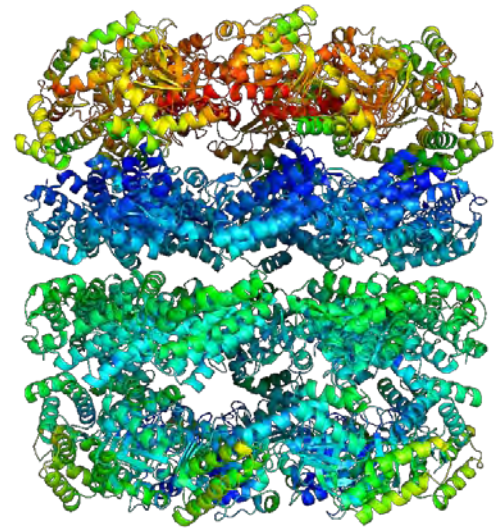


p38 inhibitors



# Ensembles of structures

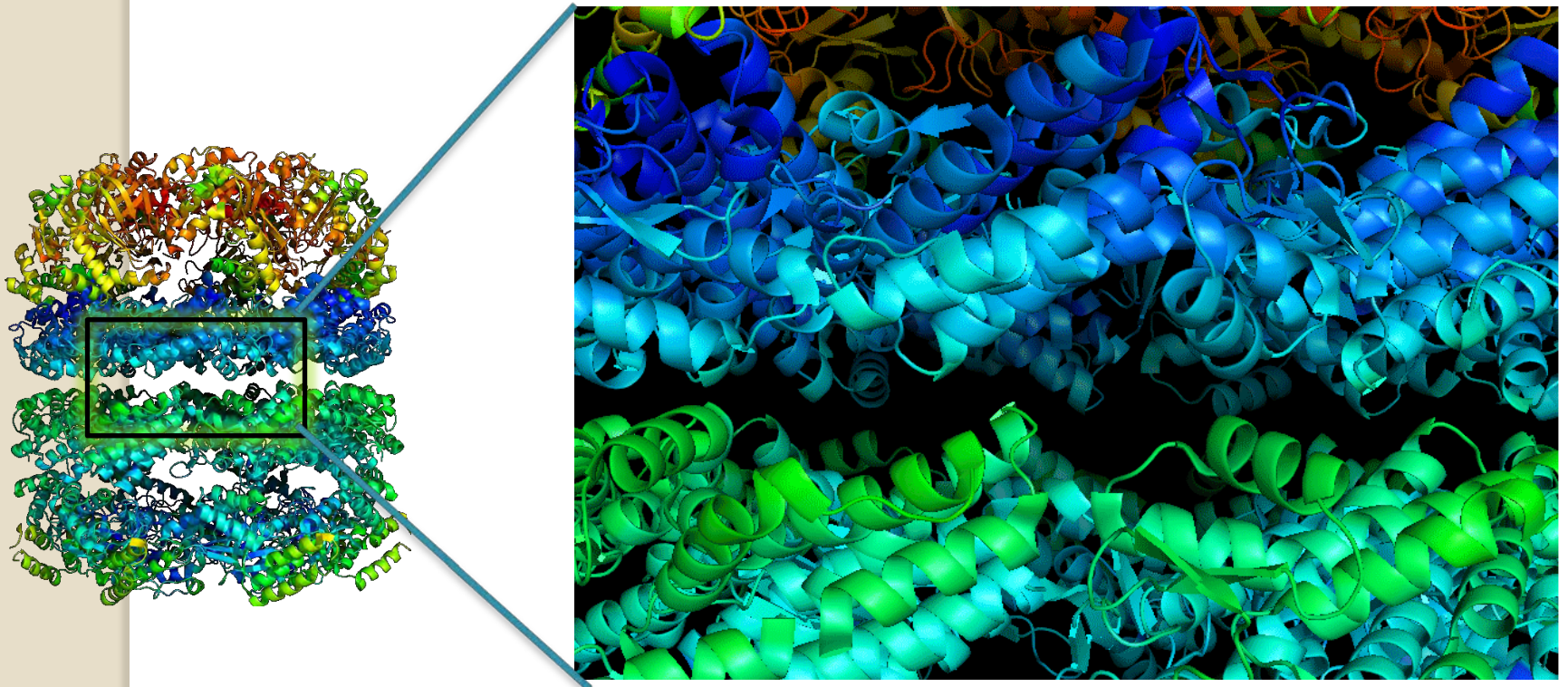
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- Alternative conformations sampled during allosteric cycles



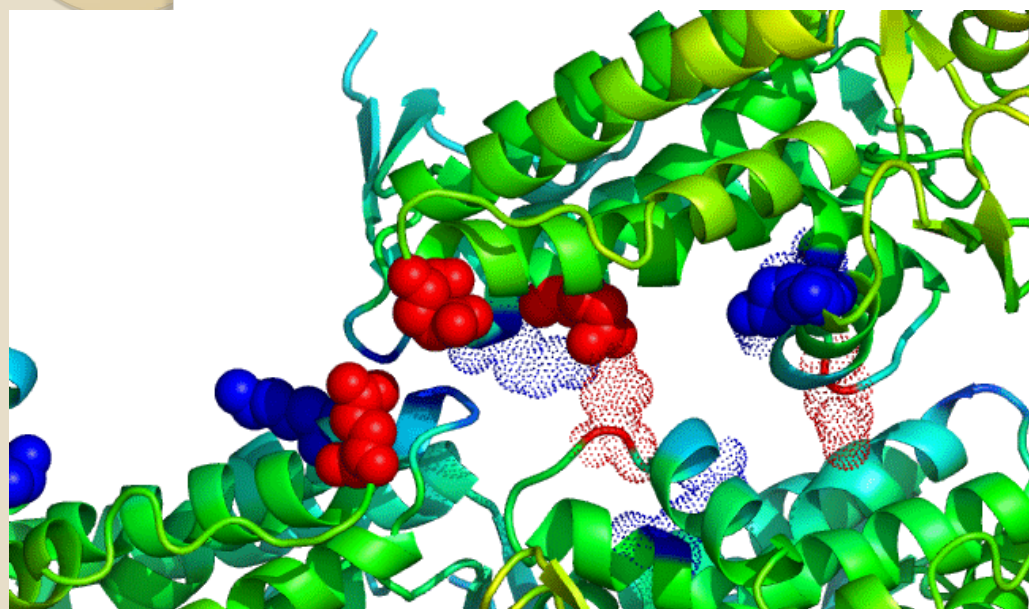
Yang et al. *PLoS Comp Biol* 2009



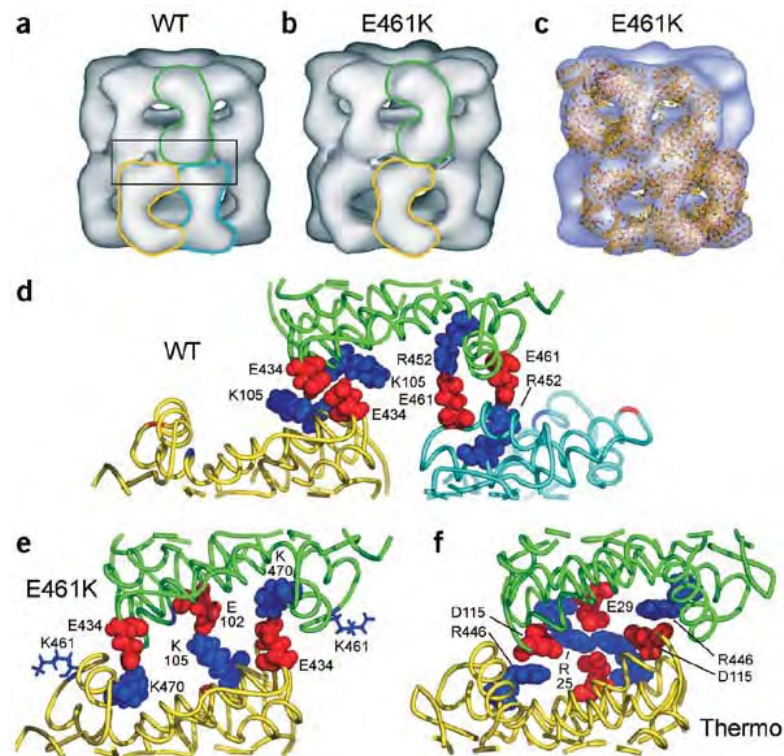
# Redistribution of interactions at interfaces



# Mutations may stabilize conformers along soft modes – which may be dysfunctional

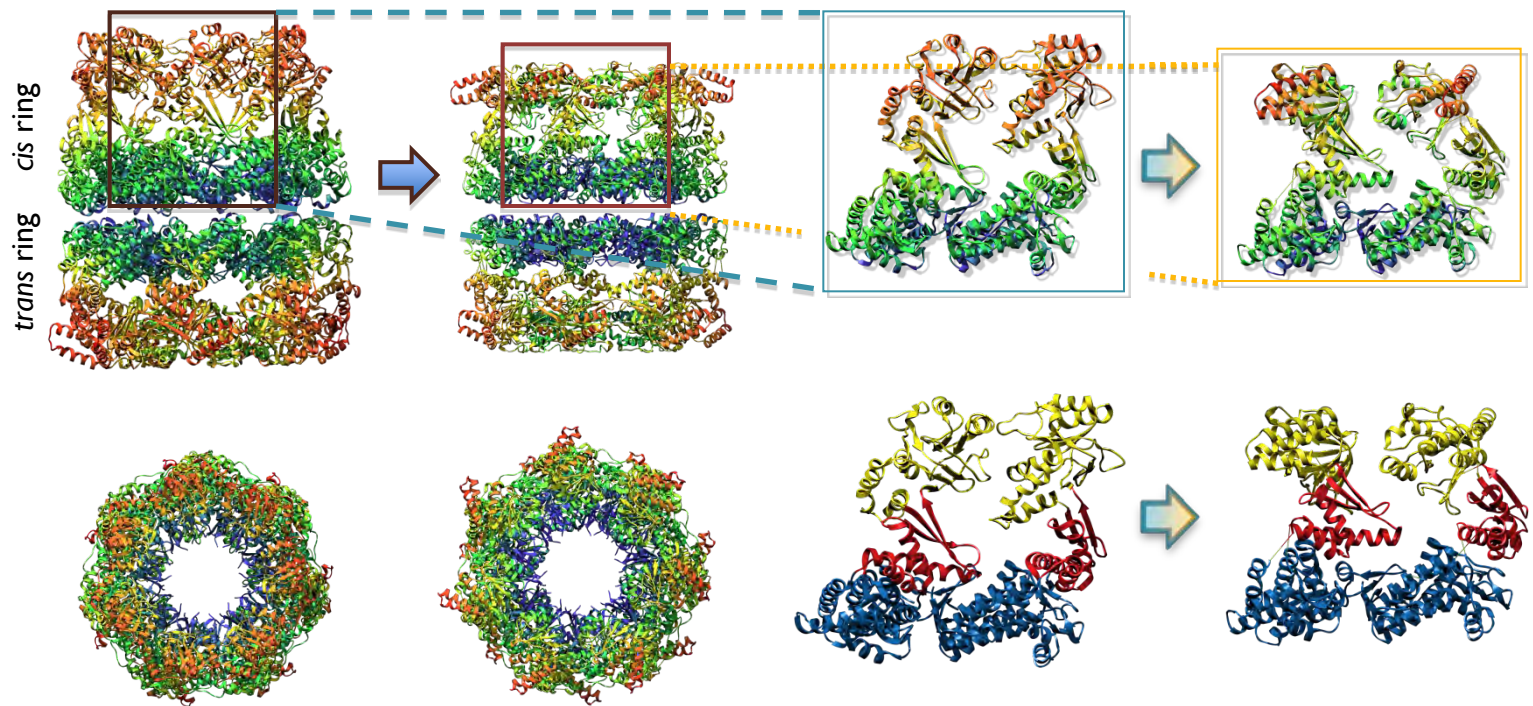


E461 mutant is a deformed structure along mode 1



E461K mutation causes disruption of inter-ring transfer of ATP-induced signal (Sewell et al NSB 2004)

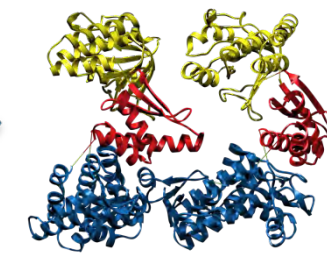
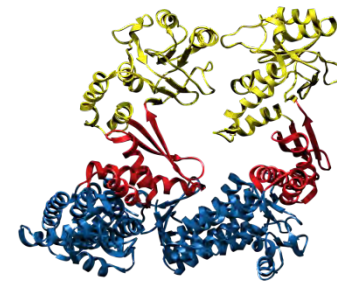
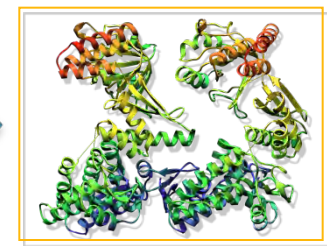
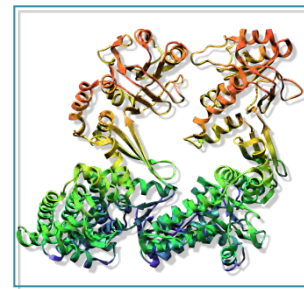
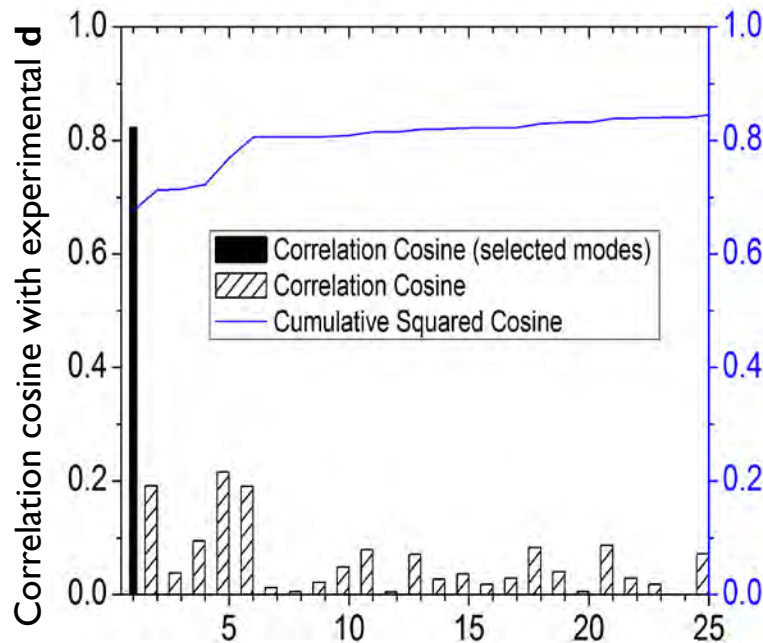
# Passage between the R and T state of GroEL



See...

Z Yang, P Marek and I Bahar, *PLoS Comp Biology* 2009

# The softest mode enables the passage $R \rightarrow T$ (with a correlation of 0.81)

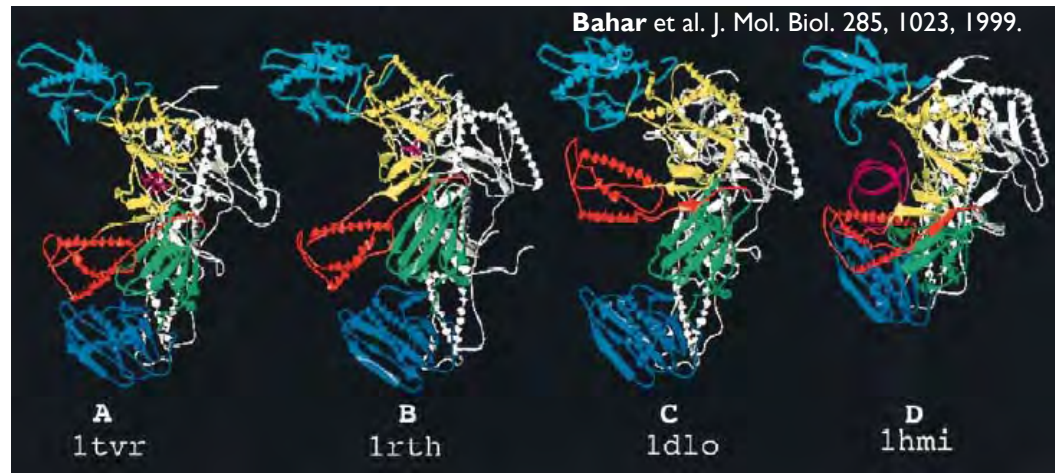


$$\mathbf{d} = [\Delta x_1 \quad \Delta y_1 \quad \Delta z_1 \quad \dots \quad \Delta z_N]^T$$

See...

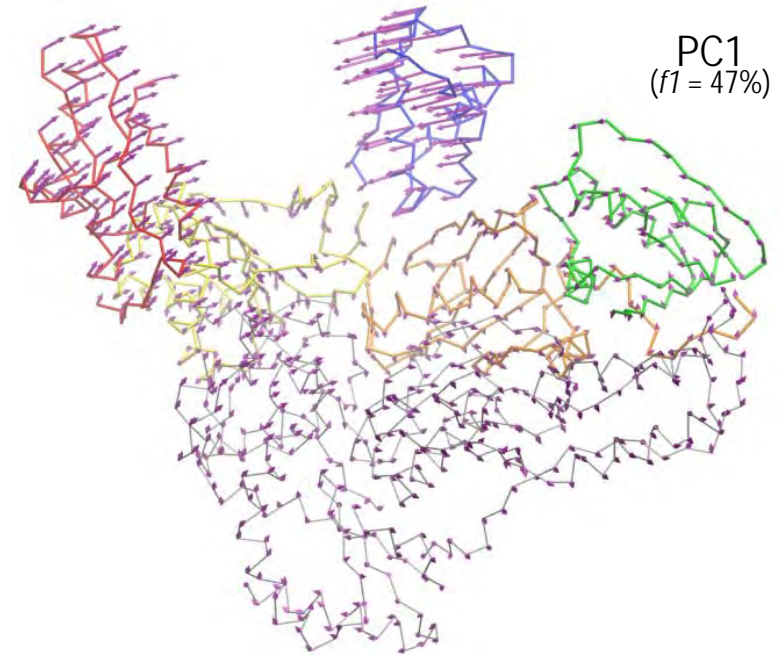
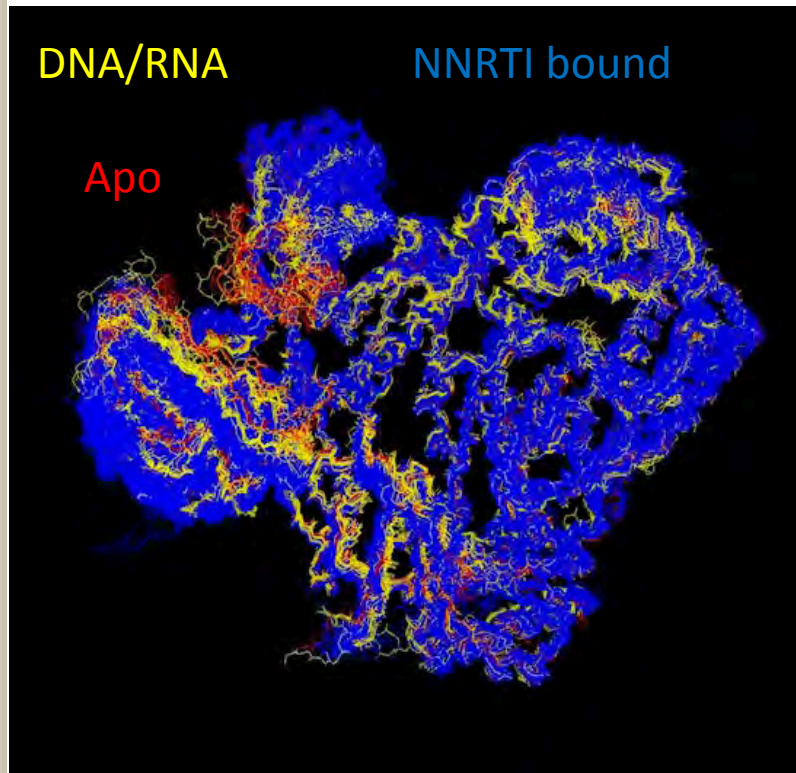
# Dynamics inferred from known structures

Comparison of static structures available in the PDB for the same protein in different form has been widely used as an **indirect** method of inferring dynamics.



Different structures resolved for HIV-1 reverse transcriptase (RT)

# Principal Component Analysis (PCA)

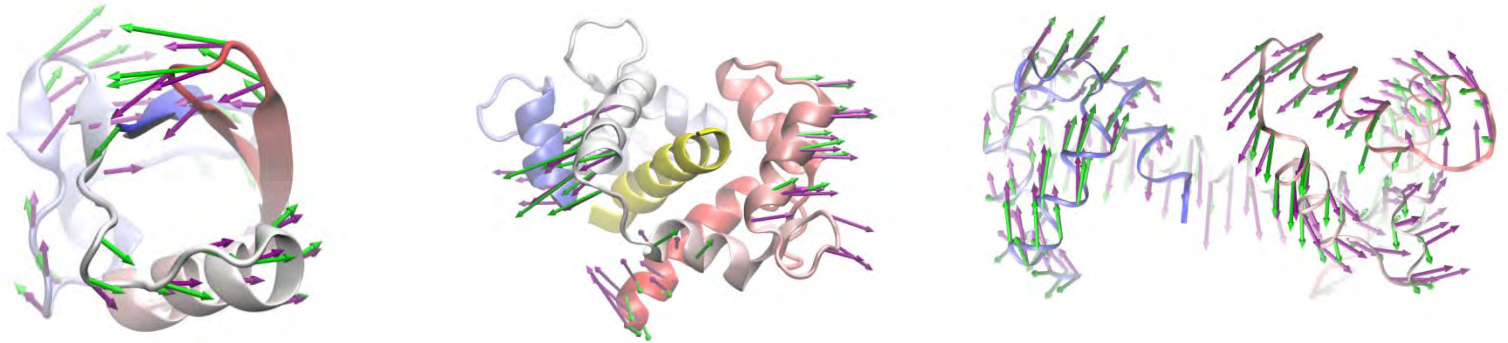


$$\mathbf{C}^{(ij)} = \begin{bmatrix} \langle \Delta x_i \Delta x_j \rangle & \langle \Delta x_i \Delta y_j \rangle & \langle \Delta x_i \Delta z_j \rangle \\ \langle \Delta y_i \Delta x_j \rangle & \langle \Delta y_i \Delta y_j \rangle & \langle \Delta y_i \Delta z_j \rangle \\ \langle \Delta z_i \Delta x_j \rangle & \langle \Delta z_i \Delta y_j \rangle & \langle \Delta z_i \Delta z_j \rangle \end{bmatrix}$$



$$\mathbf{C} = \mathbf{PSP}^T = \sum_{i=1}^{3N} \sigma_i \mathbf{p}^i \mathbf{p}^{iT}$$

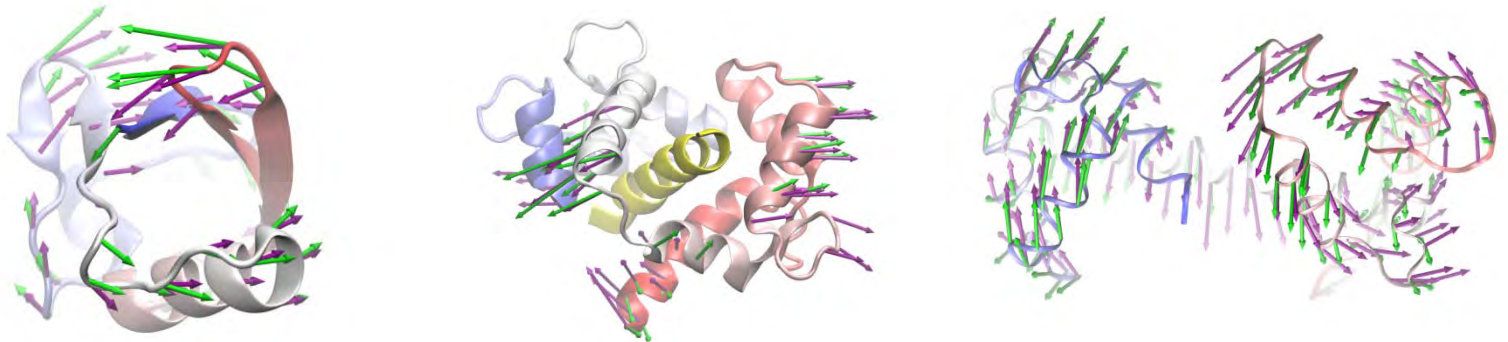
# Global motions inferred from theory and experiments



→ PCA of the ensemble of resolved structures

→ ANM analysis of a single structure from the ensemble

# Global motions inferred from theory and experiments



The intrinsic dynamics of enzymes plays a dominant role in determining the structural changes induced upon inhibitor binding

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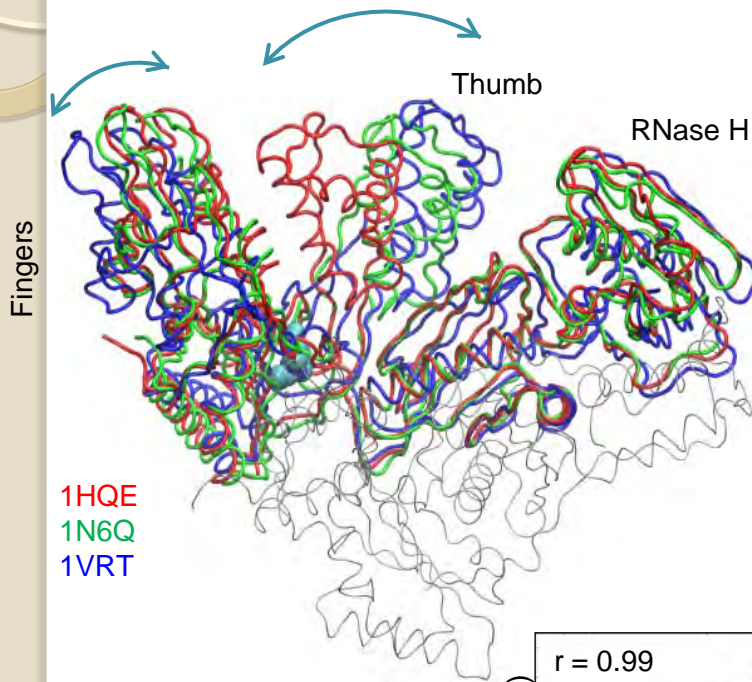
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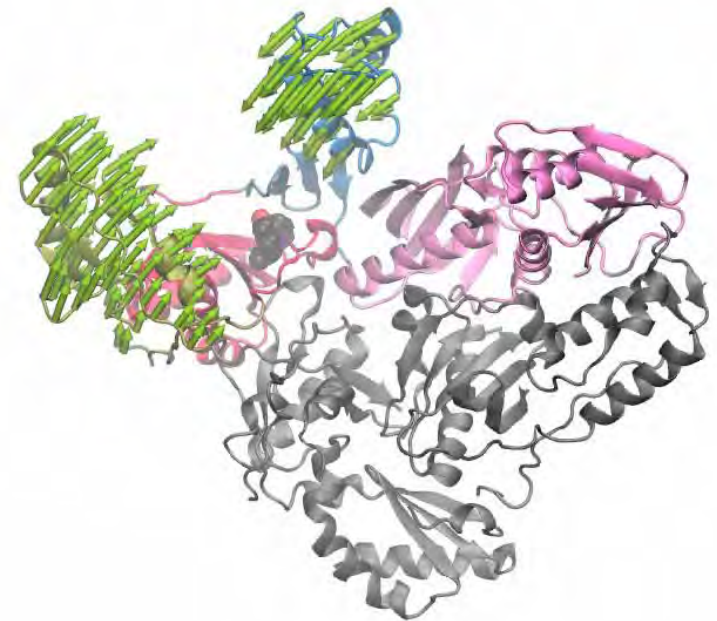
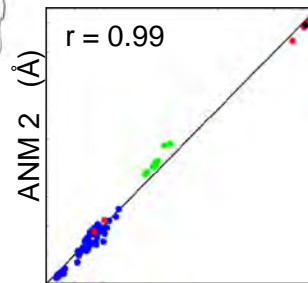
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# Induced Dynamics or Intrinsic Dynamics?



Experiments



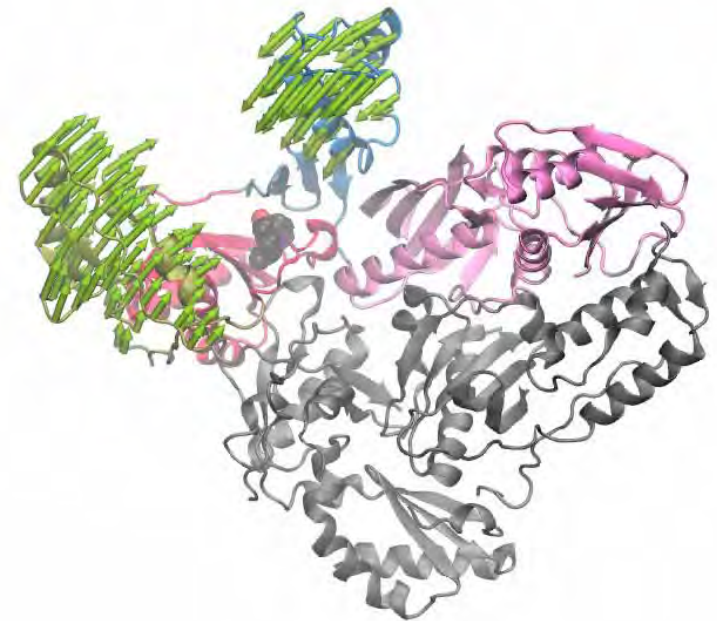
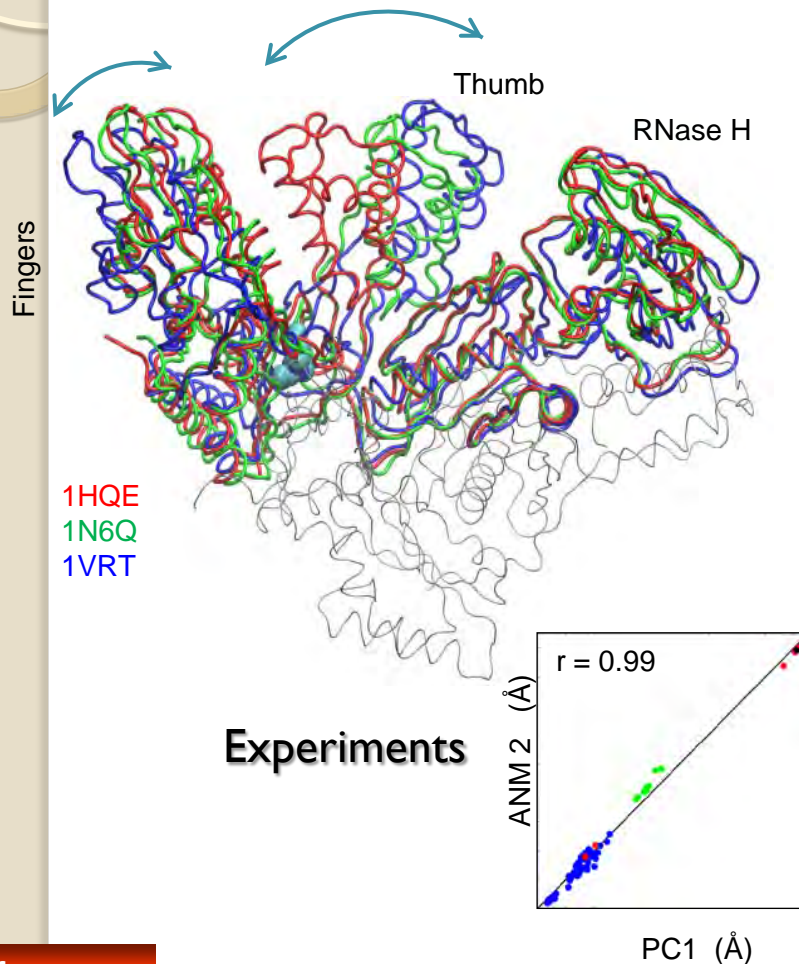
Theory

<http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=1OUzdm68YY>

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# Soft modes enable **functional** movements



Theory

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# Intrinsically accessible motions enable Optimal binding of substrate or drugs



Conformational flexibility +  
sequence variability mediates  
**substrate selectivity**

- Two conformations of P450-CYP2B4:  
**open** (orange) with a large substrate (bifonazole, red), and  
**closed** (light blue) with the smaller substrate  
4-(4-chlorophenyl) imidazole (blue)

See...

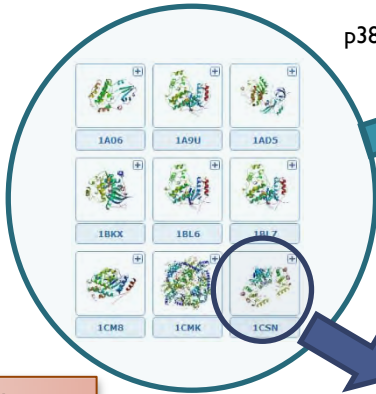
# ProDy for exploring conformational space

Protein Dynamics Analysis in Python

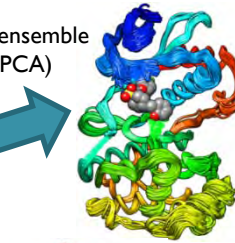
User inputs a protein sequence

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> IA9U:A|PDBID|CHAIN
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PTFYRQELNKTIVWVPERYQNLSPV
GSGAYGYSVCAAFDTKTGLRVAVKK
LSRPFQSIHAKRTRYRELRLLKHKMKH
ENVIGLLDVFT.....
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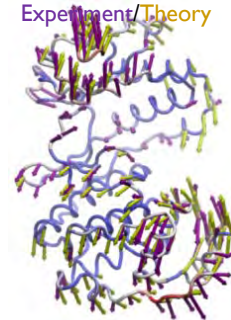
ProDy identifies, retrieves, aligns, and analyzes (PCA) structures that match the input sequence



p38 ensemble (PCA)

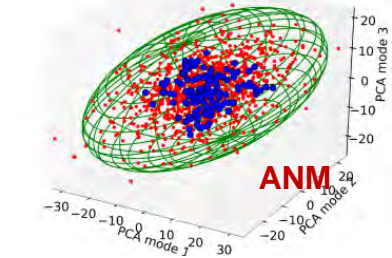
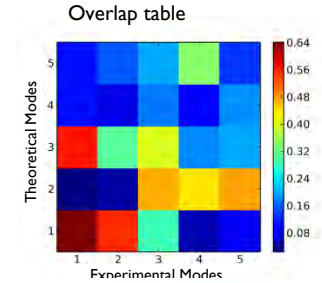


Experiment/Theory



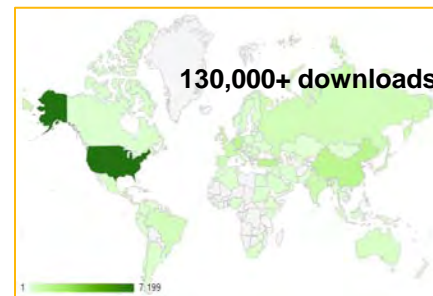
p38 network model (ANM)

User can compare experimental and theoretical models

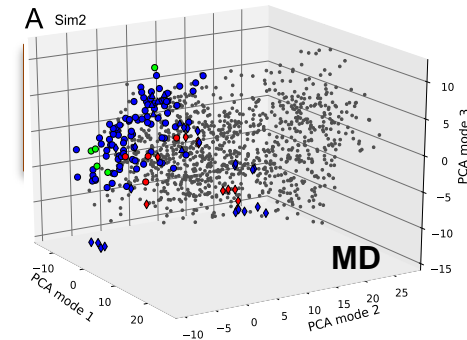


Growth of Source Code and Usage

	Releases	Downloads	Visits <sup>2</sup>	Unique <sup>3</sup>
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Nov '11 - Oct '12	15	35,108	16,472	6,414
Nov '12 - Oct '13	8*	87,909	19,888	8,145
<b>Total</b>	<b>42</b>	<b>131,547</b>	<b>45,038</b>	<b>17,505</b>



Source <http://www.google.com/analytics/>



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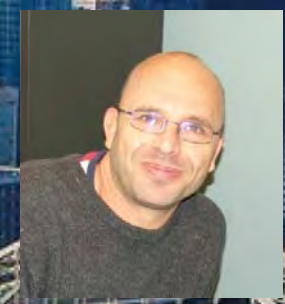
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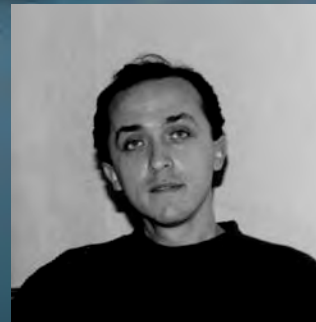
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