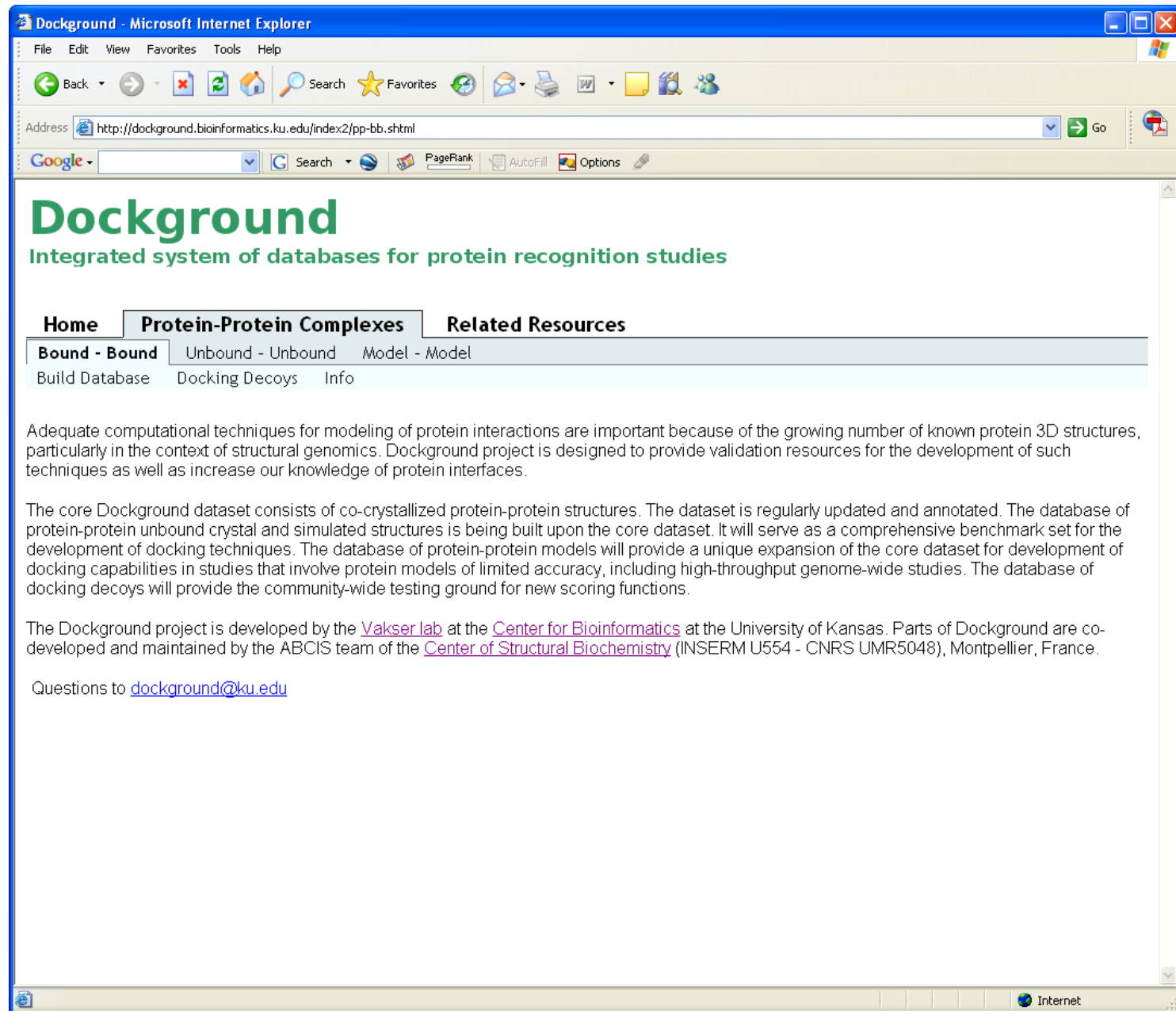


# Protein Docking

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# ***Quaternary Structure***



## Quick Downloads

### Docking Benchmarks

[Benchmark 1.0](#)

[Benchmark 2.0](#)

[Benchmark 3.0](#) [INFO](#)

### Docking Decoys

[Unbound docking](#)

[decoys](#) [INFO](#)

# Dockground

Benchmarks, Decoys, Templates, and other knowledge resources for DOCKING

## Protein-Protein Complexes

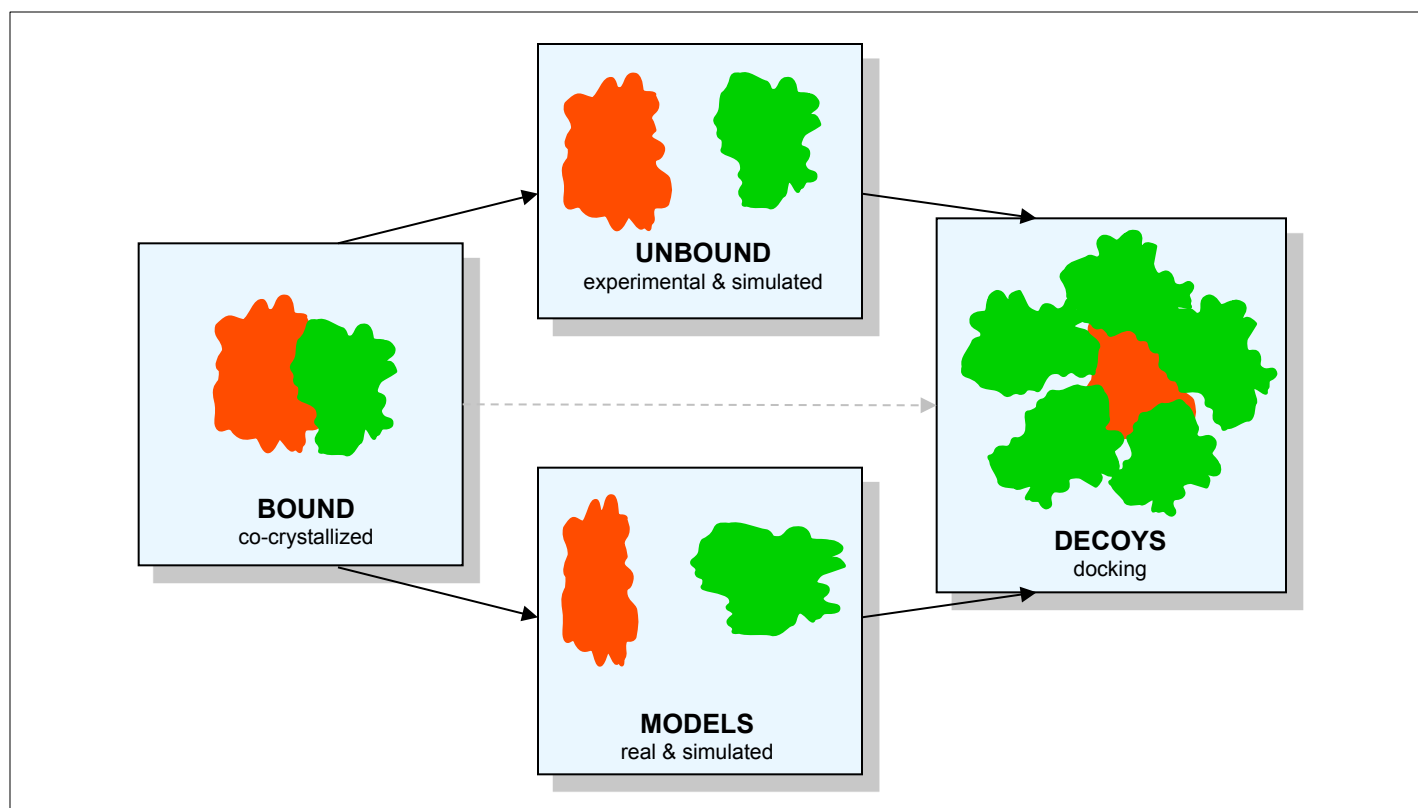
Related Resources

References

Bound

Unbound

Model

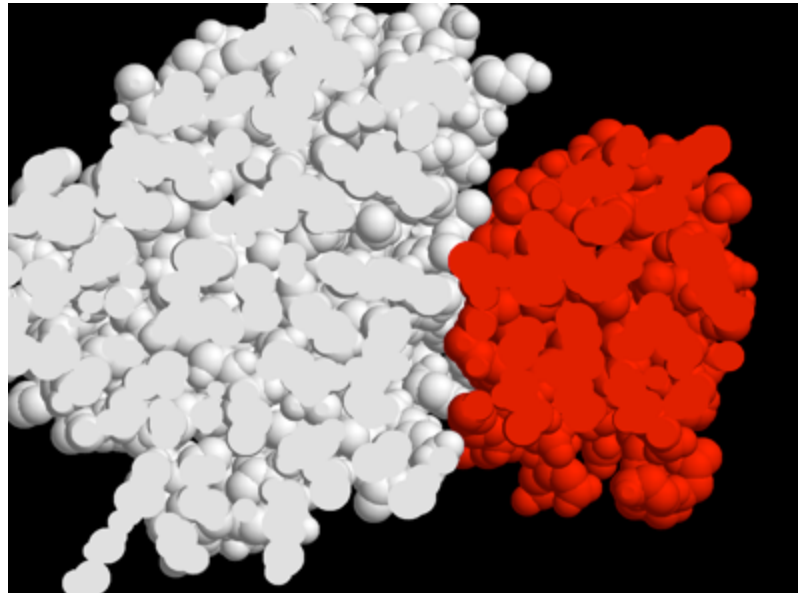


# Complexes

- Homologous and Unique
- Obligate and Transient

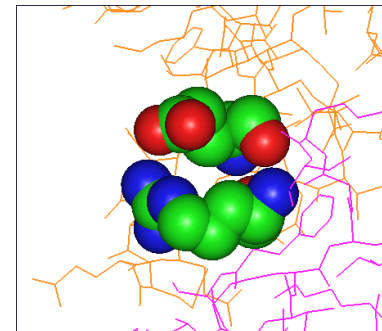
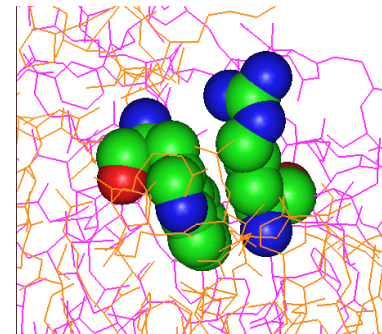
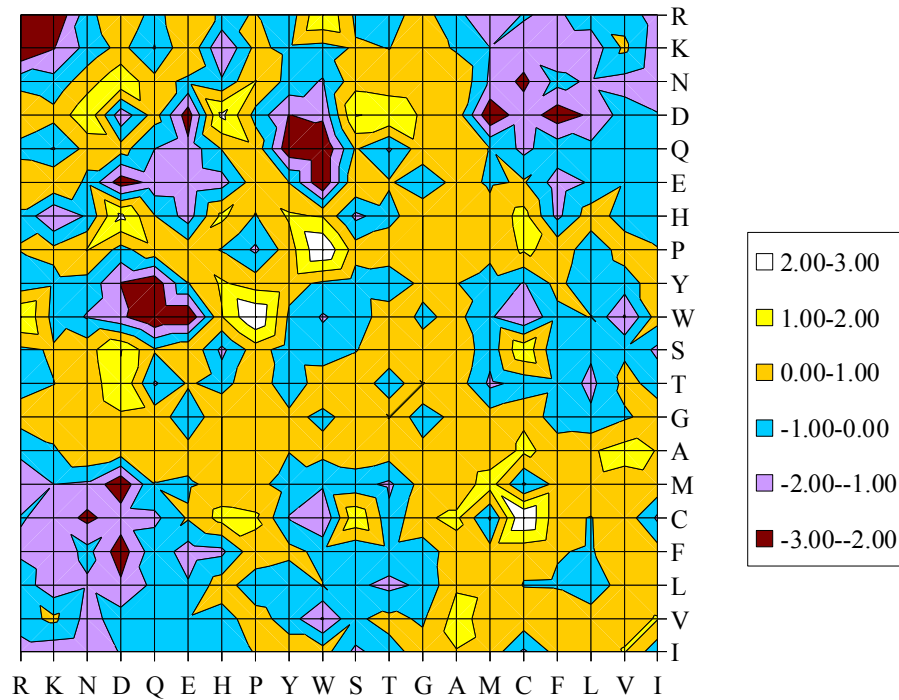
# Complementarity

Steric

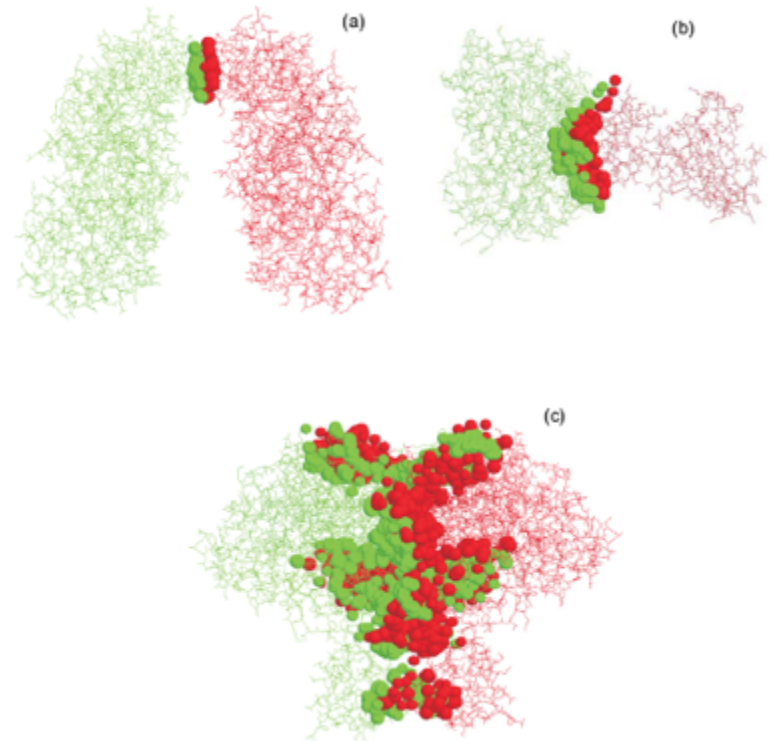
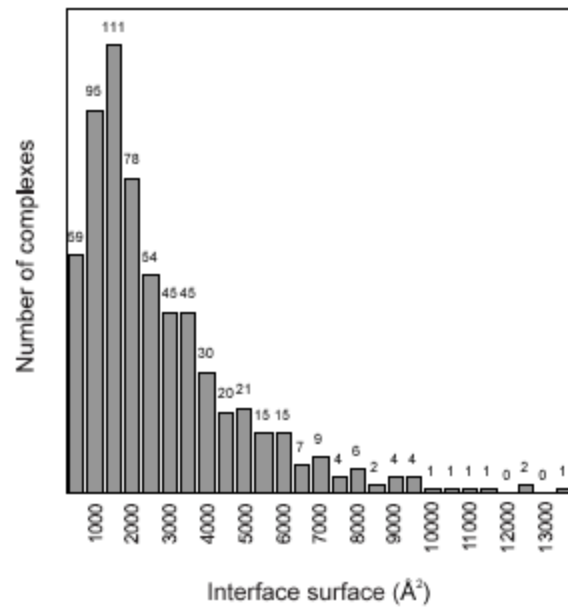


# Complementarity

## Physicochemical



# Interface sizes





# Complexes

Oblig-Trans    Hydroph/ES    Packing    Size    Predictability

Crystal packing

Multisubunit

Enzyme-Inhibitor

Electron transfer

Antigen-Antibody

Other...

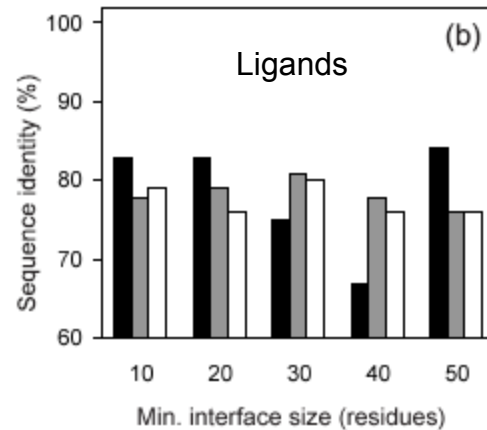
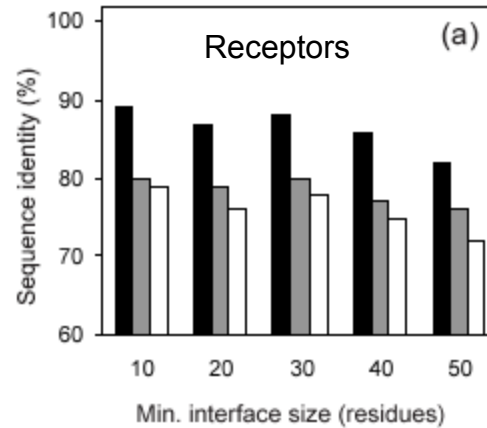
# Hot spots

Experimentally determined by alanin mutations within interface and measuring binding affinity

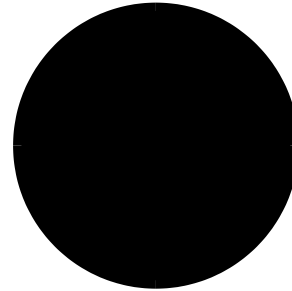
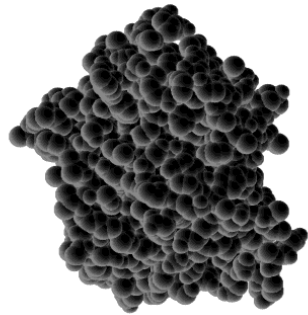
- Near the center of the interface
- Solvent inaccessible
- Complementary to each other across the interface
- More conserved
- Not many
- Bound and unbound conformations same  
(anchor residues on smaller protein)

# Binding site conservation

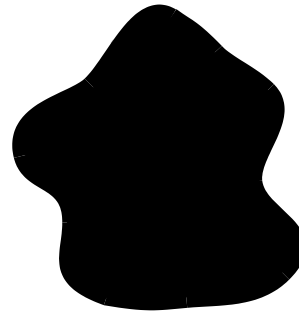
Sequence identity of the core, surface interface, and surface non-interface residues



# Large recognition factors

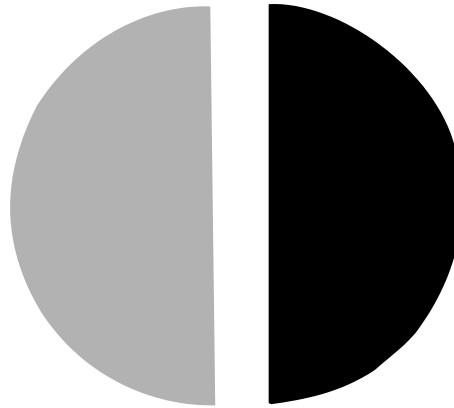
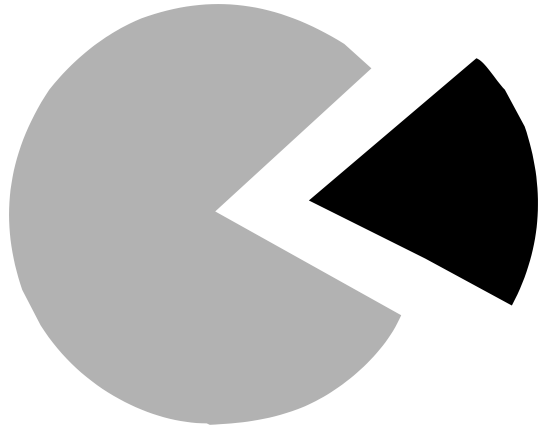


**No...**



**Yes!**

# Large recognition factors



?

# **Larger protein b/site is concave**

Evidence:

Observation of co-crystallized structures

Docking

# Surface residues distances from CM

$$d = \langle d_{in} \rangle / \langle d_{out} \rangle$$



less than average



more than average

$$|d - 1|$$

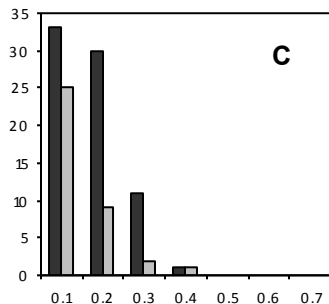
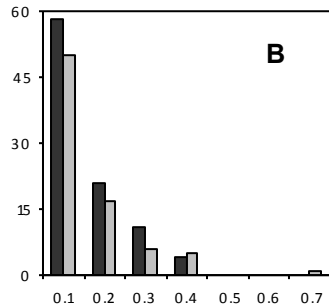
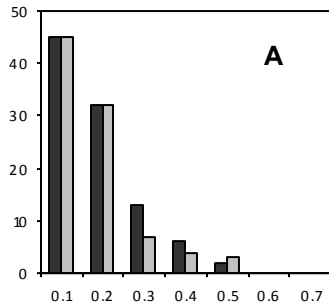
Interface:

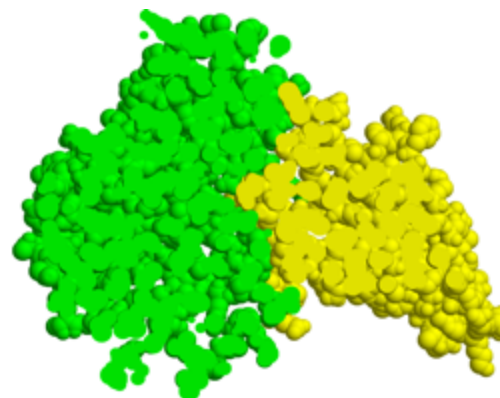
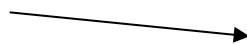
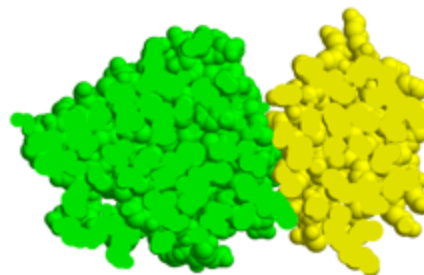
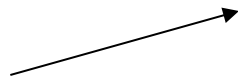
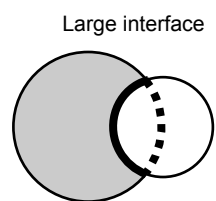
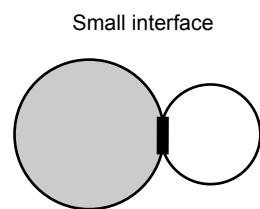
Small (1000-2000Å<sup>2</sup>)

Medium (2000-4000Å<sup>2</sup>)

Large (>4000Å<sup>2</sup>)

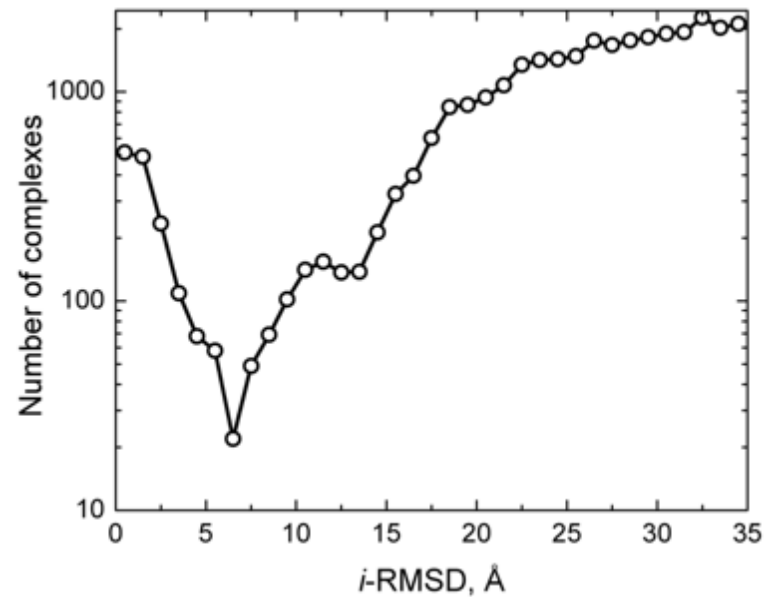
No. of complexes







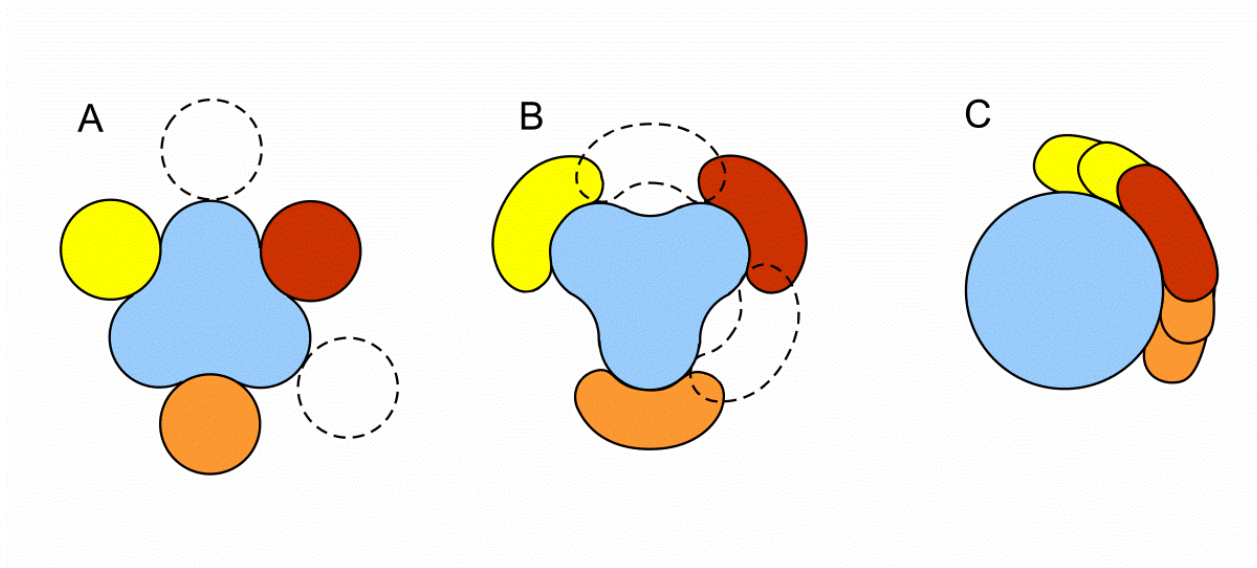
# Distribution of complexes generated by structural alignment with homologous templates



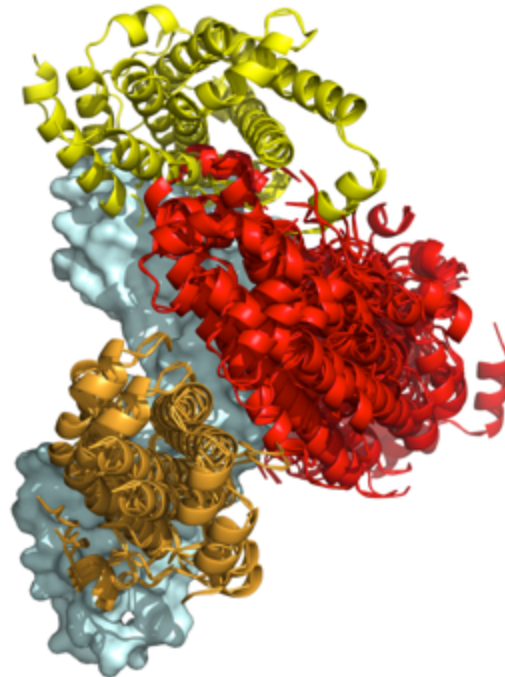
Targets: 372 non-redundant (< 30% SeqID) complexes

Templates: 11,932 redundant (< 90% SeqID) complexes from biounit

## The concept of alternative binding modes

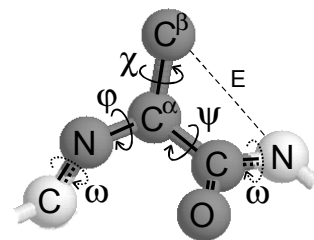
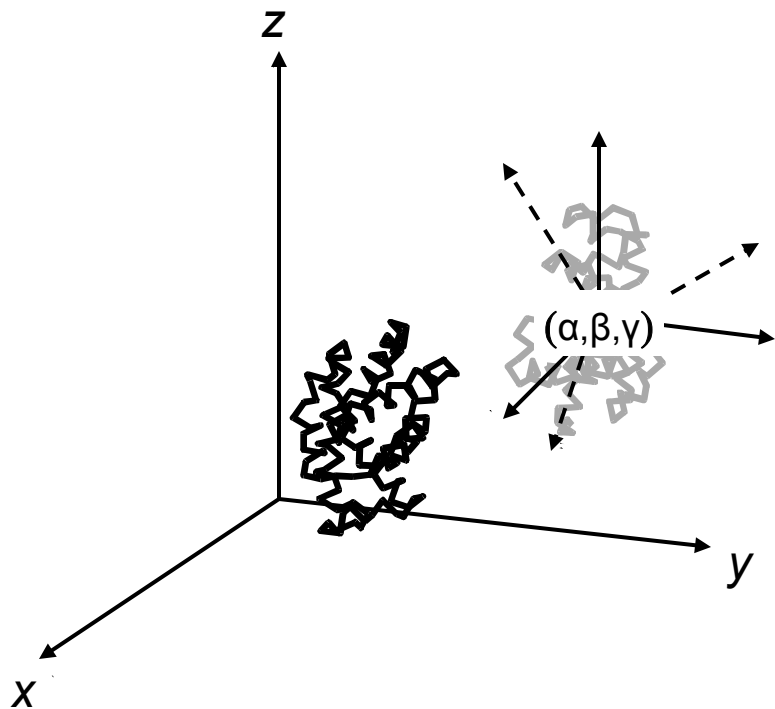


## Example of alternative binding modes

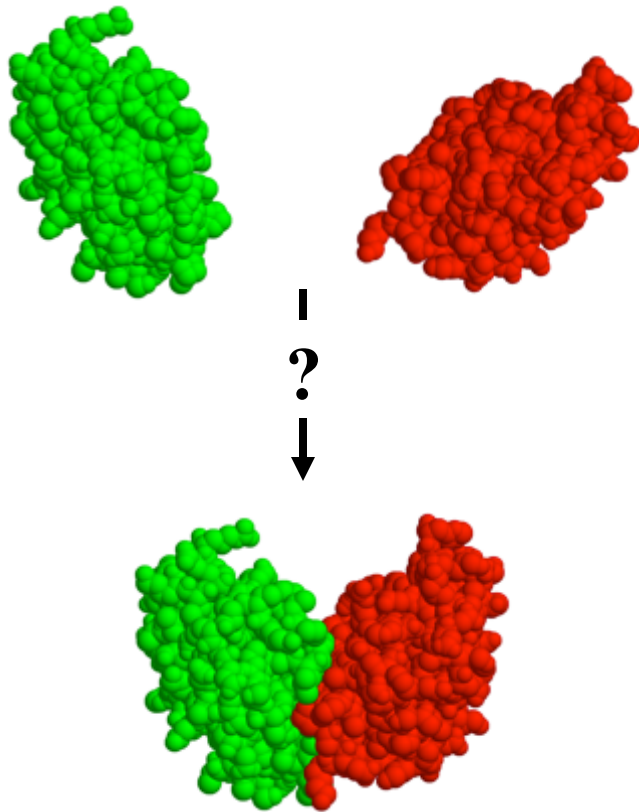


# ***Docking Foundations***

# Degrees of freedom



# Approach to Docking



Manually

**No...**

MM or MD

**No...**

Engineering

**Yes!**

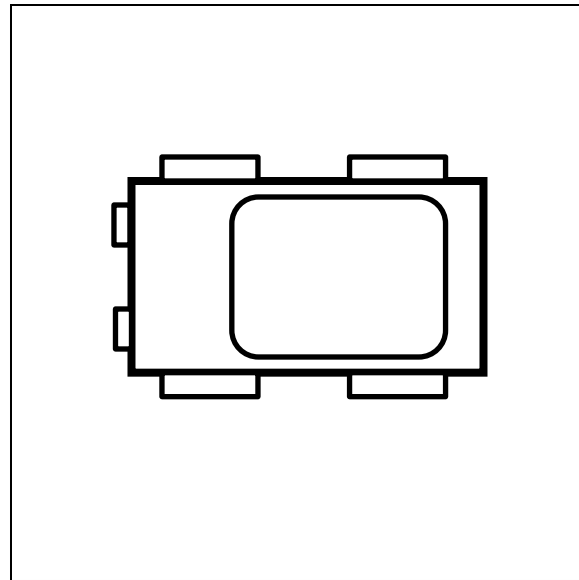
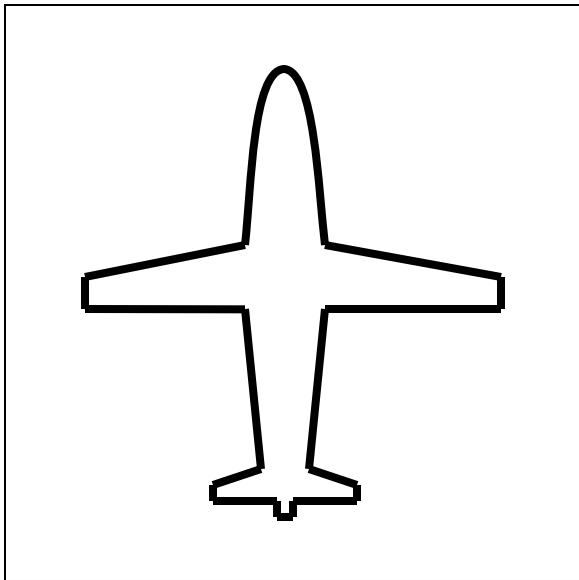
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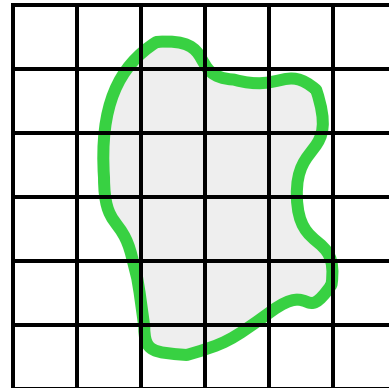
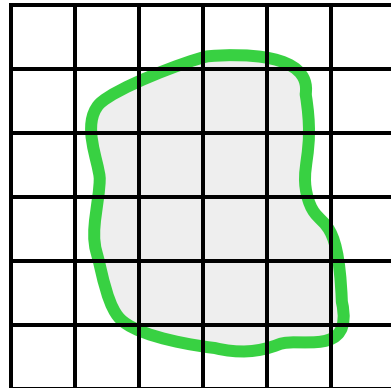
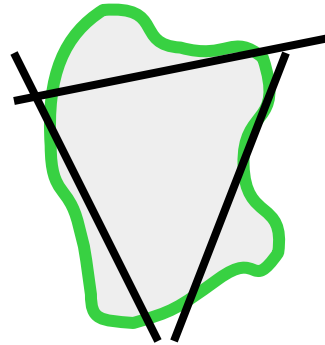
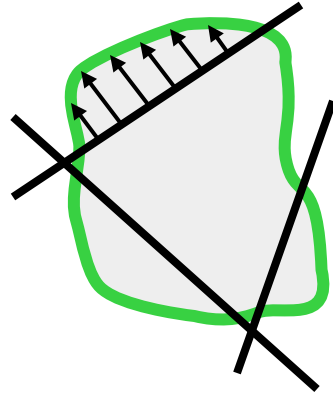
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# Pattern Recognition



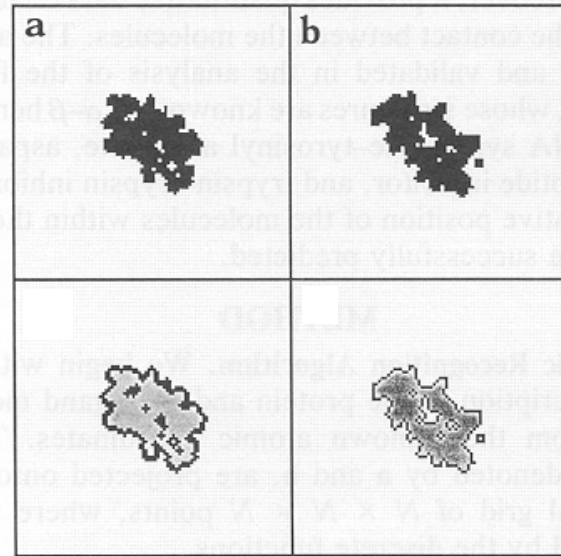
# How to represent proteins





# Structure digitization

$N \times N \times N$  grid



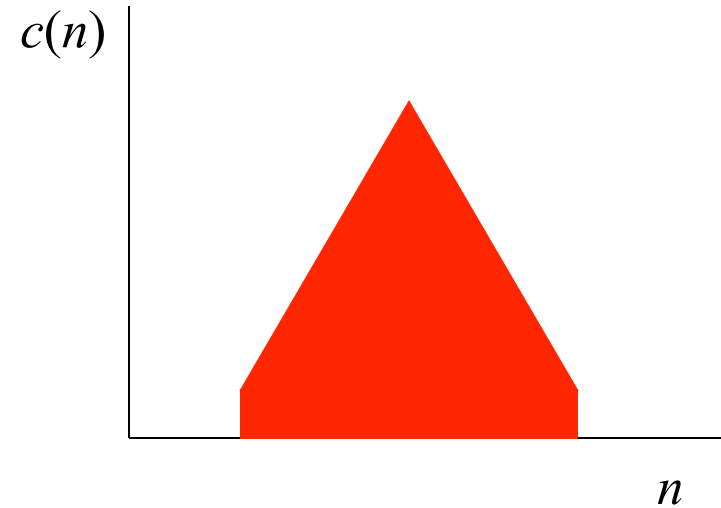
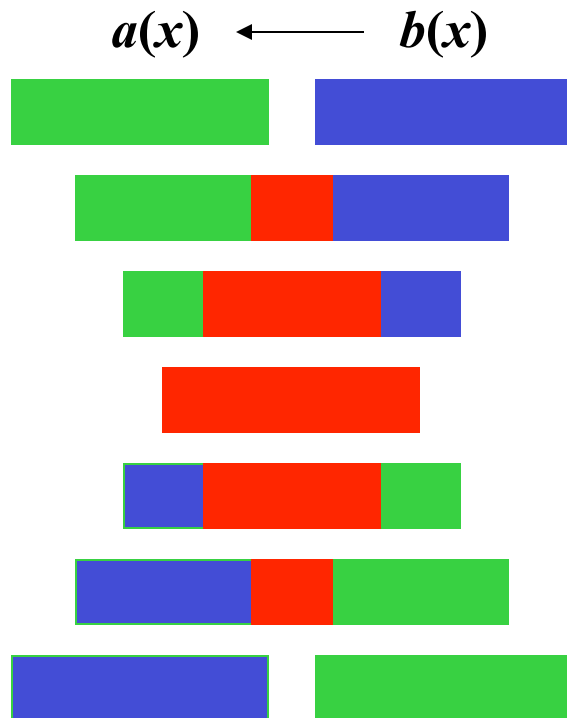
$$a_{l,m,n} = \begin{cases} 1 & \text{inside} \\ 0 & \text{outside} \end{cases}$$

$$b_{l,m,n} = \begin{cases} 1 & \text{inside} \\ 0 & \text{outside} \end{cases}$$

$$\bar{a}_{l,m,n} = \begin{cases} 1 & \text{on surface} \\ \rho & \text{inside} \\ 0 & \text{outside} \end{cases}$$

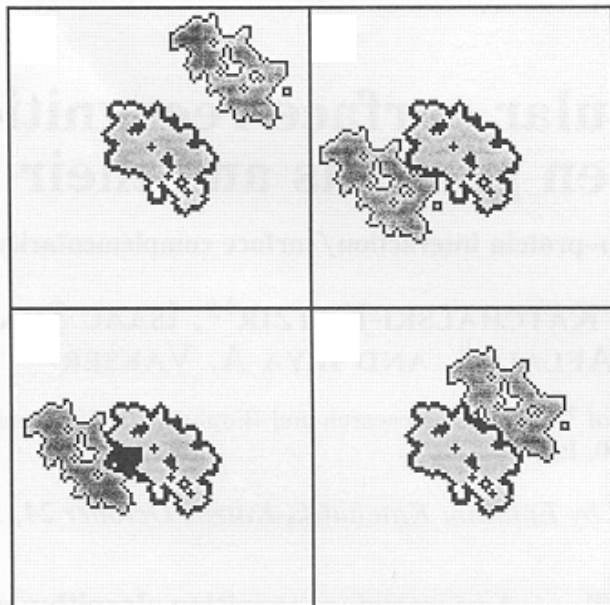
$$\bar{b}_{l,m,n} = \begin{cases} 1 & \text{on surface} \\ \delta & \text{inside} \\ 0 & \text{outside} \end{cases}$$

# Correlation



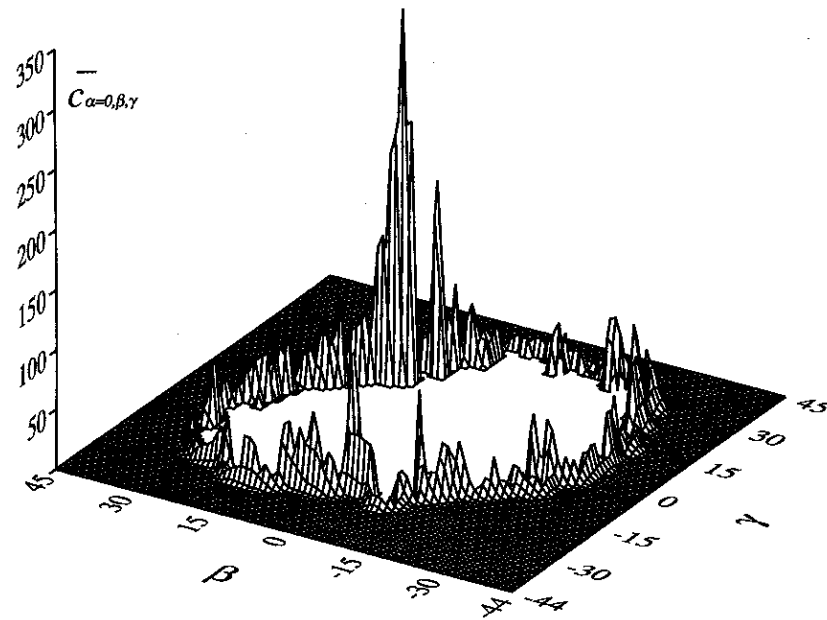
$$c(n) = \sum_{n=-\infty}^{+\infty} a(x) \cdot b(x + n\Delta x)$$

## Matching by correlation



$$\bar{c}_{\alpha,\beta,\gamma} = \sum_{l=1}^N \sum_{m=1}^N \sum_{n=1}^N \bar{a}_{l,m,n} \cdot \bar{b}_{l+\alpha,m+\beta,n+\gamma}$$

# Correlation diagram



# Fast Fourier Transformation

$$\bar{c}_{\alpha,\beta,\gamma} = \sum_{l=1}^N \sum_{m=1}^N \sum_{n=1}^N \bar{a}_{l,m,n} \cdot \bar{b}_{l+\alpha,m+\beta,n+\gamma}$$

$$X_{o,p,q} = \sum_{l=1}^N \sum_{m=1}^N \sum_{n=1}^N \exp[-2\pi i(o l + p m + q n) / N] \cdot x_{l,m,n}$$

$$C_{o,p,q} = A_{o,p,q}^* \cdot B_{o,p,q}$$

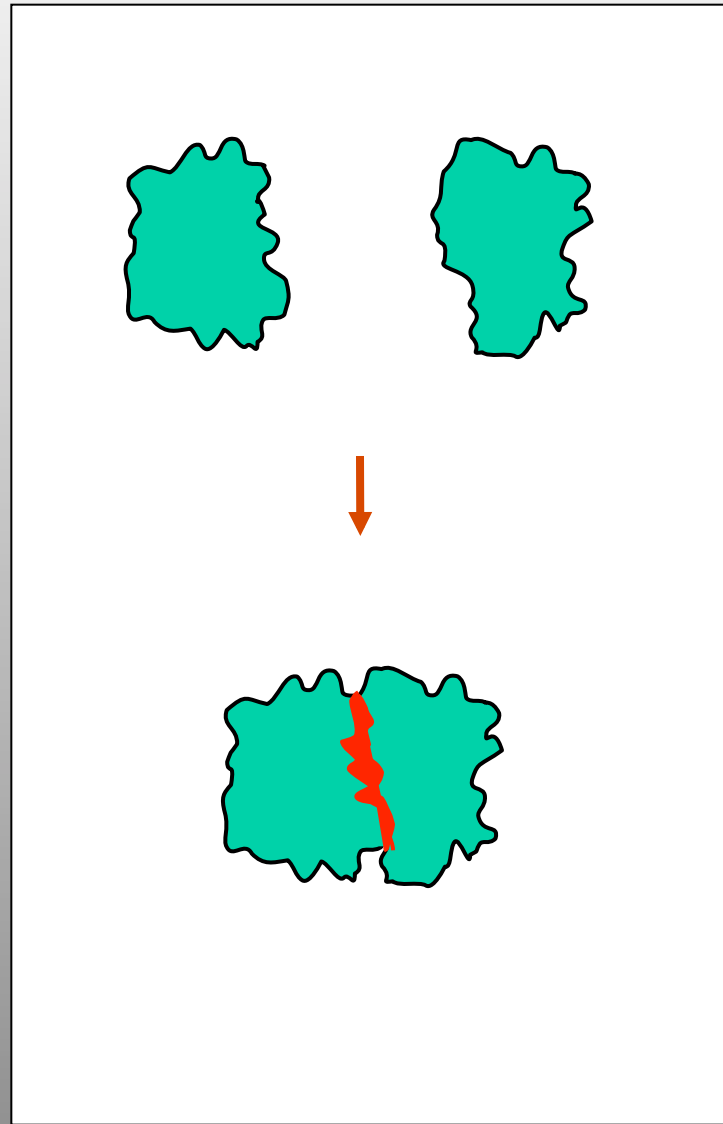
$$\bar{c}_{\alpha,\beta,\lambda} = \frac{1}{N^3} \sum_{o=1}^N \sum_{p=1}^N \sum_{q=1}^N \exp[2\pi i(o\alpha + p\beta + q\lambda) / N] \cdot C_{o,p,q}$$

## Algorithm

- (i) derive  $a$  from atomic coordinates of molecule **a**, by projecting them on a grid
- (ii)  $A^* = [\text{DFT}(a)]$  ( $A^*$  is the complex conjugate of  $A$ )
- (iii) derive  $b$  from atomic coordinates of molecule **b**, by projecting them on a grid
- (iv)  $B = \text{DFT}(b)$
- (v)  $C = A^* \cdot B$
- (vi)  $c = \text{IFT}(C)$
- (vii) look for a high peak of  $c$
- (viii) rotate molecule **b** to a new orientation
- (ix) repeat steps *iii-viii* and end when the orientation scan is completed
- (x) sort all of the peaks by their height



## Protein-protein interaction

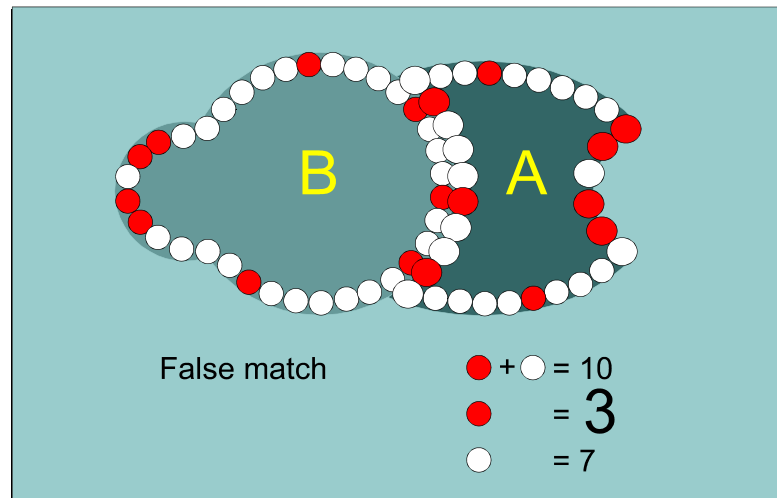
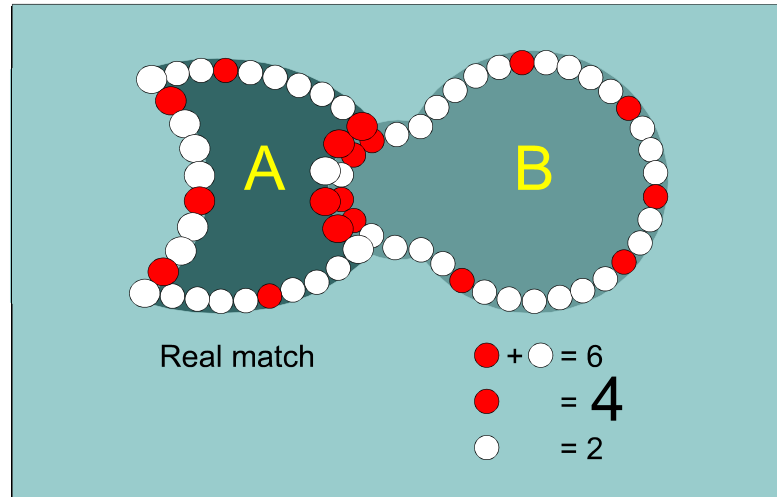




## **Hydrophobicity factor**

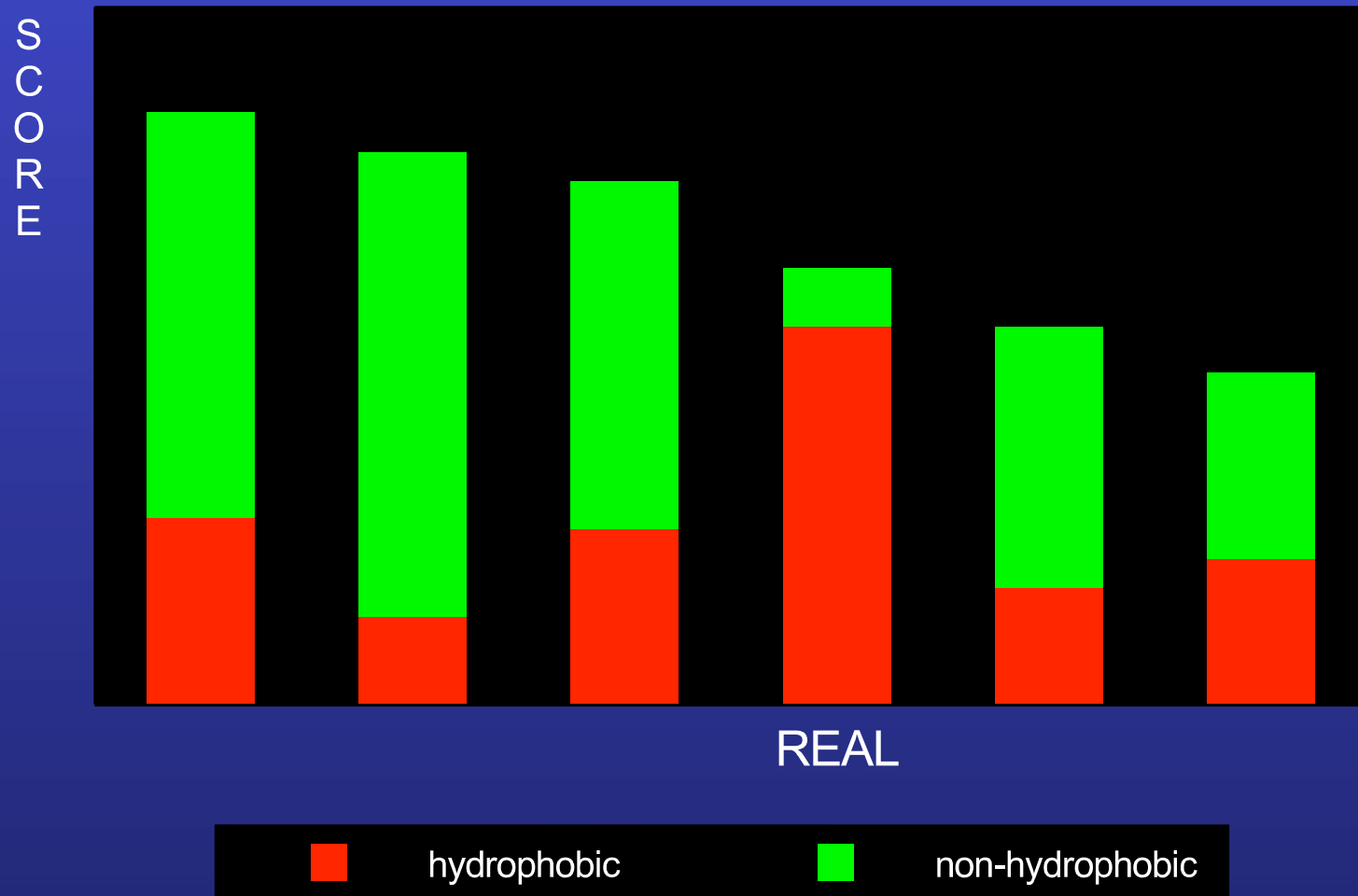
Protein-protein interfaces are more hydrophobic than non-binding surface

# Hydrophobic Docking Rationale



● hydrophobic element    ○ non-hydrophobic element

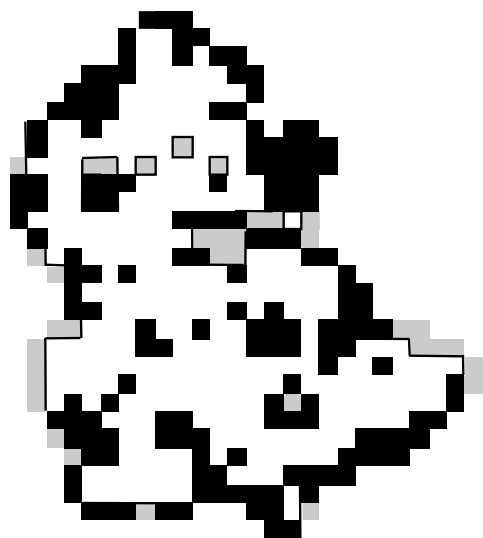
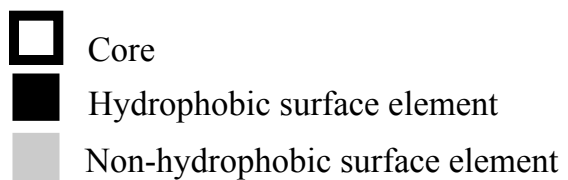
## Hydrophobic Docking Signal/Noise



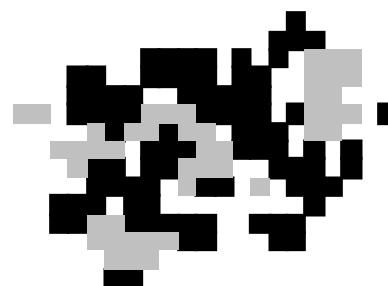
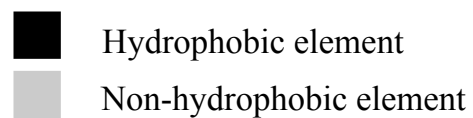
## Hydrophobic groups

Group		Solvation Energy kJ/mole
1	N	-3.8
2	C (CONH)	-2.5
3	O (C=O)	-8.2
4	H (CONH)	-1.4
5	H (OH)	-0.4
6	CH <sub>2</sub>	6.6
7	CH	4.1
8	CH (arom)	2.0
9	O (COO <sup>-</sup> )	-58.1
10	CH <sub>3</sub>	12.0
11	O (OH)	-11.0
12	H (NH <sub>3</sub> <sup>+</sup> )	-13.7
13	S	4.3

# Hydrophobic representation

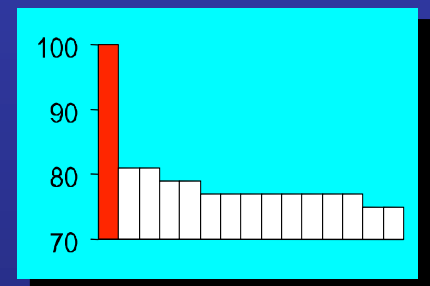
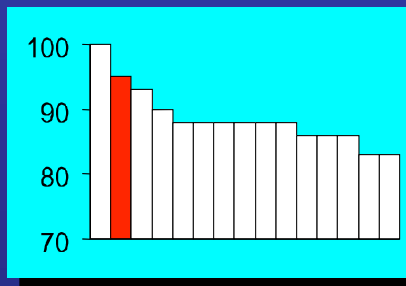
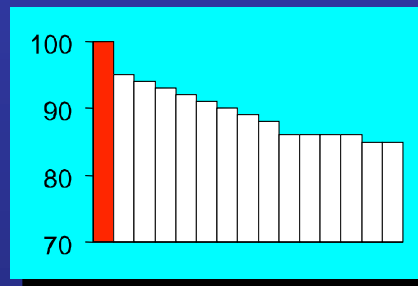
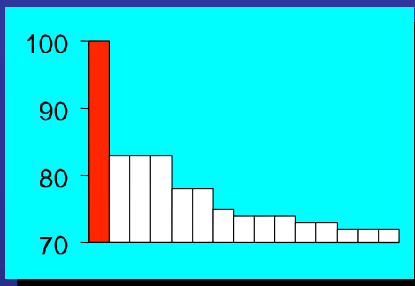
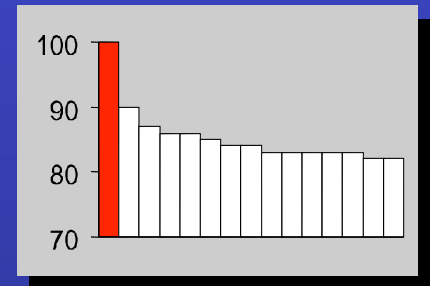
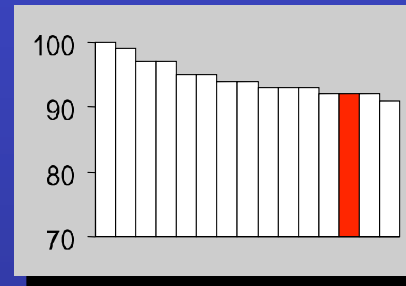
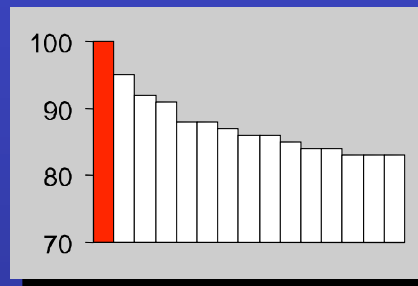
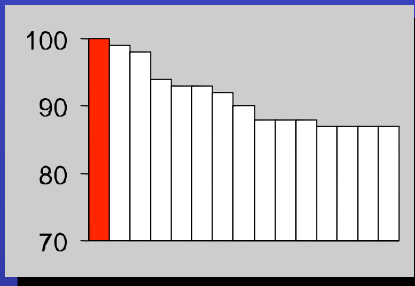


**Molecule A**



**Molecule B**

## Hydrophobic Docking Scores



Human hemoglobin  
a and b subunits

Horse hemoglobin  
a and b subunits

Trypsin - trypsin inhibitor

Aspartic proteinase -  
peptide inhibitor



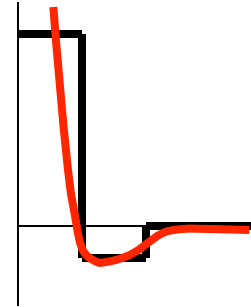
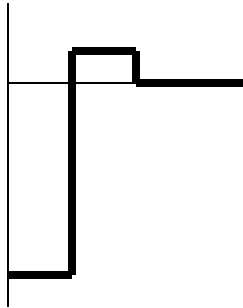
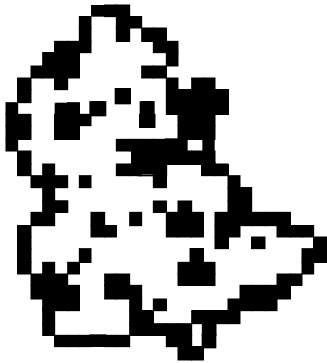
*correct match*



*false-positive*

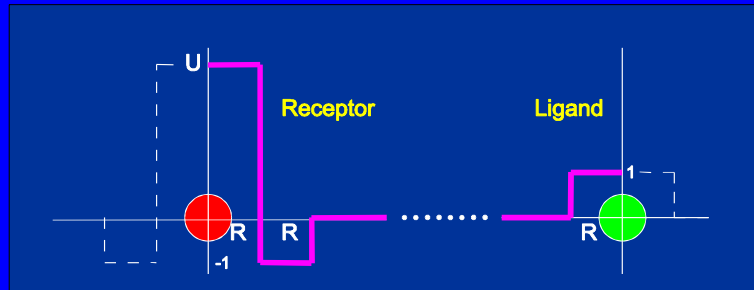
# Scoring game

Physics is still there

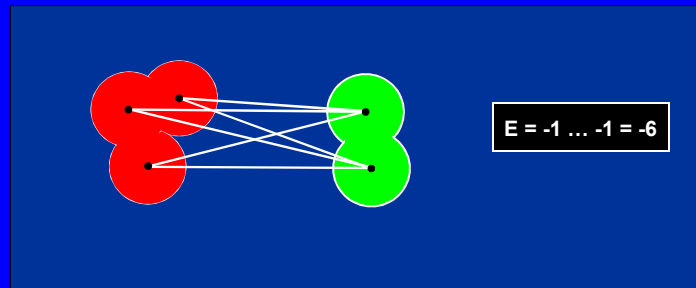


# Correlation as energy calculation

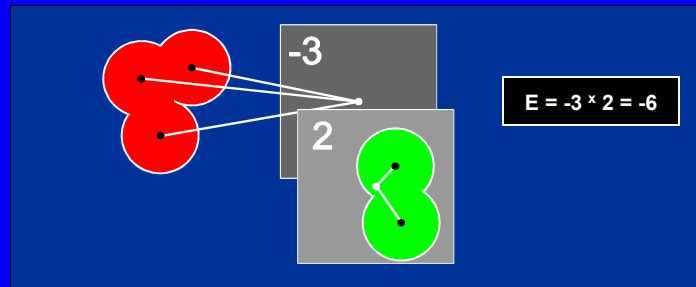
Step-function potential



Energy calculations with explicit atom-atom interactions

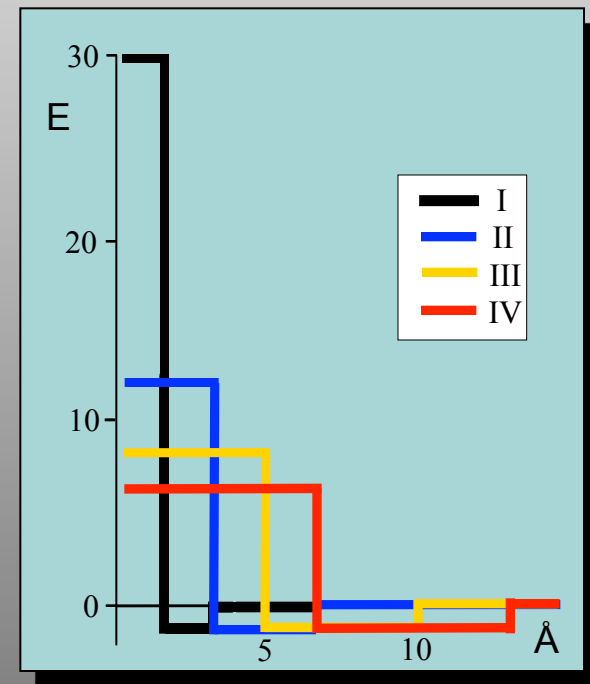
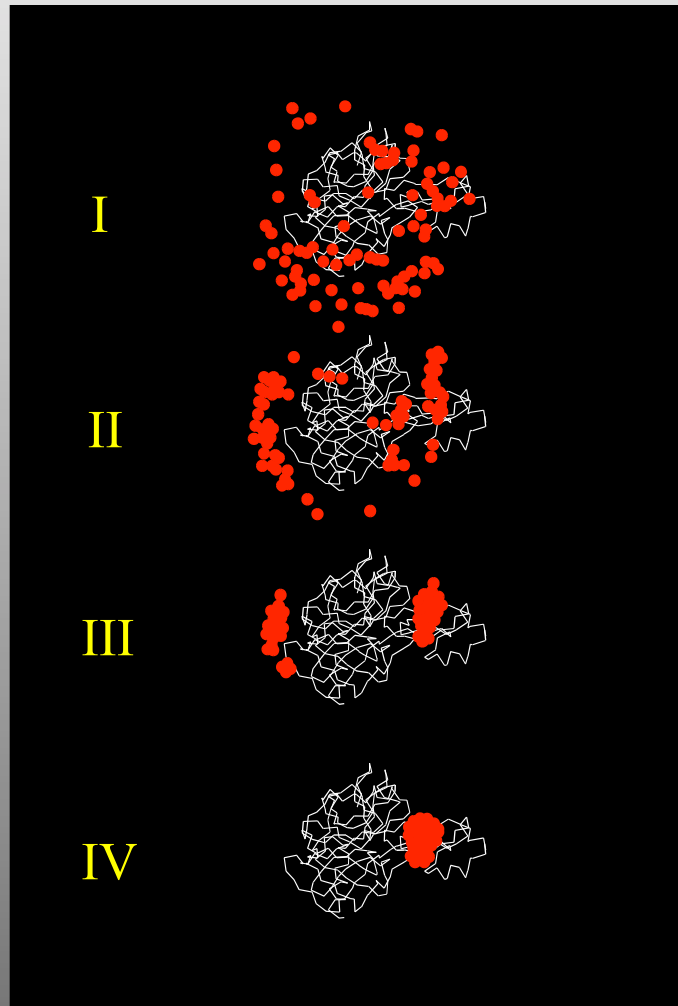


Energy calculations by a correlation technique



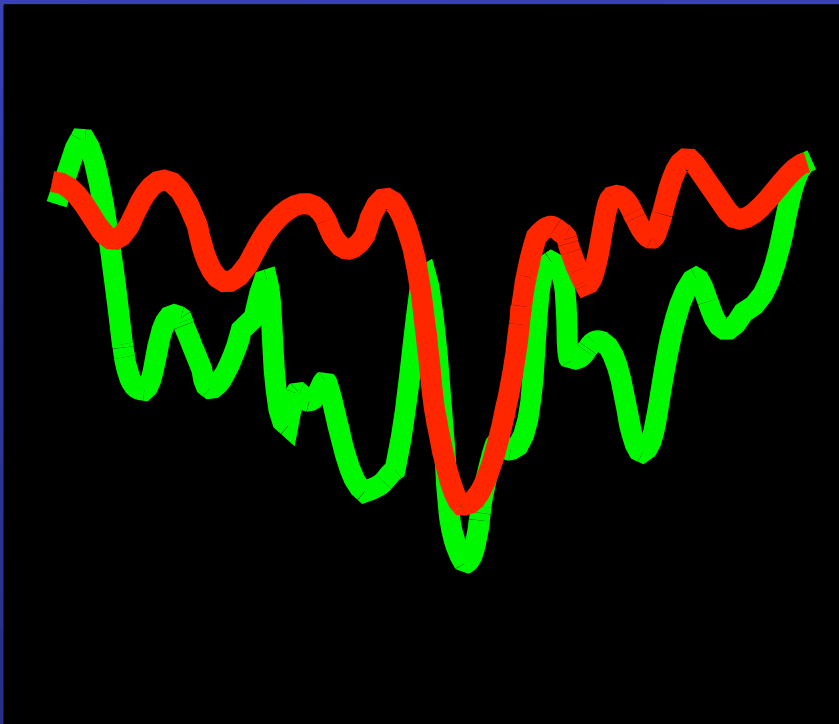


## Transition to longer potential ranges

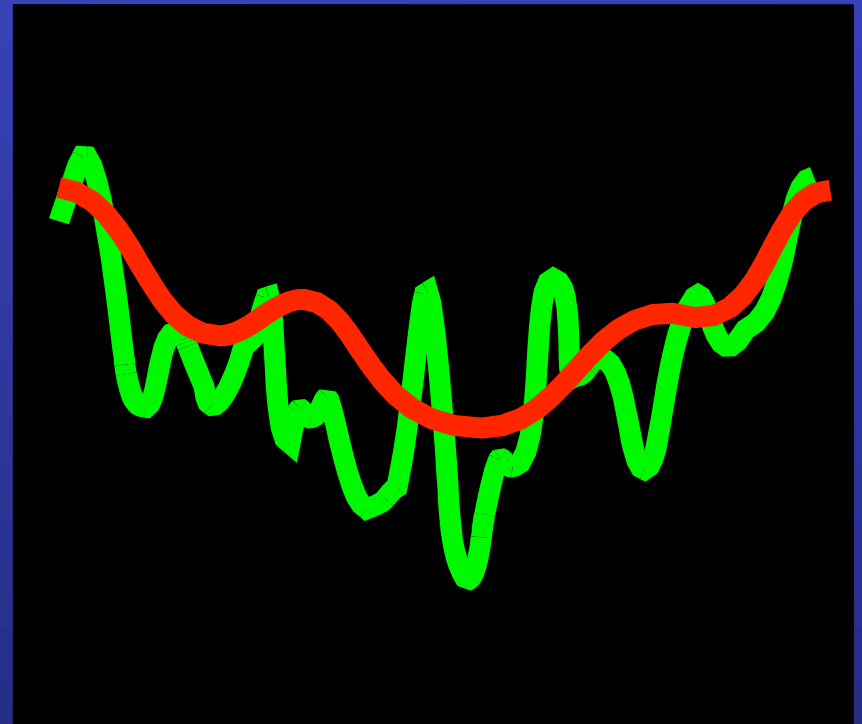


# Energy landscape

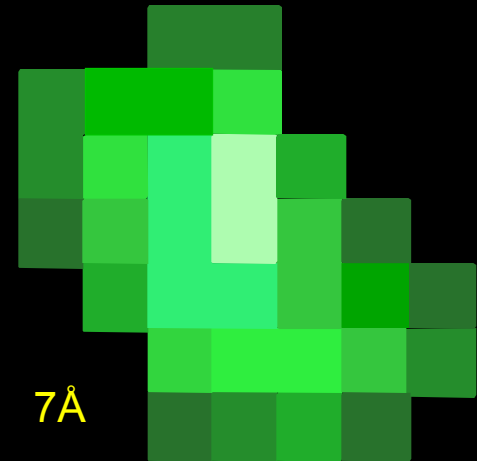
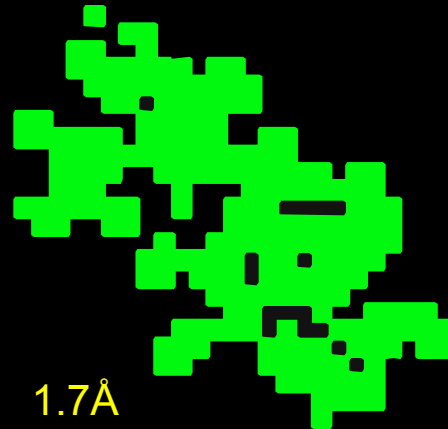
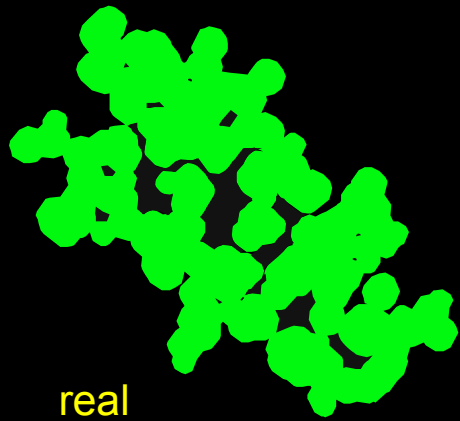
Hydrophobic Docking



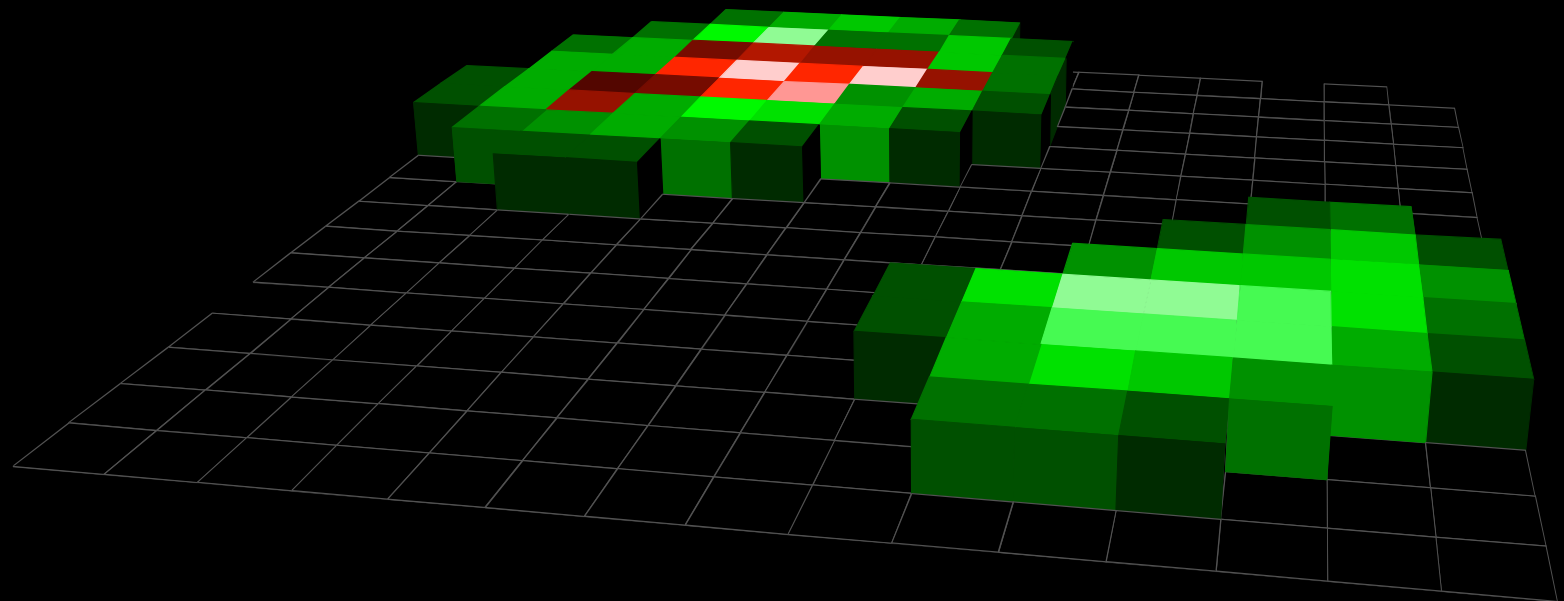
Low-resolution Docking



## Low-resolution representation

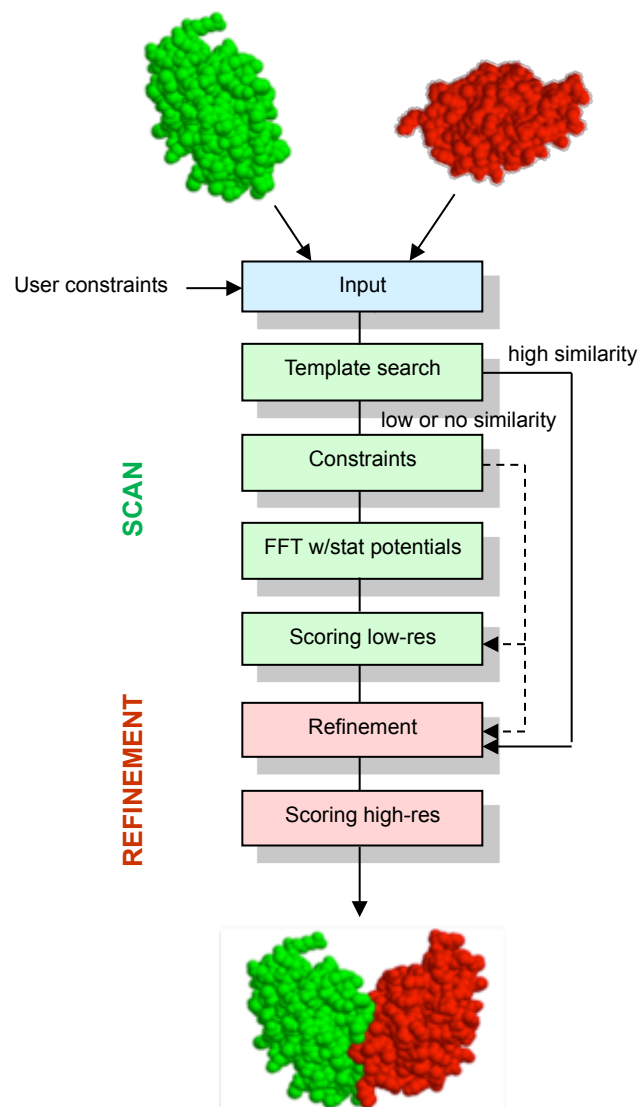


b subunit of human hemoglobin

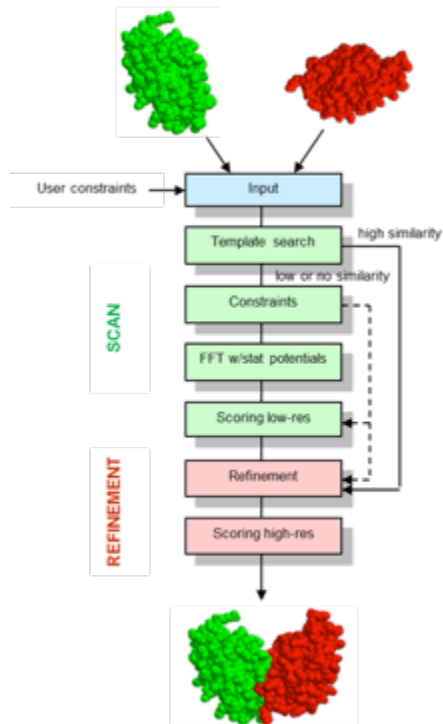


Human hemoglobin a and b subunits

## ***Docking Current and Future***



# Scoring



- Low-resolution (Unrefined)
- High-resolution (Refined)

In the future may disappear, divided between **Scan** and **Refinement** search procedures

# GRAMM-X Scoring

[VW soft] +

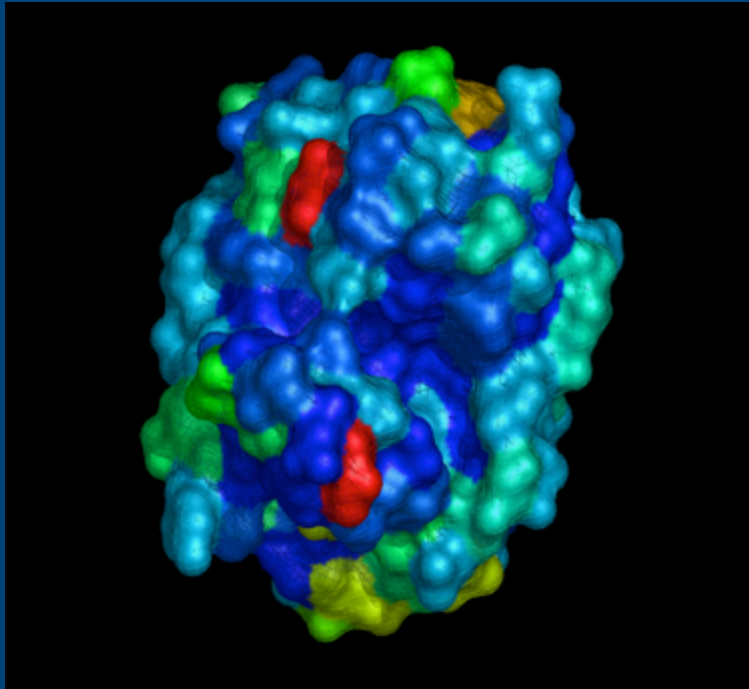
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[Local Minimum Volume] +

[Statistical Residue Contact Preference]



# Evolutionary Residue Conservation

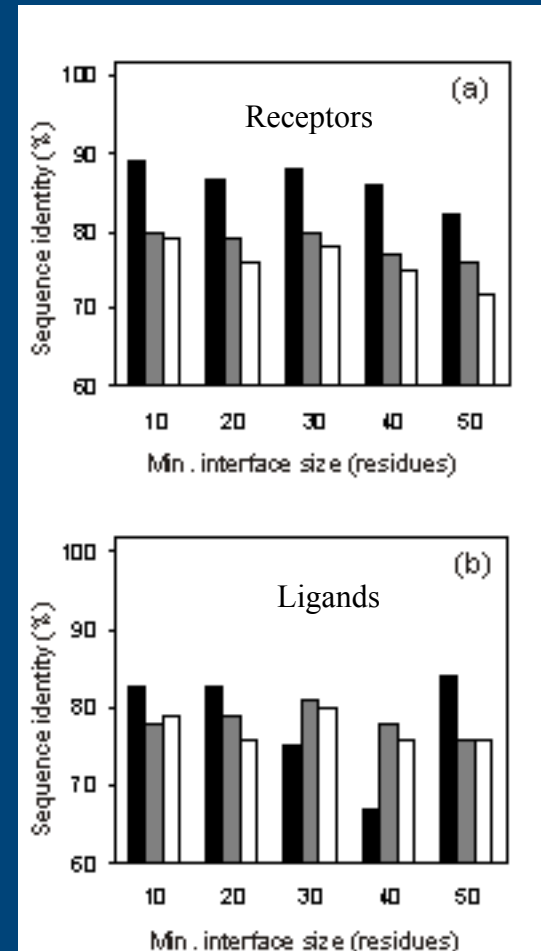


Interfaces are more conserved

Conservation scores from ConSurf server

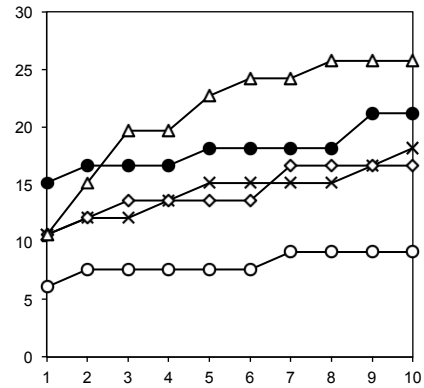
<http://consurf.tau.ac.il>

Total score for the prediction is the sum of residue scores for the putative interface normalized by protein sizes

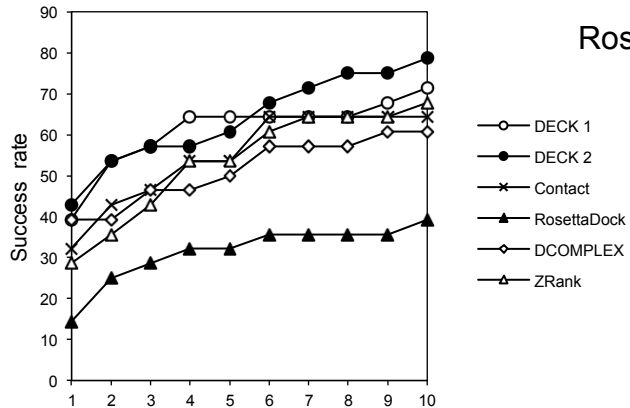


# Statistical Potentials

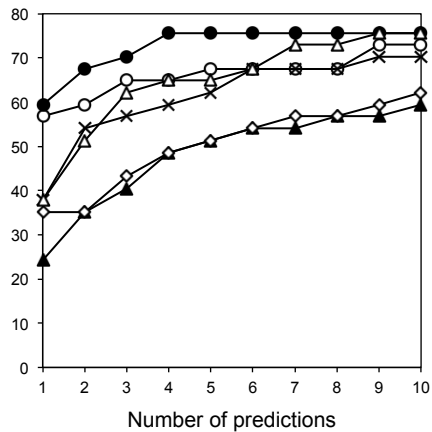
ZRANK decoys



RosettaDock decoys RMSD < 5 Å



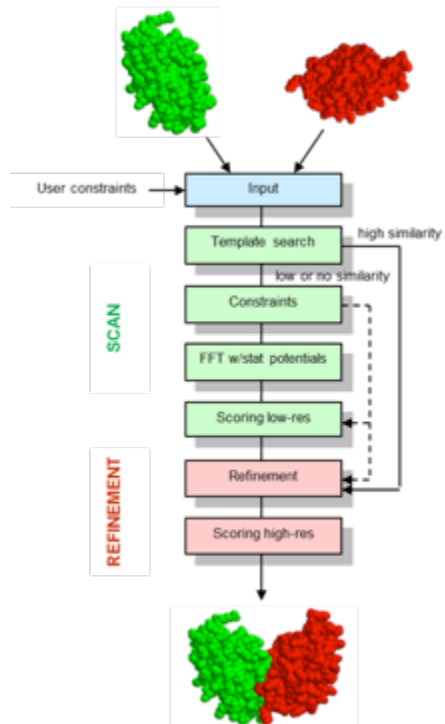
RosettaDock decoys RMSD < 10 Å



# Future

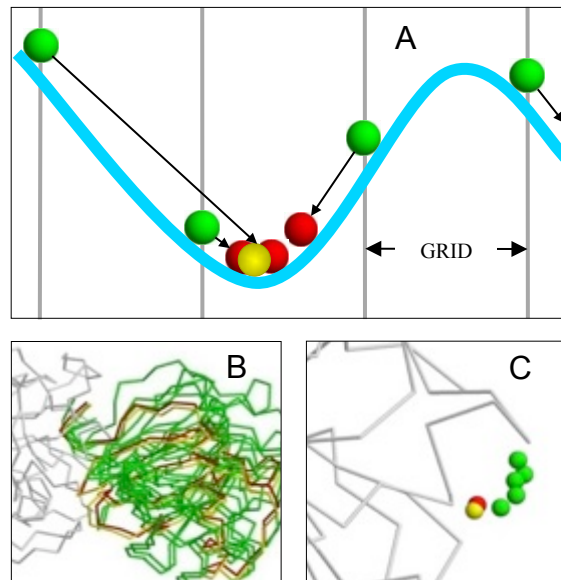
- Higher order across-interface statistical propensities – environment dependent residue-residue potentials, structural motifs coupling, etc.
- Energy basin characteristics that would help identify the funnel – size, ruggedness, etc.

# Refinement

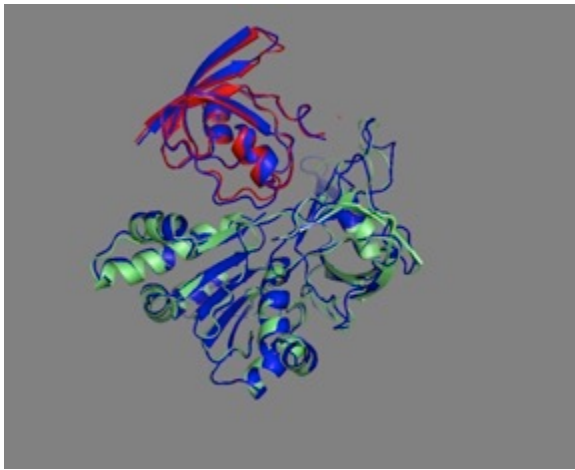


# GRAMM-X Refinement

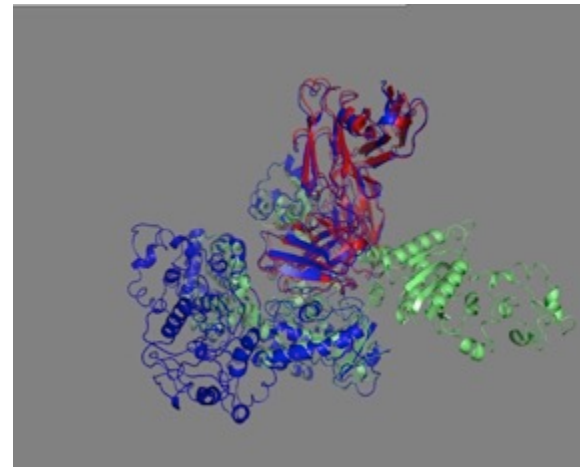
Conjugate Gradient Minimization with [VW soft]



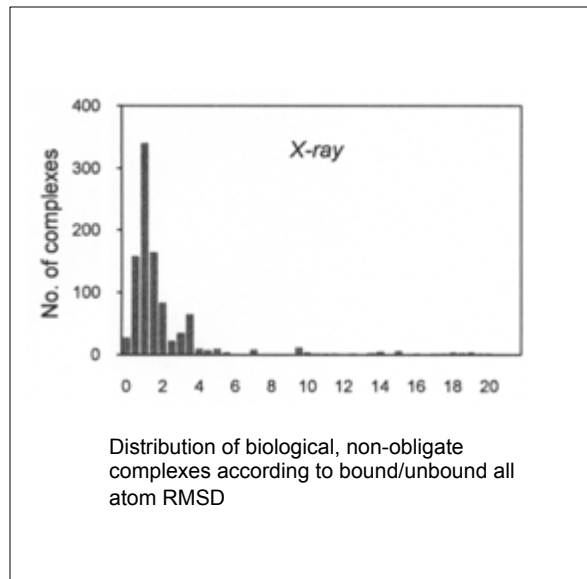
# Comparison of bound and unbound structures



Typical RMSD ~1.00-1.25Å

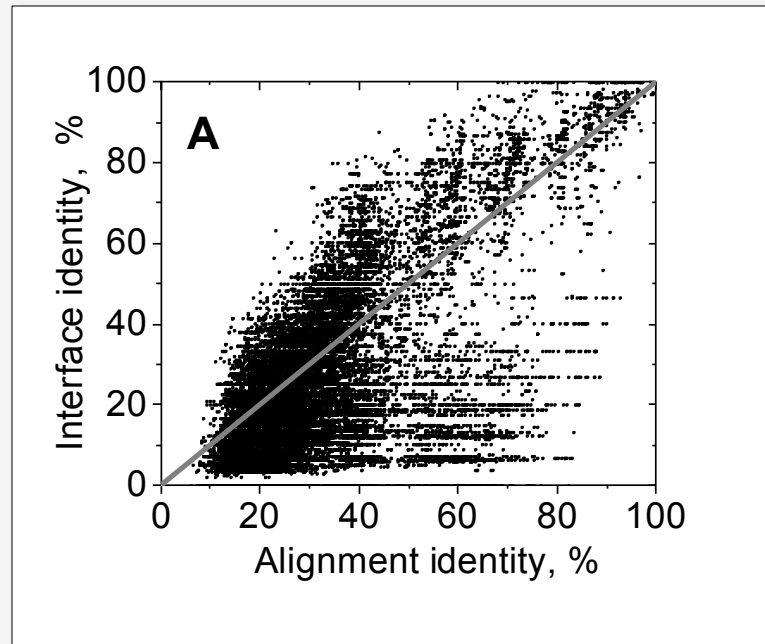


Large change due to domain movement

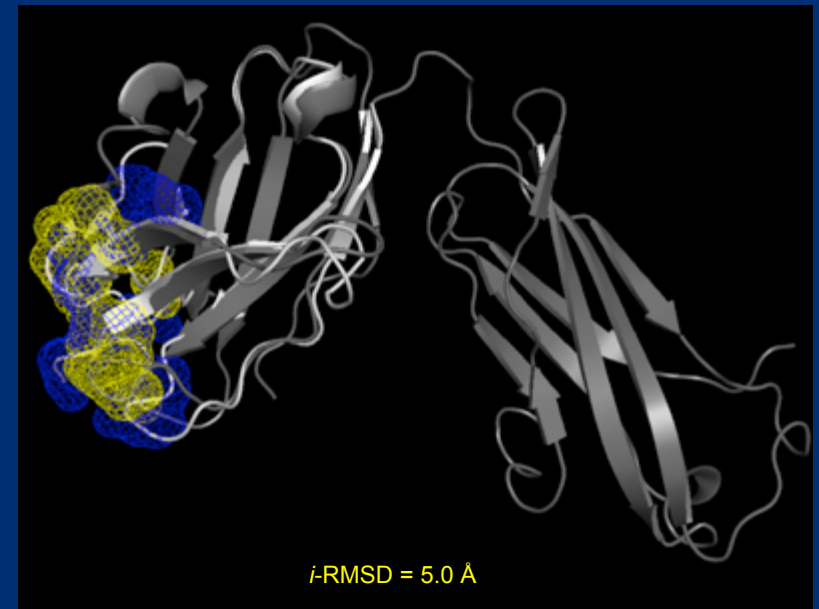
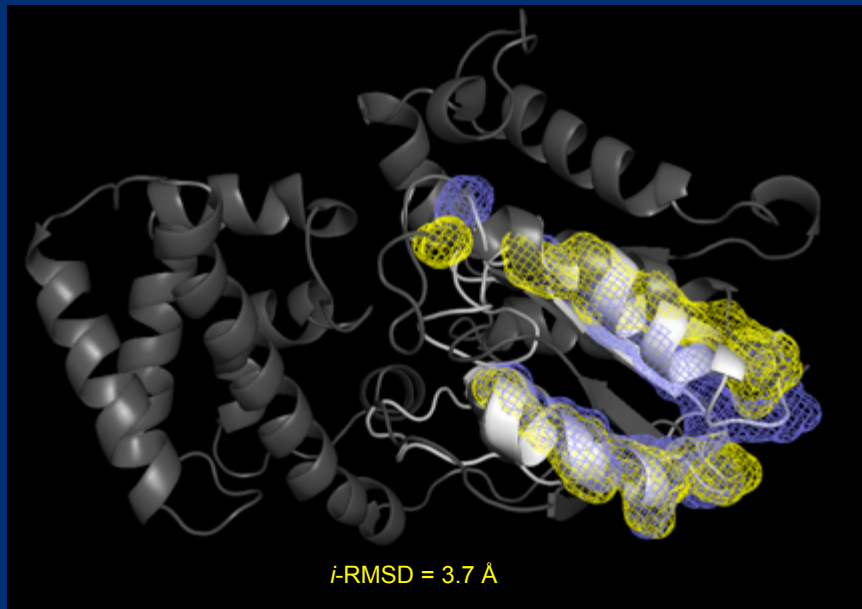


# Binding Site Structural Accuracy

Interface is more conserved



# Binding Site Structural Accuracy



Partial homology model



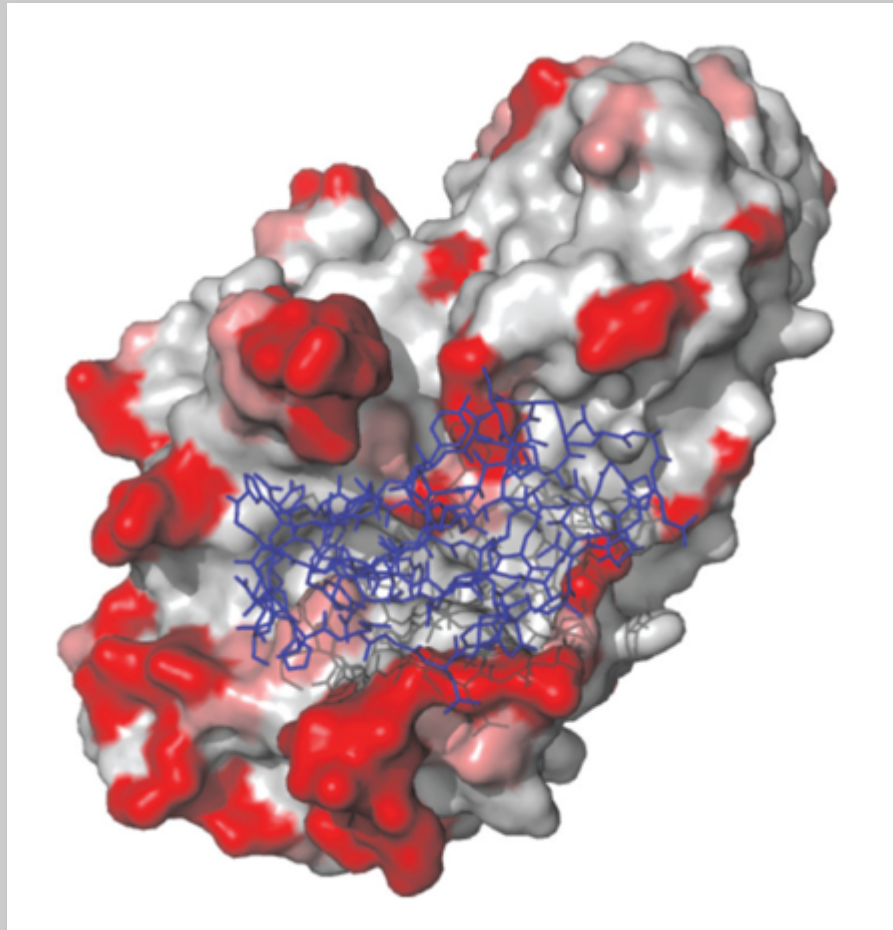
Target native structure

~ **50%** of complexes with interfaces modeled by high-throughput techniques have accuracy suitable for docking



# Elastic Network Models

Binding site is more rigid



highly fluctuating



moderately fluctuating

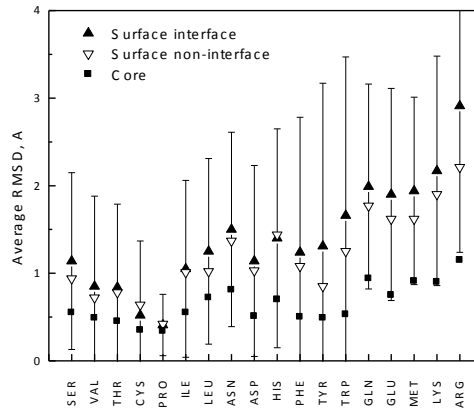


weakly fluctuating

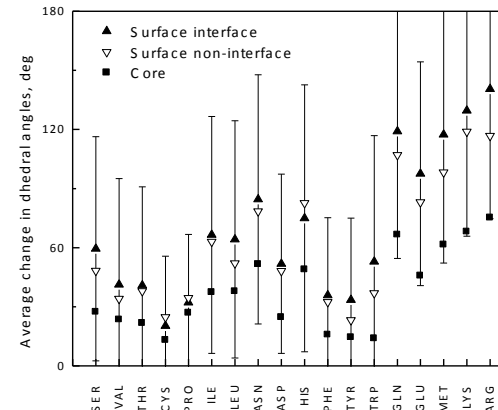


# Unbound/bind change

Change in Cartesian coordinates



Change in dihedral angles

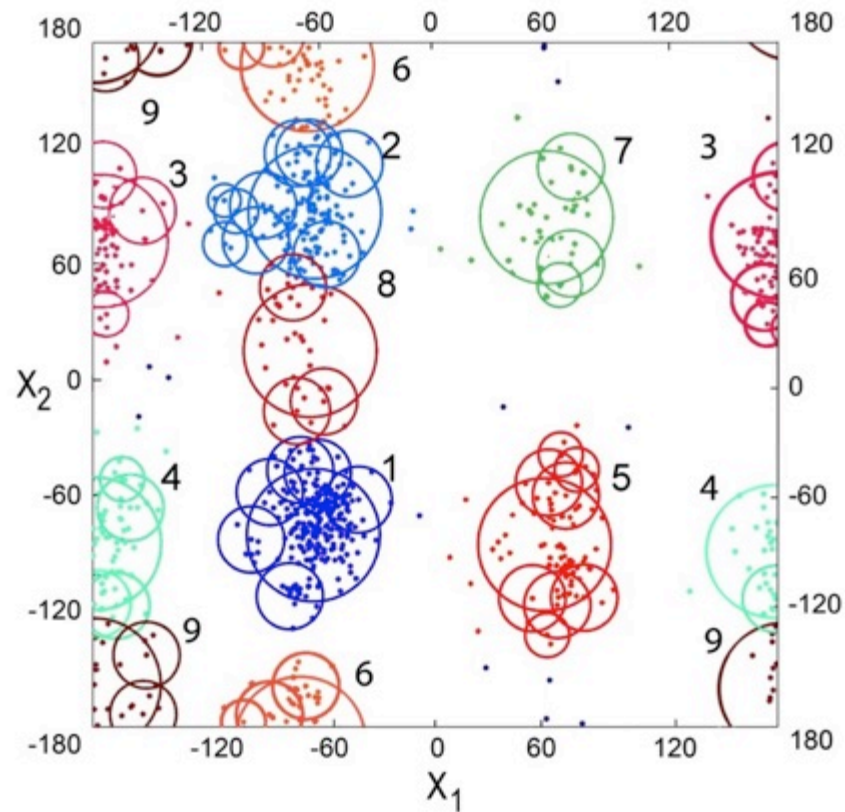


Residues are sorted by the number of  $\chi$  angles (and increasing mass, if the number of  $\chi$  is the same)

- Conformational changes increase with the number of  $\chi$  angles
- Conformational changes are greater at interface than at non-interface

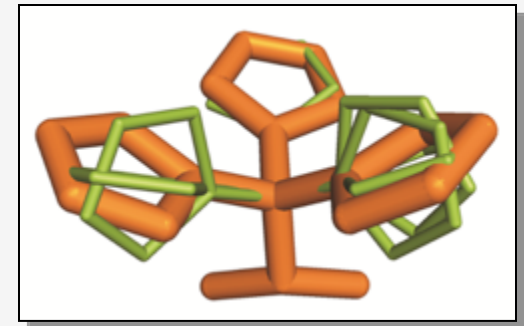
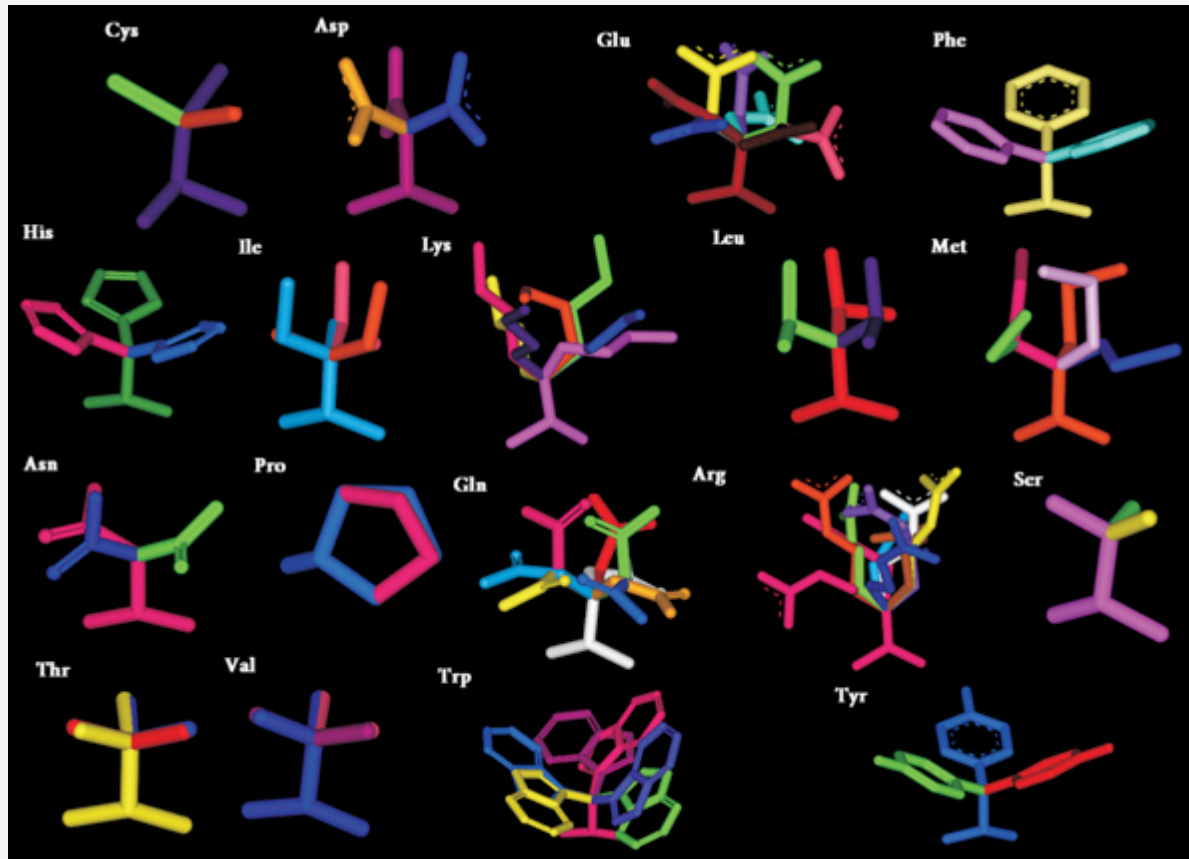
# Side Chain Rotamers

Hierarchical clustering with a variable radius in the torsional space to reduce the share of non-clustered conformations

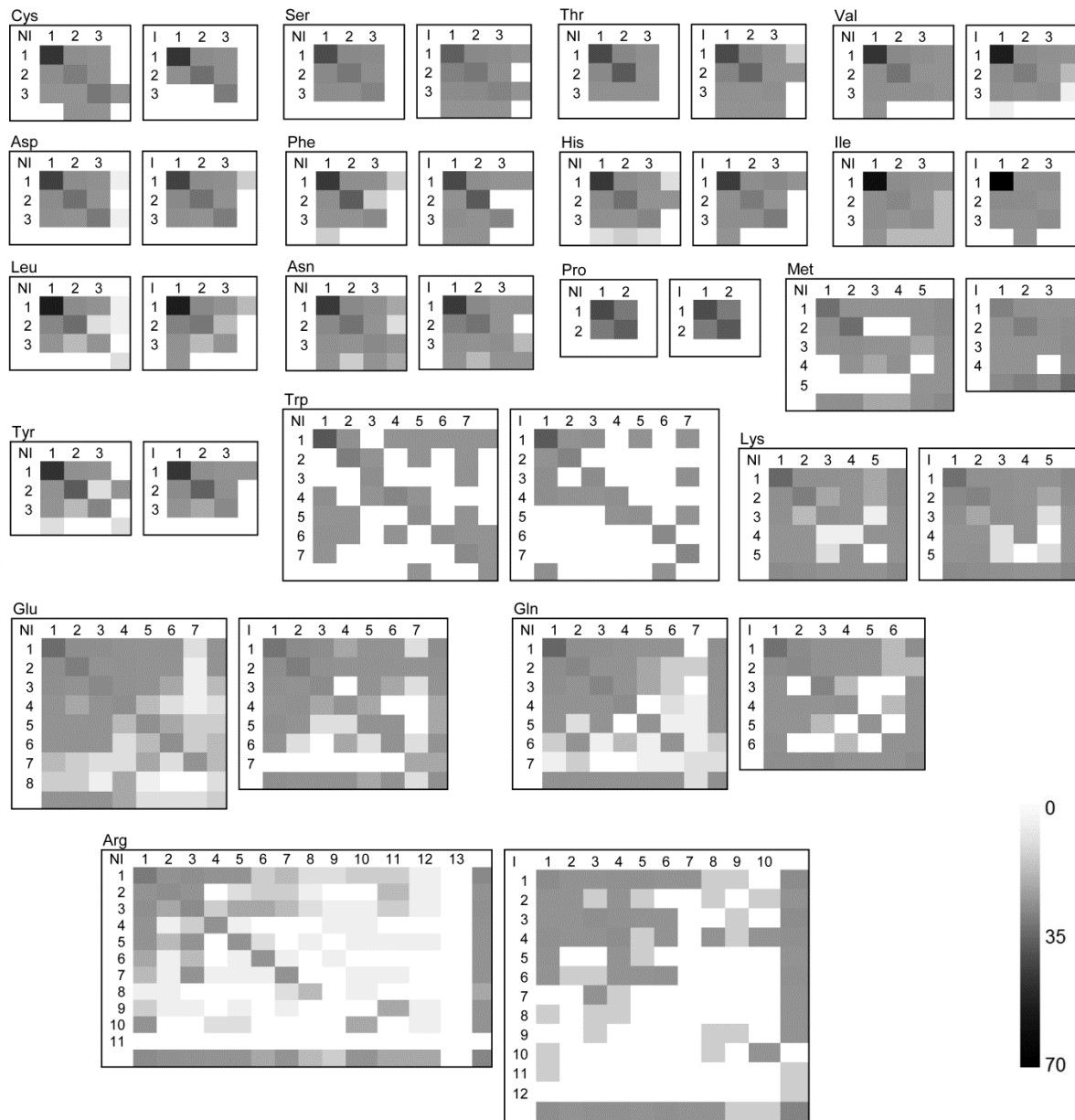


Histidine rotamers at interface

# Surface Interface Rotamer Library



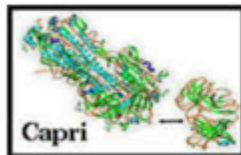
# Unbound To Bound Transitions



- Largest values are on diagonal - side chains prefer to stay within same rotamer upon binding
- In case of transition to a different rotamer, side chains prefer closest, often most occupied rotamer
- Side chains with 3 and 4  $\chi$  are least stable. Most stable are with 2  $\chi$  (1  $\chi$  are less stable)
- At interface, non-polar amino acids are more stable than polar



# CAPRI: Critical Assessment of PRediction of Interactions



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## CAPRI communitywide experiment on the comparative evaluation of protein-protein docking for structure prediction Hosted by the Protein Data Bank in Europe (PDB) Group

### The CAPRI round 37 is in collaboration with 12th CASP session and will take place between May 1 and August 2016

Members of both the CASP and CAPRI communities will be invited to model the interfaces of protein hetero-complexes, homo-multimers and domain-domain interactions in appropriate CASP12 targets.

Description of the CASP12 experiment can be found at: <http://predictioncenter.org/casp12/index.cgi>

As in 2014, the number or type of targets that will be made available for this round are currently unknown, as targets are being submitted to CASP piecemeal during the entire duration of the CASP12 session. Decision on targets designated for CAPRI docking and scoring predictions (only a subset of the CASP12 targets prediction is expected to represent appropriate CAPRI targets) will be made by CAPRI MC members (Shoshana Wodak, Sameer Velankar, and Marc Lensink).

Information on these targets and submission deadlines (for servers, dockers and scorer) will be provided on the CAPRI website.

Registration: CAPRI participants wishing to take part in this CAPRI prediction round are invited to register for the entire round in advance. CAPRI registration for Round 37 will be open starting May 4, and the first targets will be announced on Mon May 9. We also encourage CAPRI participants to register with the CASP12 session, which is already open. When registering with CASP, participants should click the radio button "Do you want to receive an e-mail when a target is designated as CAPRI?" In this case they will be receiving an automatic message each time a new CAPRI target is designated.

Upon receiving this message participants should consult the CAPRI site for additional target information and for the timelines for submission of server models, docking models, uploading of models and the scoring submissions. Participants registered for Round 37 with CAPRI should submit models only to the CAPRI website.

#### ■ PDB idcodes for past targets

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