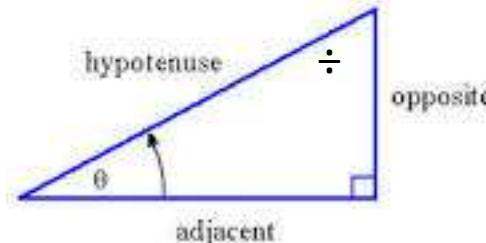
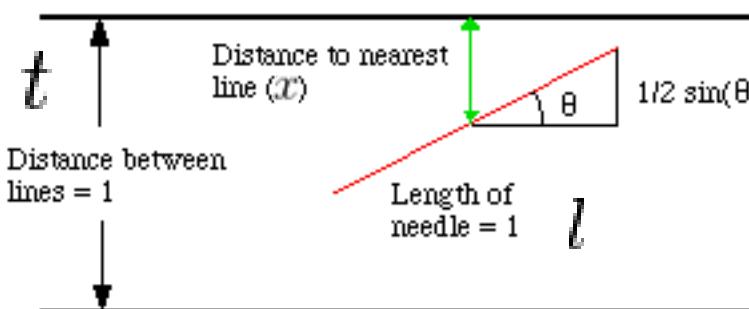


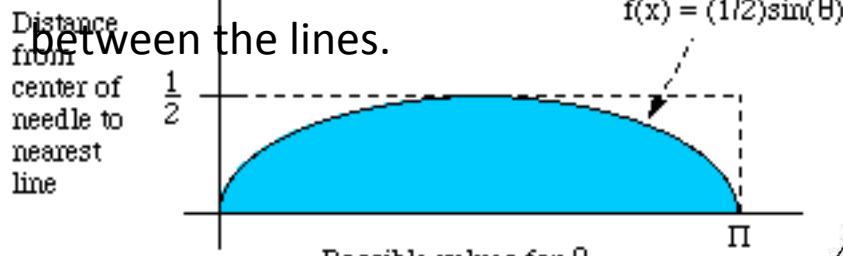
# Molecular Dynamics & PELE

# What is the Probability the Needle Crosses a Line?

- The 1<sup>st</sup> Monte Carlo Experiment



The distance from the center to the closest line can never be more than half the distance between the lines.



$$2(n)/th \approx \pi$$

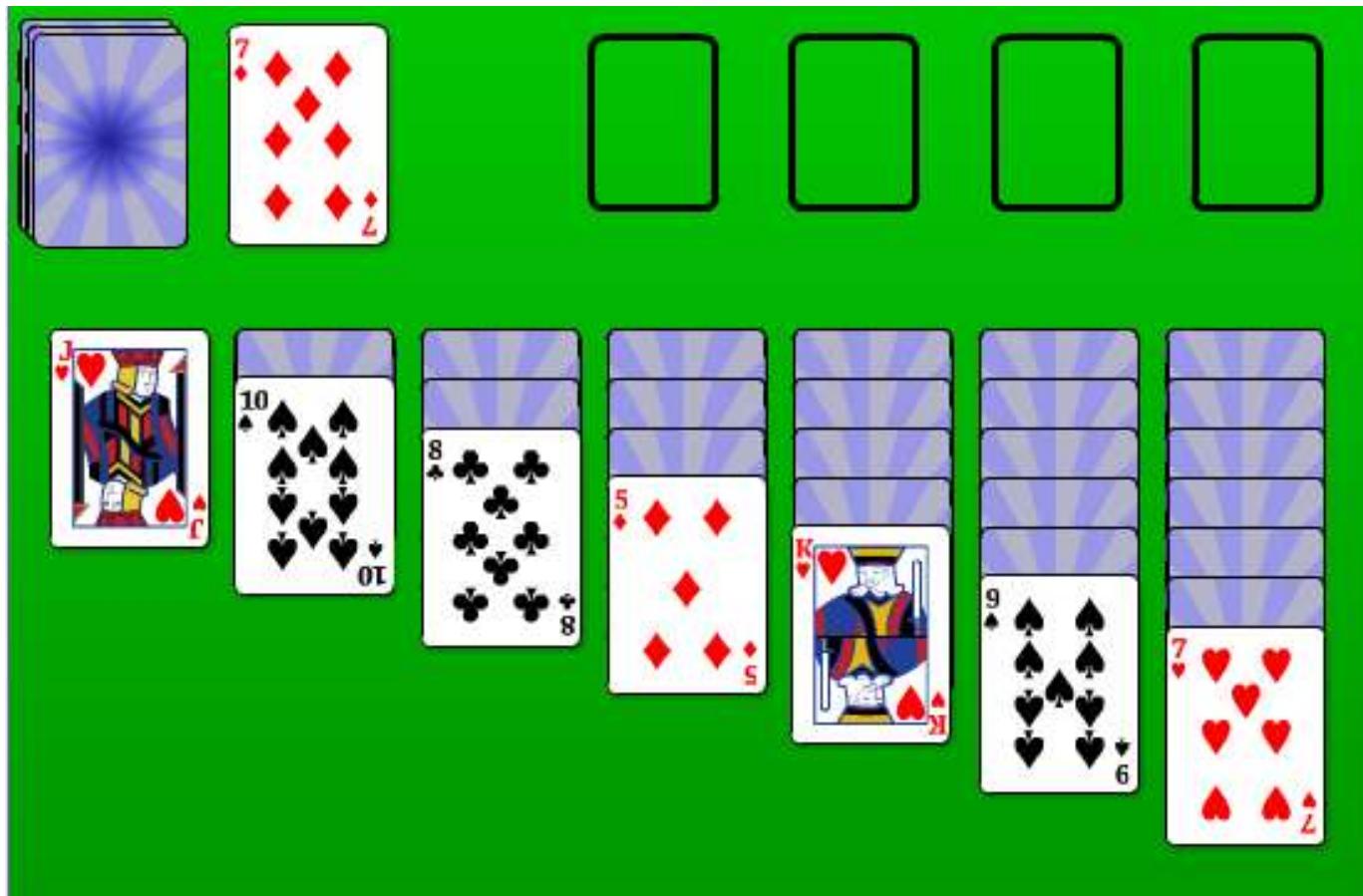


Buffon



Georges-Louis Leclerc, Comte de Buffon  
(1777)

# Combinatorial Analysis & Theory of Probabilities



# Metropolis Monte Carlo

1. Initial atom coordinates.
2. Random atom  $i$  moves by random displacement:  $\Delta X_i$ ,  
 $\Delta Y_i$ , and  $\Delta Z_i$
3. Calculate the change of potential energy  $\Delta V$  corresponding to this displacement.
4. If  $\Delta V < 0$  accept the new coordinates and go to step 2.
5. Otherwise, if  $\Delta V \geq 0$ , select a random number  $R$  in the range  $[0,1]$  and:
  - A. If  $e^{-\Delta V/kT} < R$  accept the new coordinates and go to step 2,
  - B. If  $e^{-\Delta V/kT} \geq R$  keep the original coordinates and go to step 2.

# Phase Transition for a Hard Sphere System

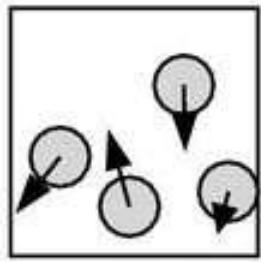
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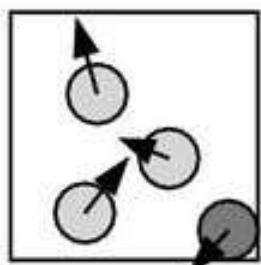
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$t = 0$



$t =$



$t = 4.04$



.03

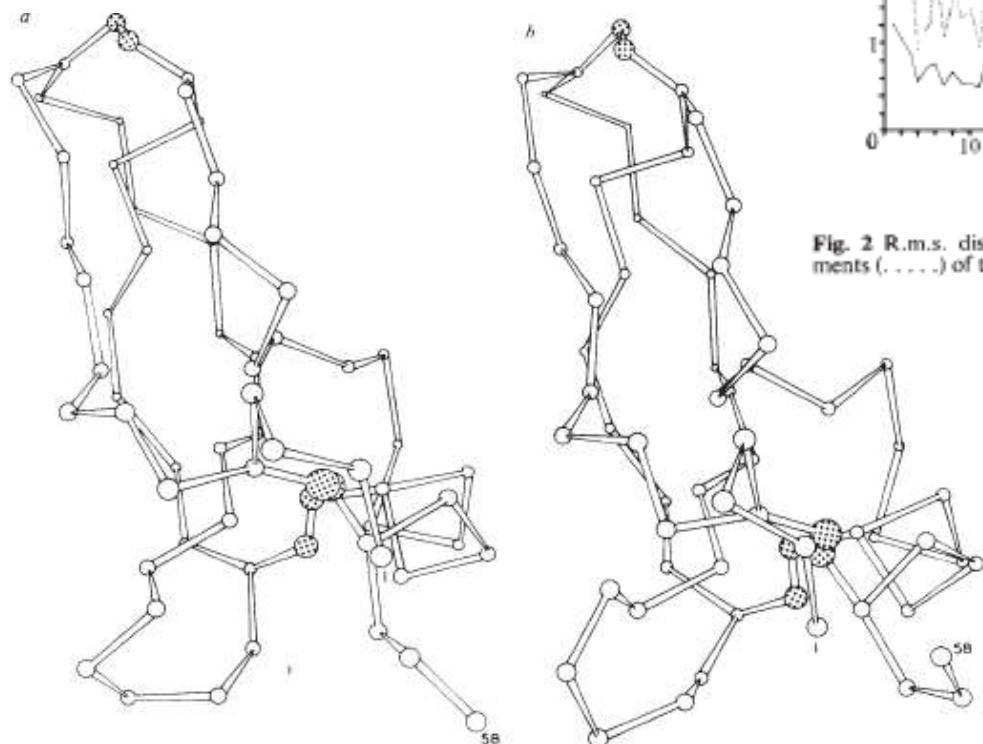
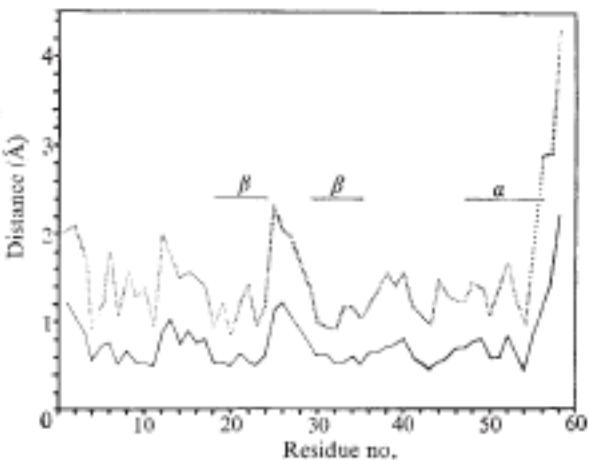
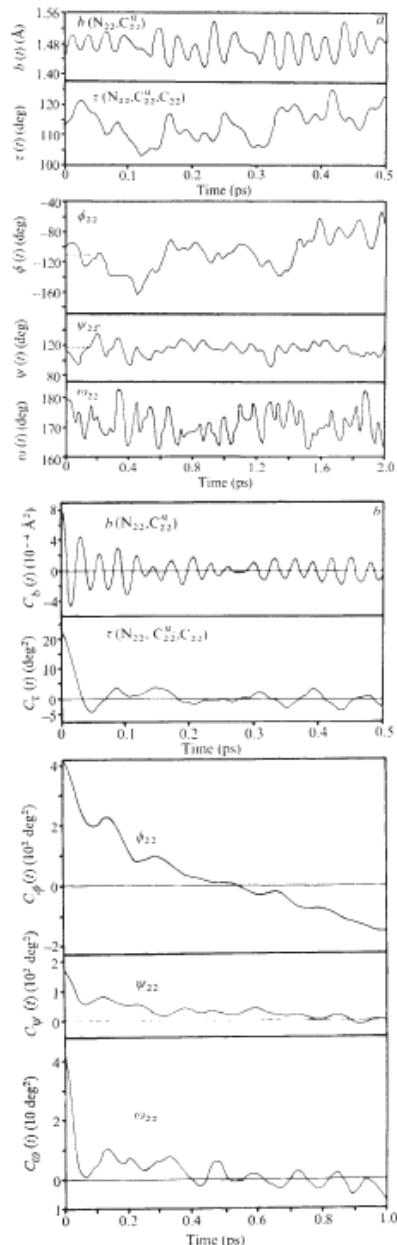
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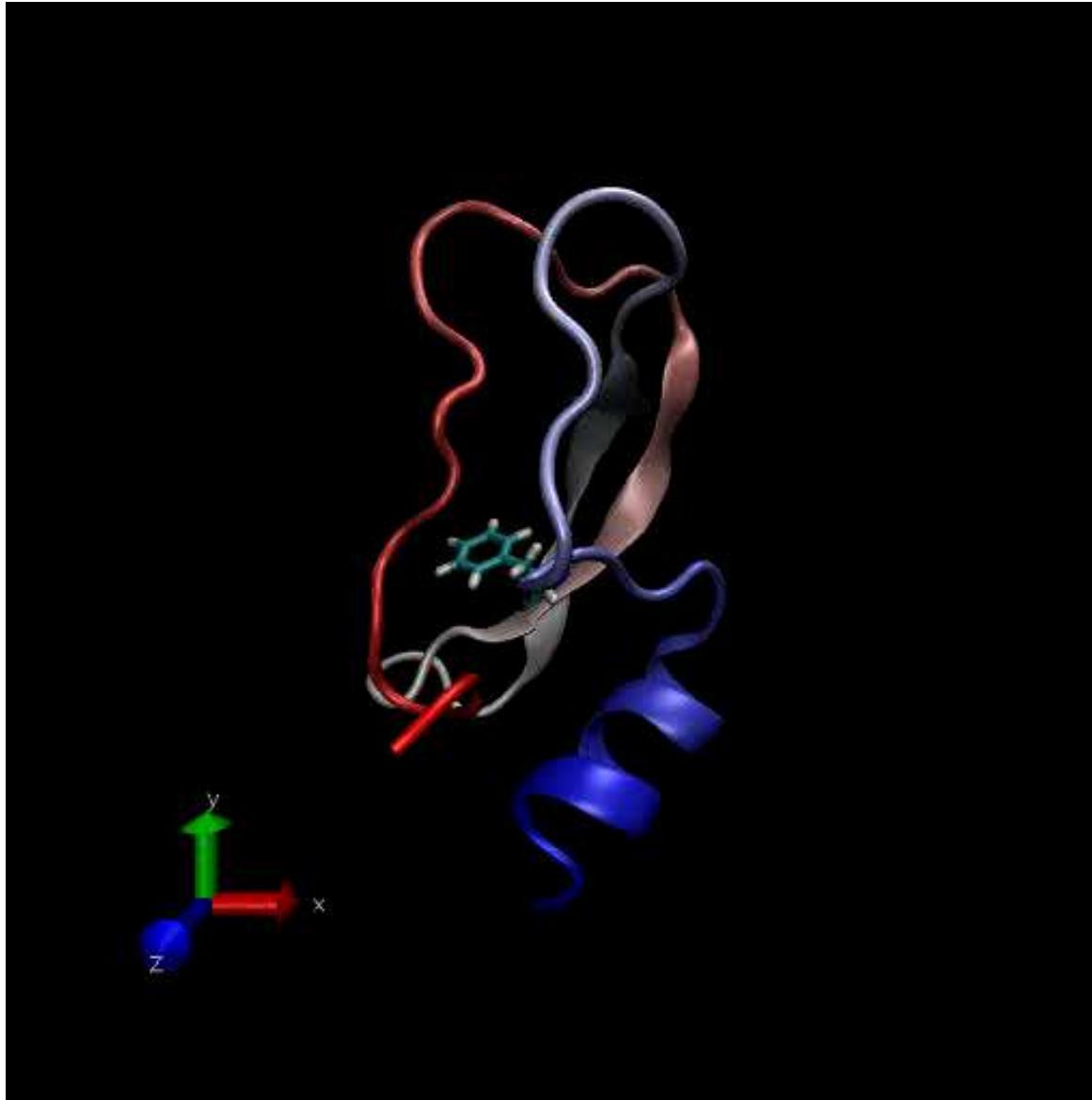
## Dynamics of folded proteins

J. Andrew McCammon, Bruce R. Gelin &amp; Martin Karplus

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Fig. 1 The peptide backbone ( $\alpha$  carbons) and disulphide bonds of PTL. *a*, X-ray structure<sup>11</sup>. *b*, Time evolved structure after 3.2 ps of dynamical simulation.Fig. 2 R.m.s. displacements (—) and maximum displacements (.....) of the  $\alpha$  carbons, relative to the dynamical average structure.Fig. 3 *a*, Time development of selected Phe 22 internal coordinates; the initial time is 4.9 ps after the beginning of the dynamical simulation; average values are indicated by broken line segments. *b*, Time correlation functions for fluctuations of selected Phe 22 internal coordinates.

# NMR of BPTI



Molecular dynamics simulations must pass through all possible states corresponding to the particular thermodynamic constraints

# Molecular Dynamics

Statistical Mechanics

&

Classical Mechanics

# Molecular Dynamics

- A computational method that calculates the time dependent behavior of a molecular system
- Provides detailed information on the fluctuations and conformational changes of ligands, proteins and nucleic acids

# Definitions

- *Thermodynamic state* is usually defined by the temperature ( $T$ ), the pressure ( $P$ ), and the number of particles ( $N$ ).
- The *mechanical* or *microscopic state* is defined by the atomic positions, ( $r$ ), and momenta, ( $p$ ); these can also be considered as coordinates in a multidimensional space called **phase space**.

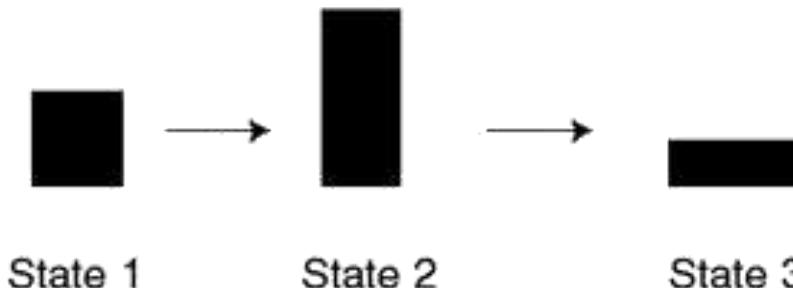
# Molecular Dynamics

- An ensemble is a collection of all possible systems which have different microscopic states but have an identical macroscopic or thermodynamic state.

Thermodynamics describes the driving force for chemical processes

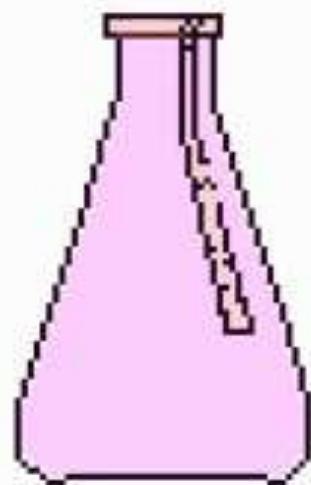


Kinetics describes the mechanism for the chemical process



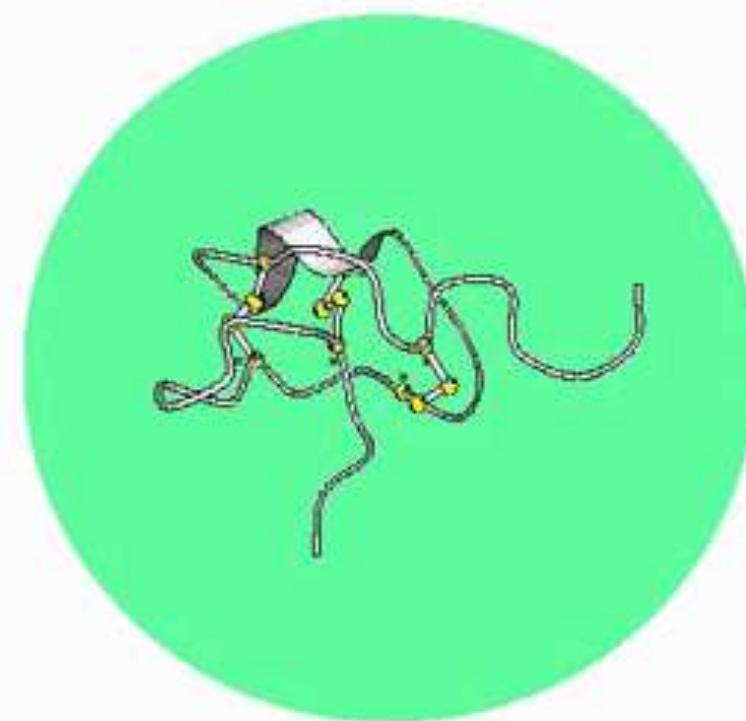
# Molecular Dynamics

Experiment



Macroscopic

Molecular Simulation



Microscopic

# Molecular Dynamics

- Statistical mechanics

**Ensemble average = Time average**

$$\langle A \rangle_{ensemble} = \iint dp^N dr^N A(p^N, r^N) \rho(p^N, r^N)$$

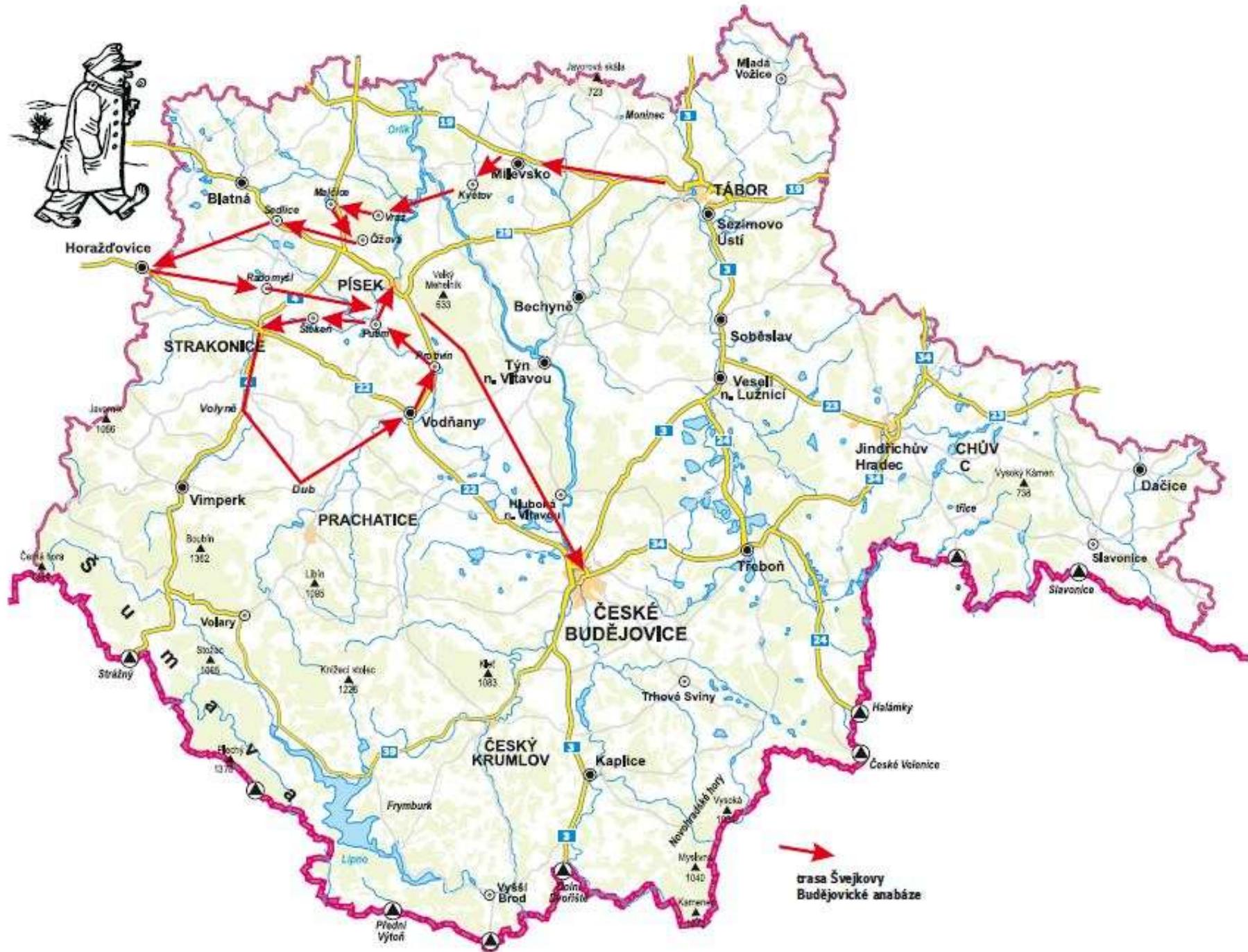
$$\rho(p^N, r^N) = \frac{1}{Q} \exp[-H(p^N, r^N)/k_B T]$$

momenta ( $p$ ) and the positions

$$\langle A \rangle_{time} = \lim_{\tau \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1}{\tau} \int_{t=0}^{\tau} A(p^N(t), r^N(t)) dt \approx \frac{1}{M} \sum_{i=1}^M A(p^N, r^N) = \frac{R}{N_A}$$

partition function  
thermodynamic state  
variables (temperature  
and volume)

The average simulation time ( $t$ ) is the number of time steps ( $M$ ) in the simulation and the instantaneous value of  $A$  ( $A(p^N, r^N)$ )

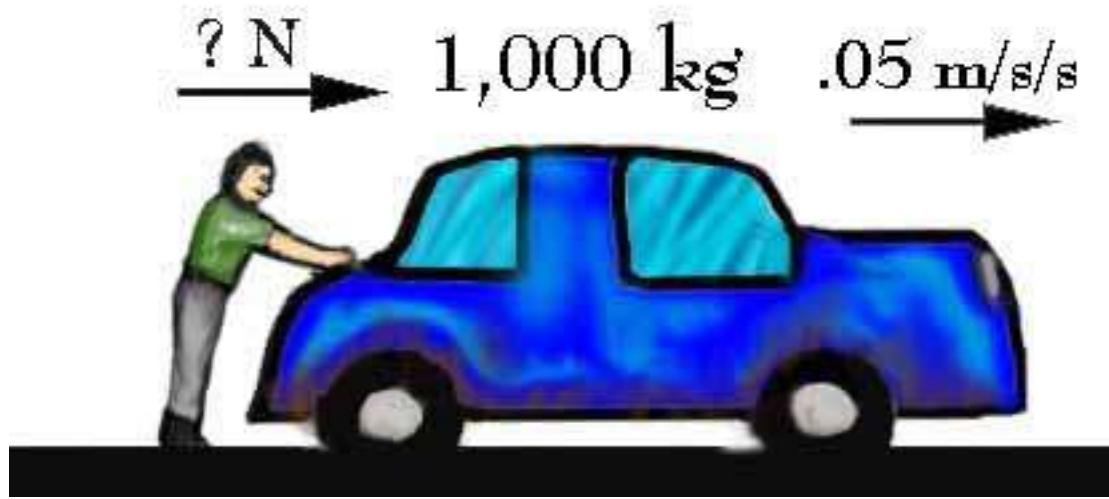


# Molecular Dynamics

- **Ergodic hypothesis** = over a long period of time, the time spent by a system in some region of the phase space of microstates with the same energy is proportional to the volume of this region

# Molecular Dynamics

- Classical mechanics
  - Newton's 2<sup>nd</sup> Law of Thermodynamics
  - $F=ma$  (the acceleration of an object is dependent on the net force acting upon the object and the mass of the object)



# Molecular Dynamics

Give atoms initial positions  $\mathbf{r}^{(t=0)}$ , choose short  $\Delta t$



Get forces  $\mathbf{F} = - \nabla V(\mathbf{r}^{(i)})$  and  $\mathbf{a} = \mathbf{F}/m$



Move atoms:  $\mathbf{r}^{(i+1)} = \mathbf{r}^{(i)} + \mathbf{v}^{(i)} \Delta t + 1/2 \mathbf{a} \Delta t^2 + \dots$



Move time forward:  $t = t + \Delta t$



Repeat as long as you need

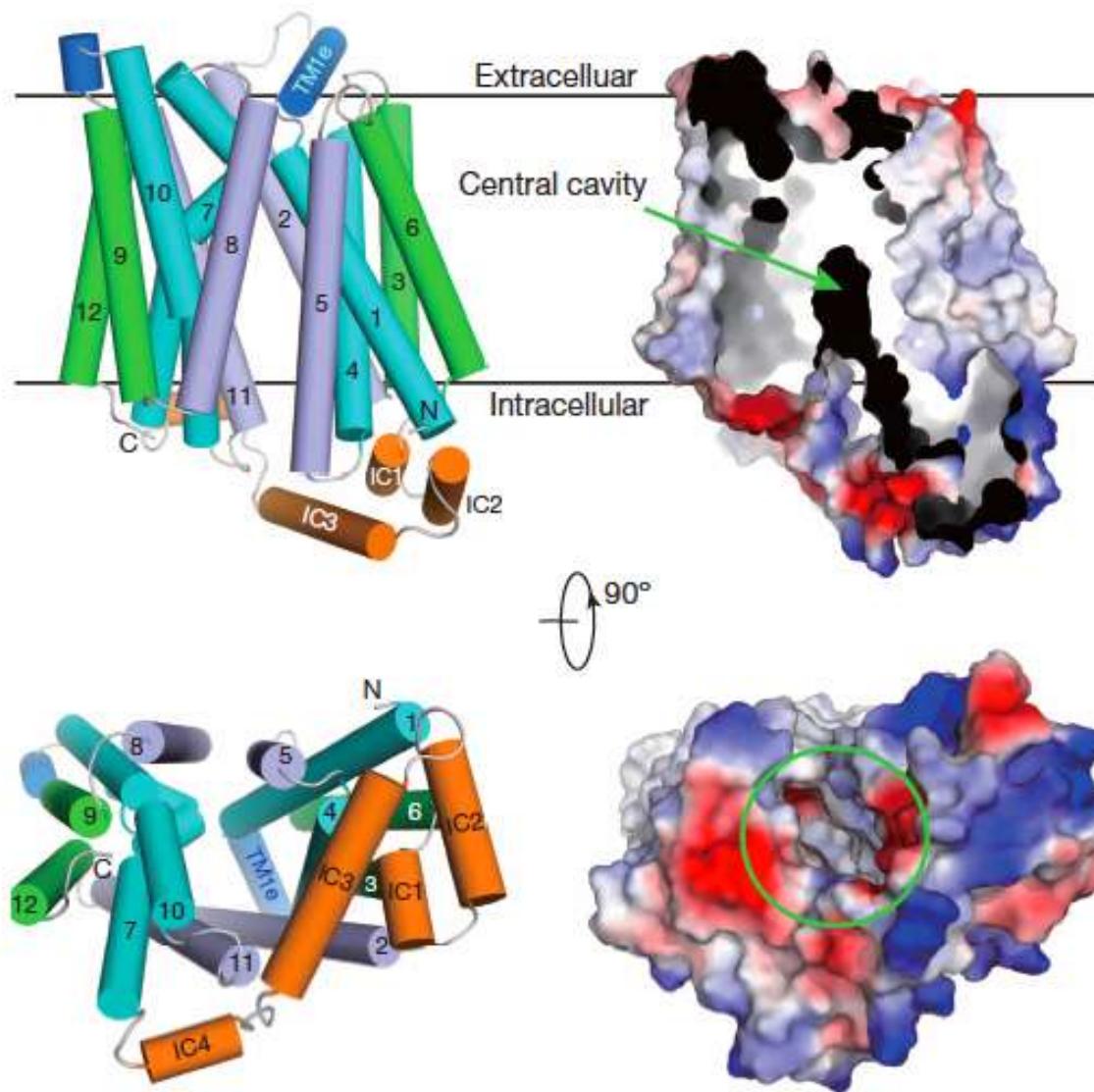
# Application

Glucose Transporter System

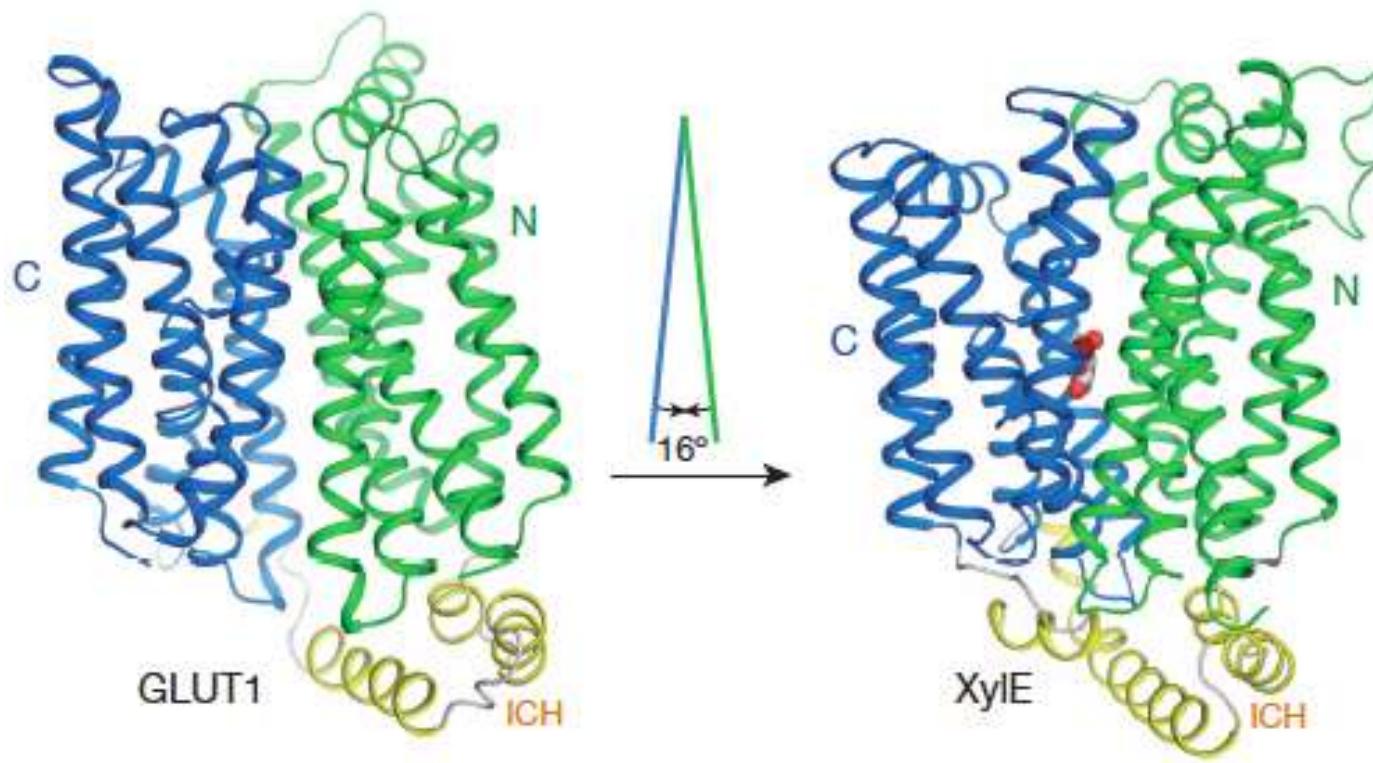
# Crystal structure of the human glucose transporter GLUT1

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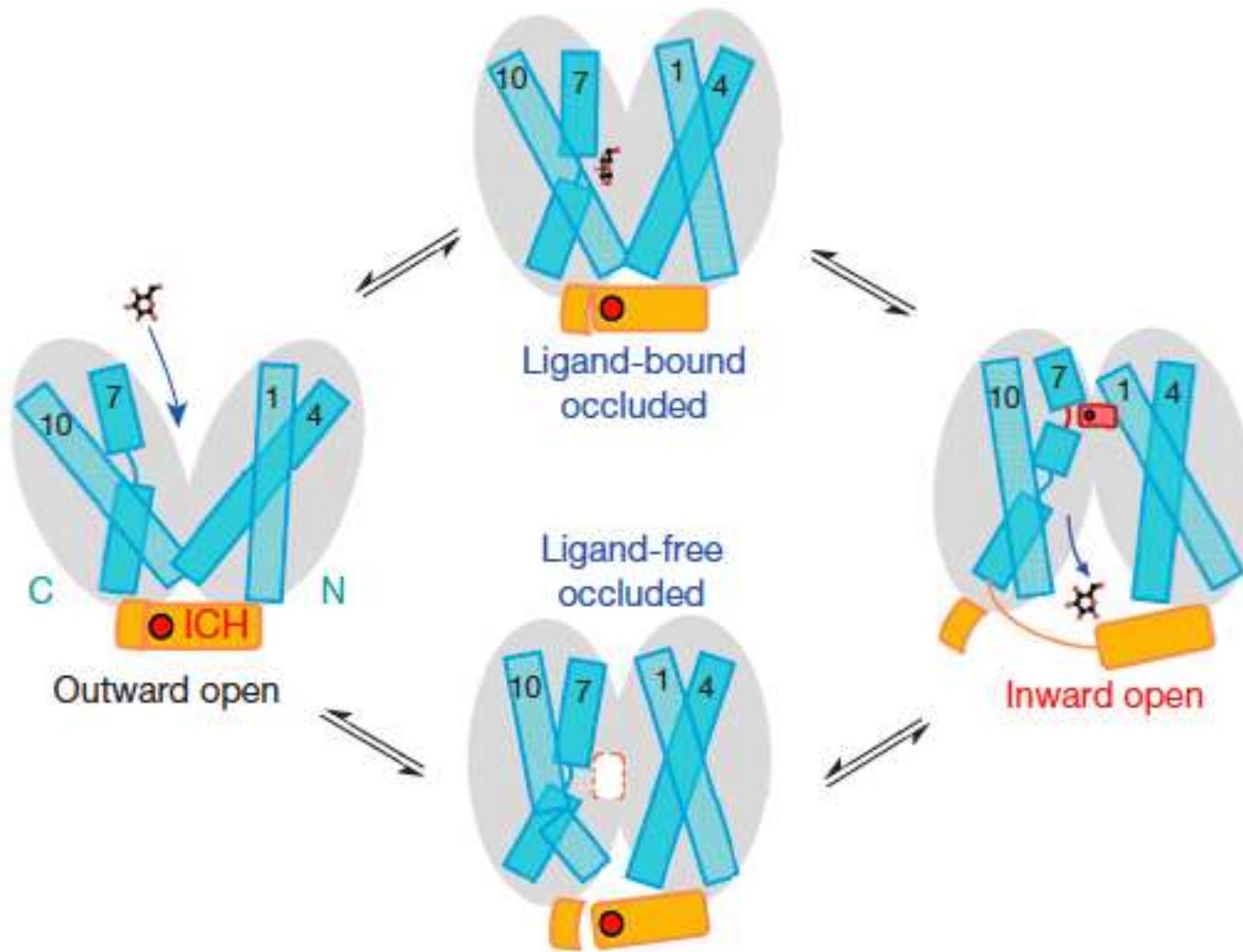
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# Structural Conformations



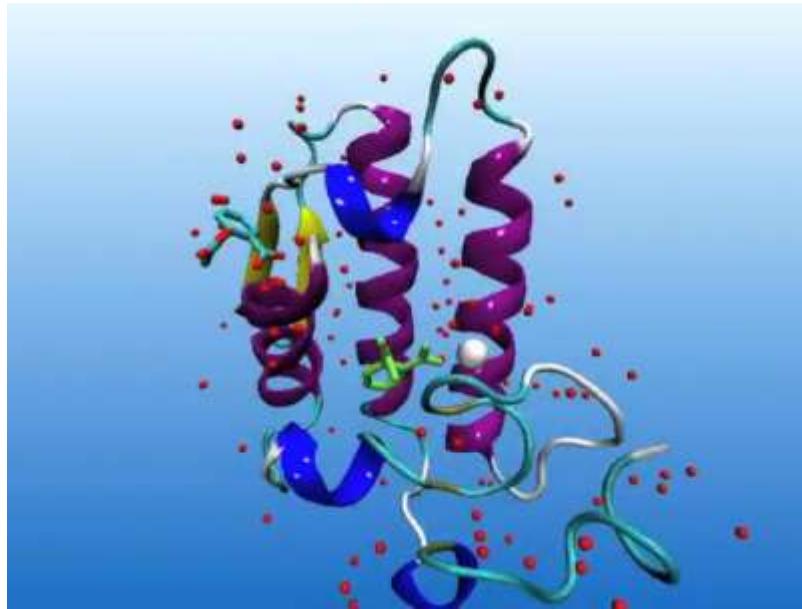
# Structural Conformations



# PELE

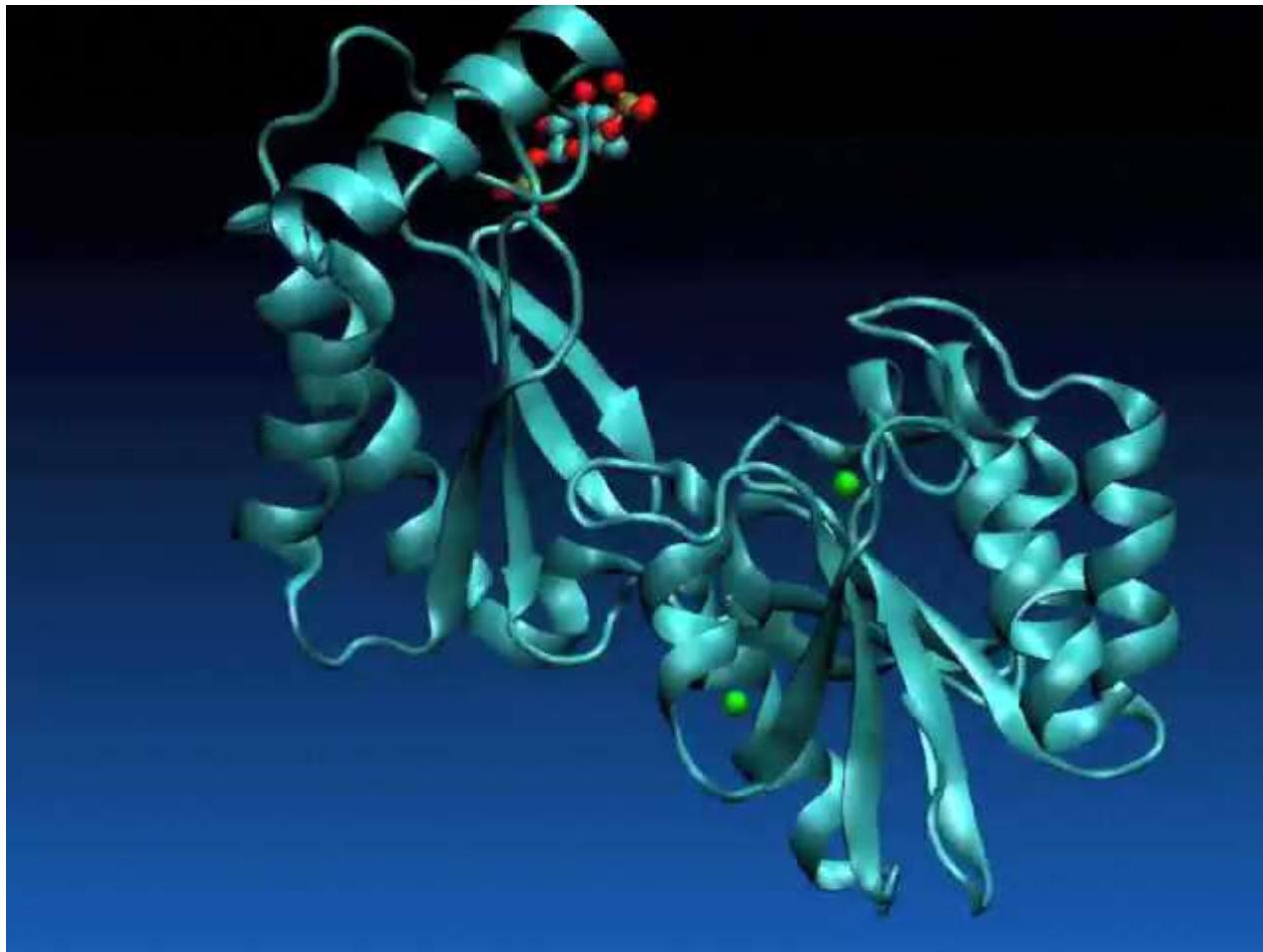
A Metropolis Monte-Carlo Software

# PELE (PROTEIN ENERGY LANDSCAPE EXPLORATION)

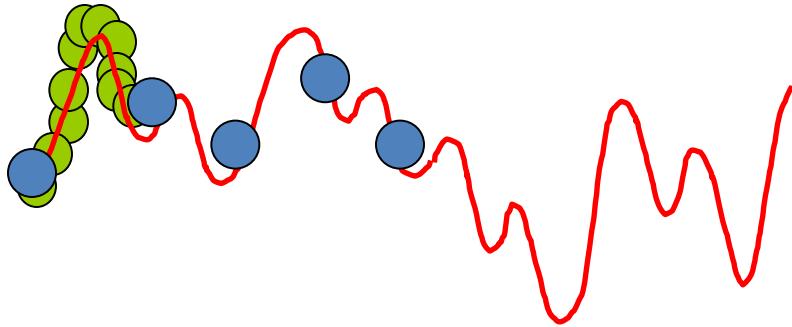


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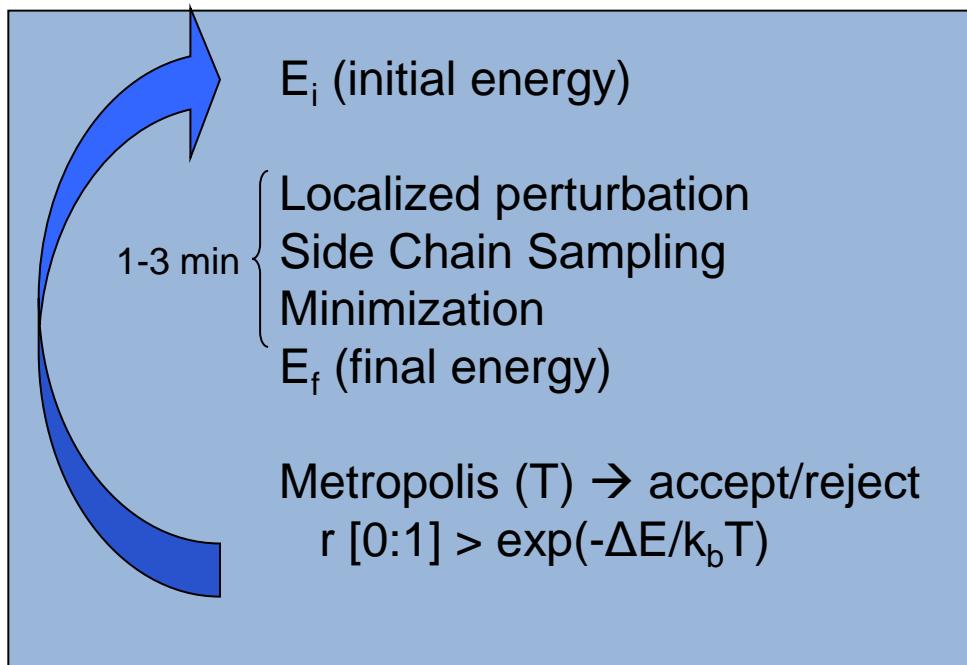
# You collect what you input!



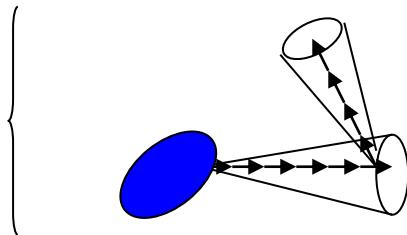
# PELE: combining Monte Carlo with protein prediction algorithms



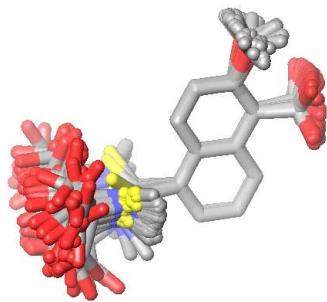
The algorithm (PELE):



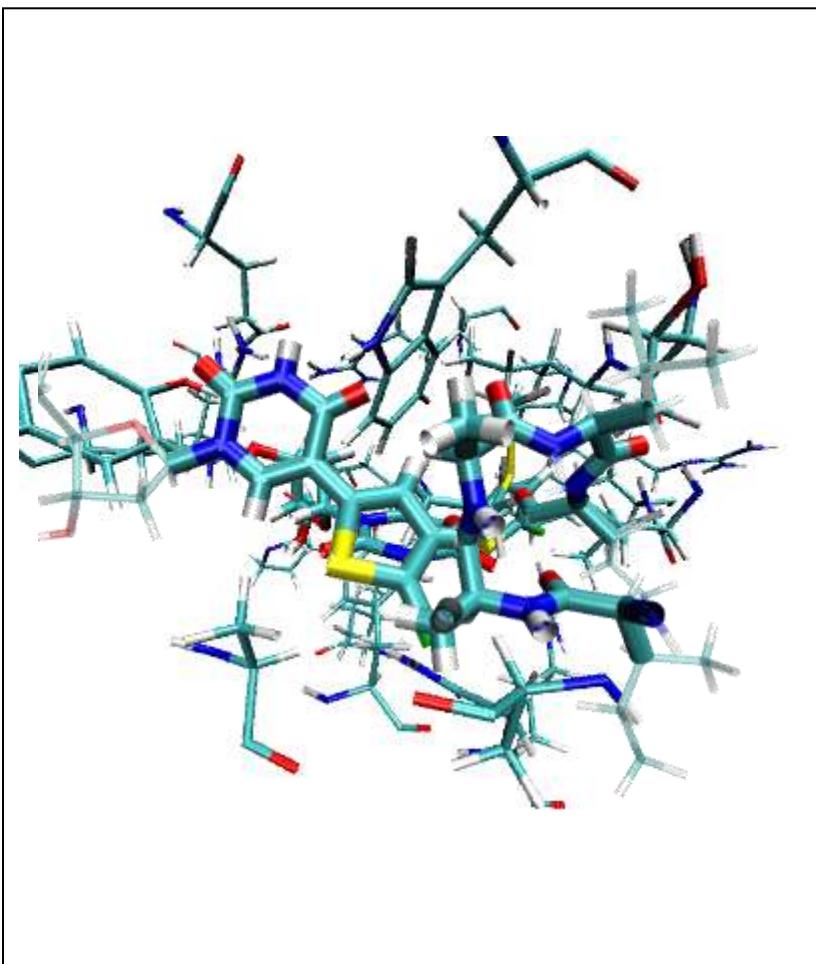
Steered the perturbation



Ligand motion



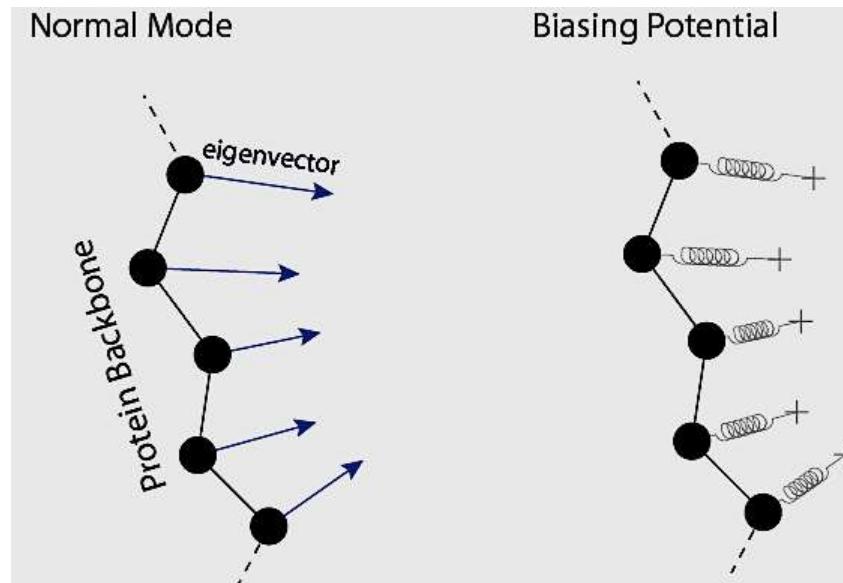
- Eliminate grid-points which always produce steric clashes (0.65% of VdW radius)
  - That create a steric clash between the ligand core and the protein sidechain
  - For which all the rotamers of a single residue or ligand region cause a steric clash with the backbone or ligand core
  - For which a single combination of rotamers cannot be found that does not produce a steric clash



# Backbone Perturbation: Anisotropic Network Model

## Follow a mode in an steered minimization

This ligand perturbation is coupled to backbone motion by means of a gaussian network of alpha carbon contacts



## Side Chain Step (Prediction)

Rotamer Libraries (Barry Honig 2001) Define All

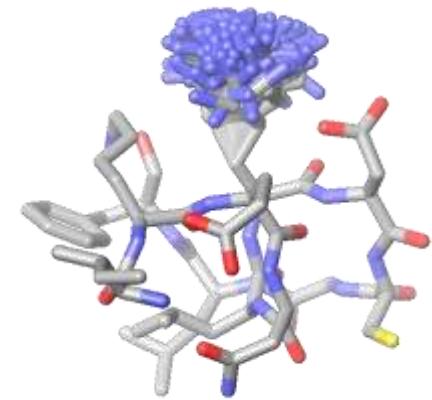
Possible Residue Movements

Steric Filtering Removes Unfeasible Ones

Resulting Rotamers are Clustered

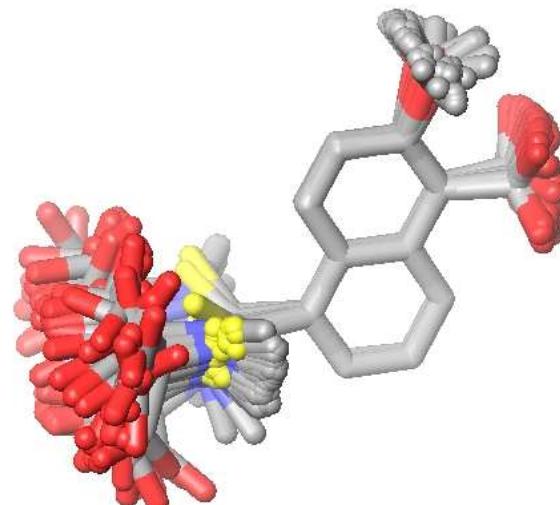
Clusters are Minimized

Lowest Energy Cluster is Selected



The Ligand also has rotamers associated!!

- Choosing a “core” region
  - The frozen region (no rotatable bonds within the region) that minimizes the number of bond lengths from this region to the farthest atom
- Populate the Library
  - Using Macromodel: eliminating all those that create a steric clash (two atoms closer than 75% of their combined VdW distance)



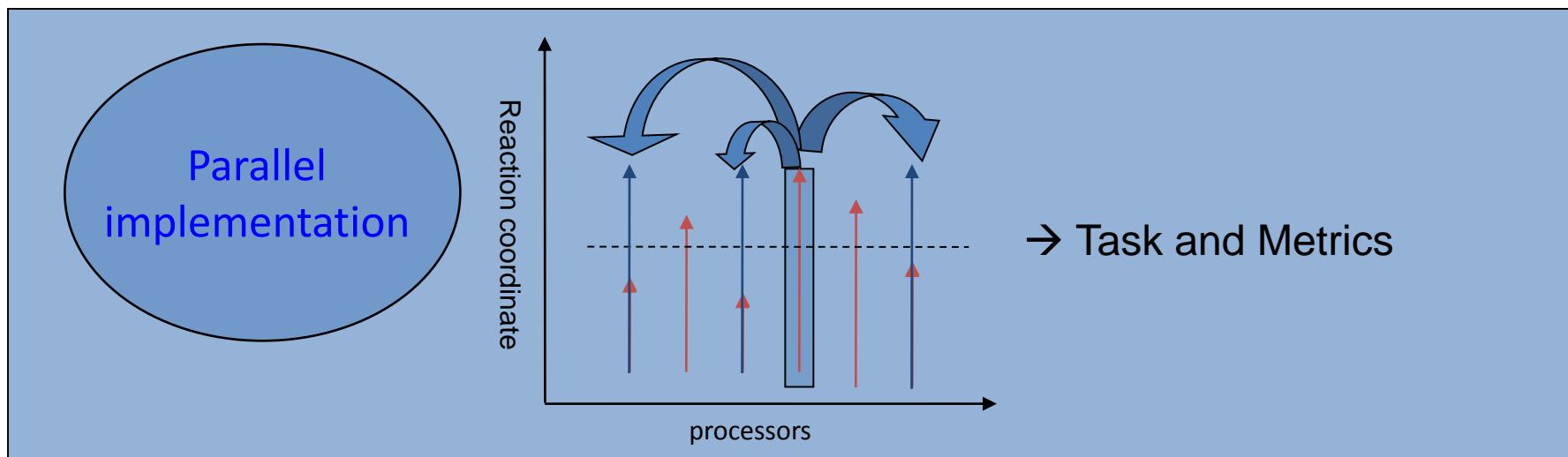
**3 independent rotamers**

## Last step: minimization

Truncated Newton with long/short range force update and numerical born alpha derivatives

Alpha carbon can/should be constrained to the outcome of ANM

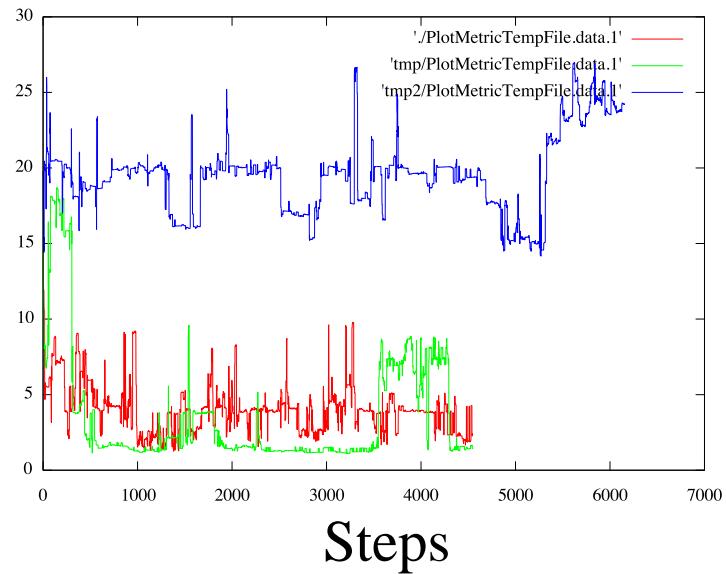
All wrapped up in MPI (parallel implementation: one node controlling and n-1 running)



Tasks: lower energy, binding energy, move ligands away/to, move domains, change initial rmsd, etc.

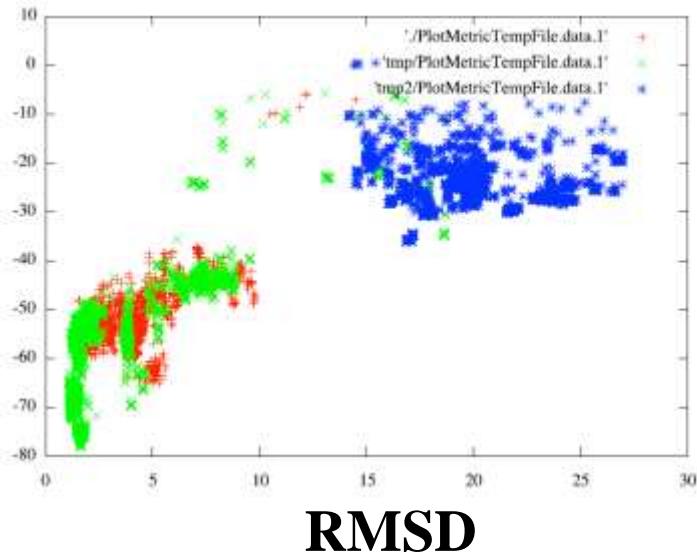
# Free search with PELE

RMSD

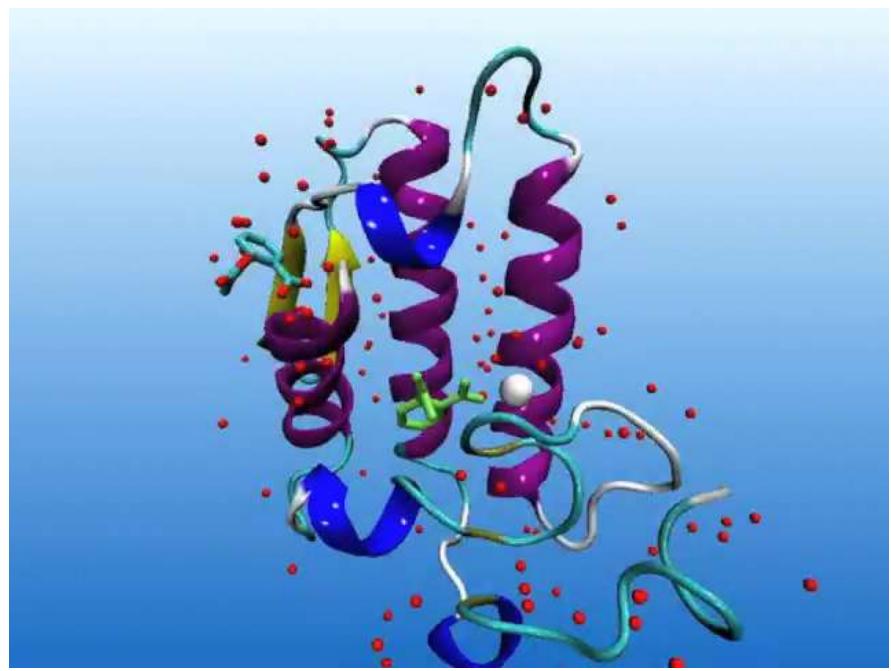


Steps

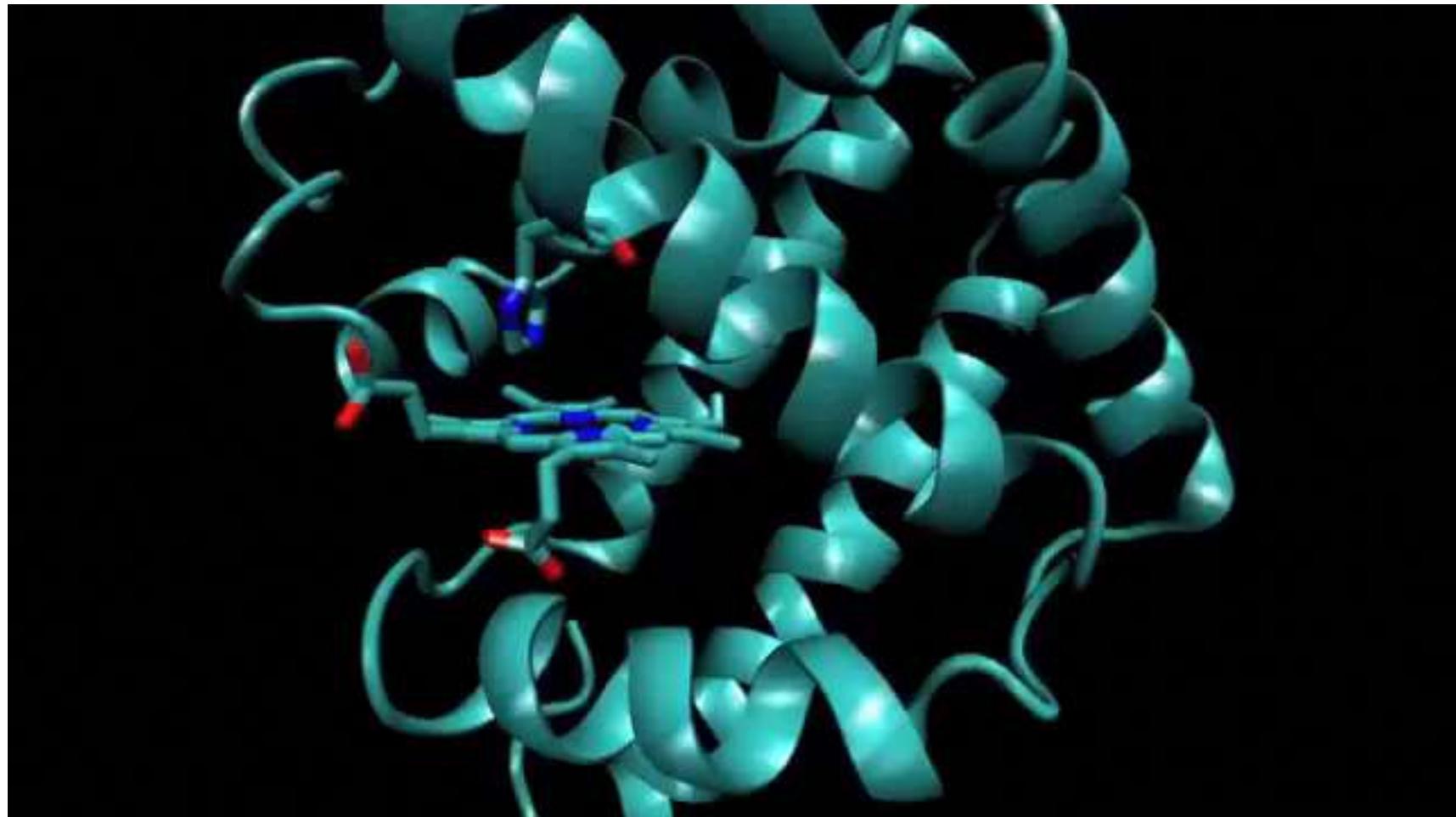
Ebind



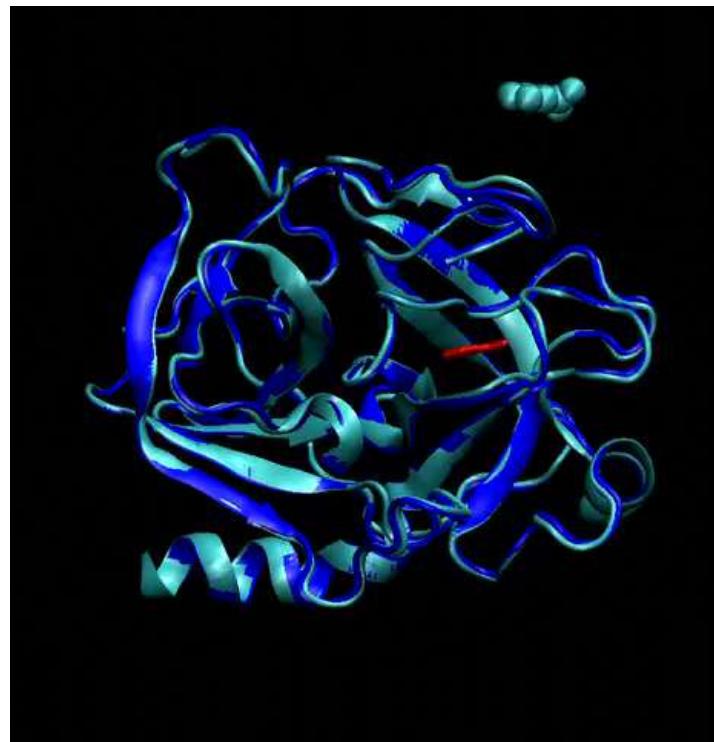
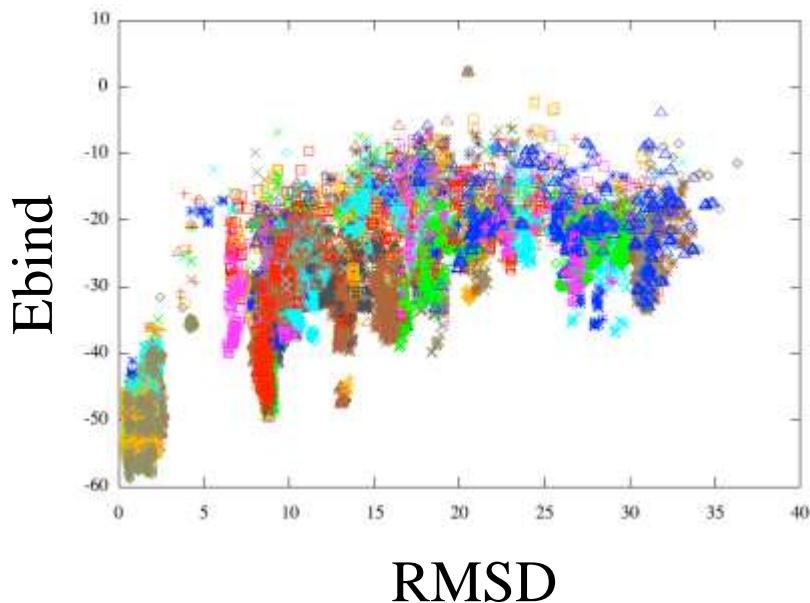
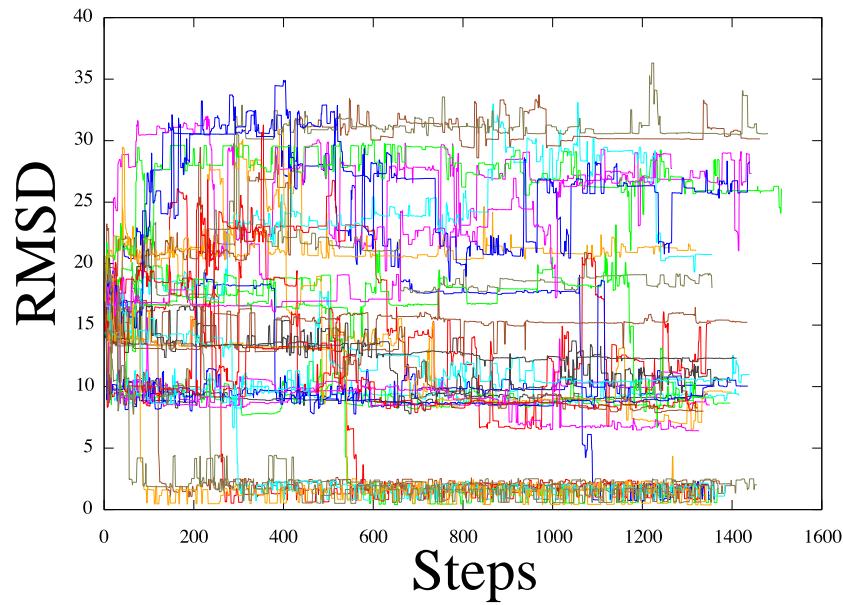
RMSD



**Want to see carbon monoxide getting inside Mb?**

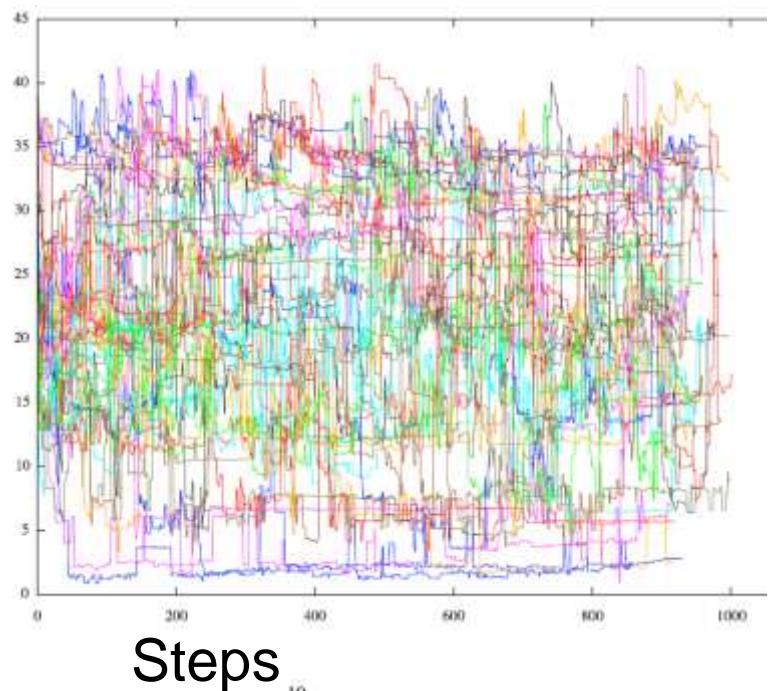


# Full ligand random exploration: Benzamidine binding to the bovine trypsin.

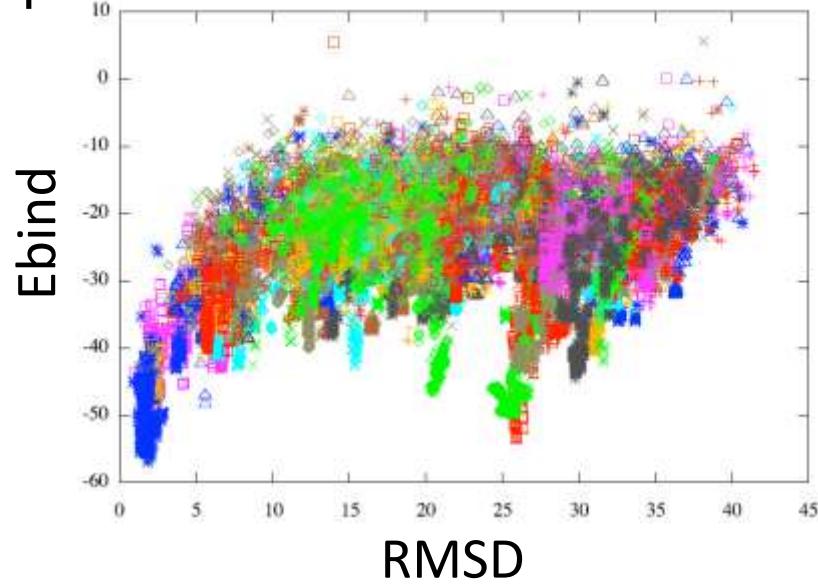


Can we do a difficult case like the Src Kinase?

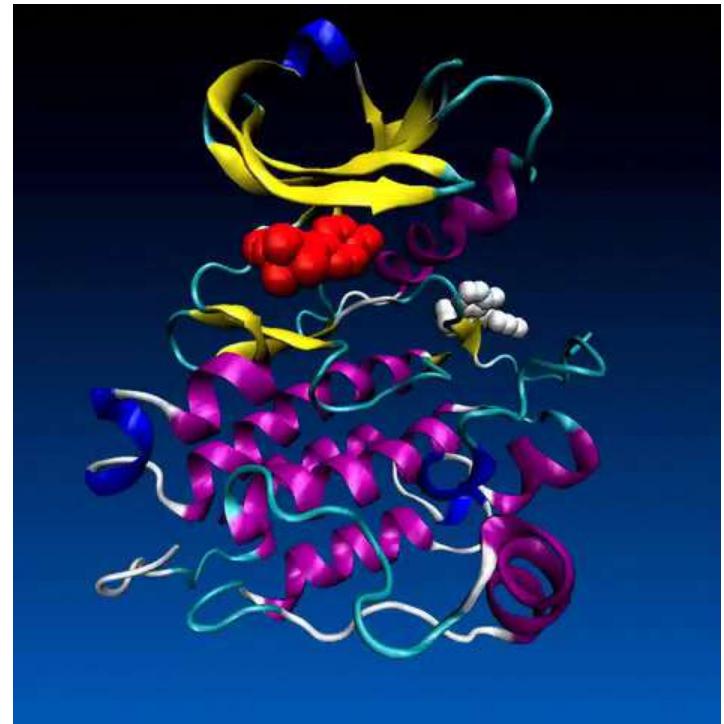
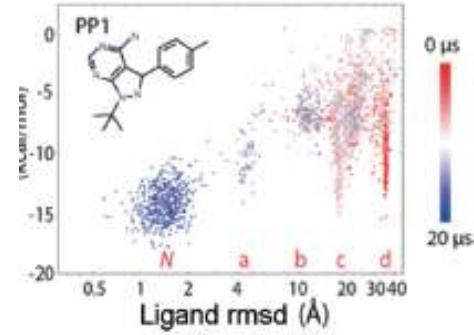
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Steps



RMSD



# The PELE Server

The screenshot shows a web browser displaying the PELE Server at <https://pele.bsc.es/pele.wt/about>. The page header includes the BSC logo, the text "Barcelona Supercomputing Center Centro Nacional de Supercomputación", and the PELE logo. The main content area is titled "About PELE". It contains a brief description of the software, mentioning its development using technological advances in protein structure prediction, its acronym PELE (Protein Energy Landscape Exploration), and its combination of Monte Carlo stochastic approach and protein structure prediction algorithms. Below this, a figure illustrates the heuristic algorithm for landscape exploration, showing a cycle of three steps: localized perturbation, side chain sampling, and minimization, all within a 1-2 minute time frame.

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**About PELE**

Using technological advances in protein structure prediction, we have developed **PELE** (an acronym for Protein Energy Landscape Exploration), a novel method to perform protein energy landscape explorations. **PELE** combines a Monte Carlo stochastic approach with protein structure prediction algorithms and is capable of accurately reproducing long time scale processes in only few hours of CPU.

Figure below shows the heuristic algorithm for the landscape exploration method which is based on three main steps: *an initial perturbation*, *a side chain sampling* and *a final minimization*.

The diagram illustrates the PELE heuristic algorithm as a cyclical process. A large blue arrow curves around the cycle, starting from the top right and pointing back towards the top left. The cycle is divided into three main stages: 1. **E<sub>i</sub> (initial energy)**: This stage includes **Localized perturbation** (which further includes ligand displacement and ANM backbone motion) and **Side Chain Sampling**. 2. **E<sub>f</sub> (final energy)**: This stage includes **Minimization**. 3. The entire cycle is labeled with a time interval of **1-2 min**.

**E<sub>i</sub> (initial energy)**

1-2 min

**E<sub>f</sub> (final energy)**

- . **Localized perturbation**
  - ligand displacement
  - ANM backbone motion
- . **Side Chain Sampling**
- . **Minimization**

# First thing: Ligand and protein check!

- Check Protein, missing loops, side chain...
- Ligand need to have unique atom names!
- Check protonation state, **read literature!**
- It needs to be one ligand (not composition of different ones...) → unique ligand number, name..
- Run the Protein Wizard of Maestro but check interactively each hydrogen bond, ligand, etc!!!

# The lig file

\* LIGAND DATABASE FILE (OPLS2005)

\*

INH 57 60 117 205 362

1 0 M CM \_C1\_ 1 46.079180 104.111990 50.326750  
2 1 M CM \_C3\_ 3 1.338190 85.268590 104.753090  
3 1 S CO4 \_C5\_ 5 1.468930 37.845760 -103.947950

.....

11 16 8 4 10 18 3 18 2 10 1 13 4 3 19 4 3

12 3 4 5 1 2 1 1 2 1 1 2 1 1 8 6 4

.....

NBON

1 3.5500 0.0760 -0.115000 2.0020 1.7750 0.023028004 -0.852763146  
2 3.5500 0.0760 -0.115000 2.0020 1.7750 0.023028004 -0.852763146

.....

BOND

1 2 549.000 1.340  
1 3 320.000 1.462

.....

THET

1 2 8 70.00000 124.00000  
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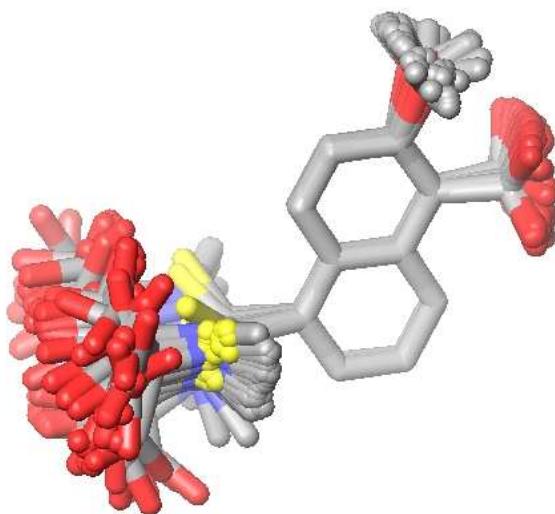
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3 7 5 6 1.10000 -1.0 2.0

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END

# The **LIG.rot.assign** file



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sidelib FREE30_C6_C22 &
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newgrp &
sidelib FREE10_C10_C11_ &
newgrp &
sidelib FREE10_C16_O4_ &
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Might the ligand dynamics be coupled to protein dynamics???  
Global normal modes (INSPECT MODES AND MAYBE  
SELECT?):

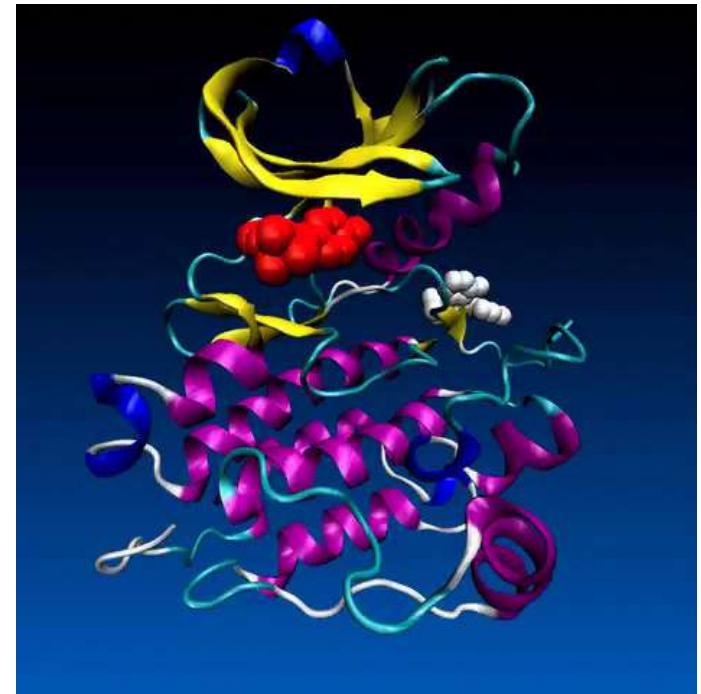
.....  
***caconst 0.1 &***  
***anm\_eig\_freq 100000 &***

*Specific mode! to open close some domain...*

***anm\_altm\_freq 8 &***  
***anm\_altm\_type 4 &***  
***lanmanm mode 5 &***

*general random case:*

***anm\_altm\_freq 4 &***  
***anm\_altm\_type 3 &***



And... avoid some highly moving parts to dominate the ANM motion!

```
caconst 0.01 &
rem_bulk_mov 3 &
anm_eig_freq 10000 &
anm_altm_freq 6 &
anm_altm_type 3 &
lanmanm move_ca 0.75 &
lanmanm neig 6 &
lanmanm mix_modes 0.8 &
lanmanm omit_no A:907 A:917 &
lanmanm omit_no A:980 A:983 &
```

## The control file

```
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file log dyn.log
```

```
energy params solvent vdgbnp  
energy params ionic 0.15
```

```
load pdb INIT0001.pdb ions yes waters no het yes
```

```
constraint atom A:500:MG__ atom A:217:_OD1 200 1.9 &  
atom A:500:MG__ atom A:217:_OD2 200 1.9 &  
atom A:500:MG__ atom A:12:_OD1 200 1.82 &  
atom A:500:MG__ atom A:209:_OD1 200 1.82 &
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load native 3vhv.pdb het yes
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```
pele &  
het L:1 &
```

## Focus more on concepts than on syntax!

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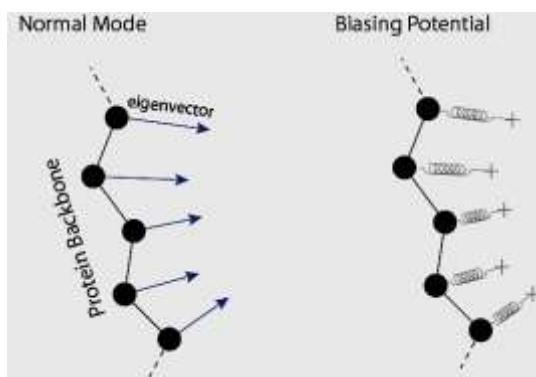
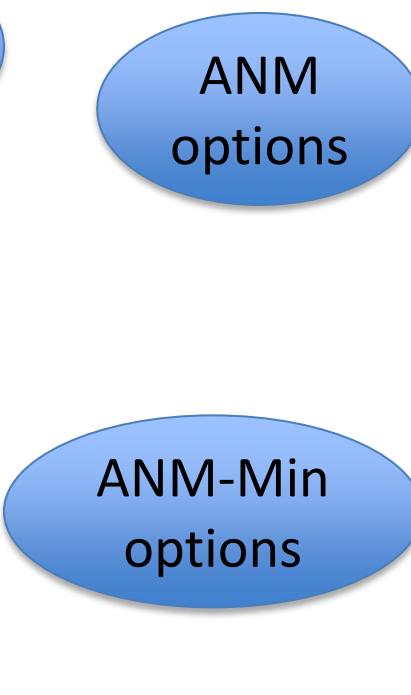
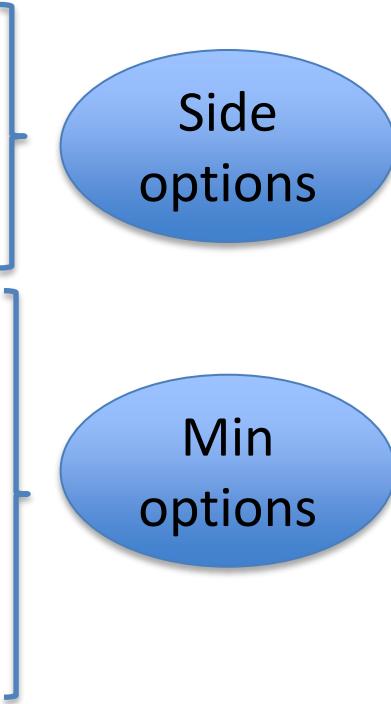
```
pele &  
het L:1 &
```

This will eliminate the “abstraction of the MG ion by the ligand as we saw before

For comparison or guiding!

```
pele &
    het L:1 &
task &
    show bind_ene 1 &
    show rmsd_lig 1 heavy 0 &
    show atom 1 A:234:_CA_ &
    spawn point 1 -13.5 -3.6 76.8 lt 5.0 &
    if random 1 gt 0.5 then rot_r 0.1 else rot_r 0.25 endif &
exit steps gt 2000 &
    exit point 1 -13.5 -3.6 76.8 lt 8.0 &
    exit atom 1 A:256:_CA_
task &
    spawn point 1 -13.5 -3.6 76.8 within 8.0 &
exit steps gt 500 &
end_task &
temp 1000 &
anmfreq 1 &
spfreq 1 &
mifreq 1 &
```

.....  
wrfreq 1 &  
path traj\_ &  
rem\_bulk\_mov 3 &  
spradius **6** &  
side &  
**randomize yes** &  
iter 1 &  
sideend &  
mirad 100 &  
min &  
rmsg 0.03 &  
nbup yes &  
alphaup yes &  
minimend &  
**caconst 0.1** &  
.....



## Free search

task &

....

```
if random 1 gt 0.5 then rot_r 0.1 else rot_r 0.25 endif &  
if random 2 gt 0.5 then tra_r 6.0 tries 100 else tra_r 1.0 tries 5 endif &  
end_task &
```

**steered 1 & ??????**

**waitfor 3 & ??????**

**lcom\_con 0.1 &**

