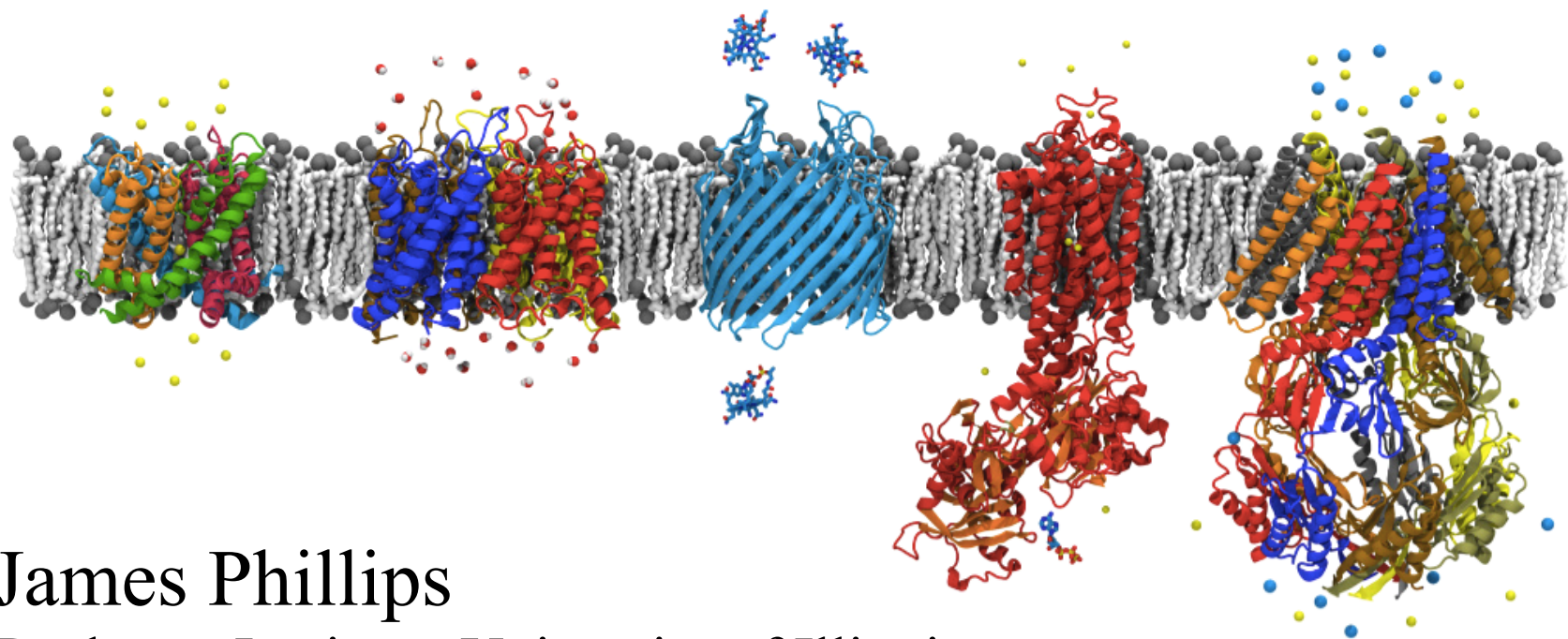


Enhanced Charm++ Replica Facility For *The Computational Microscope*



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NCSA/UIUC Enhanced Intellectual Services for Petascale
Performance (NEIS-P²) Program 2013 Blue Waters Symposium



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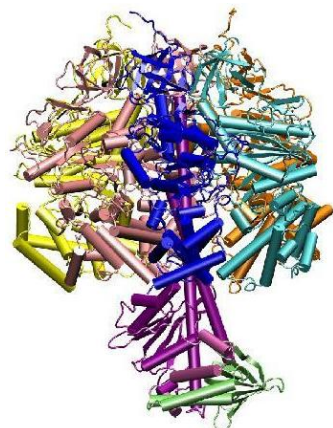
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NAMD: Scalable Molecular Dynamics

2002 Gordon Bell Award



ATP synthase



PSC Lemieux

58,000 Users, 2900 Citations



Computational Biophysics Summer School

Blue Waters Target Application



Illinois Petascale Computing Facility

GPU Acceleration



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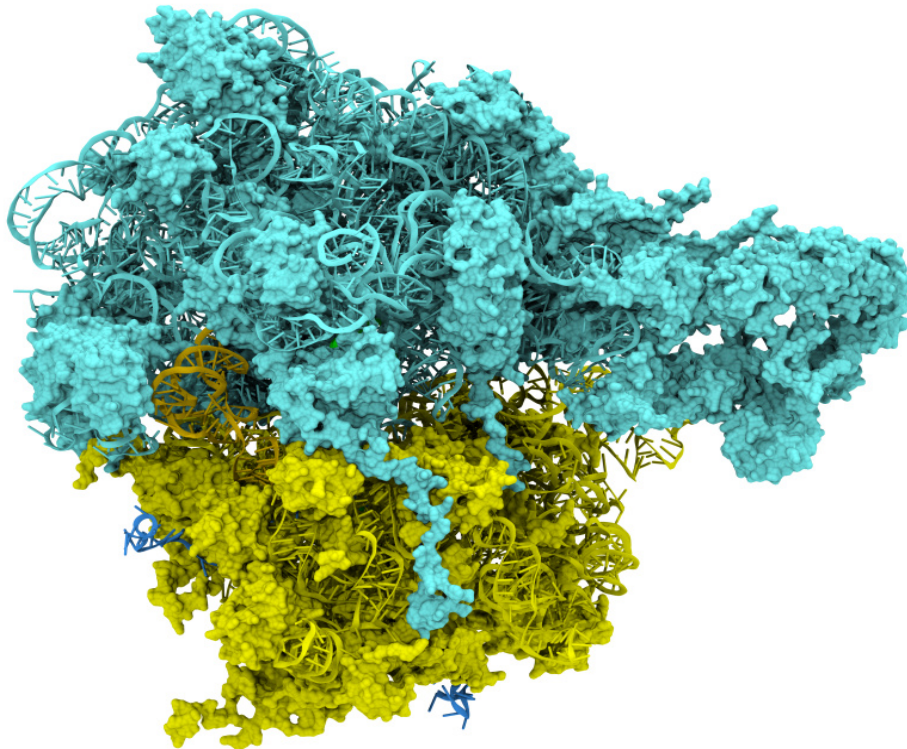
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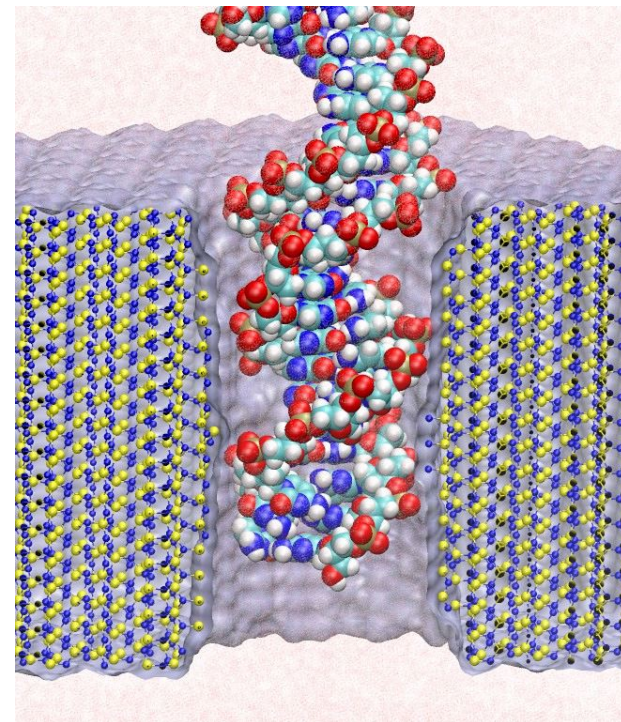
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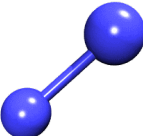
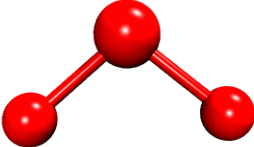
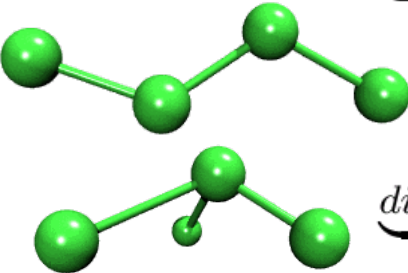
Ribosome: synthesizes proteins from genetic information



Silicon nanopore: bionanodevice for sequencing DNA



Molecular Mechanics Force Field

$$\begin{aligned}
 U(\vec{R}) = & \underbrace{\sum_{\text{bonds}} k_i^{\text{bond}} (r_i - r_0)^2}_{U_{\text{bond}}} + \underbrace{\sum_{\text{angles}} k_i^{\text{angle}} (\theta_i - \theta_0)^2}_{U_{\text{angle}}} + \\
 & \underbrace{\sum_{\text{dihedrals}} k_i^{\text{dihe}} [1 + \cos(n_i \phi_i + \delta_i)]}_{U_{\text{dihedral}}} + \\
 & \underbrace{\sum_i \sum_{j \neq i} 4\epsilon_{ij} \left[\left(\frac{\sigma_{ij}}{r_{ij}} \right)^{12} - \left(\frac{\sigma_{ij}}{r_{ij}} \right)^6 \right] + \sum_i \sum_{j \neq i} \frac{q_i q_j}{\epsilon r_{ij}}}_{U_{\text{nonbond}}}
 \end{aligned}$$

Classical Molecular Dynamics

Energy function: $U(\vec{r}_1, \vec{r}_2, \dots, \vec{r}_N) = U(\vec{R})$

used to determine the force on each atom:

$$m_i \frac{d^2 \vec{r}_i}{dt^2} = \vec{F}_i = -\vec{\nabla} U(\vec{R})$$

Newton's equation represents a set of N second order differential equations which are solved numerically via the Verlet integrator at discrete time steps to determine the trajectory of each atom

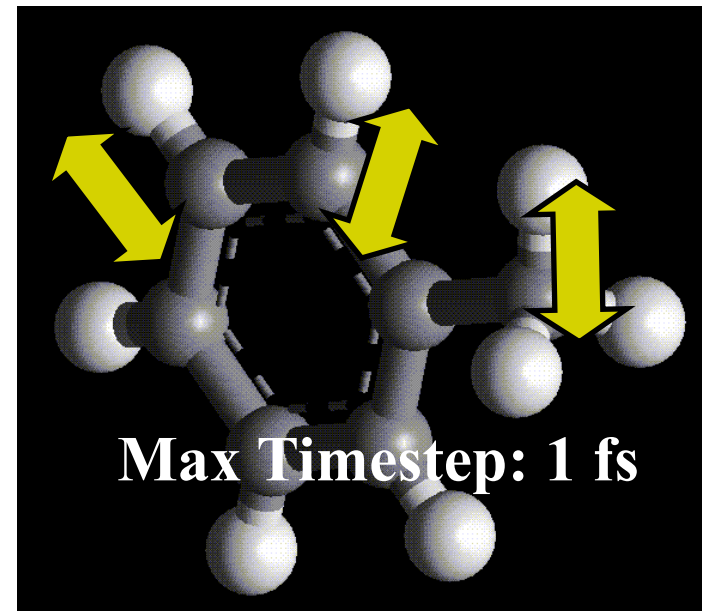
$$\vec{r}_i(t + \Delta t) = 2\vec{r}_i(t) - \vec{r}_i(t - \Delta t) + \frac{\Delta t^2}{m_i} \vec{F}_i(t)$$

Small terms added to control temperature and pressure.



Biomolecular Time Scales

| Motion | Time Scale (sec) |
|------------------------------------|--------------------------|
| Bond stretching | 10^{-14} to 10^{-13} |
| Elastic vibrations | 10^{-12} to 10^{-11} |
| Rotations of surface sidechains | 10^{-11} to 10^{-10} |
| Hinge bending | 10^{-11} to 10^{-7} |
| Rotation of buried side chains | 10^{-4} to 1 sec |
| Allosteric transistions | 10^{-5} to 1 sec |
| Local denaturations | 10^{-5} to 10 sec |



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Historical perspective

- 1993: First paper with Charm++ as a name for our system appeared in OOPSLA '93
 - Prior to that we had a C-based system called Charm
 - So, it has been (gulp) 20 years!
- NAMD development in Charm++ : 94-95
- 1994: Articulated Design Philosophy

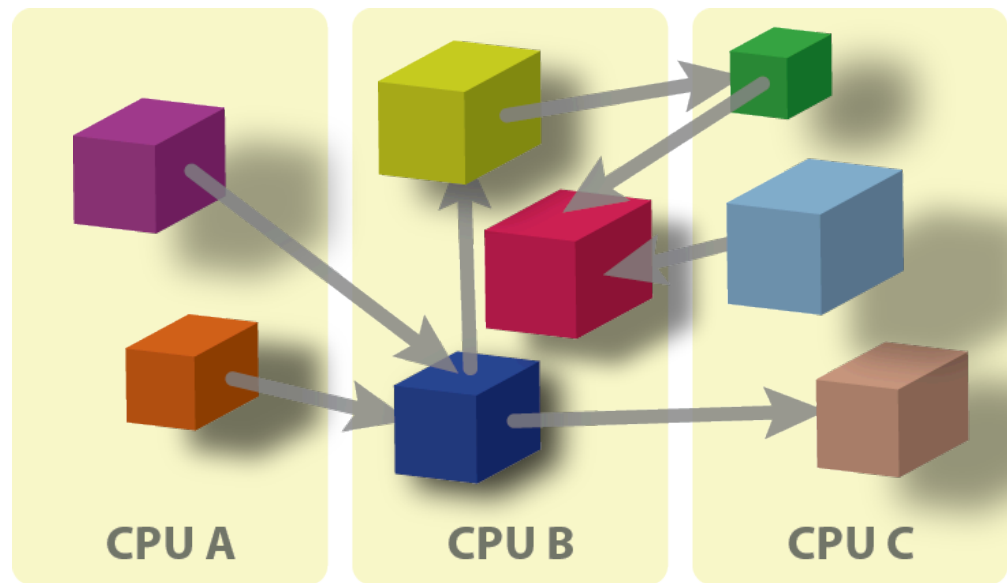
Object based over-decomposition

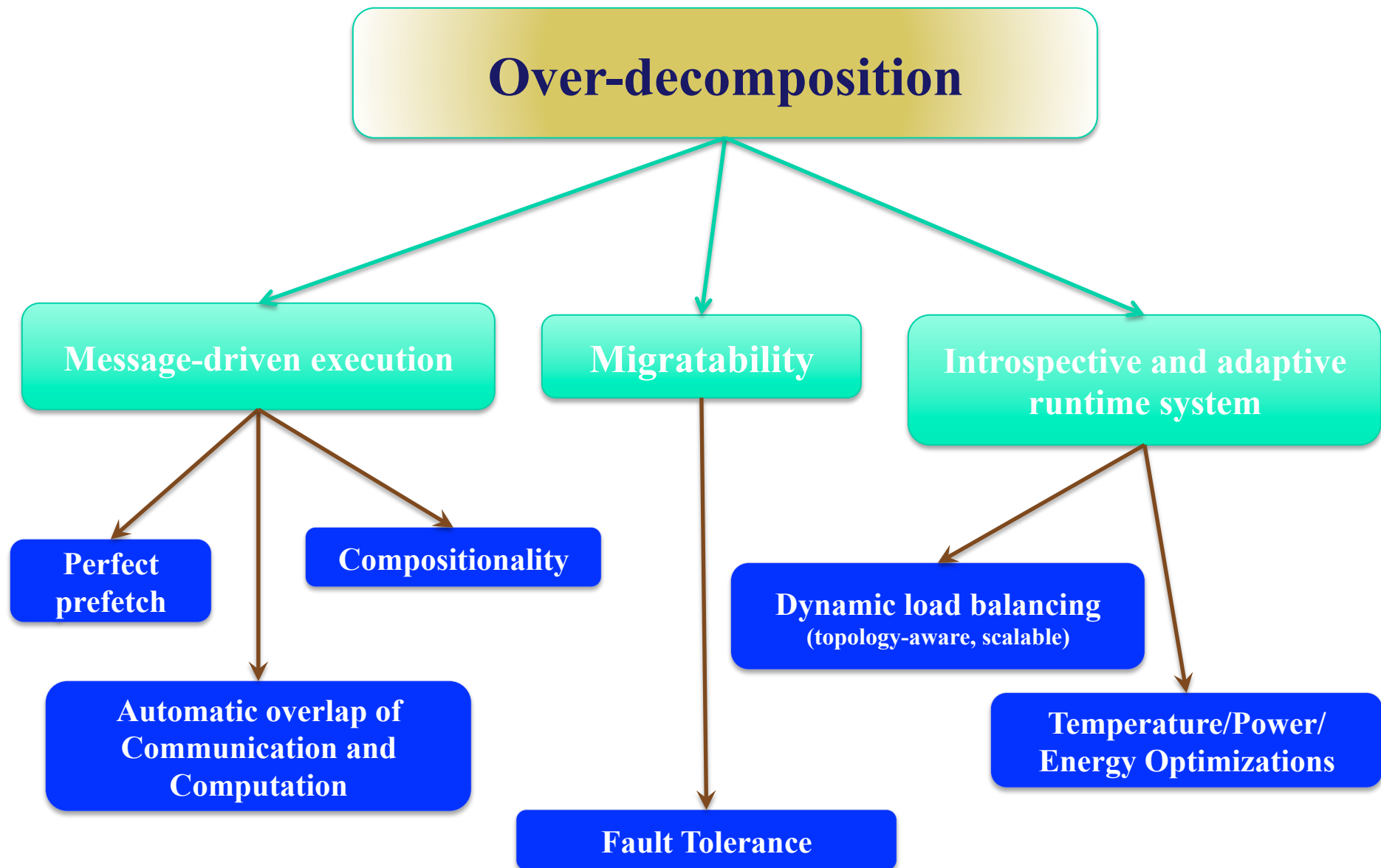
- Let the programmer decompose computation into objects
 - Work units, data-units, composites
- Let an intelligent runtime system assign objects to processors
 - RTS can change this assignment during execution
- This empowers the RTS
 - The research agenda started with the simple precept above, just before NAMD,
 - Continued until now!



Charm++

- Multiple indexed collection of C++ objects
- Programmer expresses communication between objects





Charm++ is a robust system

- Nightly build system
 - Dozens of machine, OS, Network, compiler combinations
 - 50,000 NAMD users depend on it
- Git repository, in addition to regular releases
- Online manuals, tutorials, ..
- Recent addition of Redmine (publicly accessible) to track bug-reports, bug-fixes, and feature development

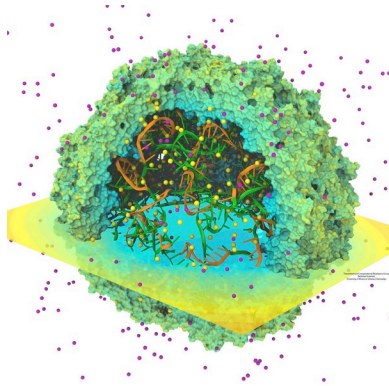
Charm++ is scalable & efficient

- Demonstrated on many min-apps of our own
 - Barnes-Hut (scaled to 32k+ cores)
 - LU (HPL)
 - LeanMD
 - Structured Adaptive Mesh Refinement (AMR)
 - FFT
 - Sparse-Triangular solver
 -
 - HPC Challenge award in 2011 (shared w Chapel)

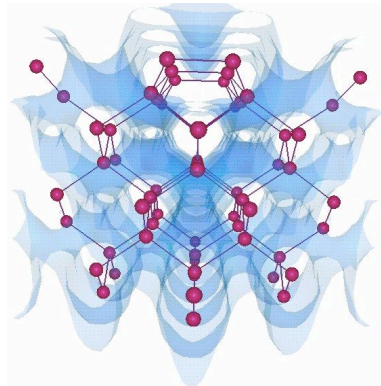


Some Charm++ Applications

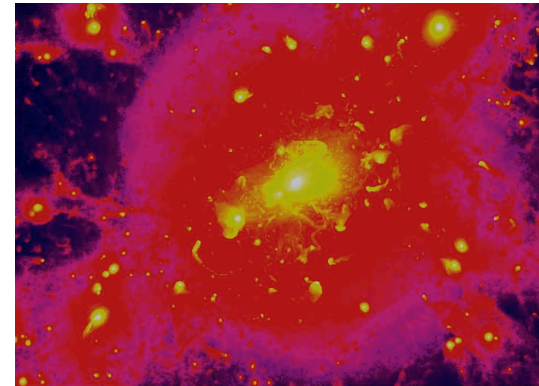
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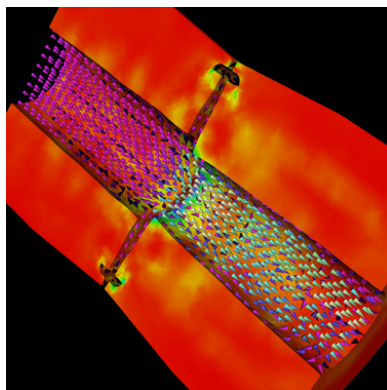
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ChaNGa



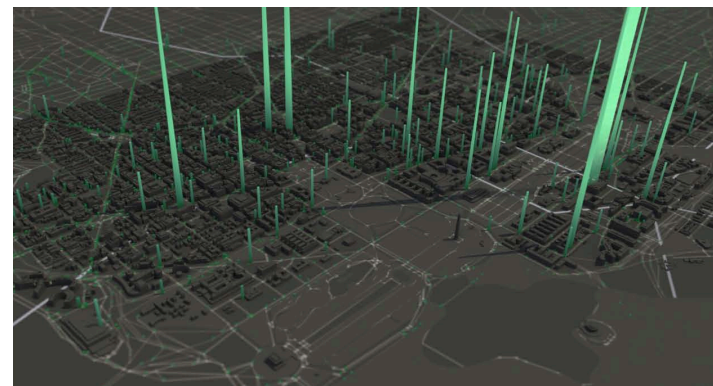
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Others:

- **BRAMS**
- **ISAM**
- **Stochastic Optimization**
- ...

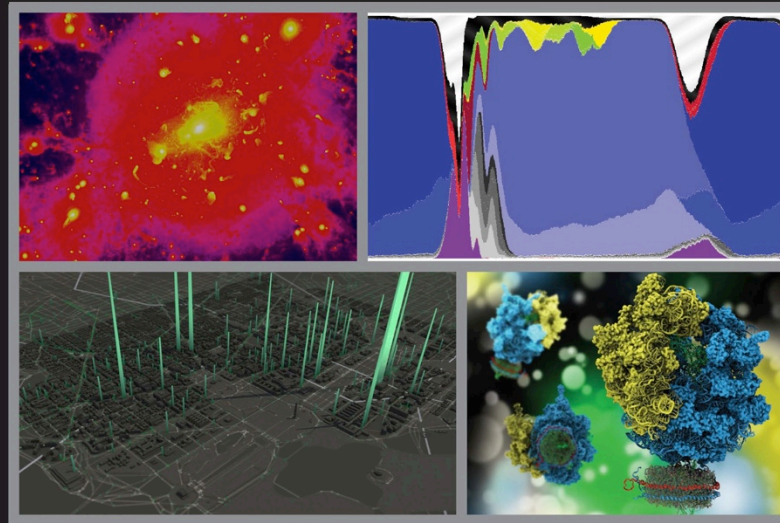
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Parallel Science and Engineering Applications
The Charm++ Approach

**An upcoming book
Surveys seven
major applications
developed using
Charm++**



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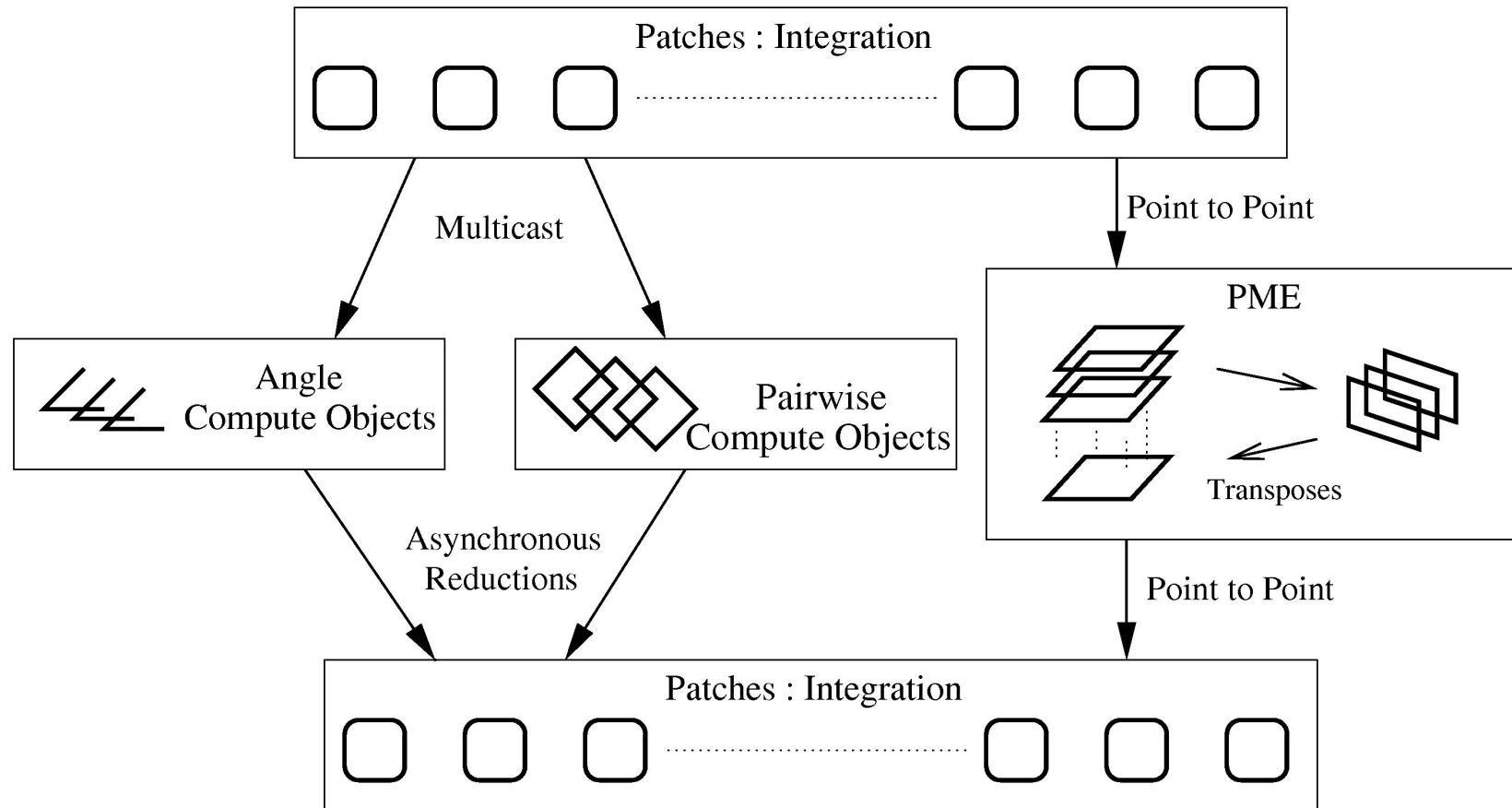
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Taylor & Francis Group

Charm++ Used by NAMID

- Parallel C++ with *data driven* objects.
- Asynchronous method invocation.
- Prioritized scheduling of messages/execution.
- Measurement-based load balancing.
- Portable messaging layer.

NAMD Overlapping Execution

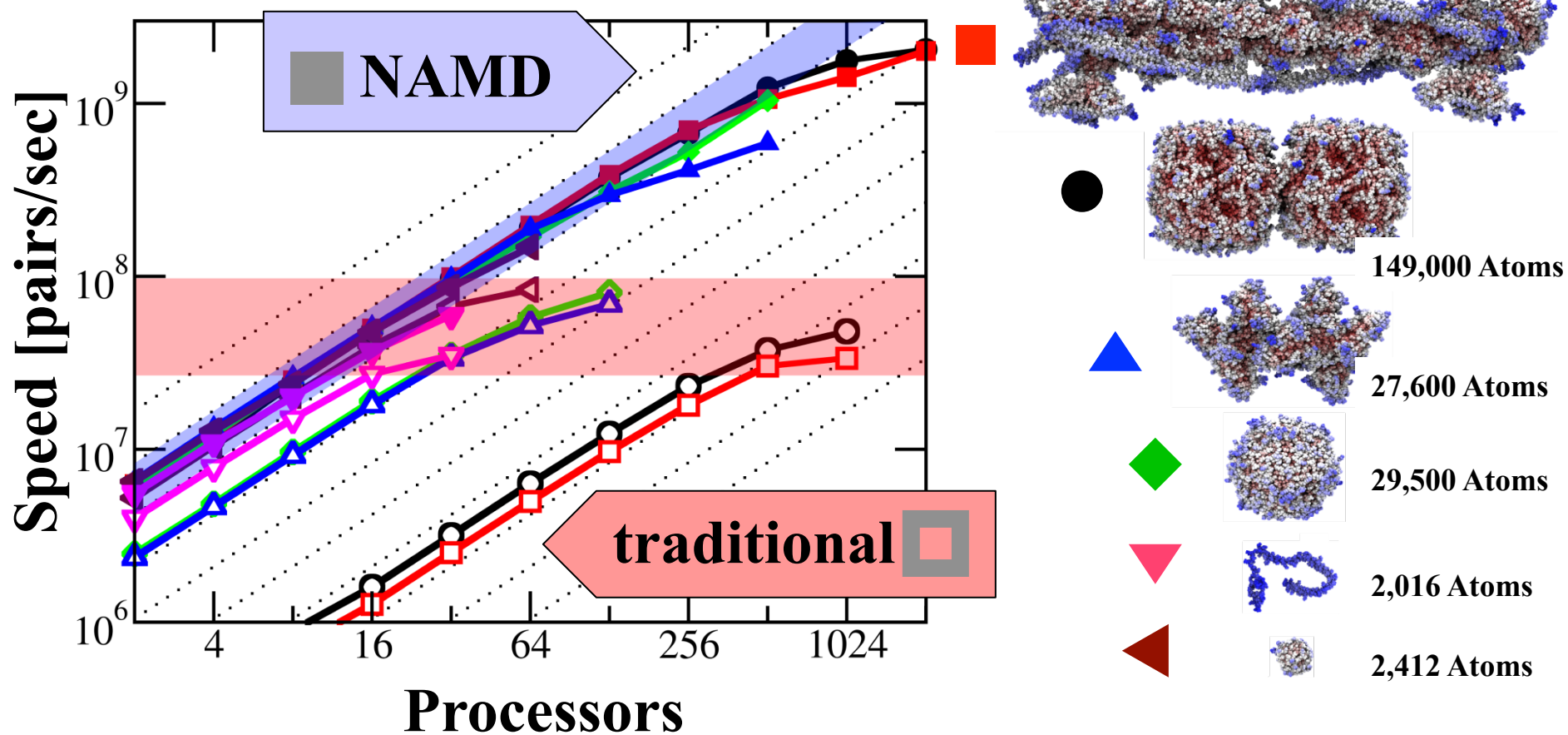
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Objects are assigned to processors and queued as data arrives.

NAMD 2.8 Highly Scalable Implicit Solvent Model

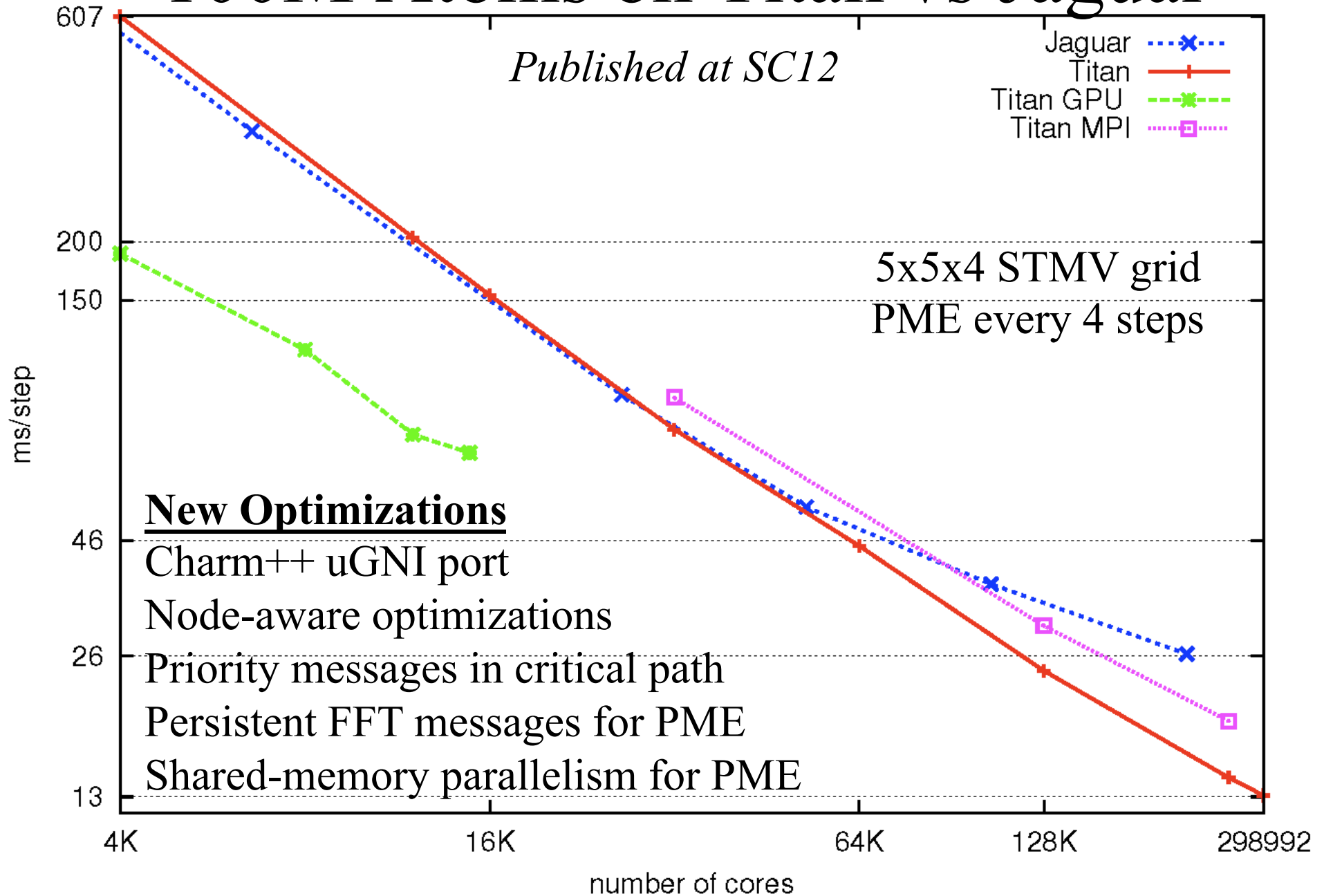
NAMD Implicit Solvent is 4x more scalable than Traditional Implicit Solvent for all system sizes, implemented by one GRA in 6 months.

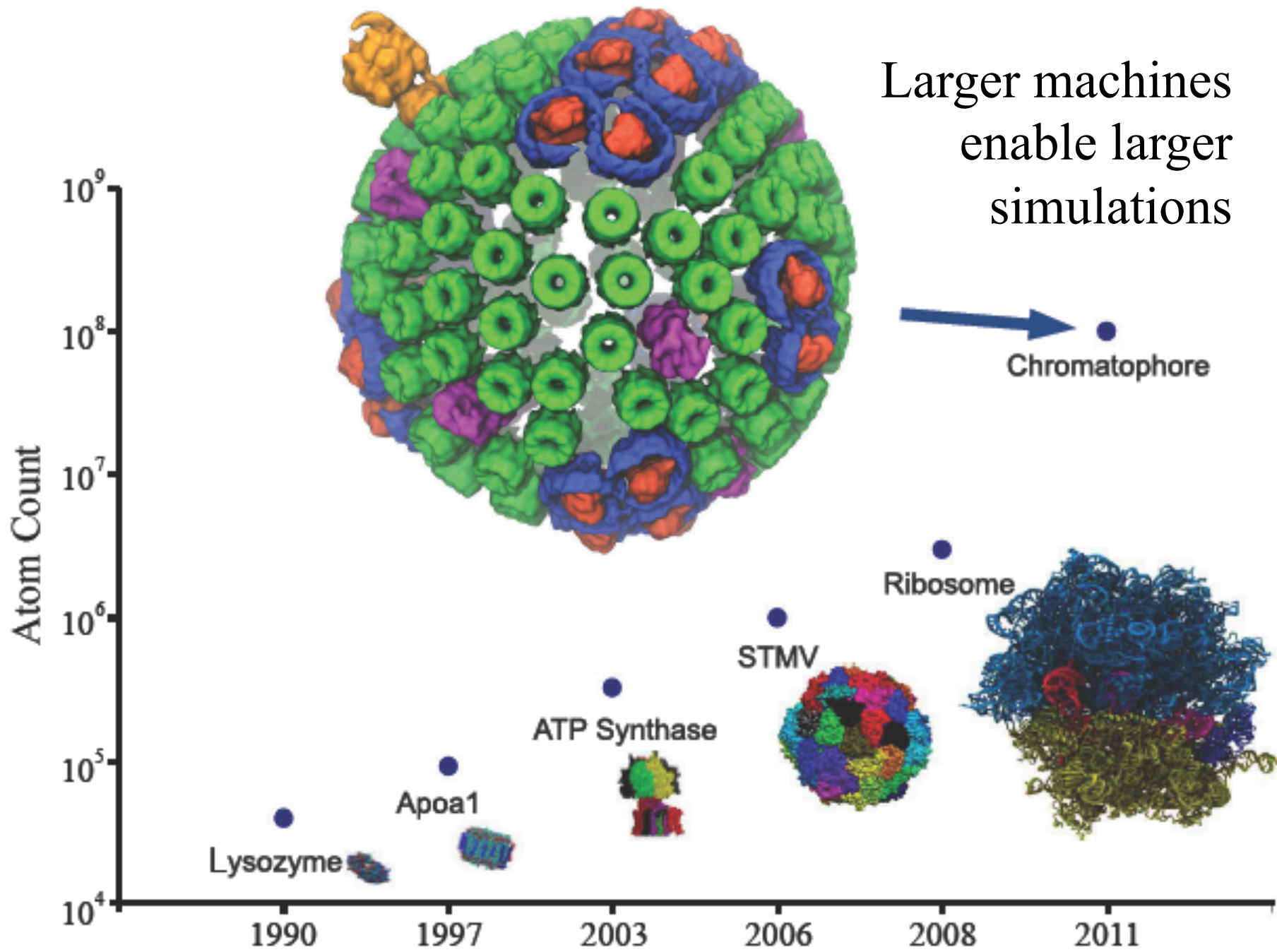


Tanner et al., J. Chem. Theory and Comp., 7:3635-3642, 2011

100M Atoms on Titan vs Jaguar

Published at SC12



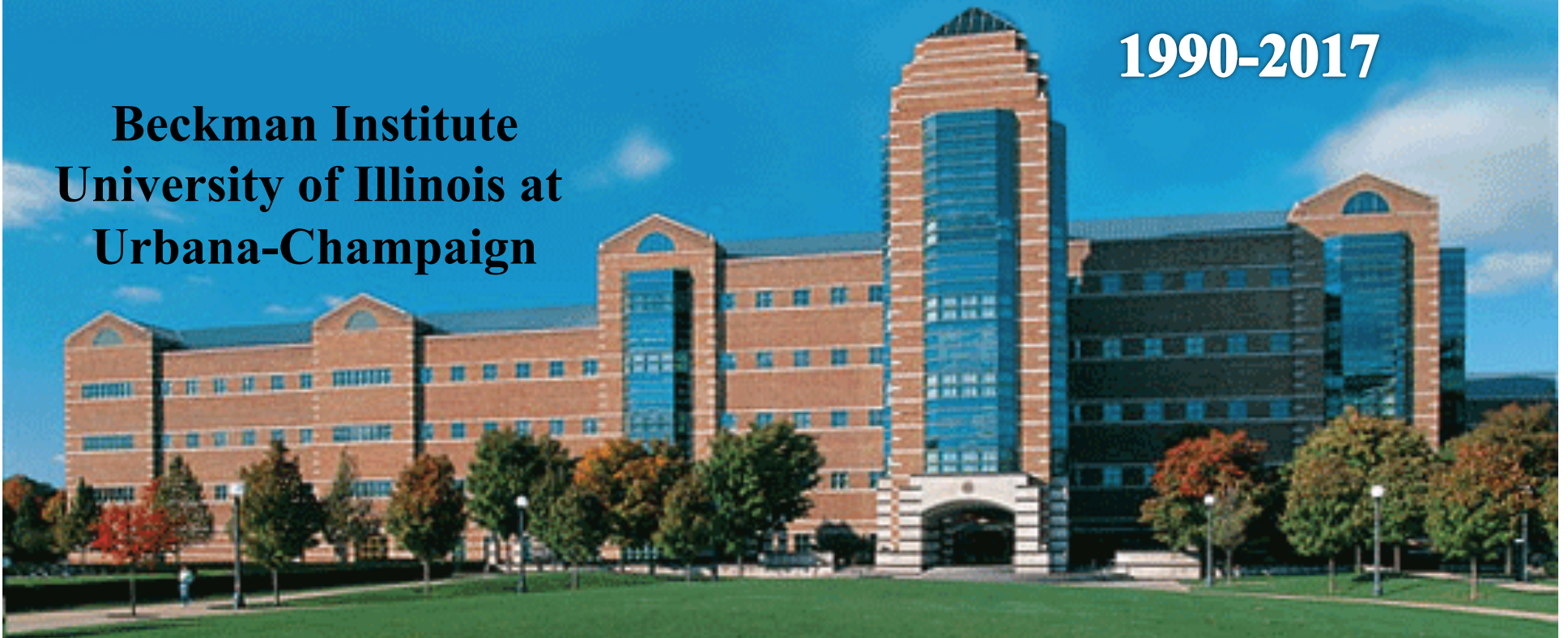




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Physics of in vivo Molecular Systems

Biomolecular interactions span many orders of magnitude in space and time.

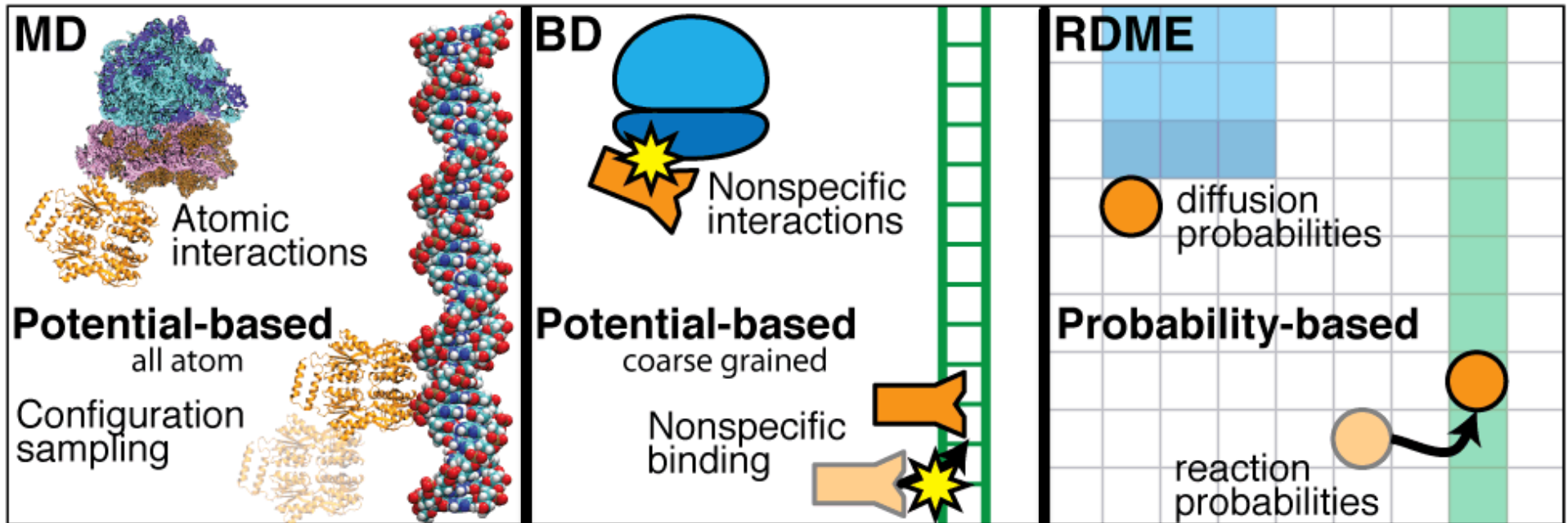
Center software provides multi-scale computational modeling.

femtoseconds

Ångstrom

hours

microns



NAMD
Scalable Molecular Dynamics

MDFF
Molecular Dynamics Flexible Fitting

HMMM
Highly Mobile Membrane Mimetic

VMD
Visual Molecular Dynamics

BrownianMover
Brownian Dynamics

VMD
Visual Molecular Dynamics

NAMD
Scalable Molecular Dynamics

BD: Brownian Dynamics

LatticeMicrobes
Whole Cell Simulations

VMD
Visual Molecular Dynamics

RDME: Reaction-diffusion
master equation

Collaborative Driving Projects

1. Ribosome

R. Beckmann (U. Munich)
 J. Frank (Columbia U.)
 T. Ha (UIUC)
 K. Fredrick (Ohio state U.)
 R. Gonzalez (Columbia U.)

2. Blood Coagulation Factors

J. Morrissey (UIUC)
 S. Sligar (UIUC)
 C. Rienstra (UIUC)
 G. Gilbert (Harvard)

3. Whole Cell Behavior

W. Baumeister (MPI Biochem.)
 J. Xiao (Johns Hopkins U.)
 C.N. Hunter (U. Sheffield)
 N. Price (U. Washington)

4. Biosensors

R. Bashir (UIUC)
 J. Gundlach (U. Washington)
 G. Timp (U. Notre Dame)
 M. Wanunu (Northeastern U.)
 L. Liu (UIUC)

5. Viral Infection Process

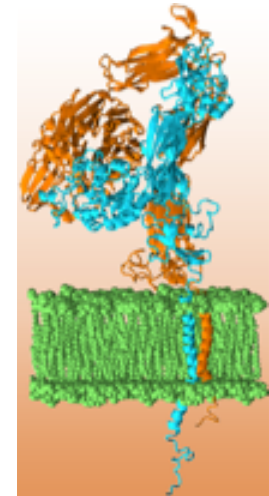
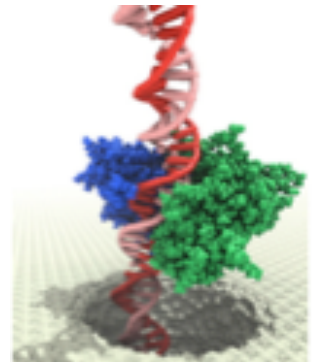
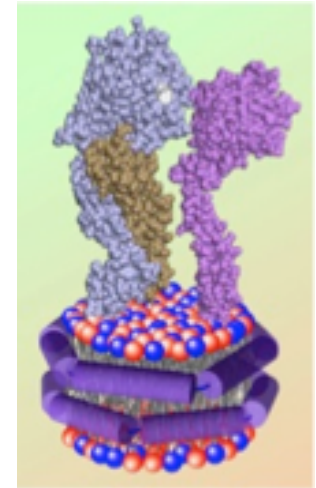
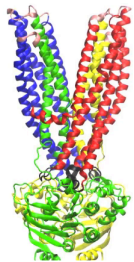
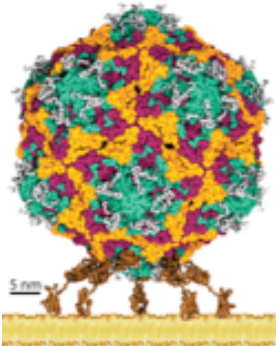
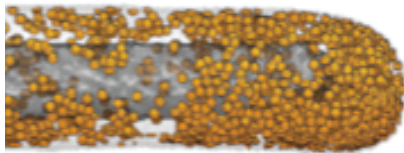
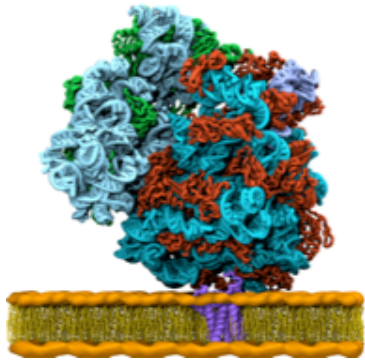
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 A. Gronenborn (U. Pittsburgh)

6. Integrin

T. Ha (UIUC)
 T. Springer (Harvard U.)

7. Membrane Transporters

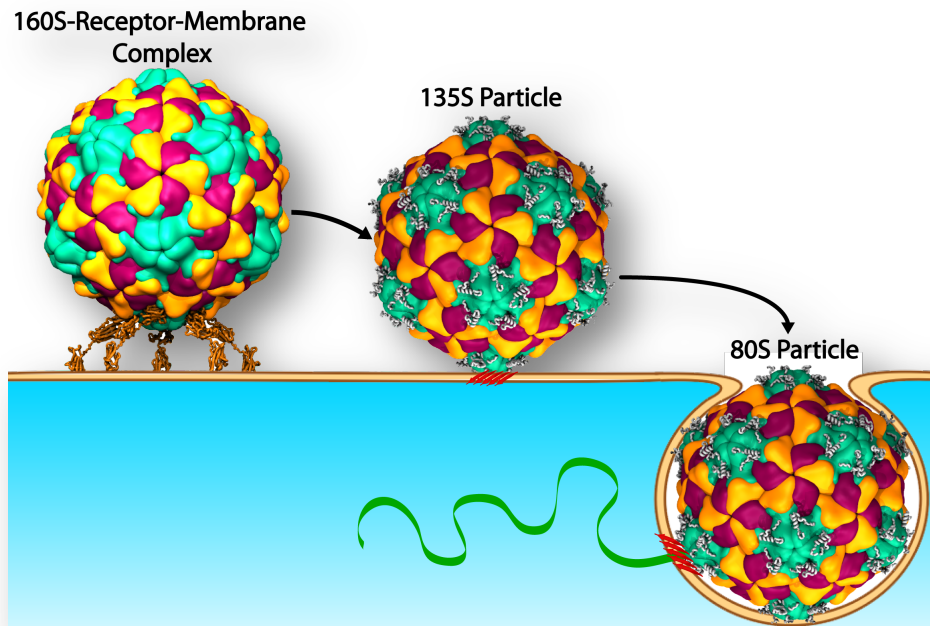
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Viral Infection Driving Projects

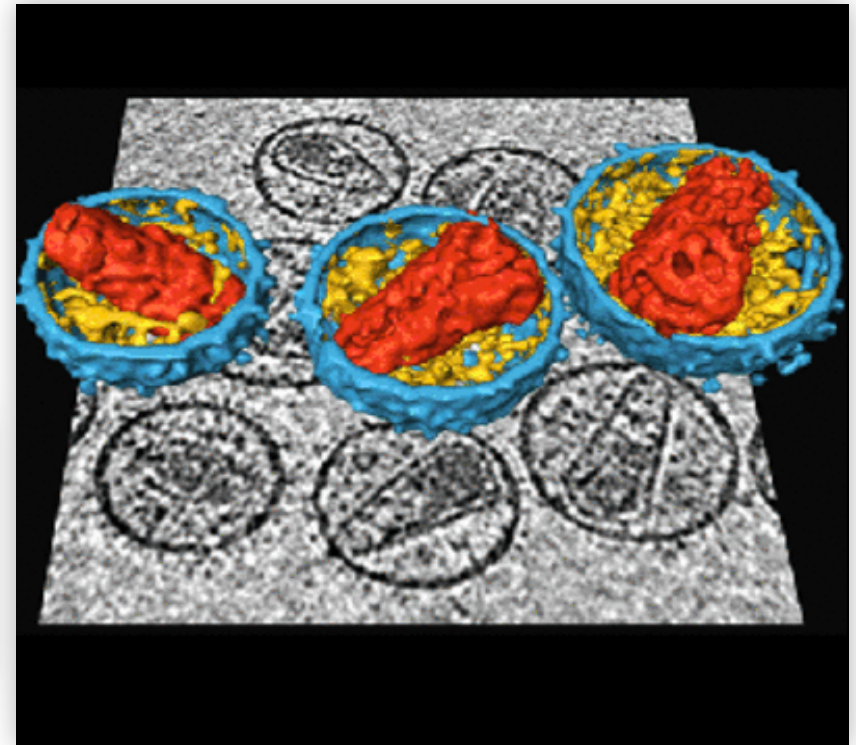
Poliovirus

Poliovirus is a model system for understanding how non-enveloped viruses bind to and enter a host cell.



Human Immunodeficiency Virus 1

Knowledge of HIV capsid atomic structure may reveal disassembly mechanism and guide novel therapies.



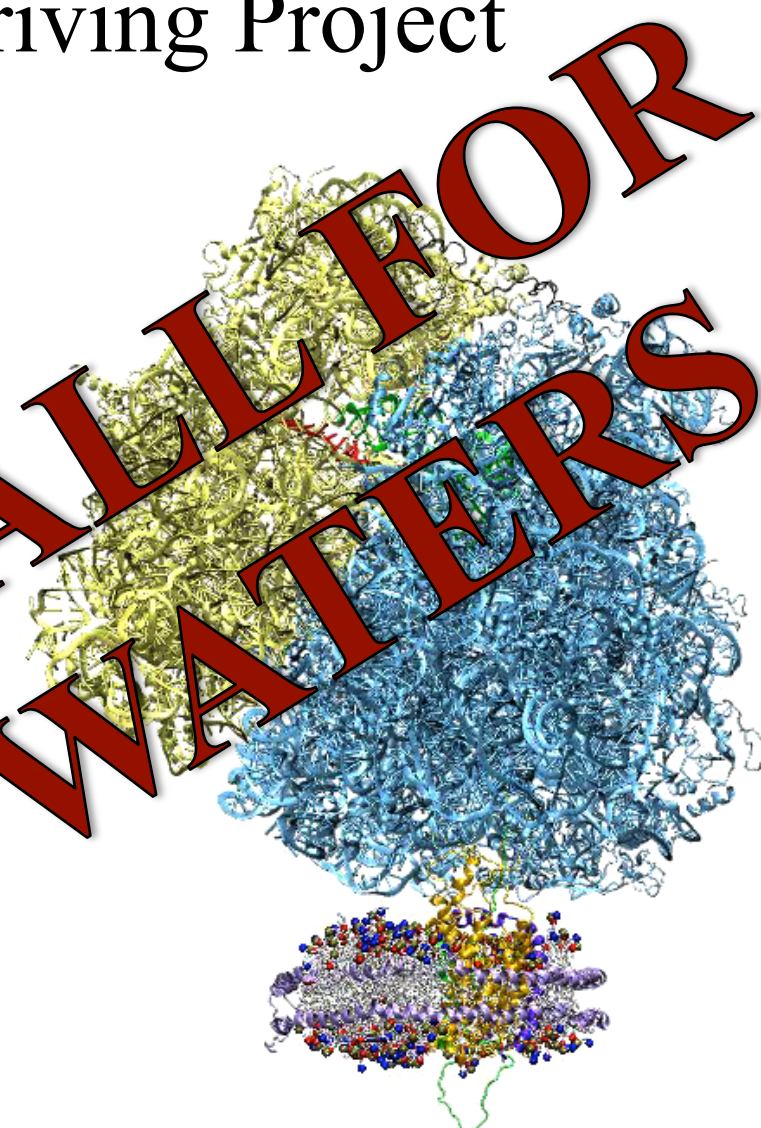
Briggs et al. Structure (2006) 14:15-20.

Ribosome Driving Project

Target of over 50%
of antibiotics

Many related diseases. e.g. Alzheimer's
disease due to dysfunctional ribosomes
(J. Neuroscience 2005, 25, 9171-9175)

Localization failure of nascent chains
lead to neurodegenerative disease
(Mol. Biol. of the Cell 2005, 16, 279-291)



**TOO SMALL FOR
BLUE WATERS**

NAMD 2.6 Replica Exchange (2006)

- Implemented entirely in Tcl:
 - Rapid development
 - User-modifiable
 - Portable
 - Master Tcl interpreter:
 - Splits allocated nodes and launches NAMD slaves
 - Communicates with slaves via Unix network sockets
 - Issues commands to slave Tcl interpreters
 - Slave Tcl interpreter in NAMD slaves:
 - Listen to master socket
 - Run commands
 - Return results
 - Supports parallel tempering
- } Not portable

NAMD 2.9 MPI-Based Replica Exchange

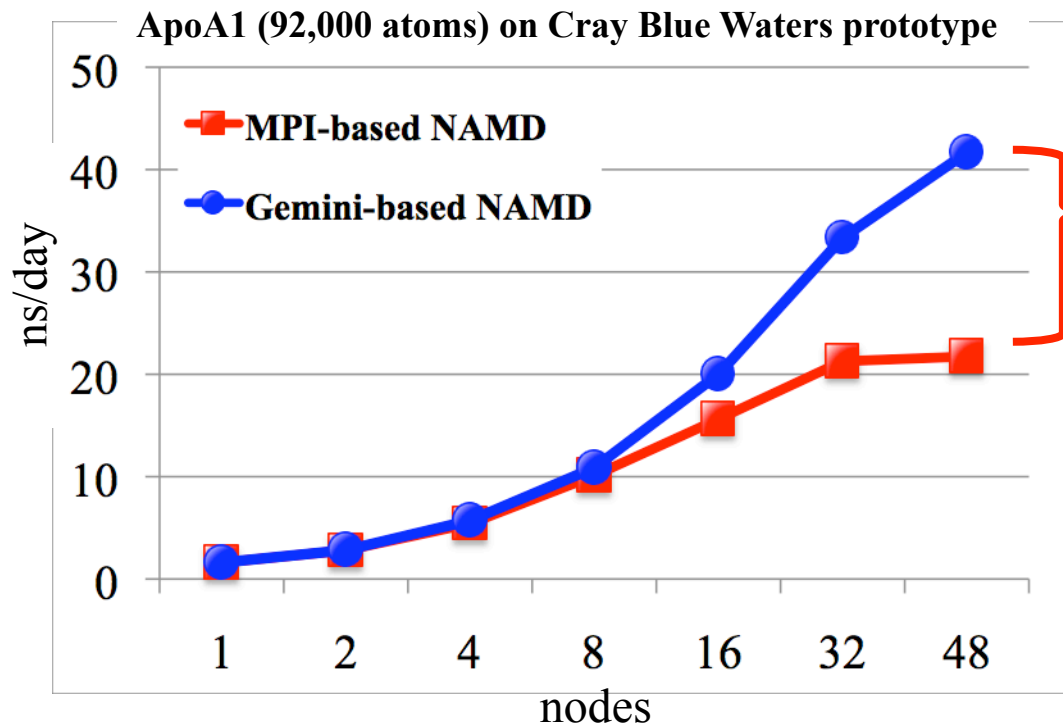
- Small patch for Charm++ MPI machine layer startup code:
 - Call `MPI_Comm_split()` to create “row” and “column” communicators
 - Charm++ uses “row” communicators instead of `MPI_COMM_WORLD`
 - Tcl interface to `MPI_Send()`, `MPI_Recv()`, `MPI_Sendrecv()` on “columns”
- Easier to use *and* more efficient:
 - Eliminates complex, machine-specific launch scripts
 - Scalable pair-wise communication between replicas
 - Fast communication via high-speed network
- Basis for many enhanced sampling methods:
 - Parallel tempering (temperature exchange)
 - Umbrella sampling for free-energy calculations
 - Hamiltonian exchange (alchemical or conformational)
- Great power *and* flexibility:
 - **Enables petascale simulations of modestly sized systems**
 - Leverages features of Collective Variables module
 - Tcl scripts can be highly customized and extended

} Released in
NAMD 2.9

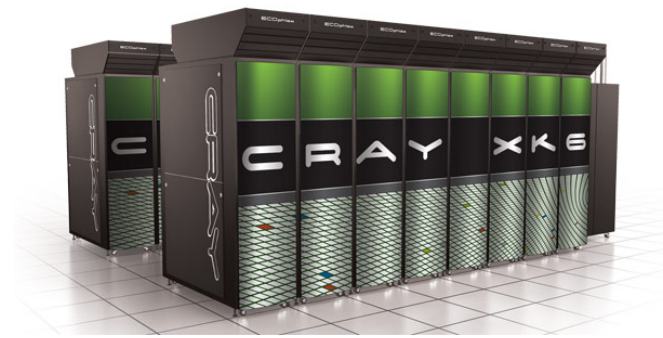


NEIS-P² Project: Bypass MPI

- Modify Charm++ “LRTS” generic machine layer
- Enable fine-grained inter-replica communications
- Optimize replica partitions for machine topology



LRTS Gemini doubles usable XE nodes for strong scaling and is essential for use of multiple GPU-accelerated nodes per replica.



NAMD 2.10 Scalable Replica Exchange

- More general Charm++ integration:
 - NAMD 2.9 used MPI communicator splitting
 - NAMD 2.10 splits replicas in Charm++ low-level runtime (LRTS)
 - LRTS underlies MPI, Cray (uGNI), and BlueGene/Q (PAMI) implementations
- Basis for many enhanced sampling methods:
 - Parallel tempering (temperature exchange)
 - Umbrella sampling for free-energy calculations
 - Hamiltonian exchange (alchemical or conformational)
 - Finite Temperature String method
 - Nudged elastic band

} Same Tcl scripts as NAMD 2.9

} Future work enabled by Charm++ integration
- Better scaling for individual replicas:
 - **Cray uGNI layer essential for multi-node GPU replicas**
 - IBM BlueGene/Q will benefit similarly from PAMI layer
 - Porting native InfiniBand (ibverbs) layer to LRTS

NEIS-P² Collateral Benefits

- Adds a new dimension of parallelism to Charm++
 - Existing code runs unmodified within a partition
 - Enables evolution from petascale to exascale
- Supports partitions of different sizes
 - Single-node master partition
 - Small output-buffering partition
 - Varying performance requirements
- Enables pruning of undesirable nodes from job
 - Extract compact set of nodes from allocation
 - Eliminate Gemini shared with other jobs
- Enables replication-based soft fault tolerance

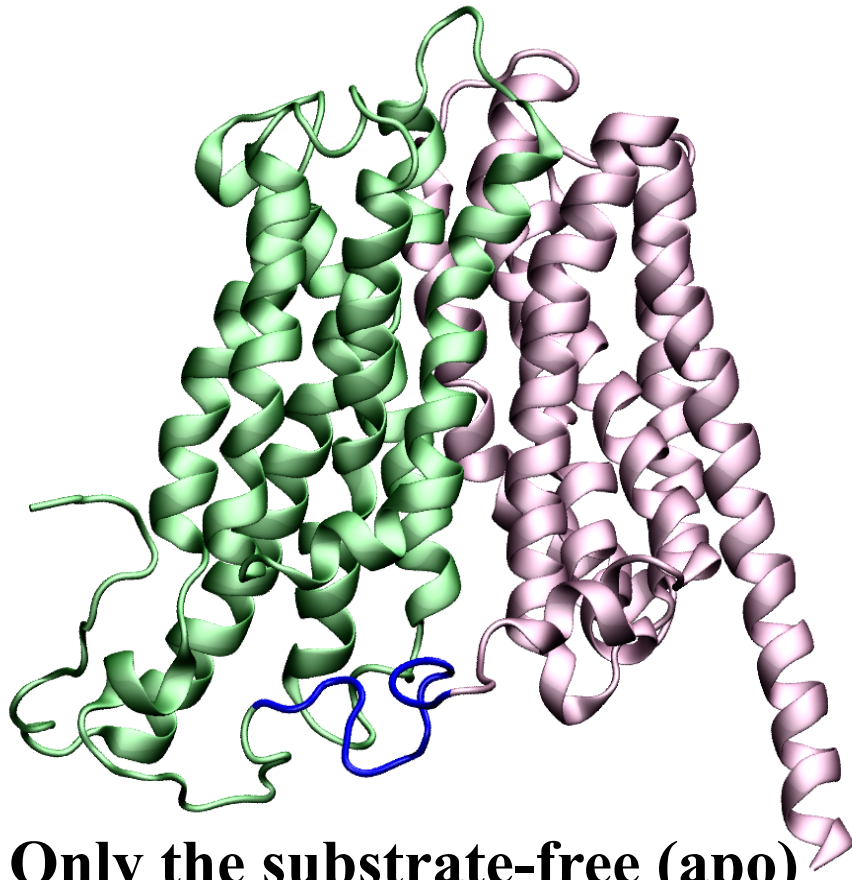


Free Energy Landscapes of
GlpT Transporter
Obtained from
Bias-Exchange
(Umbrella Sampling)
Simulations

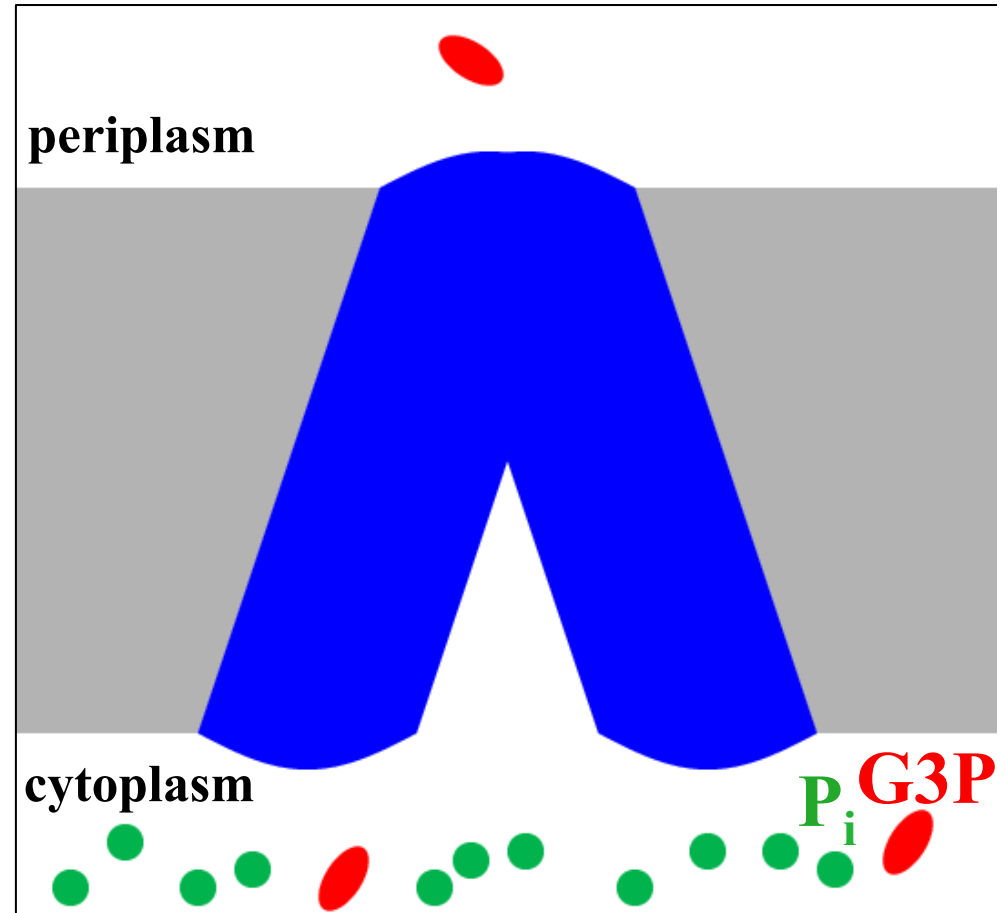
Mahmoud Moradi
Tajkhorshid Lab, May 2013



Inward-Facing ↔ Outward-Facing (IF-OF) Transition of GlpT Transporter



Only the substrate-free (apo)
IF structure is available.



The proposed mechanism.

Huang, *et al.*, *Science* 301, 616 (2003).



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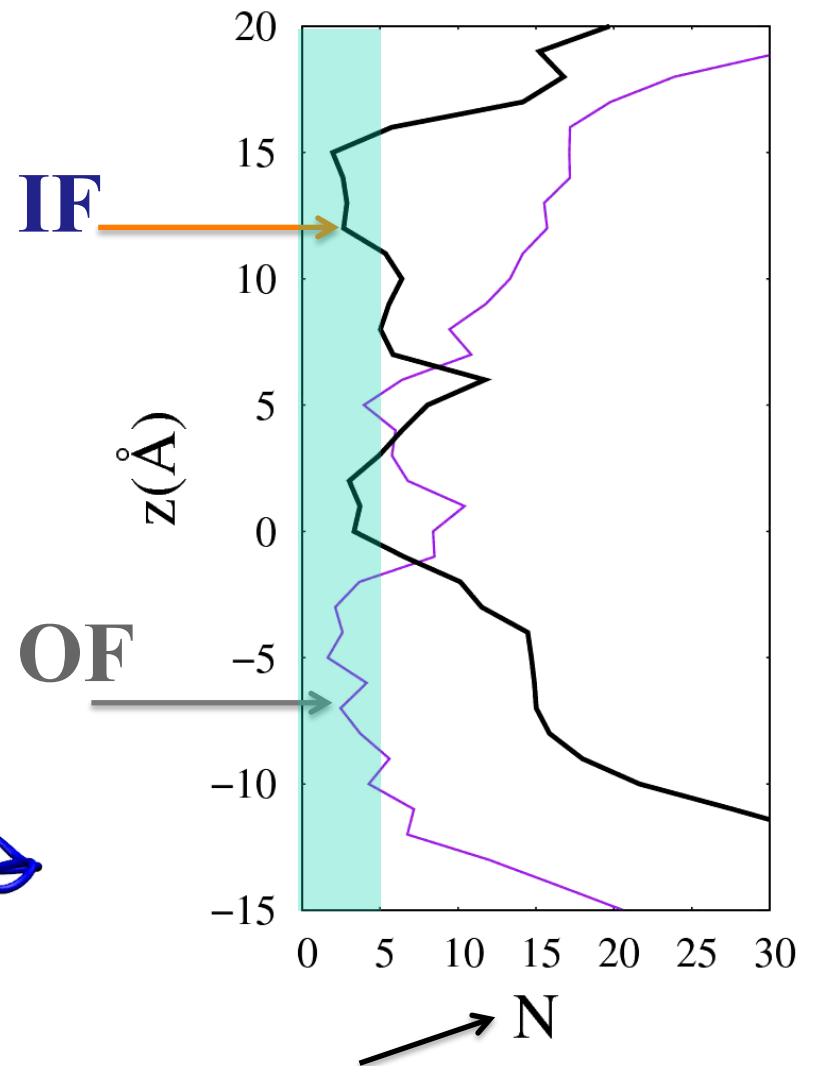
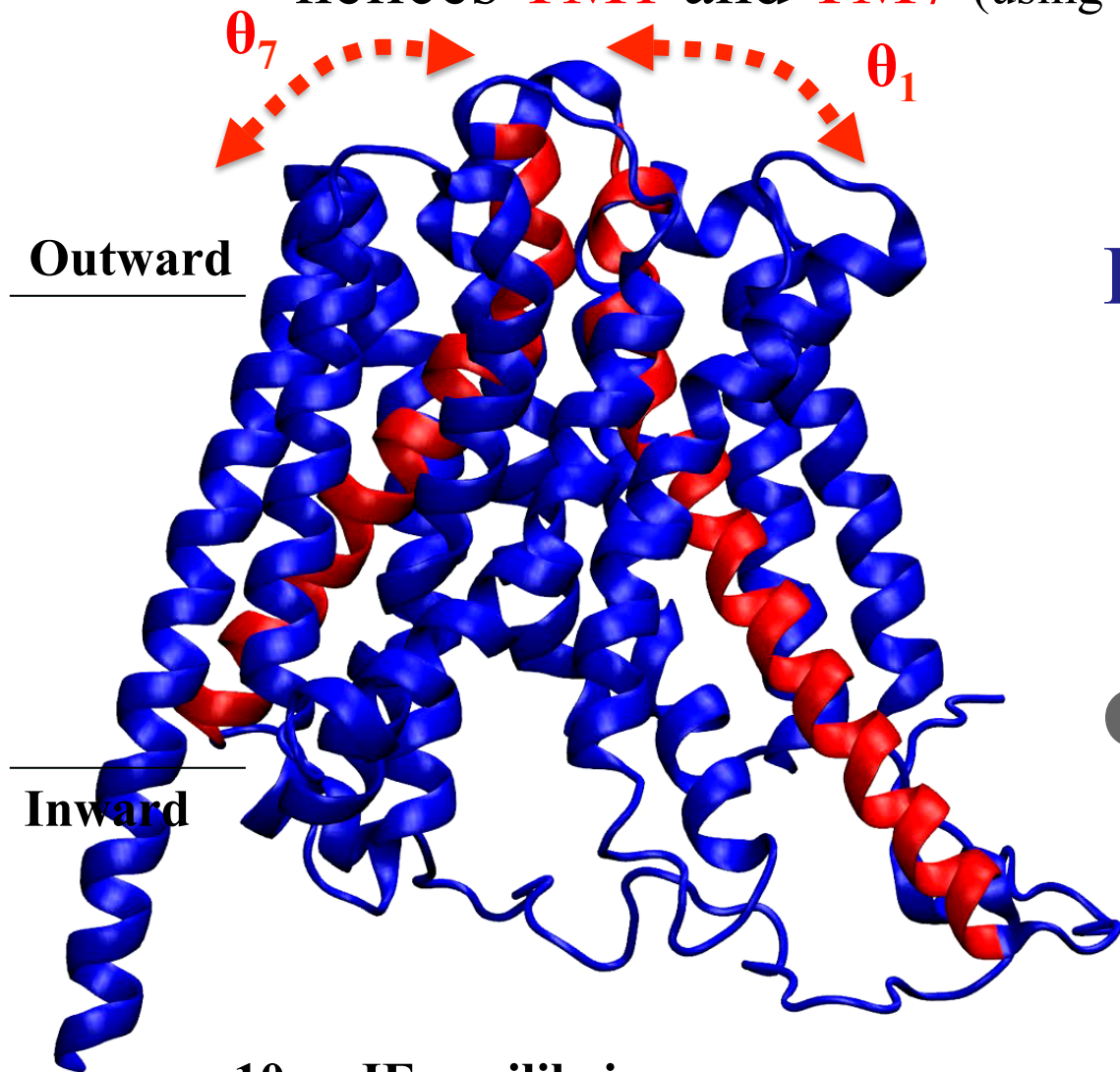
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Molecular Dynamics Simulation Protocols

1. Equilibrating GlpT in explicit solvent/membrane in the apo IF state (~120,000 atoms).
2. Finding/optimizing a biasing protocol capable of inducing the IF→OF transition in a reliable way through advanced *colvar* (collective variables) techniques.
3. Free energy calculations using bias-exchange umbrella sampling simulations based on the optimized biasing protocol.
4. Repeating the simulations for a substrate-bound GlpT and comparing the results to those of the apo GlpT.

IF \leftrightarrow OF transition induced by imposing rotational change on helices **TM1** and **TM7** (using orientation quaternions)



10 ns IF equilibrium

20 ns nonequilibrium (IF \rightarrow OF)

10 ns OF equilibrium

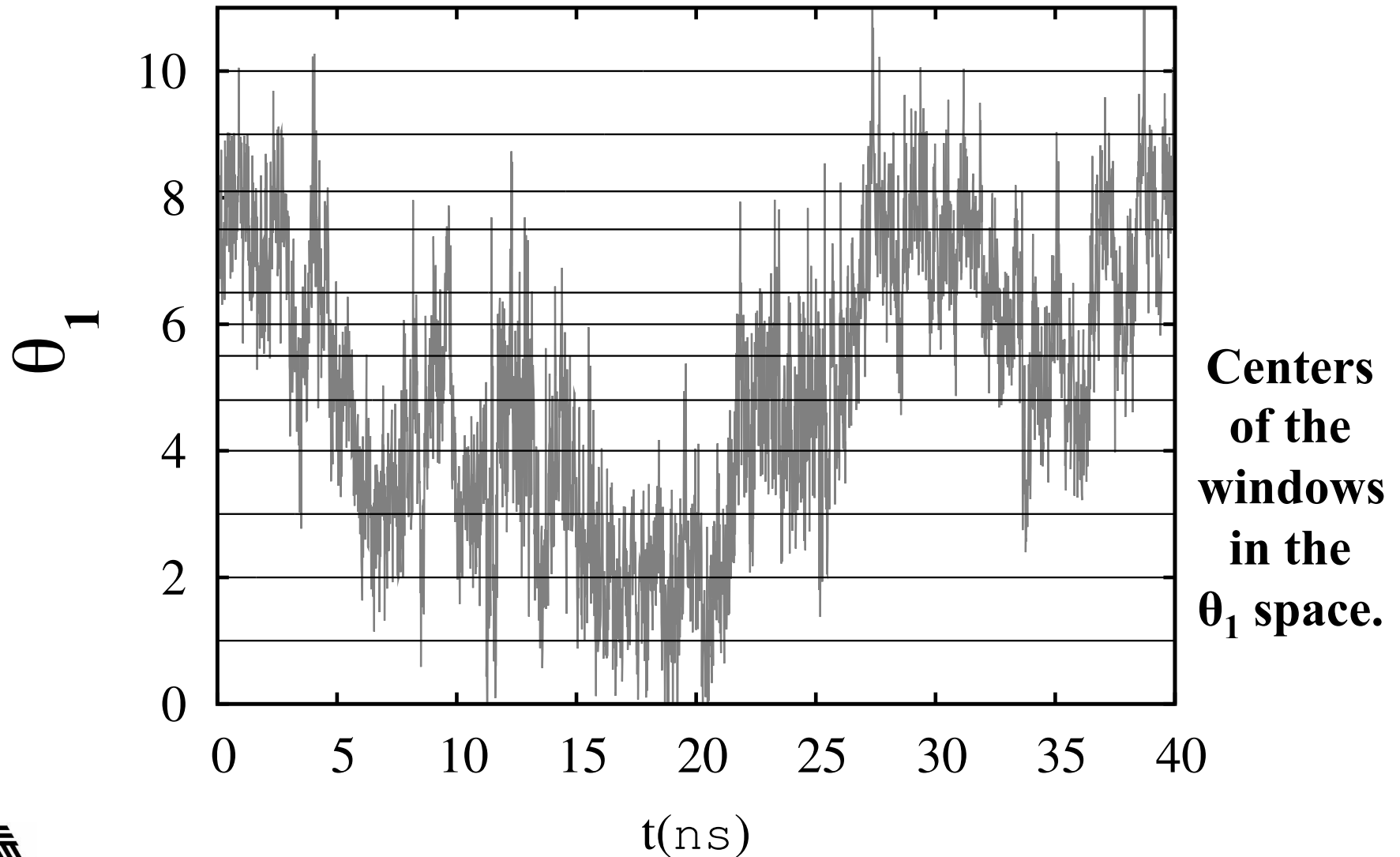
Number of water molecules along the pore (per Å)
(verifying the transition from IF to OF)

Free Energy Calculations Using Bias-Exchange Umbrella Sampling

- *Colvars*: orientation quaternions associated with helices 1 and 7 (two quaternion-based colvars).
- Initial conformations: 12 conformations selected from the optimized transition pathway (nonequilibrium simulations).
- Colvar centers and force constants associated with different replicas: Optimized (empirically) to get similar exchange rates for all neighboring replicas (28-35%).

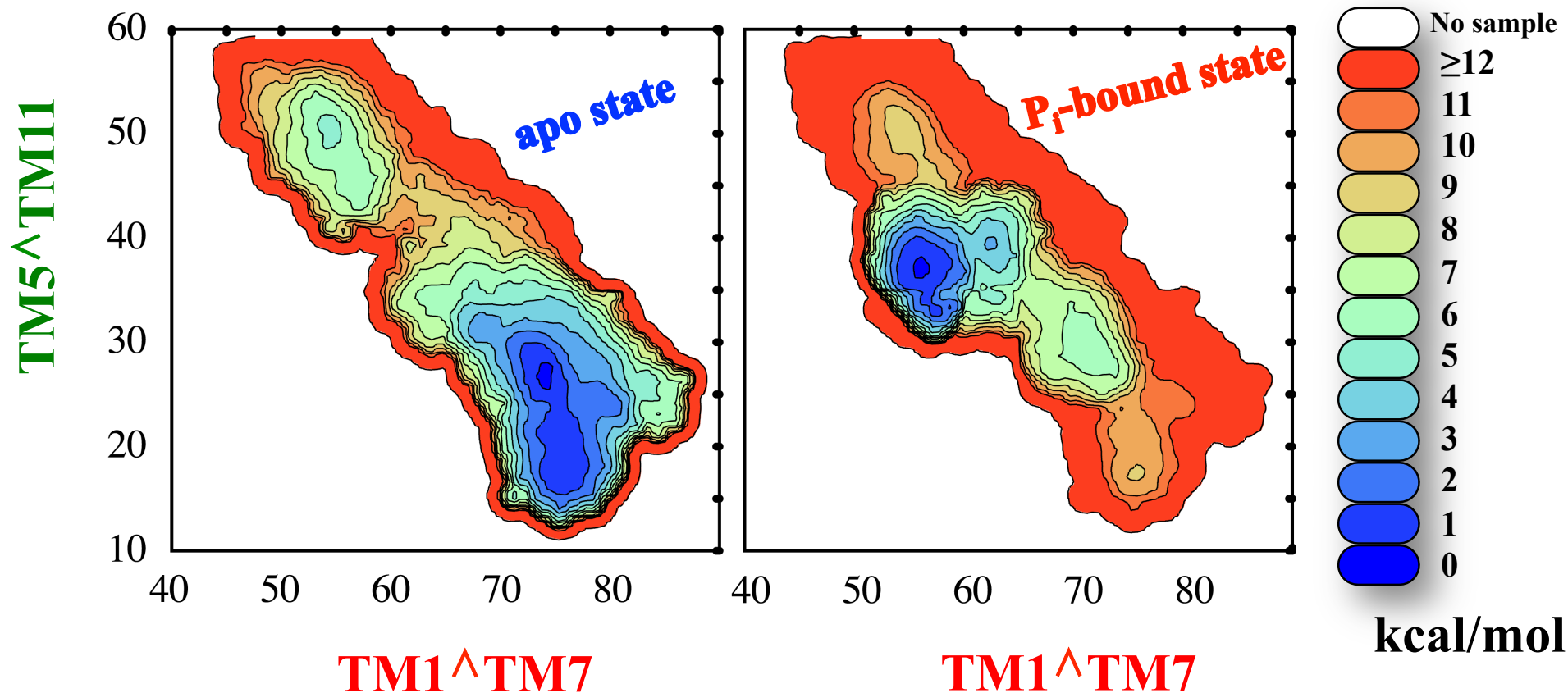
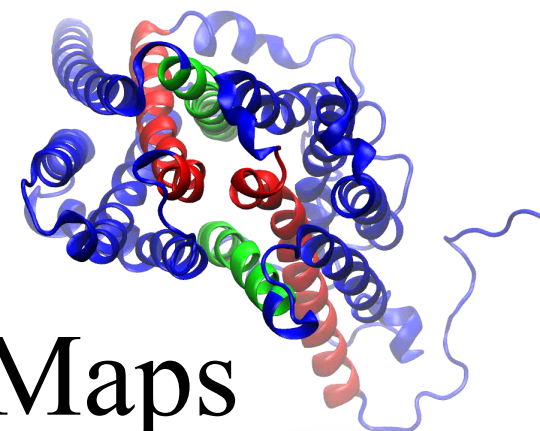
Only 12 replicas (each running for 40 ns) are enough for a good sampling.

Following the trajectory of one of the 12 shows that it visits most of the windows in 40 ns



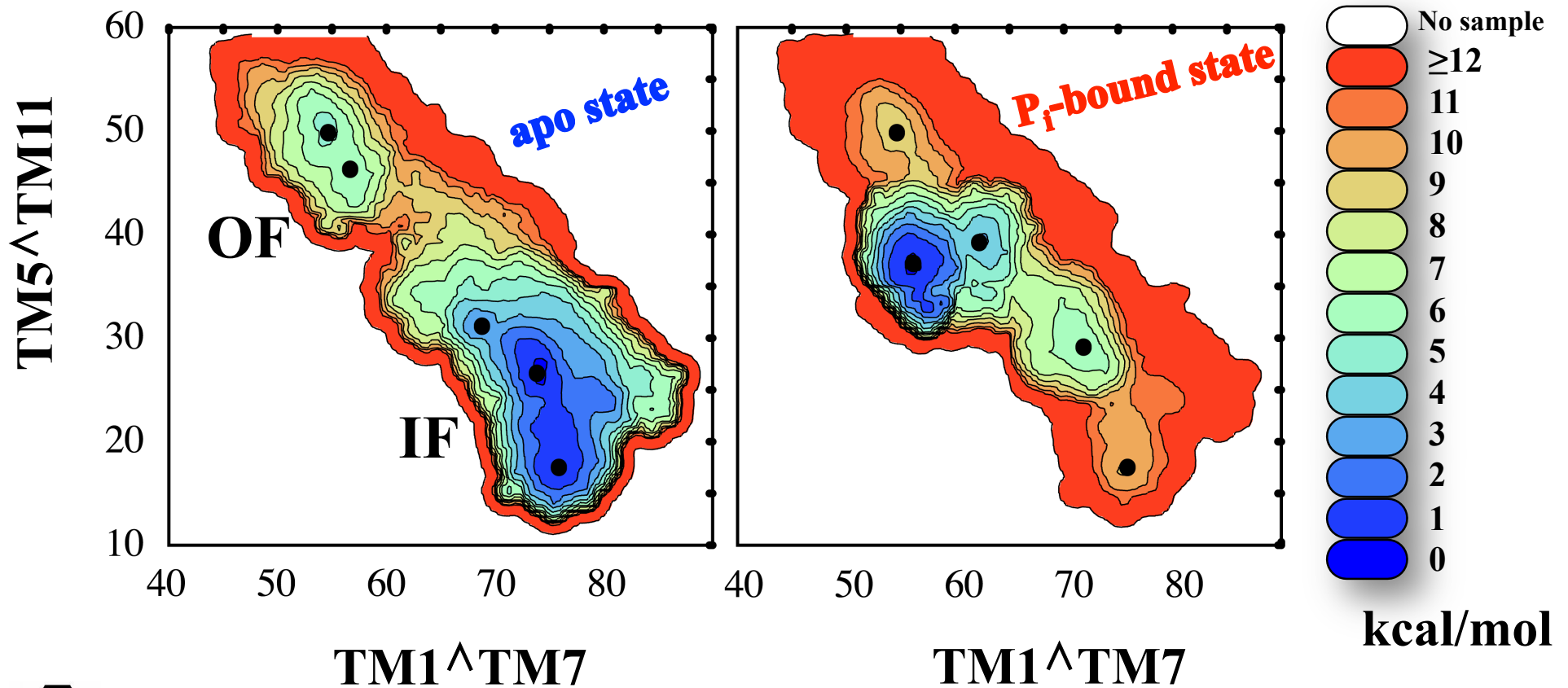
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GlpT Free Energy Maps



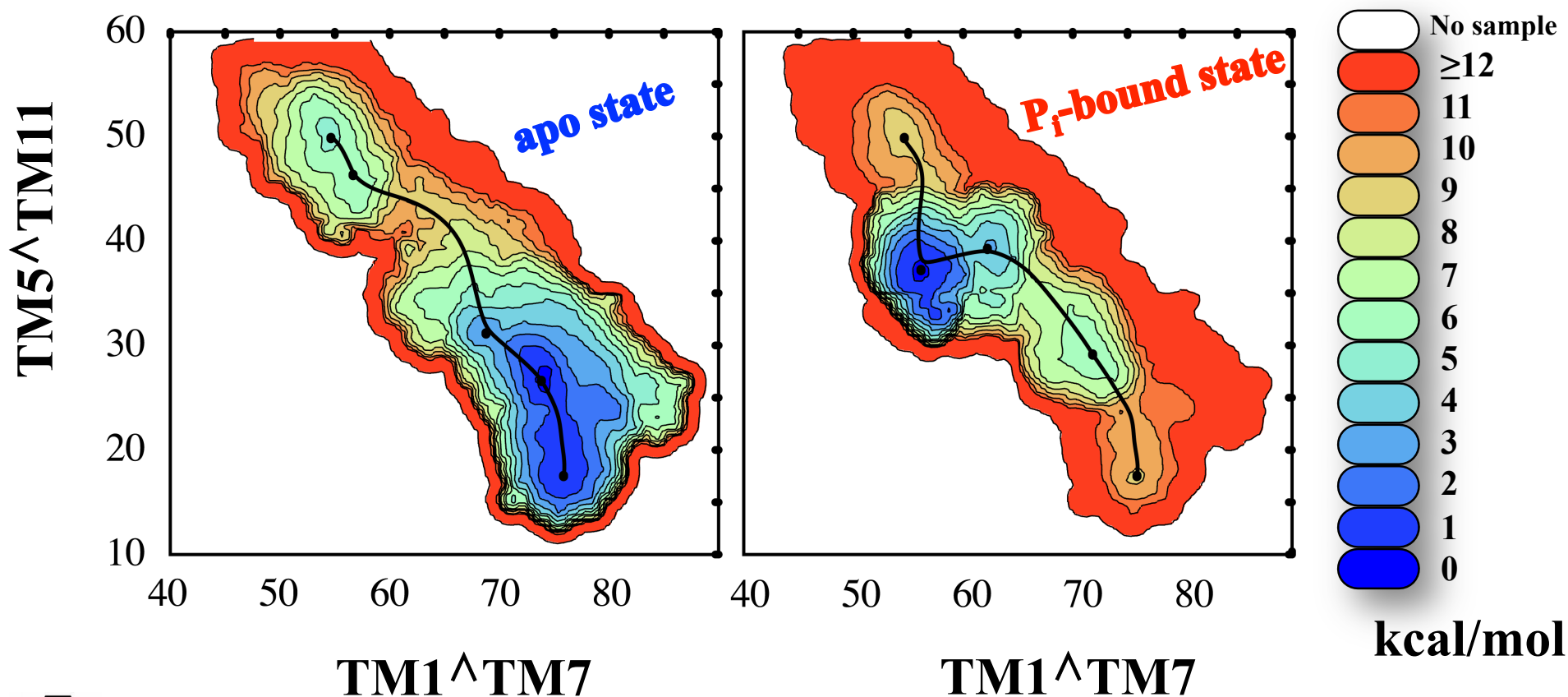
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GlpT Free Energy Minima



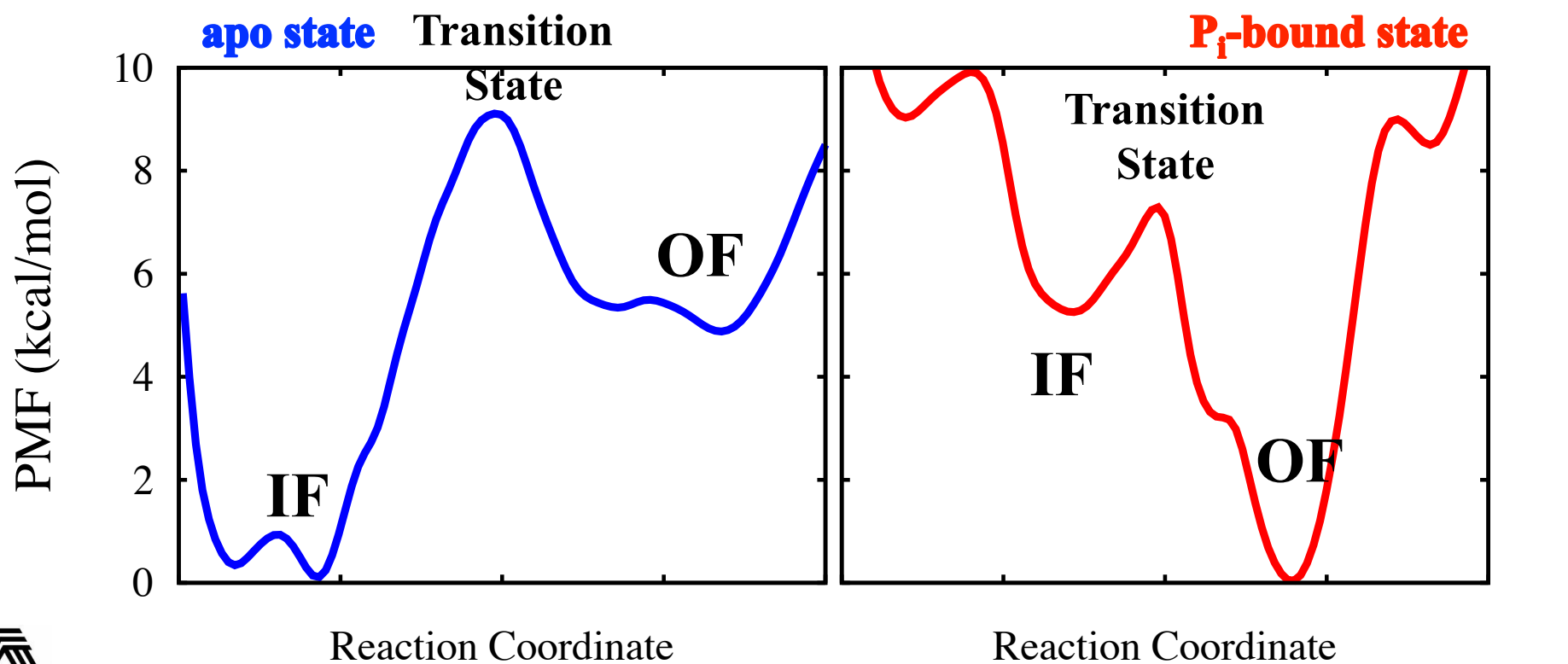
GlpT Least Free Energy Path

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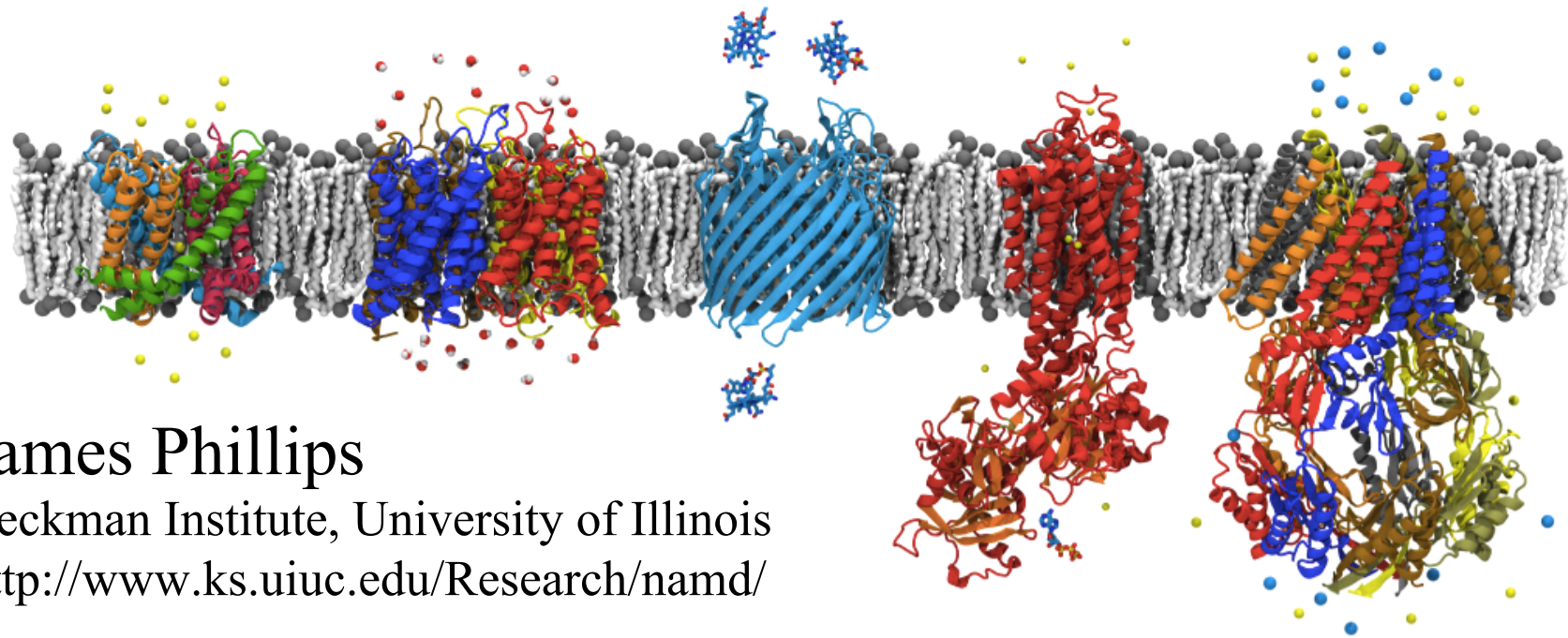


Free Energy Along GlpT Least Free Energy Path

It turns out the P_i substrate lowers the barrier and shifts the global minimum from the IF to the OF state.



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