

# Inferring phase transitions and critical exponents from limited observations with Thermodynamic Maps

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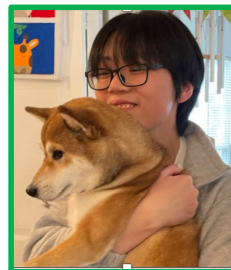
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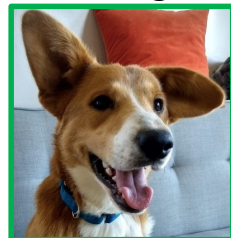


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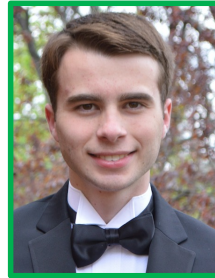
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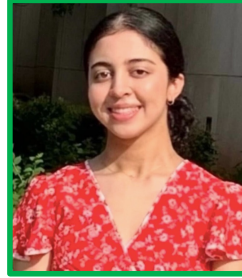


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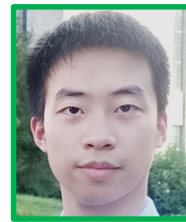
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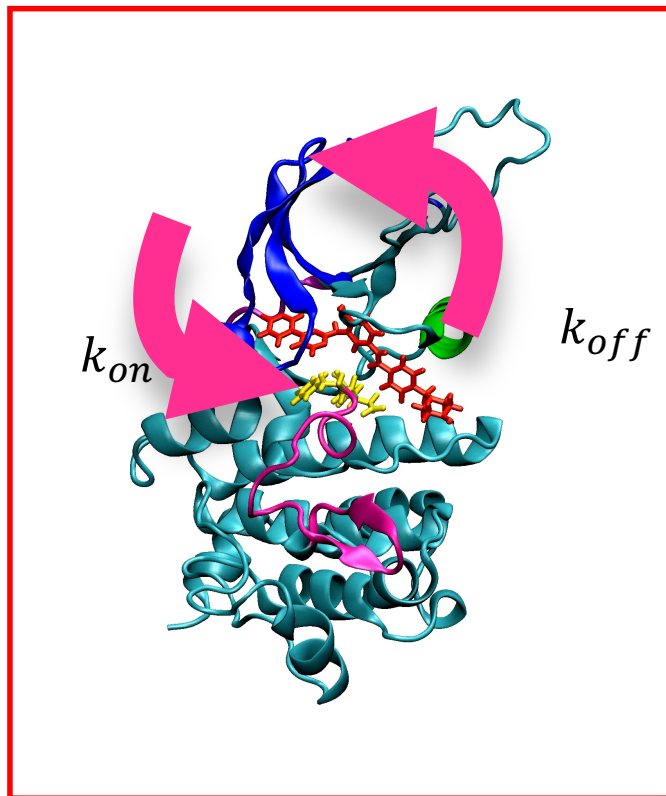
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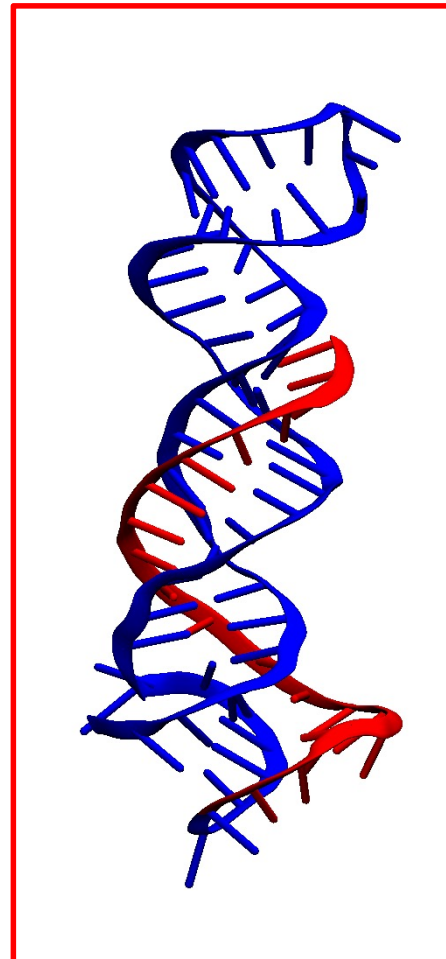
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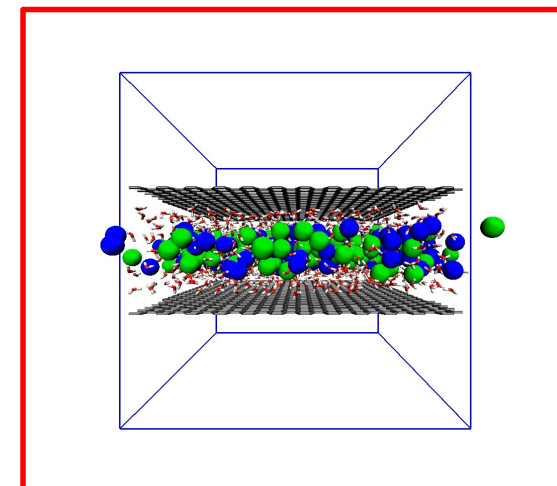
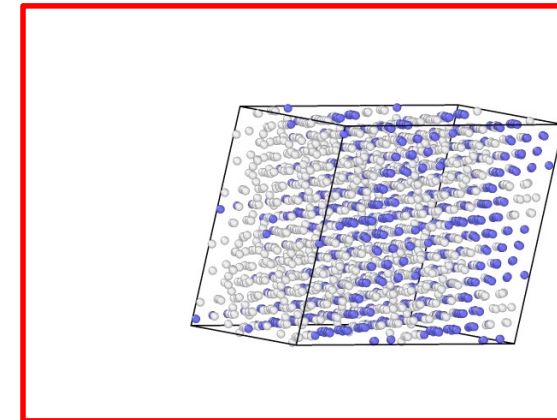


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small molecules  
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**RNA  
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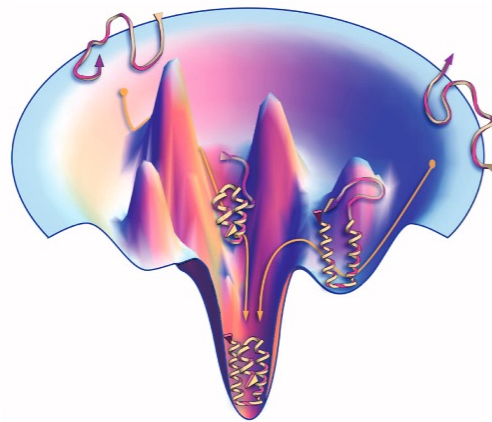
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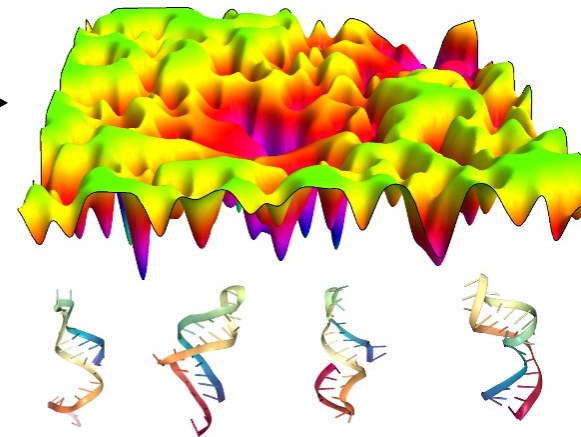
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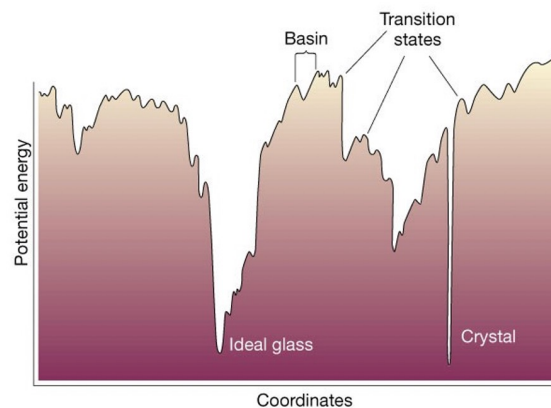
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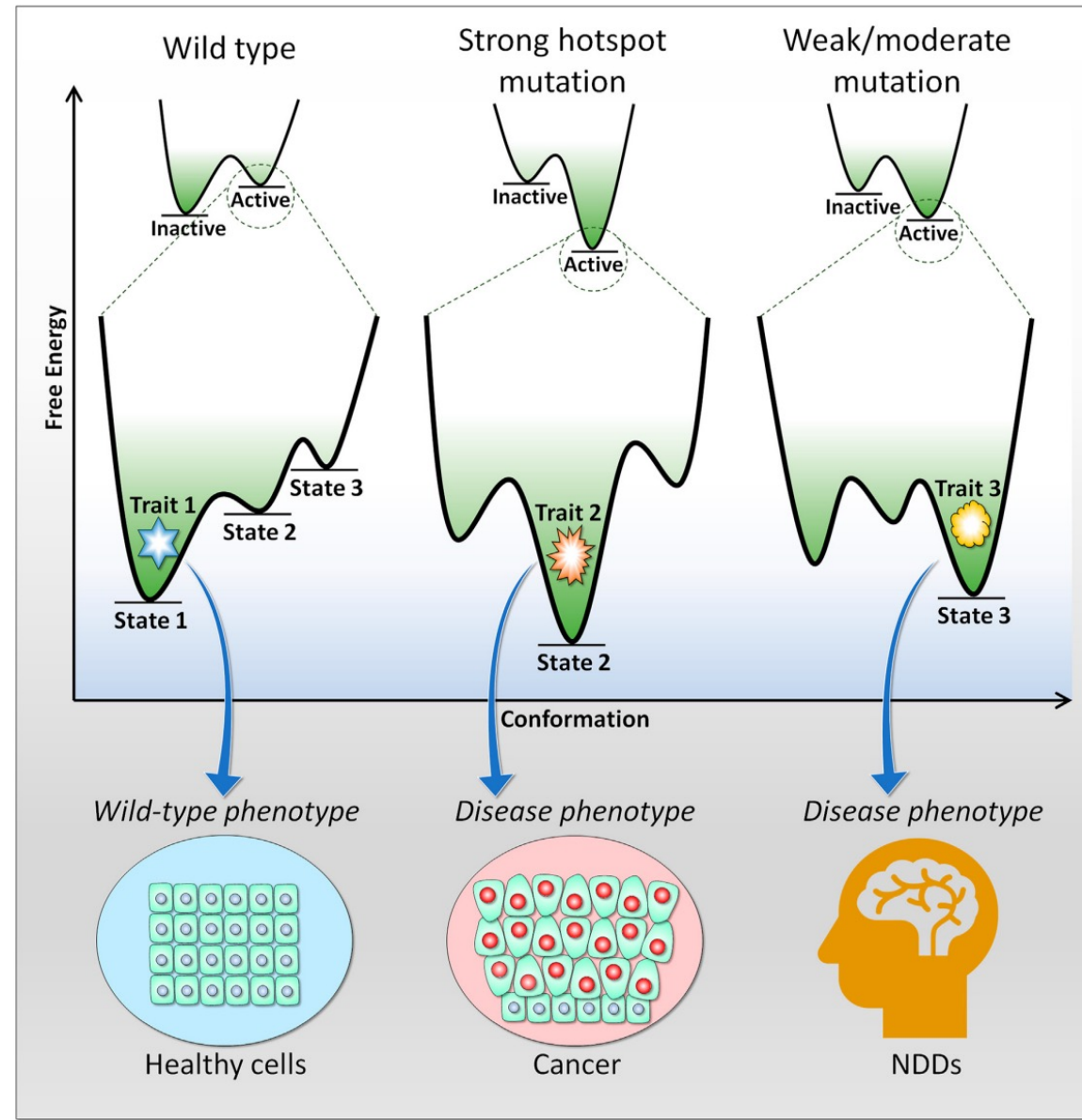
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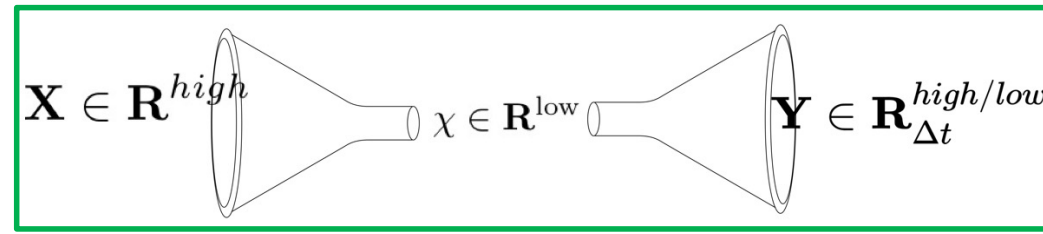
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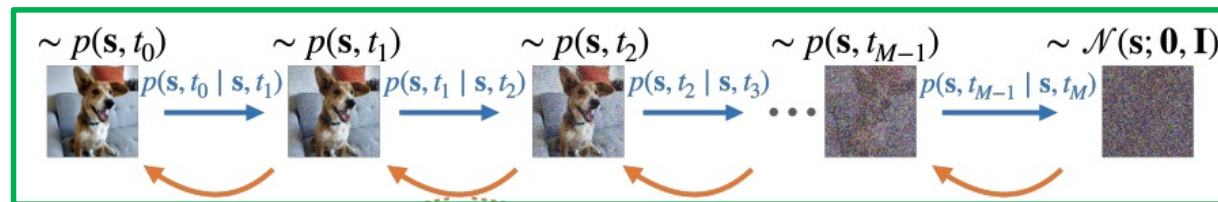
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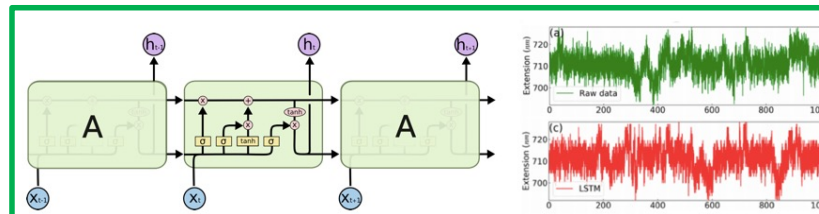
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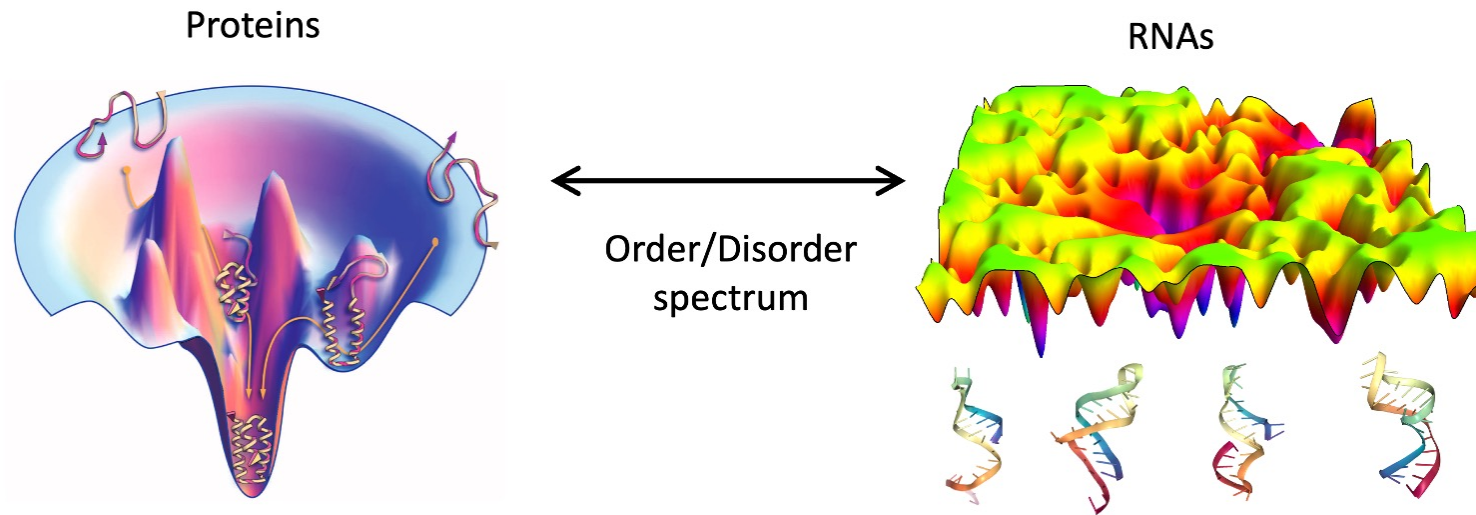


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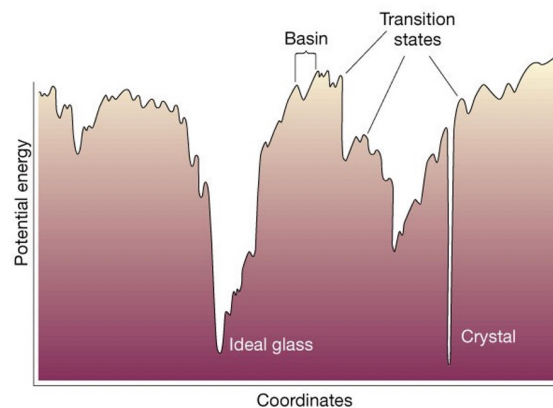
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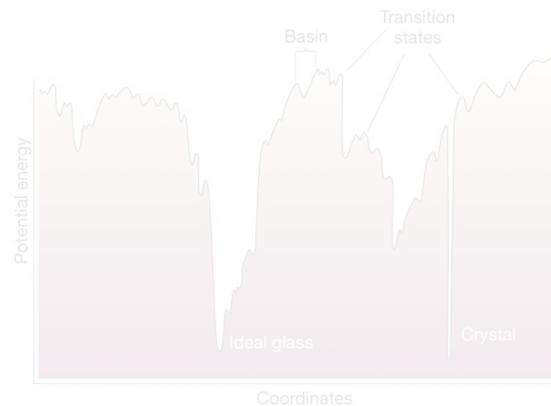
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## Structure of this talk here onwards:

1. Motivating an ensemble view of molecular systems
2. A brief history of methods to estimate ratios of partition functions
3. Score-based models
4. Formulating Thermodynamic Maps
5. Inferring the Ising phase transition with Thermodynamic Maps
6. Thermodynamic Map-accelerated Molecular Dynamics (TM-aMD) applied to RNAs

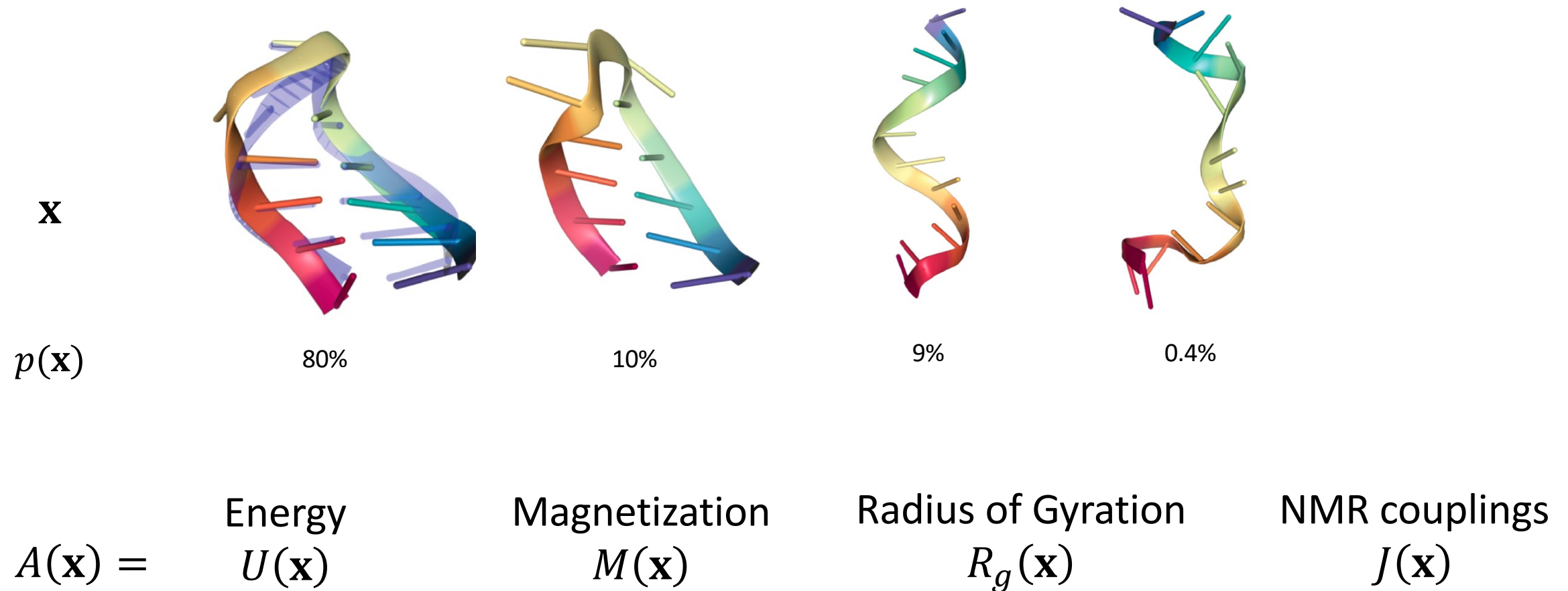
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# For (bio)molecular systems an ensemble view is required

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2.  $p(\mathbf{x})$  is really  $p(\mathbf{x} | N, P, T)$ . Can we infer the dependence of  $p(\mathbf{x})$  across thermodynamic ensembles in finite size cases?
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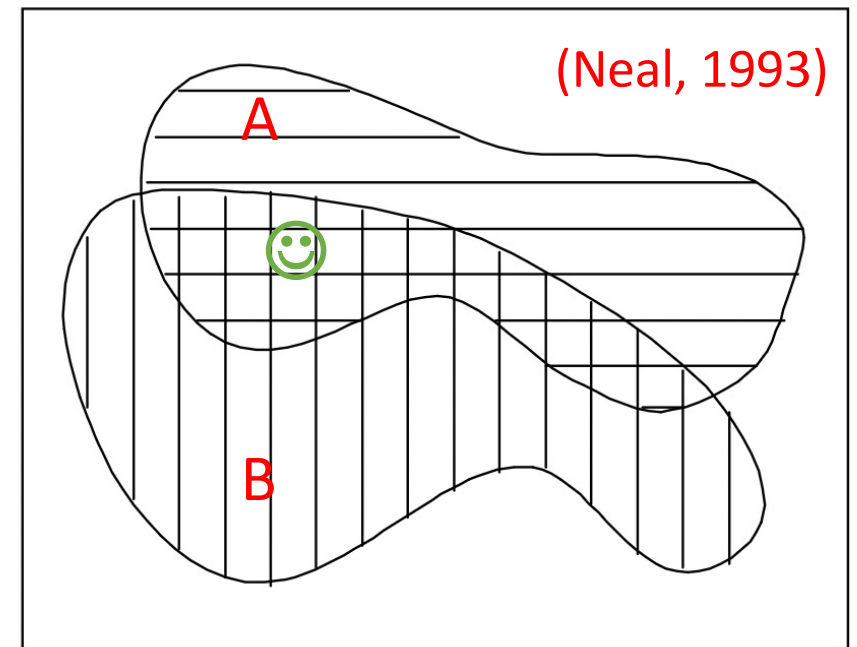
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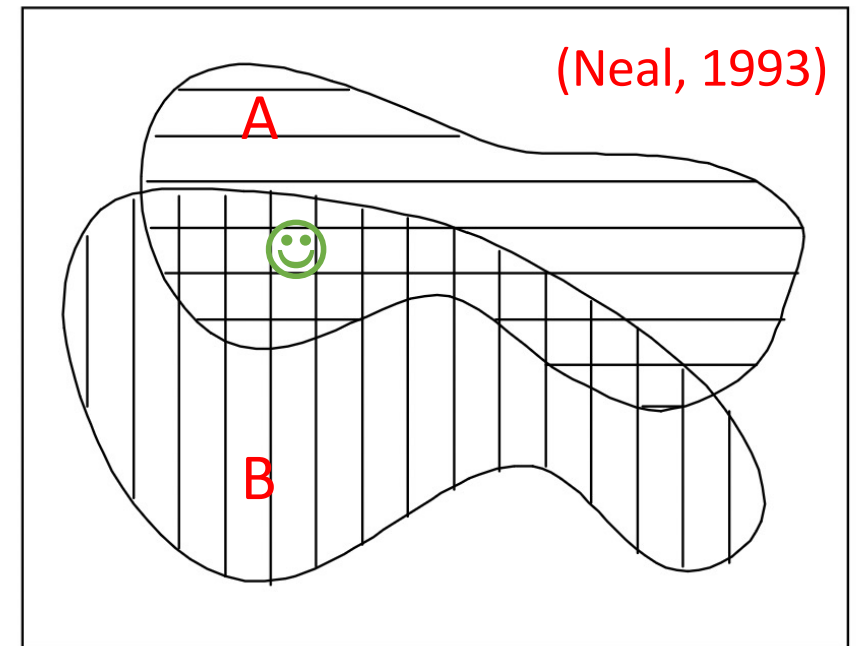
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**High-Temperature Equation of State by a Perturbation Method. I. Nonpolar Gases\***

ROBERT W. ZWANZIG  
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(Received March 2, 1954)

A theoretical study is made of the equations of state of argon and nitrogen, at high temperatures and densities. The intermolecular potential used is of the Lennard-Jones form, with an adjustable rigid sphere cutoff. A perturbation theory is developed, by which the thermodynamic properties of one system may be related to those of a slightly different system and to the difference in the intermolecular potentials of the two systems. In this article, the unperturbed system is a rigid sphere fluid, and the Lennard-Jones potential is the perturbation. The results are in fair agreement with experiment, and also lead to an experimental test of the theoretical rigid sphere equation of state.

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Ensures microscopic  
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Problem: Monte-Carlo sampling can be very slow to generate independent samples

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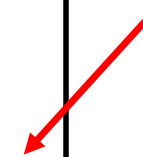
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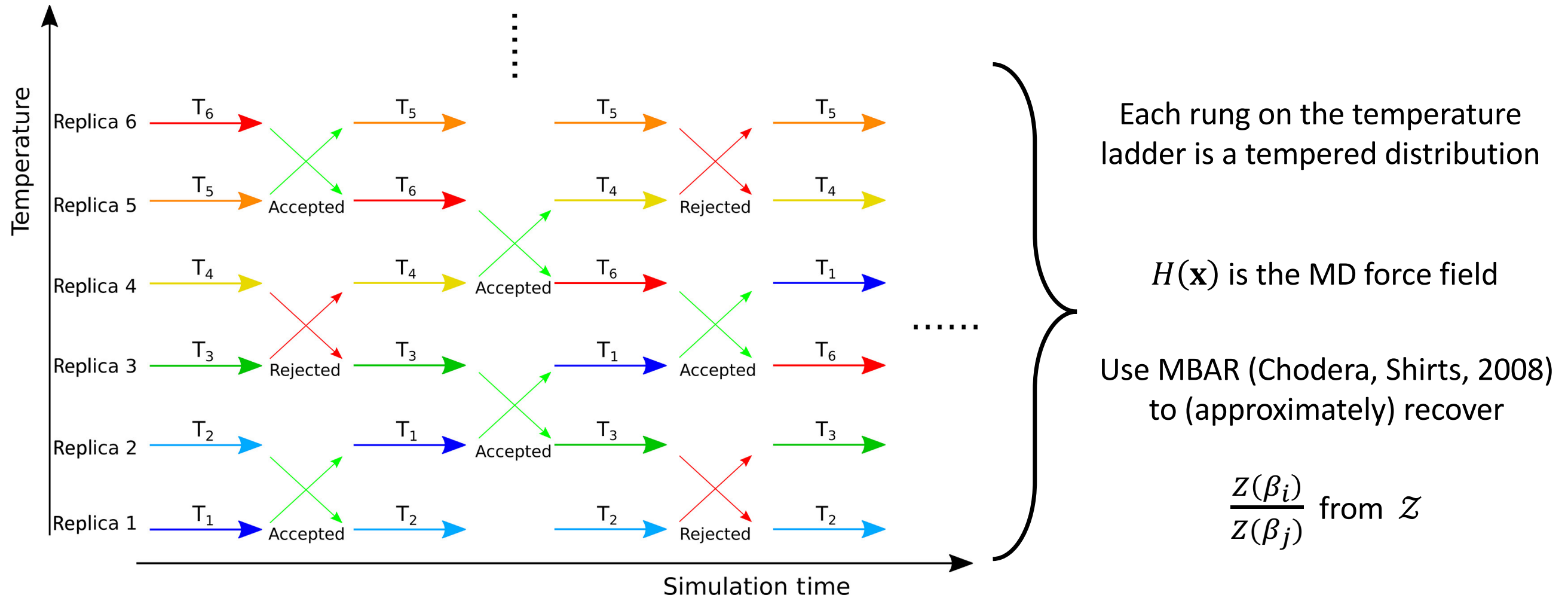
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Core idea: Accelerate sampling by exploring a distributions other than the one of interest. In this case tempered distributions sharing  $H(\mathbf{x})$ .



# Replica exchange is a simulated tempering protocol



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*This is the first situation where taking advantage of a prior distribution for  $H_1(\mathbf{x})$  seems useful.*

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After lots of simulation, once all  $\frac{Z_i}{Z_{i+1}}$  are estimated, samples from  $\mathbf{x} \sim \mathcal{N}(0, \beta^{-1})$

can be used to compute free energy estimates for  $p_0(\mathbf{x})$  at virtually no cost

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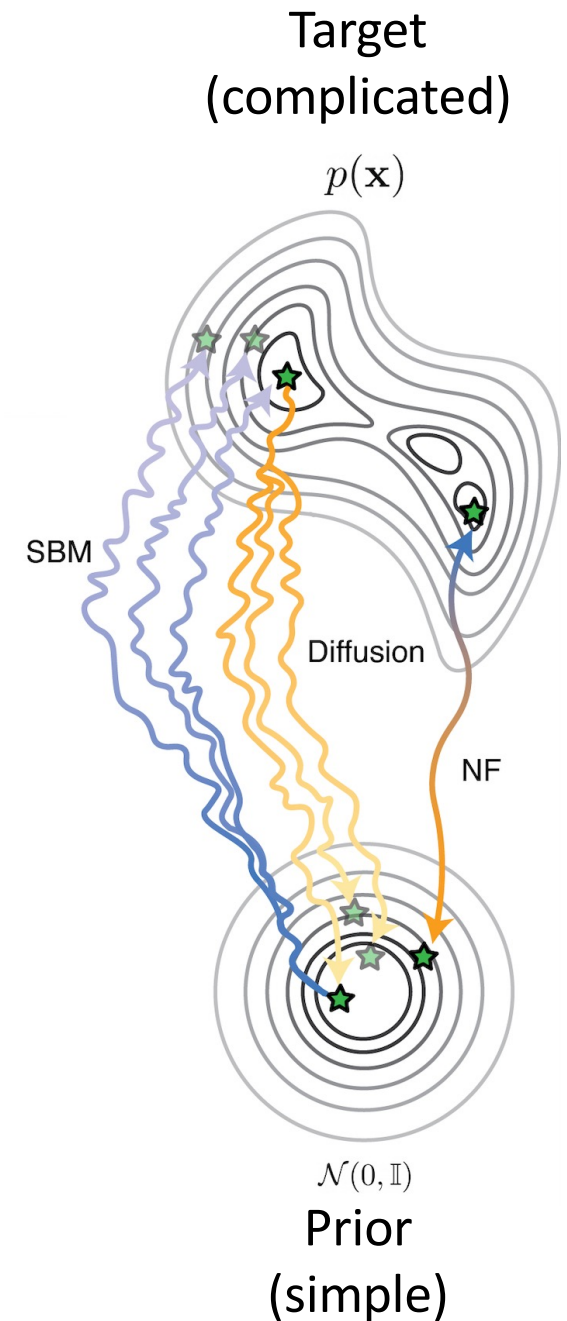
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Generally take  $H_1(\mathbf{x}) = \mathbf{x}^2$ , and calculate how probability  $p_\lambda(\mathbf{x}) \propto e^{-H_\lambda(\mathbf{x})}$  flows

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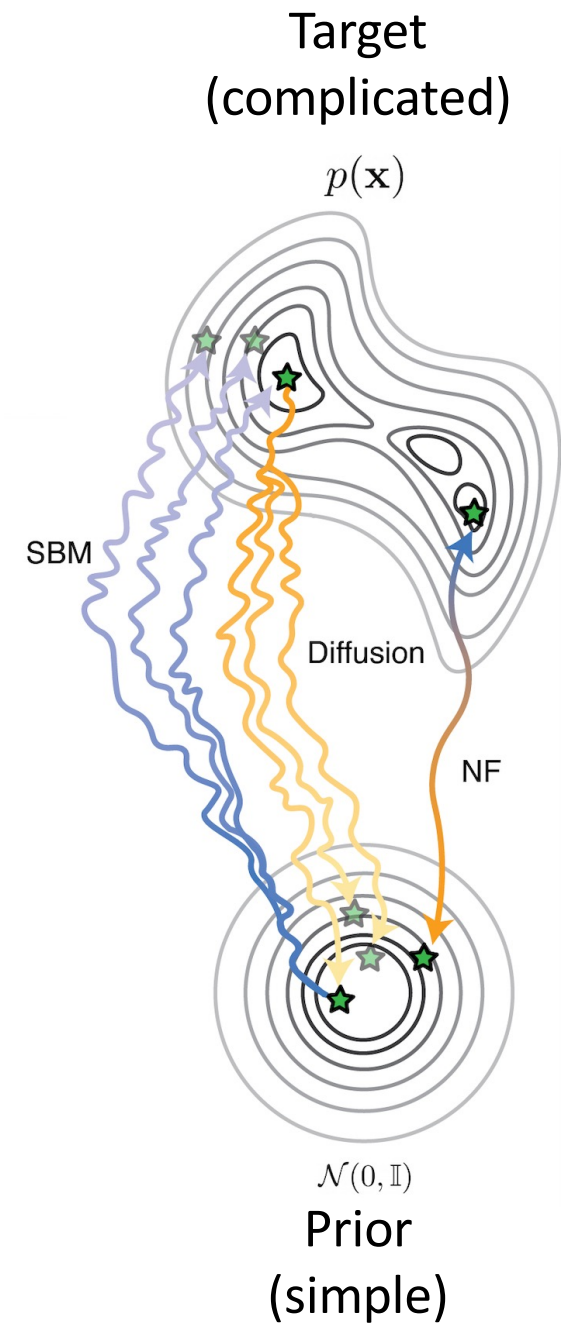


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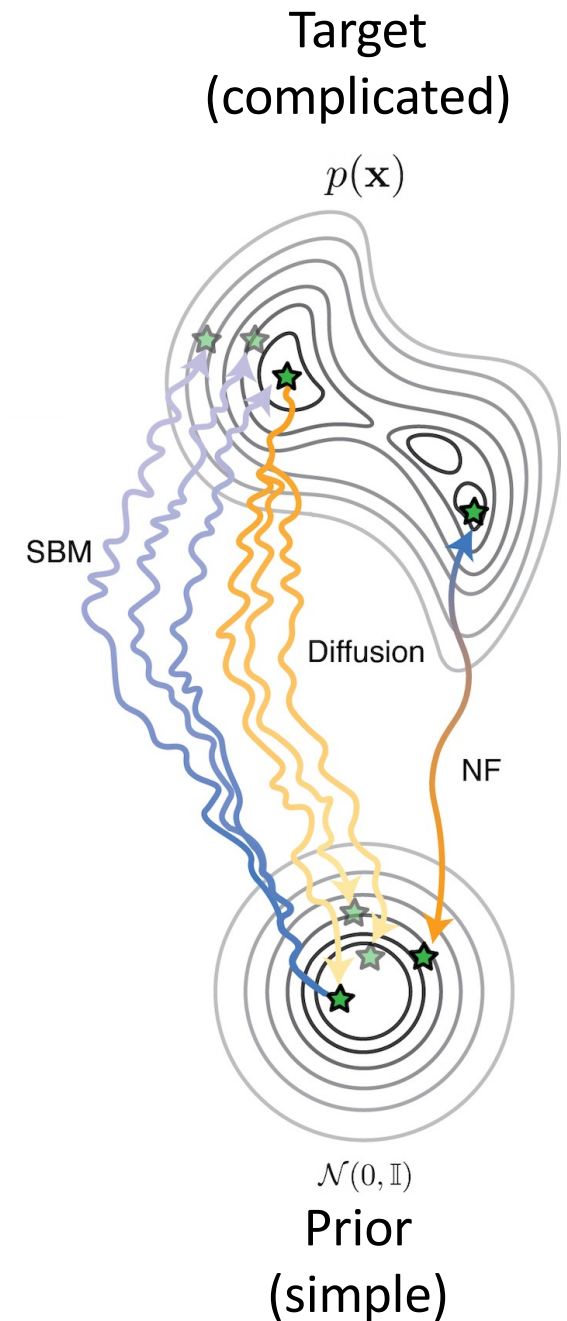
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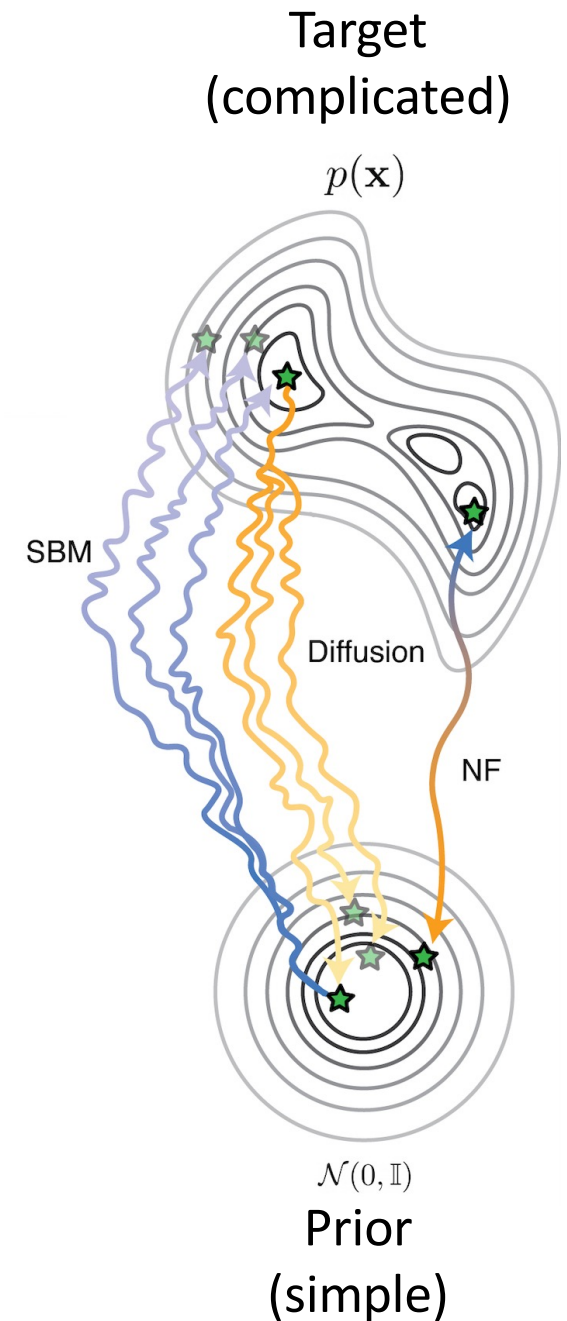
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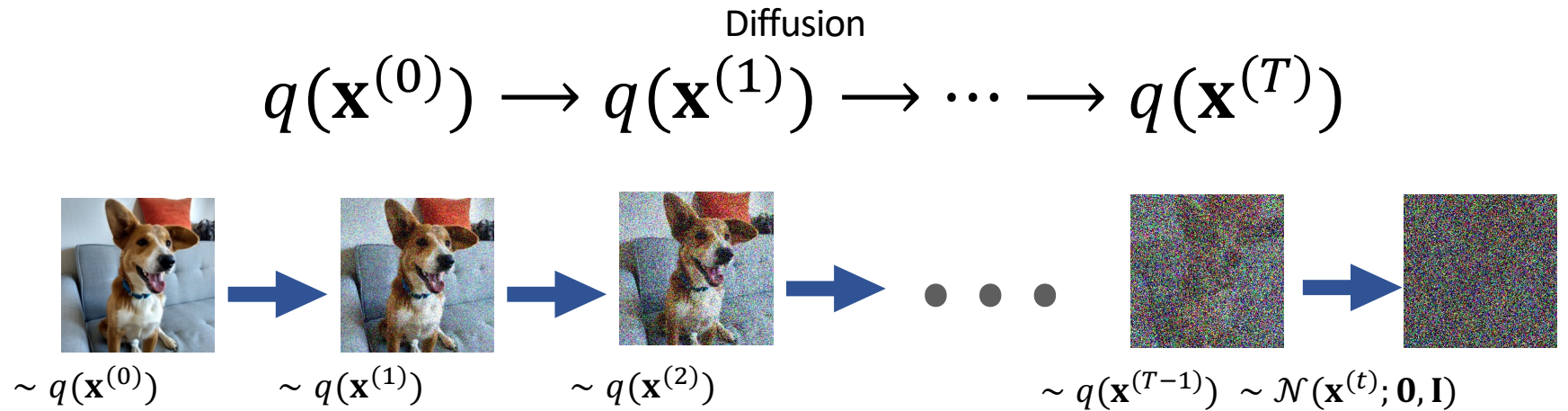
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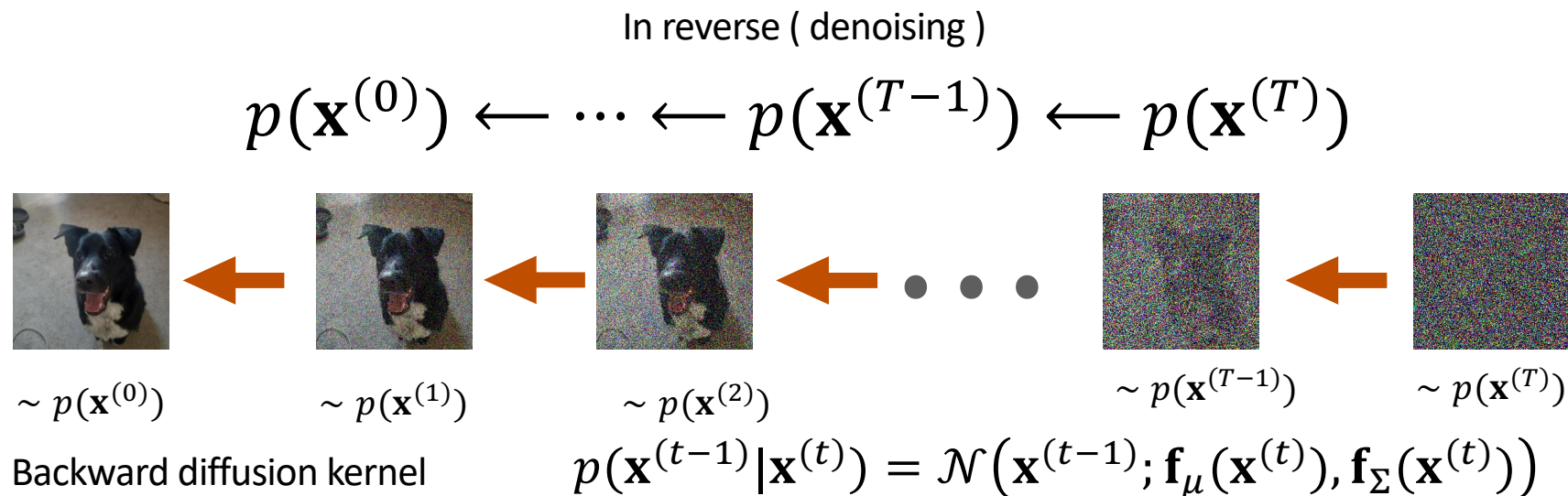
The score is estimated by many evaluations of the forward SDE, and a Deep Neural Network is trained to estimate the score from  $\mathbf{x}_t$



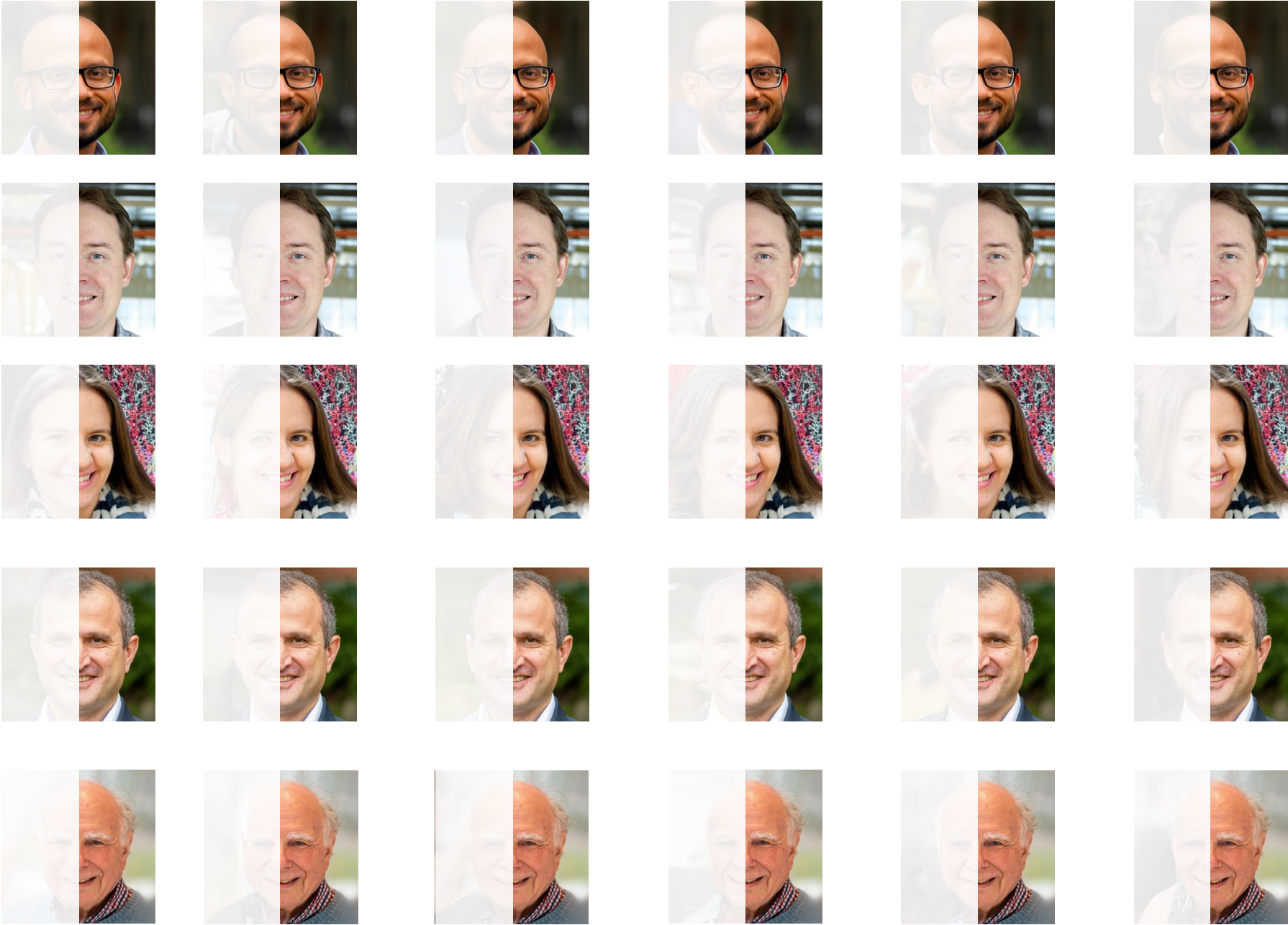
# Example: Denoising Diffusion Probabilistic Models (DDPMs)



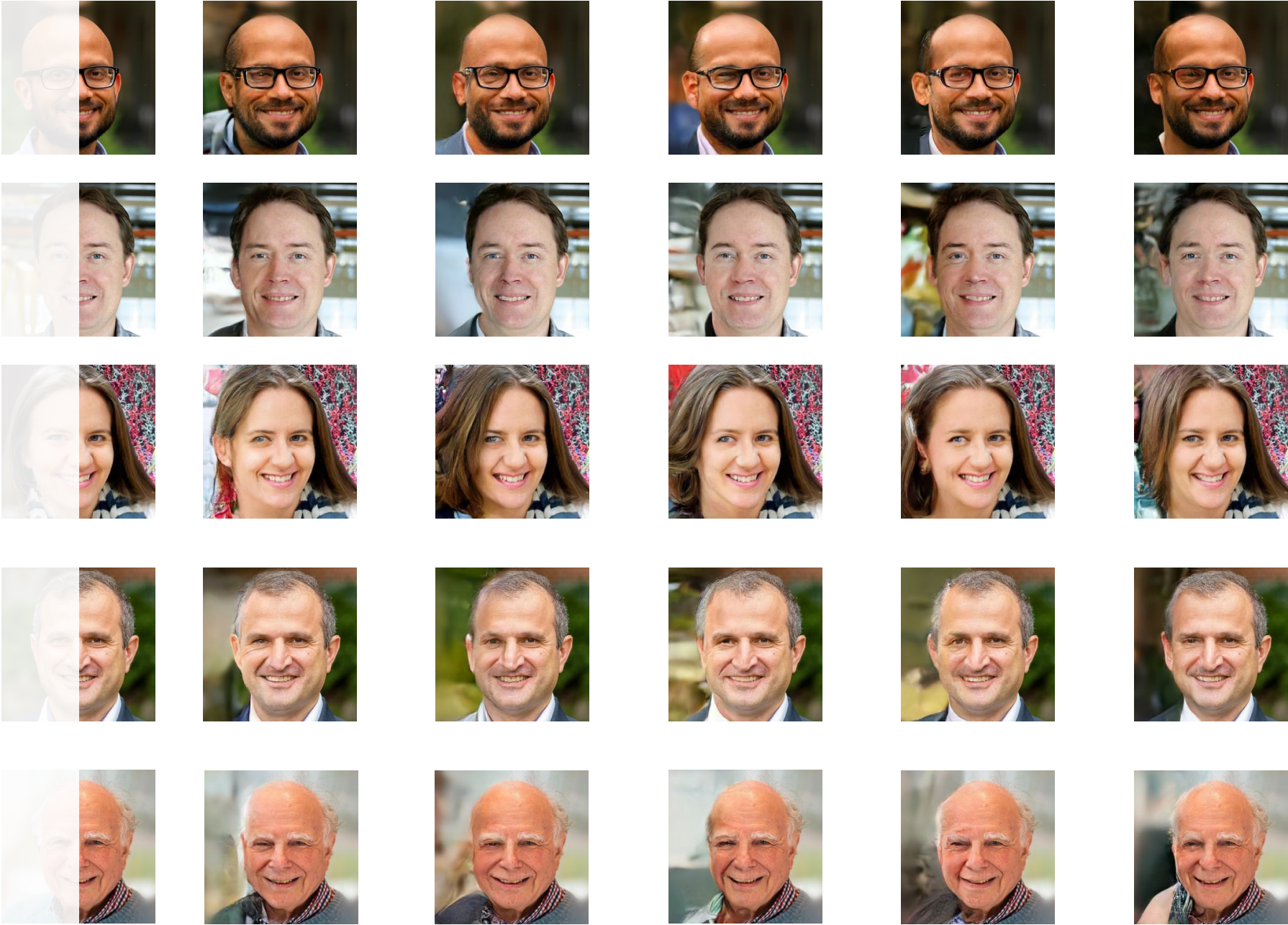
**Easier to sample noise**  
**But how to convert noise back to data?**



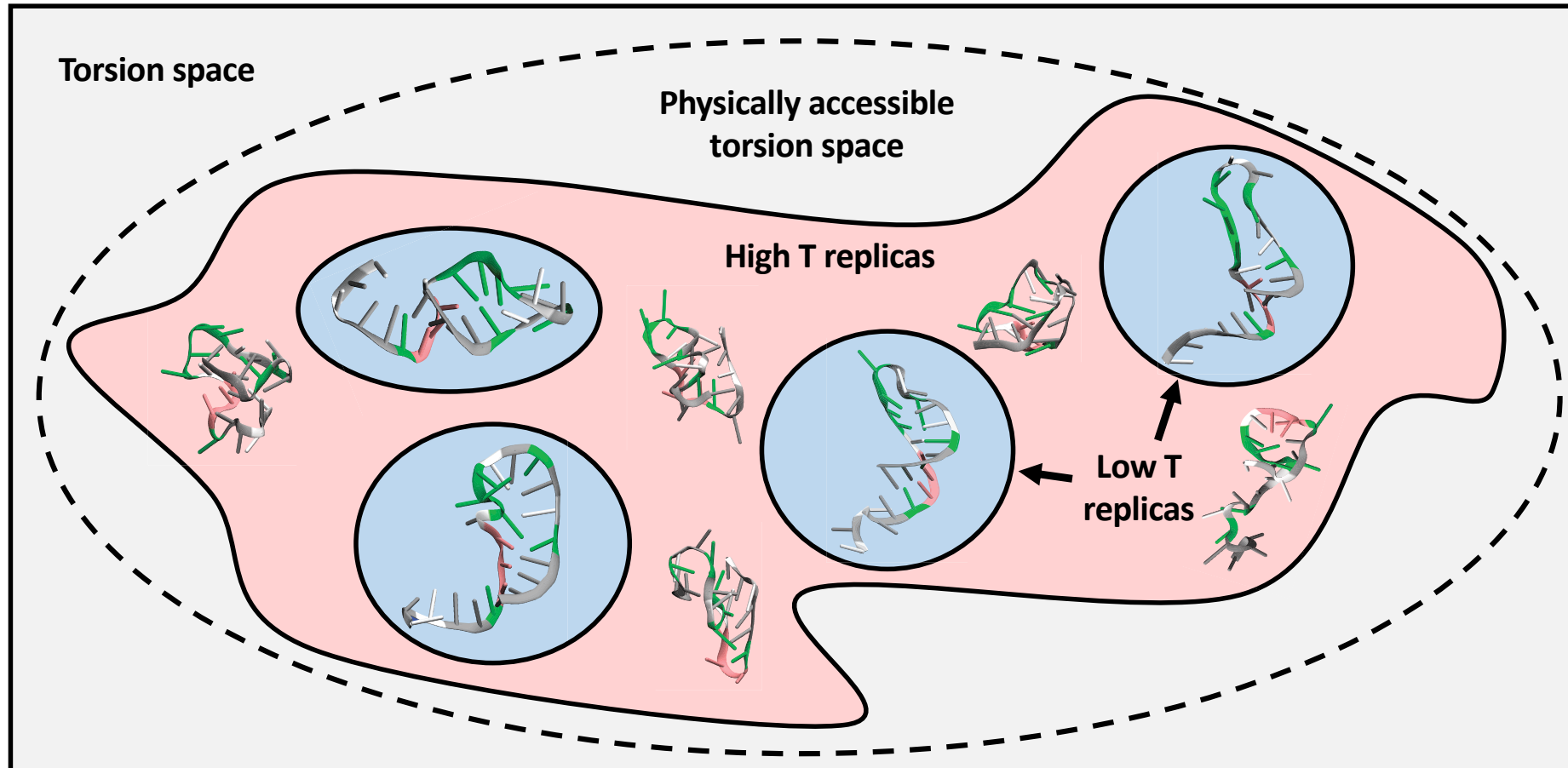
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**Original motivation:  
Conditional generation of face halves →  
Conditional generation of molecular conformations**

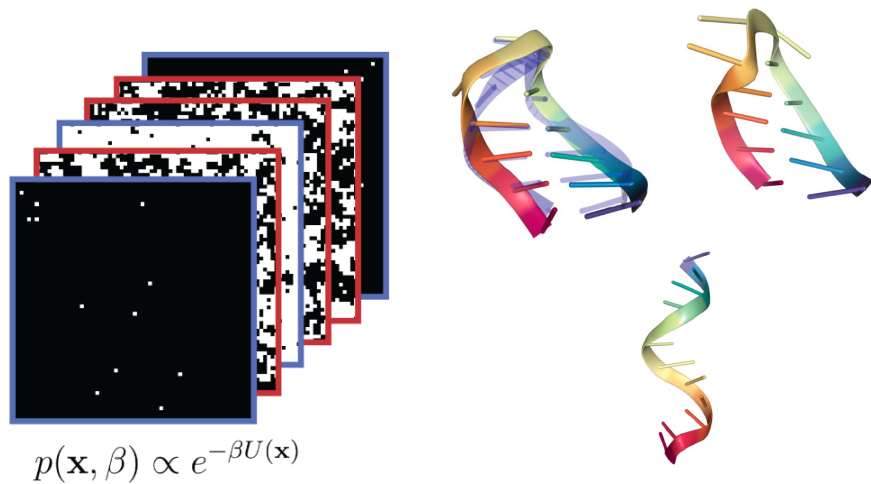


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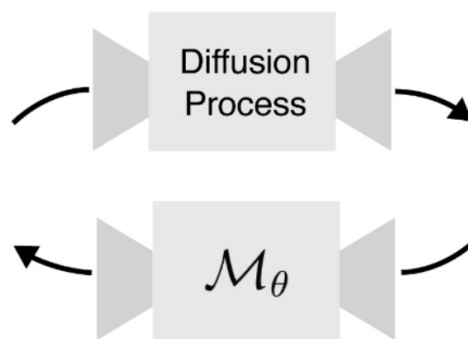


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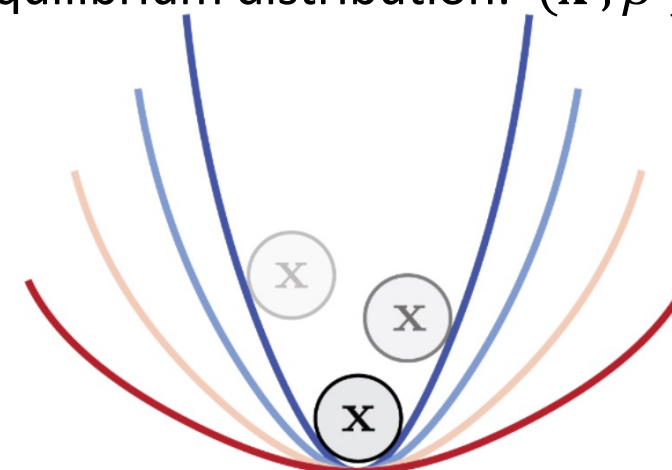
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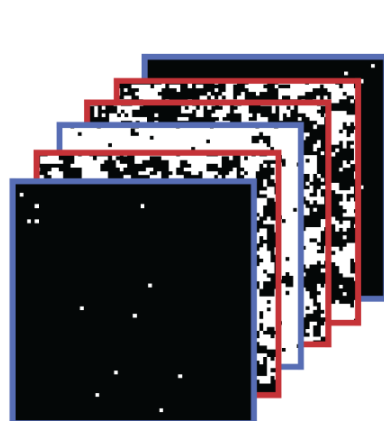


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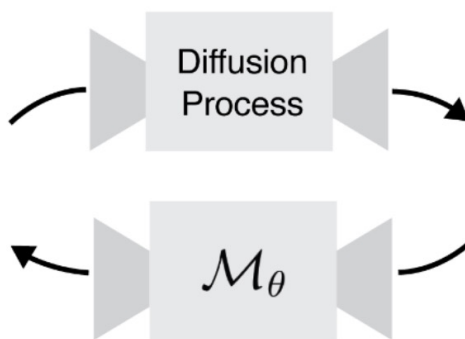
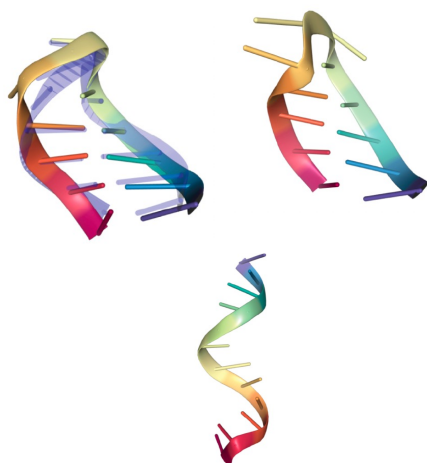
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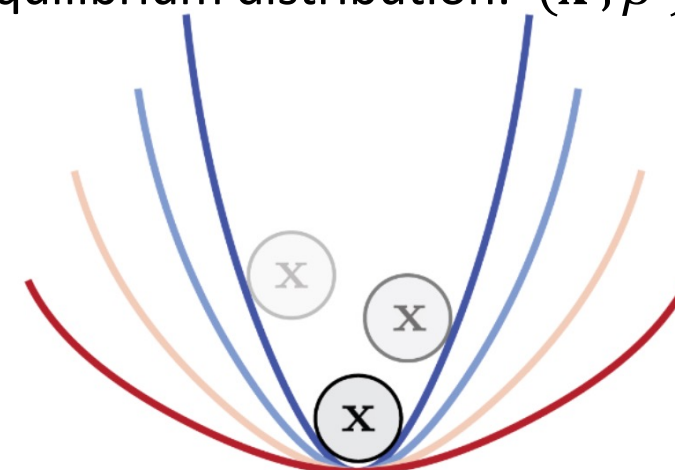
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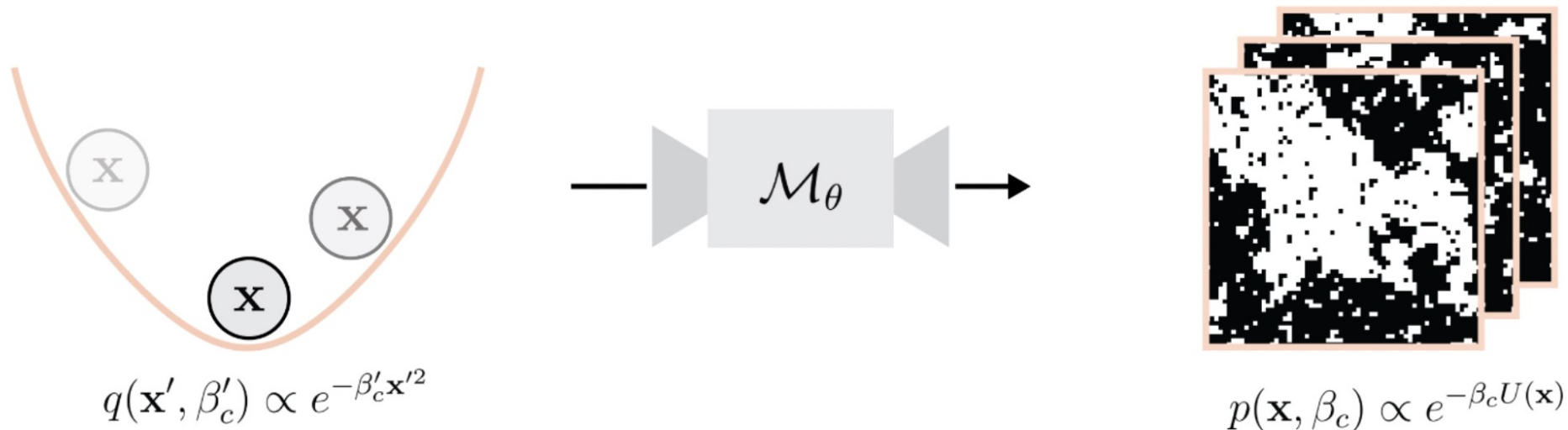
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To generate samples at temperature  $\beta_c$ , sample from the corresponding prior system  $\mathcal{N}(0, \beta_c^{-1})$  where  $\beta_c^{-1}$  is some temperature of interest



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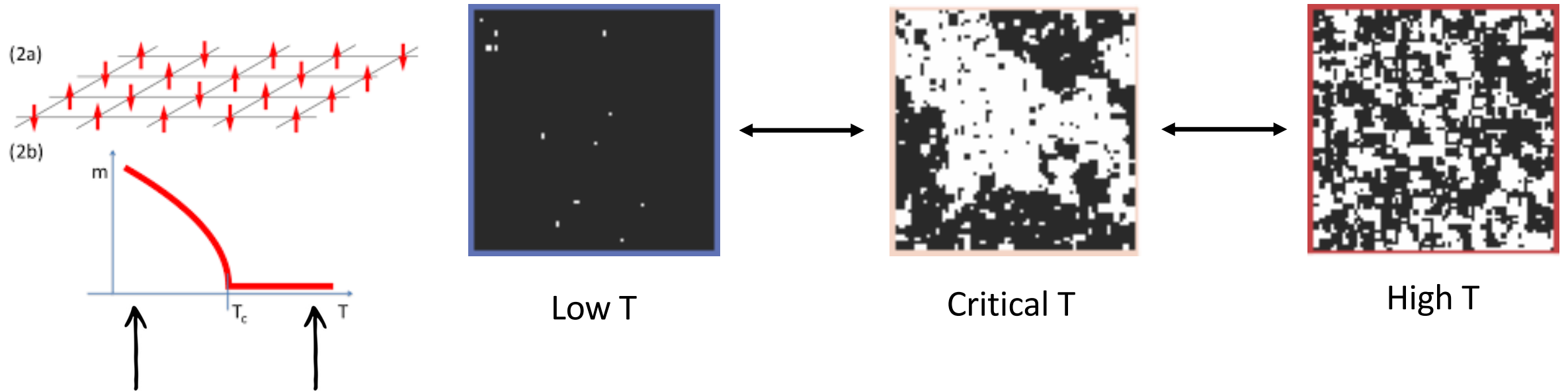
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**Addresses Point 2: Can we infer the dependence of  $p(x)$  across thermodynamic ensembles?**

Given samples  $x$  from  $p(x | \beta_1)$ ,  $p(x | \beta_2)$ ... we can generate samples  $x$  at other  $p(x | \beta)$

*Can also do conditional on pressure, number, other constraints*

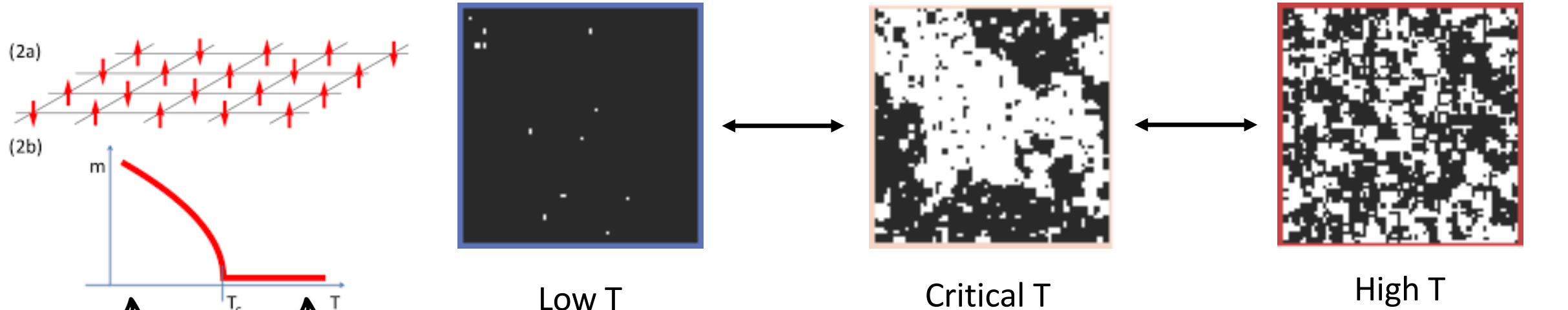
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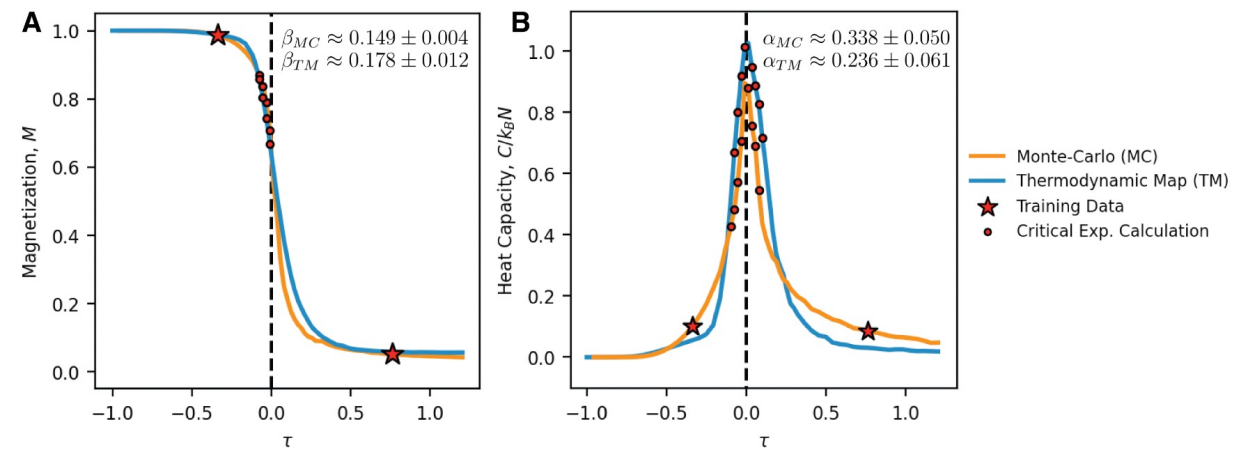
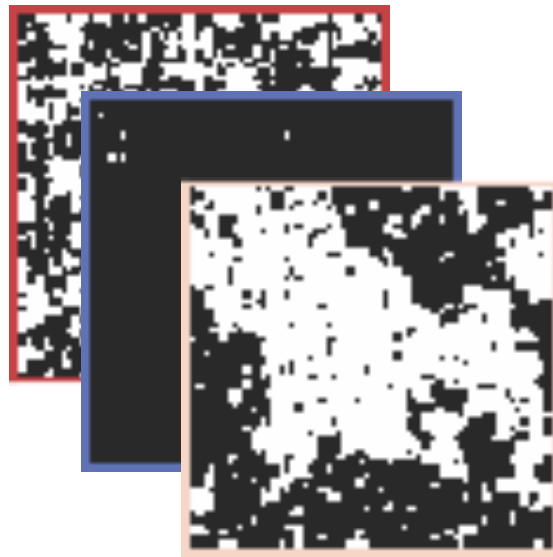


FIG. 2. **Inferring the phase transition of the 2D Ising model from limited sampling.** **A** The magnetization is plotted for samples of a  $32 \times 32$  square Ising model generated through MC sampling (orange) and the thermodynamic map (blue). The thermodynamic map predicts change in magnetization at  $T_c$  when trained on samples generated at  $T = 1.5$  and  $T = 4$  (red stars). **B** The heat capacity of samples generated from MC sampling (orange) and the thermodynamic map (blue) is plotted. The thermodynamic map correctly infers the divergence in the heat capacity, numerically computed for the red dots, when trained on the same samples as panel A (red stars).

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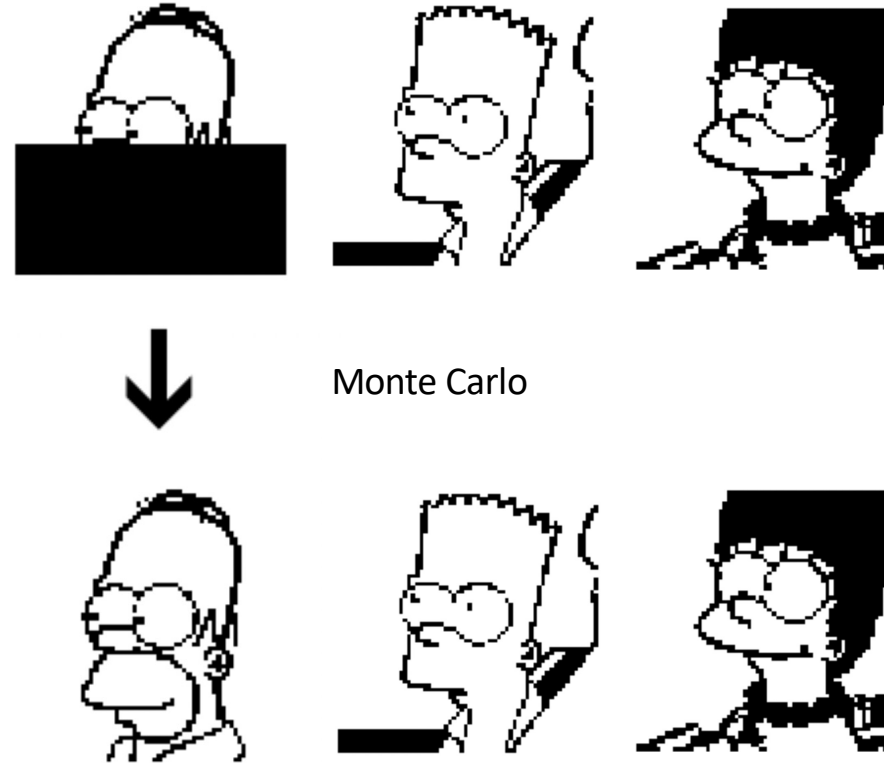
# From spin glasses to RNAs

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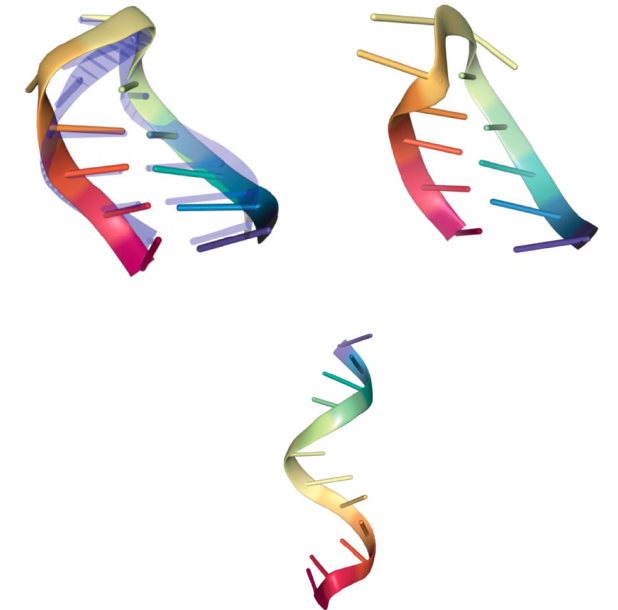
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(2 phases)

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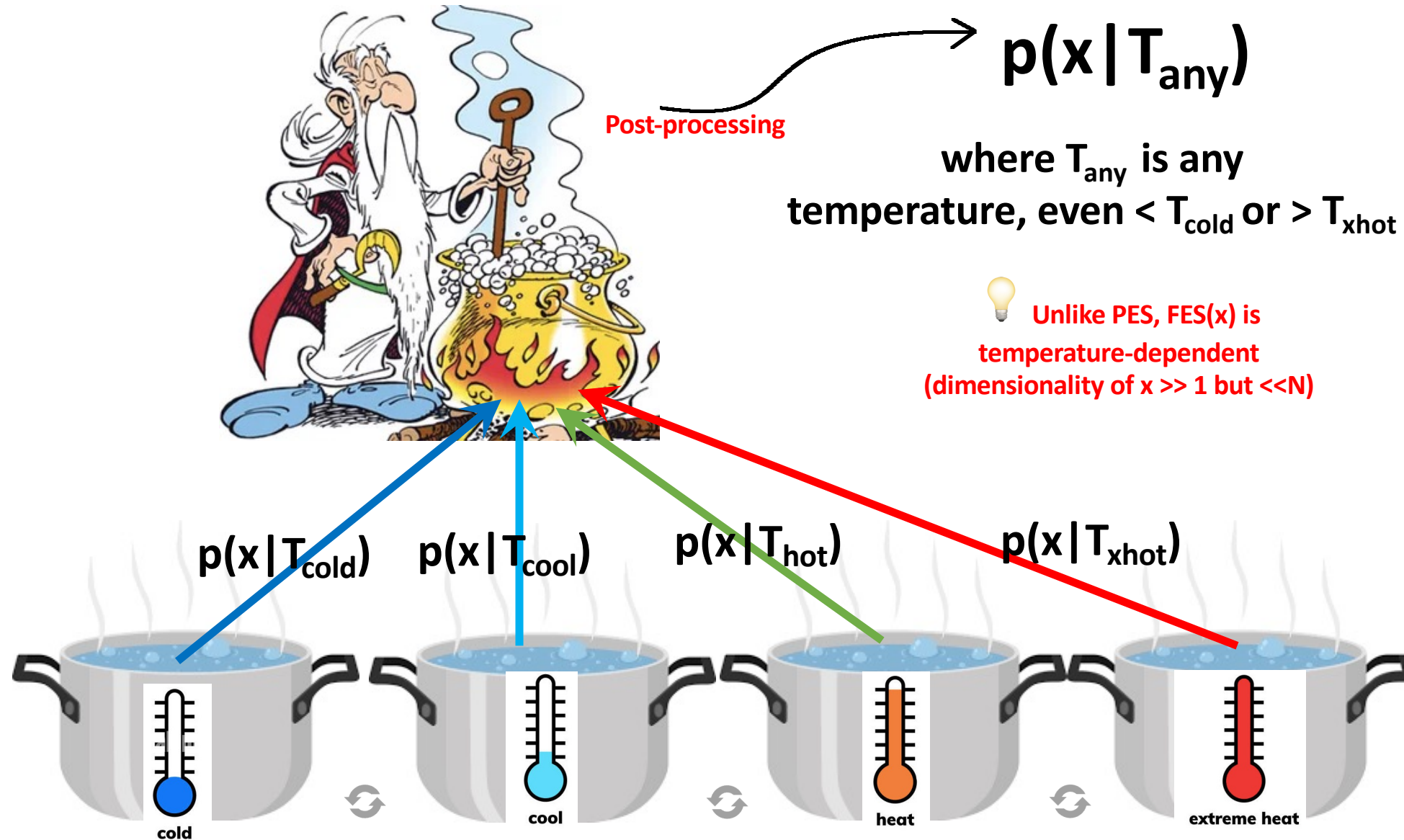
Monte Carlo

## Biopolymers



Stable configurations (Phases) stored in  
long-ranged heterogeneous  $J_{ij}$

Take home so far: Thermodynamic Maps allows generating samples conditioned on some control thermodynamic parameter (so far, temperature)



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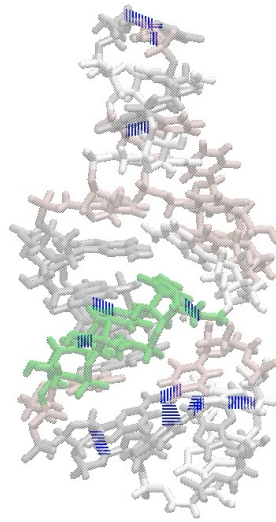
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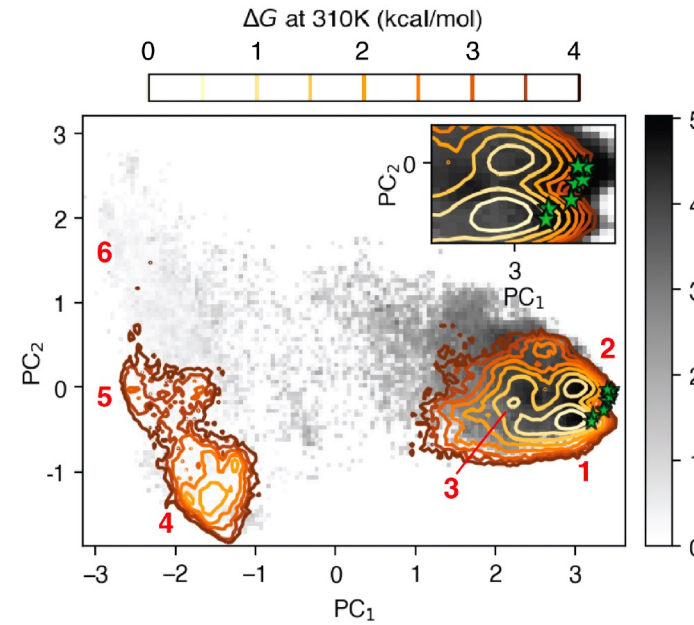


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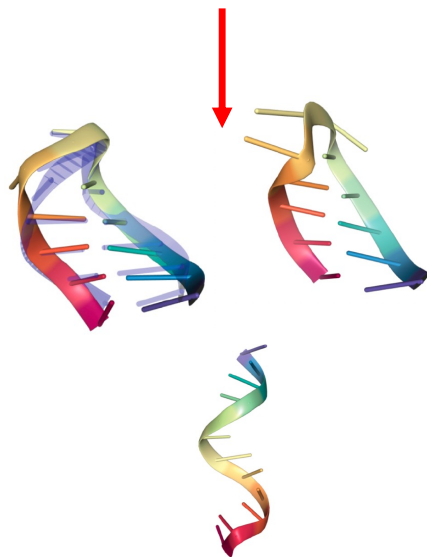


Sample new seeds for cluster-guided exploration



Cluster generated structures

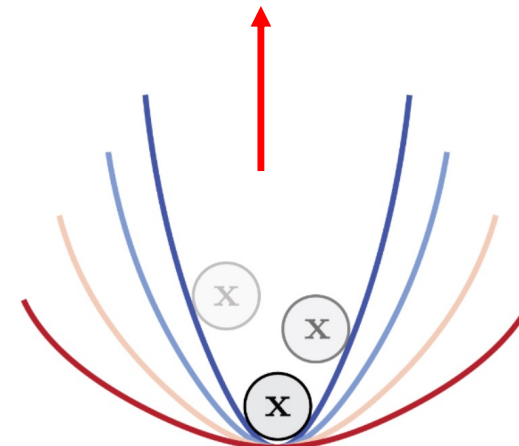
Train Thermodynamic Map on MD structures



$\{(x_i, \beta_i)\}$

Diffusion Process

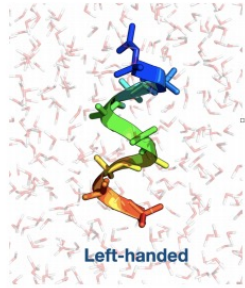
$\mathcal{M}_\theta$



Sample from Thermodynamic Map at each T

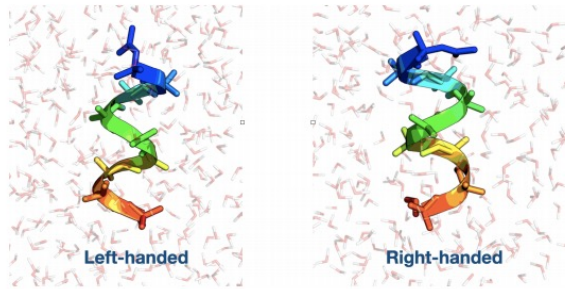
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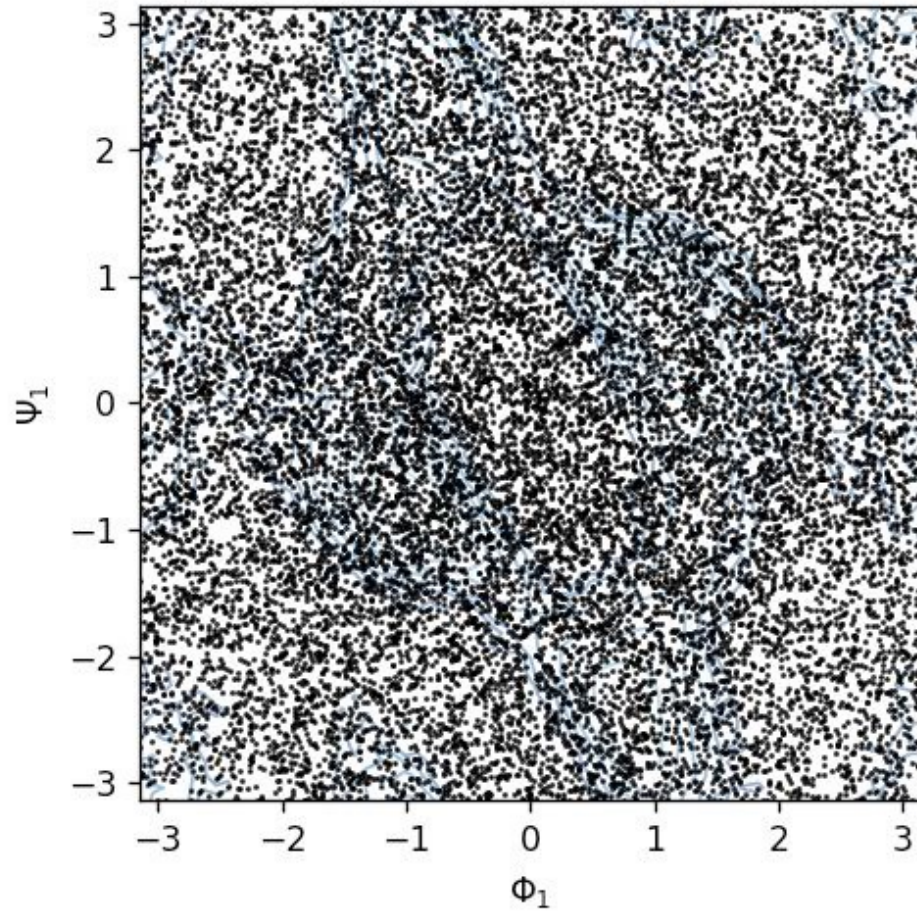


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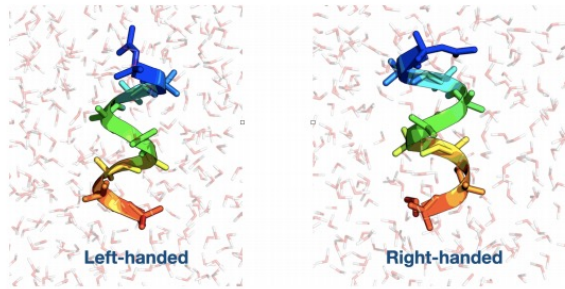
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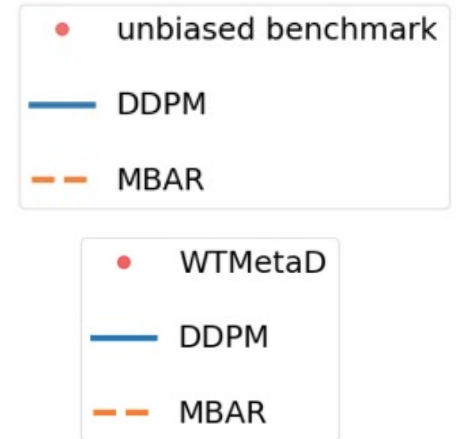
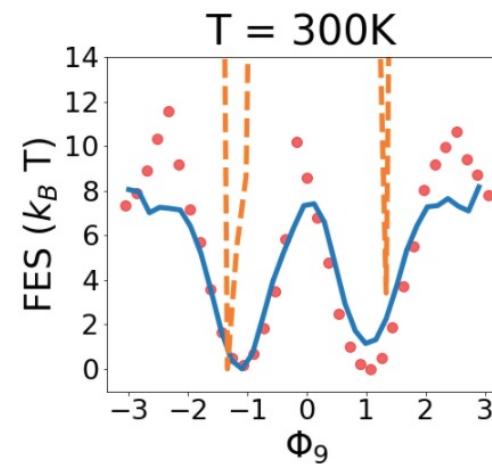
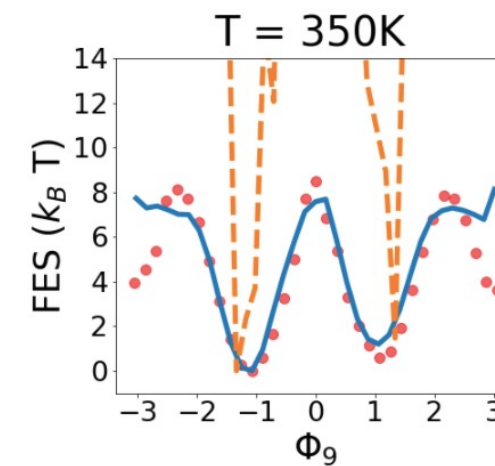
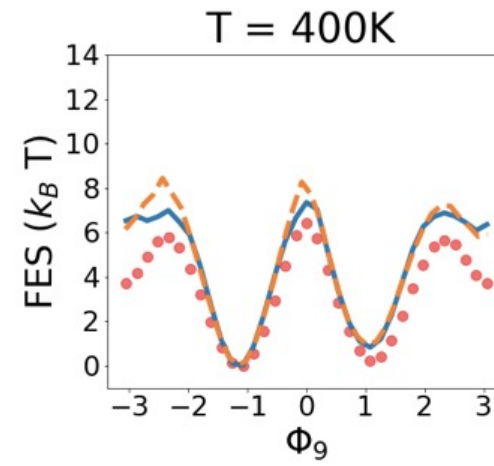
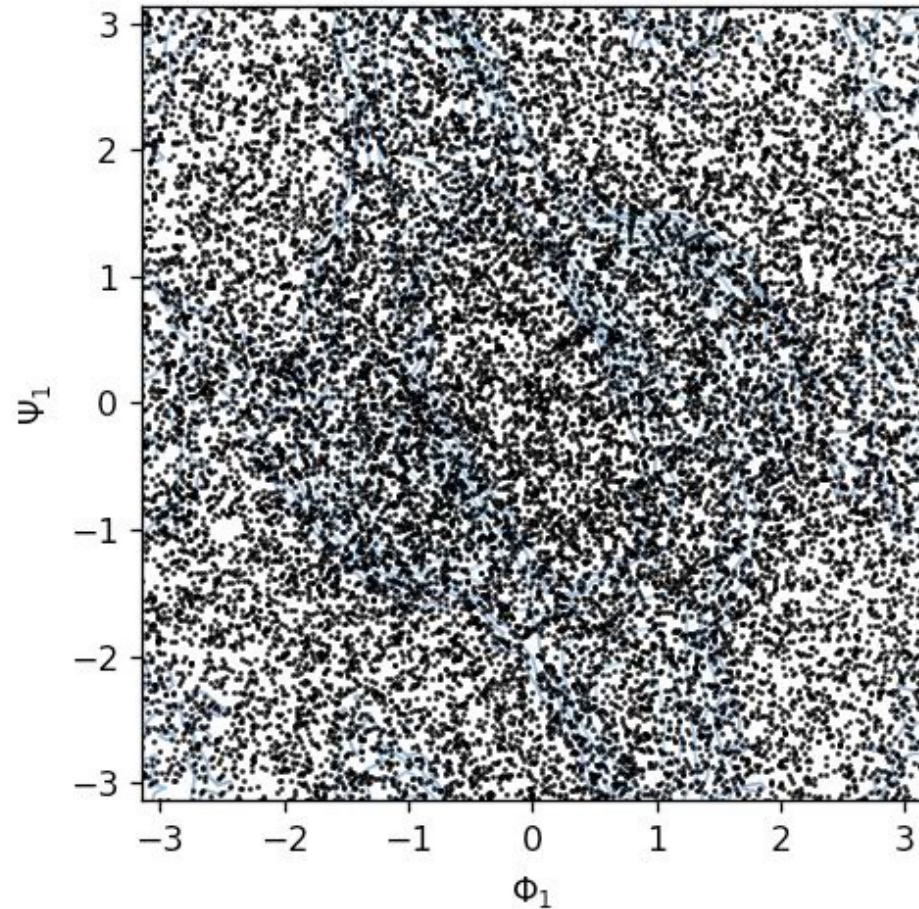
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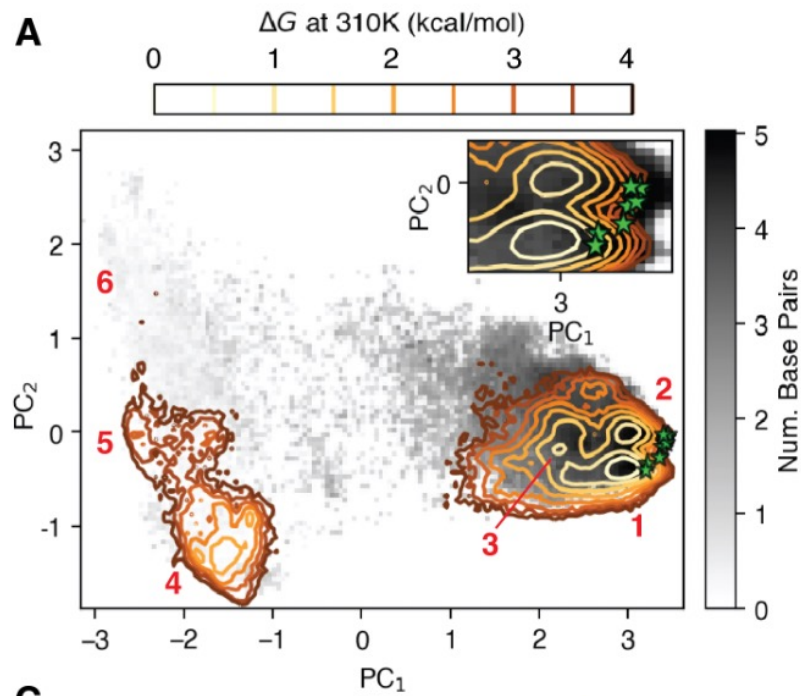


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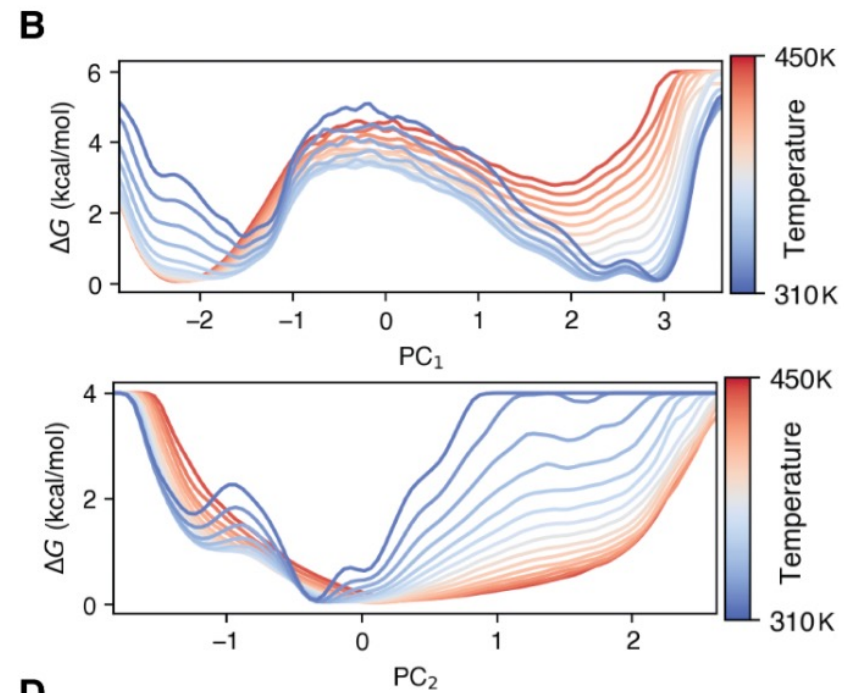
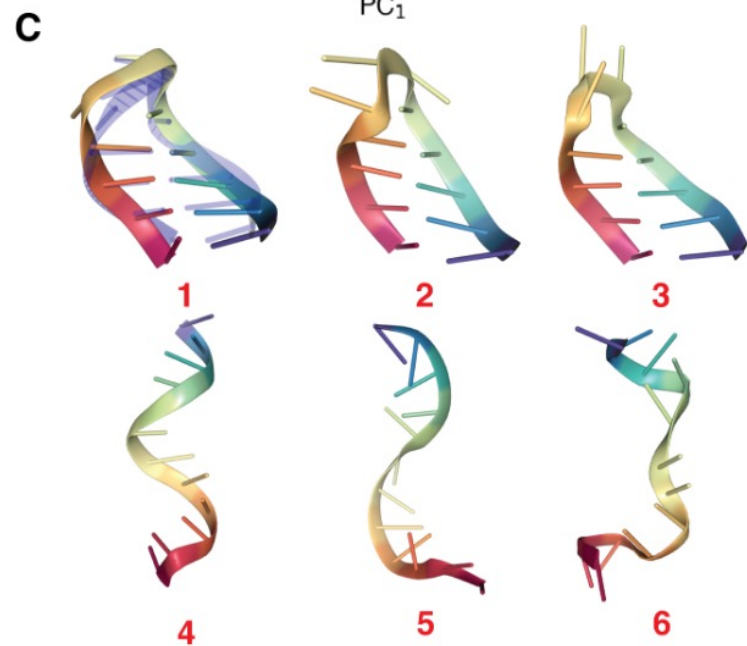
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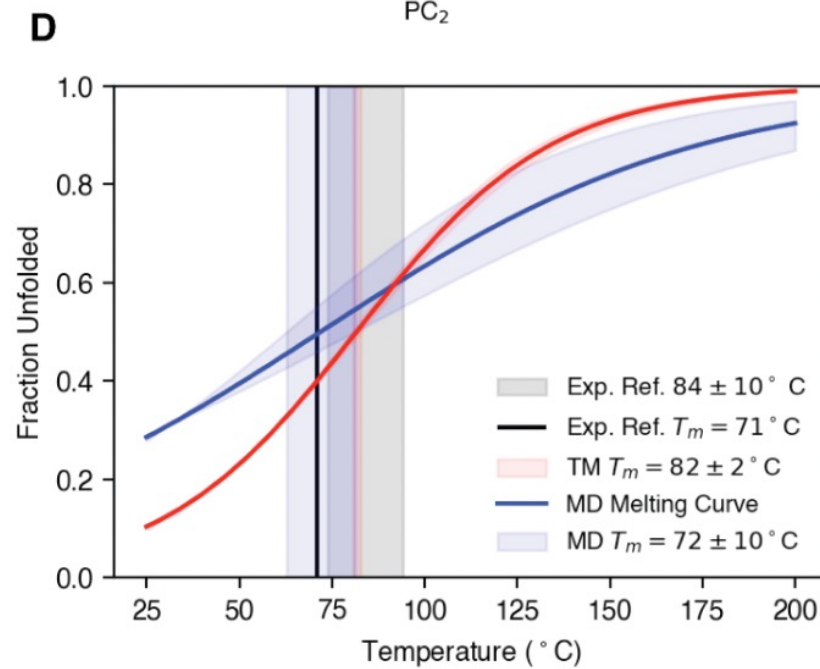
Free Energy (FE) landscape  
(NMR in green)



Stable Conformations  
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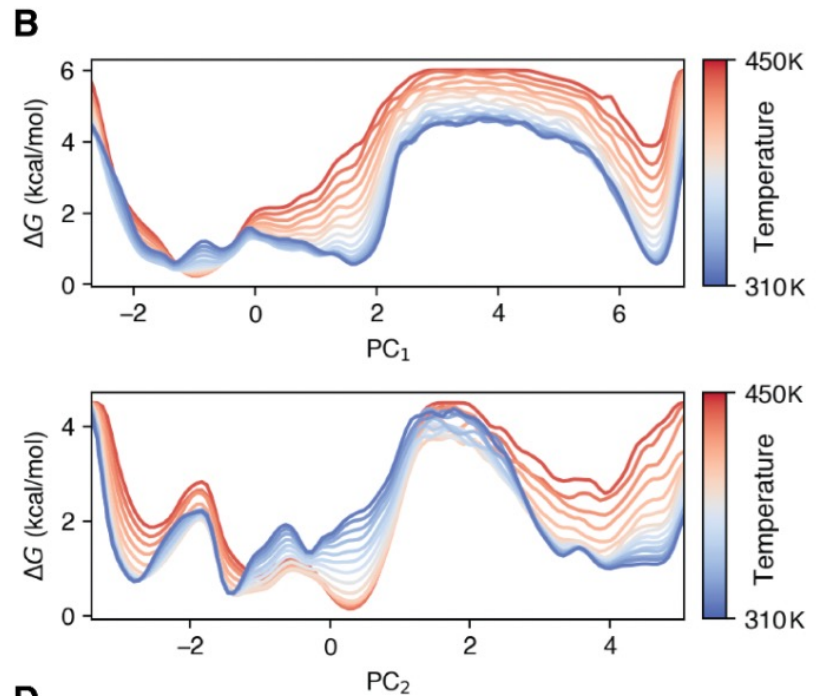
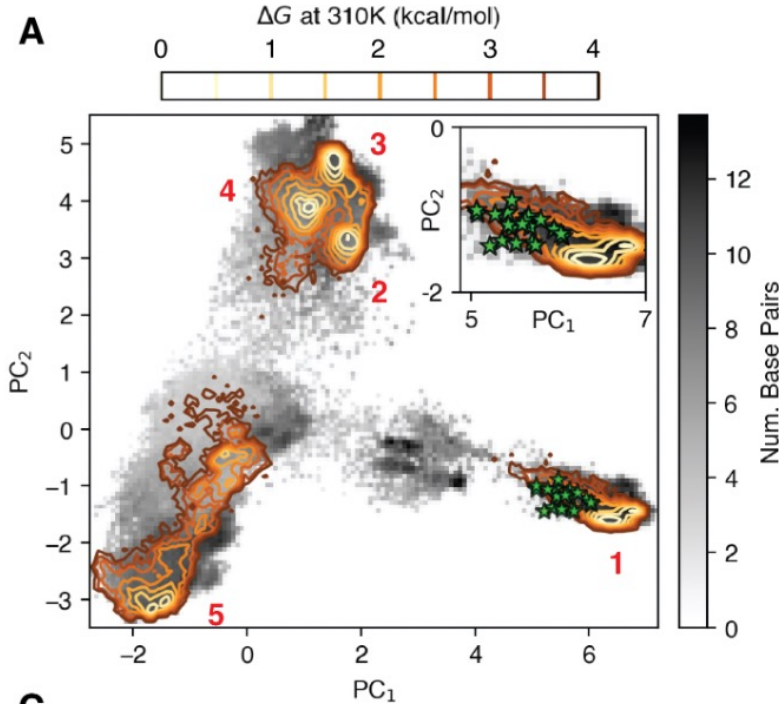
Temperature dependence of FE along PCA coordinates



Converged melting temperature

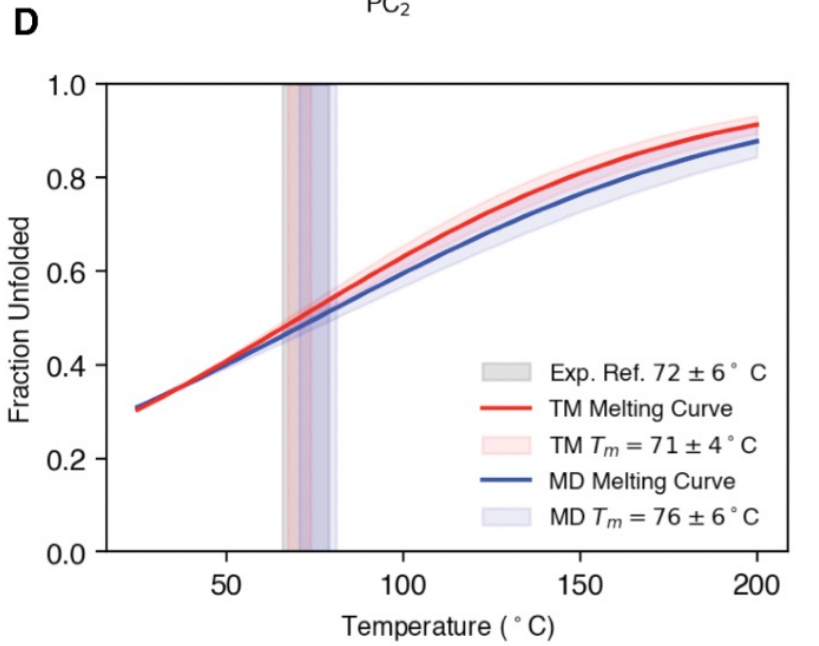
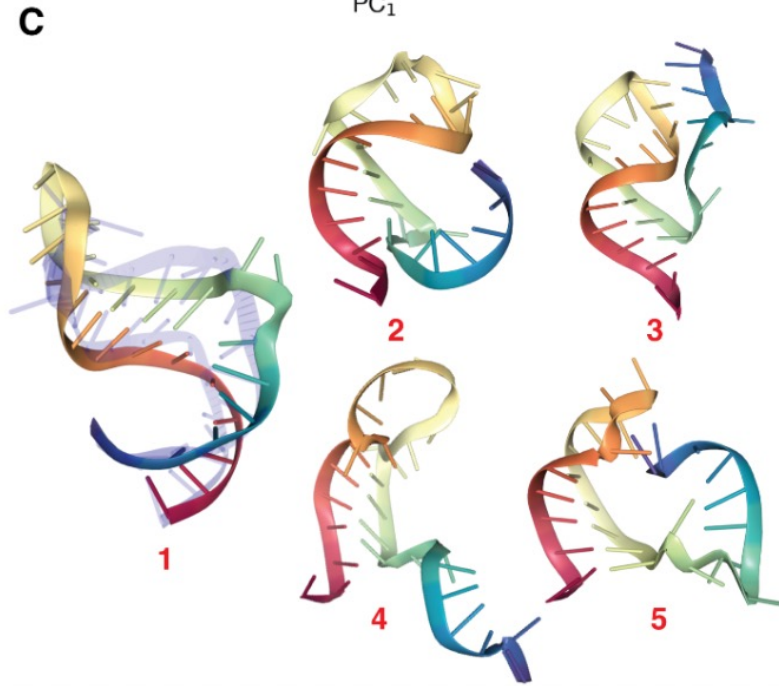
# Results for HIV-TAR RNA

Free Energy (FE) landscape (NMR in green)



Temperature dependence of FE along PCA coordinates

Stable Conformations (NMR in blue)

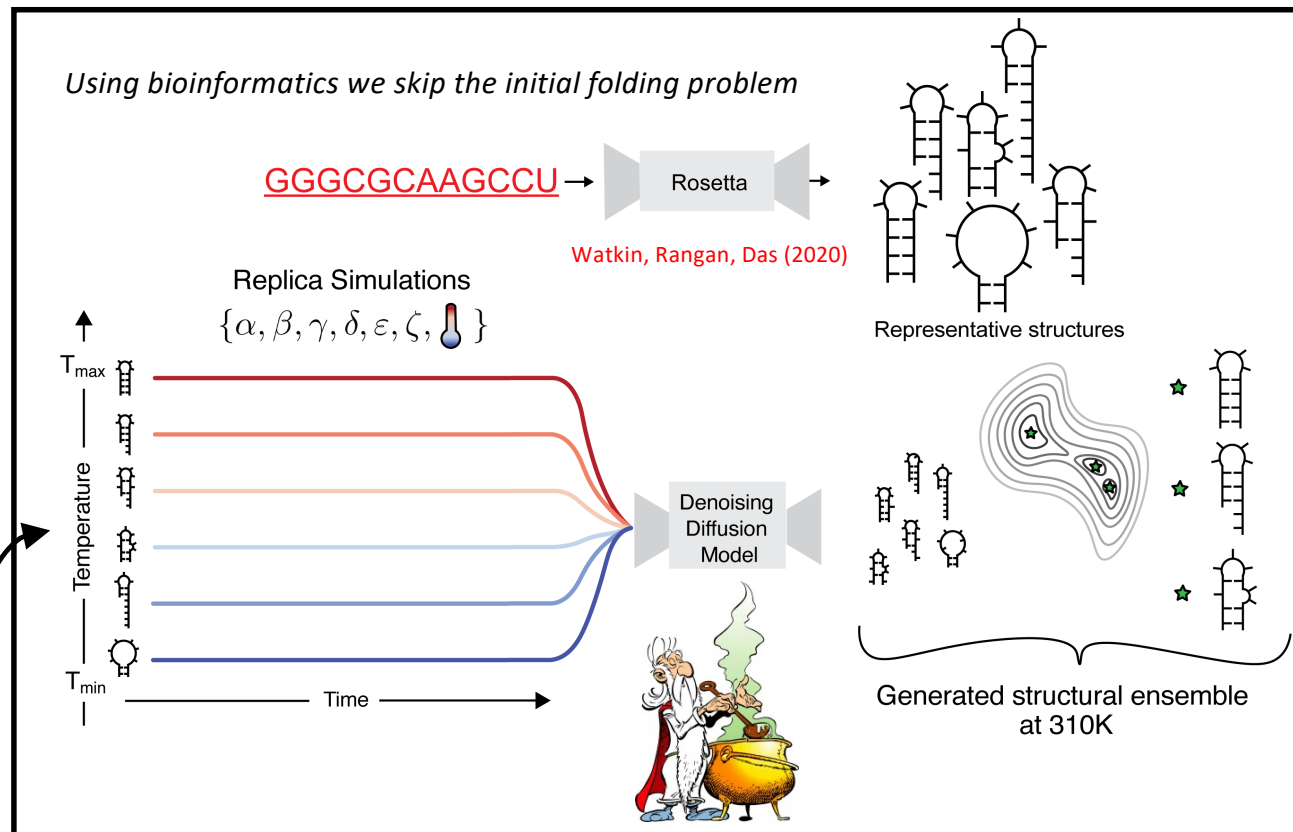


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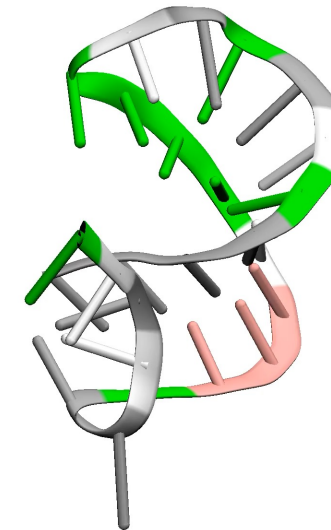
# MALAT1 and Let-7f RNA

## In-progress work joint with Schneekloth Lab @National Cancer Institute RNA sequence and conformation specific drug discovery



- GROMACS 2020
- DESRES force field Tan et. al., (2018)
- NPT ensemble
- 10 replicas
- 5us total simulation time (500 ns/ replica)
- Torsion angles recorded every 0.2ps

### Let-7f miRNA



- ✓ No experimental structure for free Let-7f
- ✓ No computational studies
- ✓ Oncogenic

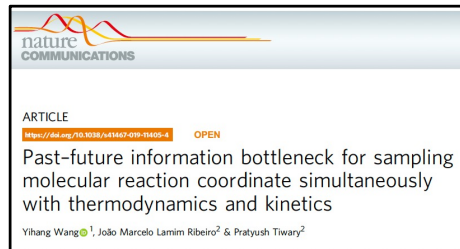
# Wrapping up (1): Proteins, RNA and crystals: Life on different energy landscapes can be sampled with different AI-stat mech integrated sampling schemes

## AlphaFold2-RAVE: From Sequence to Boltzmann Ranking

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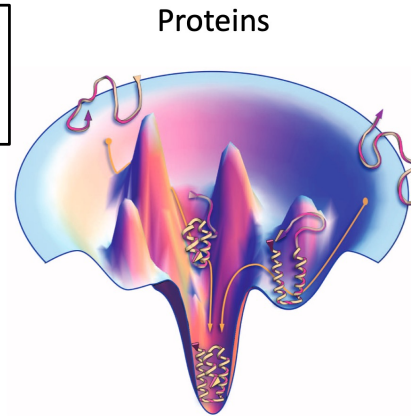


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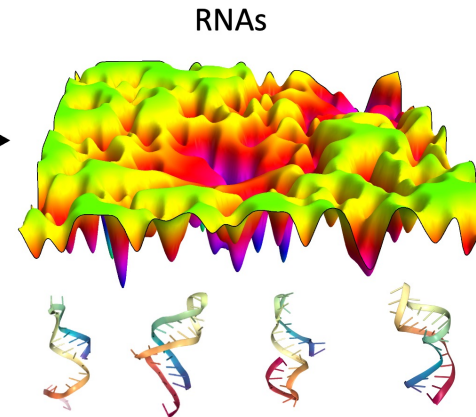
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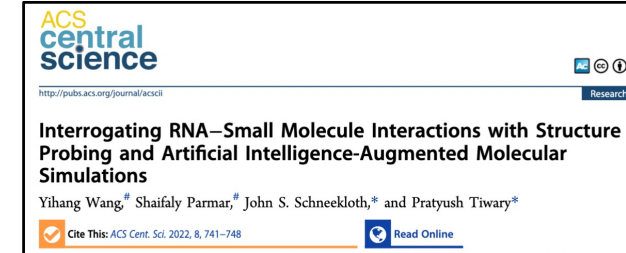
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 $\exists$  well-separated metastable domains

Order/Disorder  
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Metastability is suspect

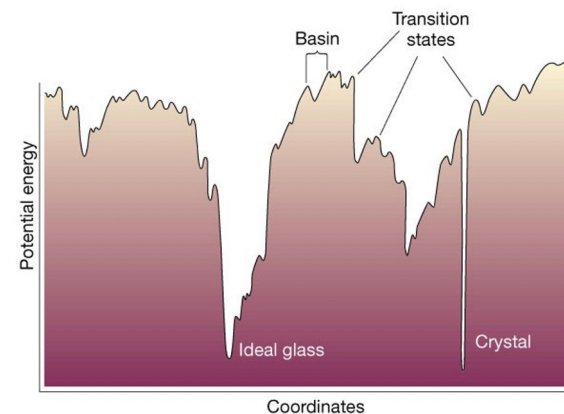


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## Driving and characterizing nucleation of urea and glycine polymorphs in water

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## From data to noise to data for mixing physics across temperatures with generative artificial intelligence

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## Inferring phase transitions and critical exponents from limited observations with Thermodynamic Maps

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# Wrapping up (2): Diffusion Models, with origins in Zwanzig and Jarzynski are arguably the most extrapolative Generative AI models currently available

## Deep unsupervised learning using nonequilibrium thermodynamics

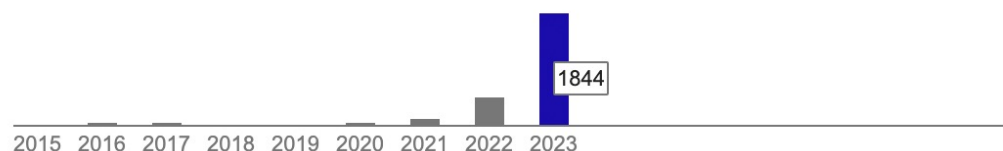
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Description A central problem in machine learning involves modeling complex data-sets using highly flexible families of probability distributions in which learning, sampling, inference, and evaluation are still analytically or computationally tractable. Here, we develop an approach that simultaneously achieves both flexibility and tractability. The essential idea, inspired by non-equilibrium statistical physics, is to systematically and slowly destroy structure in a data distribution through an iterative forward diffusion process. We then learn a reverse diffusion process that restores structure in data, yielding a highly flexible and tractable generative model of the data. This approach allows us to rapidly learn, sample from, and evaluate probabilities in deep generative models with thousands of layers or time steps, as well as to compute conditional and posterior probabilities under the learned model. We additionally release an open source reference implementation of the algorithm.

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## GENERALIZATION IN DIFFUSION MODELS ARISES FROM GEOMETRY-ADAPTIVE HARMONIC REPRESENTATION

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### ABSTRACT

High-quality samples generated with score-based reverse diffusion algorithms provide evidence that deep neural networks (DNN) trained for denoising can learn high-dimensional densities, despite the curse of dimensionality. However, recent reports of memorization of the training set raise the question of whether these networks are learning the “true” continuous density of the data. Here, we show that two denoising DNNs trained on non-overlapping subsets of a dataset learn nearly the same score function, and thus the same density, with a surprisingly small number of training images. This strong generalization demonstrates an alignment of powerful inductive biases in the DNN architecture and/or training algorithm with properties of the data distribution. We analyze these, demonstrating that the denoiser performs a shrinkage operation in a basis adapted to the underlying image. Examination of these bases reveals oscillating harmonic structures along contours and in homogeneous image regions. We show that trained denoisers are inductively biased towards these geometry-adaptive harmonic representations by demonstrating that they arise even when the network is trained on image classes such as low-dimensional manifolds, for which the harmonic basis is suboptimal. Additionally, we show that the denoising performance of the networks is near-optimal when trained on regular image classes for which the optimal basis is known to be geometry-adaptive and harmonic.

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Stat Mech and Theoretical Chemistry have a lot to teach AI for practical, data-sparse applications to natural sciences

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