

Molecular Docking – Part II

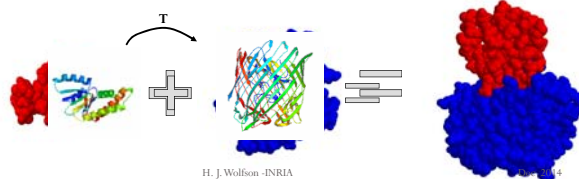
Flexible Docking



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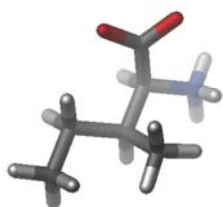
Docking Problem

- **Input:** A pair of molecules in their native conformation
- **Goal:** Find their correct association as it appears in nature



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Small Molecule Flexibility



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Docking and Flexibility

- Which types of molecules are docked?
 - Protein + small molecule
 - Protein + protein
 - ...
- Which types of flexibility are taken into account?
 - Large-scale hinge-bent motions
 - Small-scale side-chain motions
 - Small molecule torsional flexibility
 - ...
- Which molecules are considered as flexible?
 - Receptor, ligand or both

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Handling Protein Backbone Flexibility in Docking

Shear motion (a) (b)

Hinge motion (c) (d)

Flexible loop motion (e)

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FireDock

Fast Interaction REfinement in molecular DOCKing

N. Andrusier, R. Nussinov, H. J. Wolfson, *FireDock: Fast Interaction Refinement in Molecular Docking*, Proteins, 69, 139—159, (2007).

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General Docking Flow

Rigid-Body Docking

Rigid-body candidates

Refinement

Complex Hypotheses

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Flexible Refinement Motivation

- Proteins are in constant motion
- Both backbone and side-chains change conformation
- The induced-fit model:
- Correct docking of the 'unbound' proteins may cause steric clashes
- Refine and re-score rigid-docking solutions

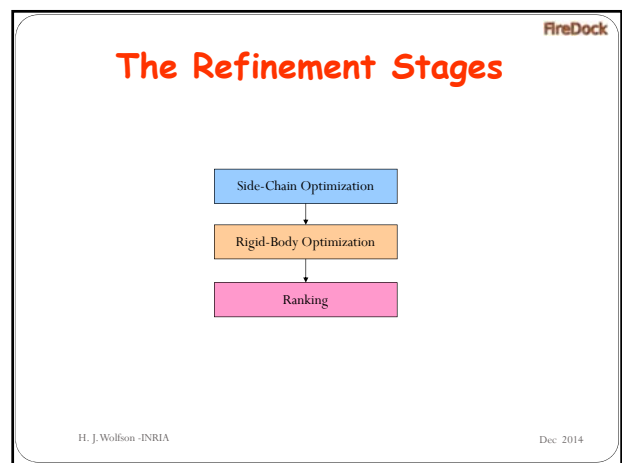
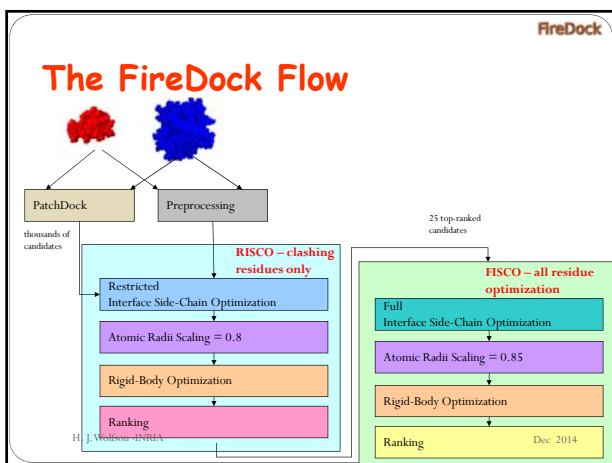
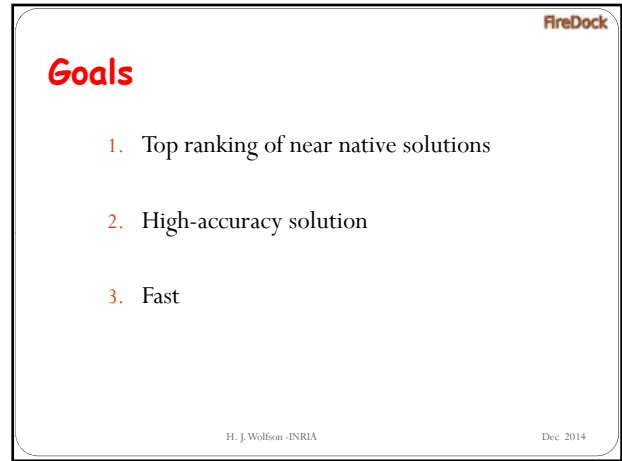
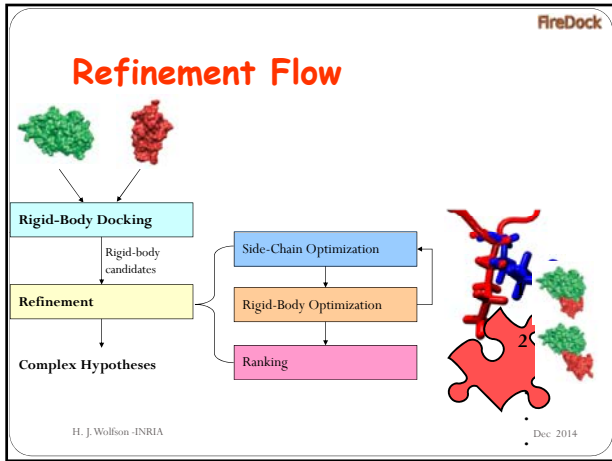
Substrate

Enzyme

ES complex

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Interface Side-Chain Optimization

Graph Representation:

Choosing one node per residue to minimize the weight of the induced sub graph

$$E_{GMEC} = \min_{r,s} \left(\sum_i E(i_r) + \sum_{i,j} E(i_r, j_s) \right)$$

GMEC = Global Minimal Energy Conformation

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The Side Chain Optimization Problem was proven to be **NP-hard** [1]

The Linear Programming (LP) Technique

- A technique for optimization of a **linear function**
- Subject to **linear** equality and inequality **constraints**.
- Can be solved by a fast (polynomial time) method, supported by an efficiently implemented software package (CPLEX).

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Formulation of ISCO as LP

$y_r = \begin{cases} 1 & \text{rotamer } r \text{ was selected for residue } i \\ 0 & \text{rotamer } r \text{ was not selected for residue } i \end{cases}$

$x_{i,j_r} = \begin{cases} 1 & \text{the edge } (i, j_r) \text{ is in the induced graph} \\ 0 & \text{the edge } (i, j_r) \text{ is not in the induced graph} \end{cases}$

Minimize $\sum_{(i,r)} E(i_r) y_{i_r} + \sum_{((i,r),(j,s)) \in E} E(i_r, j_s) x_{i_r, j_s}$

subject to:

$$\begin{cases} \sum_r y_{i_r} = 1, & i \in V \\ \sum_{r \in N(i)} x_{i_r, j_s} = y_{j_s}, & i \in V, j \in N(i) \\ 0 \leq x_{i_r, j_s} \leq 1 & i, j \in V \\ 0 \leq y_{i_r} \leq 1 & i \in V \end{cases} \text{ Not linear!}$$

V – set of movable residues
 $N(i)$ – interacting residues of residue i

In 99.9% the LP solution is integral

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Rigid-Body Optimization

Side-Chain Optimization

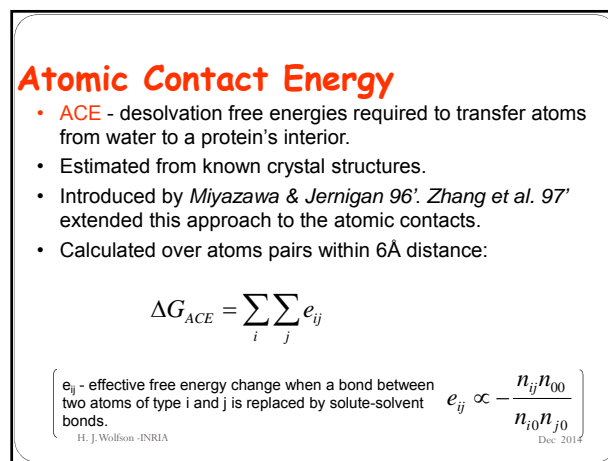
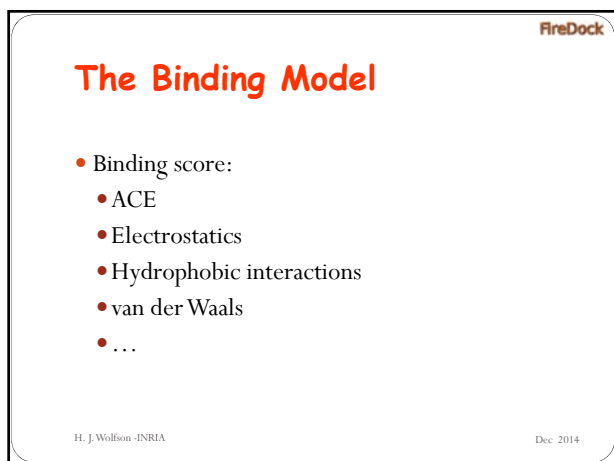
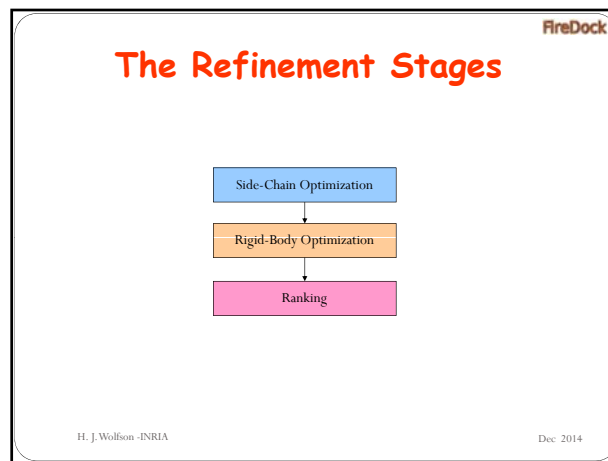
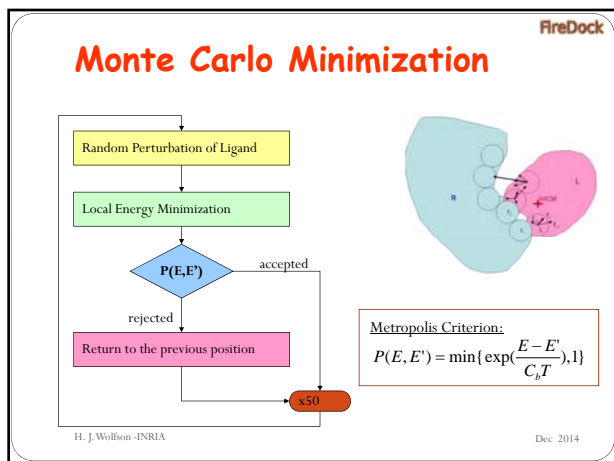
Rigid-Body Optimization

Ranking

- Why?
 - Soft rigid-body docking
 - Unresolved clashes
 - Surface was changed after ISCO
- How?
 - Energy Minimization
 - 6 Degrees of freedom

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Electrostatics

- Electrostatics

- Coulomb:

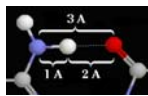
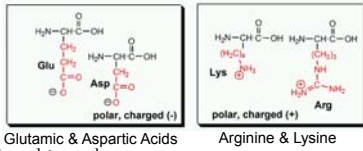
$$E_{elec} = \sum_{i,j} 332 \frac{q_i q_j}{d_{ij}^2}$$

- separated to attractive/repulsive and short/long range categories

- Hydrogen Bonds

$$E_{HB} = \sum_{ij} \left(5 \left(\frac{r_0}{d_{ij}} \right)^{12} - 6 \left(\frac{r_0}{d_{ij}} \right)^{10} \right)$$

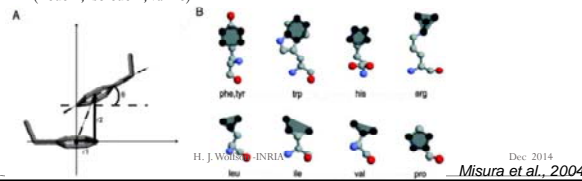
where $2.74 \text{ \AA} < d_{ij} < 3.5 \text{ \AA}$, $r_0 = 2.9 \text{ \AA}$



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π -stacking & Aliphatic Interactions

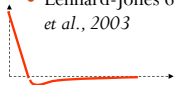
- E_{pipi} - π - π interactions
(Phenylalanine, Tyrosine, Tryptophan, Histidine, Proline)
- E_{catpi} - cation- π interactions
(Arginine, Lysine) - (Phenylalanine, Tyrosine, Tryptophan)
- E_{aliph} - aliphatic interactions
(Leucine, Isoleucine, Valine)



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Misura et al., 2004

van der Waals

- Lennard-Jones 6-12 potential with **linear repulsion** as in Gray et al., 2003



to avoid big penalty for small clashes

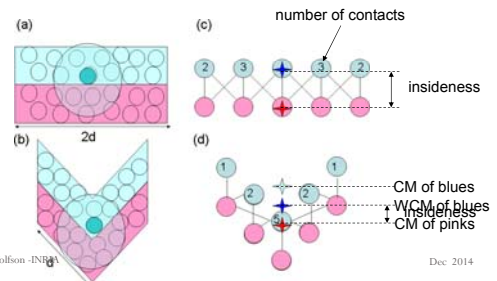
- based on CHARMM19

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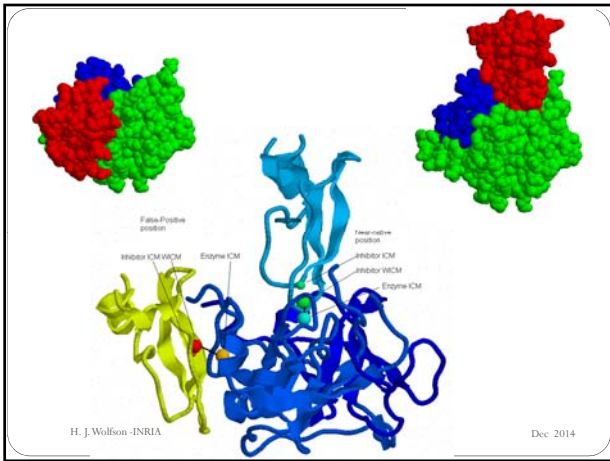
"Insiderness" Term

For enzyme/inhibitor concave interfaces



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Binding Free Energy

$$\Delta G = G^C - (G^R + G^L)$$

$$\Delta G = G_{\text{inter_inter}}^C + \Delta G_{\text{interf_intra}}^L + \Delta G_{\text{interf_intra}}^R$$

interface

R L

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Ranking - energy function

Antibody Antigen complex

$$E_{AA} = 1.5E_{s_attrV_dV} + 0.6E_{s_repV_dV} + 1.6E_{ACE} + 0.21E_{attEI} + 0.21E_{repEI} + 0.46E_{L_attrEI} + 0.69E_{L_repEI} + 1.2E_{HB+SS} + E_{pipi} + 0.7E_{outpi} + 2.5E_{aliph}$$

Enzyme Inhibitor complex

$$E_{EI} = E_{s_attrV_dV} + 0.95E_{s_repV_dV} + 1.6E_{ACE} + 0.07E_{attEI} + 0.12E_{repEI} + 0.3E_{L_repEI} + 1.32E_{HB+SS} + E_{pipi} + 0.8E_{outpi} + 0.5E_{aliph} + 1.55E_{insidiness}$$

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FireDock

Results

Type	PatchDock Medium Accuracy	PatchDock Acceptable Accuracy	FireDock Medium Accuracy	FireDock Acceptable Accuracy
Unbound Enz/Inh	2/26	4/26	21/26	25/26
Semi-unbound Enz/Inh	2/4	2/4	4/4	4/4
All Enz/Inh	4/30	9/30	25/30	29/30
Unbound Ant/Ant	1/9	1/9	2/9	4/9
Semi-unbound Ant/Ant	3/18	6/18	14/18	16/18
All Ant/Ant	4/27	7/27	16/27	20/27

- ⊙ Significant improvement over PatchDock ranking
- ⊙ Successful for EI and semi-unbound AA cases
- ⊙ Unsuccessful for unbound AA cases
- ⊙ On the benchmark 1.0 cases:

RosettaDock	PatchDock+FireDock
25/43 (3.61 Å)	30/43 (3.35 Å)

⊙ Successful ranking in CAPRI "scorers" category. Dec 2014

Contribution of Scoring Terms

Reduction in Success Rate (%)	Scoring Terms
enzyme-inhibitor	
36	s_attVdW
32	ACE
16	s_repVdW
8	isoleucine, attrEI, repEI
4	HB+SS, caspi, alph, LrepEI
antibody-antigen	
35	s_attVdW
29	ACE
24	attrEI, repEI, pipi
18	LattrEI, LrepEI, aliph
12	s_repVdW, HB+SS

Success Rate (%)	Scoring Function
100	E_{EI}
95	s_attVdW
64	ACE
64	$1.6ACE + s_attVdW$
64	$1.6ACE + s_attVdW + 0.05s_repVdW$
64	$1.6ACE + 0.07attrEI + 0.12repEI$
72	$1.6ACE + s_attVdW + 0.07attrEI + 0.12repEI$
76	$1.6ACE + s_attVdW + 0.05s_repVdW$
80	$1.6ACE + s_attVdW + 0.05s_repVdW + 0.07attrEI + 0.12repEI$

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Time Efficiency

FISCO LP

FISCO ILP

Size (# of interface residues)	Pre-building (sec)	FISCO (sec)	RBO (sec)	All (sec)
60	0.05	0.08	1.28	1.4

- In RISCO LP/ILP is very fast (small number of variables)
- In 99.9% of the cases the LP solution is integral
- RBO is a bottle-neck
- Pentium 4 CPU 3.2GHz 1GB RAM

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FireDock

Conclusions

- Improves both accuracy and ranking of rigid docking solutions (created by PatchDock)
- Typical running time is 4 seconds per candidate
- Assumes rigidity of proteins backbone.

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FiberDock

Flexible Induced-fit Backbone Refinement in Molecular Docking

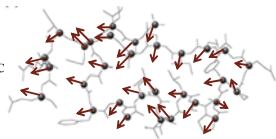
E. Mashiach, R. Nussinov and H. J. Wolfson. *FiberDock: Flexible induced-fit backbone refinement in molecular docking. Proteins 2009;78(6):1503-1519.*

Normal Modes Analysis (NMA)

- Given a **single** conformation, NMA calculates a set of vectors (3N) which describes the flexibility of a protein.

- NMs span the conformational space

- The coeffic



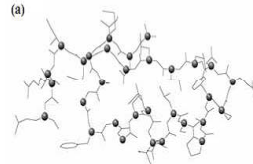
(3,8,1)
(4,6,2)
(9,1,1)
(7,8,4)
⋮
⋮

[More details...](#)

Tama and Sanejouand (2001)
Hinsen (1998)

Anisotropic Network Model (ANM)

- Simplified spring models of proteins



$$U(R_1, \dots, R_N) = \sum_{i,j} U_{ij}(R_i - R_j)$$

$$U_{ij}(r) = k_{ij}(|r| - |R_i^0 - R_j^0|)^2$$

$$k_{ij} = \exp\left(-\frac{|R_i^0 - R_j^0|^2}{r_0^2}\right)$$

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Figure from Andrusier et al. (2008)

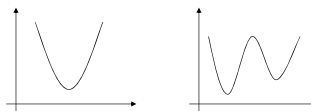
NMA - Advantages

- Similarity to true protein motions
- Conformations can change continuously
- The lowest frequency modes contribute the most to a conformational change (domains rearrangement)

Hinsen (1998)
May, M. Zacharias (2005)
Petrone and Pande (2006)

NMA - Disadvantages

- Describes only one conformation with minimum energy



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NMA - Disadvantages

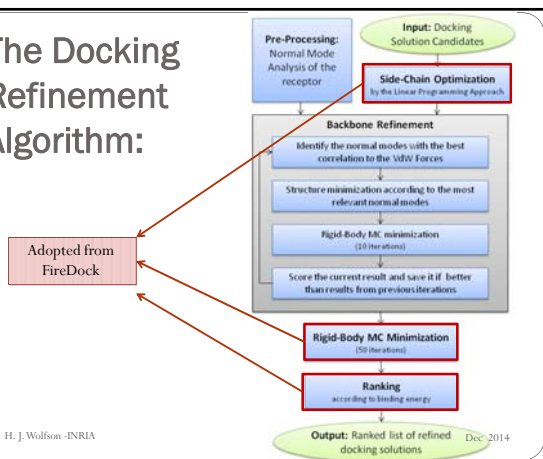
- Describes only one conformation with minimum energy
- Can create distorted conformations
- High complexity in memory ($O(N^2)$) and in CPU time ($O(N^3)$)

Hinsen (1998)
Petrone and Pande (2006)

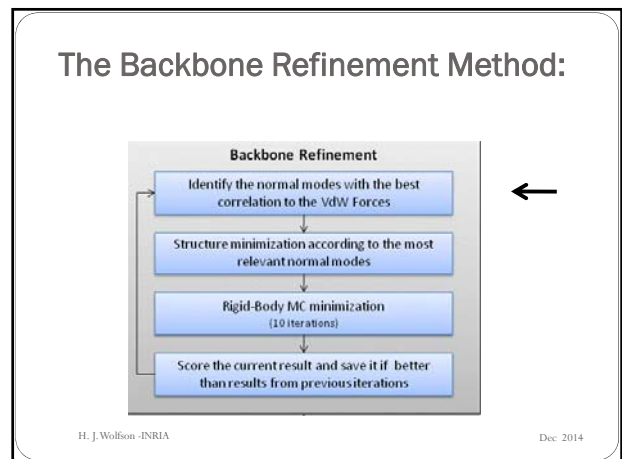
The Main Idea

- Flexible docking refinement which models both **backbone** and **side-chain** flexibility.
- Existing docking methods model backbone flexibility by using only the first few modes. We use an a-priori **unlimited** number of normal modes.
- Iteratively apply the **most relevant** modes on the flexible protein.
- The relevancy of a mode is calculated according to its correlation with the **chemical forces** applied on each atom.

The Docking Refinement Algorithm:



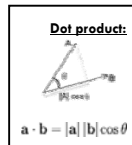
The Backbone Refinement Method:



Correlation Measurement

- The correlation between the forces (F) which are applied on the C α atoms and a certain normal mode (V_i) is calculated in the following way:

$$\text{corr}(F, V_i) = \left| \frac{1}{M \cdot (V_i^{\text{freq}})^2} \sum_{j=0}^M \vec{v}_{ij} \cdot \vec{f}_j \right|$$

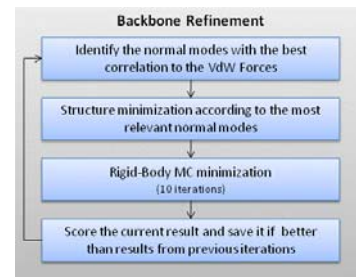


- Good correlation indicates that the directions of the forces suit the directions of the normal mode vectors.

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The Backbone Refinement Method:



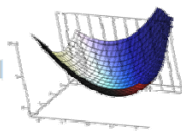
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Structure Minimization

- We use the BFGS quasi-Newton algorithm to locate a local energy minimum in the direction of the chosen (most relevant) normal modes.

$$E = KE_{intVdW} + E_{repVdW} + \lambda \sum_{i=1}^M (V_i^{\text{freq}})^2 |V_i^{\text{amp}}|$$



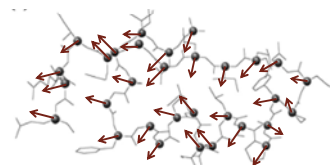
- Finds the amplitude which produces a local energy minimum.

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Changing the Protein Conformation

- NMs often distort the protein structure



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Changing the Protein Conformation

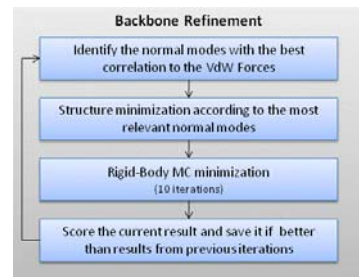
- NMs often distort the protein structure
- Goals:
 - Don't change bonds length and angles
 - Change only φ and ψ torsion angles
- Answer:

Use a modification of the CCD robotics algorithm by Canutescu and Dunbrack, 2003.

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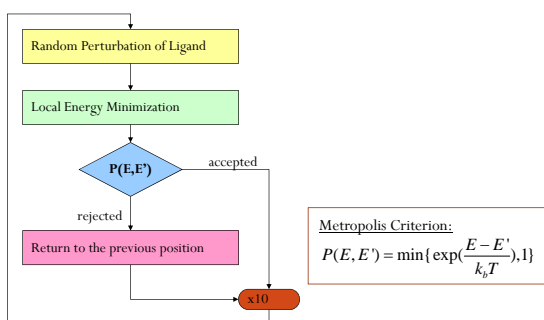
The Backbone Refinement Method:



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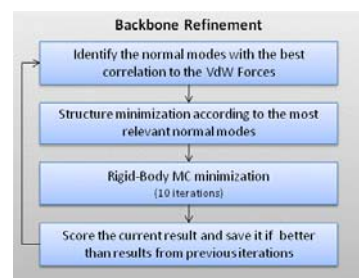
Monte Carlo Minimization



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The Backbone Refinement Method:



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Scoring Function

- Contains the binding Van der Waals energy value (E_{vdw}) and a penalty term which depends on the amount of protein deformation.

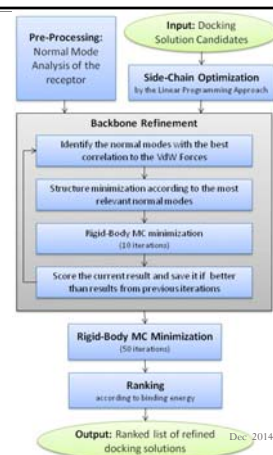
$$E = KE_{attrvdw} + E_{repvdw} + \lambda \sum_{i=1}^M (V_i^{freq})^2 |V_i^{amp}|$$

- The penalty term prevents the algorithm from returning distorted solutions.

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The Docking Refinement Algorithm:



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Results

Test III: Docking refinement starting from rigid-body docking candidates

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Test III

- For each test case we refined the first 500 rigid docking solutions of PatchDock.
- The results of the refinement with FiberDock and FireDock were compared

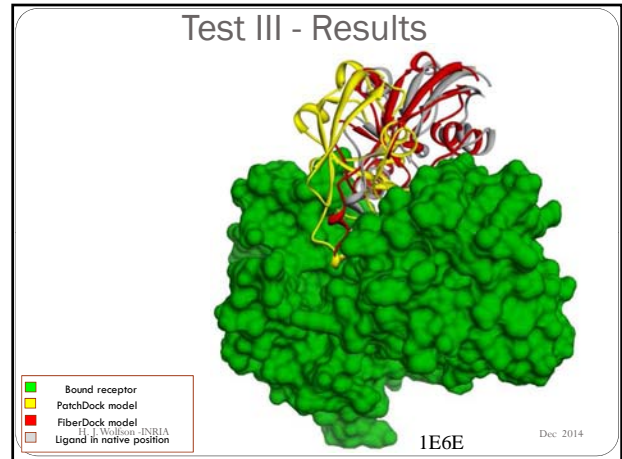
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Table IV
Refinement of Right-Body Docking Solution Candidates (for Unbound Receptors and Bound Ligands)

Complex ID	PatchDock		FireDock		FiberDock		
	First acceptable*	Acceptables in top 20*	First acceptable*	Acceptables in top 20*	First Acceptable*	Acceptables in top 20*	
IAD0	1* (7.66, 3.78)	3 [†]	7 (8.34, 2.30)	29 (9.20, 3.15)	3 [†]	16 (5.25, 3.33)	106 (5.19, 3.26)
IACB	3 (8.17, 3.12)	2	3 (8.24, 4.31)	259 (8.67, 4.37)	1	2* (6.84, 4.01)	42 (6.12, 3.56)
IAY7	14 (9.78, 5.27)	3	5* (1.37, 0.77)	95 (4.18, 1.29)	5 [†]	5* (1.37, 0.77)	95 (4.18, 1.29)
IBTH	1* (12.10, 3.65)	1	2 (10.11, 3.28)	72 (11.47, 3.63)	2	1* (7.96, 1.97)	403 (14.80, 3.55)
ICGI	2 (3.82, 2.31)	1	1* (5.82, 2.25)	2 (3.82, 2.31)	10 [†]	1* (5.42, 2.72)	229 (7.50, 2.97)
IDFJ	1* (6.84, 2.76)	4	1* (5.55, 2.03)	2 (4.78, 2.33)	6 [†]	1* (3.10, 1.53)	5 (4.28, 2.13)
IEE0	None	0	474 (6.01, 3.32)	134 (10.20, 4.25)	0	2* (8.38, 3.44)	327 (20.84, 7.46)
IFN0	None	0	None	None	0	None	None
IGGI	3 (8.06, 3.24)	6 [†]	25 (6.83, 3.37)	3 (6.06, 3.24)	0	1* (12.38, 3.77)	281 (11.23, 3.29)
IGOT	None	0	None	None	0	None	None
IIBR	32 (6.99, 2.78)	0	2* (5.01, 2.50)	208 (6.38, 2.85)	1	2* (6.67, 2.61)	32 (6.99, 2.78)
IOAZ	58 (16.47, 3.84)	0	9* (14.41, 3.27)	204 (15.05, 3.58)	1 [†]	16 (14.41, 3.27)	204 (15.05, 3.58)
IPXV	51 (8.54, 4.03)	0	17 (6.94, 3.48)	54 (5.78, 3.38)	1	1* (8.86, 4.51)	63 (8.86, 4.51)
IT66	4 (8.10, 1.75)	1	1* (6.83, 1.33)	129 (14.78, 3.08)	10	1* (9.61, 1.80)	70 (13.51, 2.33)
ITGS	15 (2.69, 1.54)	1	1* (1.94, 1.43)	15 (2.69, 1.54)	10	1* (1.94, 1.43)	15 (2.69, 1.54)
IWQ1	6* (2.24, 1.42)	1 [†]	20 (5.64, 2.35)	82 (5.40, 2.17)	1	29 (8.92, 4.44)	445 (7.18, 2.95)
IZH1	134 (13.44, 2.81)	0	10 (7.52, 2.73)	311 (8.43, 3.03)	2	4* (7.18, 3.48)	311 (8.43, 3.03)
ZBU0	1* (5.38, 5.39)	9 [†]	3 (5.05, 3.91)	32 (4.87, 3.98)	3	12 (8.3, 4.61)	203 (8.3, 4.71)
ZKAI	17 (12.46, 3.22)	1	1* (1.94, 0.84)	257 (11.11, 3.77)	3 [†]	1* (2.18, 0.94)	257 (11.11, 3.77)
ZHHR	214* (11.61, 3.27)	0	497 (9.19, 5.51)	420 (9.17, 4.58)	0	214* (13.58, 3.95)	261 (15.38, 3.77)
wins [‡]	6	4	8	7	14	11	11

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Test III - Results

Table III: Refinement of rigid-body docking solution candidates (for unbound receptors and bound ligands)

Complex ID	PatchDock	FireDock		FiberDock	
		Best LRRMSD in top 10 ^(a)	Best LRRMSD in top 10 ^(b)	Best LRRMSD in top 10 ^(a)	Best LRRMSD in top 10 ^(b)
1. IAD0	7.66(1)	6.21 (10)	5.19 (108)	5.63 (27)	9.61 (179)
2. IACB	6.17(3)	8.24 (3)	8.67 (259)	6.58 (8)	6.12 (42)
3. IAY7	12.46(2)	1.37 (5)	4.19 (95)	4.19 (95)	4.19 (95)
4. IBTH	12.08 (8)	7.55 (10)	11.02 (232)	9.17 (184)	9.17 (184)
5. ICGI	3.82 (2)	2.70 (2)	4.65 (107)	3.65 (50)	3.65 (50)
6. IDFJ	4.28 (5)	3.32 (28)	3.93 (11)	3.93 (11)	7.98 (400)
7. IEE0	17.01 (5)	12.27 (1)	16.36 (79)	16.36 (79)	16.36 (79)
9. IGGI	6.06 (3)	12.27 (9)	12.99 (96)	10.57 (2)	11.23 (281)
11. IIBR	10.11 (9)	8.88 (39)	6.38 (208)	11.87 (37)	11.87 (37)
13. IPXV	14.63 (1)	10.42 (2)	9.56 (86)	11.35 (188)	11.35 (188)
14. IT66	8.10 (4)	3.51 (5)	10.87 (31)	3.95 (91)	3.95 (91)
15. ITGS	12.16(9)	1.64 (3)	7.02 (458)	7.02 (458)	7.02 (458)
16. IWQ1	2.42 (6)	11.72 (6)	13.31 (299)	11.68 (4)	12.01 (363)
17. IZH1	17.43 (9)	7.52 (9)	8.43 (311)	8.43 (311)	8.43 (311)
18. ZBU0	8.11 (10)	3.88 (23)	4.87 (32)	17.82 (3)	17.40 (381)
19. ZKAI	12.83 (2)	1.11 (257)	1.11 (257)	1.11 (257)	1.11 (257)

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Table IV
Refinement of Right-Body Docking Solution Candidates (for Unbound Receptors and Bound Ligands)

Complex ID	PatchDock		FireDock		FiberDock		
	First acceptable*	Acceptables in top 20*	First acceptable*	Acceptables in top 20*	First Acceptable*	Acceptables in top 20*	
IAD0	1* (7.66, 3.78)	3 [†]	7 (8.34, 2.30)	29 (9.20, 3.15)	3 [†]	16 (5.25, 3.33)	106 (5.19, 3.26)
IACB	3 (8.17, 3.12)	2	3 (8.24, 4.31)	259 (8.67, 4.37)	1	2* (6.84, 4.01)	42 (6.12, 3.56)
IAY7	14 (9.78, 5.27)	3	5* (1.37, 0.77)	95 (4.18, 1.29)	5 [†]	5* (1.37, 0.77)	95 (4.18, 1.29)
IBTH	1* (12.10, 3.65)	1	2 (10.11, 3.28)	72 (11.47, 3.63)	2	1* (7.96, 1.97)	403 (14.80, 3.55)
ICGI	2 (3.82, 2.31)	1	1* (5.82, 2.25)	2 (3.82, 2.31)	10 [†]	1* (5.42, 2.72)	229 (7.50, 2.97)
IDFJ	1* (6.84, 2.76)	4	1* (5.55, 2.03)	2 (4.78, 2.33)	6 [†]	1* (3.10, 1.53)	5 (4.28, 2.13)
IEE0	None	0	474 (6.01, 3.32)	134 (10.20, 4.25)	0	2* (8.38, 3.44)	327 (20.84, 7.46)
IFN0	None	0	None	None	0	None	None
IGGI	3 (8.06, 3.24)	6 [†]	25 (6.83, 3.37)	3 (6.06, 3.24)	0	1* (12.38, 3.77)	281 (11.23, 3.29)
IGOT	None	0	None	None	0	None	None
IIBR	32 (6.99, 2.78)	0	2* (5.01, 2.50)	208 (6.38, 2.85)	1	2* (6.67, 2.61)	32 (6.99, 2.78)
IOAZ	58 (16.47, 3.84)	0	9* (14.41, 3.27)	204 (15.05, 3.58)	1 [†]	16 (14.41, 3.27)	204 (15.05, 3.58)
IPXV	51 (8.54, 4.03)	0	17 (6.94, 3.48)	54 (5.78, 3.38)	1	1* (8.86, 4.51)	63 (8.86, 4.51)
IT66	4 (8.10, 1.75)	1	1* (6.83, 1.33)	129 (14.78, 3.08)	10	1* (9.61, 1.80)	70 (13.51, 2.33)
ITGS	15 (2.69, 1.54)	1	1* (1.94, 1.43)	15 (2.69, 1.54)	10	1* (1.94, 1.43)	15 (2.69, 1.54)
IWQ1	6* (2.24, 1.42)	1 [†]	20 (5.64, 2.35)	82 (5.40, 2.17)	1	29 (8.92, 4.44)	445 (7.18, 2.95)
IZH1	134 (13.44, 2.81)	0	10 (7.52, 2.73)	311 (8.43, 3.03)	2	4* (7.18, 3.48)	311 (8.43, 3.03)
ZBU0	1* (5.38, 5.39)	9 [†]	3 (5.05, 3.91)	32 (4.87, 3.98)	3	12 (8.3, 4.61)	203 (8.3, 4.71)
ZKAI	17 (12.46, 3.22)	1	1* (1.94, 0.84)	257 (11.11, 3.77)	3 [†]	1* (2.18, 0.94)	257 (11.11, 3.77)
ZHHR	214* (11.61, 3.27)	0	497 (9.19, 5.51)	420 (9.17, 4.58)	0	214* (13.58, 3.95)	261 (15.38, 3.77)
wins [‡]	6	4	8	7	14	11	11

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(Example: Receptor Molecule: 1ukr:A, Ligand Molecule: 1t5g:B, Transformations File: 1t5g_trans.txt)

Receptor Molecule:	<input type="text"/> (PDB:chainId e.g. 1ukr:A)	or	<input type="text"/> upload file:	<input type="button" value="Browse..."/>
	Refine receptor's backbone conformation?	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input type="checkbox"/> No	
Ligand Molecule:	<input type="text"/> (PDB:chainId e.g. 1t5g:B)	or	<input type="text"/> upload file:	<input type="button" value="Browse..."/>
	Refine ligand's backbone conformation?	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input type="checkbox"/> No	
Rigid Docking Solutions:	File format:	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> PatchDock transformations file	<input type="text"/> upload file:	<input type="button" value="Browse..."/>
		<input type="checkbox"/> ZDOCK output file	<small>(up to 100 solutions)</small>	

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