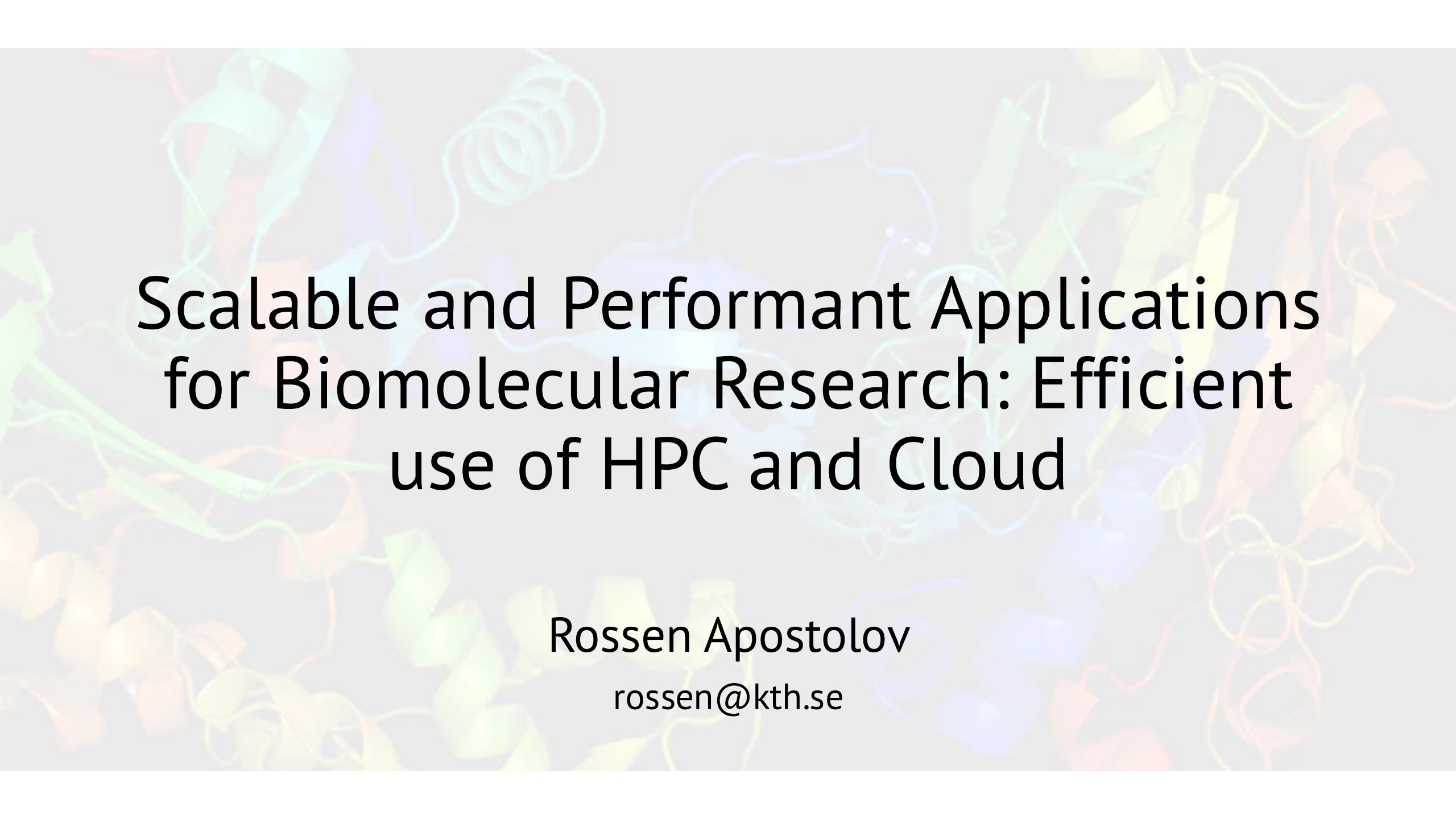




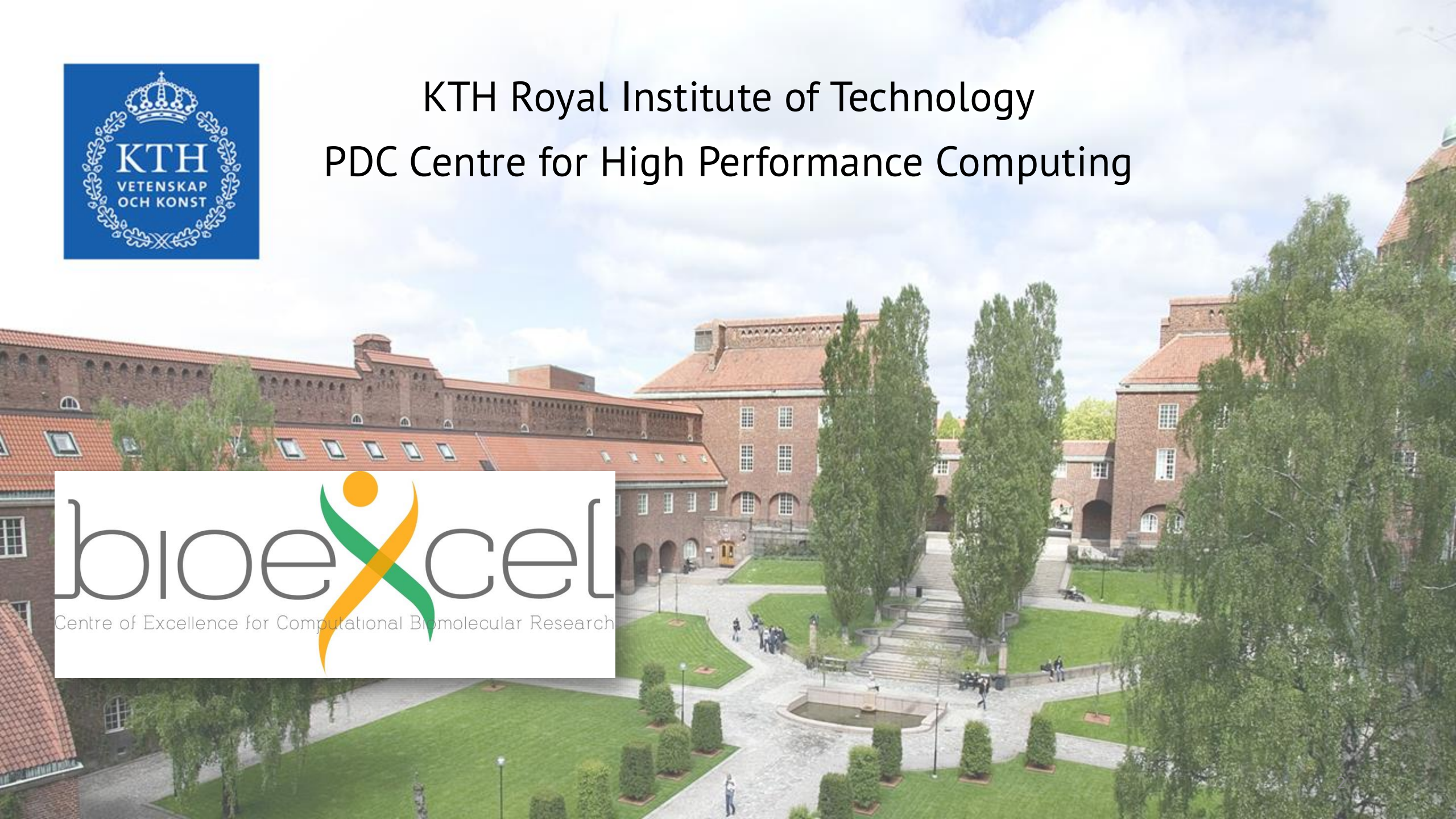
Scalable and Performant Applications for Biomolecular Research: Efficient use of HPC and Cloud

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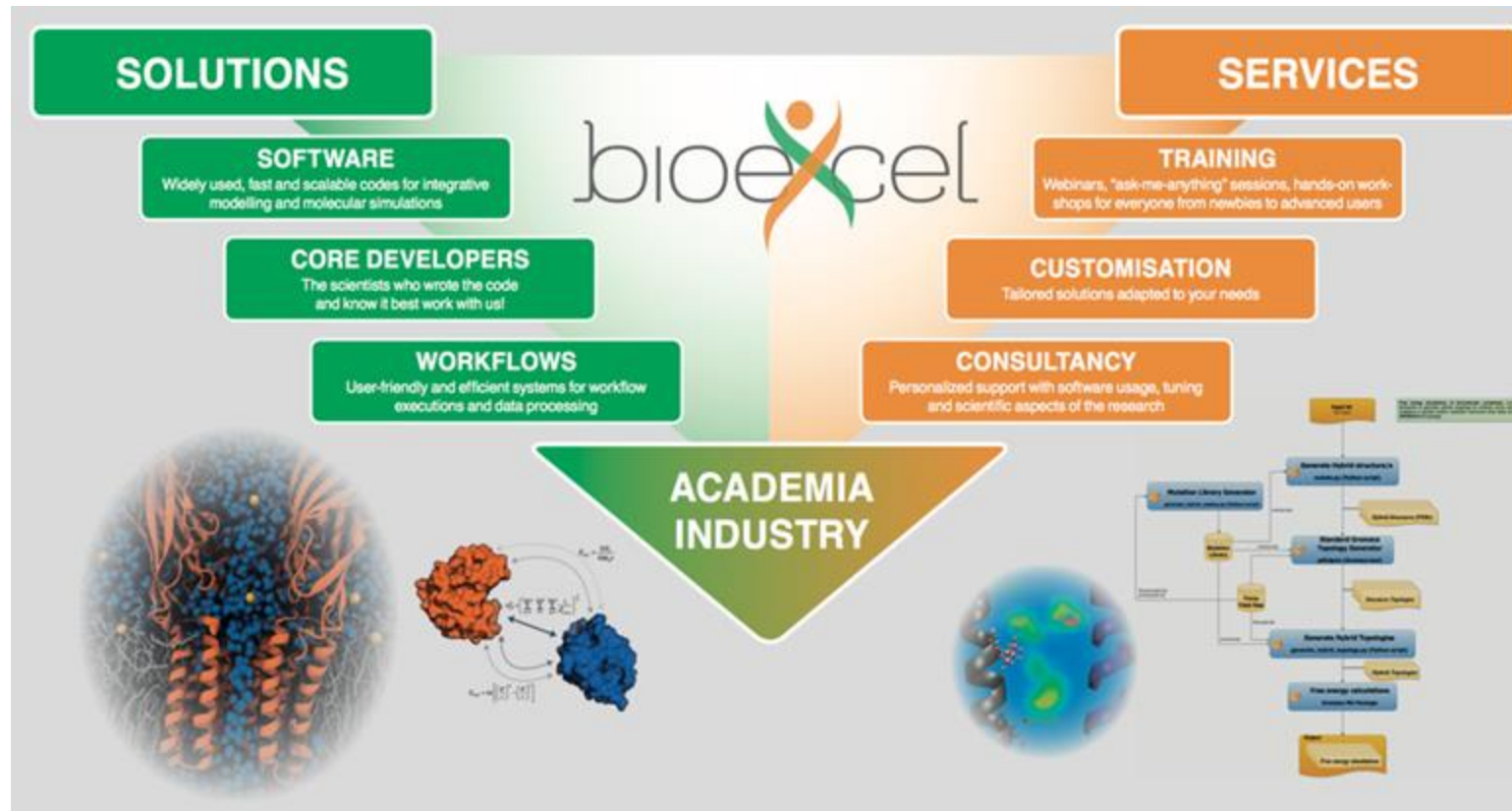


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EuroHPC
Joint Undertaking

- *Provide Life Science researchers with high-quality, user-friendly software*
- *Increase their expertise and skills*
- *Strengthen the community*

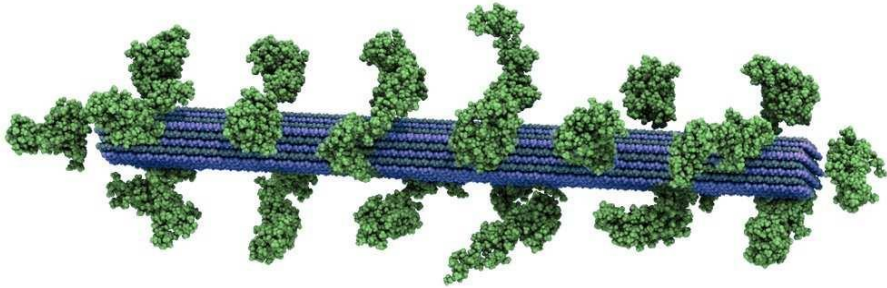
Molecular Dynamics simulations:

GROMACS

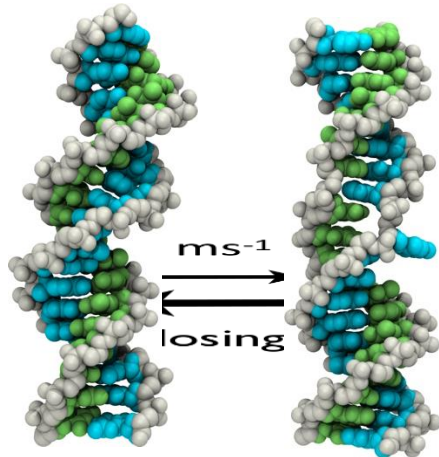
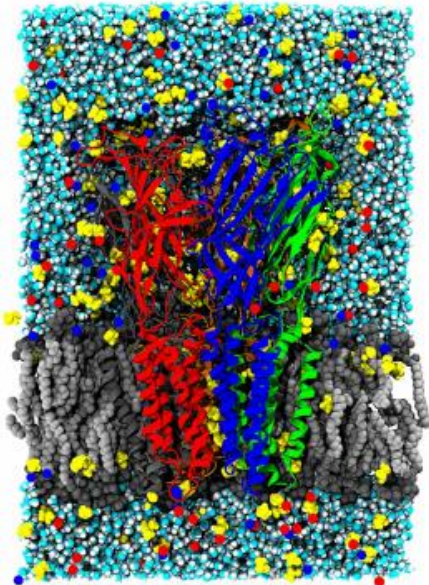
Molecular Dynamics simulations: use-cases

Biomolecular MD

Cellulose + lignocellulose + water: 10^7 particles

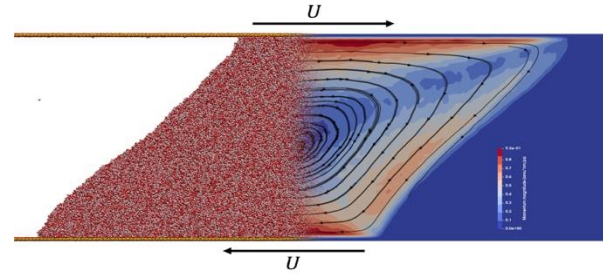


Membrane protein: 10^5 particles

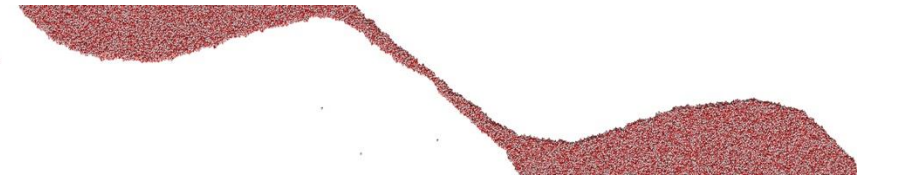


DNA base-pair opening:
 10^4 particles

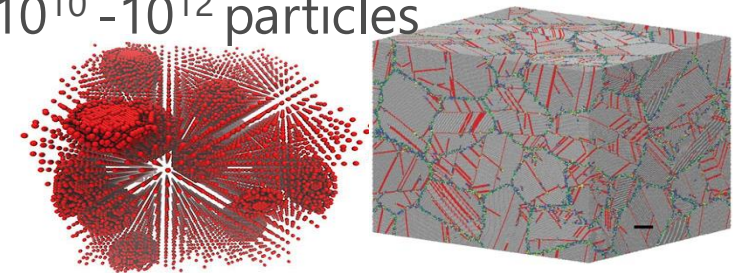
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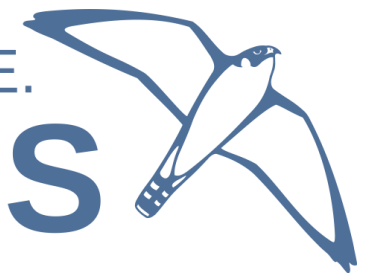


Contact line friction &
wetting dynamics
 $10^7 - 10^9$ particles



Nucleation in nano-crystals:
 $10^{10} - 10^{12}$ particles





- **Classical MD** code

- supports all major force-fields
- broad algorithm support

- **Development:**

Stockholm Sweden & partners worldwide

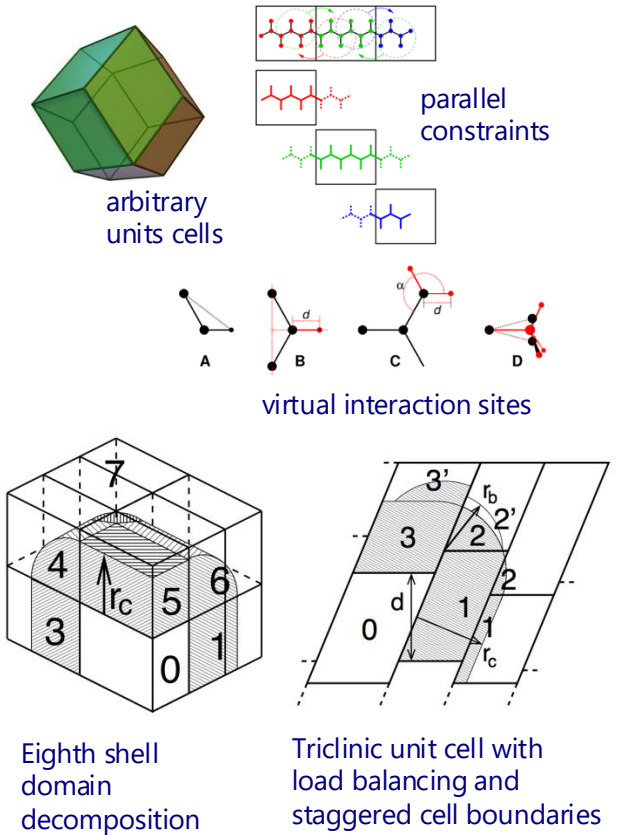
- **Large user base:**

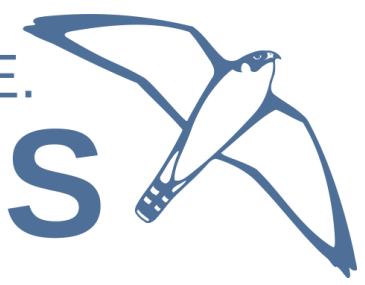
- One of the top HPC codes worldwide
deployed on most clusters
- 10k's academic & industry users

- **Open source:** LGPLv2

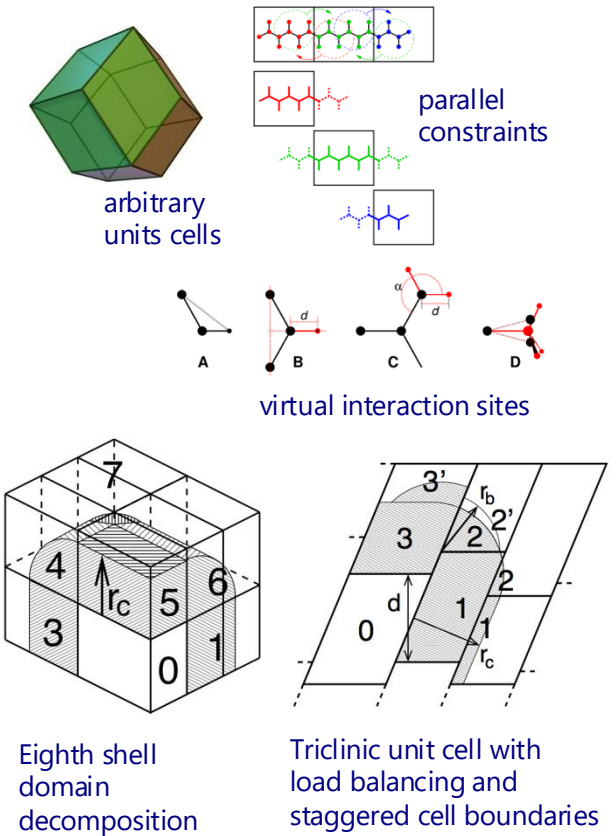
- **Open development:**

- code review & bug-tracker: <https://gitlab.com/gromacs>





- Focus on **high performance**:
 - efficient algorithms & highly-tuned parallel code
- **Bottom-up performance-oriented design**:
 - absolute performance over “just scaling”
- Focus on **portability**
 - Linux distro integration and CI
 - regular testing on all HPC arch
 - SIMD portability library, GPU abstraction layer
 - open standards-based languages/APIs
- **Modern development workflow**
 - mandatory open code review for >10 years
 - tiered CI testing / verification



- **Multi-level hierarchical parallelization:** target hardware levels individually

- Intra-node:

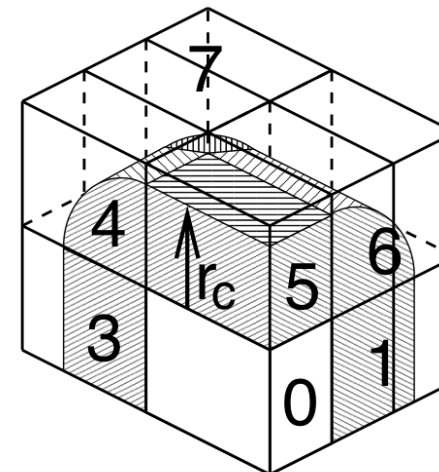
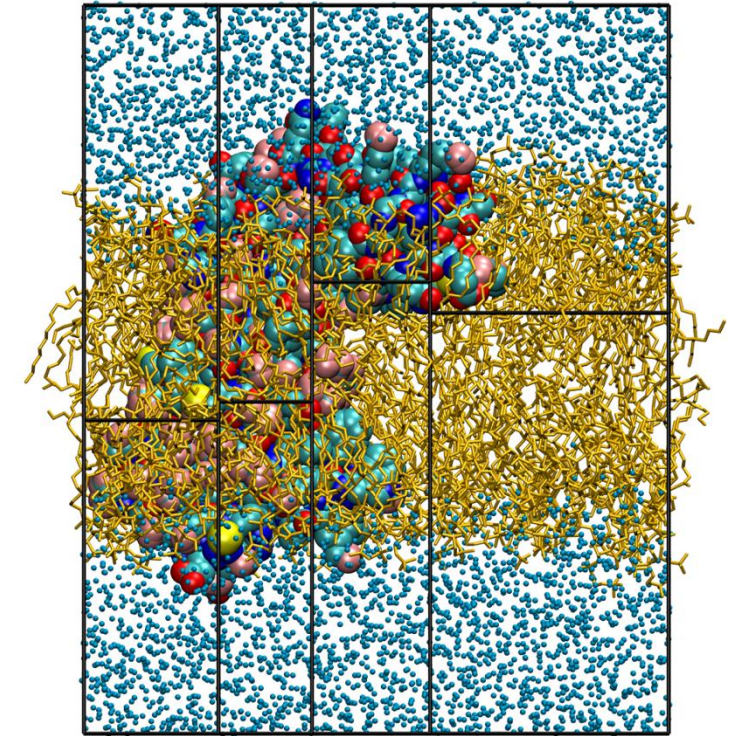
- OpenMP multi-threading
 - static loop schedule, cache optimized work decomposition, sparse reduction
- SIMD C++ library abstraction: 14 SIMD flavors supported
- GPU abstraction layer: CUDA, OpenCL, SYCL backends
- thread-MPI: pthreads-based MPI for ease of use

- Inter-node:

- MPI:
 - SPMD / MPMD
 - Direct GPU communication (GPU-aware on all platforms)
 - hierarchical ensemble parallelization
- NVSHMEM – codesign work in progress

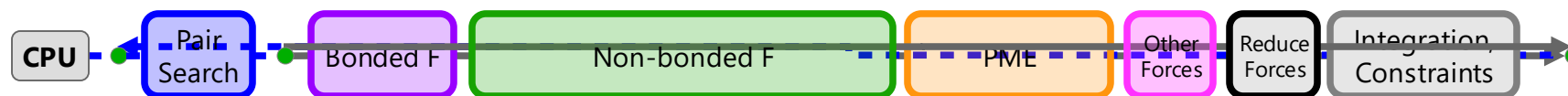
- multi-level load balancing:

- dynamic load balancing
- task balancing

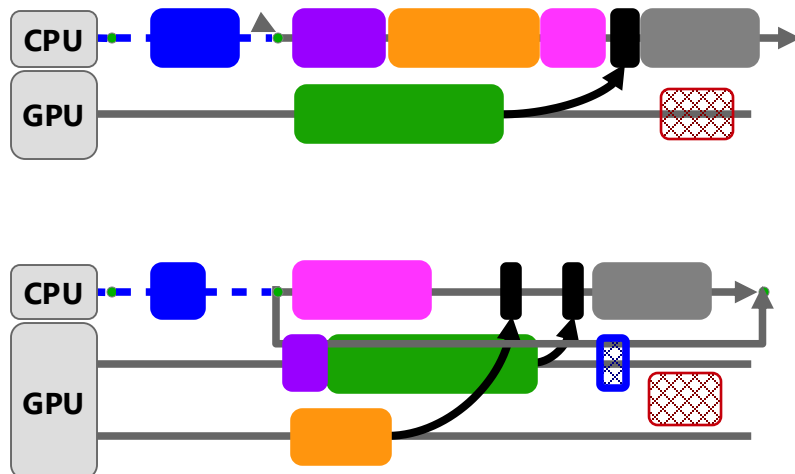


GROMACS parallelization schemes

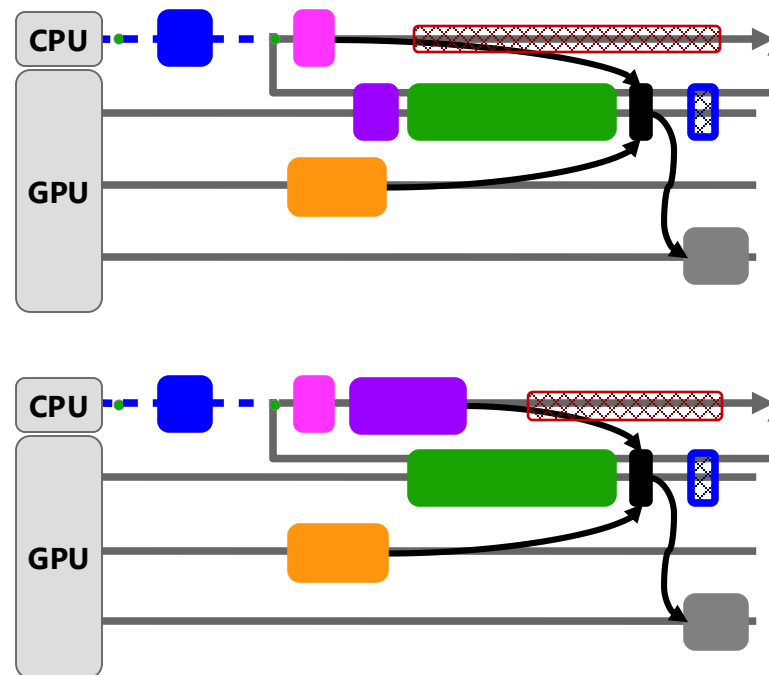
Homogeneous scheme



Force offload parallelization

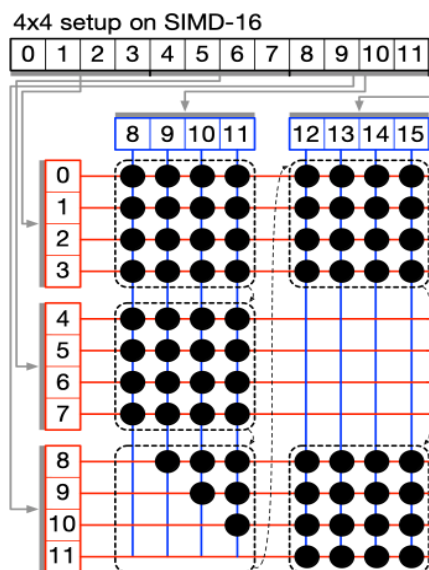
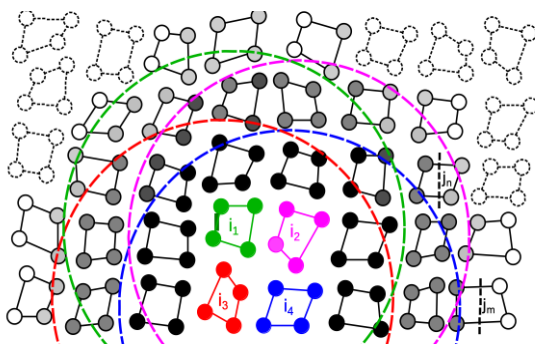


GPU-resident parallelization

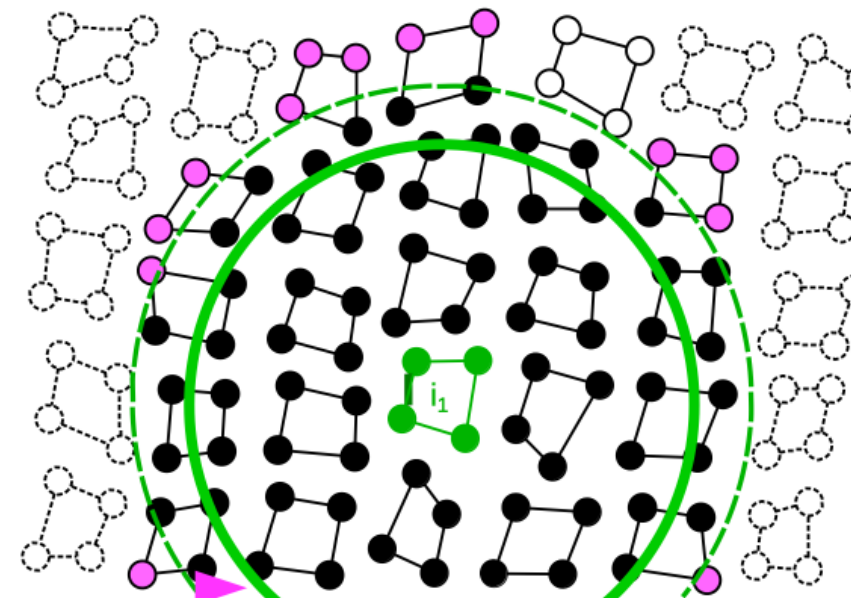


Algorithm redesign for modern architectures

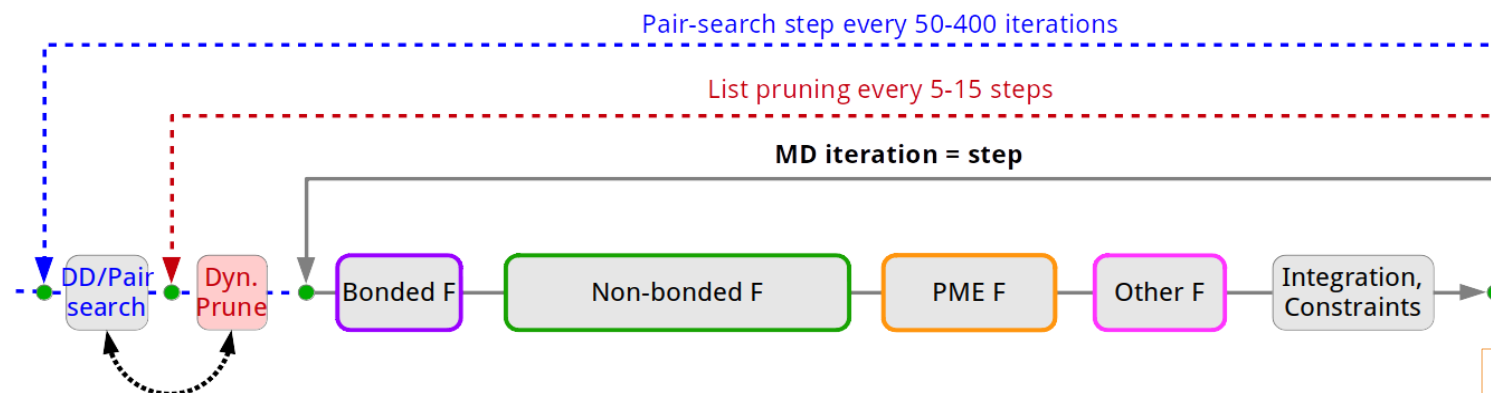
Cluster pair-interaction algorithm for SIMD/SIMT



Accuracy-based automated list buffer improves SIMD algorithm parallel efficiency



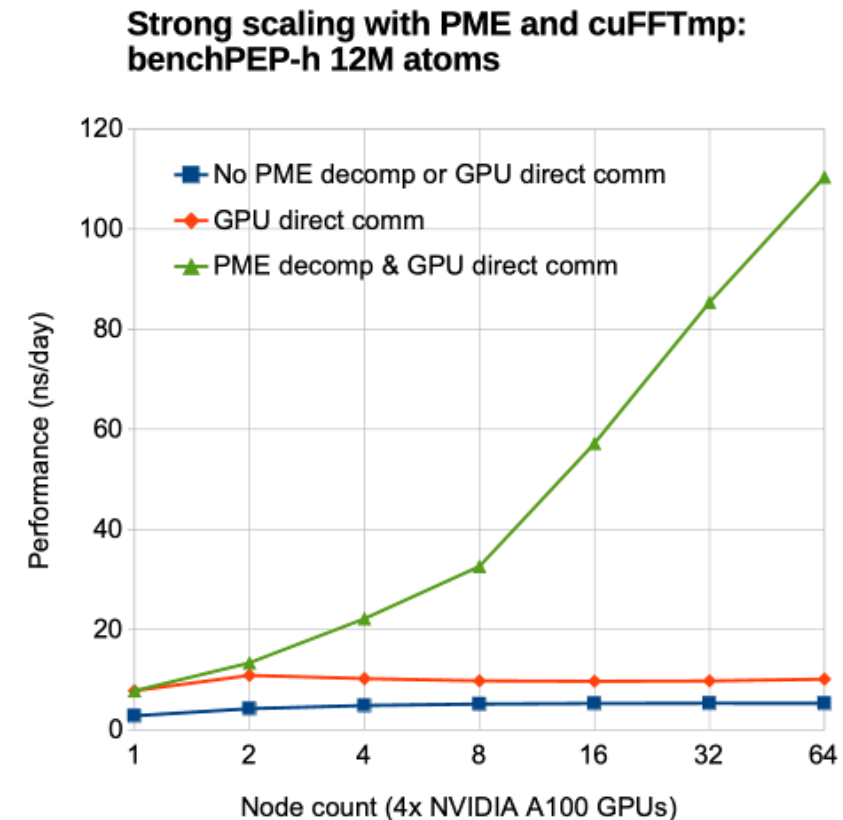
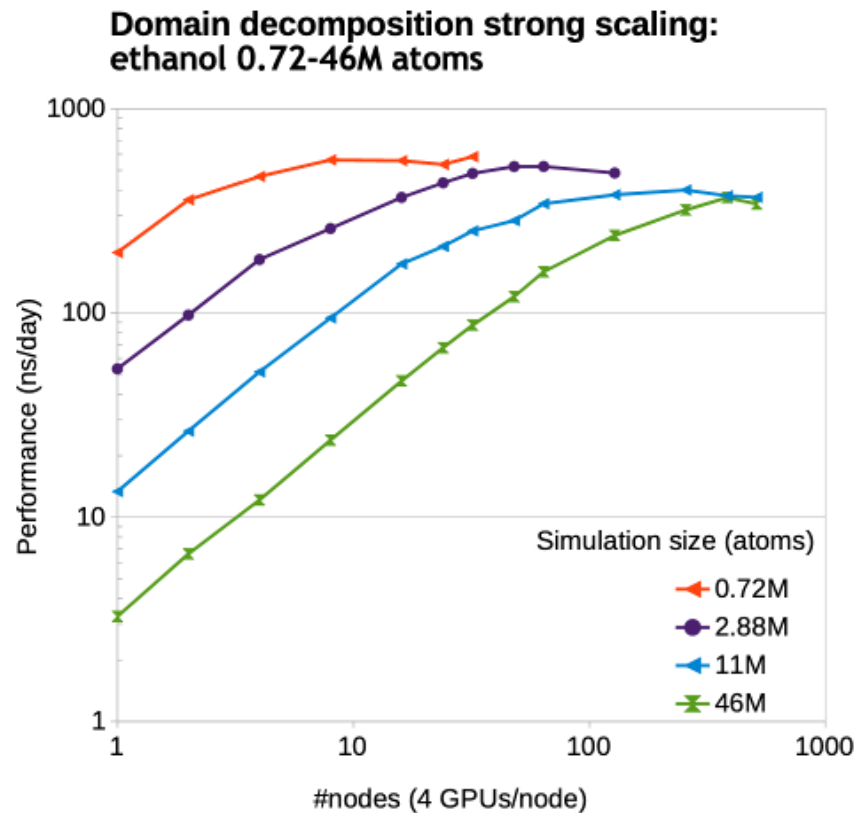
Dual pair list with dynamic pruning



Páll, Szilárd, and Berk Hess, <https://doi.org/10.1016/j.cpc.2013.06.003>

Long-term readiness efforts

Direct GPU communication with proven strong scaling

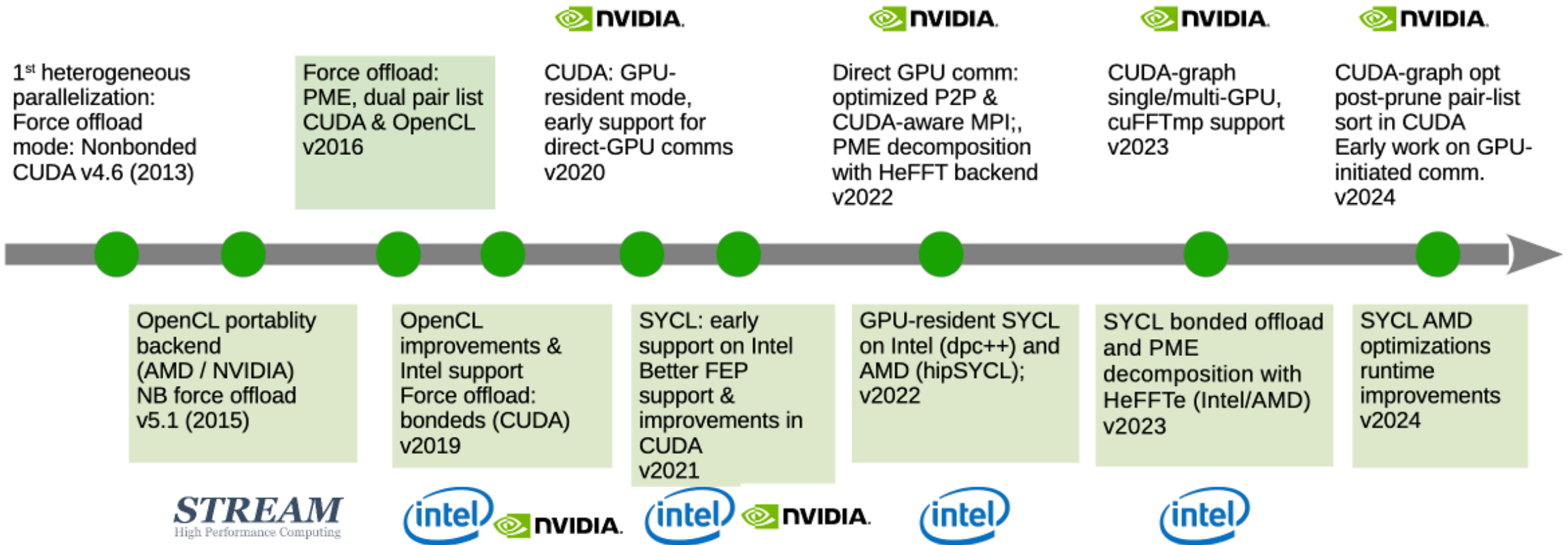


Recent & ongoing codesign activities

- NVIDIA collaboration:
 - >10 years of collaboration
 - Recent years: focus on codesign in anticipation of heterogeneous HPC in exascale
 - Direct GPU communication algorithm / implementation redesign
 - More efficient GPU scheduling: P2P multi-GPU, graph scheduling (ongoing)
 - Energy efficiency (ongoing)
 - Time-to-solution vs energy-to-solution
 - Considering from low-level algorithmic tuning to node-level optimization
- Intel OneAPI CoE: development of SYCL port
 - as a new portability backend (replacing OpenCL)
 - SYCL in production on Intel and AMD GPU systems (ORNL Frontier, LUMI)
 - Collaboration on future programming models and standards: (hipSYCL, OneAPI/IntelLLVM)

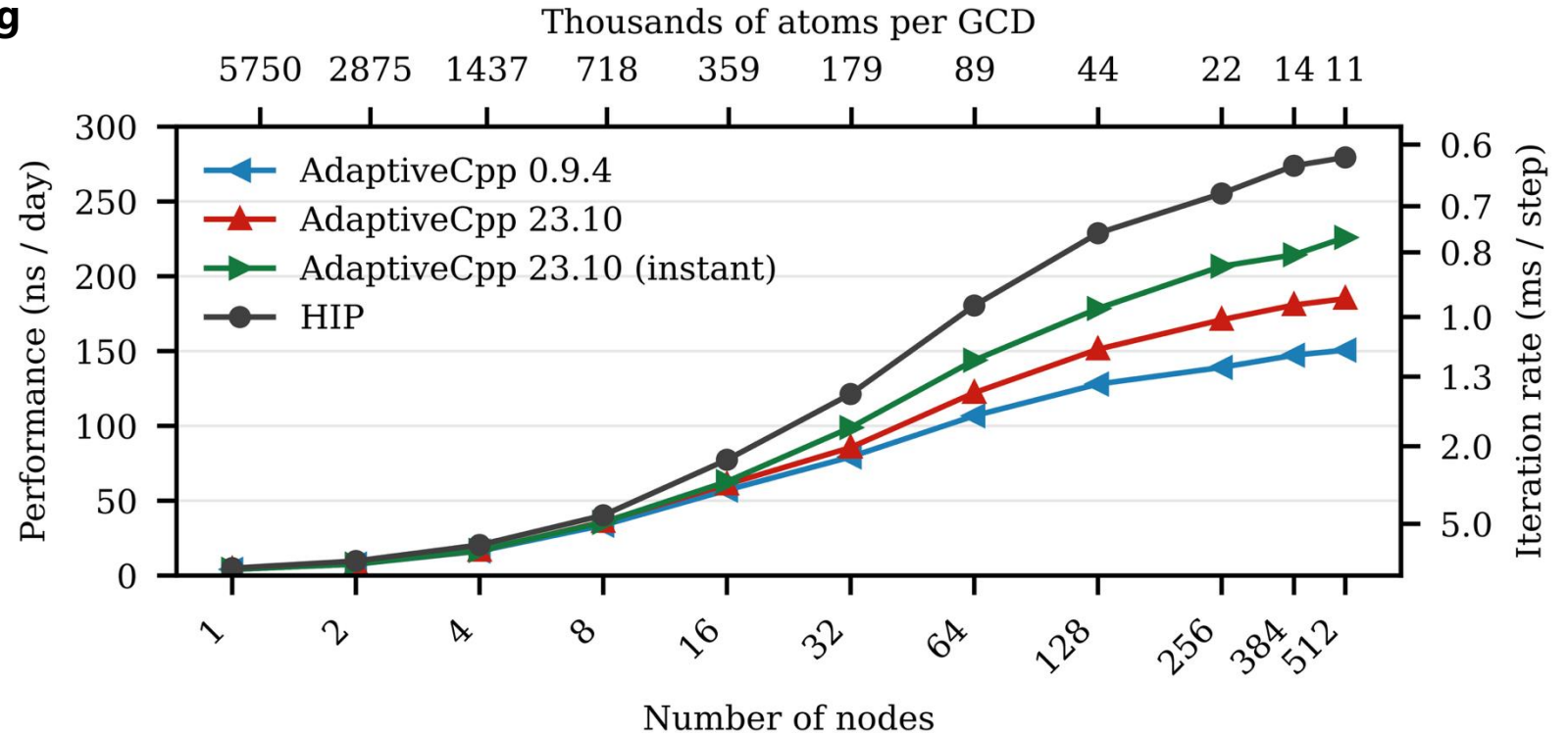


Evolution of GPU hardware & API support



SYCL on AMD systems: strong scaling

GROMACS SYCL vs HIP fork scaling on Cray EX235a (LUMI-G)

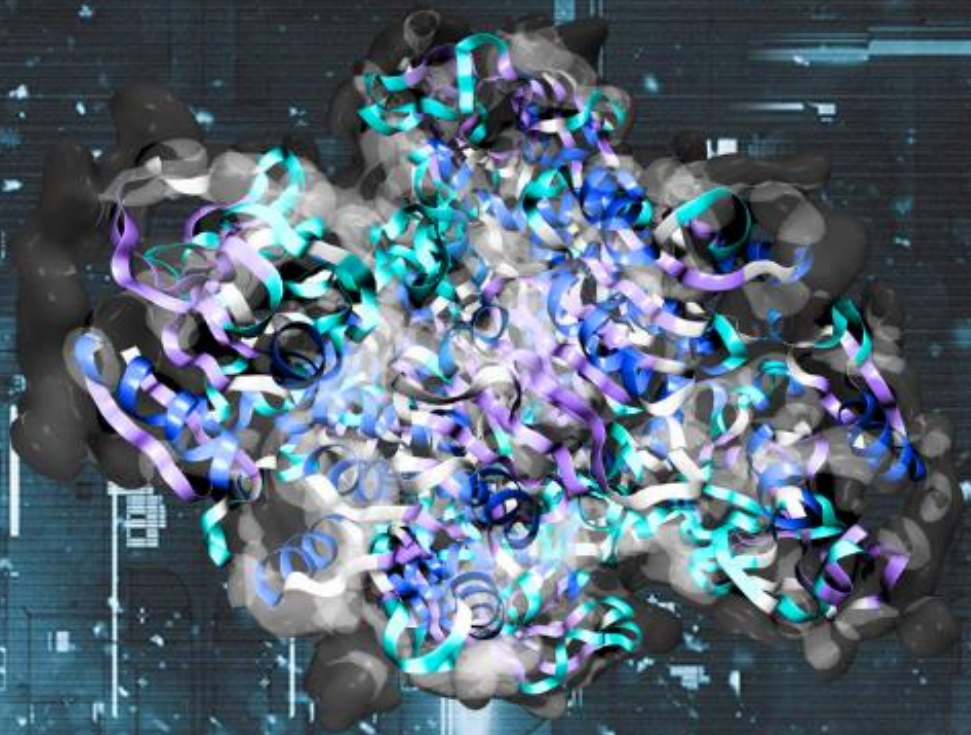


Strong scaling of domain decomposition on up to 512 LUMI-G nodes

-parallel efficiency with ACPD instant submission on par with HIP fork

-absolute performance only ~15-20% from HIP fork (mainly due to compute kernels)

LUMI



FAST. FLEXIBLE. FREE.

GROMACS



LUMI – Europe's Fastest Supercomputer



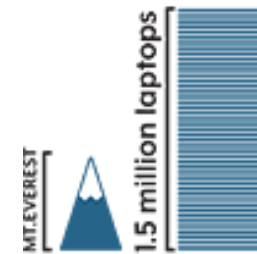
1 SYSTEM

375 Petaflop/s

SUSTAINED COMPUTING POWER

100%
HYDROELECTRIC
ENERGY

COMPUTING POWER EQUALS
1.5 MILLION
MODERN LAPTOP'S
CAPACITY



LUMI – Europe's Fastest Supercomputer



GPU partition
(LUMI-G)

Core Complex Die (CCD)

8 CPU cores with two-way SMT

- 32KiB of L1 cache
- 512KiB of L2 cache

Cores in a CCD share 32MiB of L3 cache

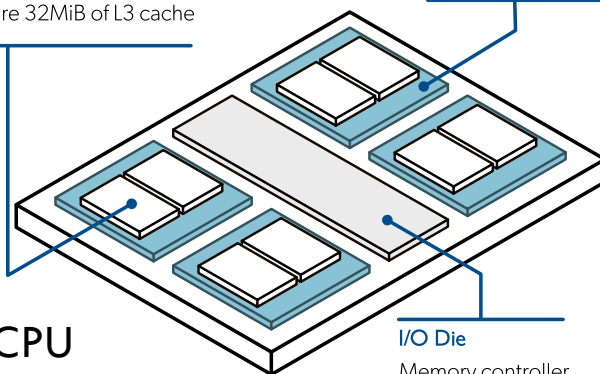
CPU partition (Mahti)

NUMA node

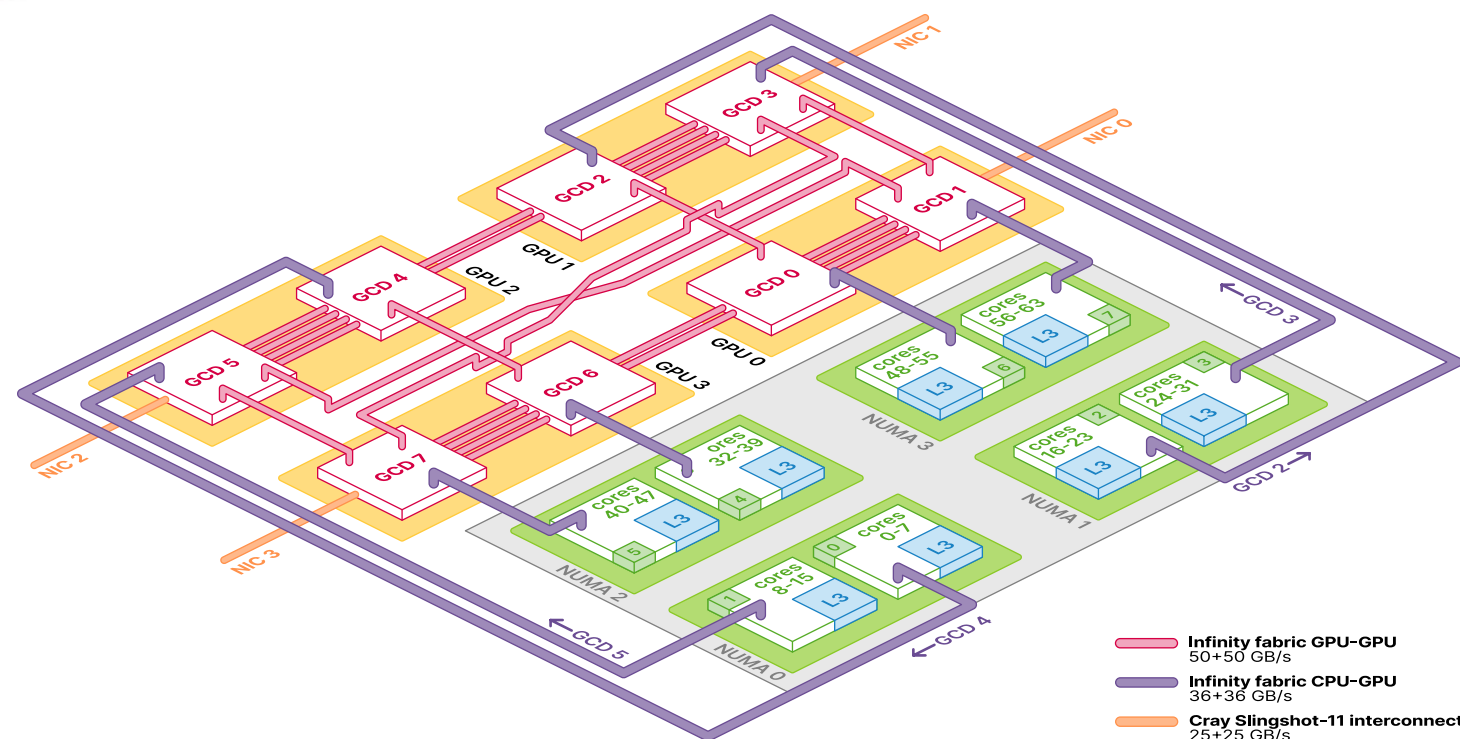
4 NUMA nodes
per socket, 2 CCDs
per NUMA node

I/O Die

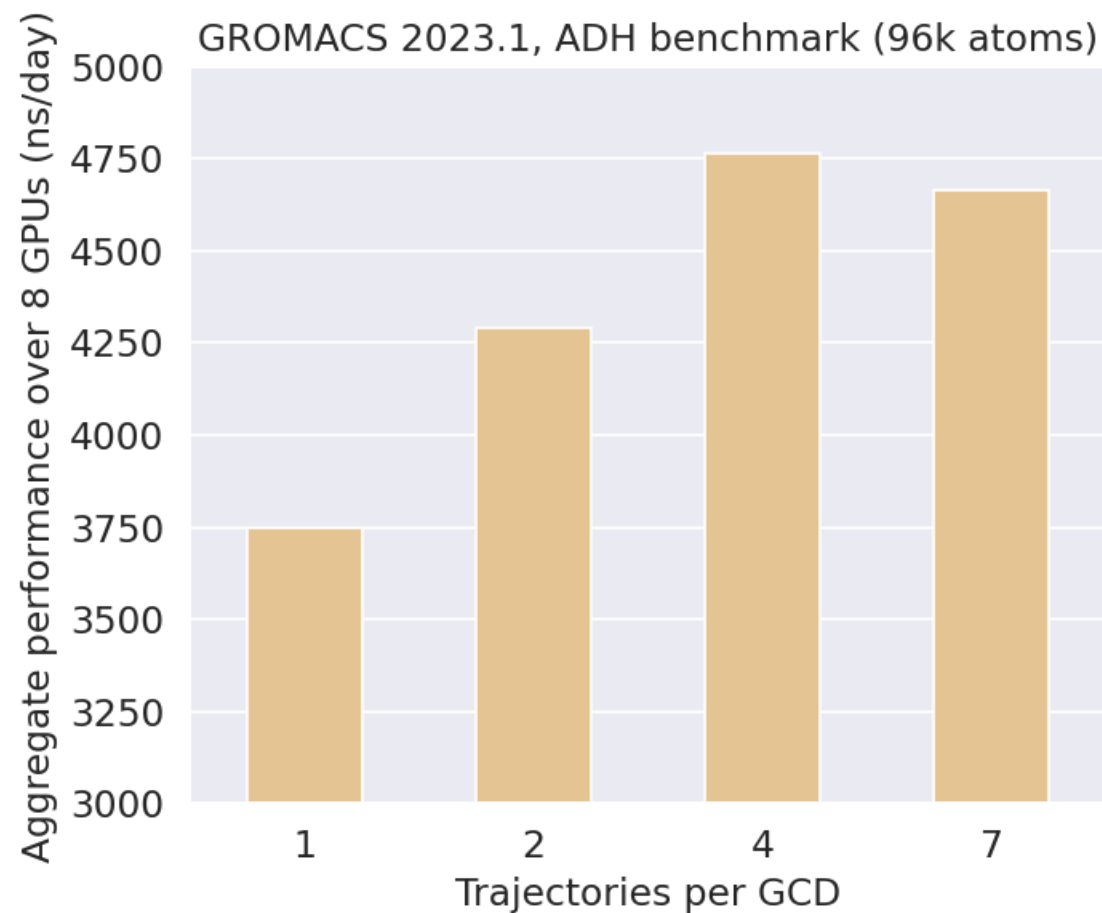
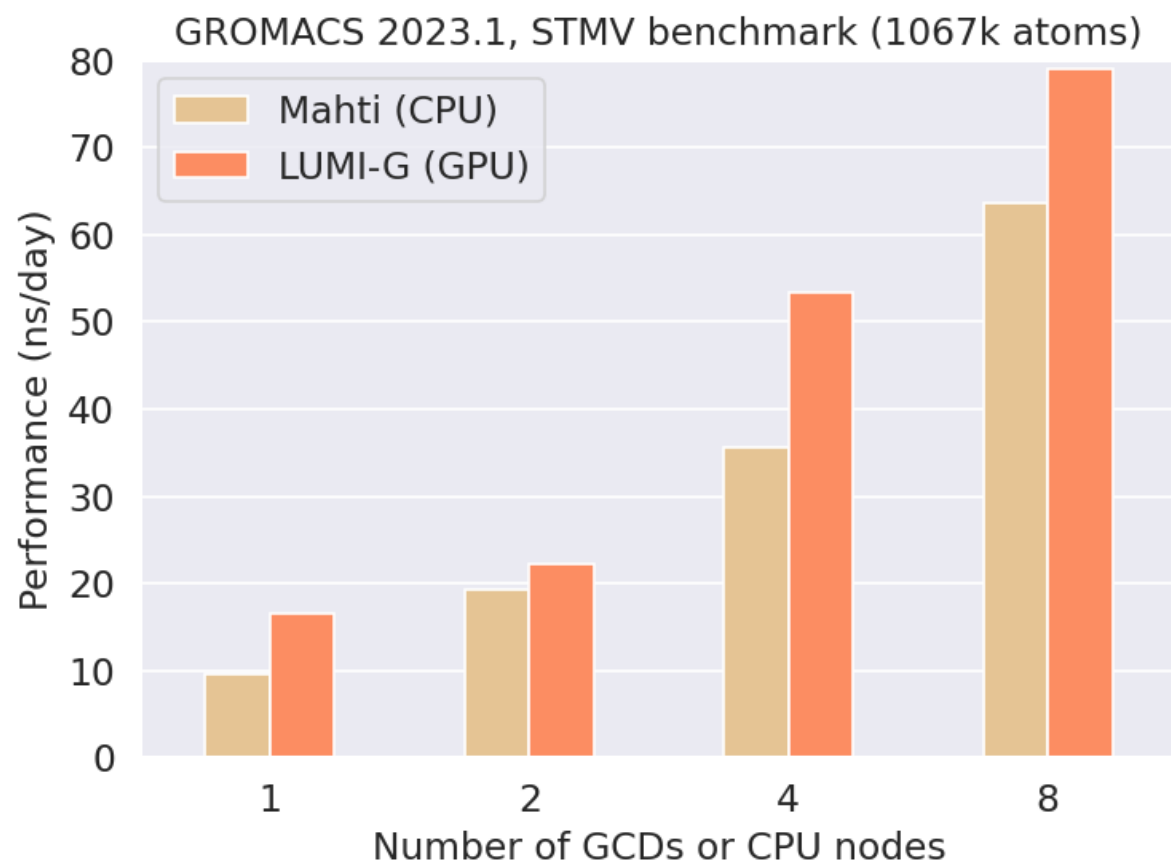
Memory controller,
security features,
PCIe and Infinity
Fabric links



8 x CCDs / CPU
2 CPUs / Node



Infinity fabric GPU-GPU
50+50 GB/s
Infinity fabric CPU-GPU
36+36 GB/s
Cray Slingshot-11 interconnect
25+25 GB/s



GROMACS on LUMI

- Most systems run well on a single GCD, performance typically better than on one 128 core CPU node
- Large systems (several 100 000 – 1M atoms) are usually able to scale to multiple GPUs (mind the proper binding of CPUs and GPUs)
- GPU utilization can be maximized for small systems (less than 100 000 atoms) by running multiple independent trajectories per GCD (multidir feature)
- 100 microseconds per: either 1) 42 LUMI-G nodes (<2% of the total LUMI-G) or 2) 560 CPU-only nodes (40% of Mahti)

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And many, many others (old & new) – many of which did not even code!

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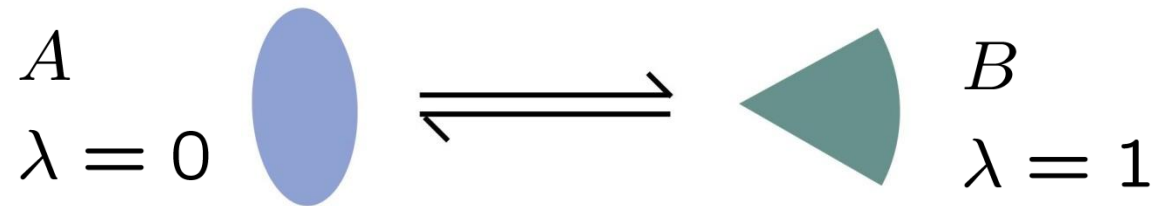
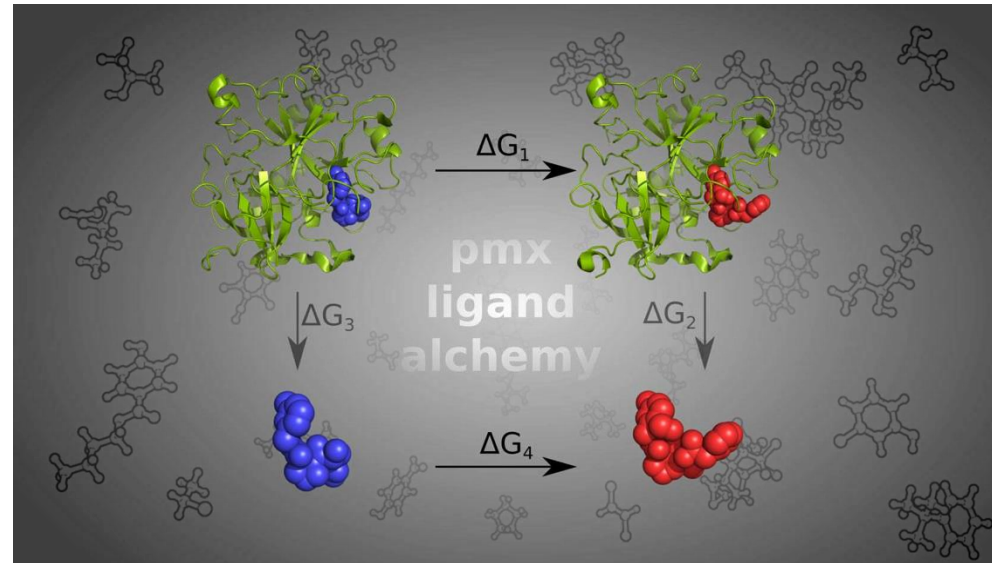
Mark Berger, NVIDIA



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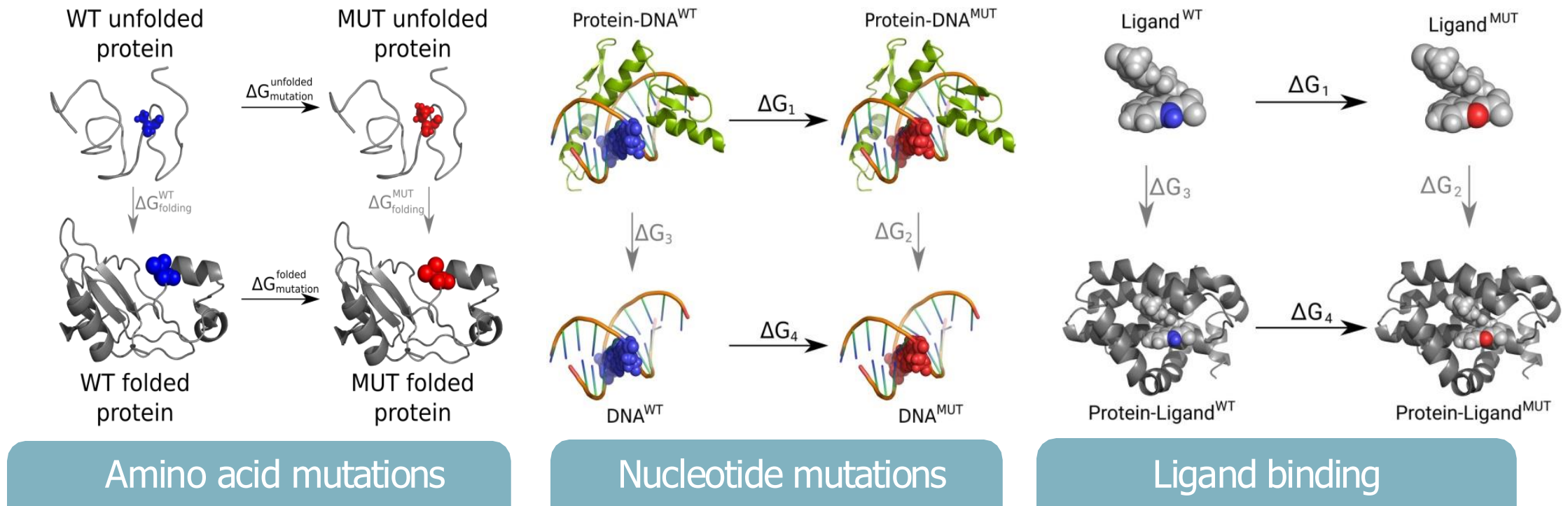
GROMACS + PMX

Free Energy Calculation for Drug Screening

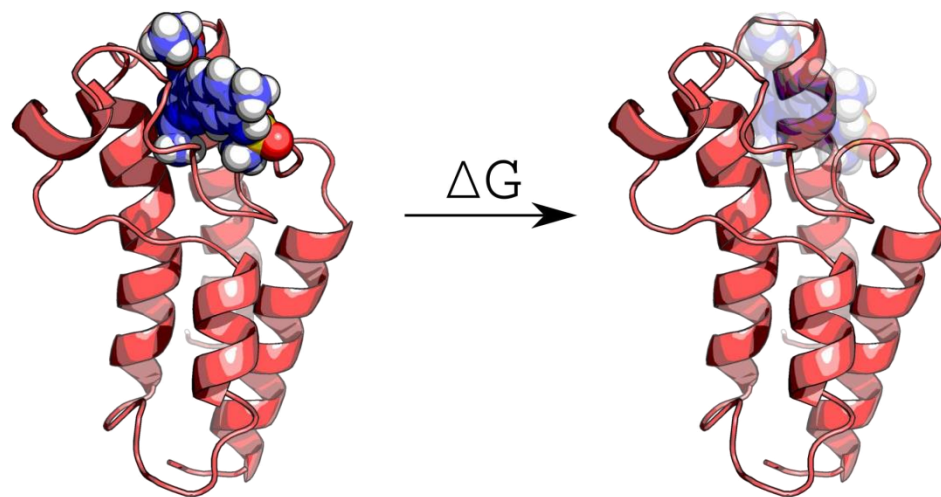


$$\Delta G = \int_0^1 \left\langle \frac{\delta H(r)}{\delta \lambda} \right\rangle_{\lambda} d\lambda$$

Alchemical transformations & Free Energy Calculations



Absolute protein-ligand binding ΔG



Large scale absolute protein-ligand binding free energies

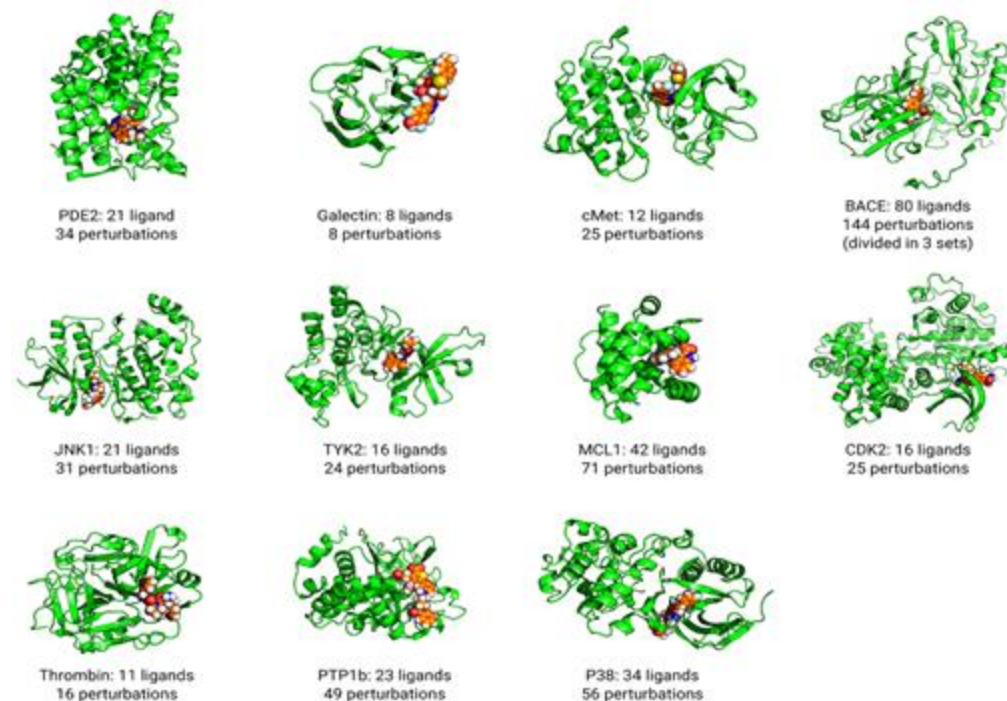
Chem. Sci, 2021

On-demand rapid large-scale drug screening with PMX: “Days, not months!” with HPC

A large-scale protein-ligand relative binding free energy scan: 10.1039/C9SC03754C

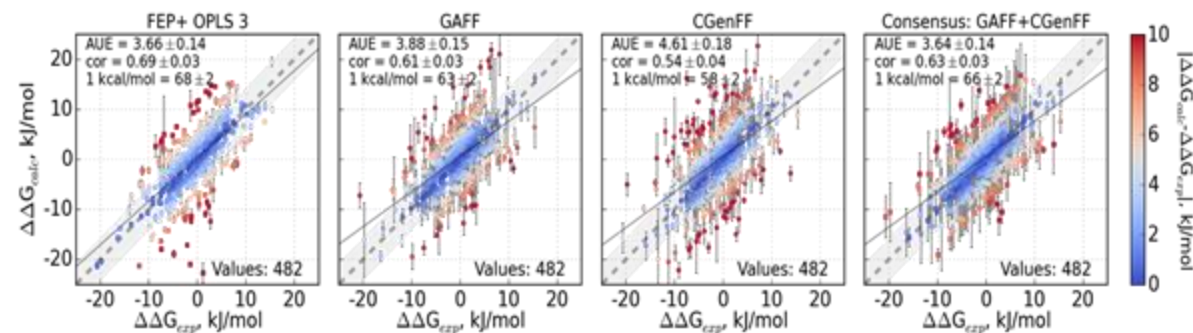
This study showcases scaling achieved with the non-equilibrium free energy calculation protocol using GROMACS+PMX.

482 relative binding free energy estimations in 11 protein-ligand systems using 2 molecular mechanics force fields.

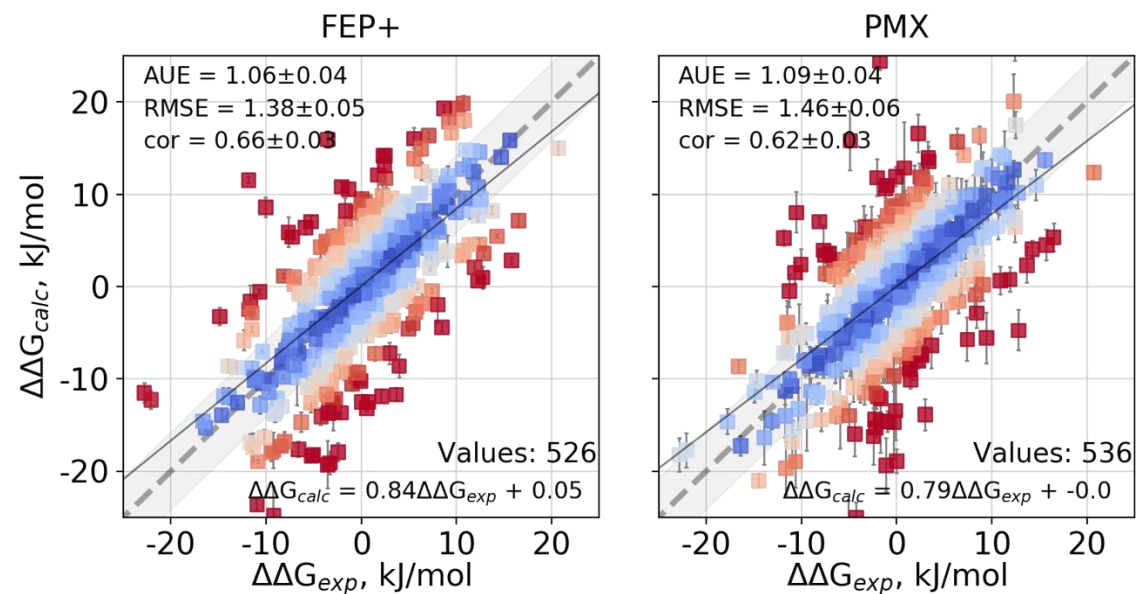
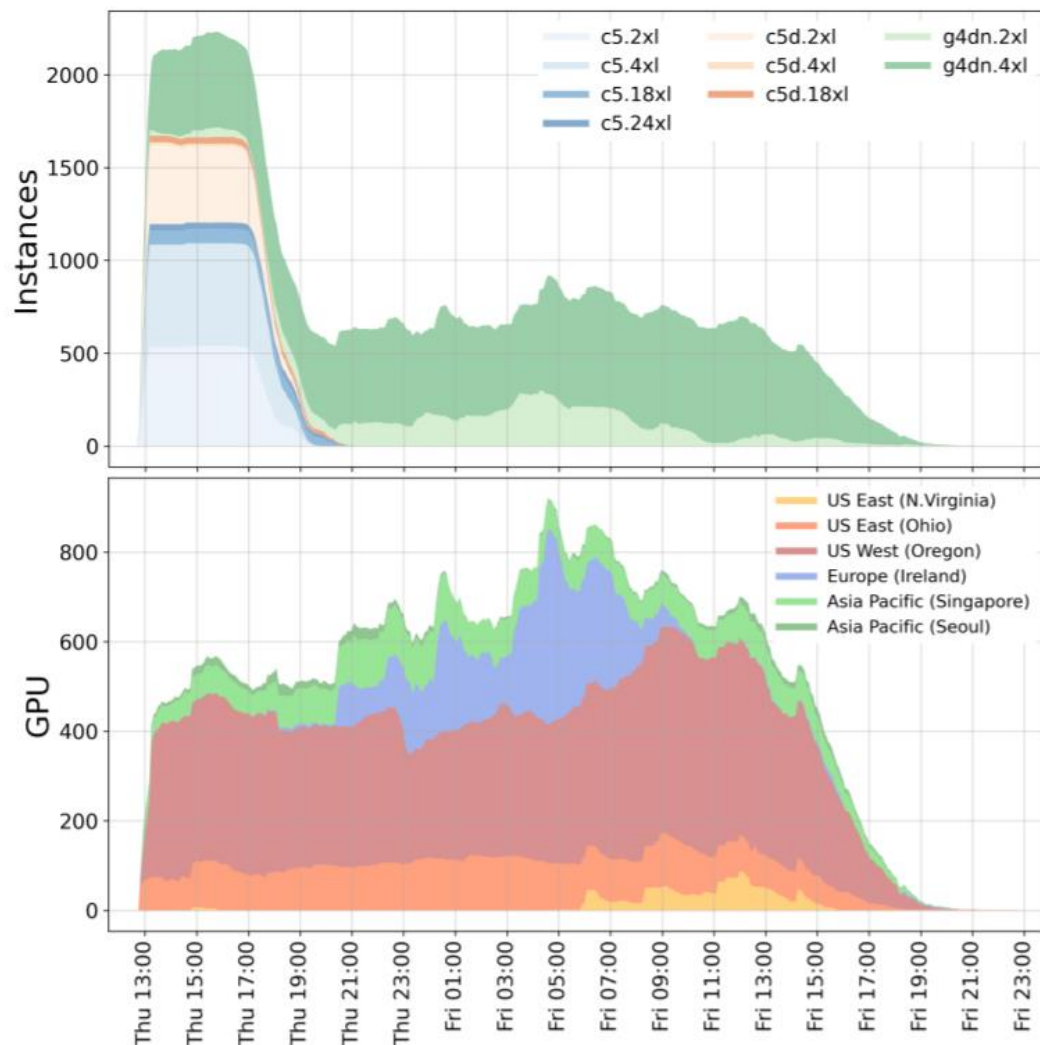


Similar case used for benchmarking

- **Raven@MPCDF (512 nodes)**
 - 1 node = Intel Xeon Cascade Lake-AP (96 cores)
- **480 nodes (~46k cores)**
- **~3.4 million core hours in 3 days**

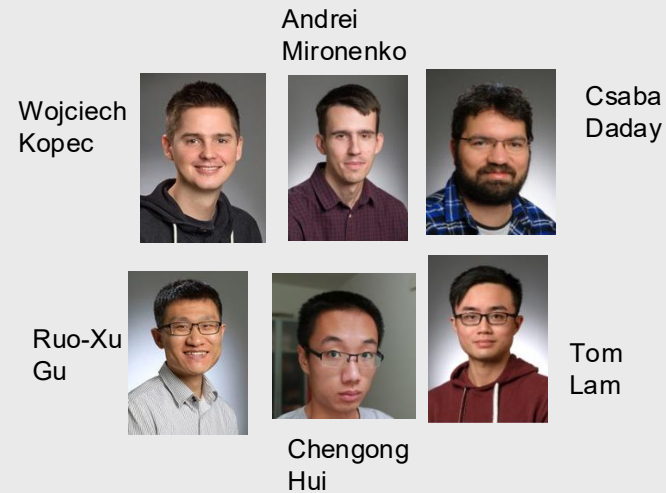


High-throughput screening: 5k $\Delta\Delta G$ in a day



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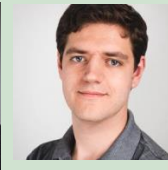
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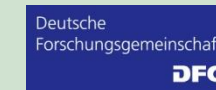


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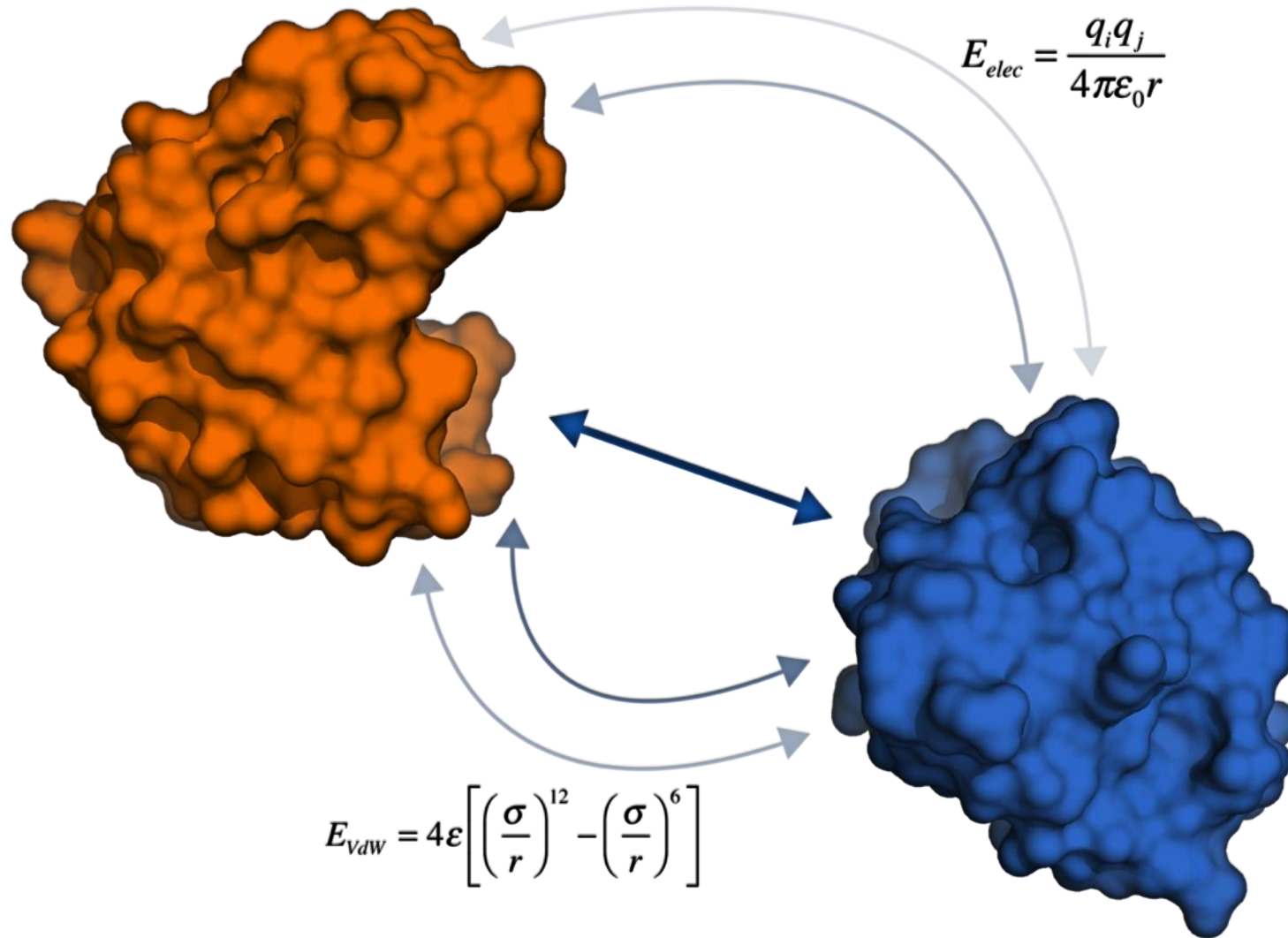


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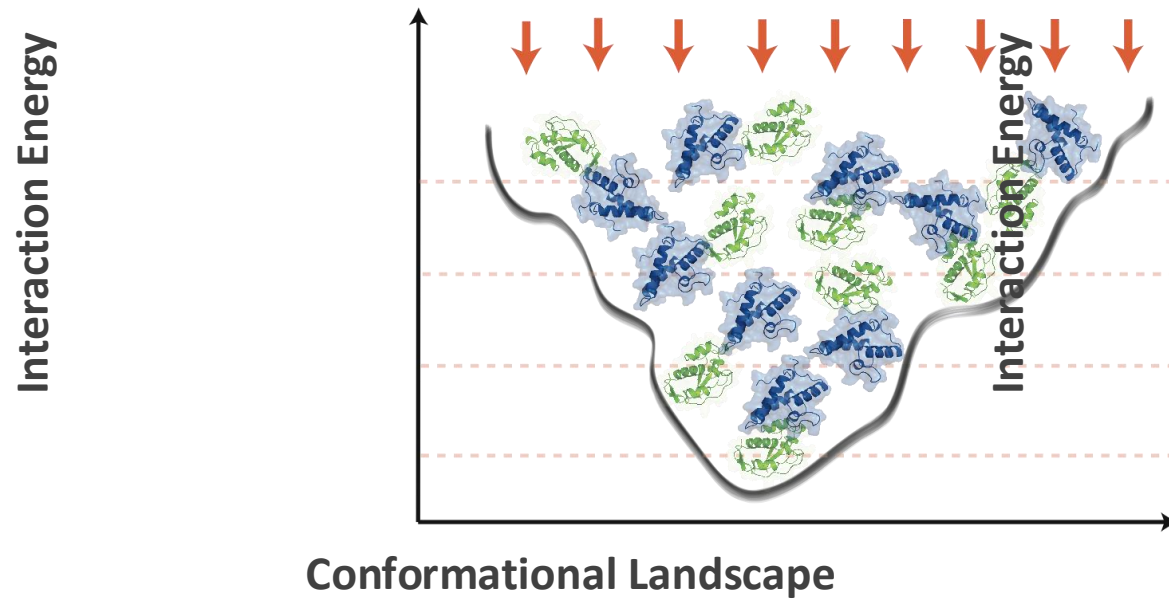
Integrative Modelling

Molecular Docking

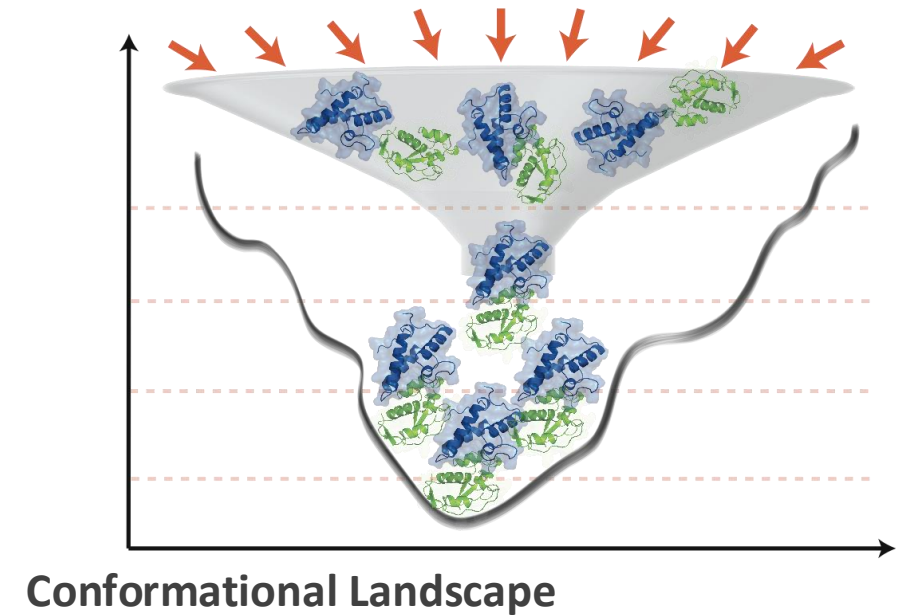


Data Integration during Sampling

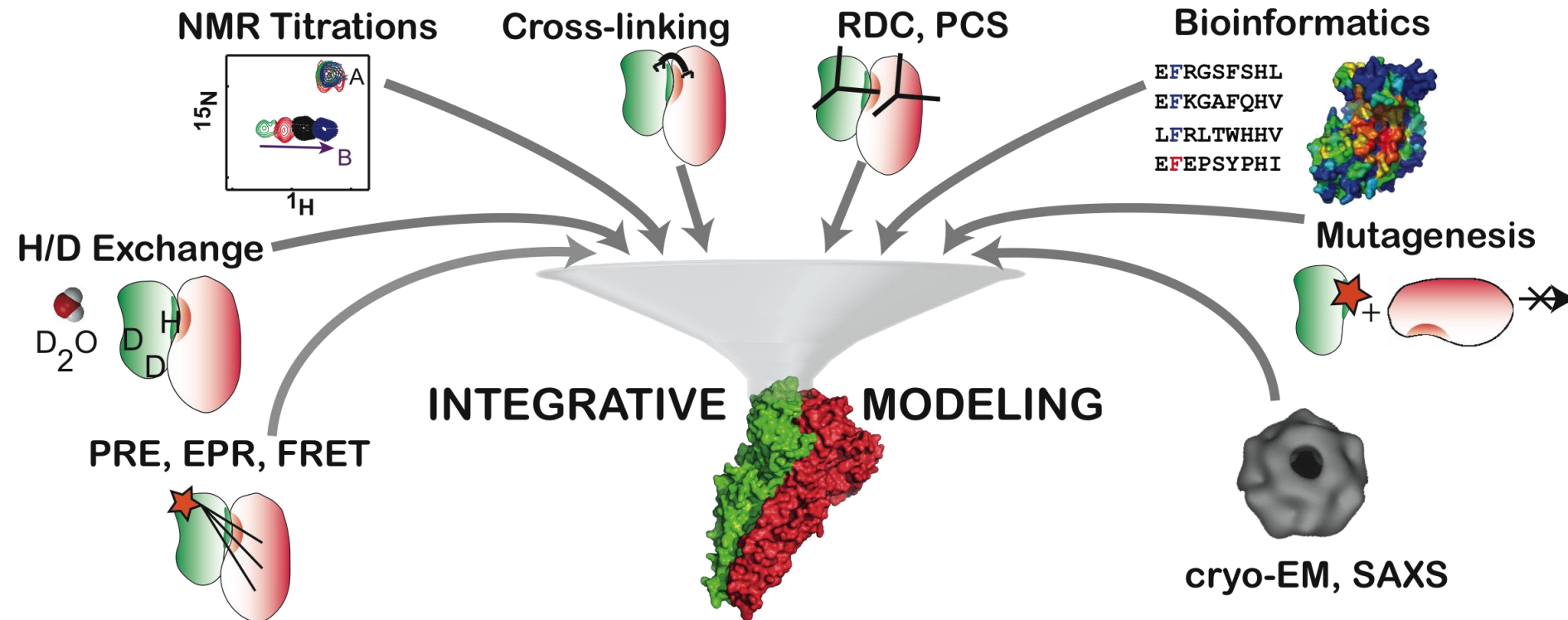
Global Search



Information-driven Search



What is Integrative Modeling?



HADDOCK: An integrative modeling platform

Incorporates ambiguous and low-resolution data to aid the docking

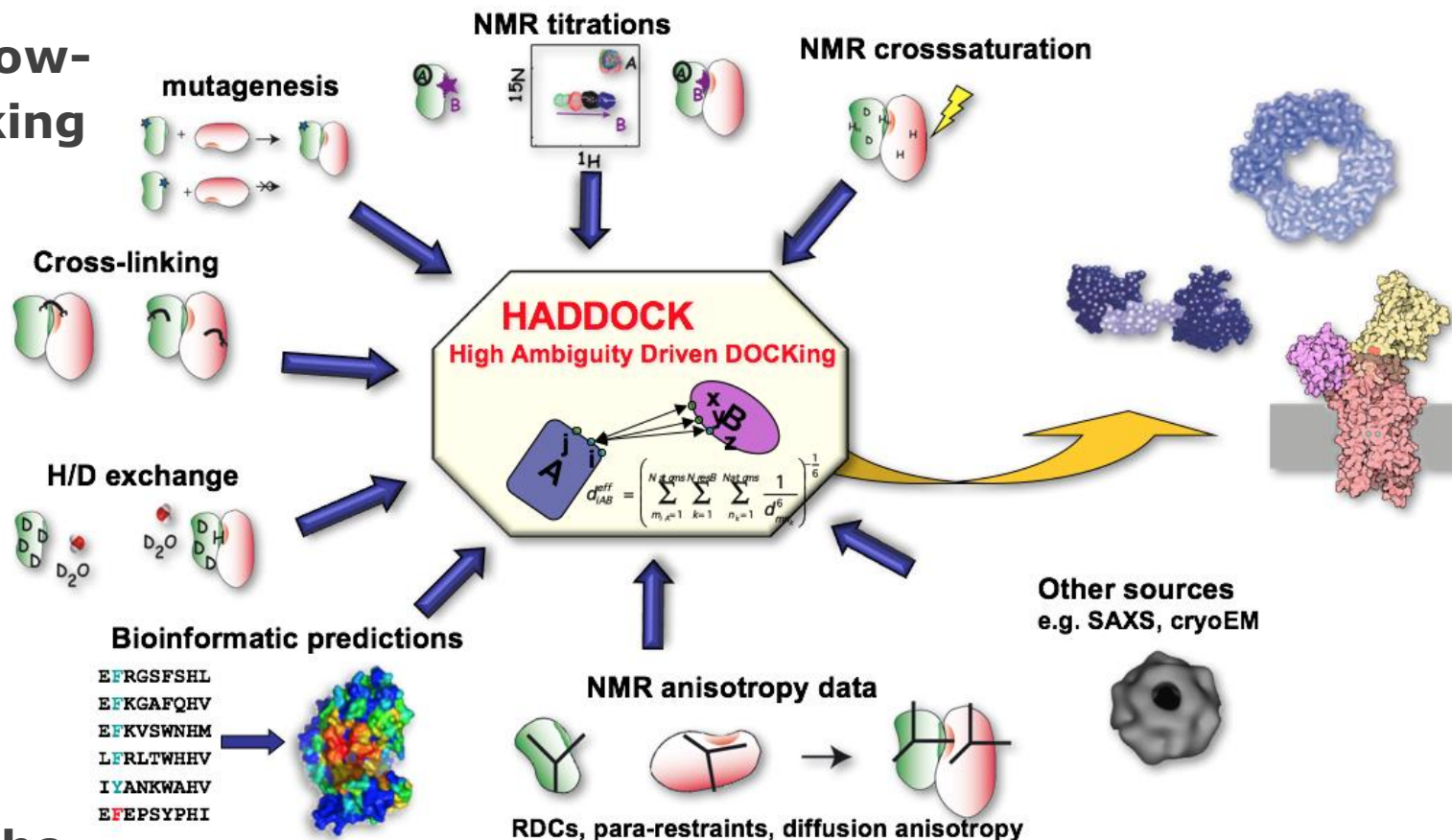
Capable of docking up to 20 molecules (2.4 version)

Symmetries can be leveraged

Allows for flexibility at the interface

Final flexible refinement in explicit solvent

Consistent performance over the years in CAPRI



Dominguez, Boelens & Bonvin. JACS 125, 173 (2003).



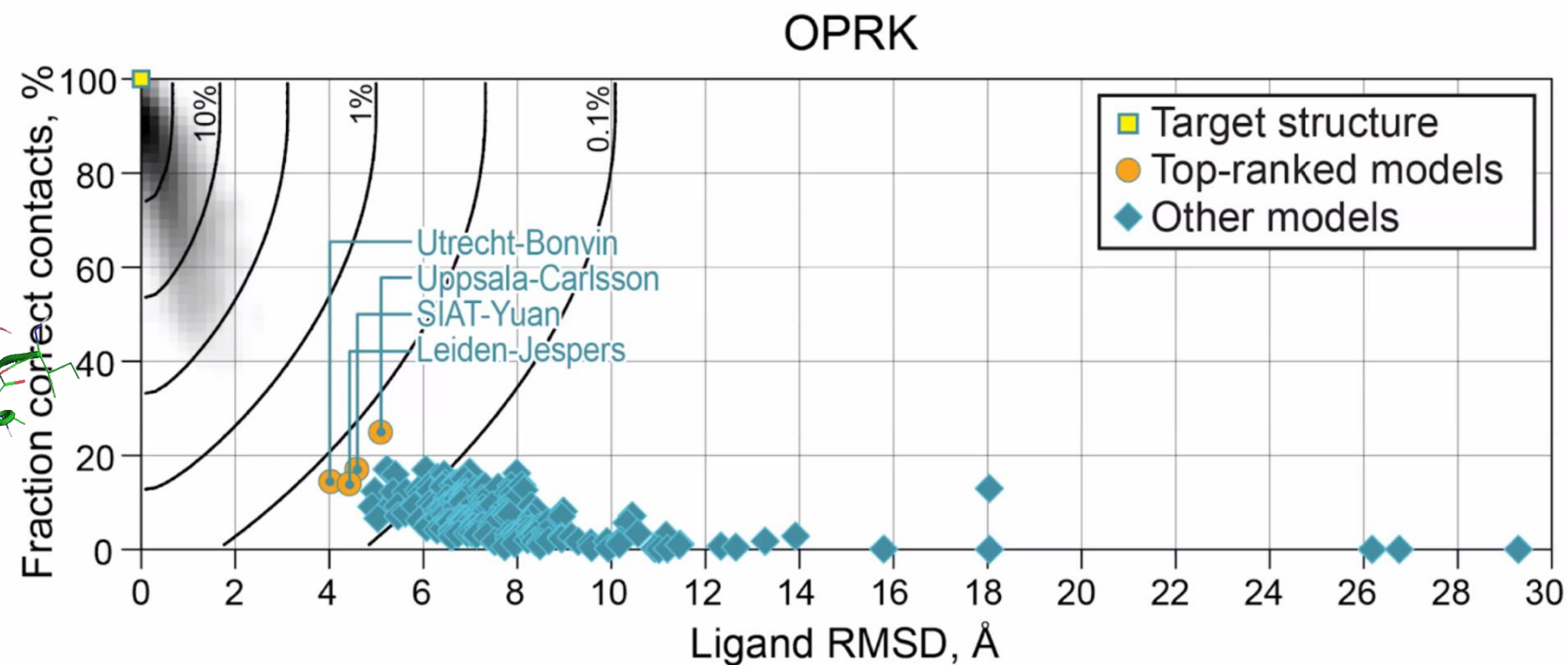
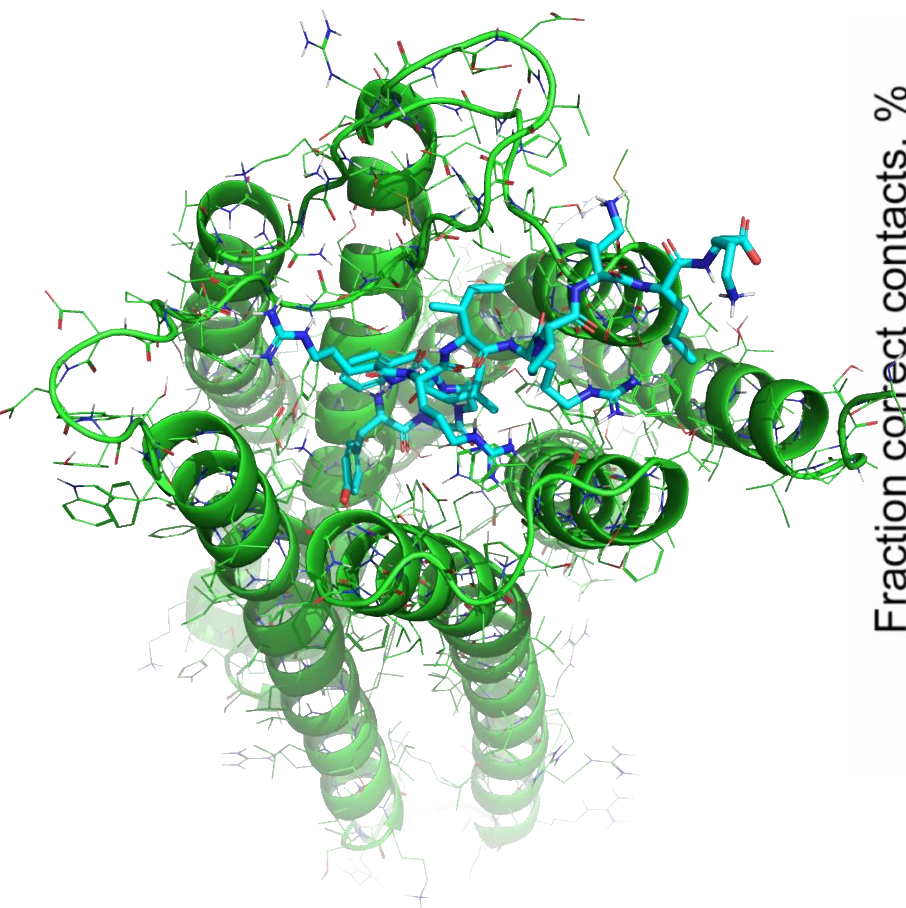
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GPCRdock 2021

Shape-restrained protocol put to the test in the blind GPCRdock experiment



<https://gpcrdock2021.org>

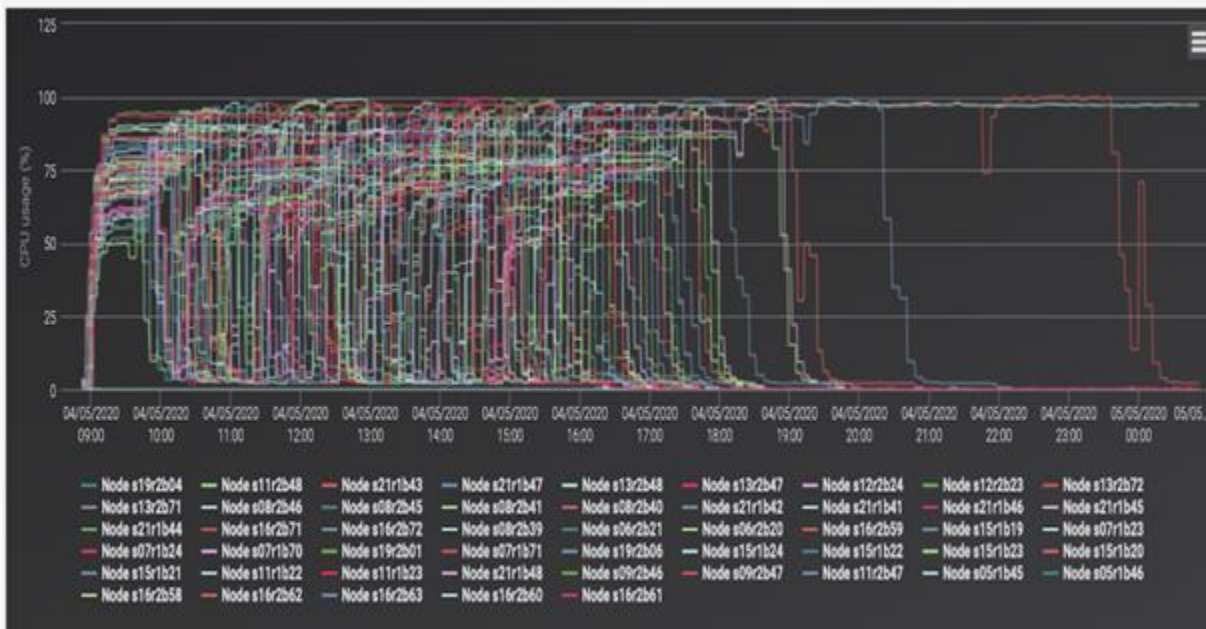
Large-scale modelling

Demonstration on MareNostrum BSC

- One bioinformatics workflow
- 50 nodes - 2400 cores
- Completed in ~16 hours,
- Generated ~175GB of data.

HADDOCK server at a glance:

- **>21,000 jobs executed** 80% of which on EOSC HTC resources
- **Number of users: >18,500** (from >110 different countries)



- **Modular** re-write in Python 3
- Testing & **Continuous Integration** enabled
- **Free and Open Source** (Apache 2)
- Supports **basic docking and scoring scenarios**
- Ready for **custom workflows** and integration of third-party software

HADDOCK developer team / Alexandre Bonvin

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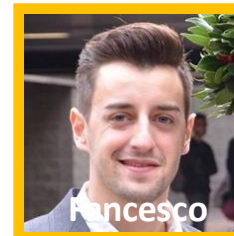
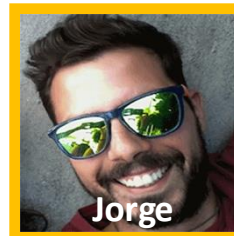
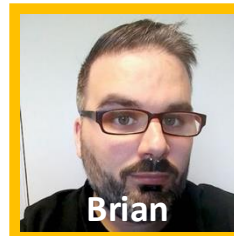
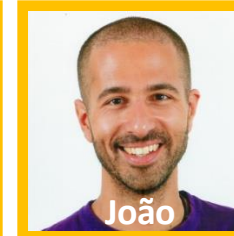
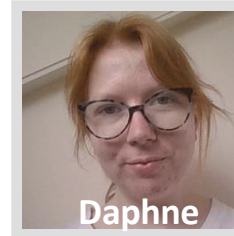
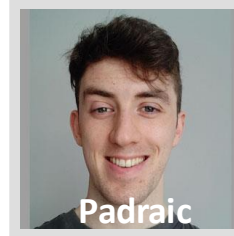
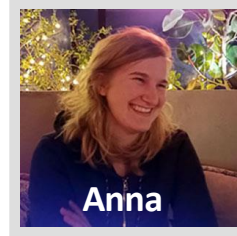
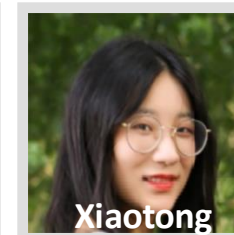
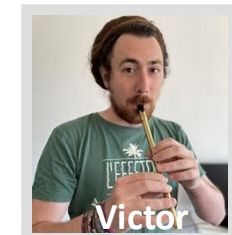
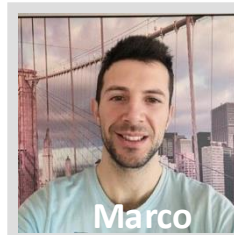
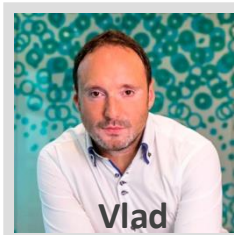
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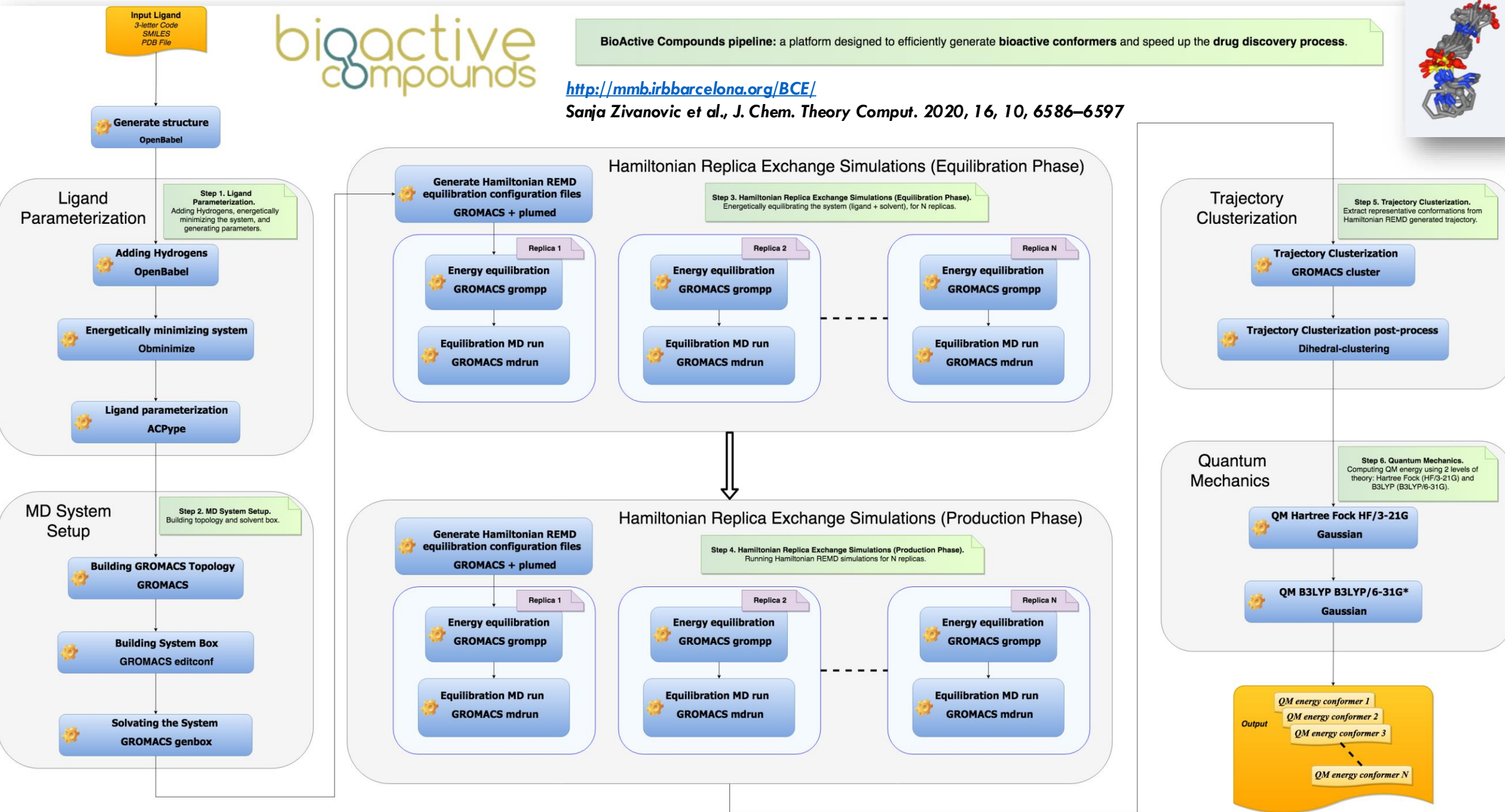
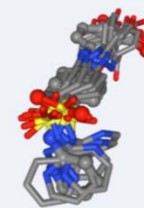
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Automation Workflows:

BioExcel Building Blocks (BioBB)



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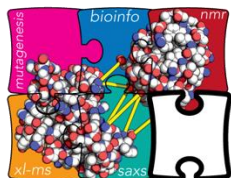


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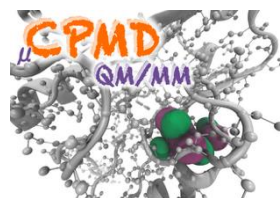
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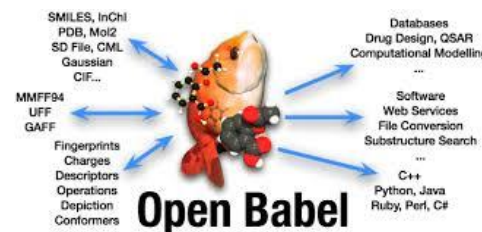
ADDOCK
High-Ambiguity Driven Docking

NAMD
Scalable Molecular Dynamics

VMD
Visual Molecular Dynamics



ACPYPE



RDKit

pmx: generate hybrid protein structure and topology
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MD
ANALYSIS

AutoDock 4

Modeller

Program for Comparative Protein
Structure Modelling by Satisfaction
of Spatial Restraints

TensorFlow

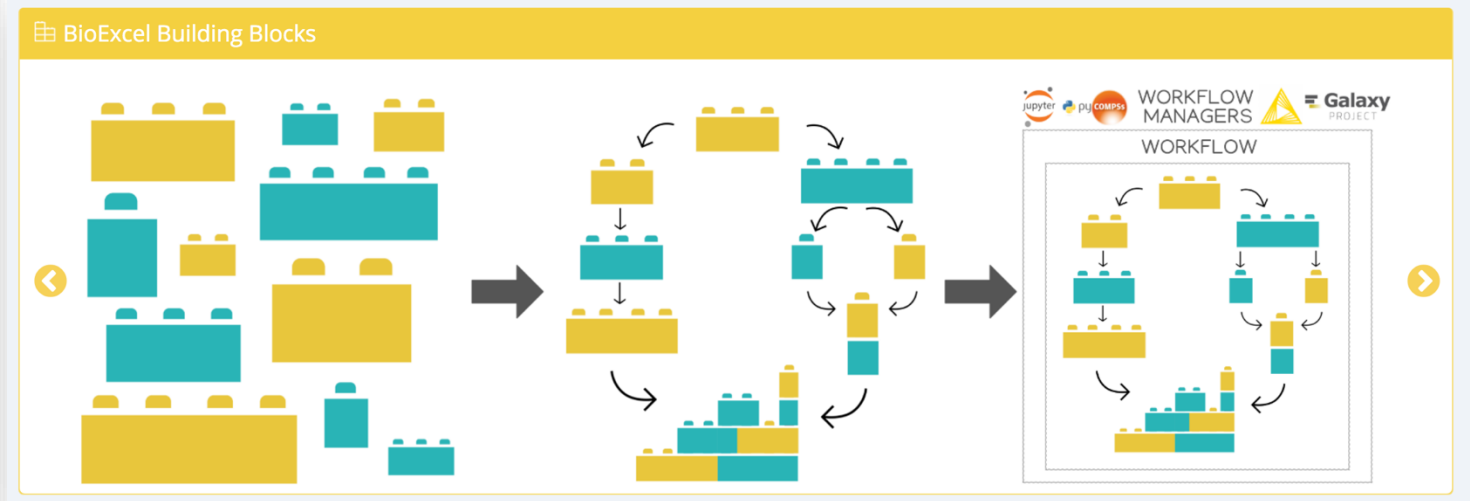
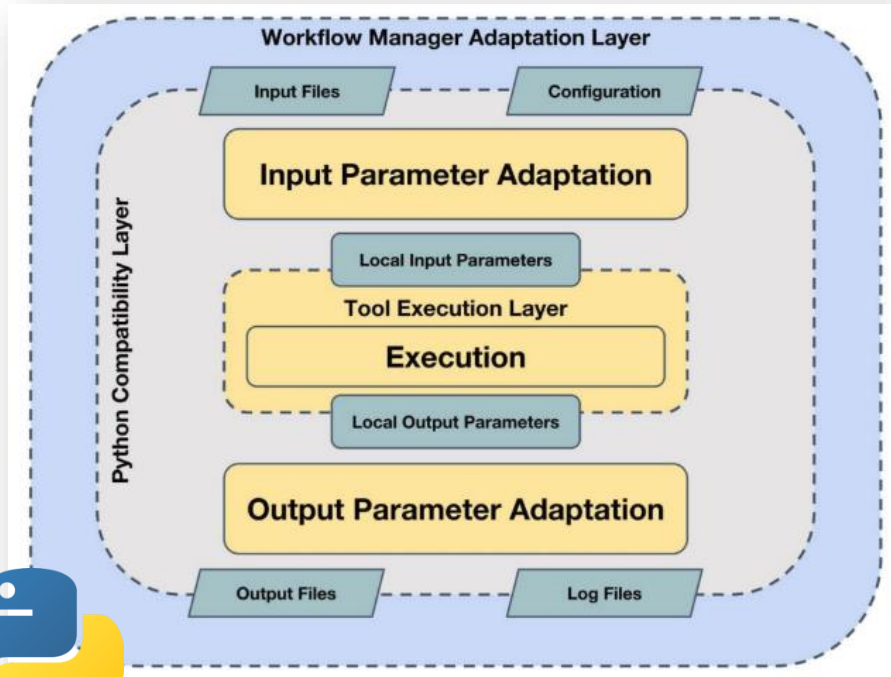
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BioExcel Building Blocks: BioBB



1) Building Blocks

2) Workflows

3) Workflow Managers

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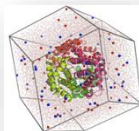


BioBB Modules (17, Release 2023.2)



biobb_common

Common auxiliar functions



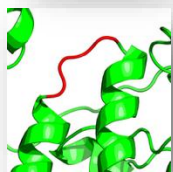
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Molecular Dynamics AMBER



biobb_model

Molecular Modelling



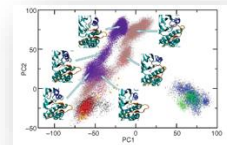
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Machine learning

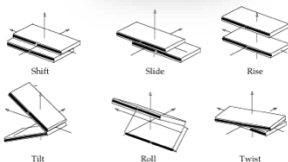
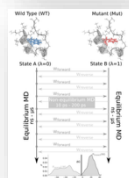


biobb_vs

Virtual Screening



Atom	Res	Chain	X	Y	Z	B	Occupancy
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CB	1	A	1.114	-1.114	1.114	1.00	1.00
CG	1	A	1.114	-1.114	1.114	1.00	1.00
CD	1	A	1.114	-1.114	1.114	1.00	1.00
CE	1	A	1.114	-1.114	1.114	1.00	1.00
CF	1	A	1.114	-1.114	1.114	1.00	1.00
CG2	1	A	1.114	-1.114	1.114	1.00	1.00
CH	1	A	1.114	-1.114	1.114	1.00	1.00
CH2	1	A	1.114	-1.114	1.114	1.00	1.00
CH3	1	A	1.114	-1.114	1.114	1.00	1.00



biobb_io

Biological databases

biobb_analysis

MD trajectories analysis

biobb_structure_utils

Modify or extract information from PDB

biobb_chemistry

Chemoinformatics functionalities

biobb_pmx

Free energy calculations

biobb_dna

Nucleic Acids MD
Trajectory analyses



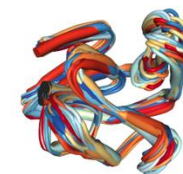
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Molecular Interaction
Potentials



biobb_cp2k

Quantum Mechanics



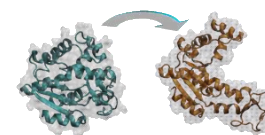
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NMA-based conformational
ensemble generation



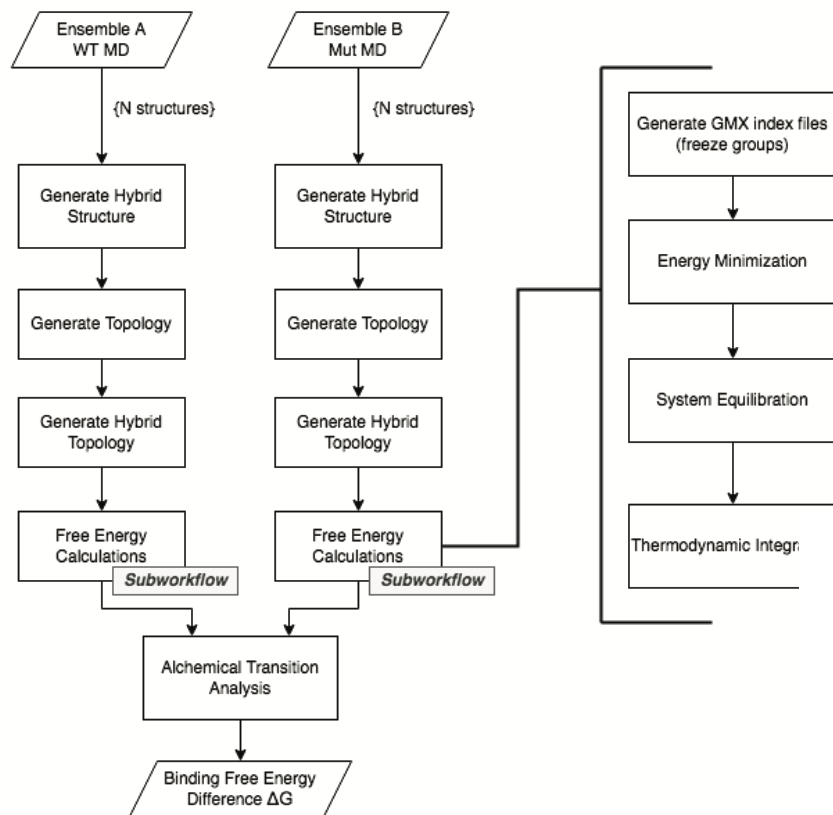
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Coarse-Grained conformational
ensemble generation and flexibility
analysis



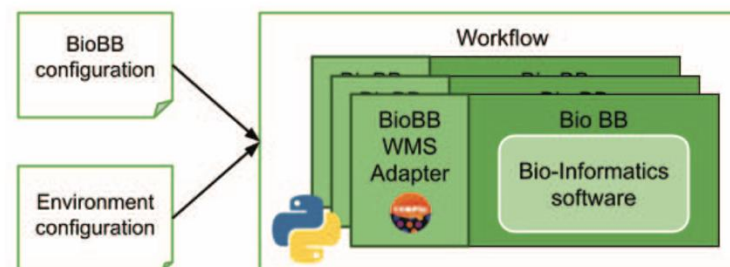
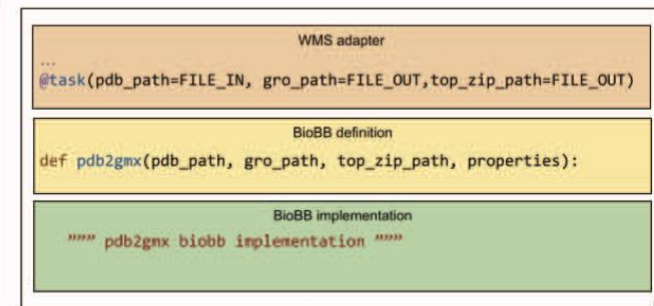
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Coarse-Grained
conformational transitions

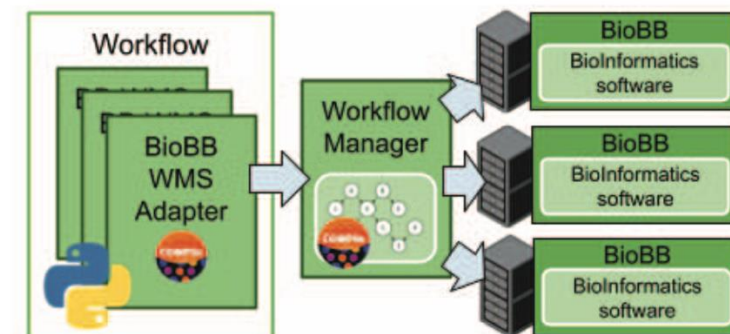


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from biobb_common.configuration import settings
from biobb_md.gromacs.pdb2gmh import pdb2gmh
from biobb_md.gromacs.editconf import editconf
...
def main(config, system):
    ...
    # Load configuration
    conf = settings.ConfigReader(config, system)
    mut_prop = conf.get_prop_dic()
    mut_paths = conf.get_paths_dic()
    ...
    # Workflow definition
    for structure in conf.properties['input_structures'].split(','):
        pdb2gmh(**mut_paths["step1_pdb2gmh"], properties=mut_prop["step1_pdb2gmh"])
        editconf(**mut_paths["step2_editconf"], properties=mut_prop["step2_editconf"])
        solvate(**mut_paths["step3_solvate"], properties=mut_prop["step3_solvate"])
        grompp(**mut_paths["step4_grompp"], properties=mut_prop["step4_grompp"])
        mdrun(**mut_paths["step5_mdrun"], properties=mut_prop["step5_mdrun"])
  
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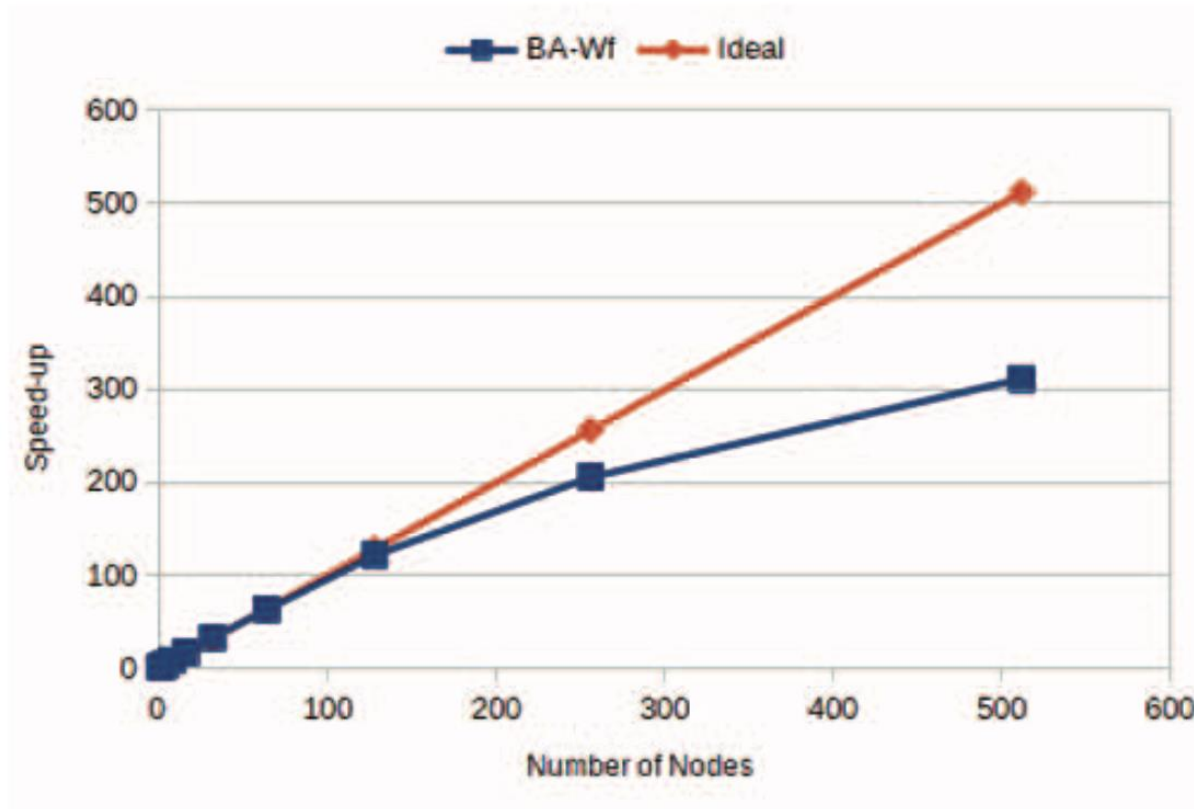
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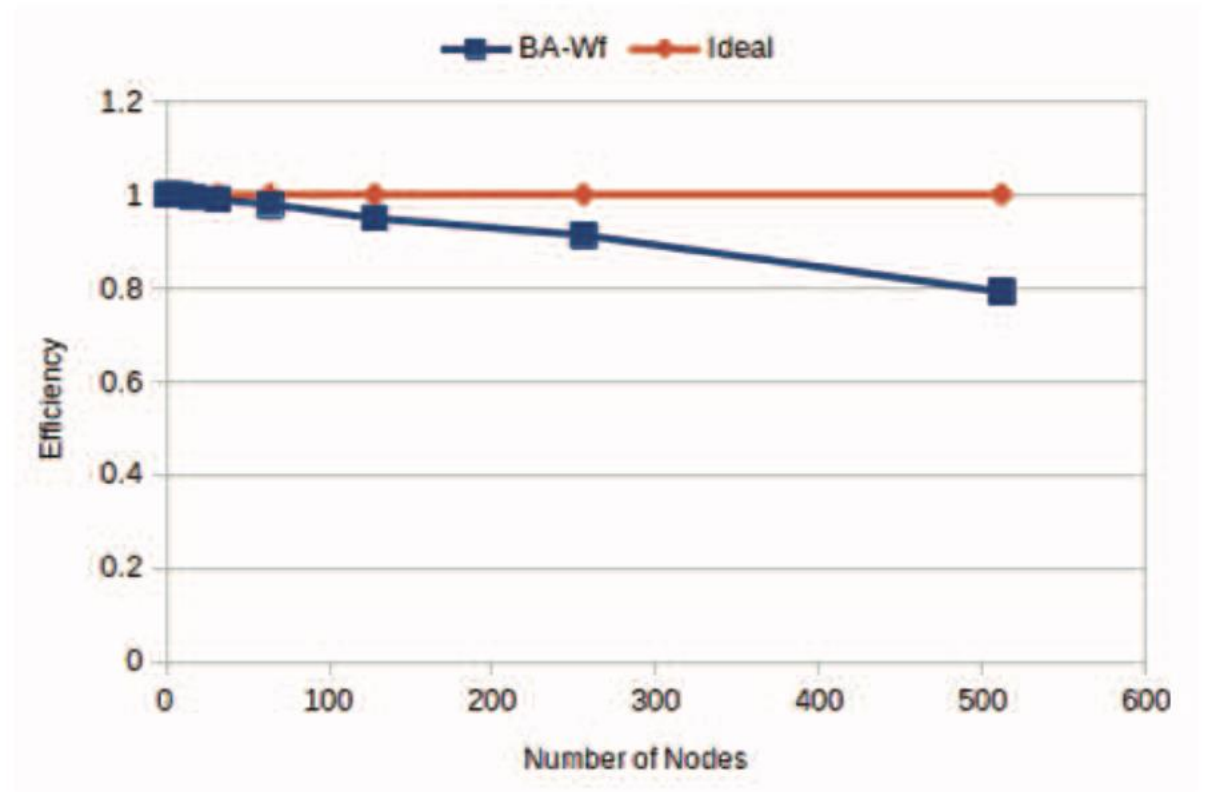
(b) Execution



WF scalability on Discoverer Supercomputer (Bulgaria)

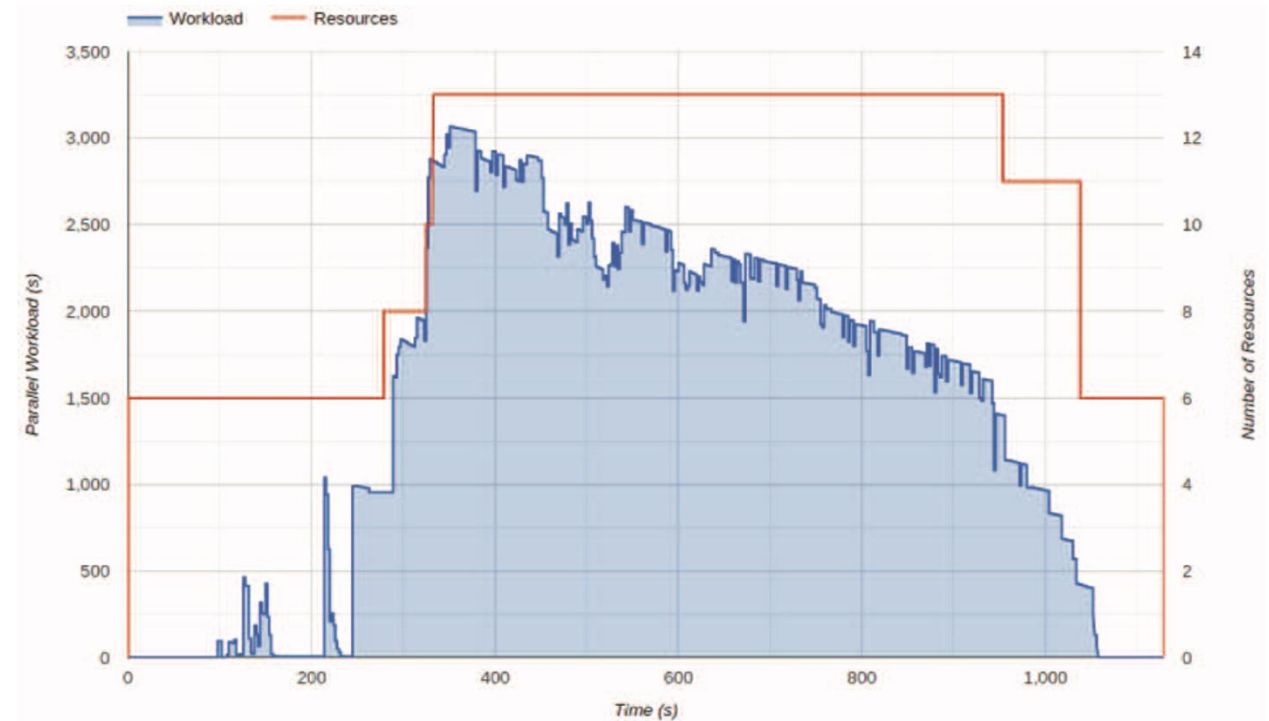
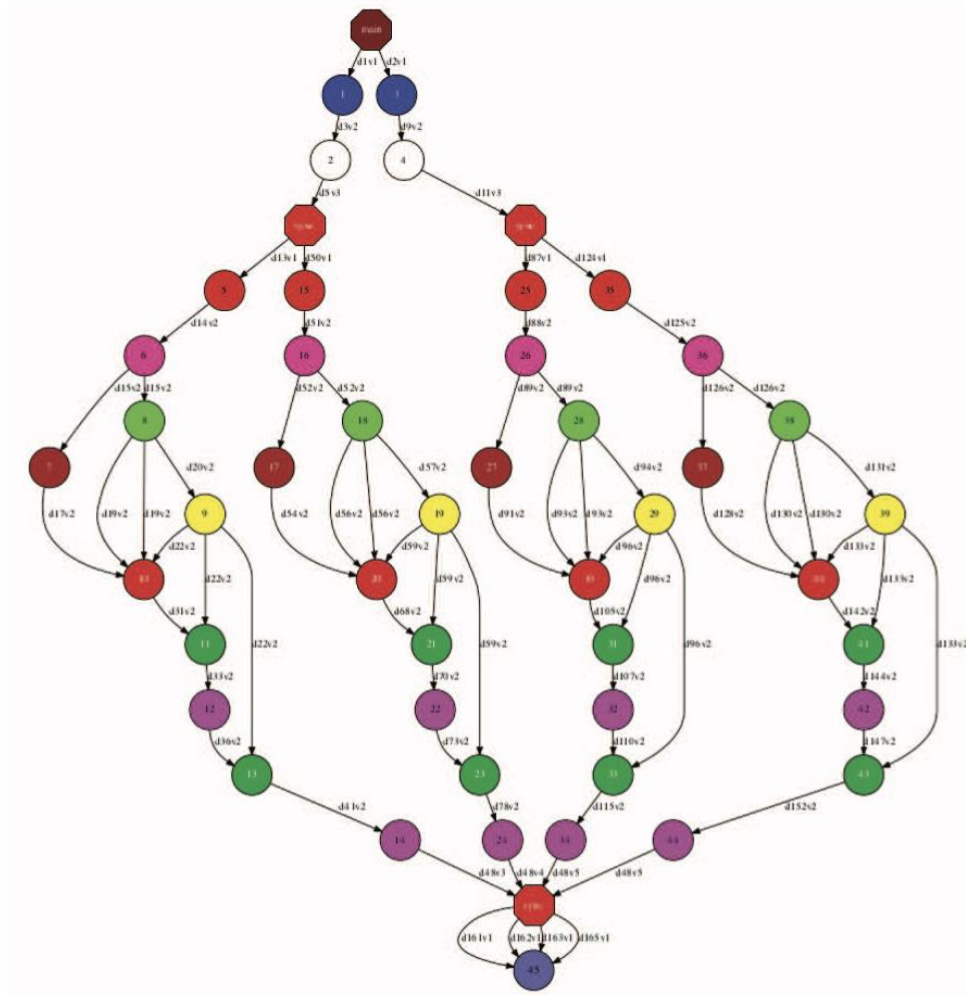


Strong scaling



Weak scaling

Malleability





Demonstration Workflows Collection



GROMACS PROTEIN MD SETUP

2023.1



This tutorial aims to illustrate the process of setting up a simulation system containing a protein, step by step, using the BioExcel Building Blocks library (biobb). The particular example used is the Lysozyme protein (PDB code 1AKI).

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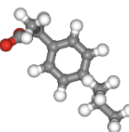
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AUTOMATIC LIGAND PARAMETERIZATION

2023.1



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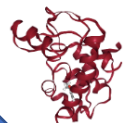
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GROMACS PROTEIN-COMPLEX MD SETUP

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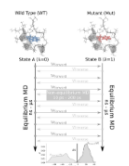
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MUTATION FREE ENERGY CALCULATIONS

2023.1



This tutorial aims to illustrate how to compute a fast-growth mutation free energy calculation, step by step, using the BioExcel Building Blocks library (biobb). The particular example used is the Staphylococcal nuclease protein (PDB code 1STN), a small, minimal protein, appropriate for a short tutorial.

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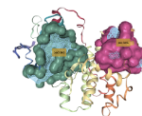
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PROTEIN-LIGAND DOCKING (FPOCKET)

2023.1



This tutorial aims to illustrate the process of protein-ligand docking, step by step, using the BioExcel Building Blocks library (biobb). The particular example used is the Mitogen-activated protein kinase 14 (p38- α) protein (PDB code 3HEC), a well-known Protein Kinase enzyme, in complex with the FDA-approved Imatinib (PDB Ligand code STI, DrugBank Ligand Code DB00619), a small molecule kinase inhibitor used to treat certain types of cancer.

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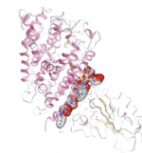
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MOLECULAR INTERACTION POTENTIALS

2023.2



This tutorial aims to illustrate the process of computing classical molecular interaction potentials from protein structures, step by step.

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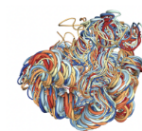
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PROTEIN CONFORMATIONAL ENSEMBLES GENERATION

2023.1



This tutorial aims to illustrate the process of generating protein conformational ensembles from 3D structures and analysing its molecular flexibility, step by step, using the BioExcel Building Blocks library (biobb). Workflow included in the ELIXIR 3D-Bioinfo Implementation Study: Building on PDBe-KB to chart and characterize the conformation landscape of native proteins

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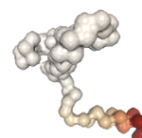
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MACROMOLECULAR COARSE-GRAINED FLEXIBILITY

2023.2



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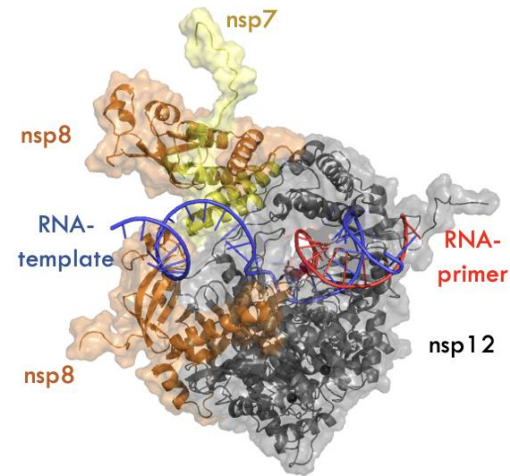
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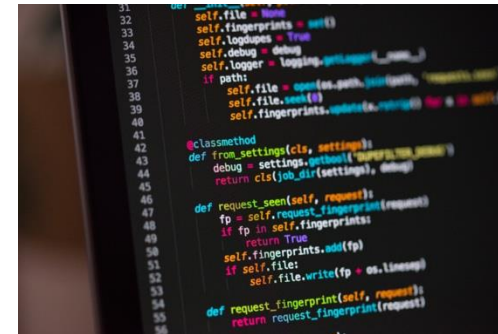
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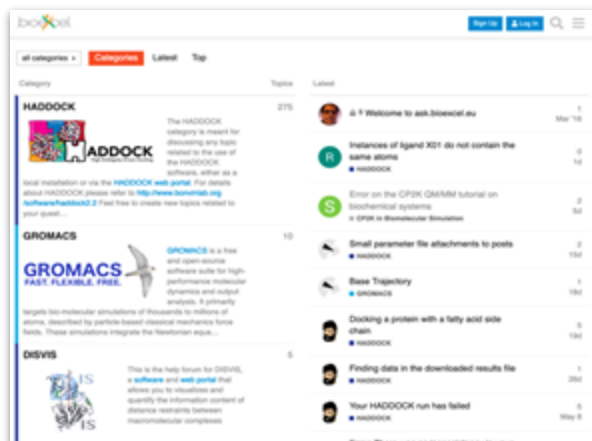


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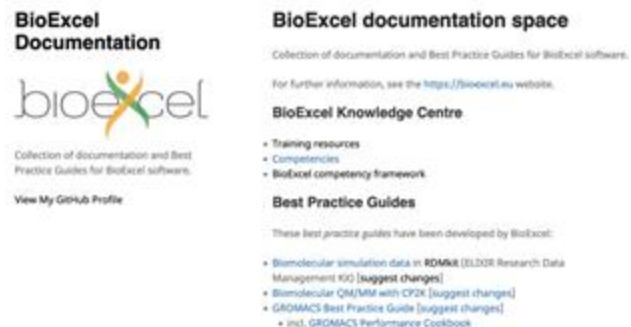
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Balkan Edition	Bulgaria	Montenegro, North Macedonia, Romania, Serbia	<u>Spring 2025</u> (21-22 May)
Adriatic Edition		Croatia, Slovenia	Autumn 2025
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