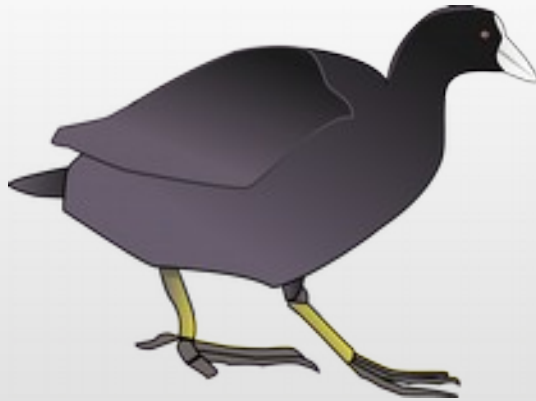


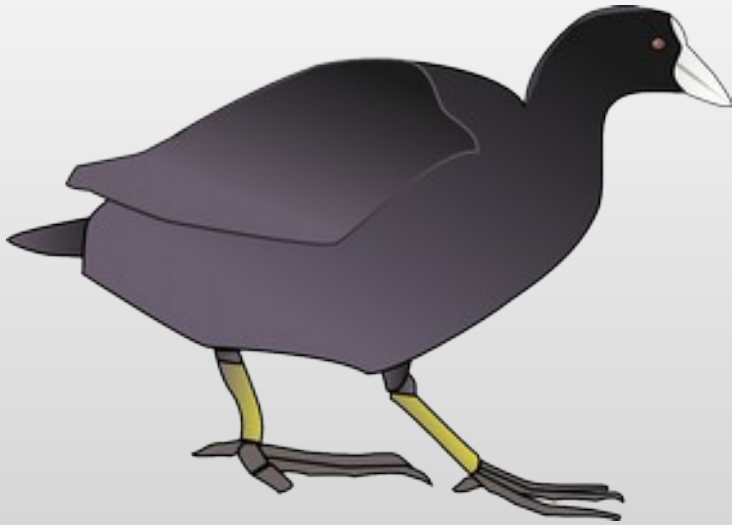
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Model-Building using X-ray data (with *Coot*)

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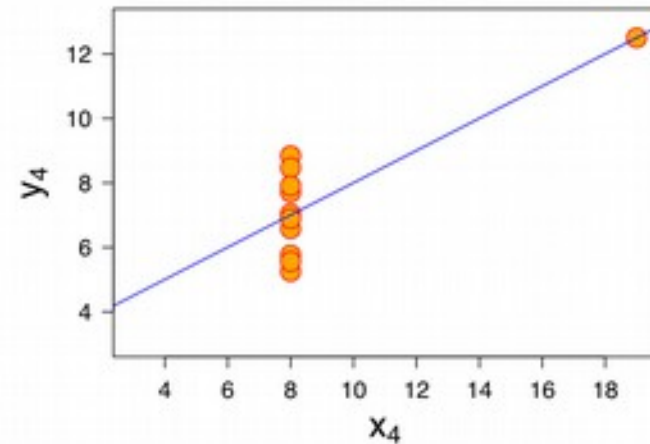
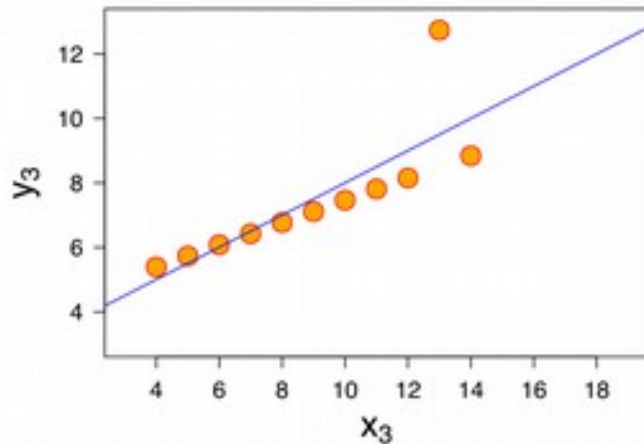
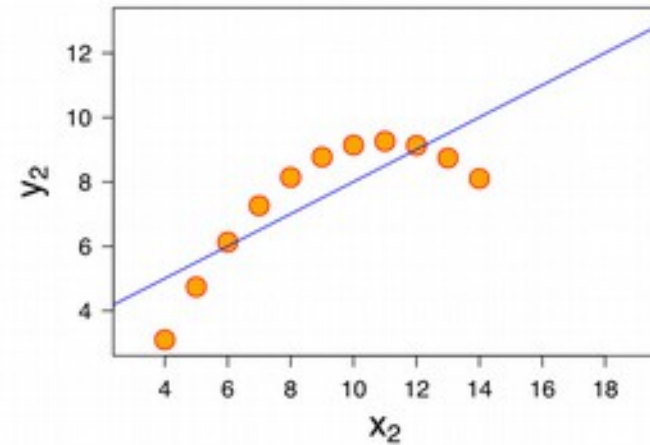
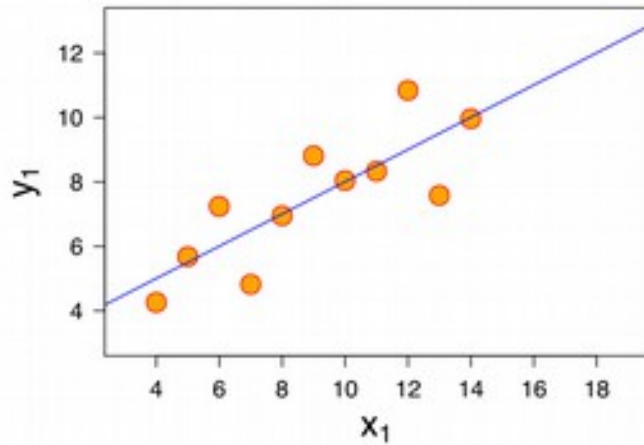
A bit of context

- Why use 3D graphics?

Summary Statistics

- Are useful, but don't tell the whole story
- Let's say we have 10 data points
 - X mean 9
 - Y mean 7.5
 - correlation 0.816
 - regression $y = 3 + \frac{1}{2} x$

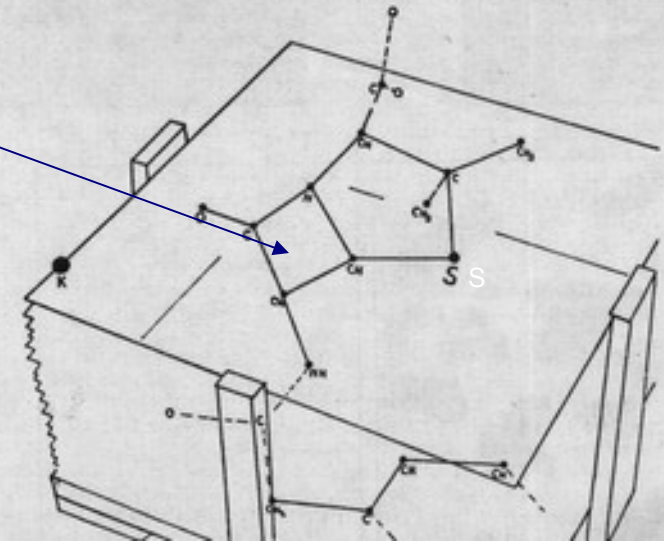
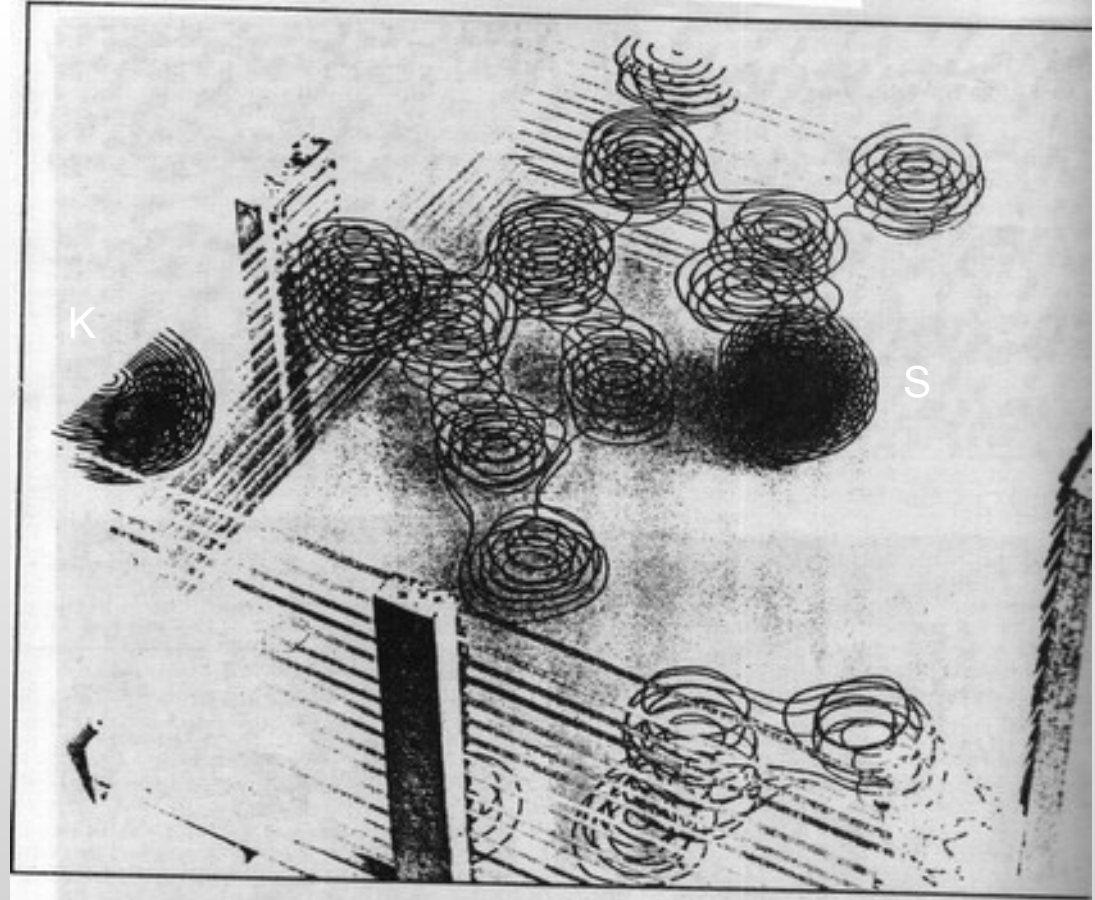
View Your Data and Model



Anscombe's Quartet

The 3-dimensional penicillin G map calculated in 1944. This unequivocally determined its chemical structure. (The hand however is wrong.)

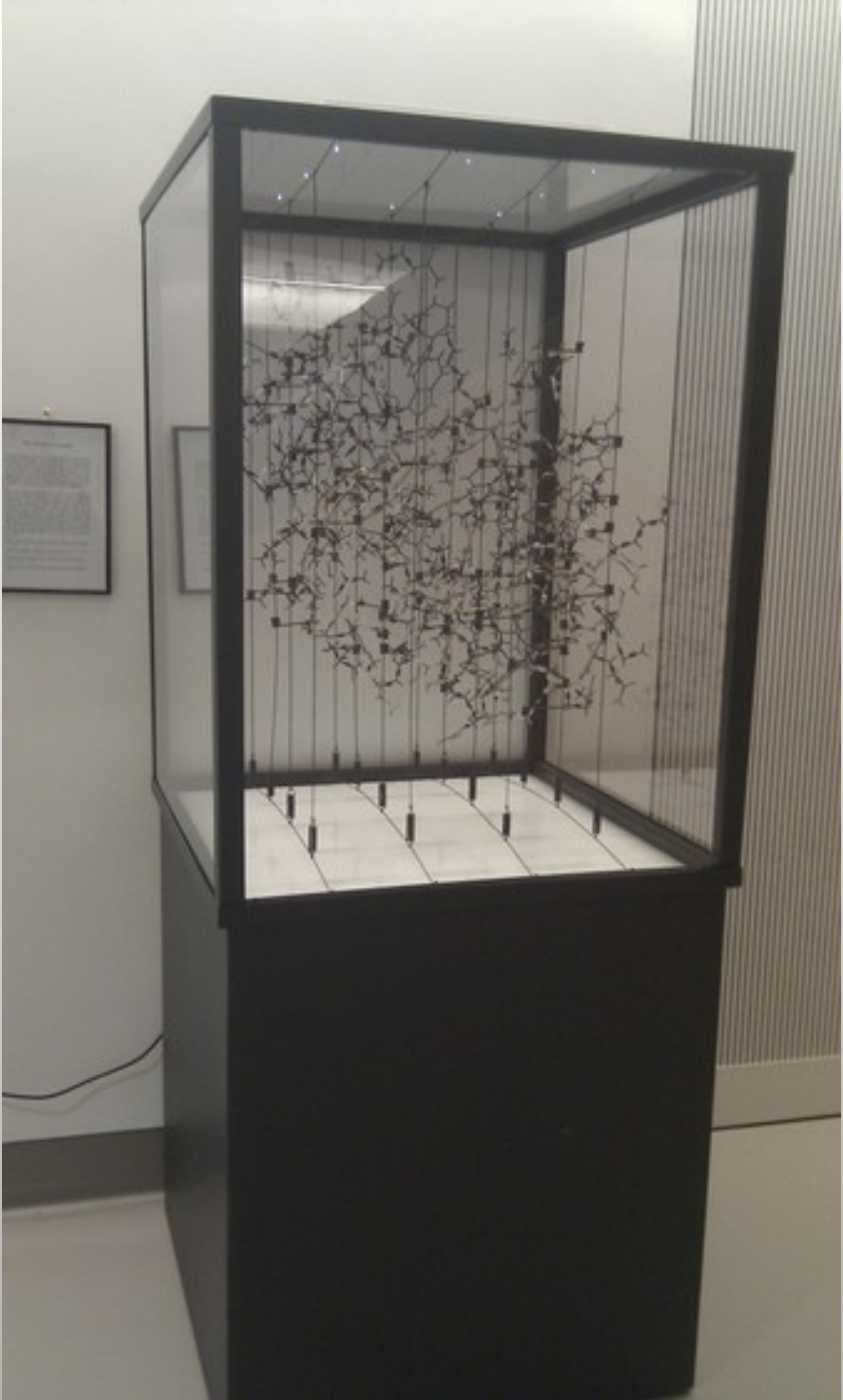
The chemical interpretation of the electron density map. The four membered beta-lactam ring, the centre of the controversy.



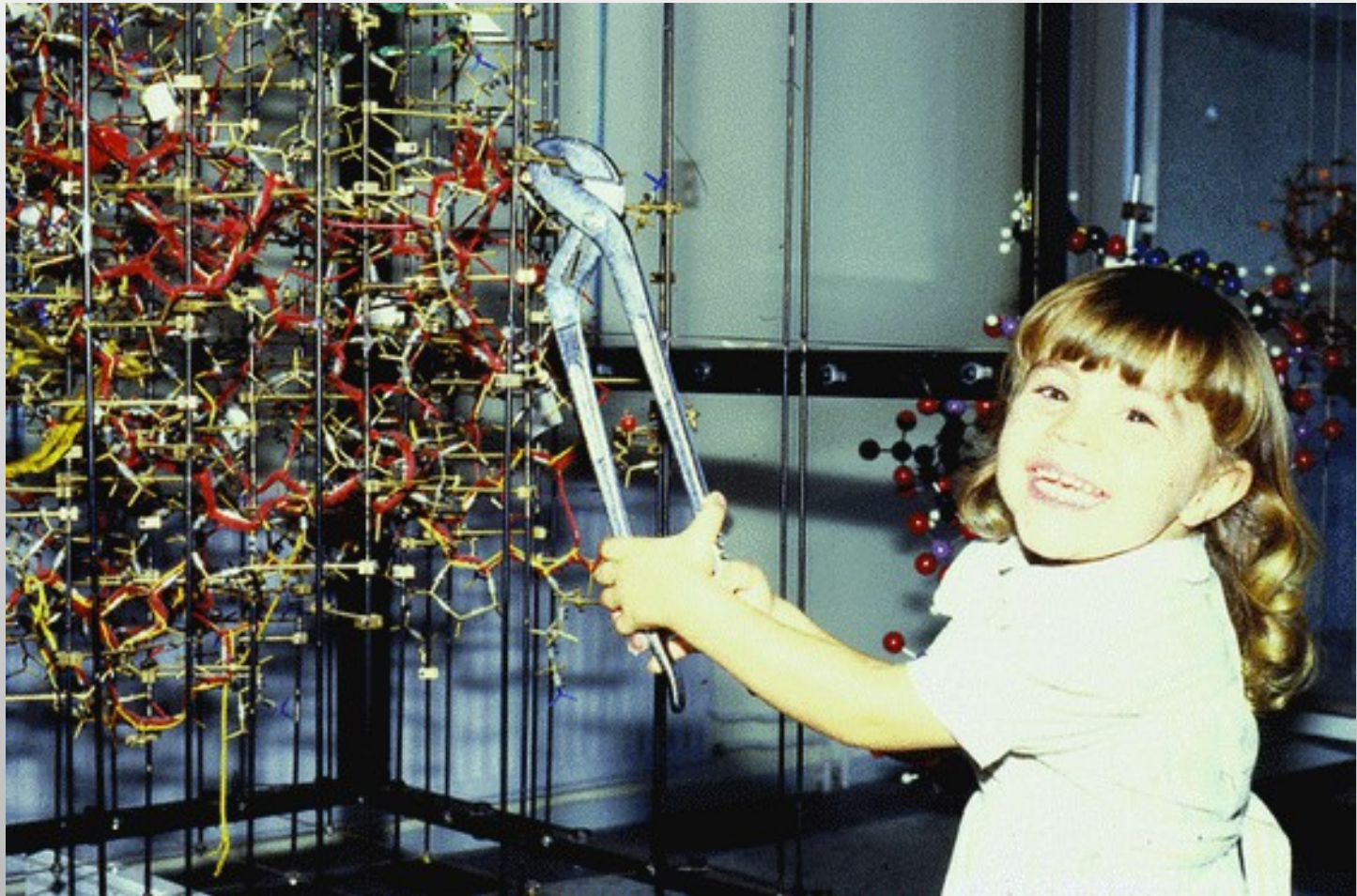


DCH building first insulin model

Lysozyme 1965



Kendrew wire model of alcohol dehydrogenase that is about to undergo a round of rebuilding by Maelle Cambillau



T. Alwyn Jones (2004)

History moves on...

- INTER, BUILDER, CHAIN, FRODO, O...

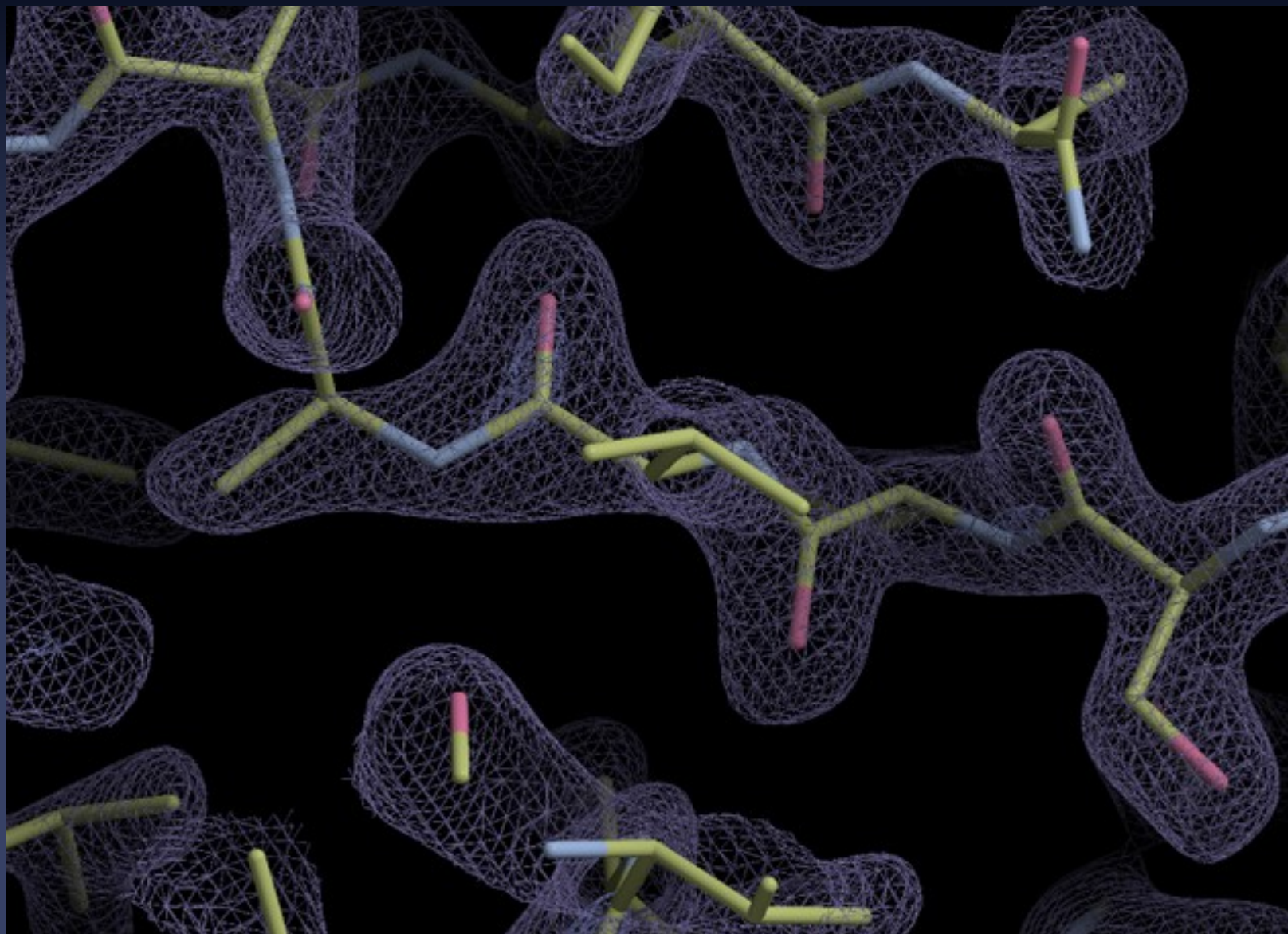
Coot

- Molecular Graphics application
 - Protein Crystallographic model-building tools
 - Designed to “fill the gap” where automatic methods fail
 - (generally, we don't use molecular graphics programs to do what automatic methods can do)
- Interface to other programs: SHELXL, Refmac, Libcheck, Probe&Reduce (Molprobit), EBI, EDS, Povray... and others

But Why Bother?

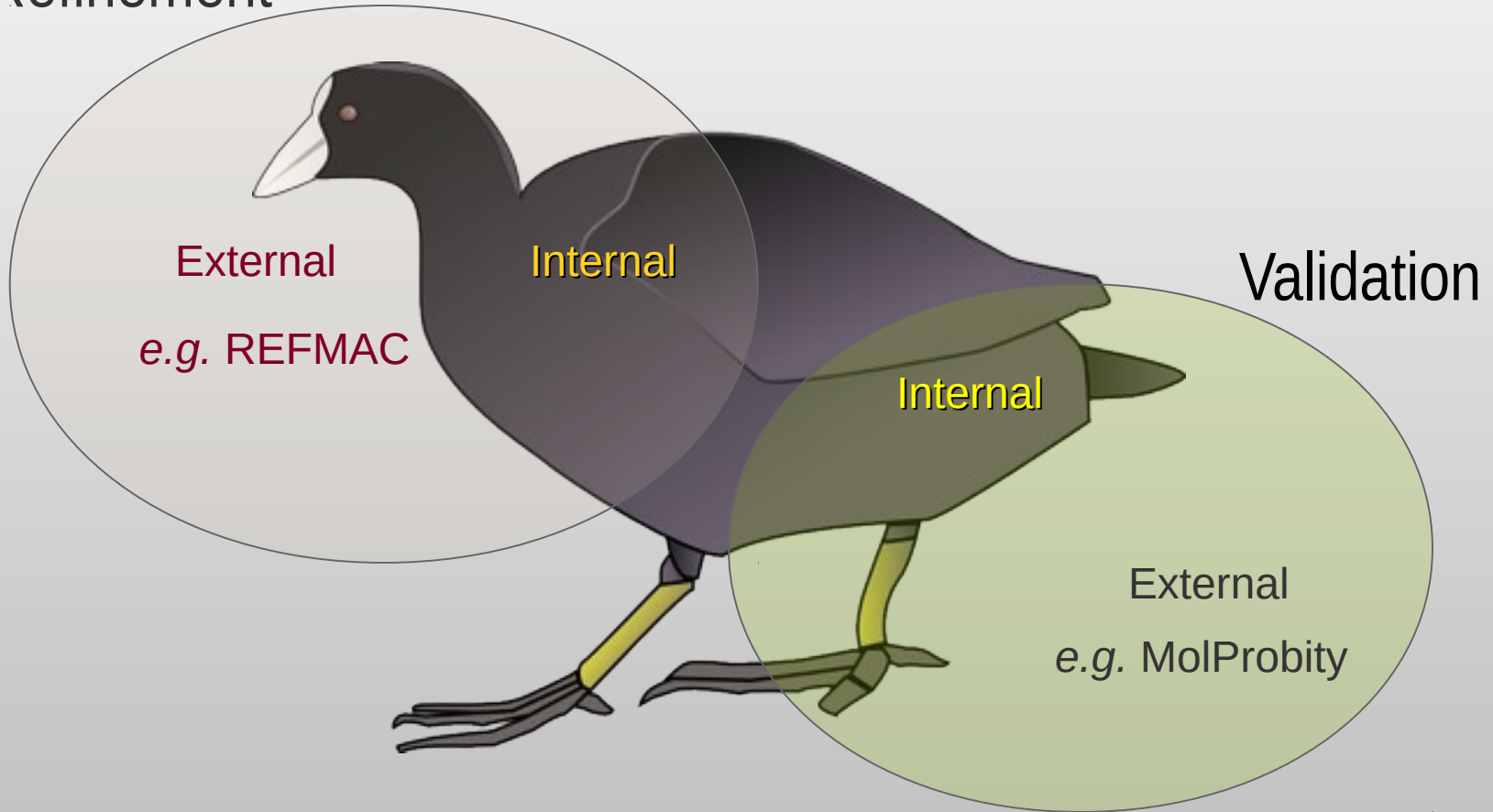
- Automated model-building for complete models is still impossible
 - It takes a brain to validate
- Concerted correction/improvement of a model is difficult on the larger scale

2.2Å



Feature Integration

Refinement



Validation, Model Building and Refinement should be used together

What is “Refinement”?

- The adjustment of model parameters (co-ordinates) so that the calculated structure factors match the observations as nearly as possible
 - In “one-shot” real-space refinement, such as in Coot, this translates to:
 - move the atoms into as high density as possible while minimizing geometrical distortions

Real Space Refinement

- Major feature of Coot
 - Gradient minimizer (BFGS derivative)
 - Based on mmCIF standard dictionary
 - Minimizing bonds, angles, planes, non-bonded contacts, torsions, chiral volumes
 - Additional user-defined restraints,
 - secondary structure restraints
 - homologous protein local environment restraints
- Provides “interactive refinement”

Refinement in *Coot* has been extended in several ways...

What prior geometric information do we have?

- We know chemistry....
 - We know bond lengths and uncertainties
 - We know bond angles and uncertainties
 - We know the chiral centres
 - We know which atoms should lie in a plane
 - We know (more or less) about torsions
- We combine the gradients from the data with those from molecular mechanics in the minimisation

REFMAC Monomer Library

chem_comp_bond

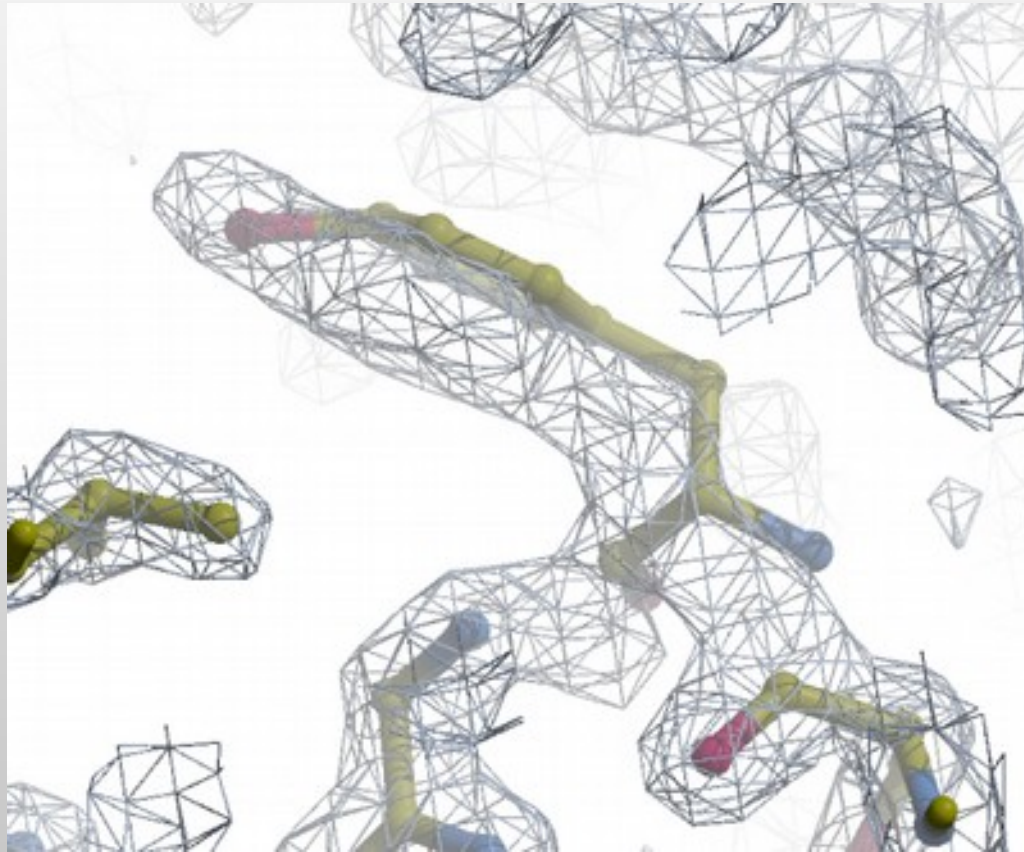
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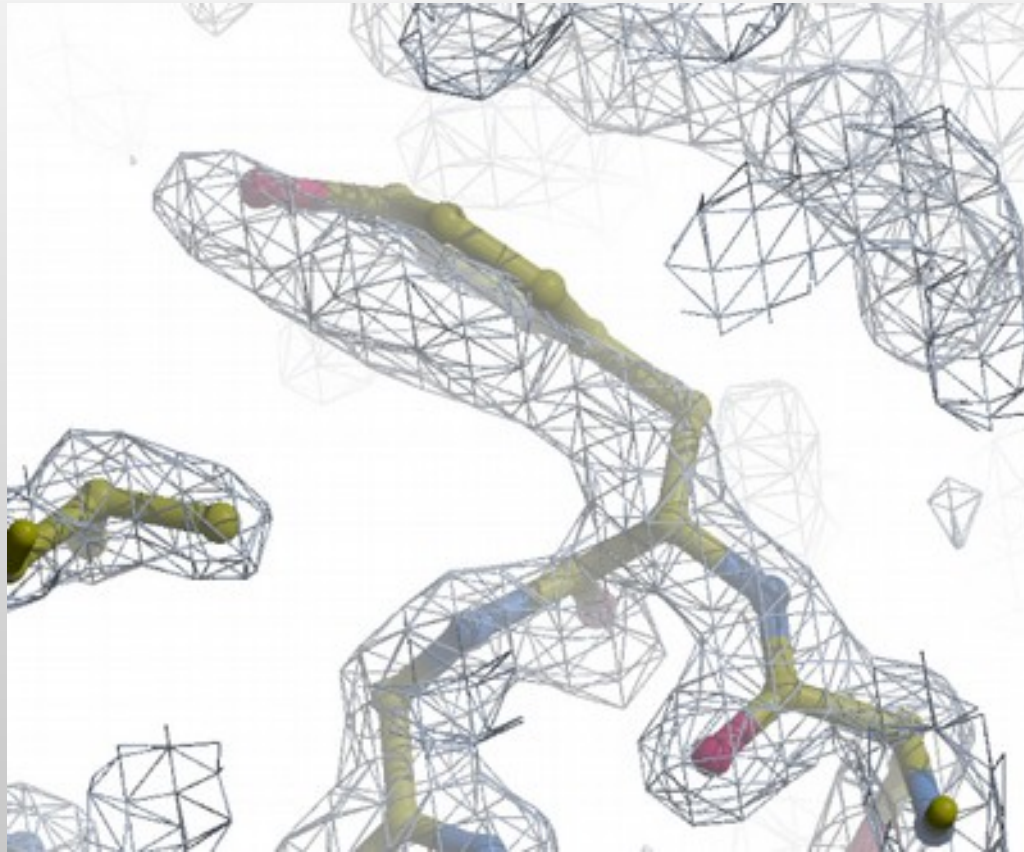
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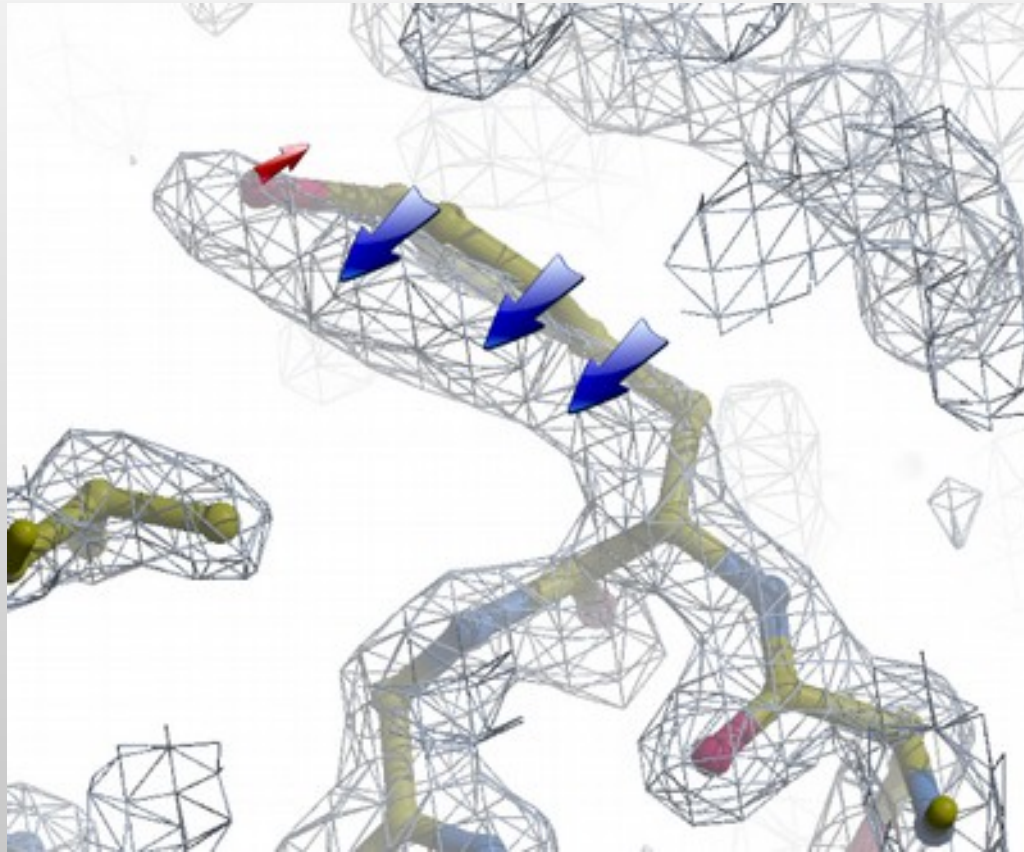
Regularization and refinement derivatives

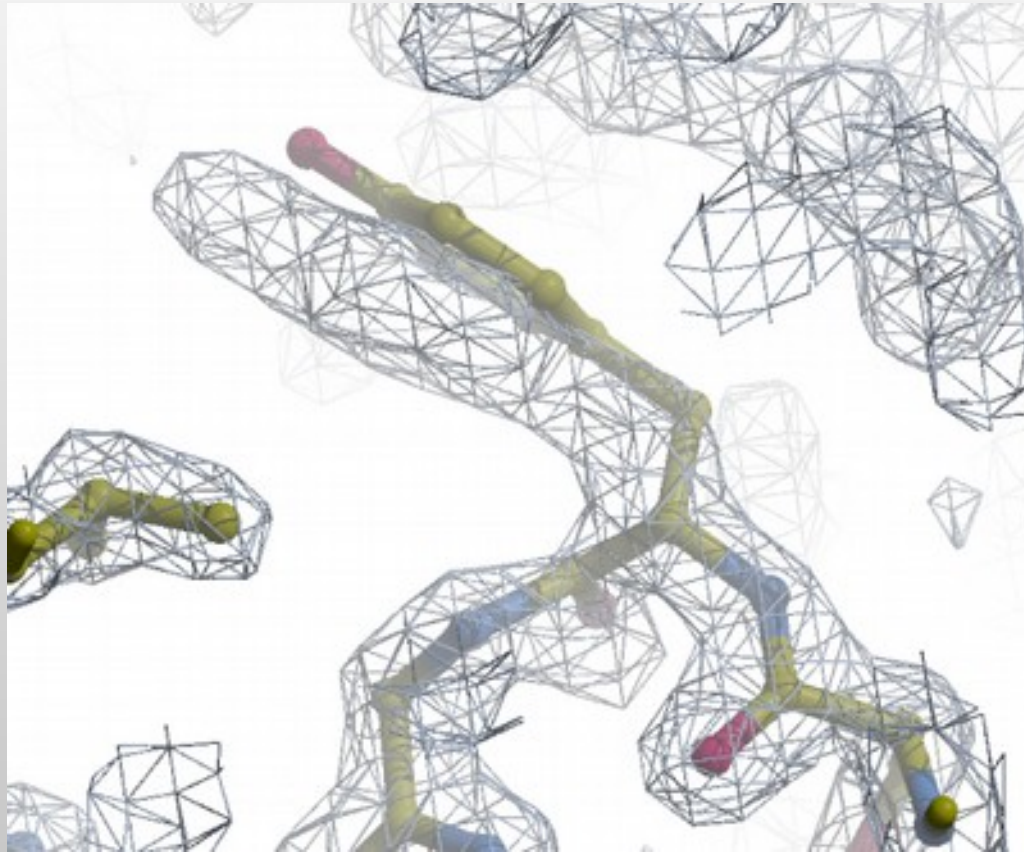
The function that we are trying to minimize is S , where

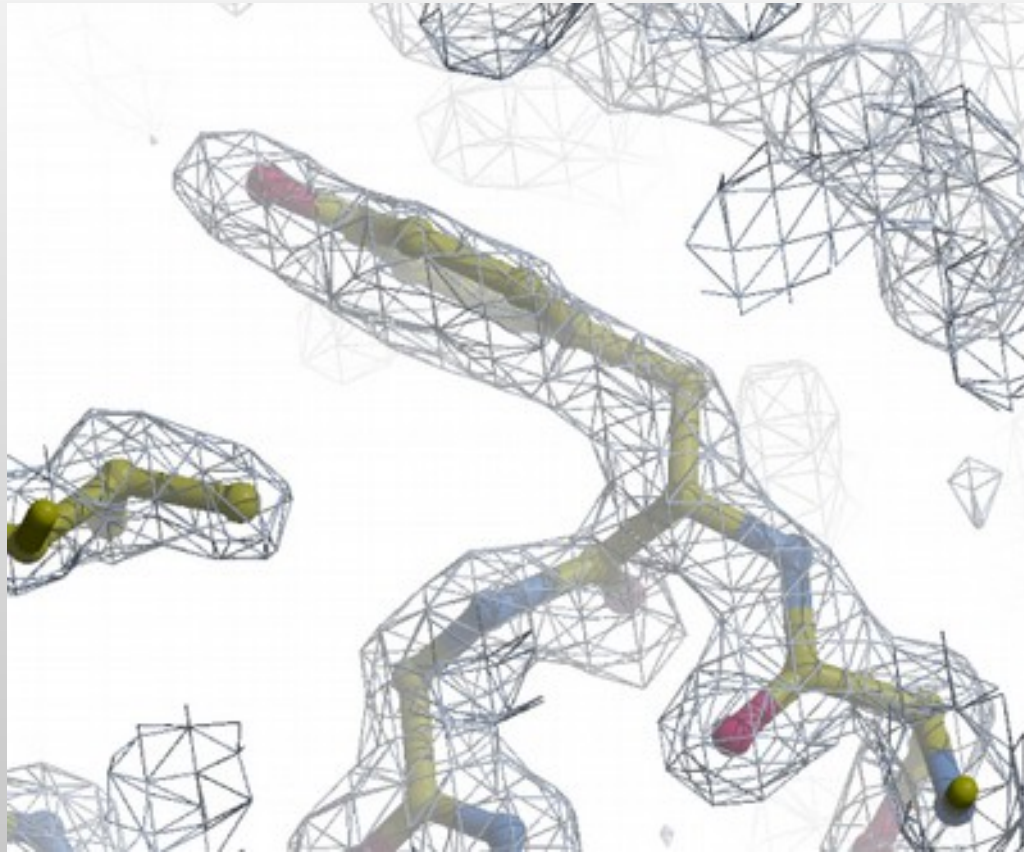
$$S = S_{\text{bond}} + S_{\text{angle}} + S_{\text{torsion}} + S_{\text{plane}} + \\ S_{\text{nbc}} + S_{\text{chiral}}$$

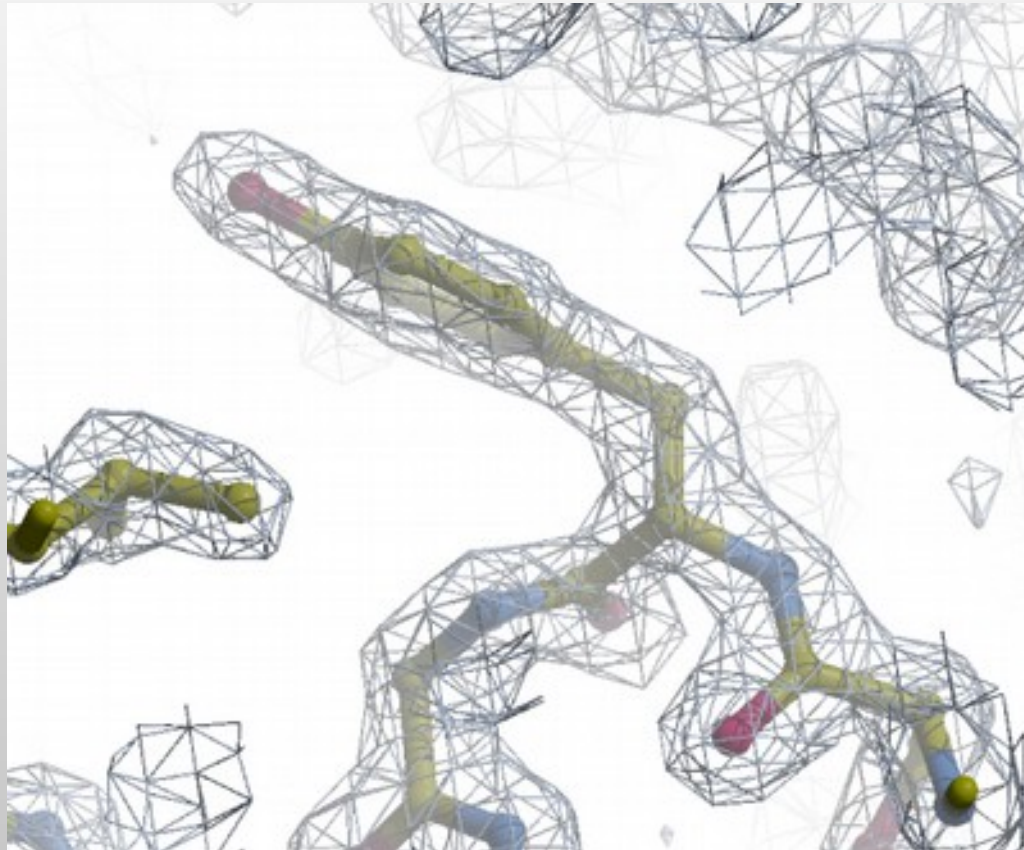






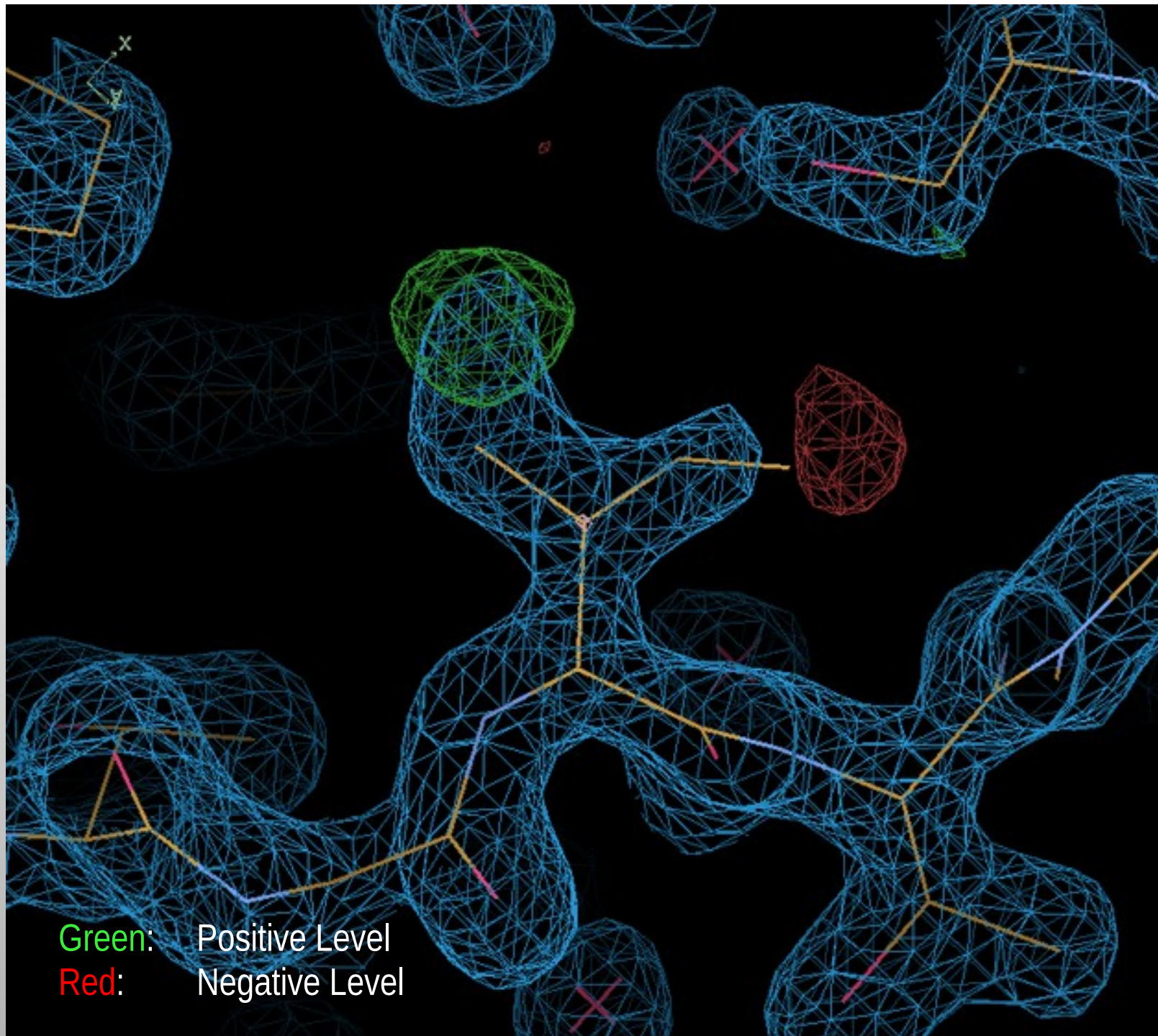






Different types of electron density maps

- “Experimental” maps
 - maps that result directly from the crystallographic data analysis: MIR, MAD, SAD
- Direct Maps:
 - where the atoms are
- Coefficients $F_o - F_c$ (“difference map”)
 - Identifies errors in the model. Locations in space where there should be atoms show positive peaks, while locations where the model contains atoms that should not be there show negative peaks.



Green: Positive Level
Red: Negative Level

Representation of Results:

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created 5 chiral vol restraints
created 76 restraints

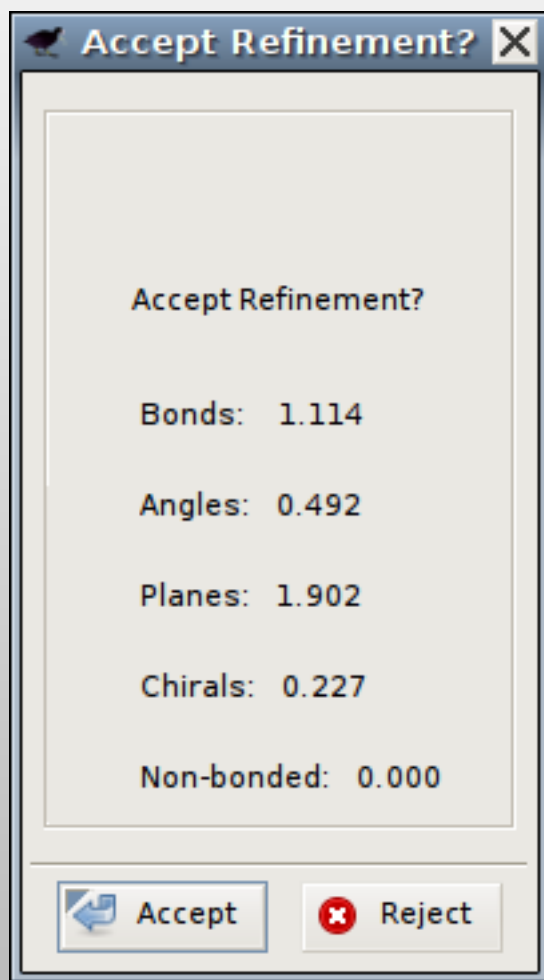
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angles:     0.713337
torsions:   N/A
planes:     1.05134
non-bonded: 0
chiral vol: 0.522415
rama plot:  N/A
SUCCESS
TIME:: (dragged refinement): 332.657
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The first attempt

Student Reaction:

“Oh, I don't look at that window...”

Representation of Results:



Second attempt...

Student Reaction:

"Oh, box of meaningless numbers.

Go away"

Representation of Results: “Traffic Lights”

“Traffic Lights” represent the RMSd values for each of the refined geometry types



Good refinement

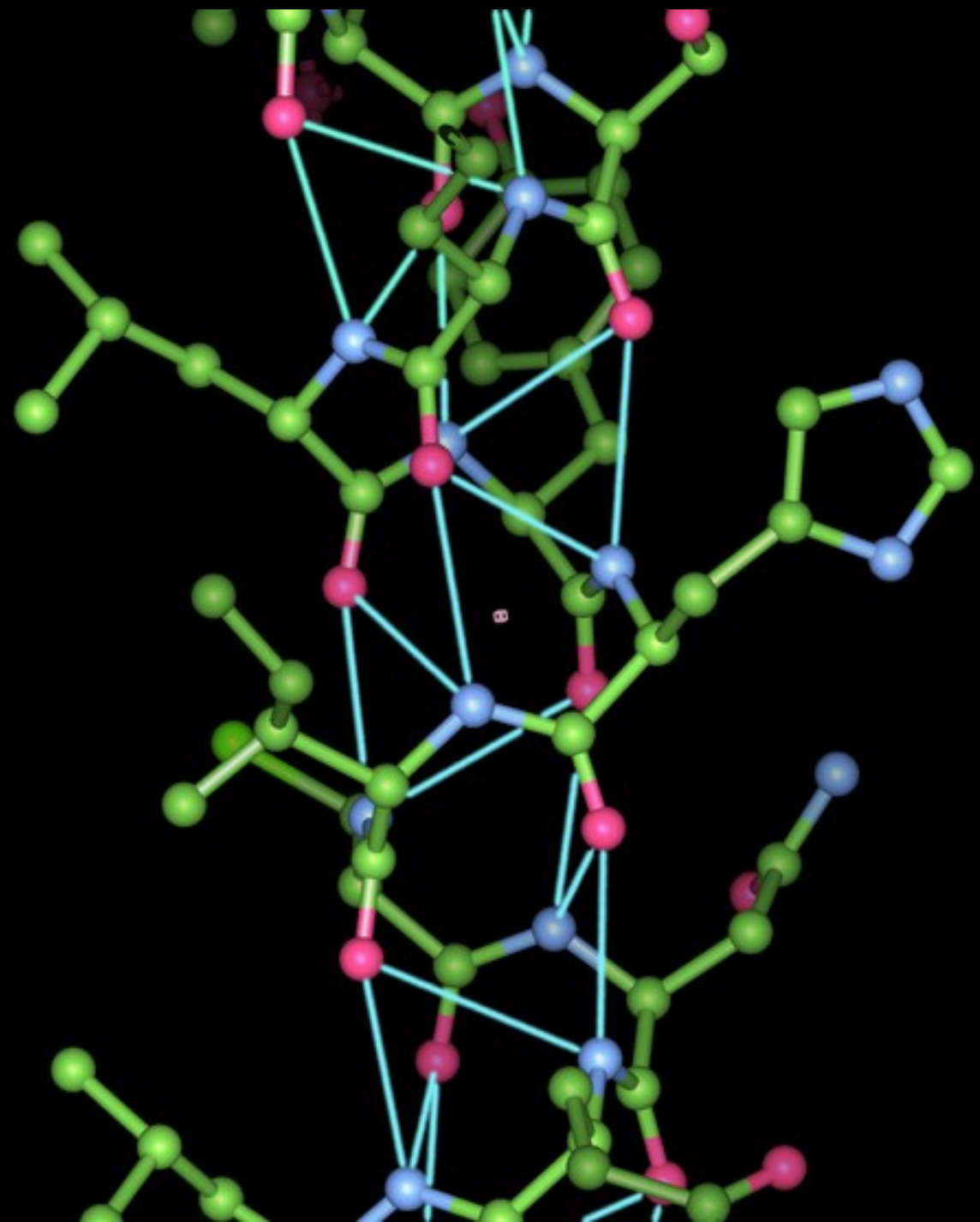


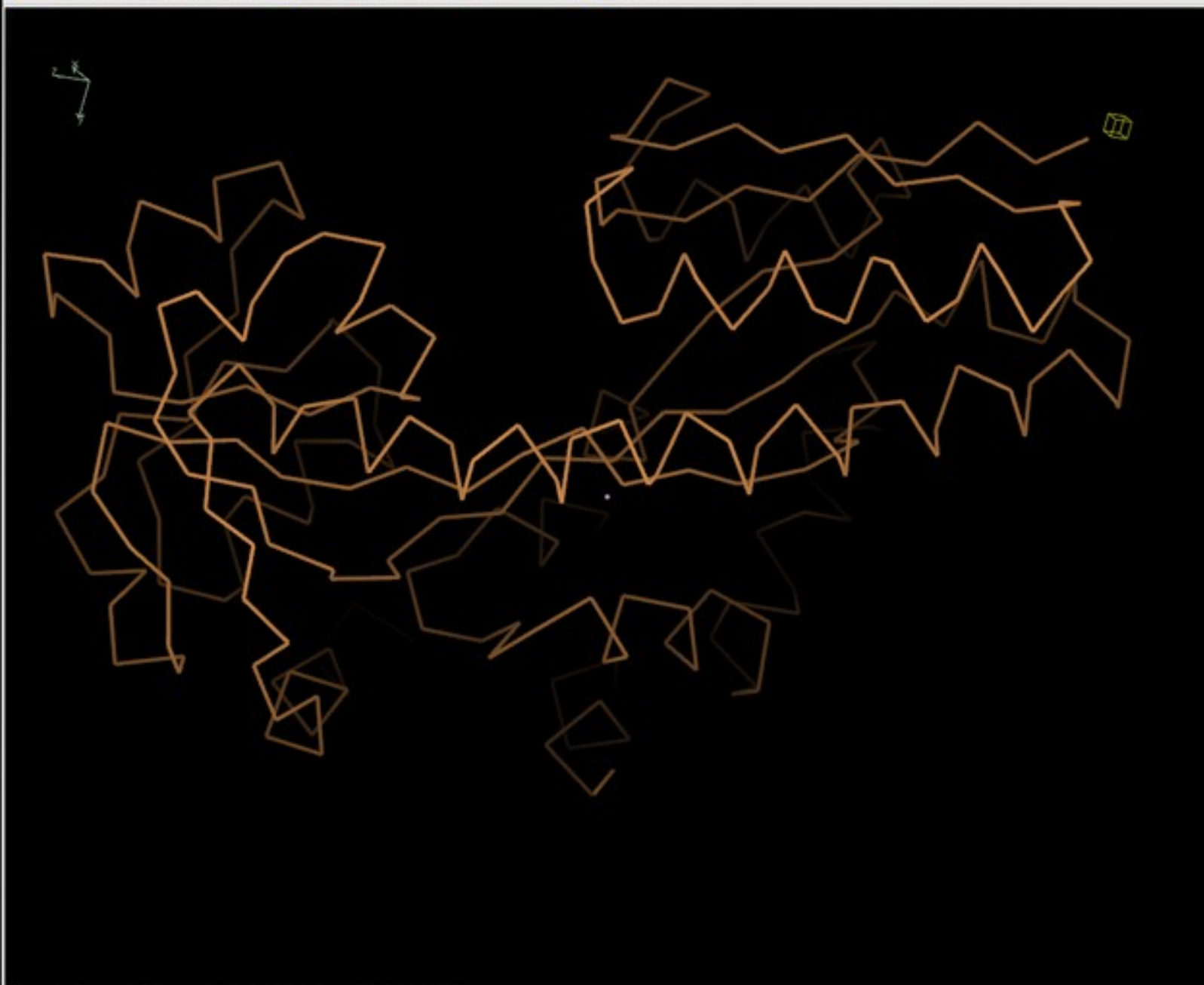
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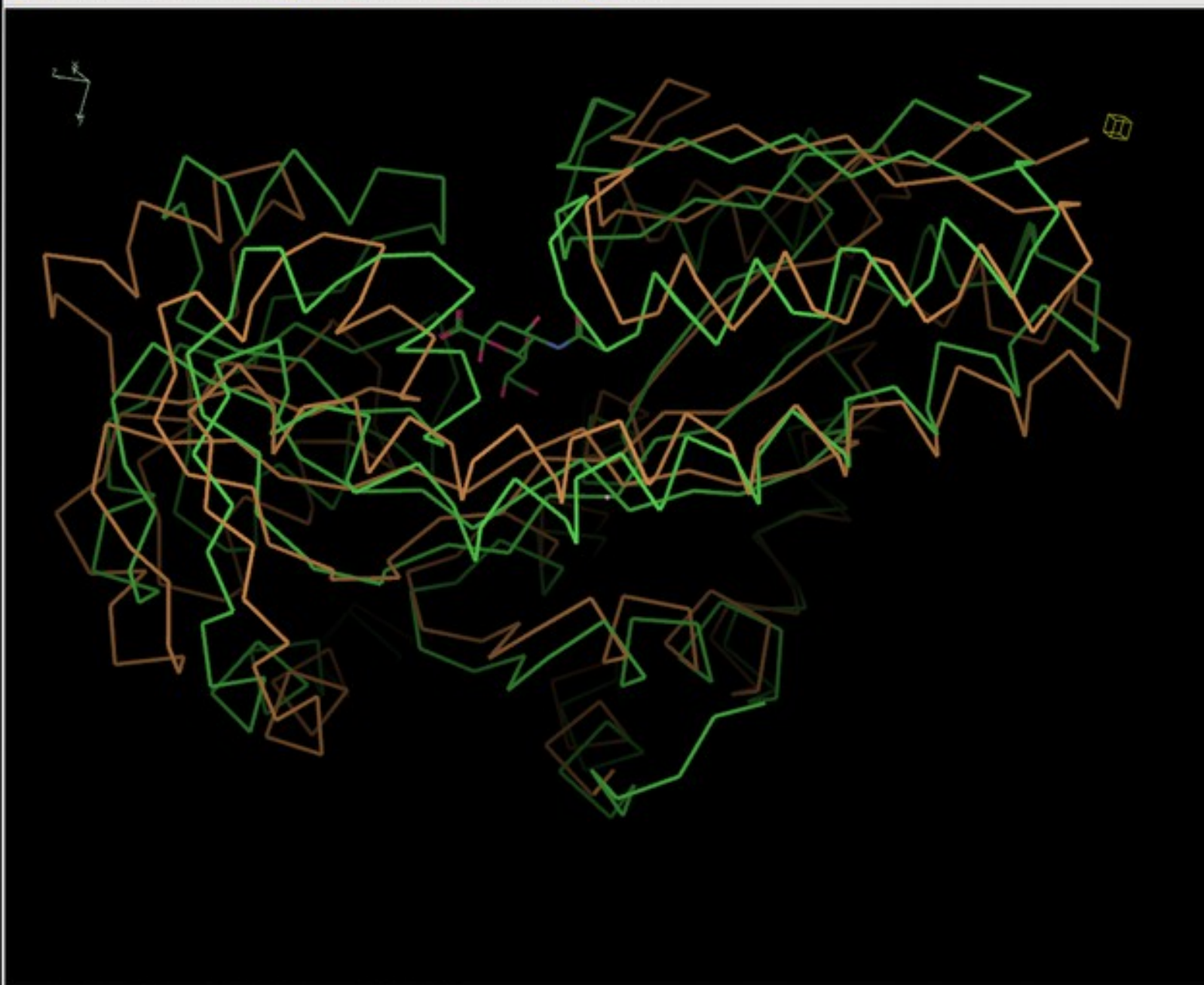
ProSMART Interface

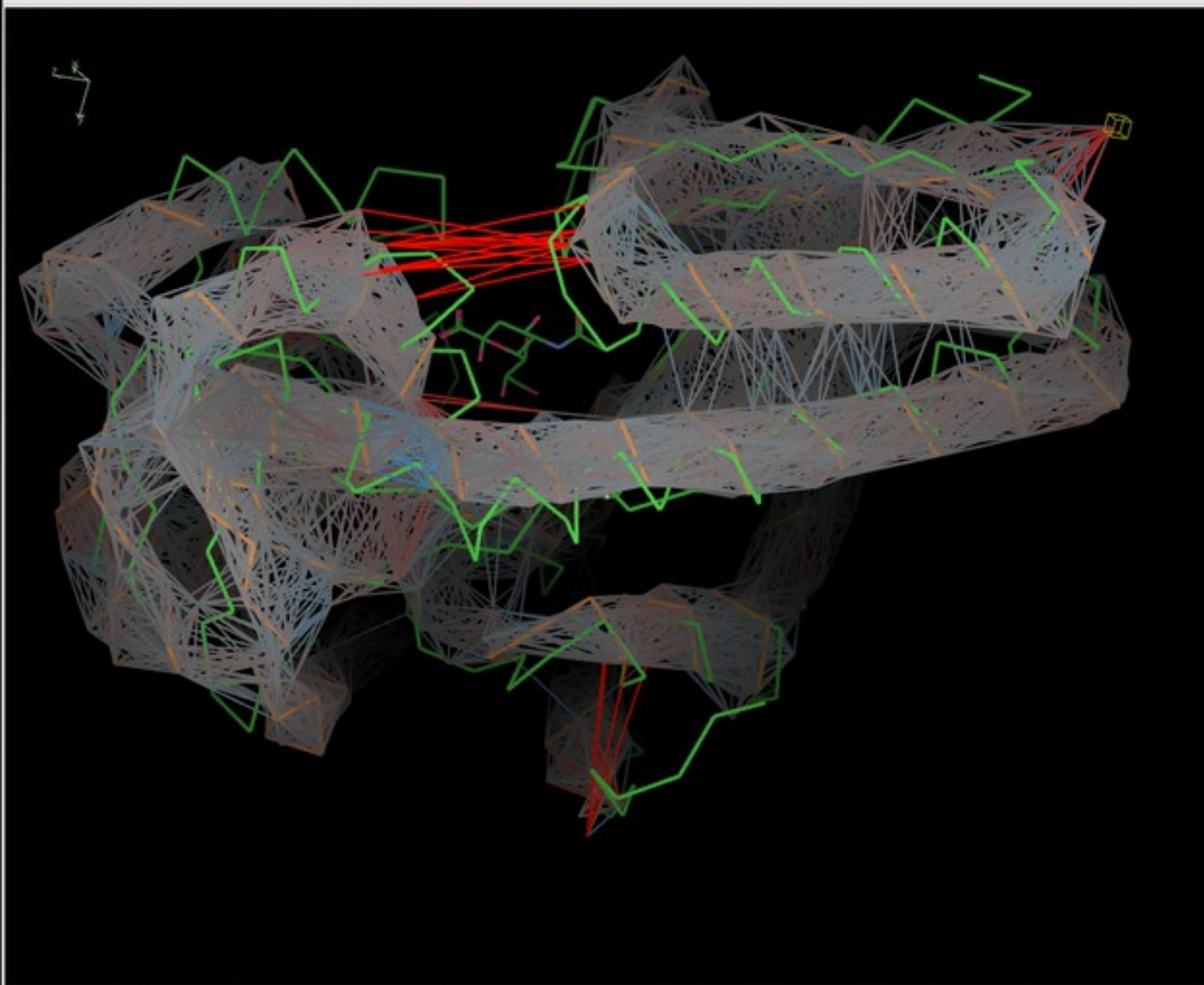
- Use previous-solved “template” structures to inform the refinement of the (low resolution) target protein
- Conformation-independent structural comparison/superposition
- and restraint generation

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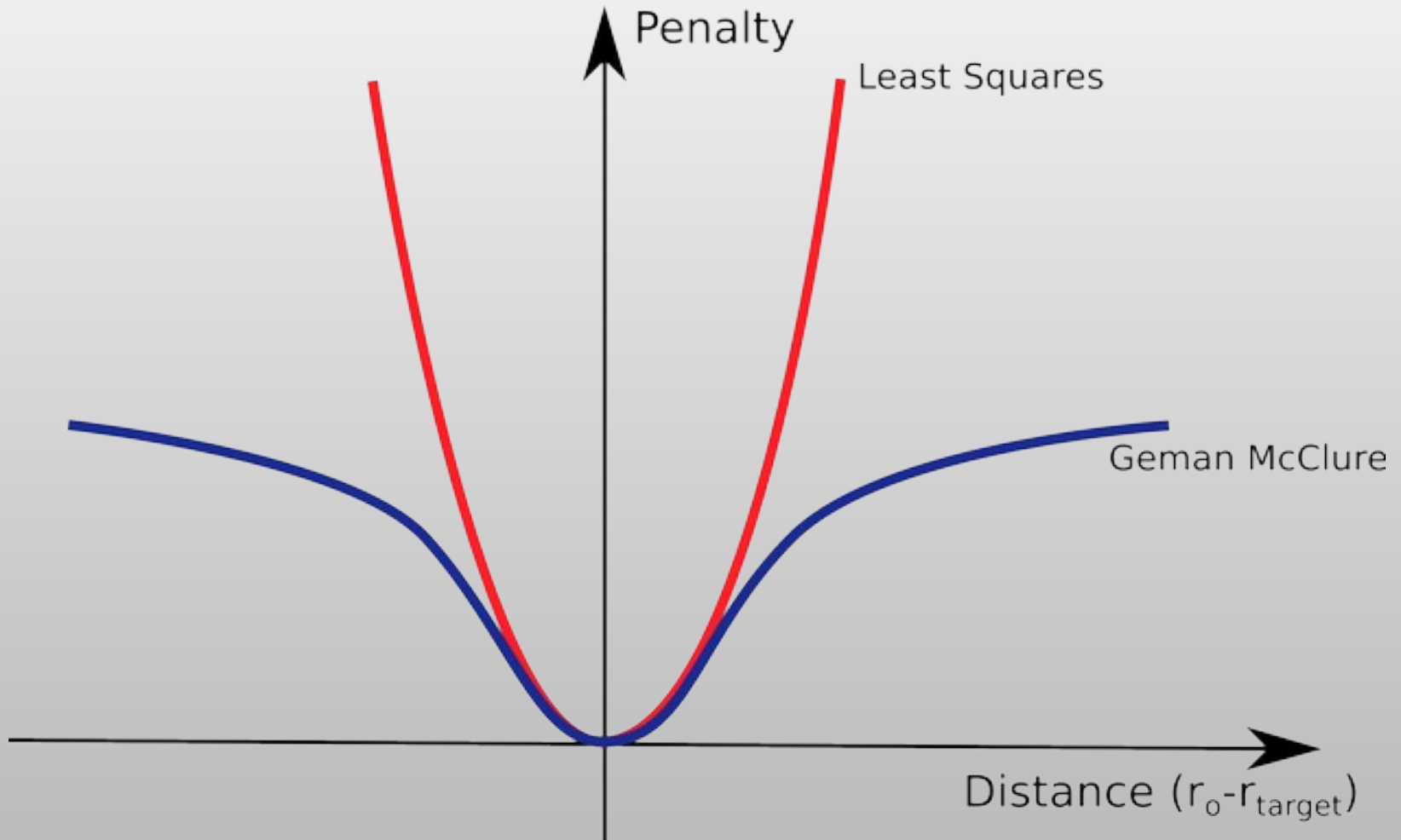




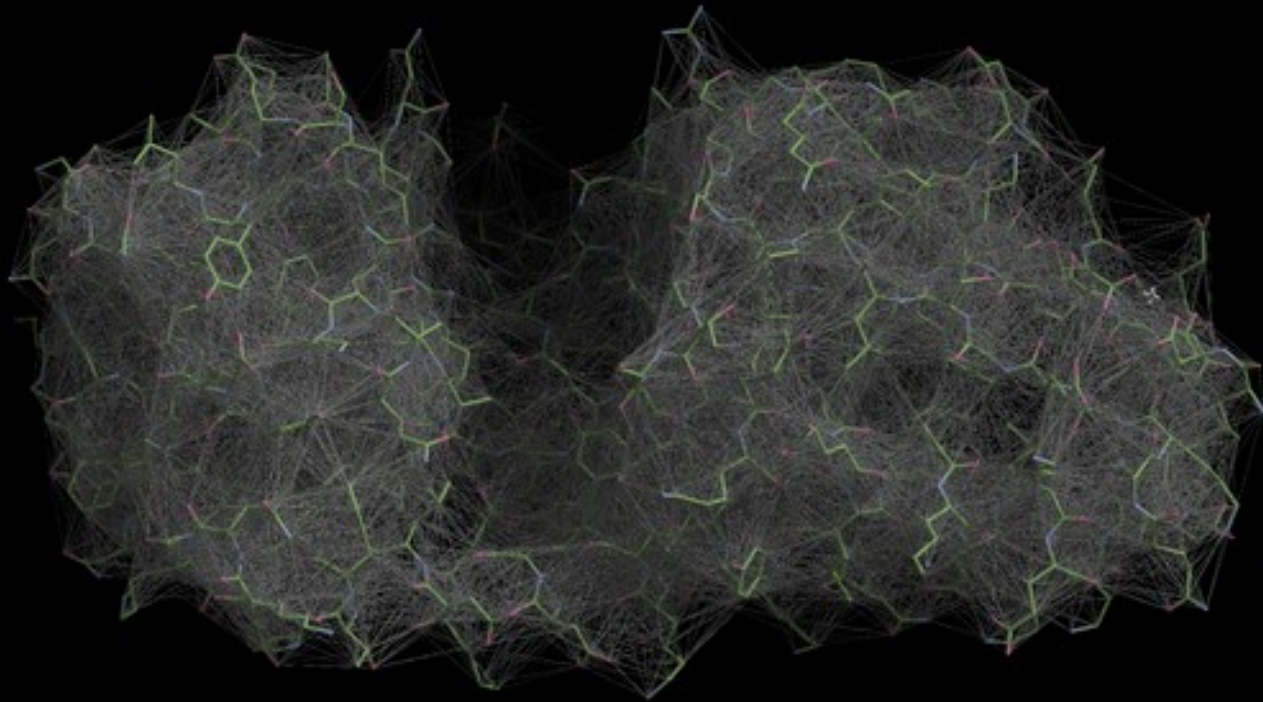
ProSMART integration

- ProSMART generates distance restraints from homologous structures
 - to be applied to current model for refinement
 - now available in *Coot*

Modified Target Function



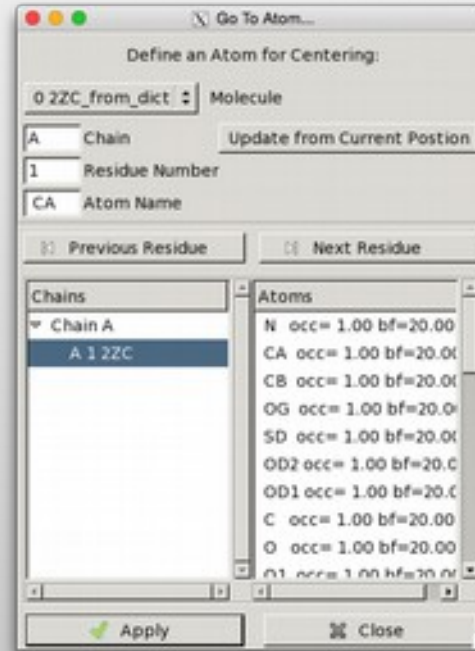
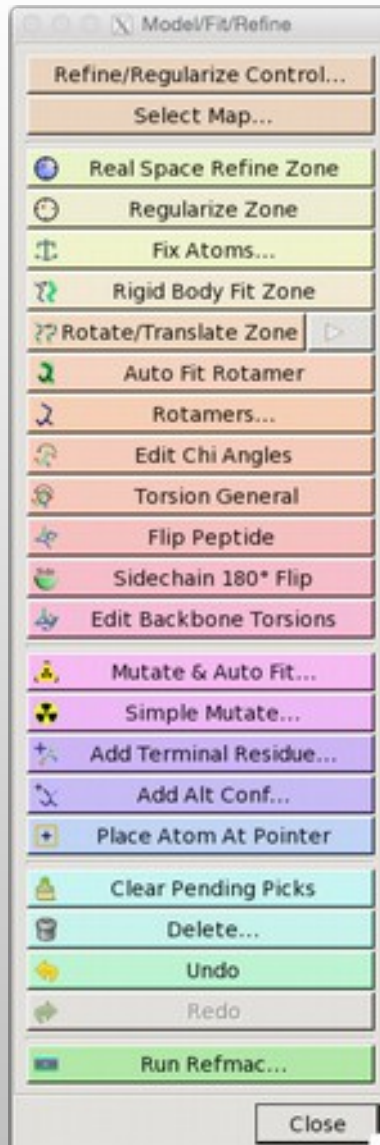
ProSMART Restraints



A note on *Coot's* GUI

- It used to be clean
- Now lots of features have been added without much thought
- “Somewhat difficult to navigate”
- “Hidden” hot-keys

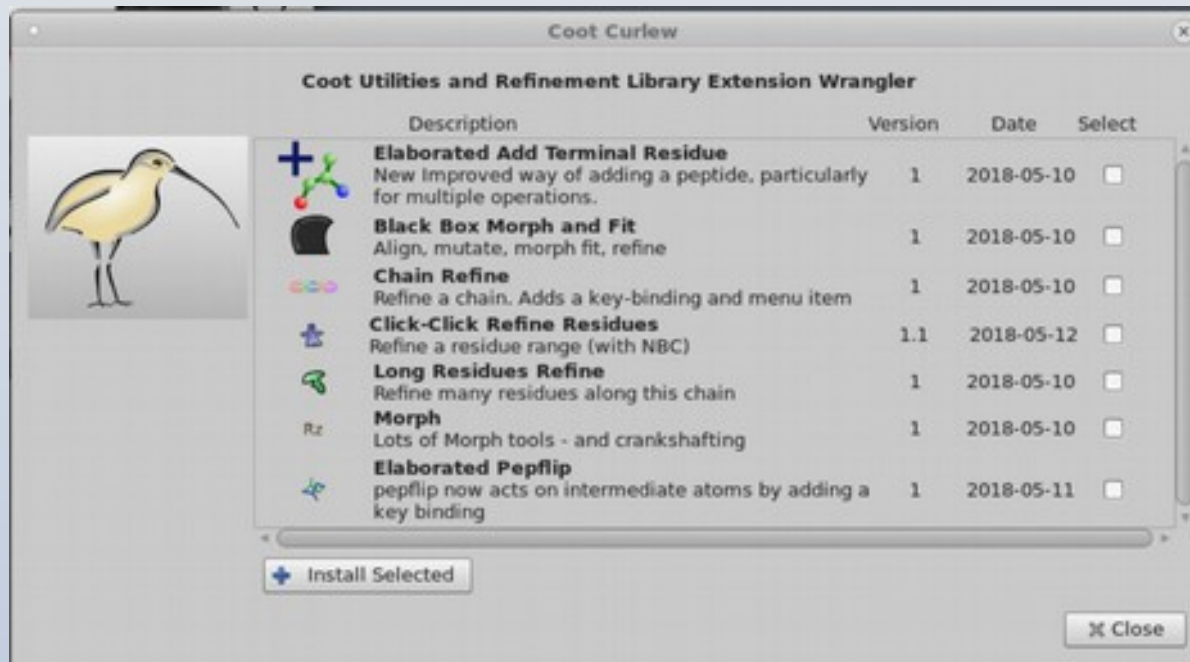
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- If I See This Dialog Then I'm Doing It Wrong

CURLEW: Coot Utilites and Refinement Library Extentio Wrranger

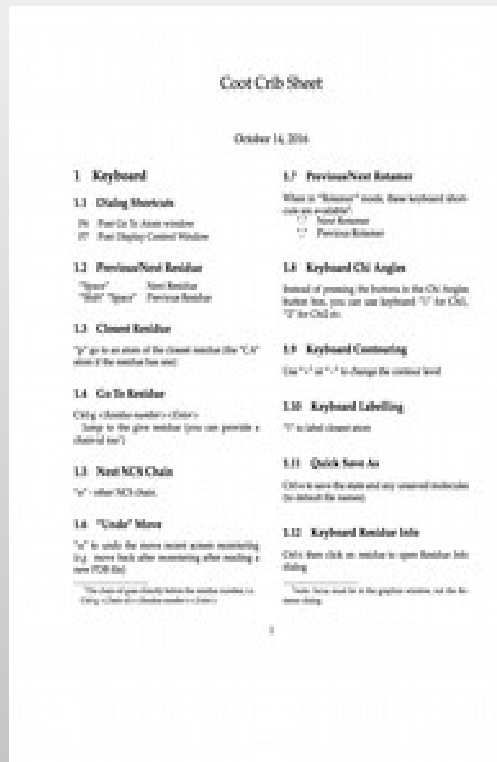
- Easy access to "interesting" *Coot* scripts



Refinement Techniques

- Single-Atom Drag
 - Over-dragging
- Key-bindings:
 - Triple Refine “T”, with auto-accept: “H”
 - Single Residue Refine: “R” with Auto-accept: “X”
 - Add Residue: “Y”
 - Autofit rotamer” “J”
 - Residue Flip: E, Shift: Opt-Alt- → Rotate: Ctl Shft - →
 - Hybridization-aware residue fragment rotation: “Shift F”

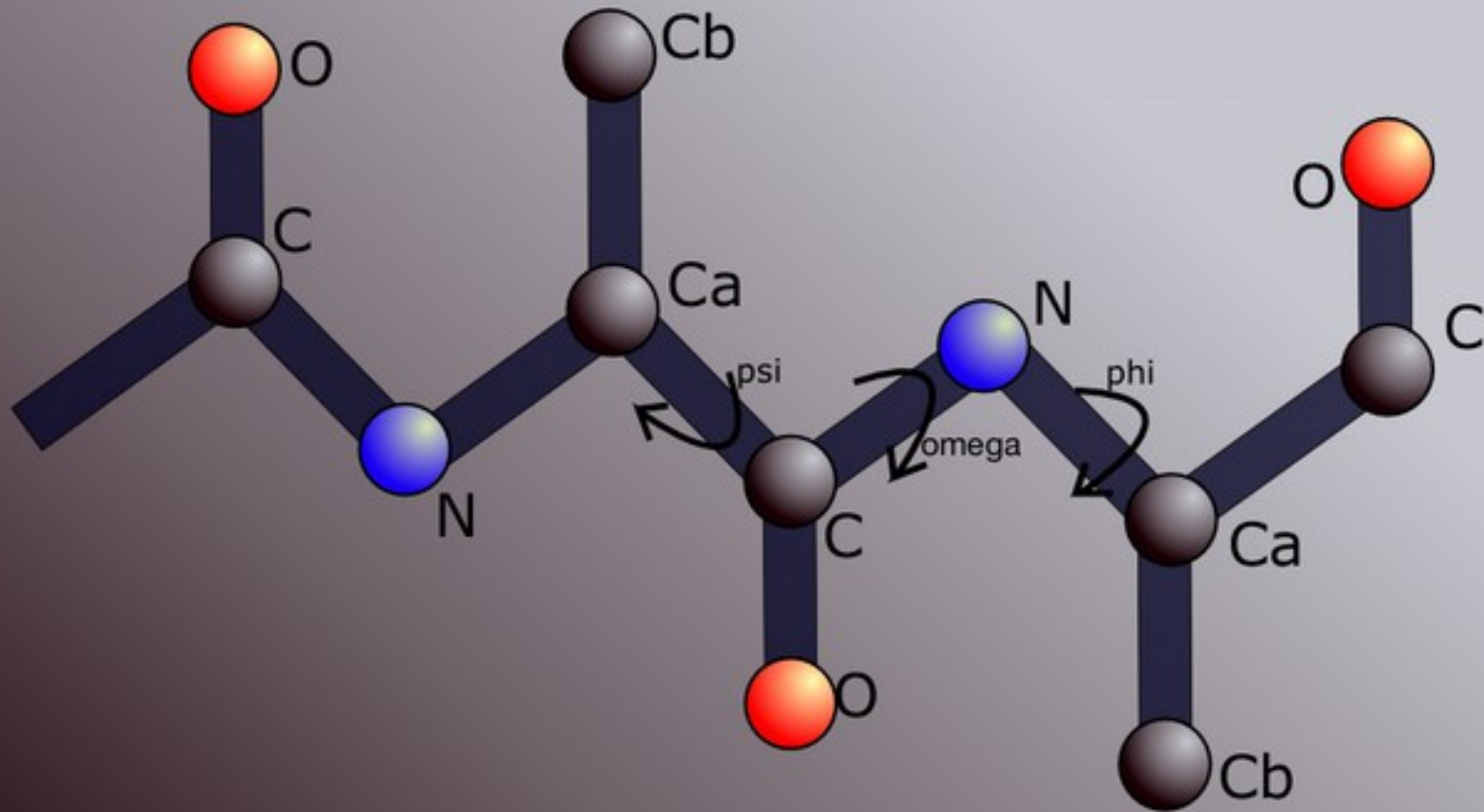
Cool Key-binding Crib-Sheet



Rotamer Searching

- Two methods
 - Traditional
 - Backrub

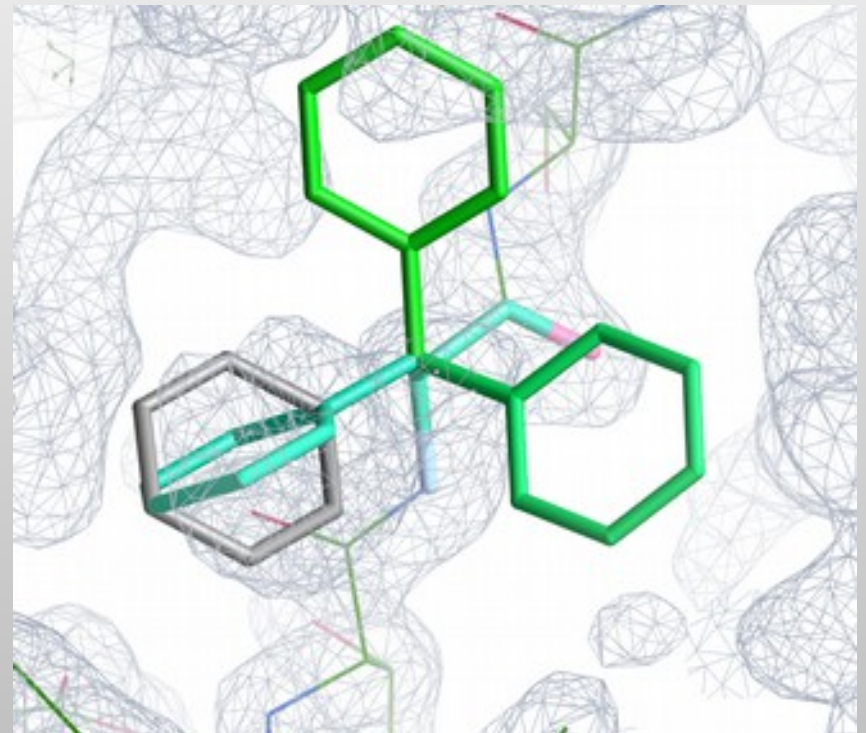
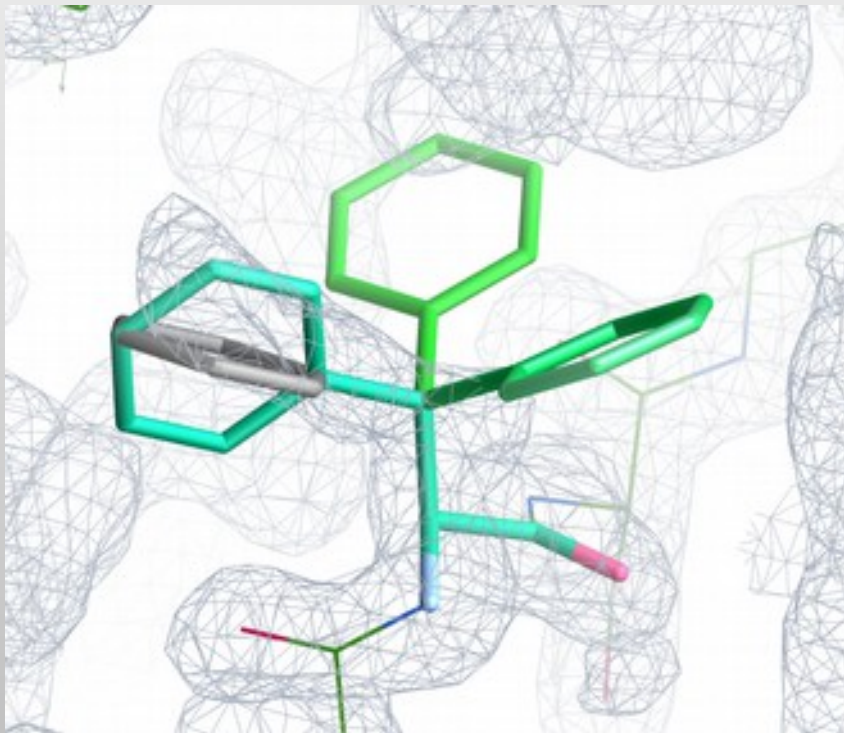
Peptide Torsion Angles



Rotamers

- Rotamers are preferred configurations of a side-chains rotatable bonds
 - where “preferred” means these configurations occur more frequently in a set of reference protein structures
 - “preferred” because they are low-energy conformations
- Several Rotamer “databases” exist
 - best: (Son of) Penultimate Rotamer Library

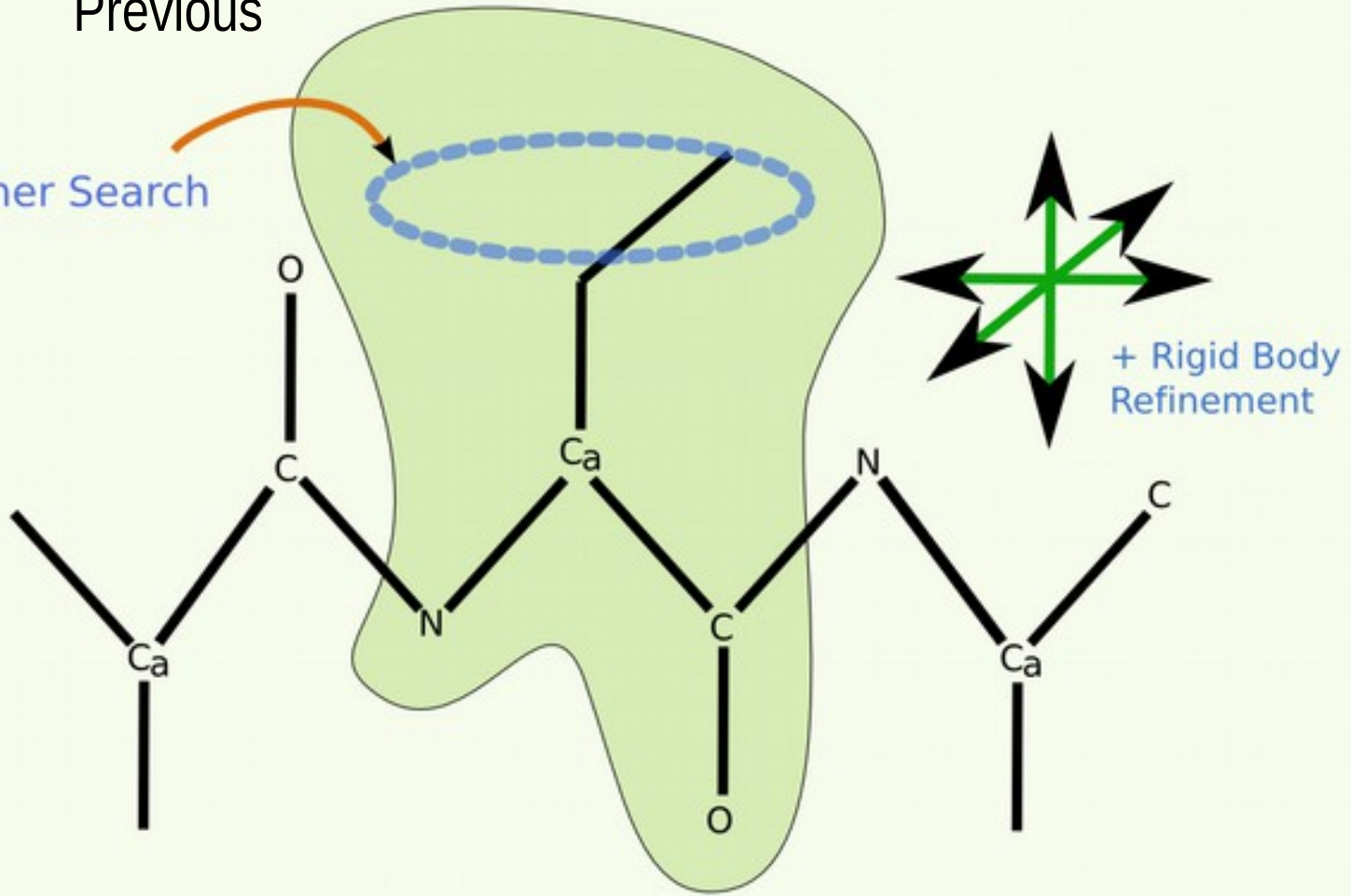
4 PHE Rotamers



~~Current~~ Low Resolution Rotamer Search

Previous

Rotamer Search





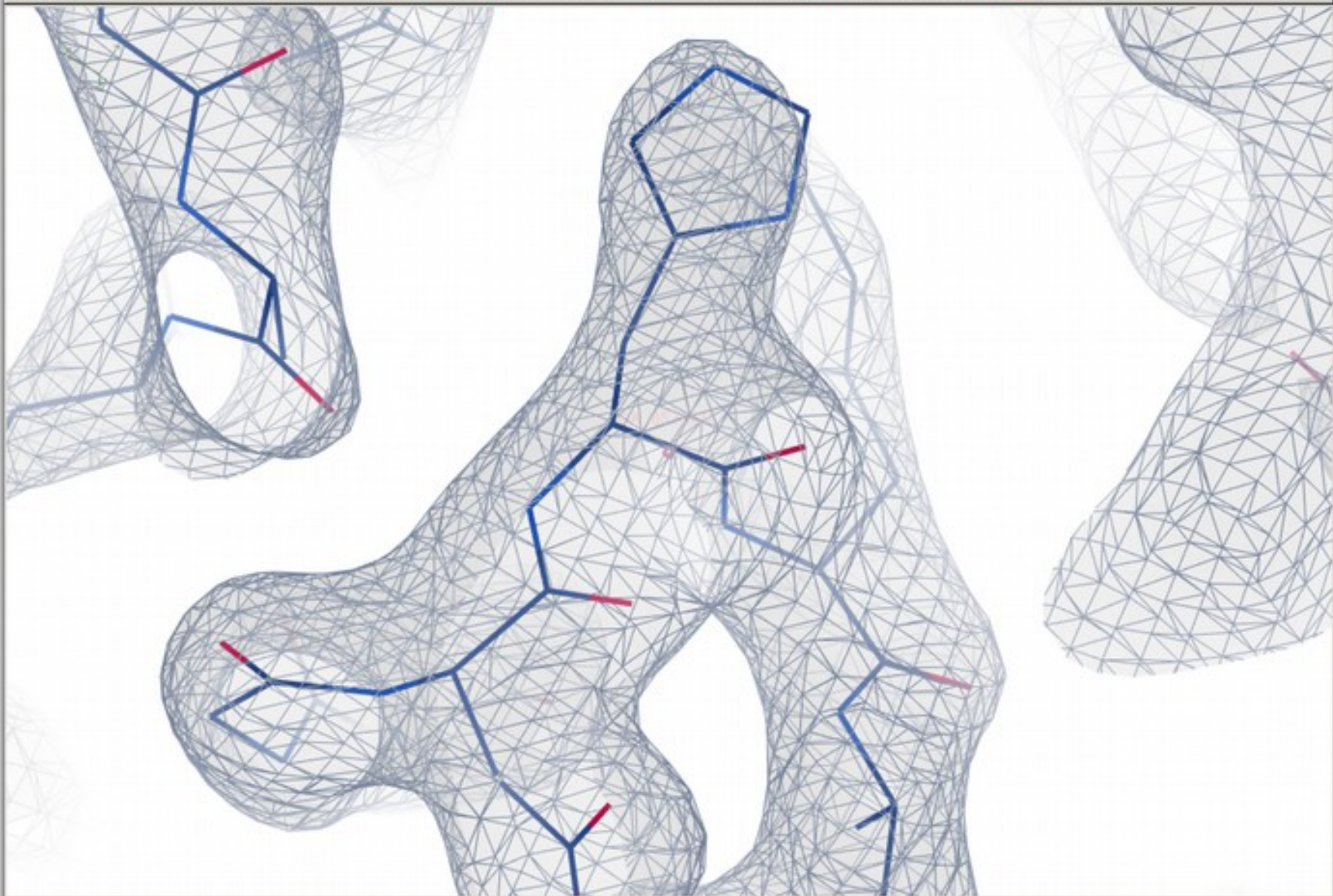
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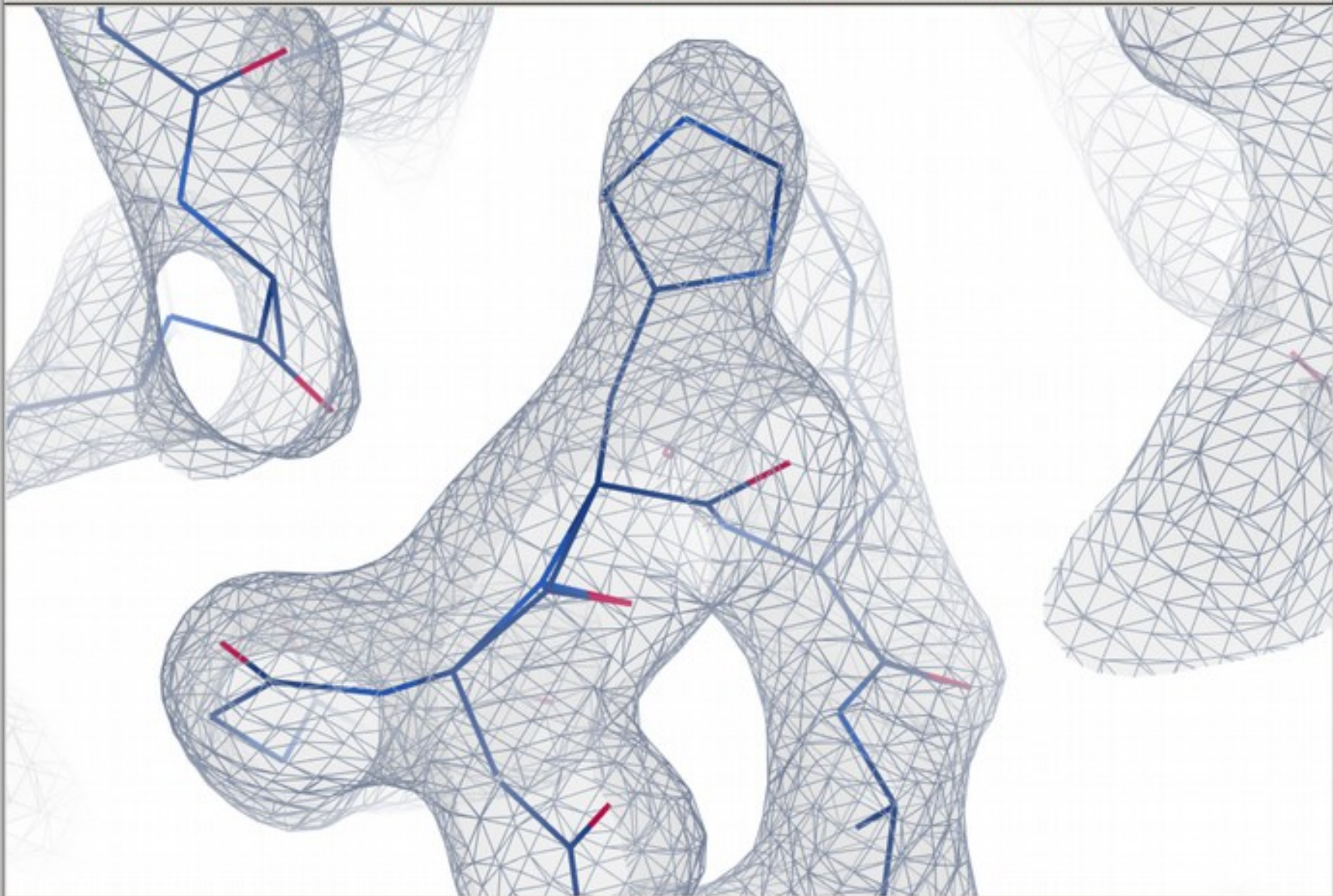
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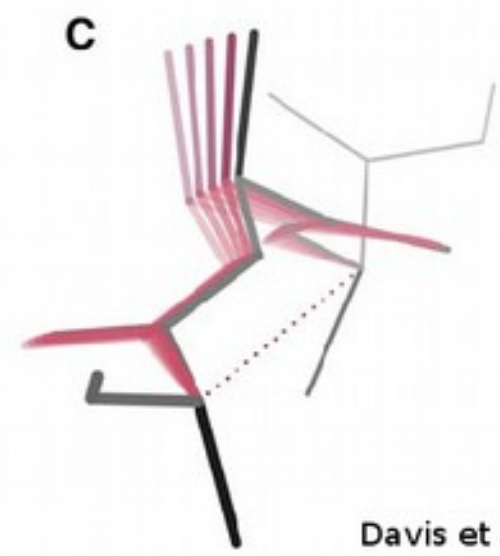
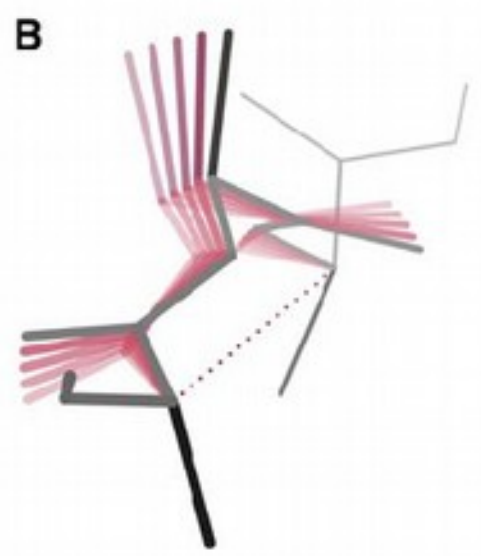
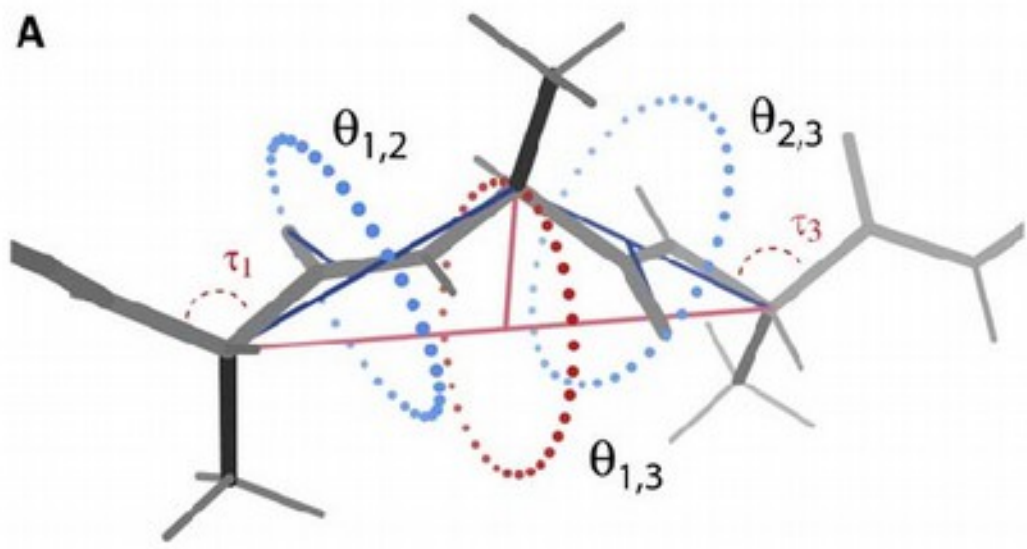
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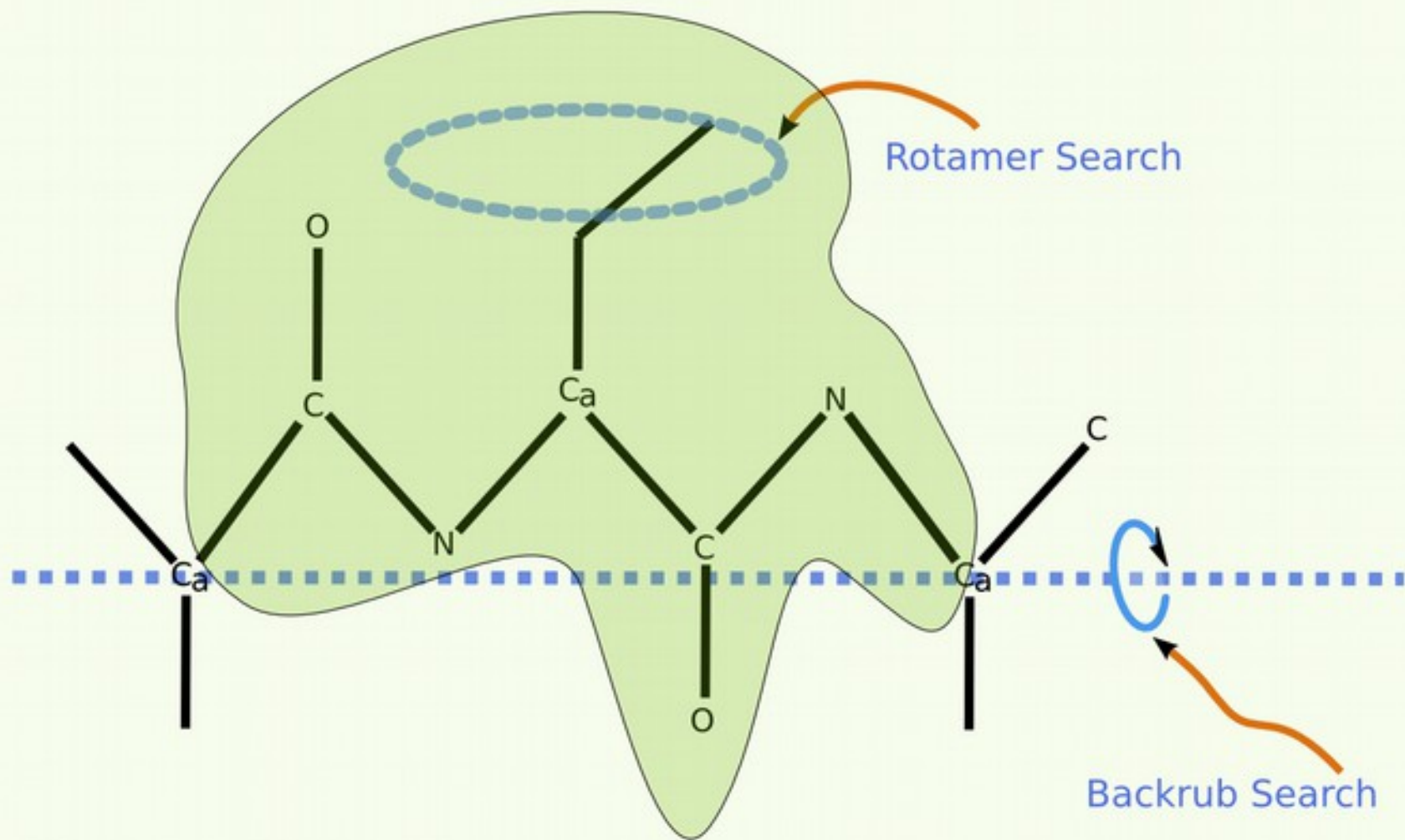


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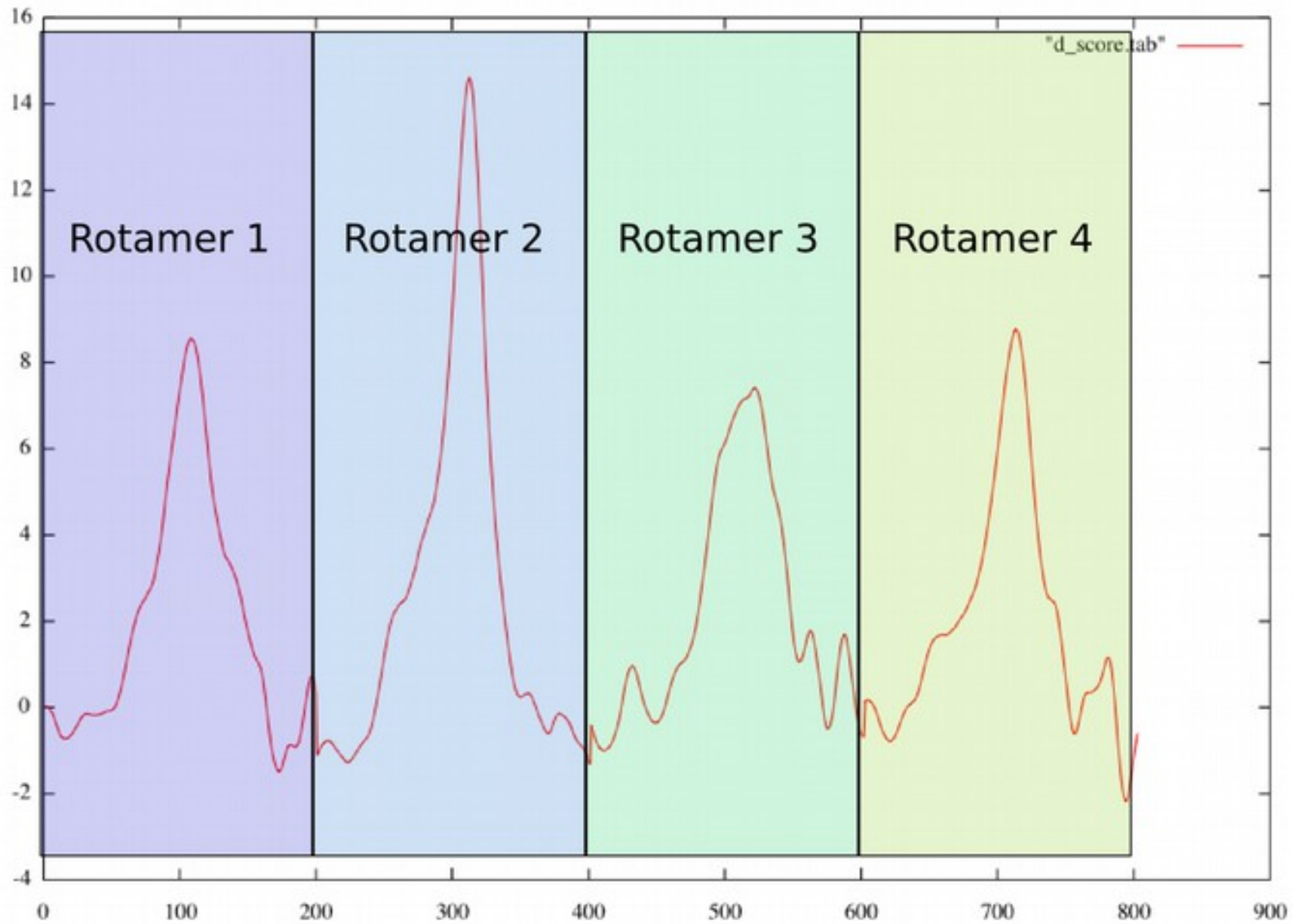


Davis et al. (2006) Structure

New Low Resolution Rotamer Search



After Fitting Tools in KING/Molprobity





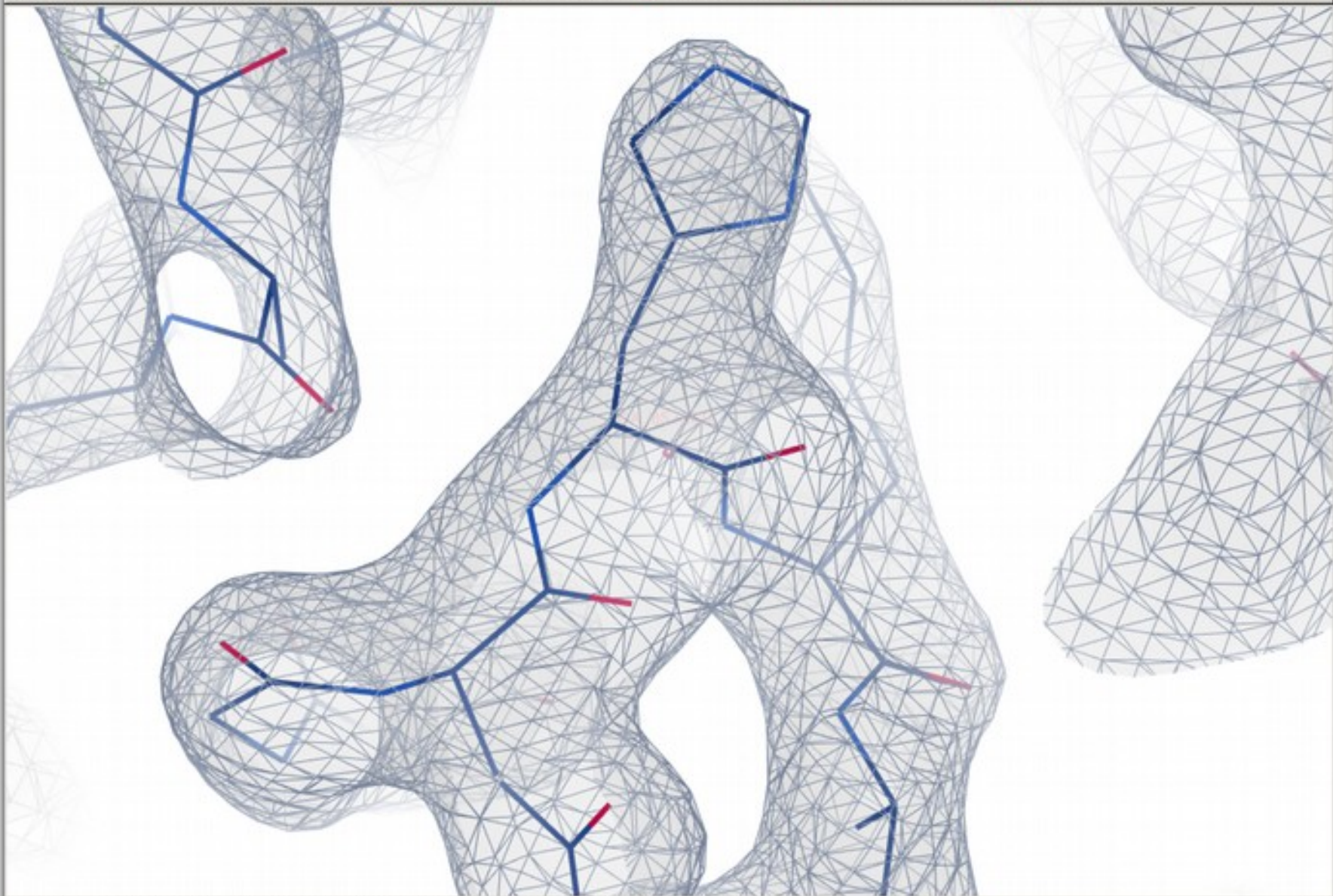
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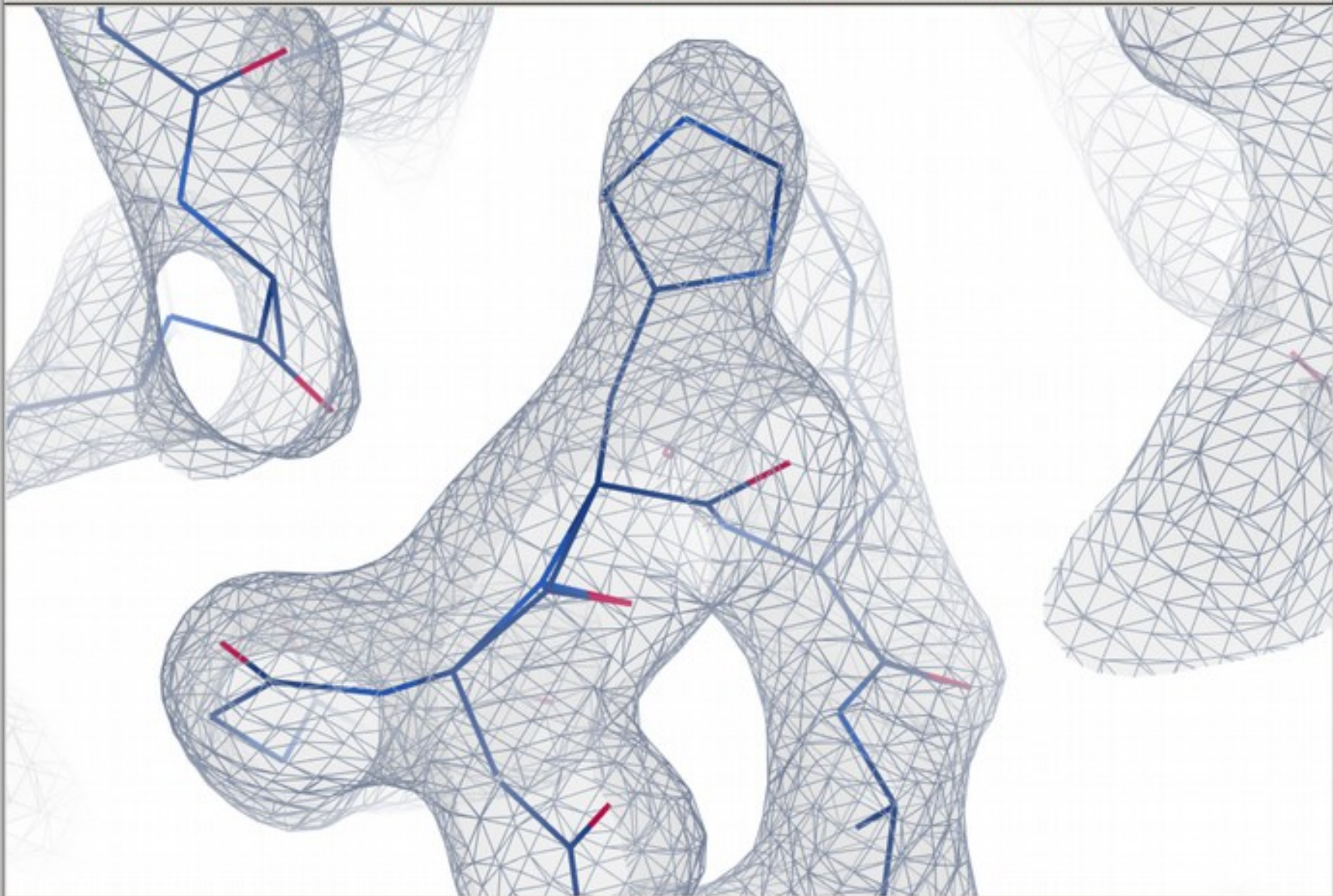
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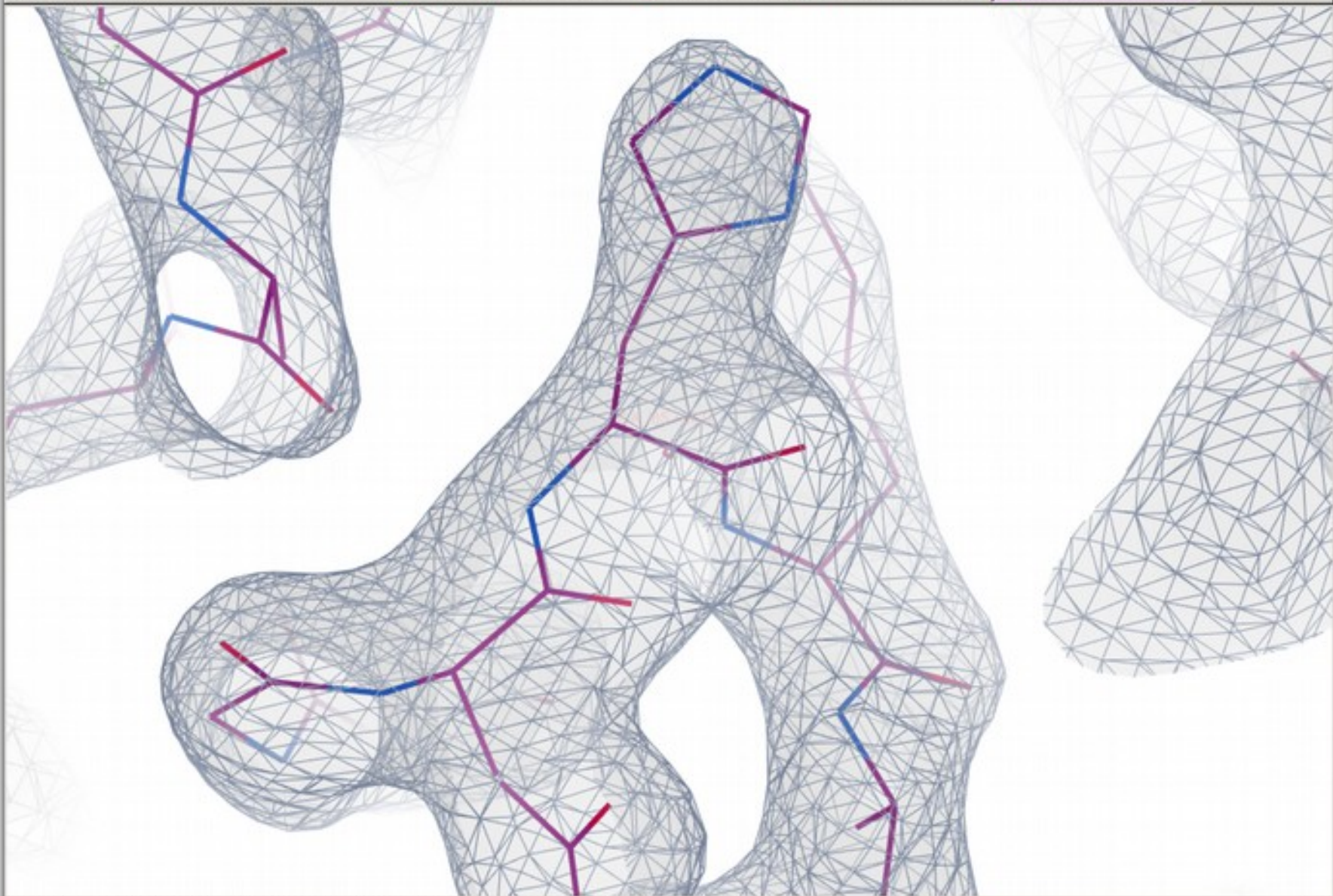
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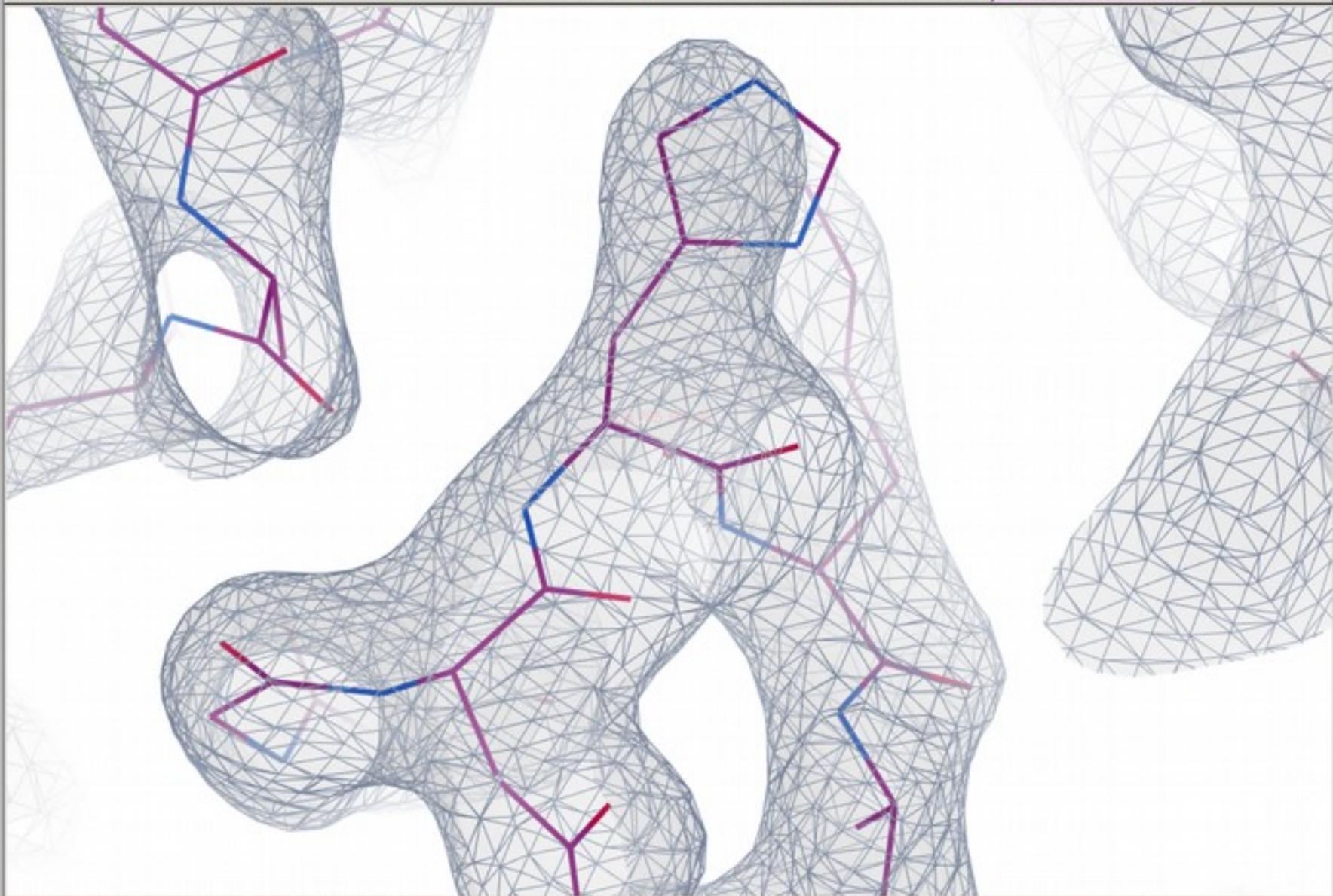
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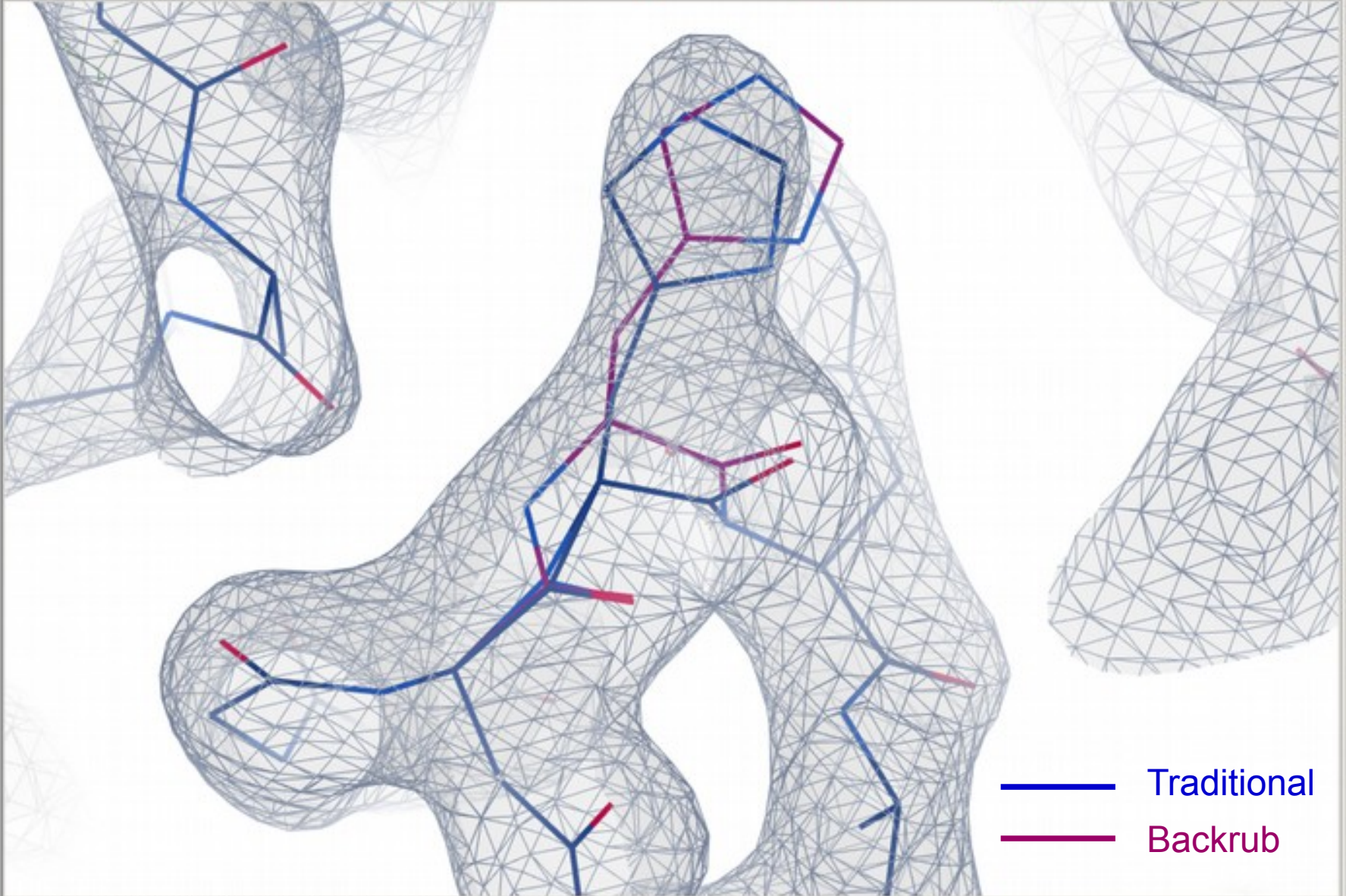
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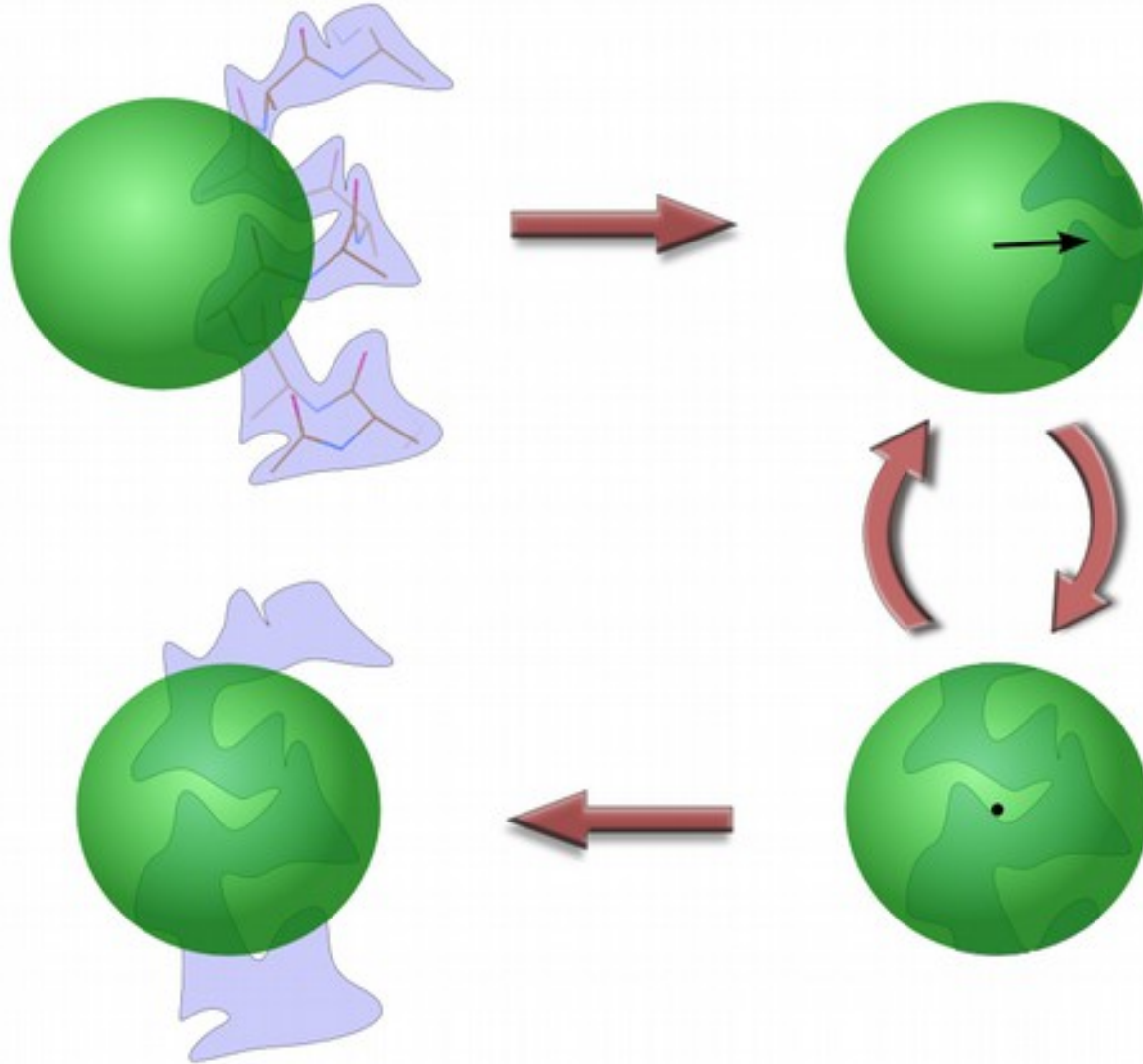


Helix-Building

Alpha Helix Placement

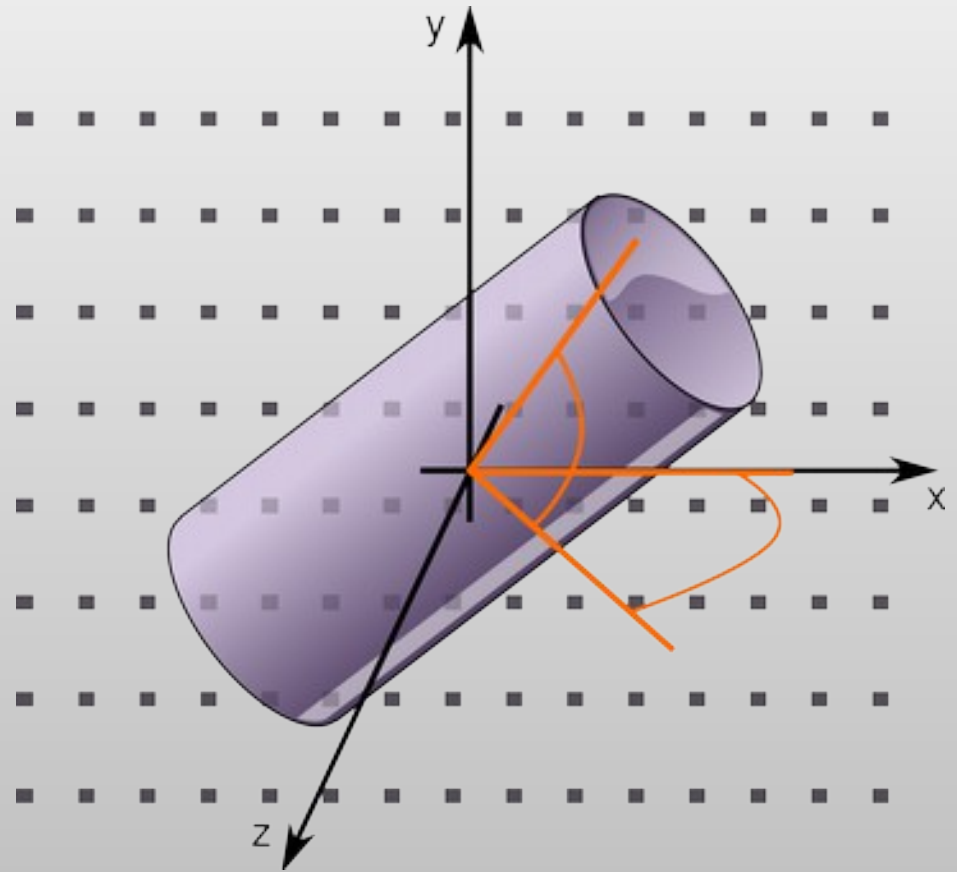
- **Scenario: Looking at a new map, not built with automatic tools:**
 - “I can see that there’s a helix here - build it for me!”
- **From a given point:**
 - Move to local averaged maximum
 - Do a 2D MR-style orientation search on a cylinder of electron density
 - Build a helix (both directions)
 - 1D Rotation search to find best fit
 - Score based on density at CB positions
 - Trim ‘n Grow

Centering the Rotation point

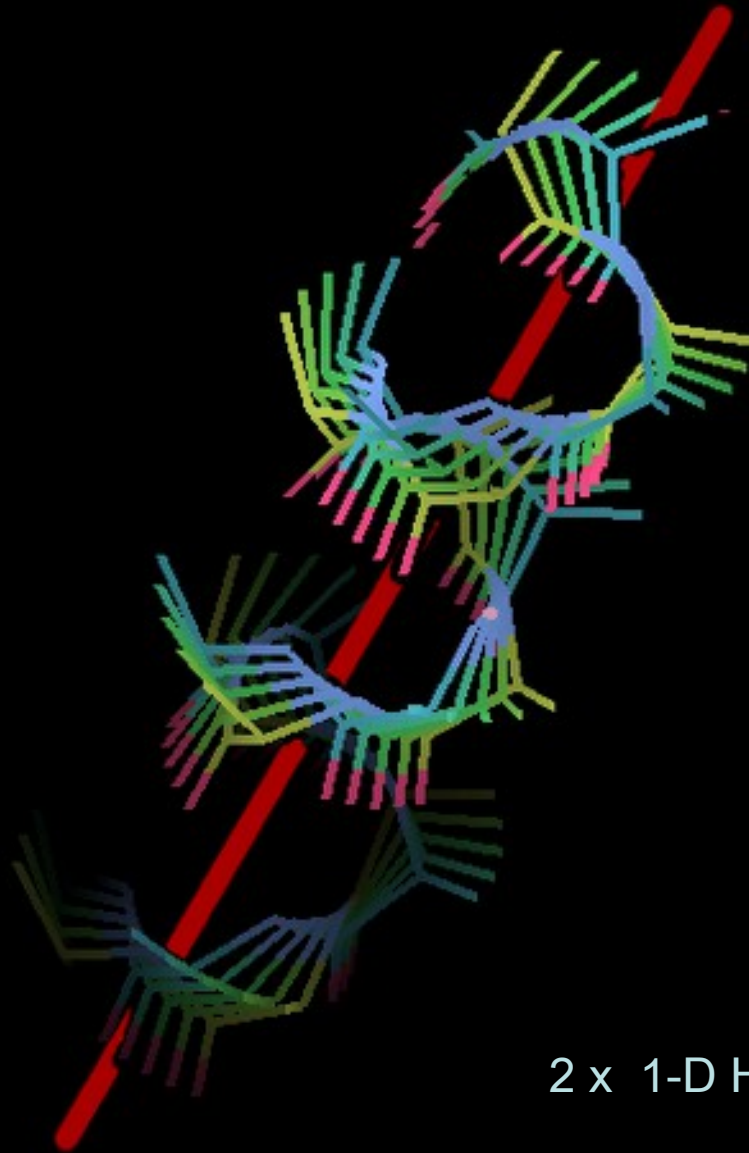


Helix Fitting: Cylinder Search

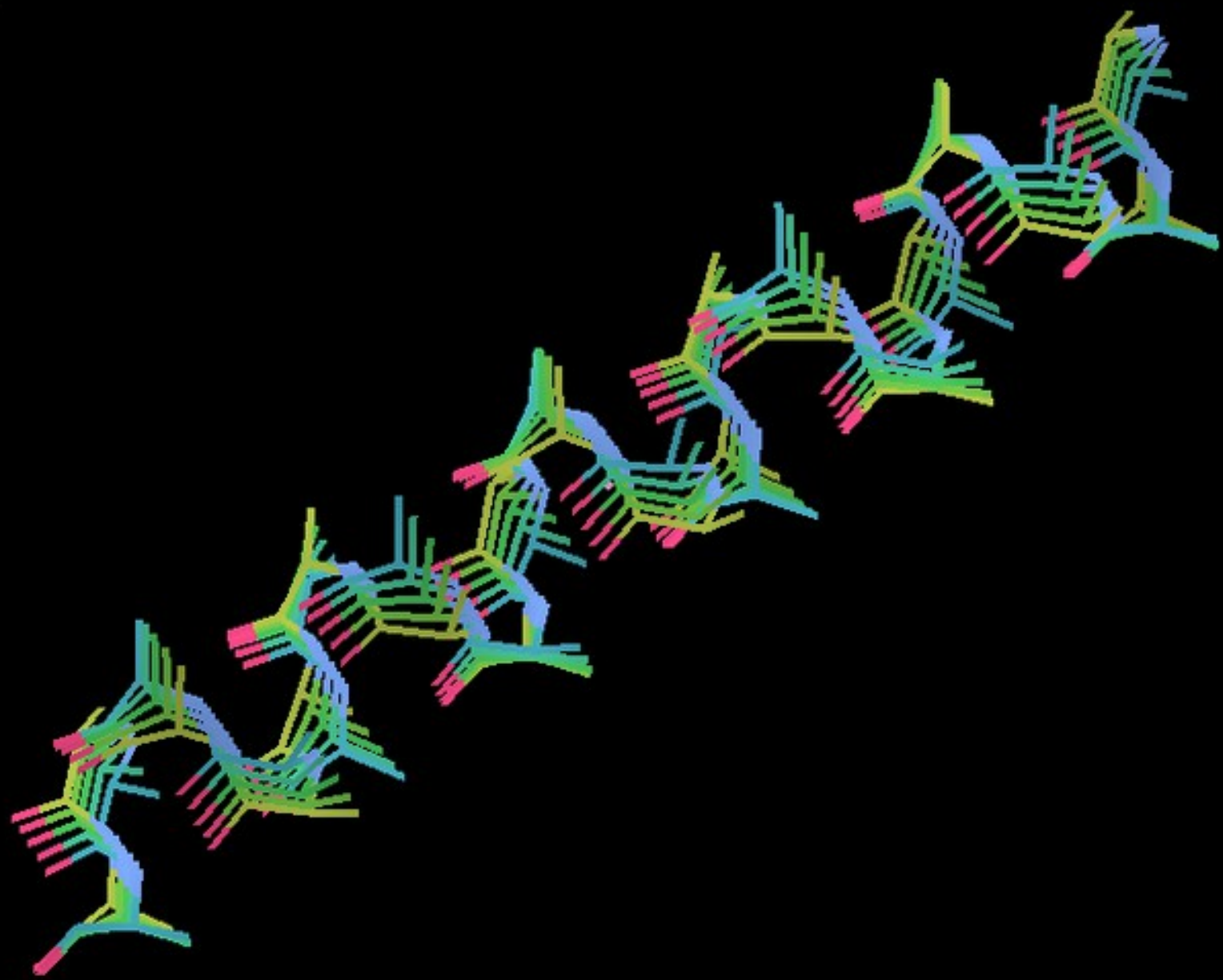
- Pick the orientation that encapsulates the most electron density

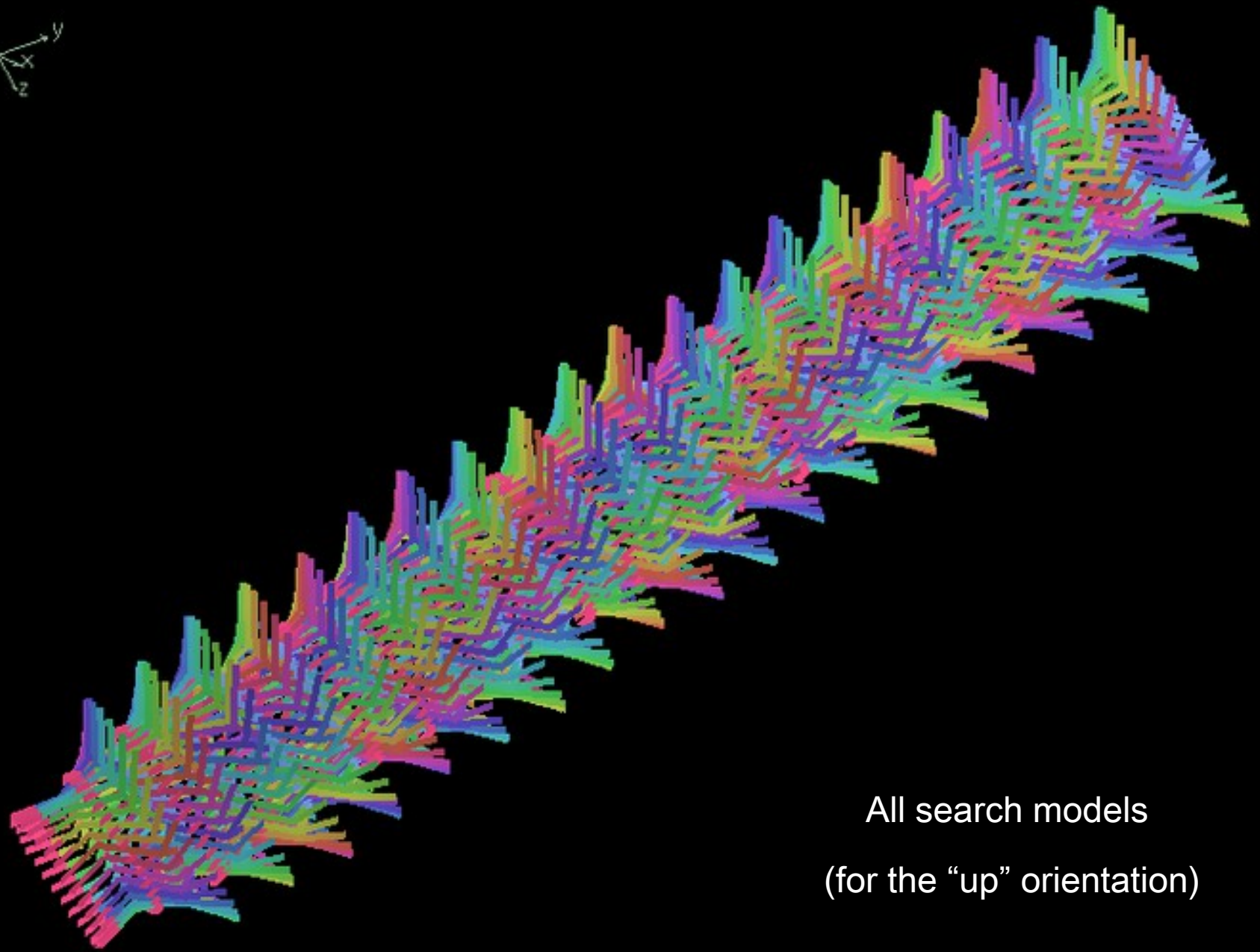


Using 2 rotation axes

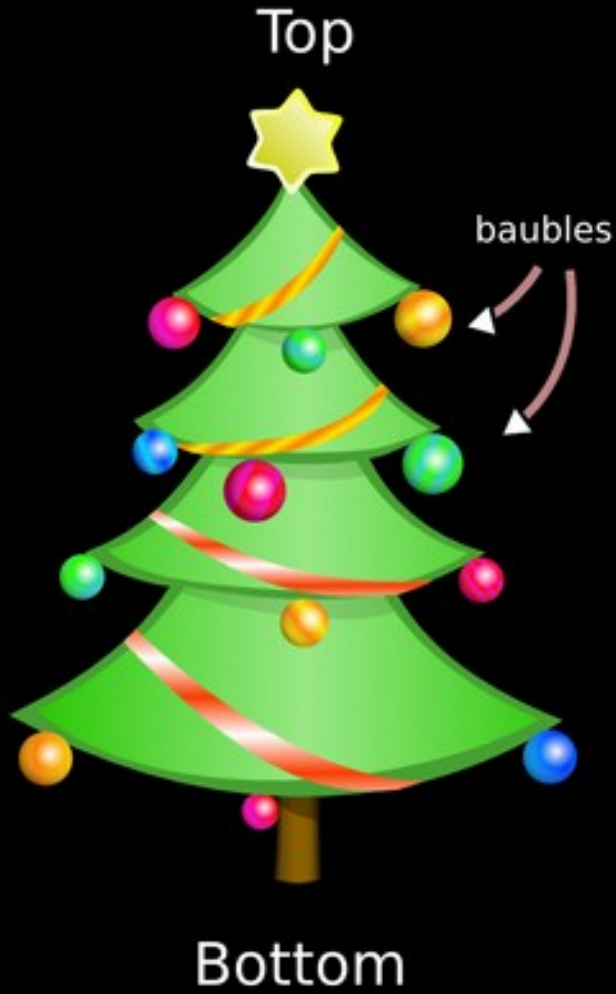


2 x 1-D Helix orientation searches



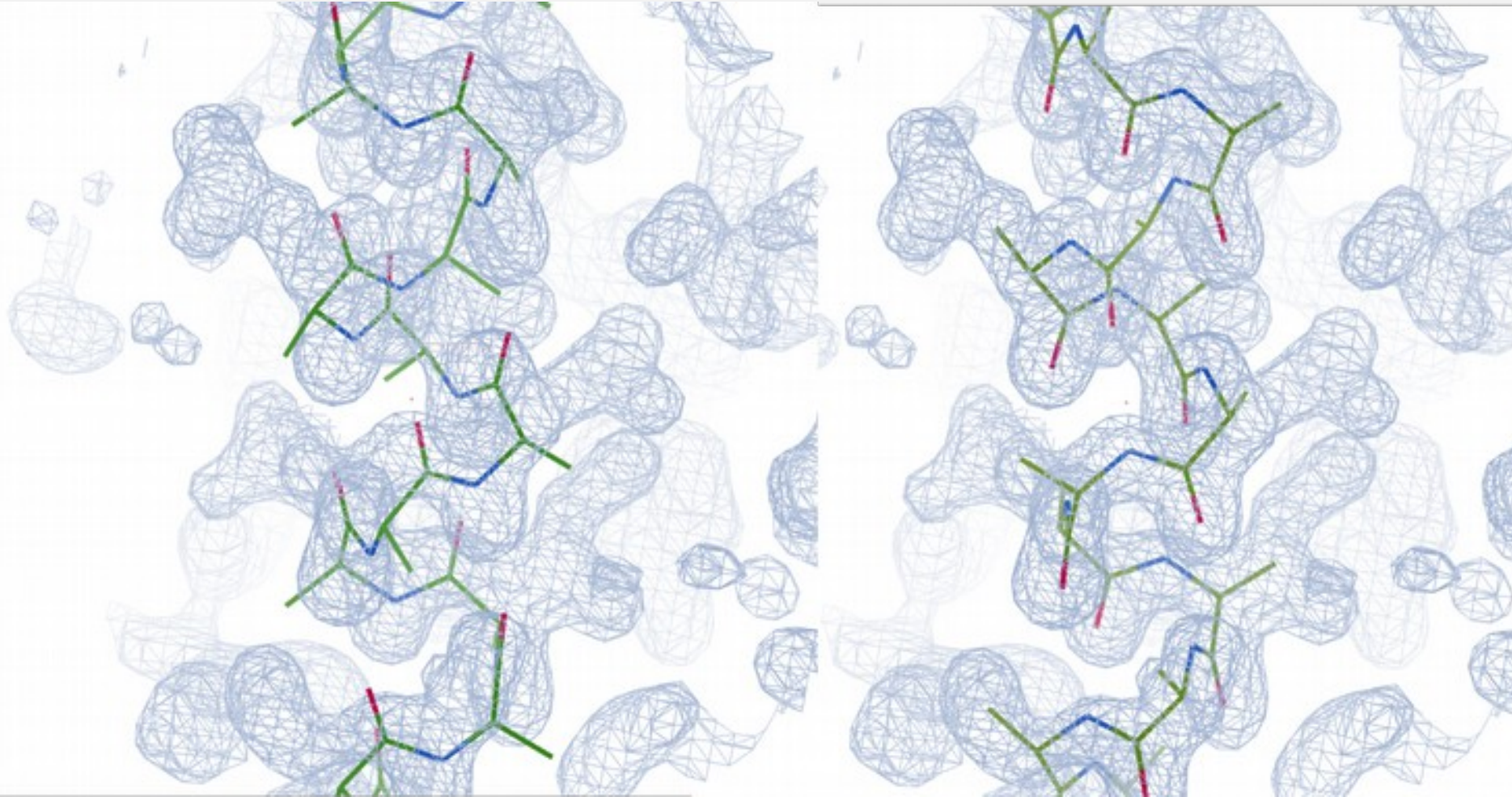


All search models
(for the “up” orientation)



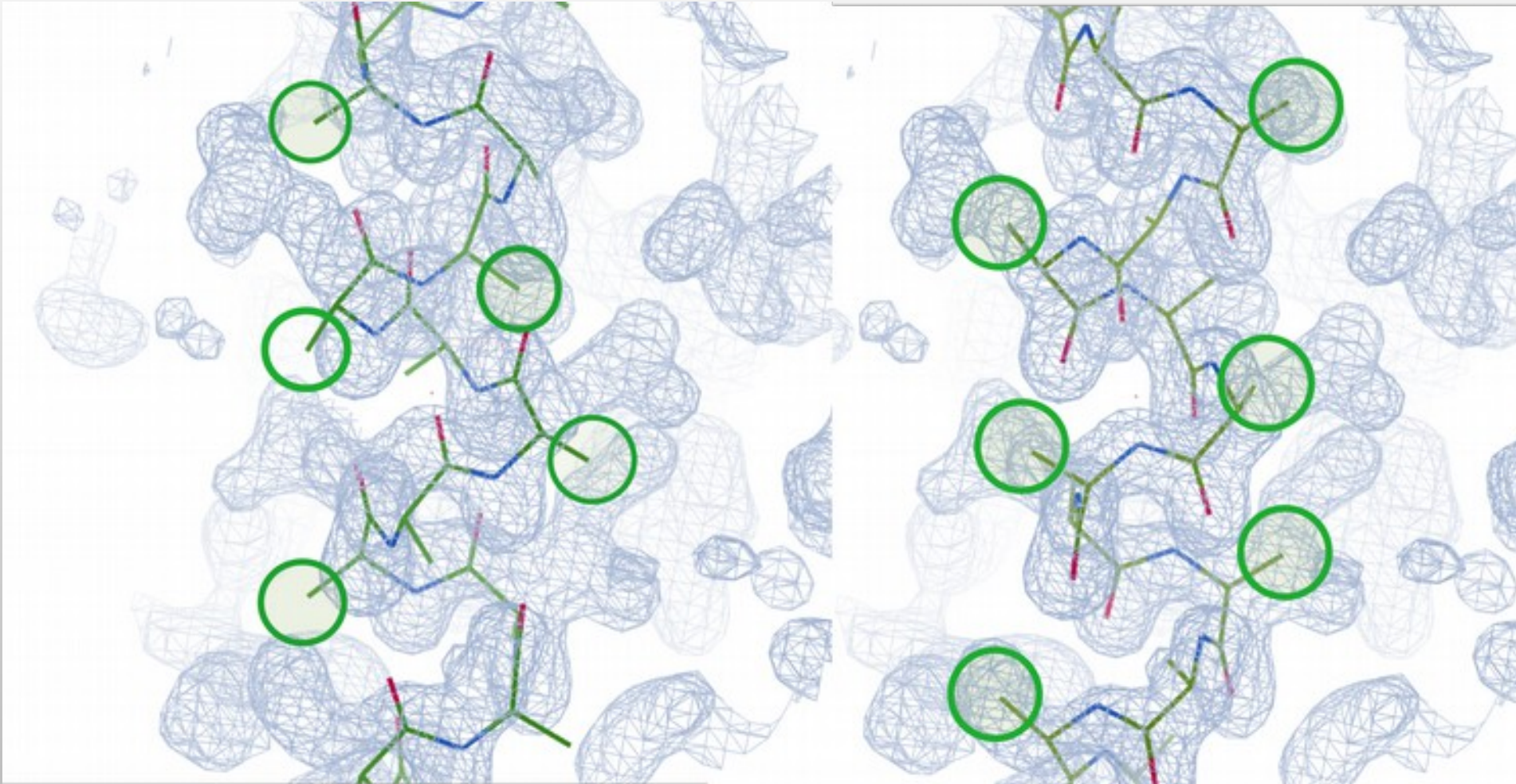
Helix Fitting

Comparing orientation hypotheses

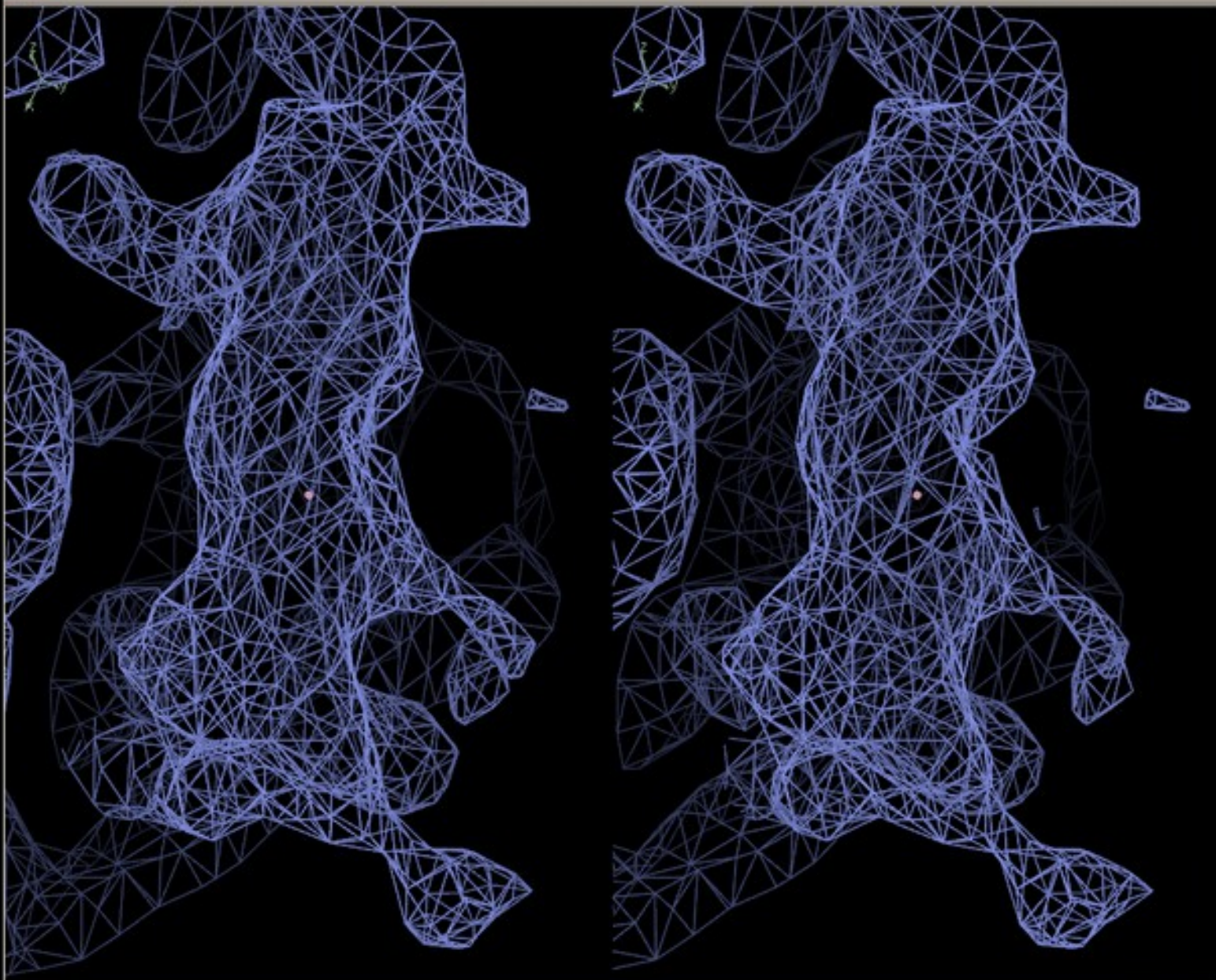


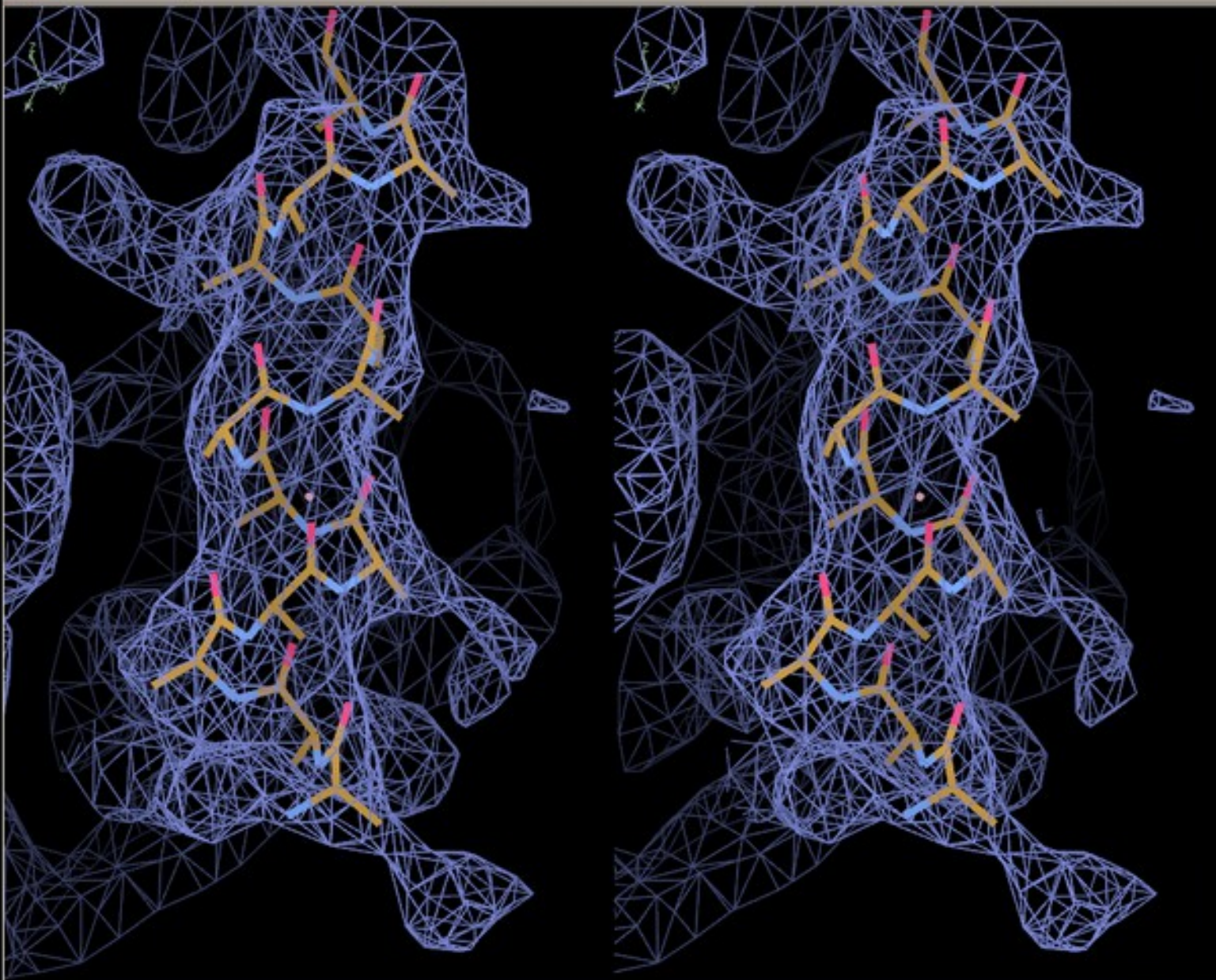
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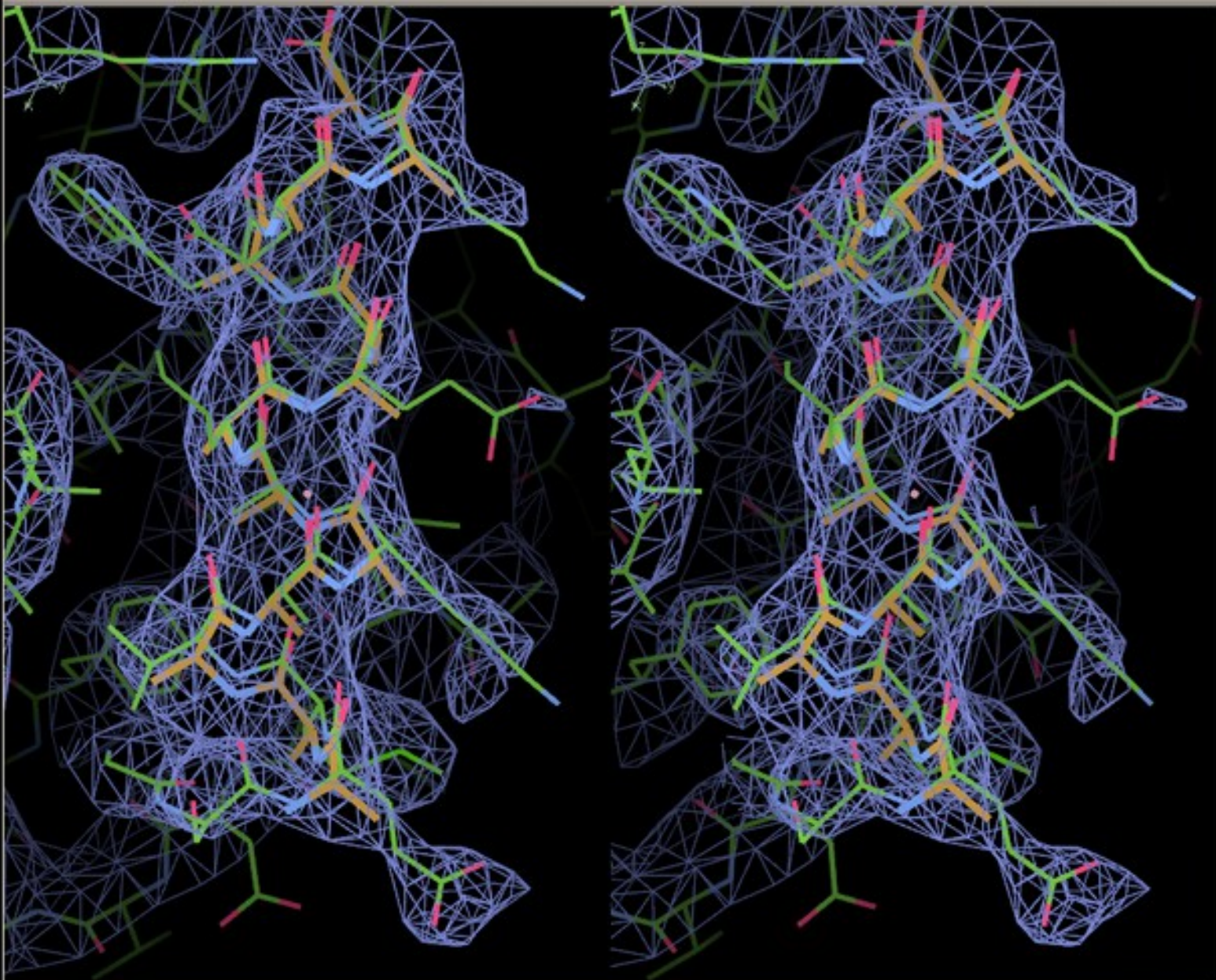
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c-betas not fitting and are used for scoring







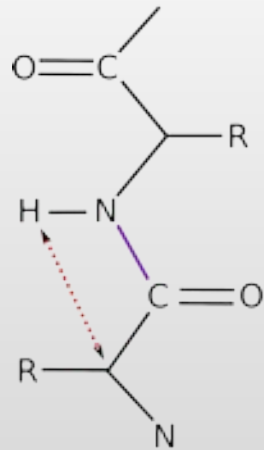
cis-Peptides

- What is a cis-peptide?
- Peptide restraints in Coot 2004-2015

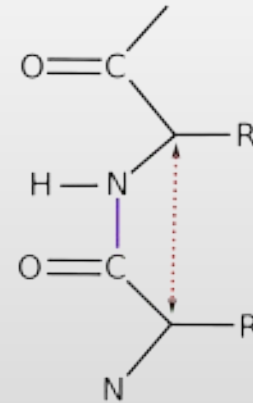
cis-Peptides

- A number of papers have been published recently highlighting the unusually large number of cis-peptides in some structures:
 - Croll: The rate of cis-trans conformation errors is increasing in low-resolution crystal structures *Acta Cryst.* (2015). **D71**, 706-709
 - Touw *et al.*: Detection of trans–cis flips and peptide-plane flips in protein structures *Acta Cryst.* (2015). **D71**, 1604-71614

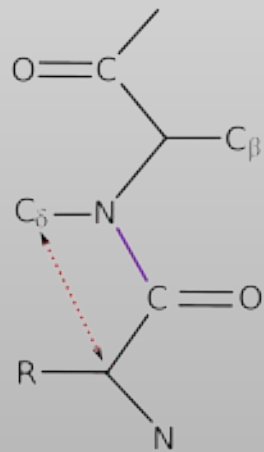
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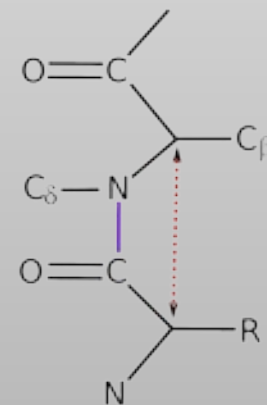
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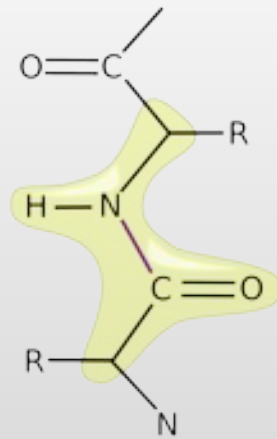


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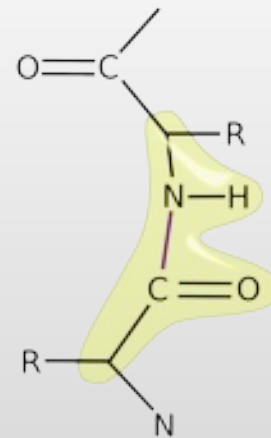


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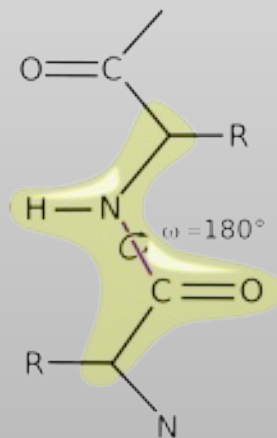
cis-Peptides



trans-peptide
with plane restraints

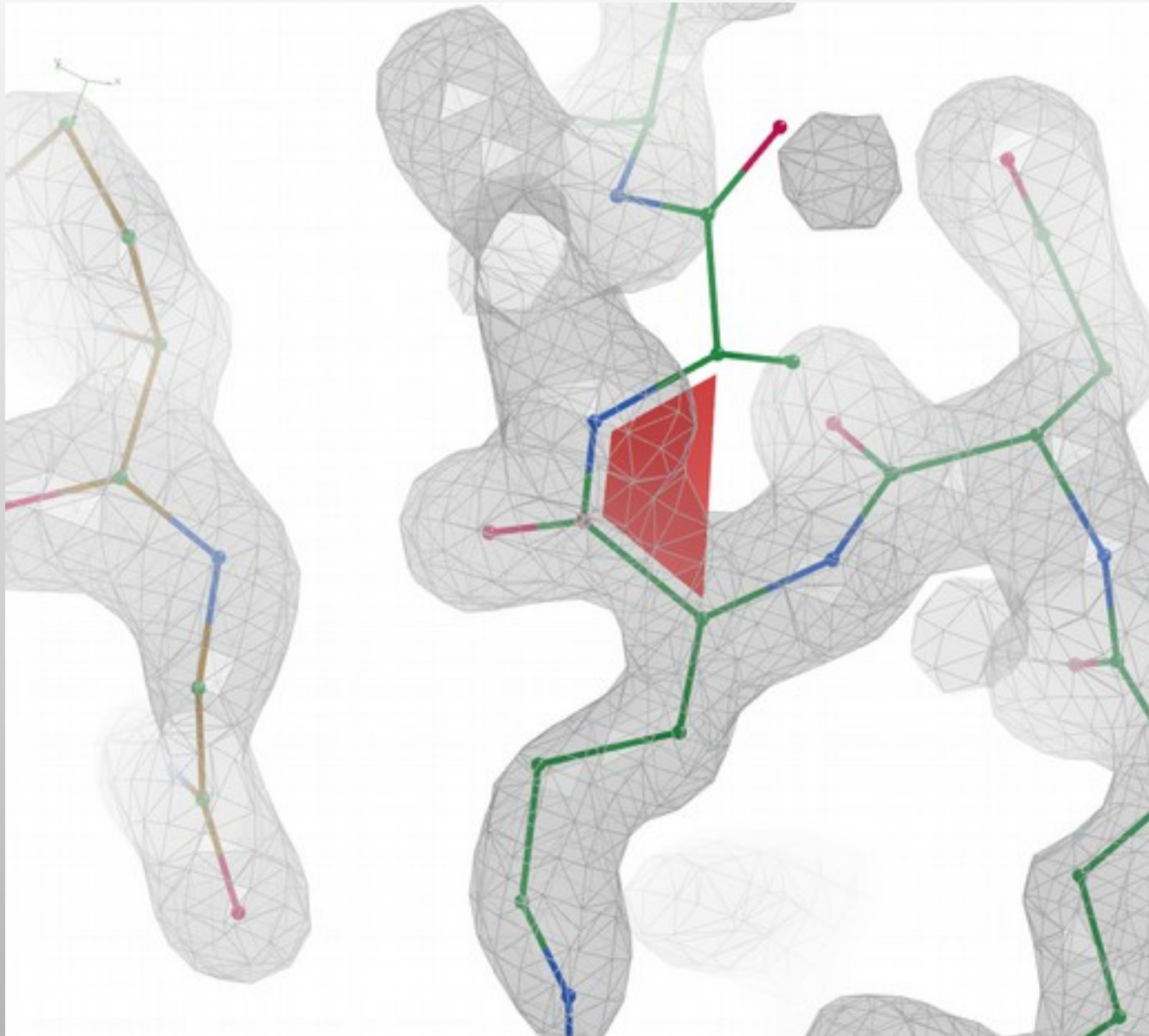


cis-peptide
with plane restraints



trans-peptide
with plane and trans restraints

cis-peptide Representation



Pre-PRO



Twisted-trans



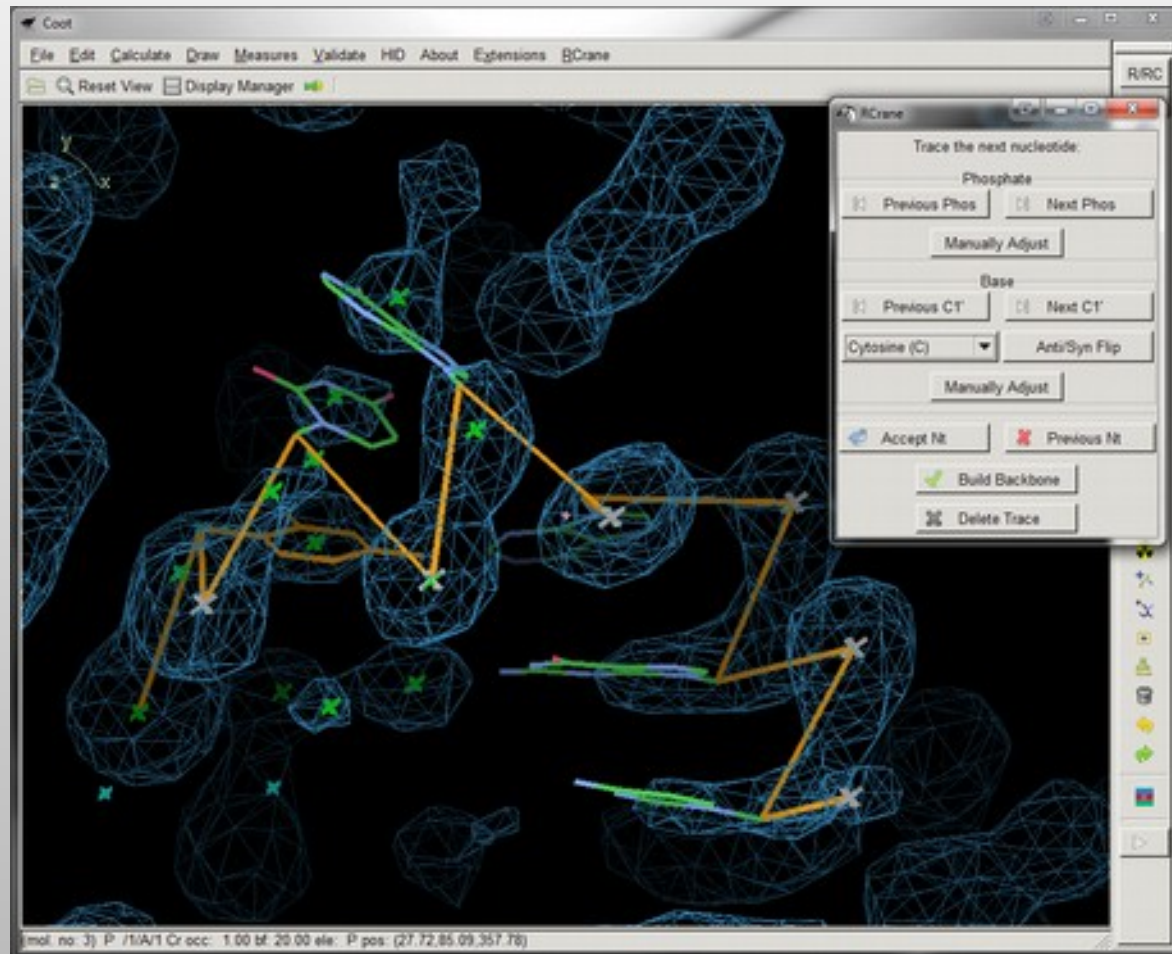
Non-pre-PRO



A Sample of Tools

- A few extra tools...

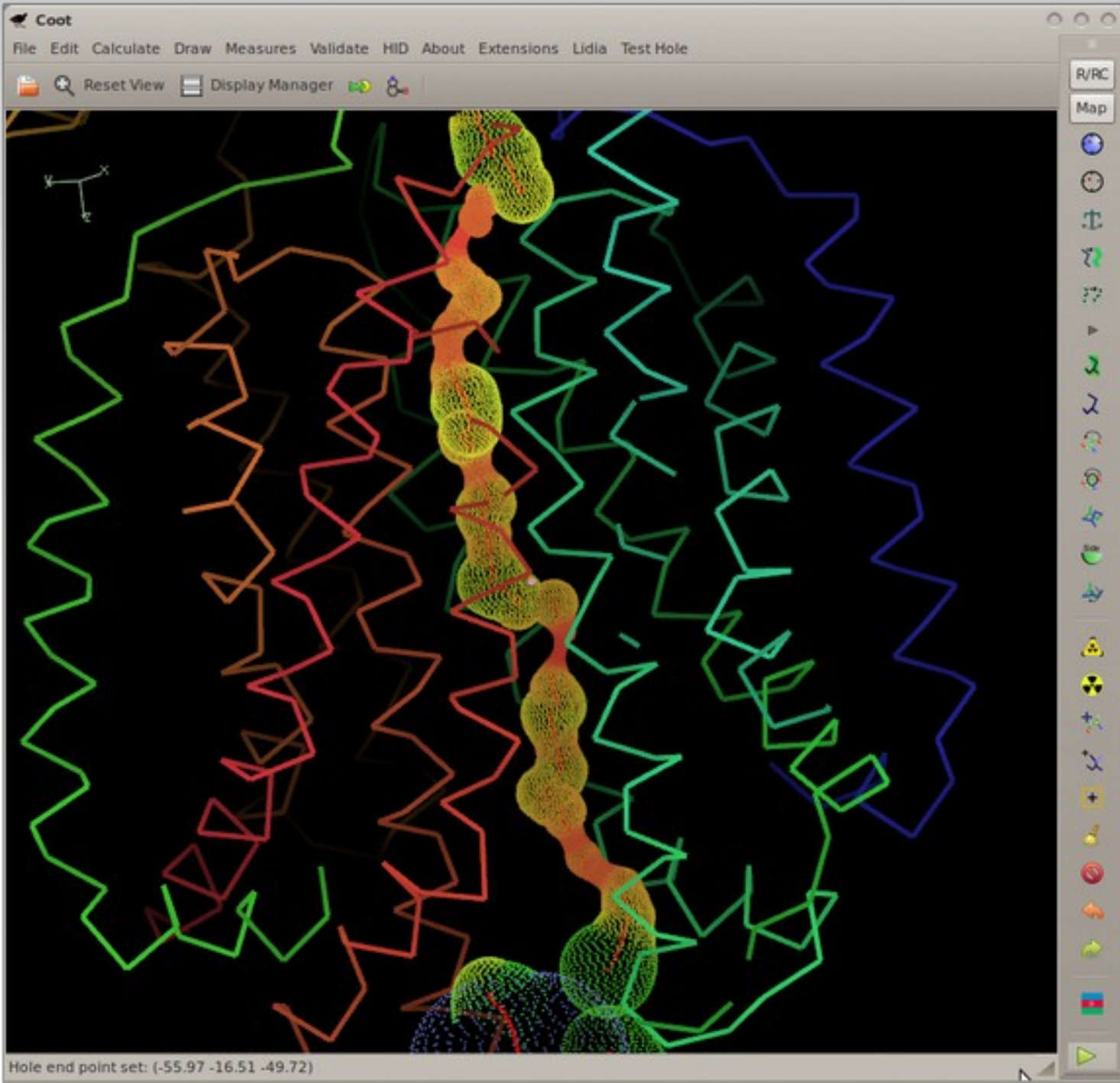
RCrane: Semi-automated RNA building



Kevin Keating

Finding Holes

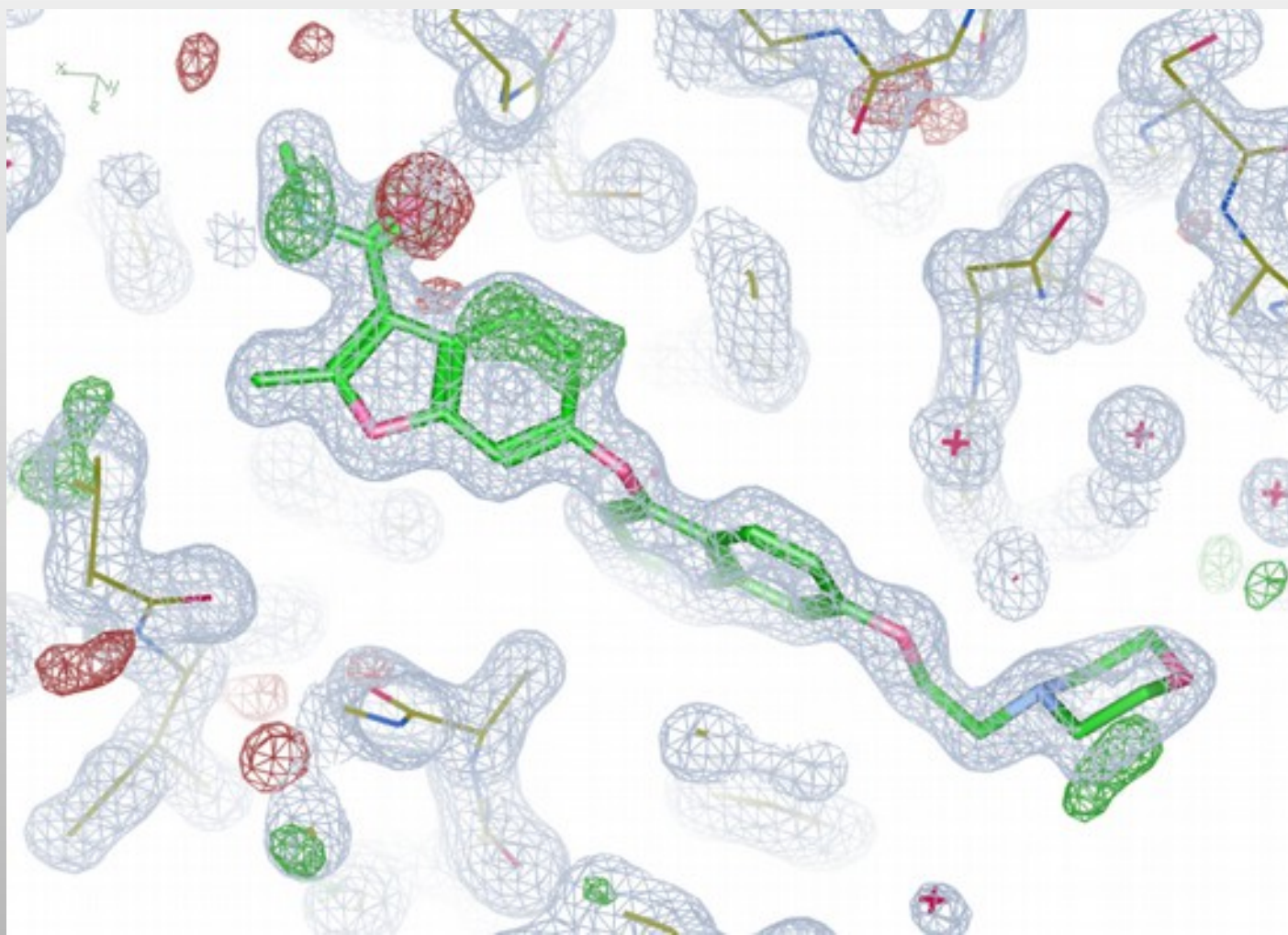
- An implementation of
 - Smart, Goodfellow & Wallace (1993) Biophysics Journal **65**, 2455
 - Atomic radii from AMBER
 - I used
 - radii from CCP4 monomer library
 - sans simulated annealing



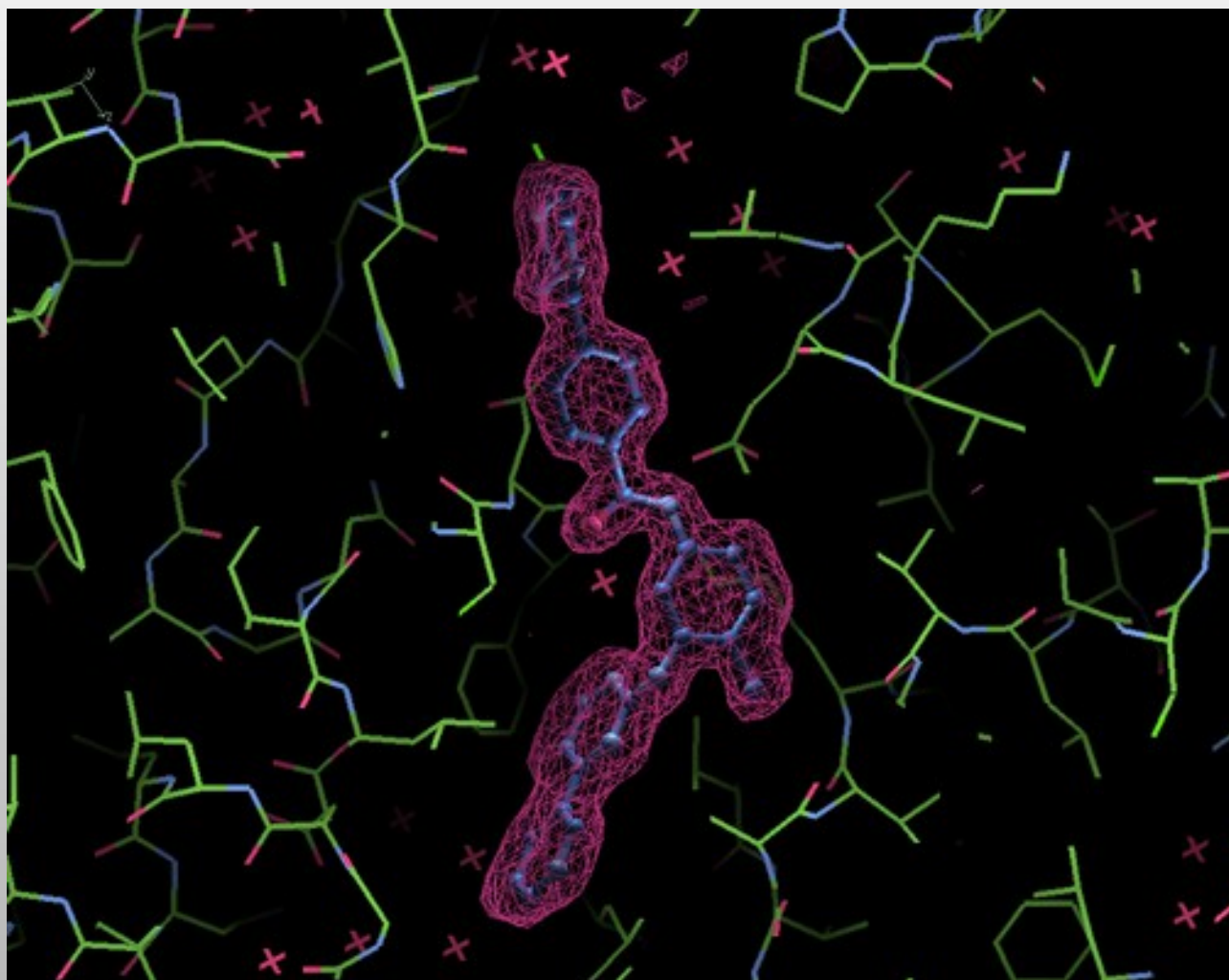
Making Density Slides with Coot

- White background
- “High” Oversampling (2.3x)
- Pale gray (or very pastel) density colour
- Enable Cut-glass mode 5-10%
- Anti-aliased Coot
 - `$ setenv __GL_FSAA_MODE 5`
 - 0.8.3 will do a better job of anti-aliasing out the box
 - (transfer to CCP4-built binaries)

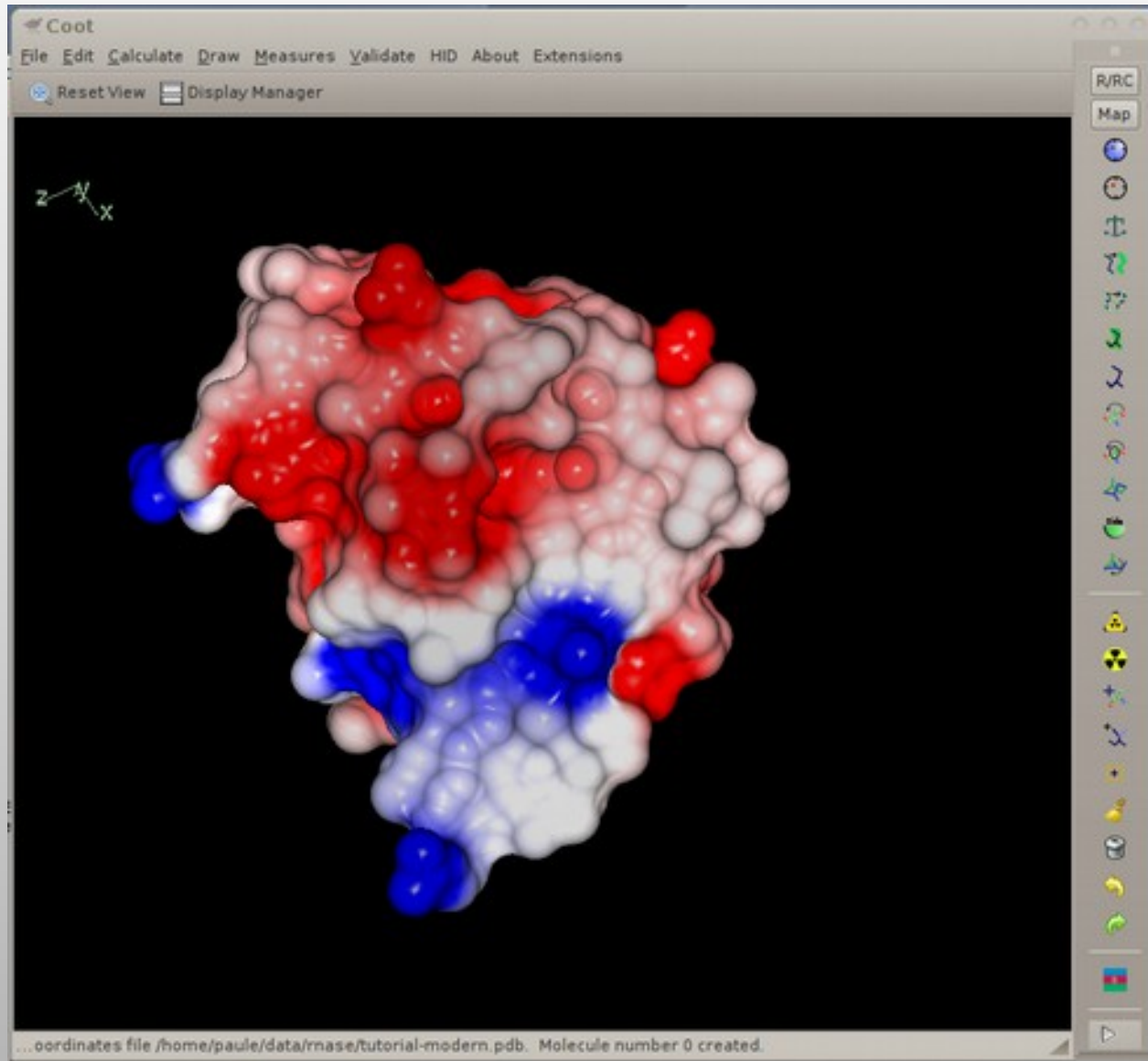
Example Density Slide



Some Representation Tools



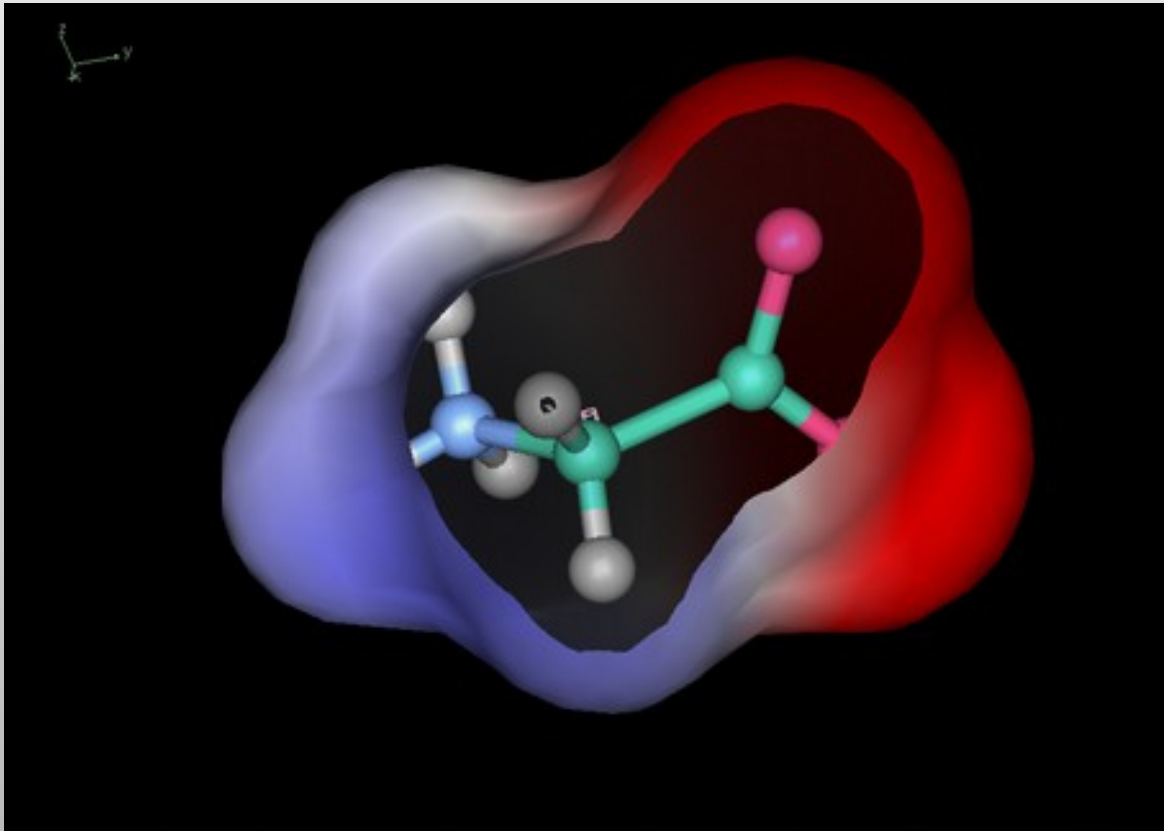
Some Representation Tools



Gruber & Noble
(2007)

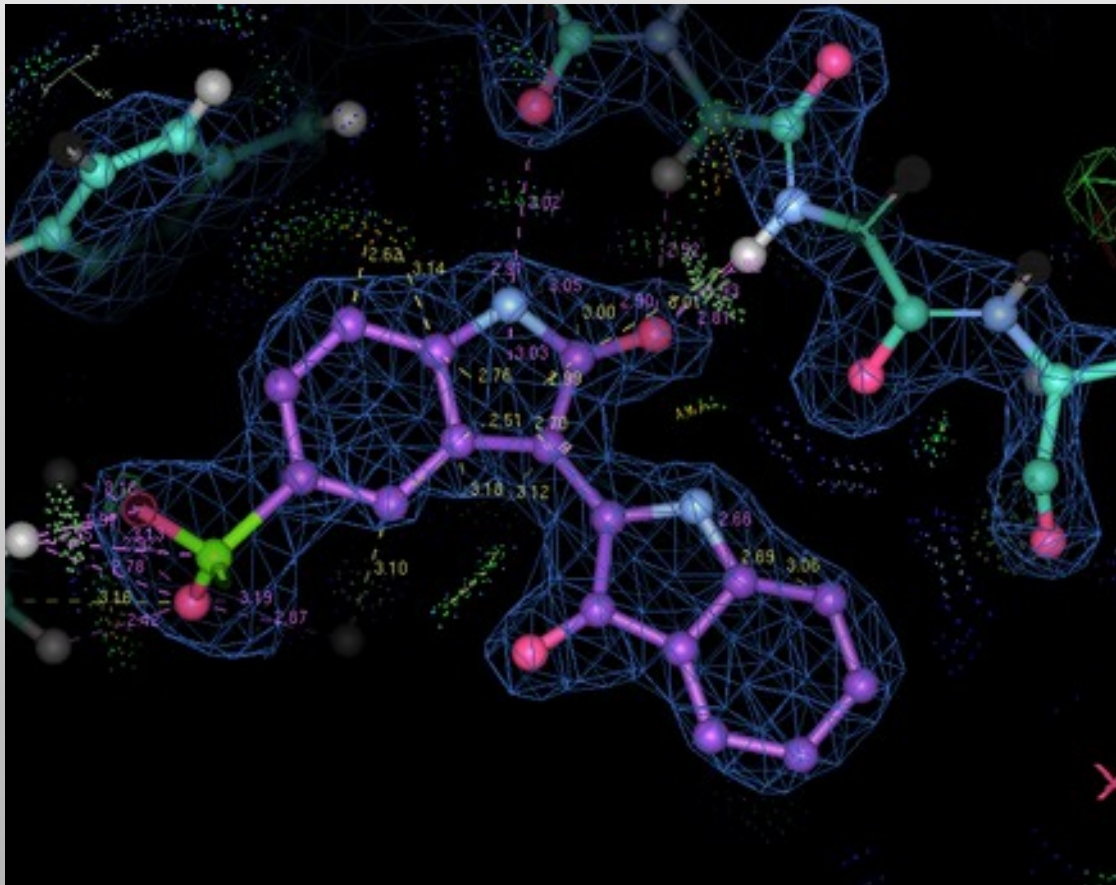
Other Things

- Surfaces that use dictionary partial charges

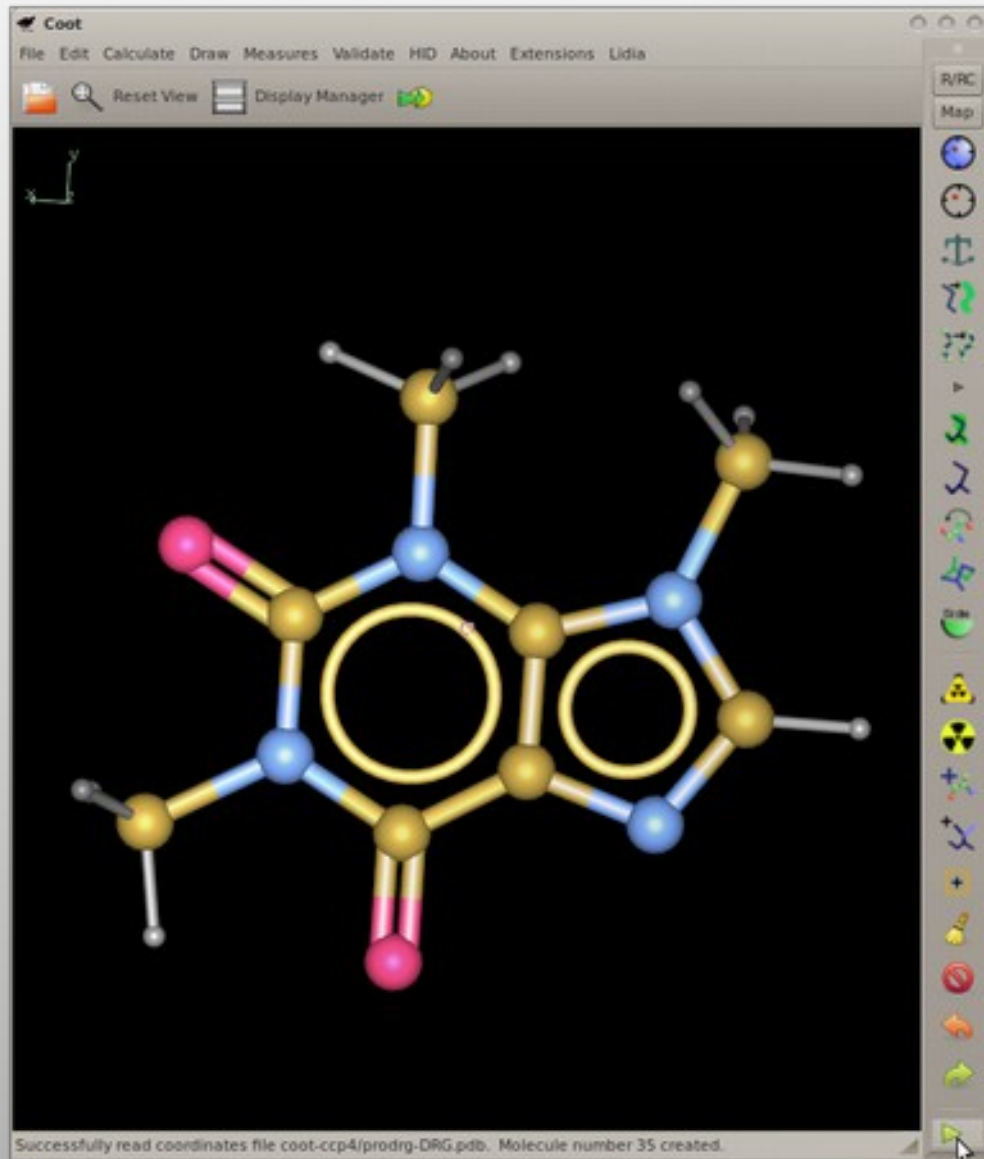


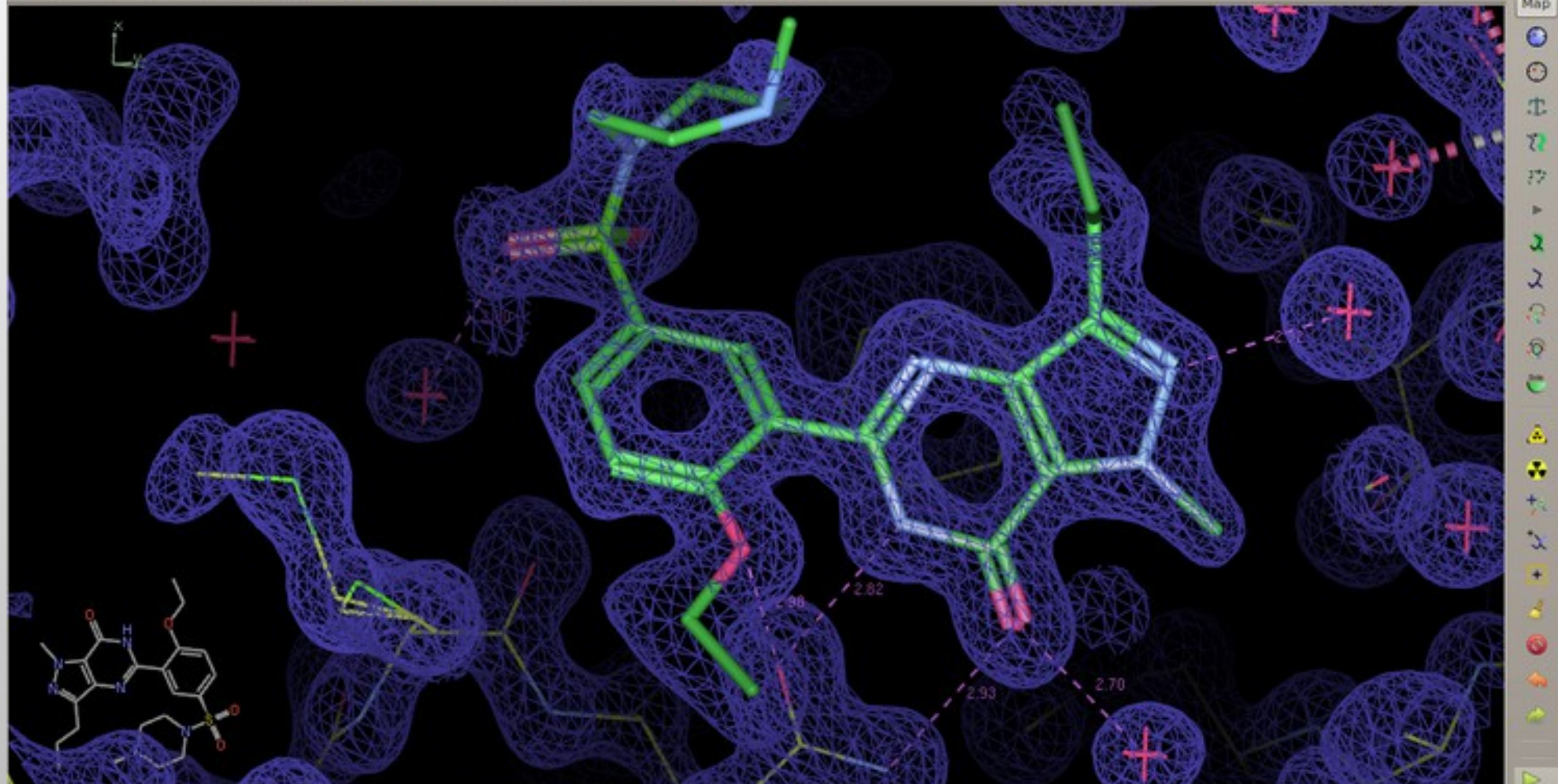
Other Tools

- Molprobity dots for ligands
 - Highlight interesting site



Representing Bond Orders

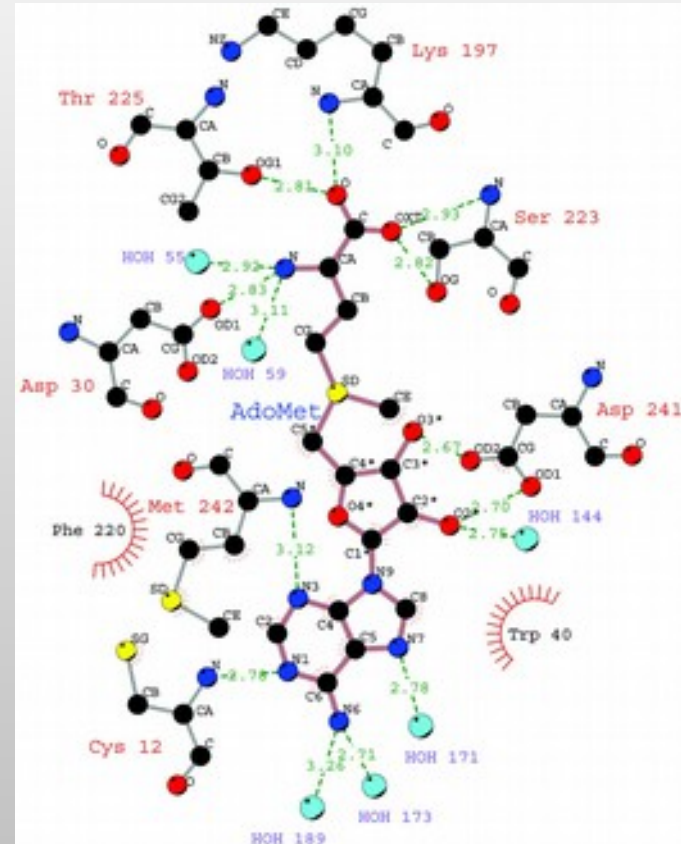
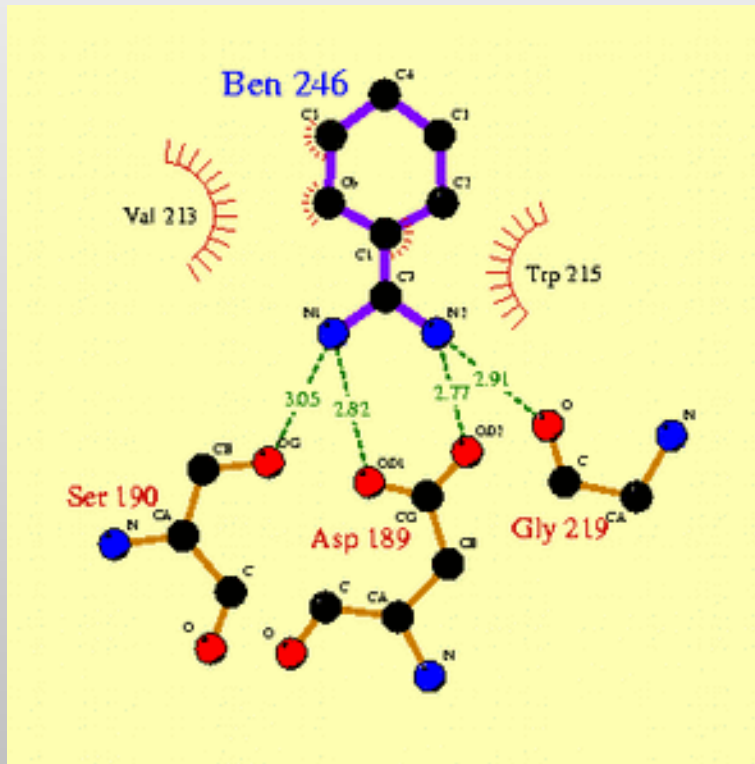




R/RC
Map
[Navigation icons: Home, Back, Forward, etc.]

Residue Environment Layout

Ligplot



Can we do better?

Residue Environment Layout

- This can't be solved by an “algorithmic/one-pass” procedure
 - Not in the general case
- Introduce “energy penalty terms” for displeasing interactions
- And use 2D energy minimisation to solve

Layout Energy Terms

$$E = \sum \sum w_{ij} (d_{ij}^2 - D_{ij}^2) +$$

Residues match 3D Distances

$$\sum \sum \exp\left(-\frac{1}{2}d_{ij}^2\right) +$$

Residues don't overlay each other

$$\sum \sum (d_{ik}^2 - D_{ik}^2) +$$

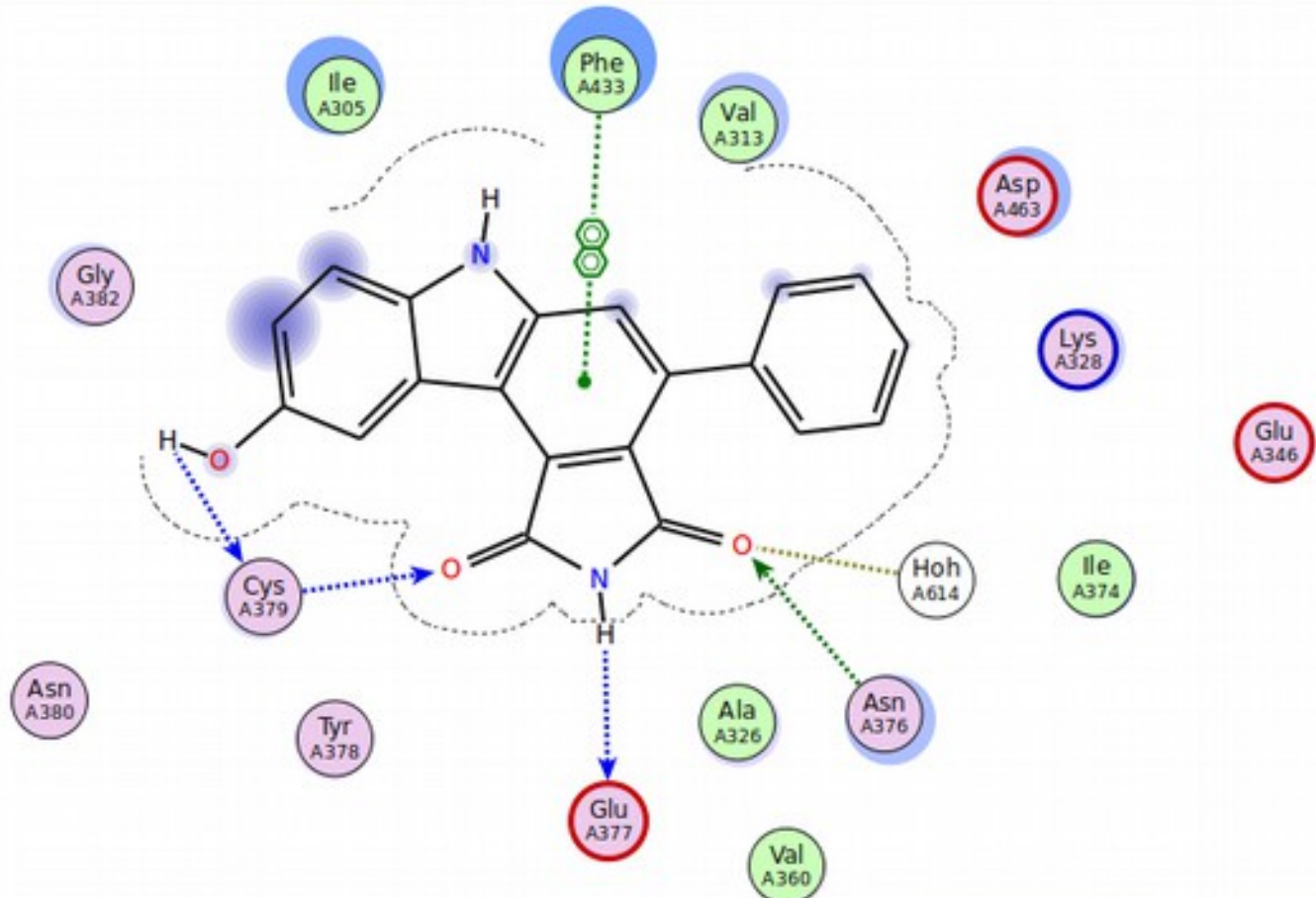
Residues are close to H-bonding ligand atoms

$$\sum \sum \exp\left(-\frac{1}{2}d_{ik}^2\right)$$

Residues don't overlap ligand



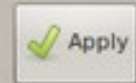
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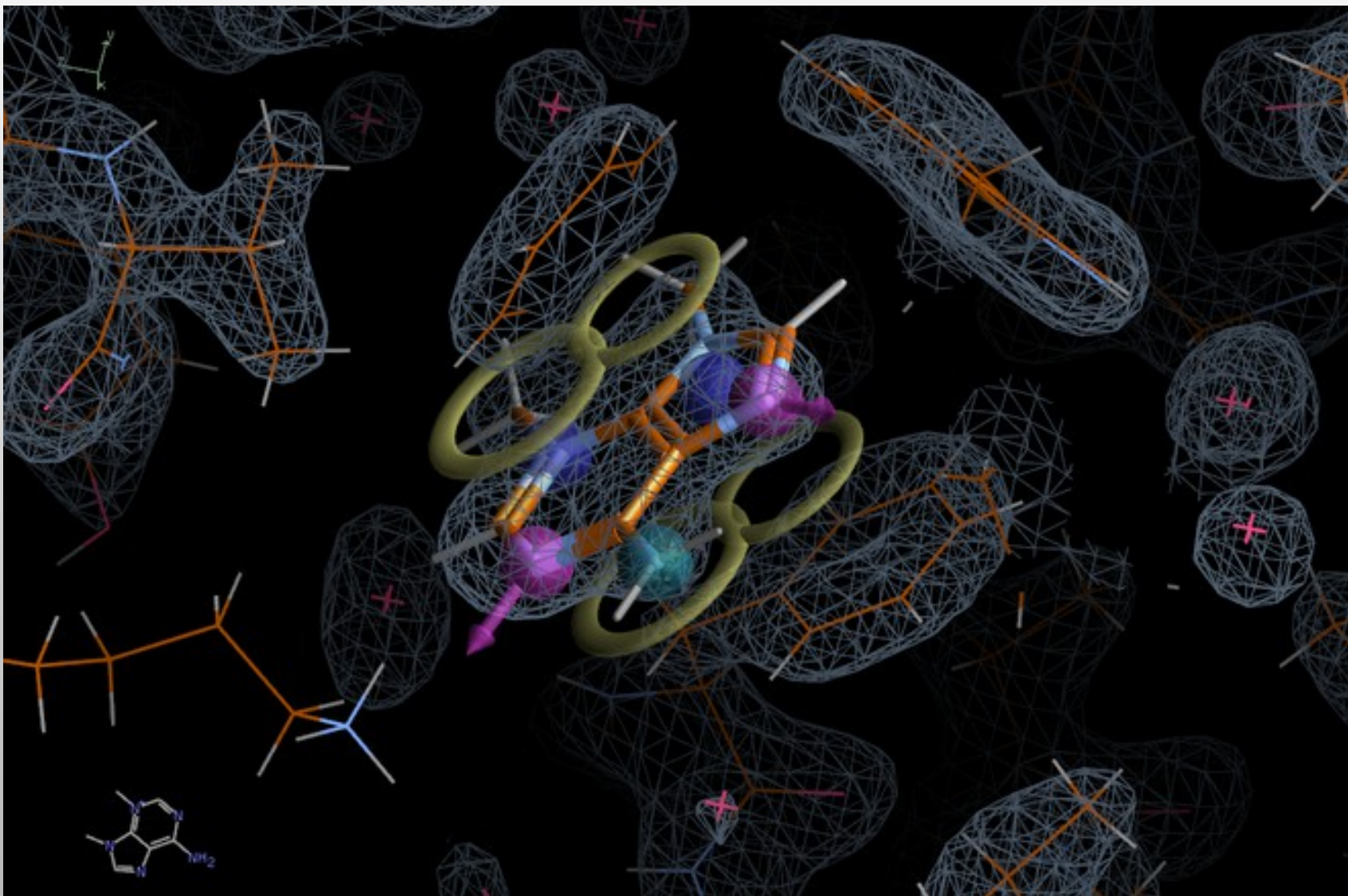
Search Database



Similarity: 0.75 ▾

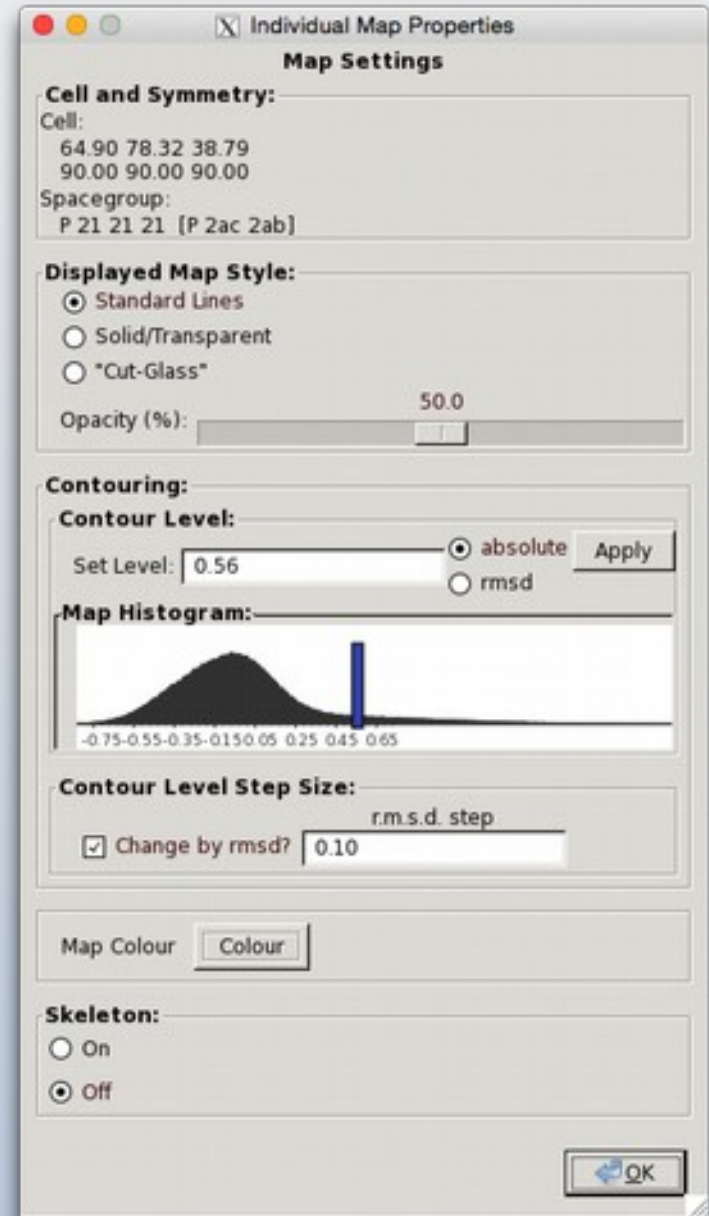


Chemical Features

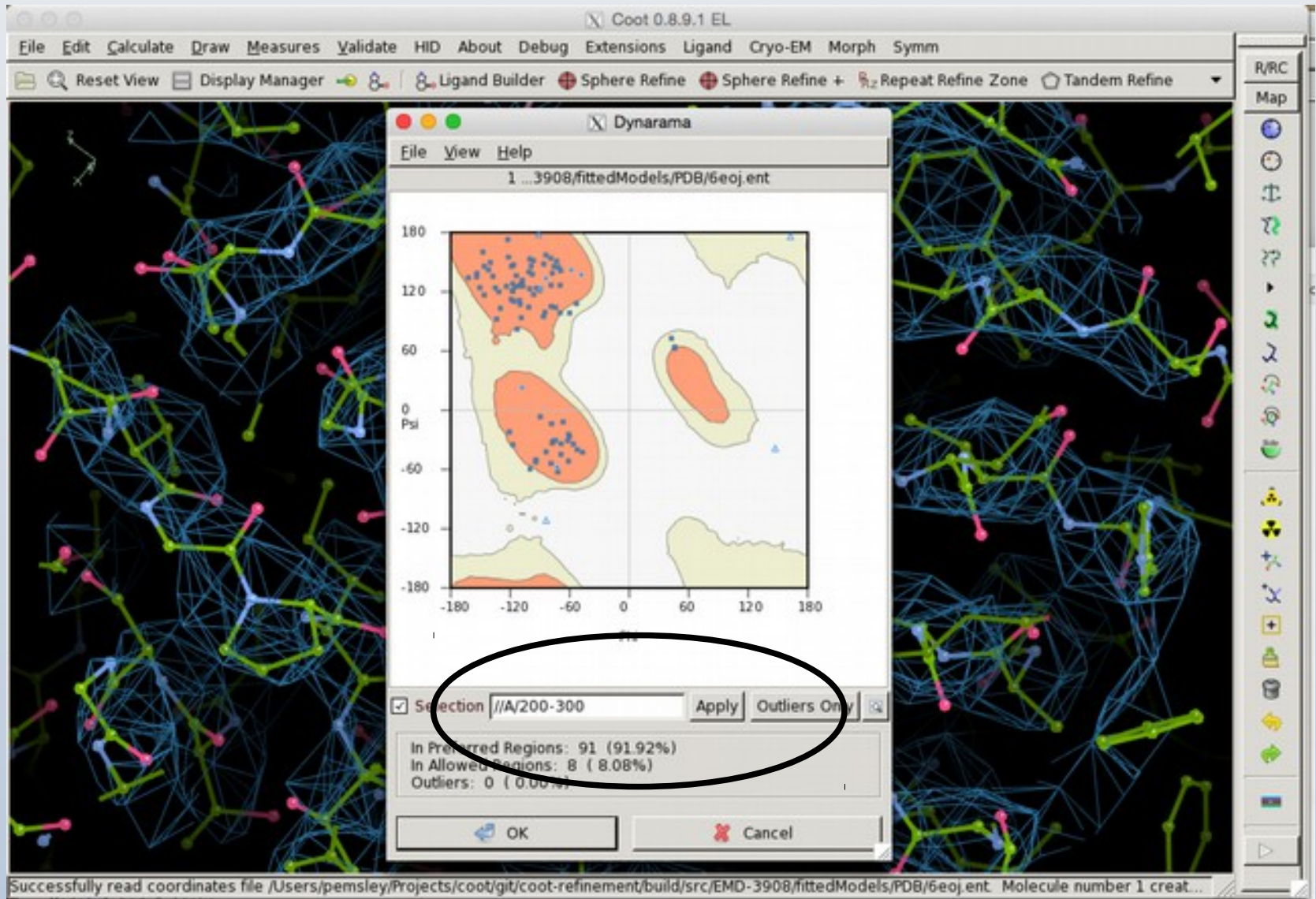


GUI Updates

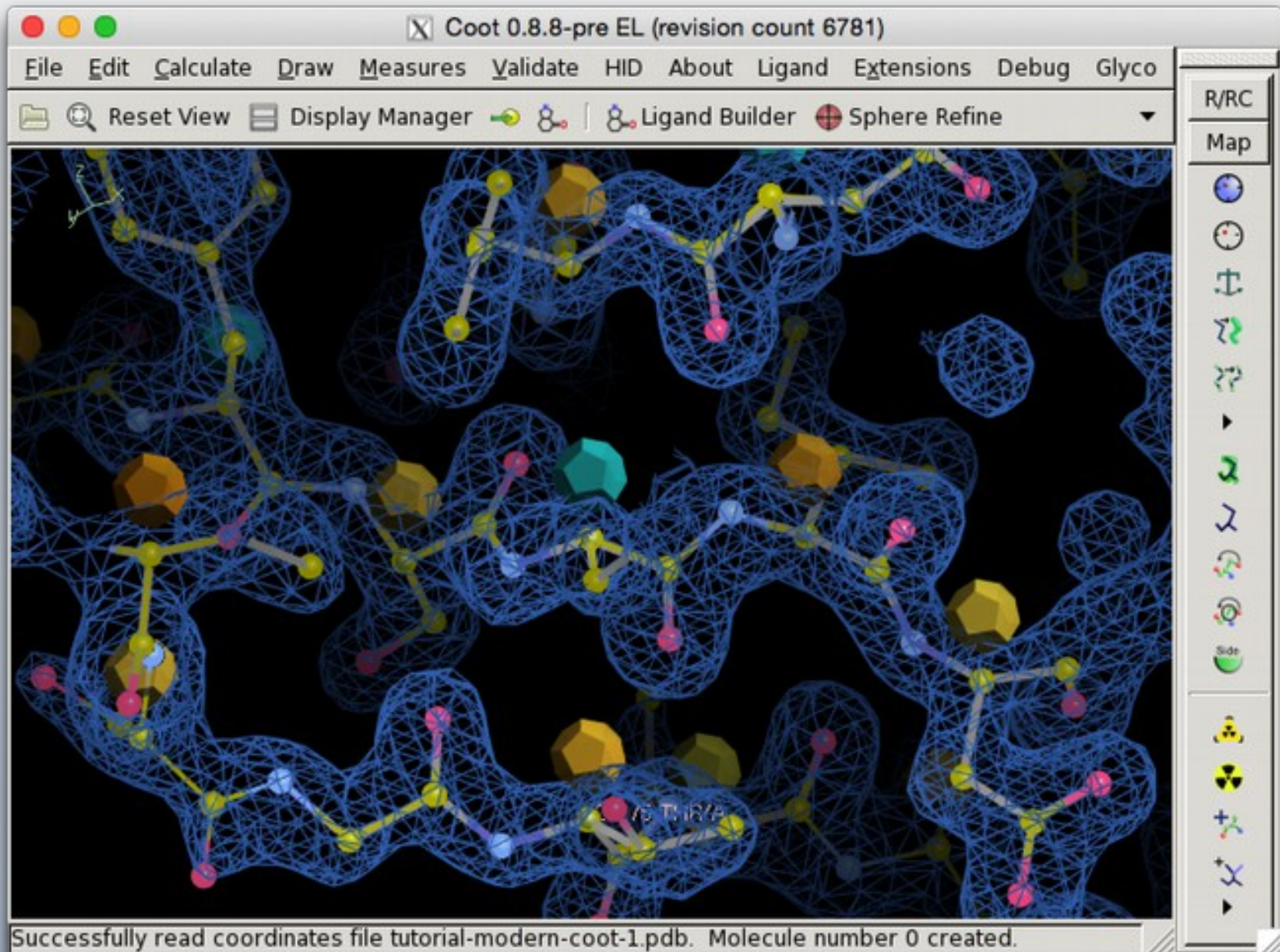
Map Properties



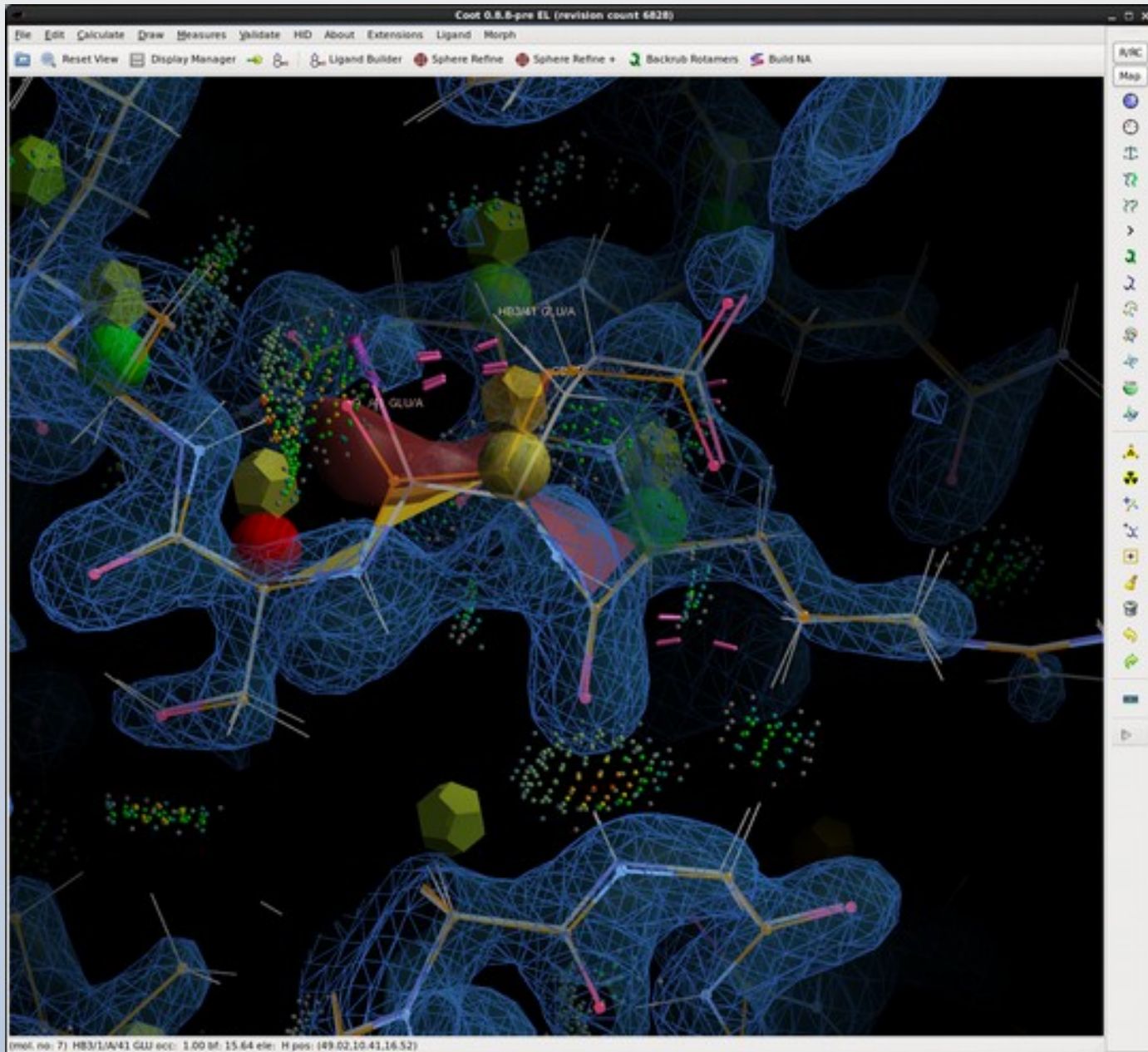
The New Ramachandran Plot



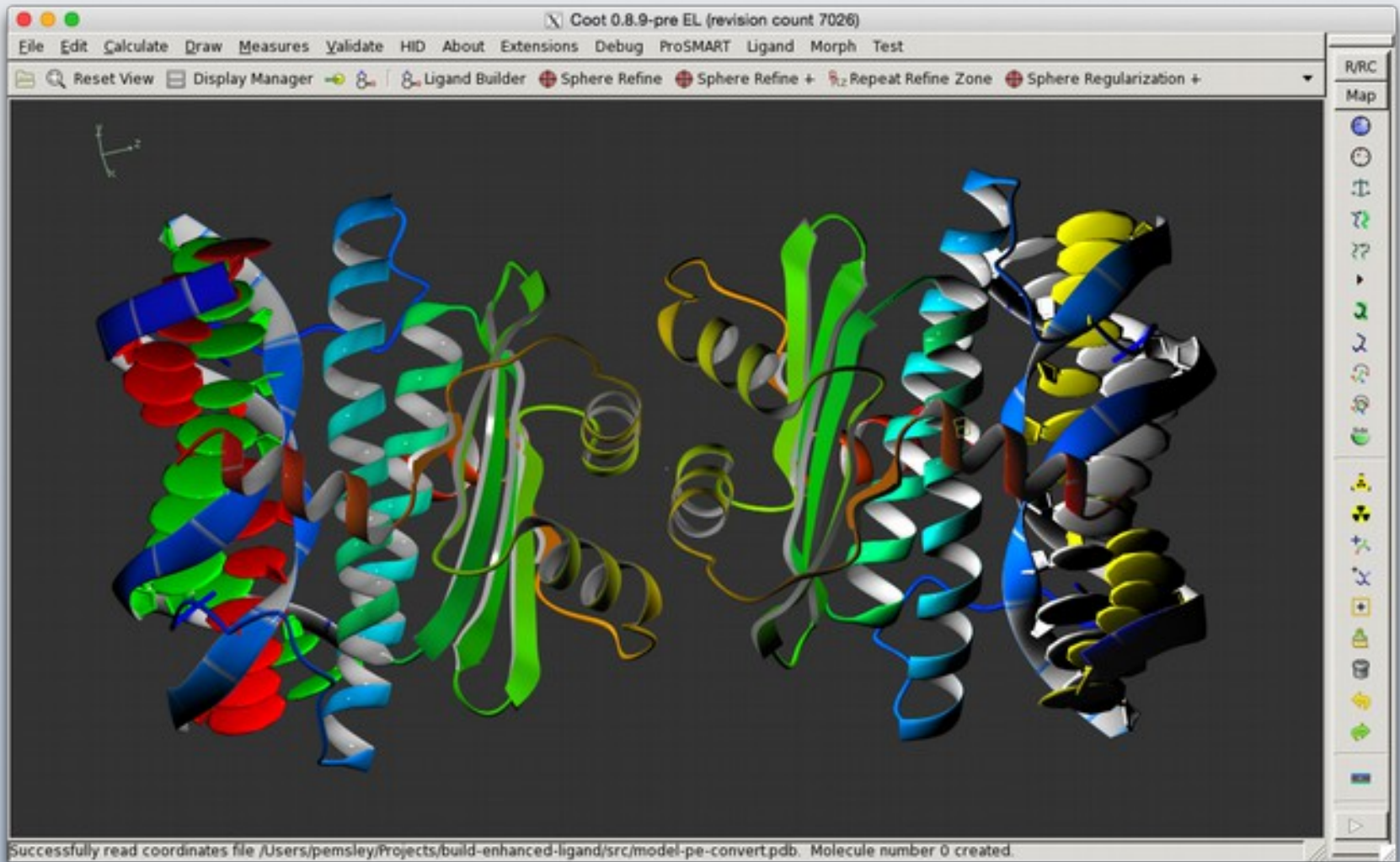
Interactive Rotamer Goodness



Multi-Criteria Markup



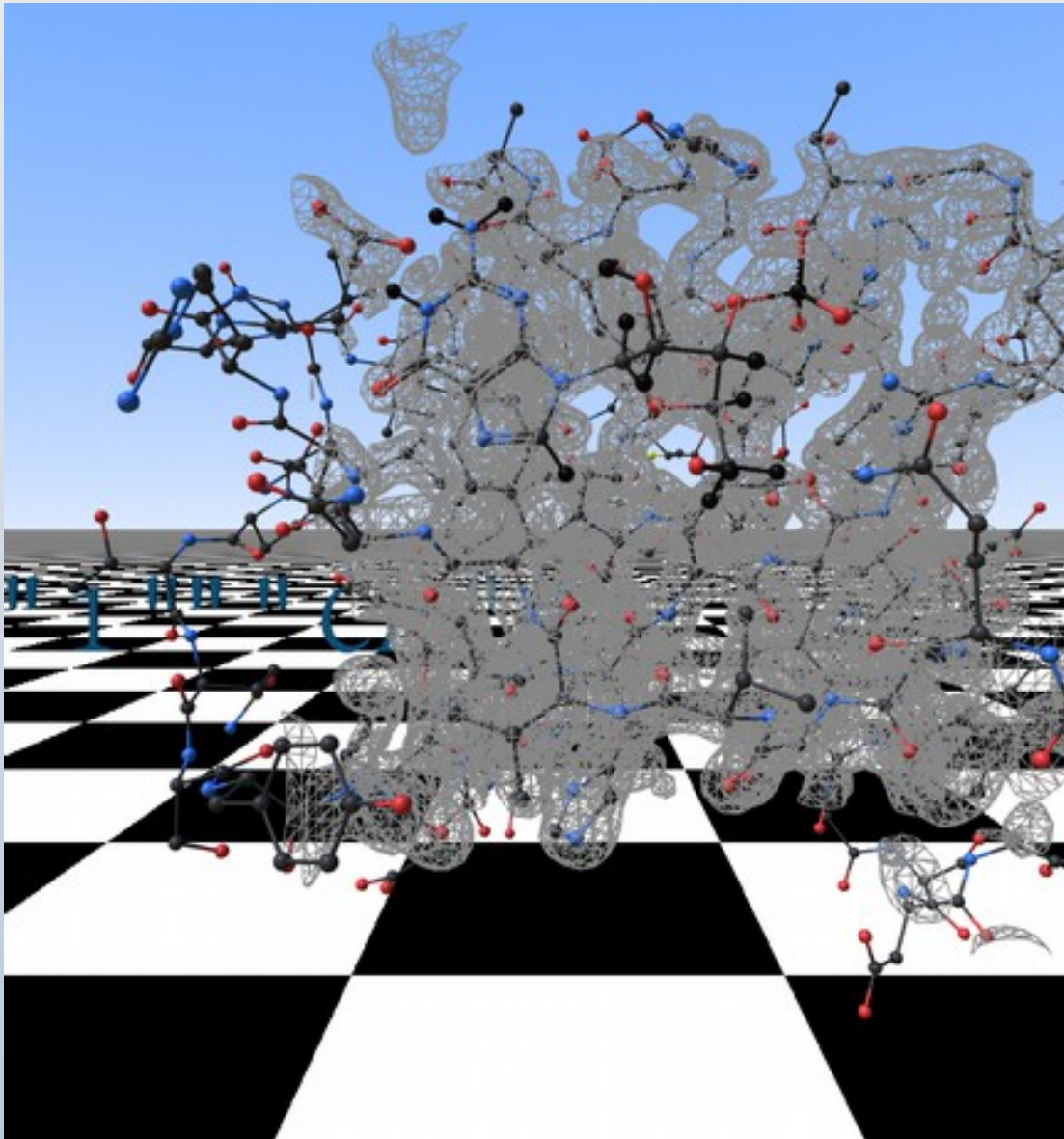
Coot Futures: GPU Ribbons



with Martin Noble

Cool Futures: Virtual Reality

Hamish Todd



- **An Intuitive Interface:**
- Stereoscopic Representation
- Greater Field of View
- 2 Hands with Articulation
- However:
 - current tools are not immediately transferable
 - because: nausea



CootVR

- Demonstrated at CCP-EM Meeting in Keele in April



A Few Tools More...

- Fitting Low-Resolution/EM maps
- Ligands:
 - dictionaries
 - ligand-fitting
 - analysis
- Carbohydrate-fitting
 - N-linked glycosylation

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Non-Crystallographic Symmetry

What is Non-Crystallographic Symmetry?

- 2 or more copies of a molecule in the unit cell not related by crystallographic symmetry
- Crystallographic copies of molecules are (of course) treated as if they were exactly the same across the unit cell – and indeed across the whole crystal
- Non-crystallographically related molecules provide different representations of the same molecule
 - This can be useful for model-building
 - But difficult to use in practice

Handling NCS

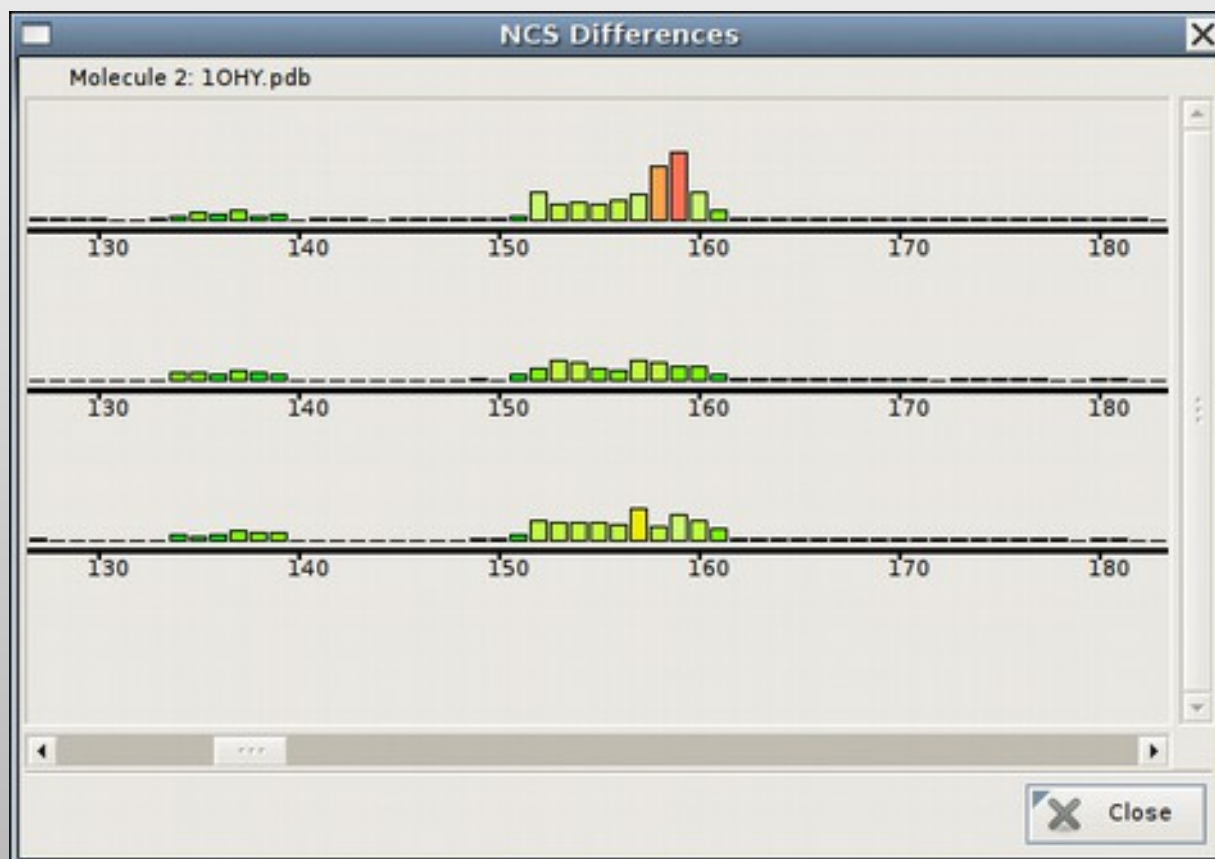
- What are the Problems?
- Strict NCS:
 - NCS should appear like crystallographic symmetry does [exact copies]
- Non-Strict NCS:
 - Molecules are different
 - How to cope with differences, but minimize unnecessary rebuilding?

Handling NCS

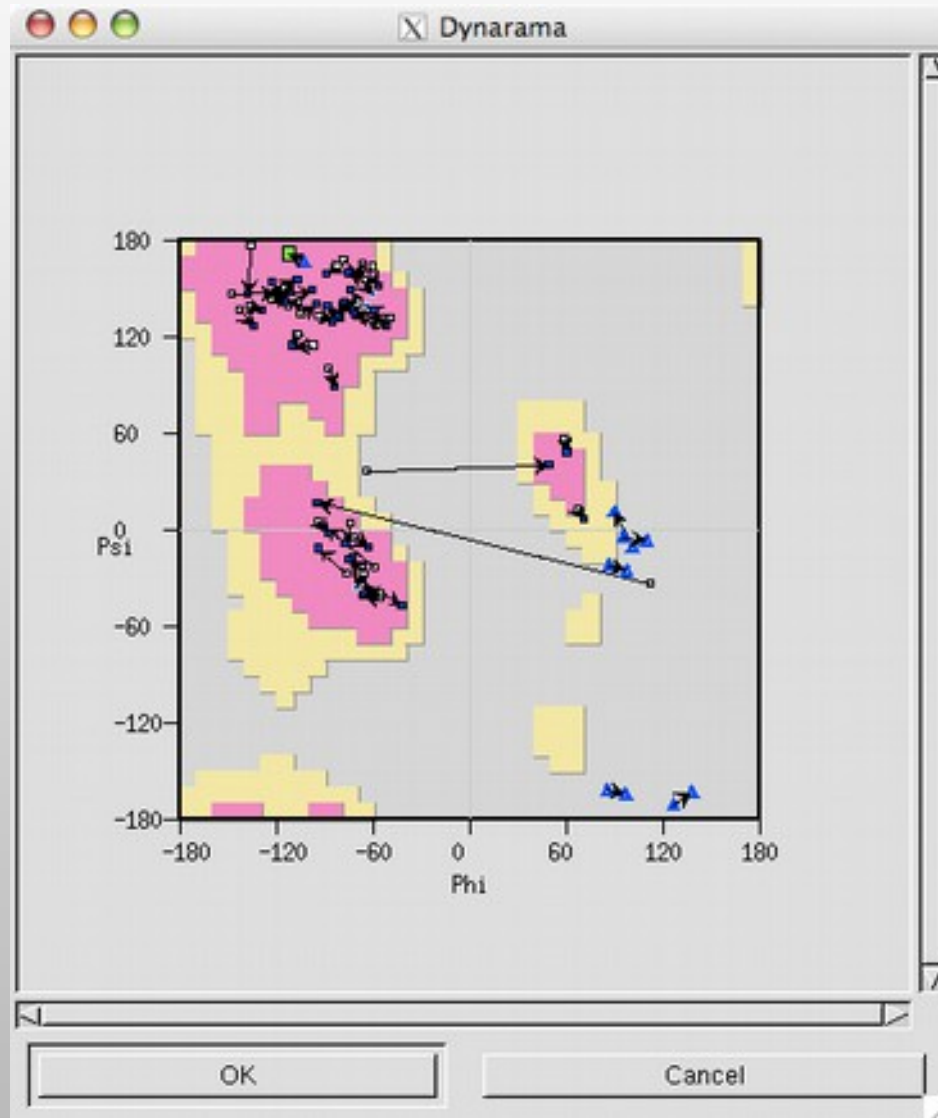
Typical Scenario:

- I have done an LSQ overlap of my NCS-related molecules and from the graph, have seen significant deviations in the positions of some side-chains.
- Why are they different?

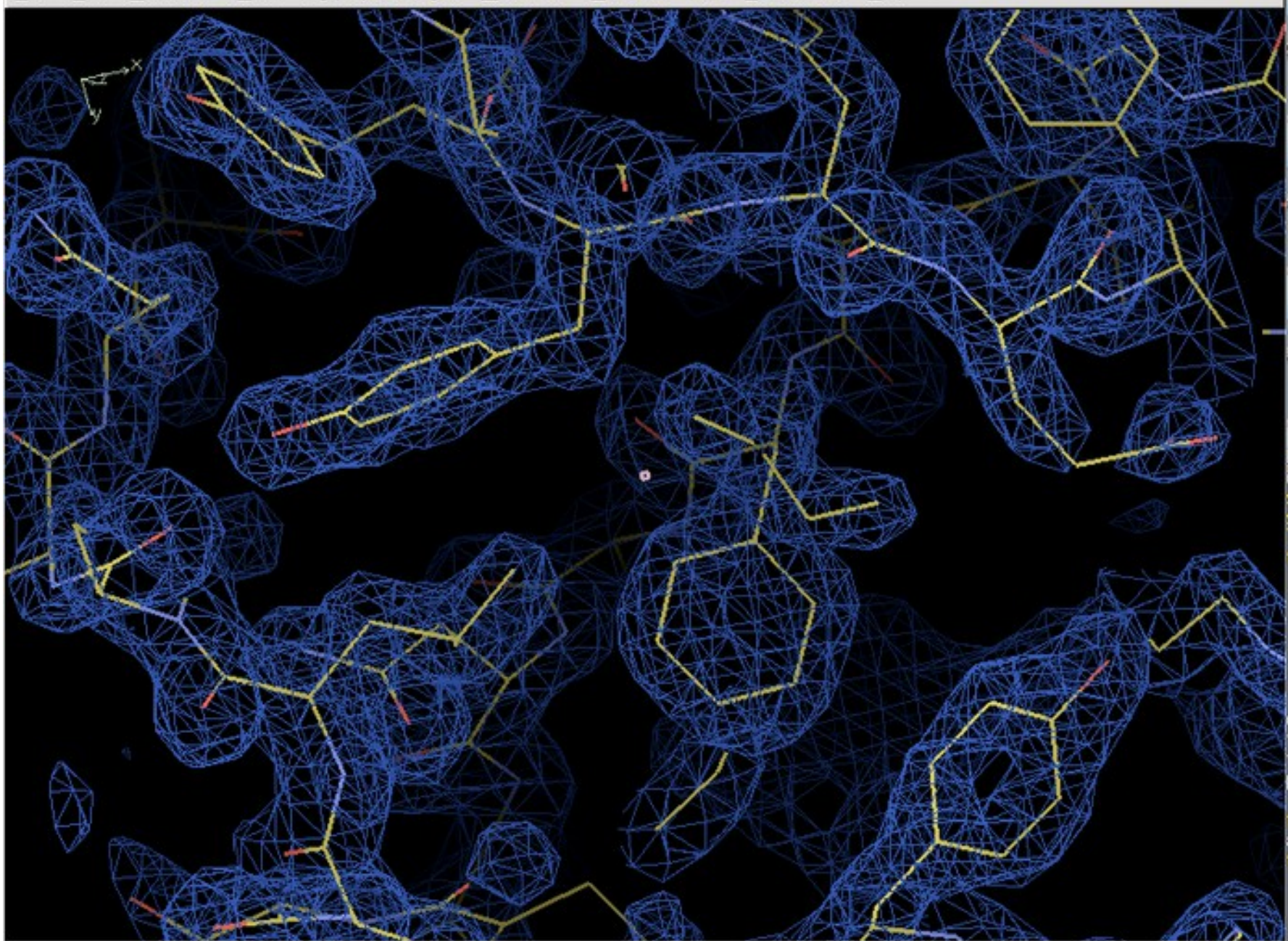
...or new NCS Differences graph



...or Kleywegt Plots[*]



[*] Named by George Sheldrick



NCS Overlays

SSM NCS operator

transform map primitives

map centre

