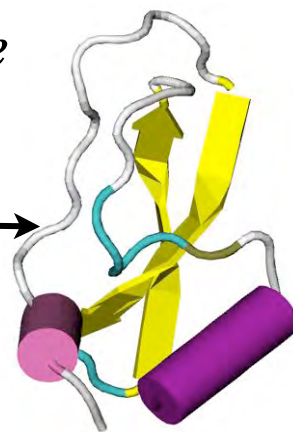
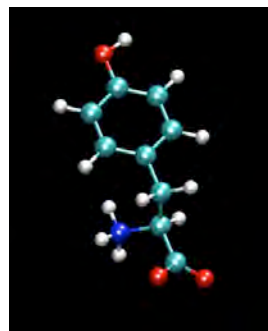


VMD: Visual Molecular Dynamics

Computational Microscope / Tool to Think

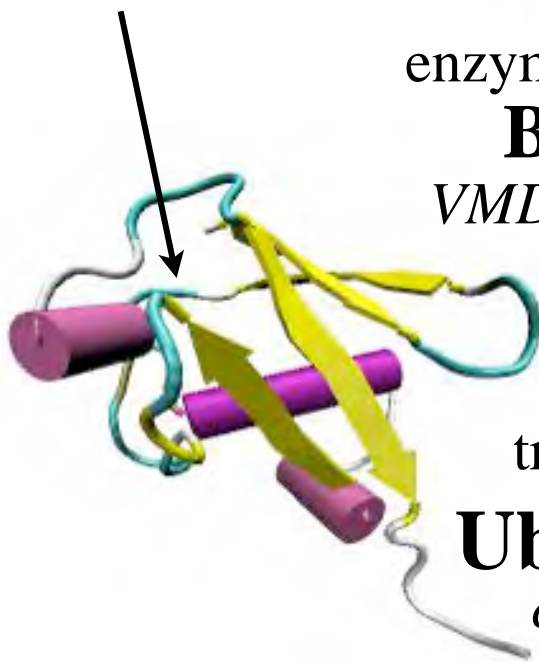
amino acid tyrosine



enzymatic control

BPTI

VMD tutorial



trafficking

Ubiquitin
case study

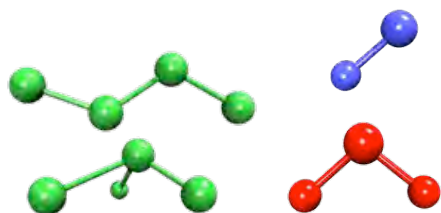
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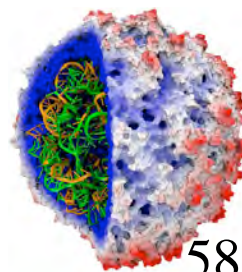
Our Microscope is Made of...

Chemistry



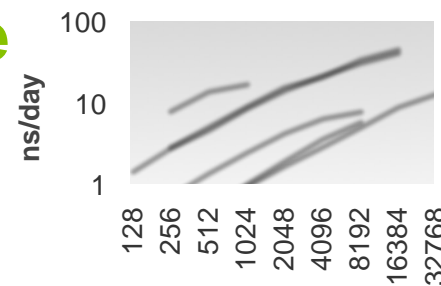
$$U(\vec{R}) = \underbrace{\sum_{\text{bonds}} k_i^{\text{bond}} (r_i - r_0)^2}_{U_{\text{bond}}} + \underbrace{\sum_{\text{angles}} k_i^{\text{angle}} (\theta_i - \theta_0)^2}_{U_{\text{angle}}} + \underbrace{\sum_{\text{dihedrals}} k_i^{\text{dihe}} [1 + \cos(n_i \phi_i + \delta_i)]}_{U_{\text{dihedral}}}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

NAMD Software



Virus

58,000 registered users



Physics

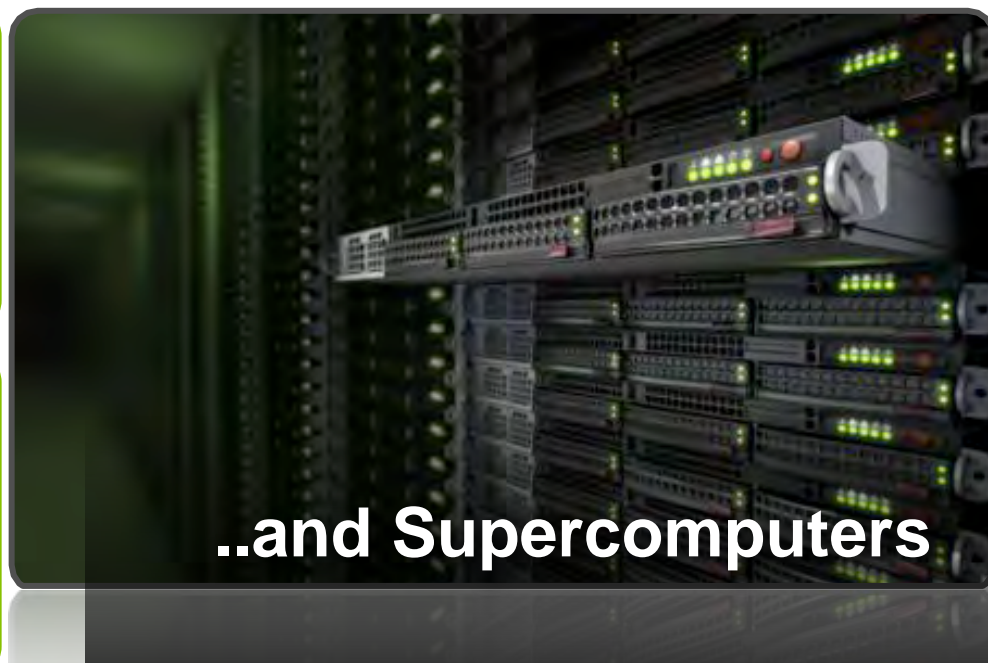
$$m_i \frac{d^2 \vec{r}_i}{dt^2} = \vec{F}_i = -\vec{\nabla} U(\vec{R})$$

Math

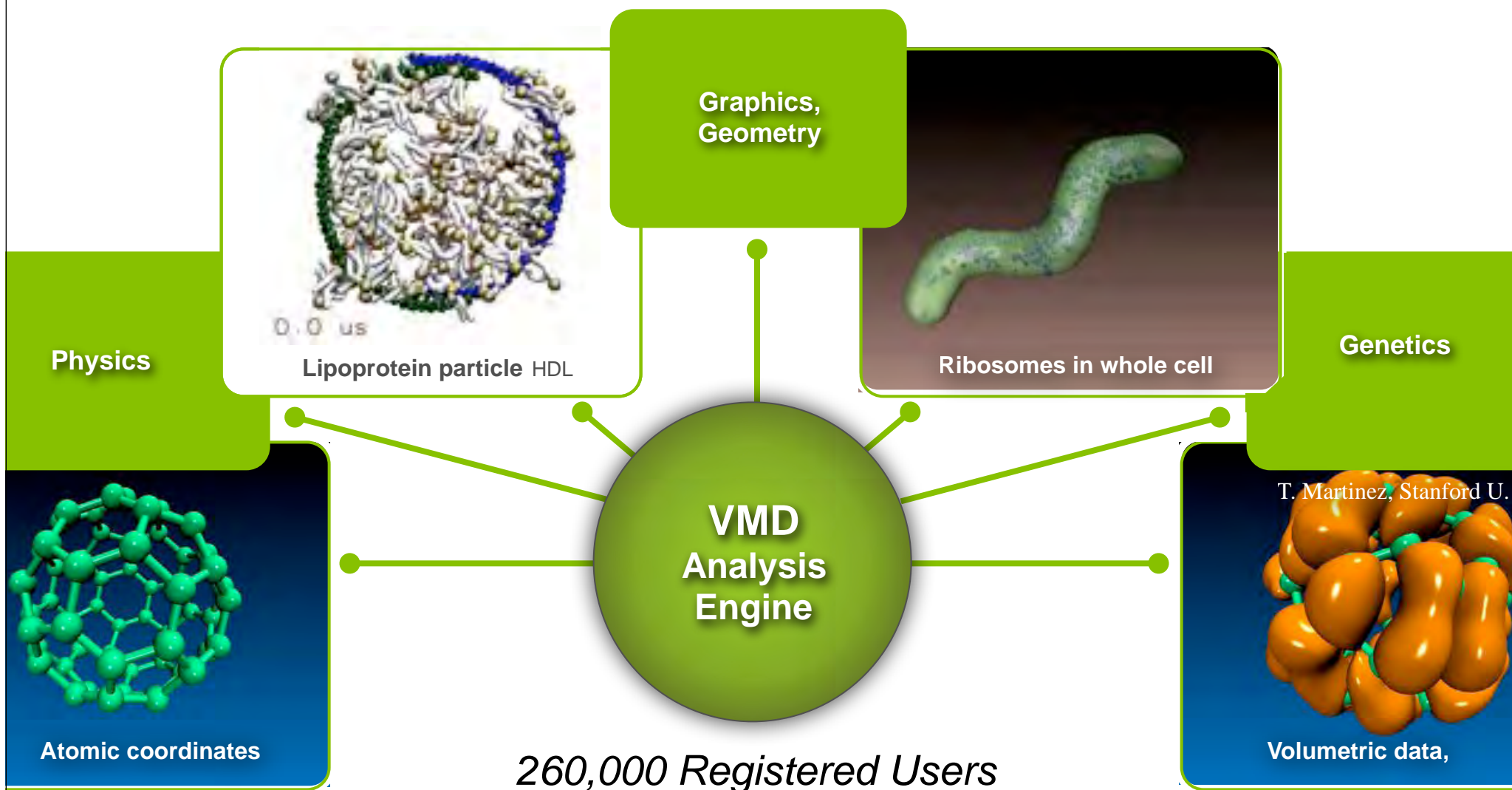
$$\vec{r}_i(t + \Delta t) = 2\vec{r}_i(t) - \vec{r}_i(t - \Delta t) + \frac{\Delta t^2}{m_i} \vec{F}_i(t)$$

(repeat **one billion times** = microsecond)

..and Supercomputers



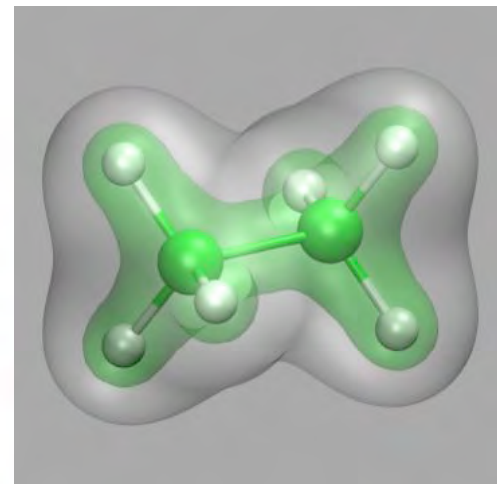
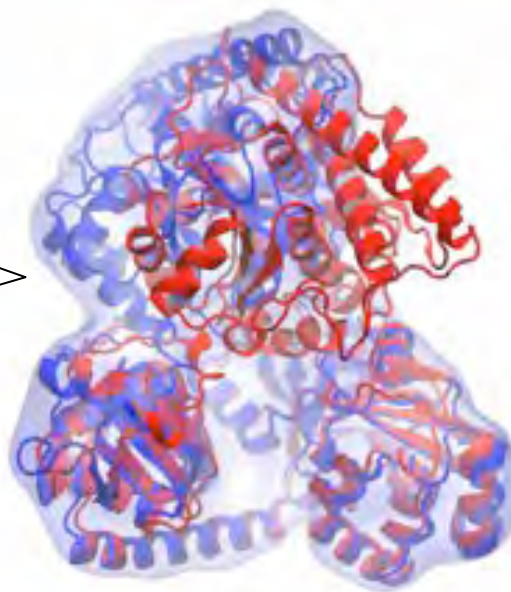
Our Microscope is Made of... and of...



VMD – A Tool to Think

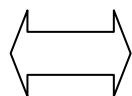
Volumetric Data:

Density maps,
Electron orbitals,
Electrostatic potential,
Time-averaged occupancy, ...

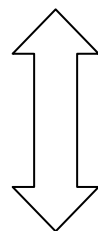


Sequence Data:

Multiple Alignments,
Phylogenetic Trees

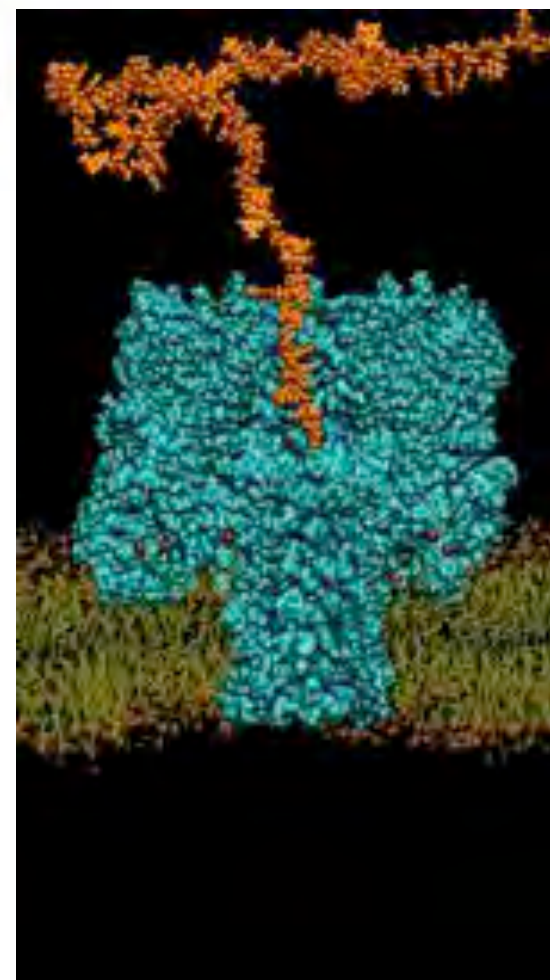


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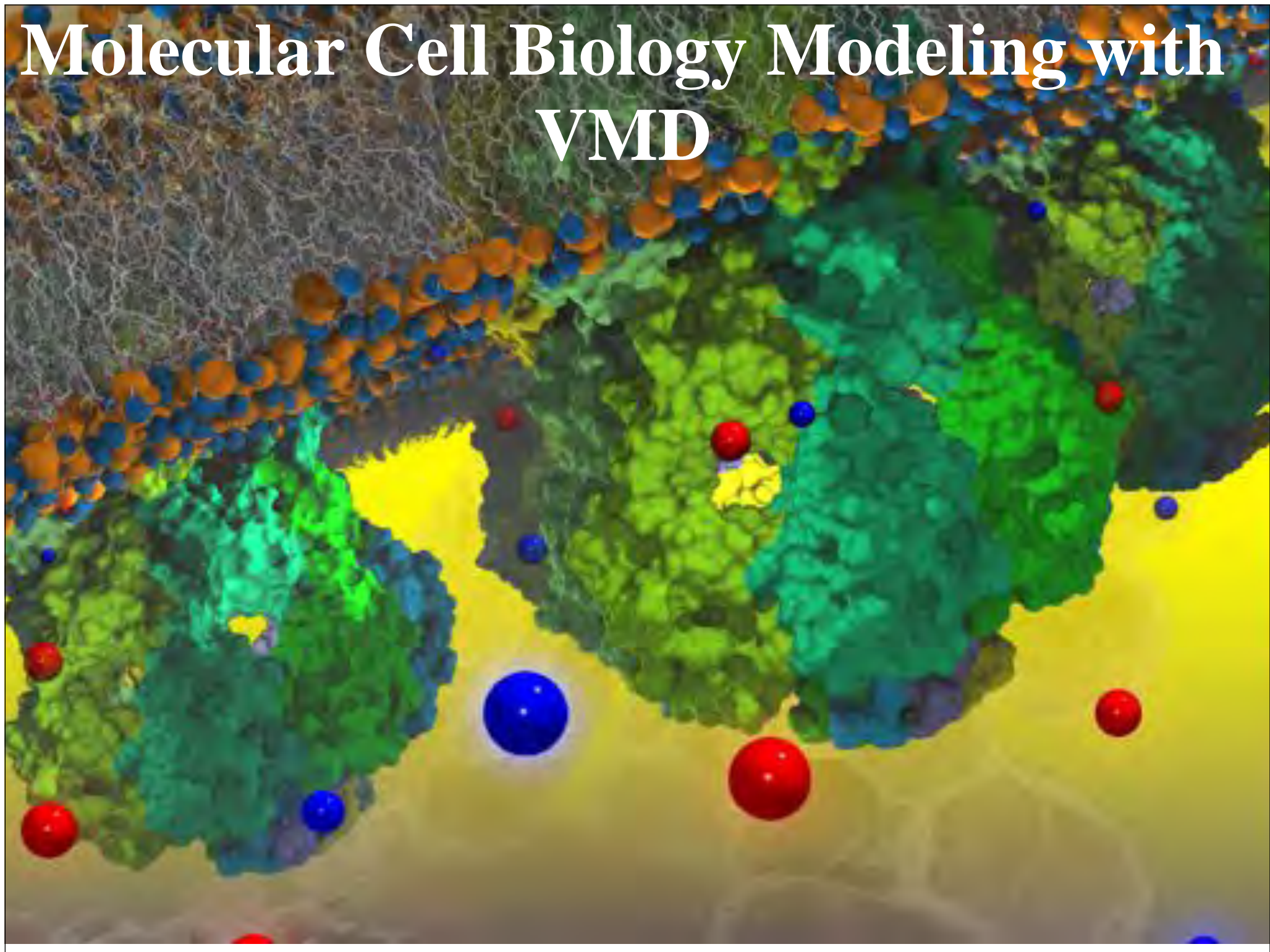


Atomic Data:

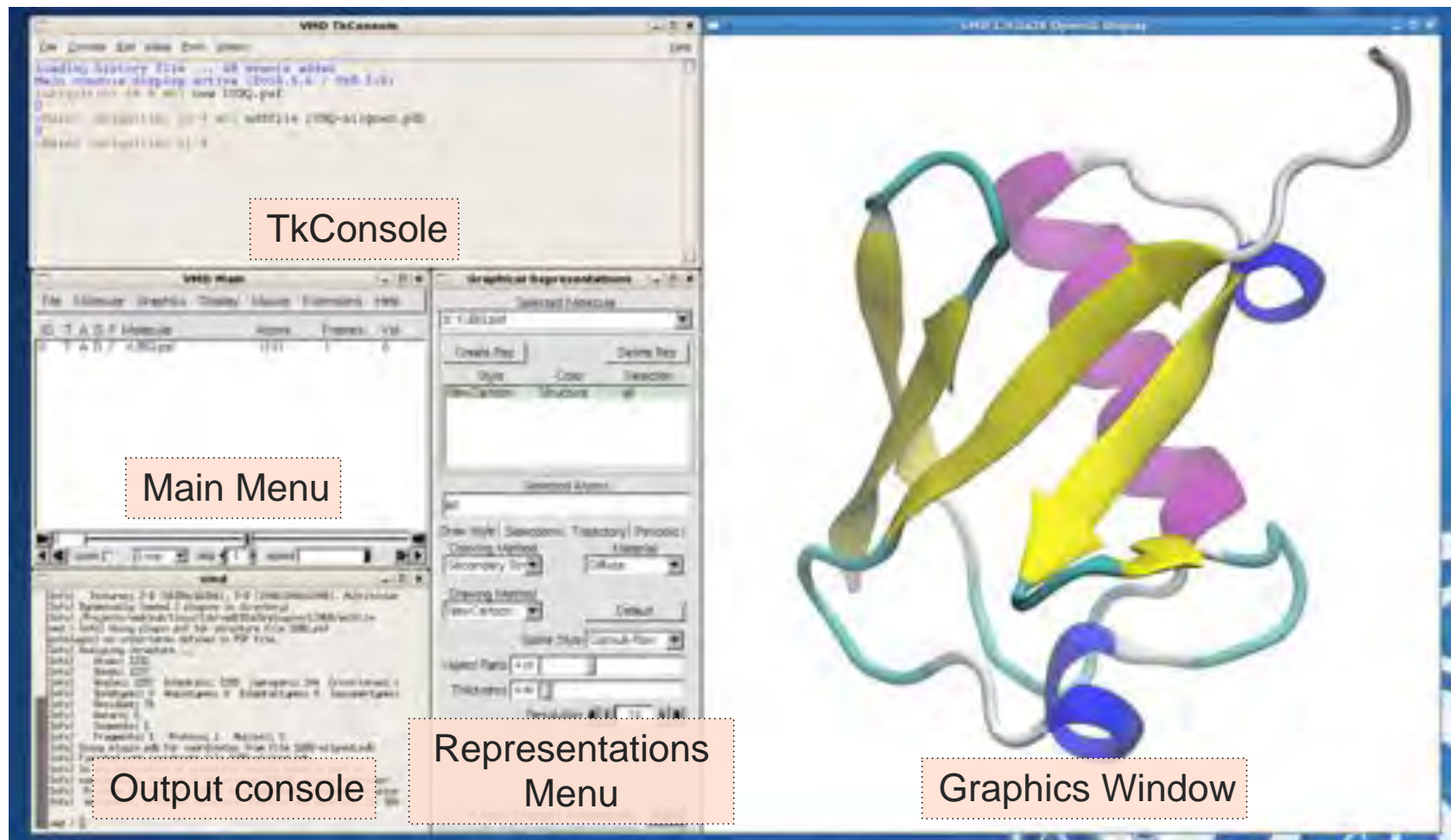
Coordinates,
Trajectories,
Energies,
Forces, ...



Molecular Cell Biology Modeling with VMD



Molecular Graphics with VMD



typical VMD session

An Example: Ubiquitin and the Proteasome

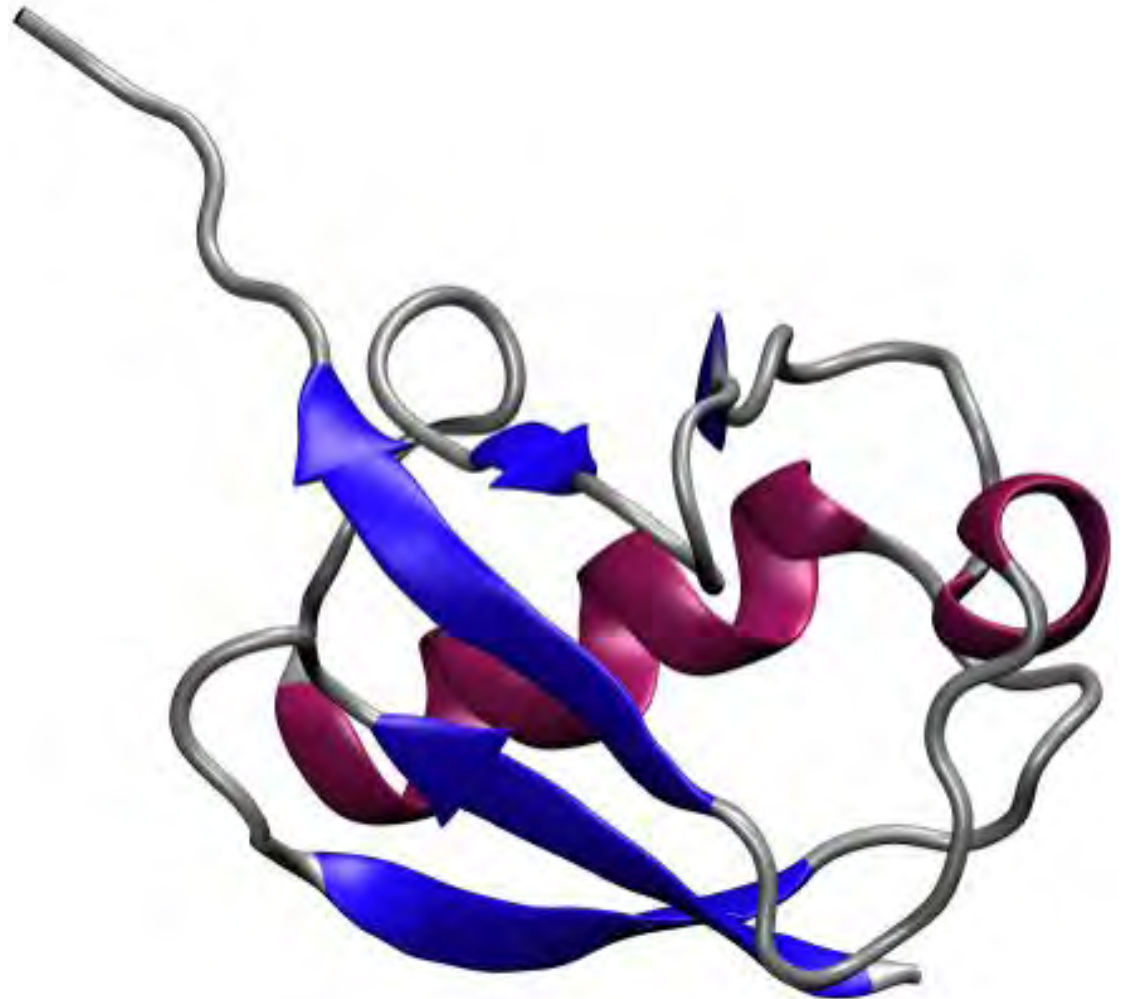
Ubiquitin: a small protein of 76 amino acids

Present in all eukaryotes, and highly conserved

Regulates key cellular processes such as cell division, gene expression, cell trafficking, and protein degradation

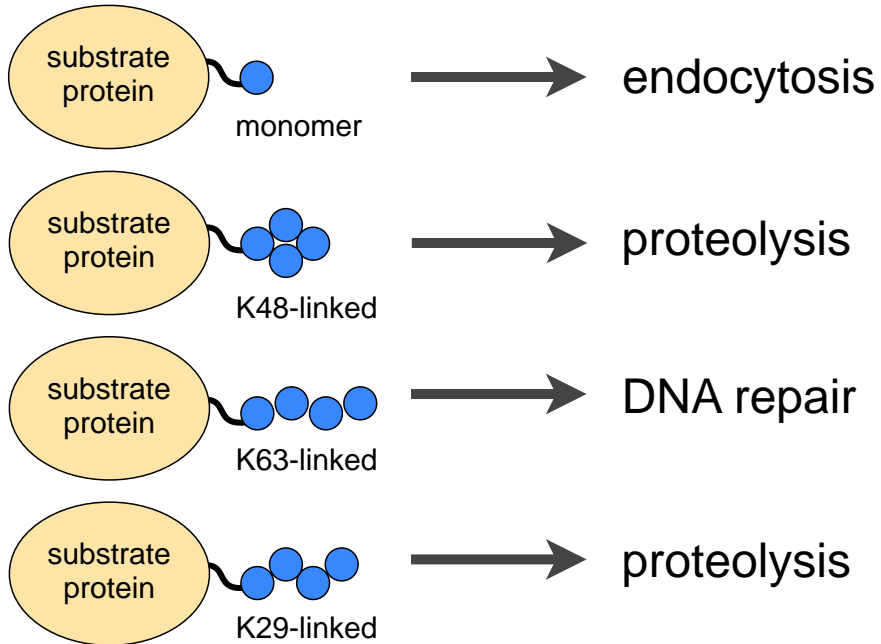
Deficiency in ubiquitin expression can lead to neurodegenerative disorders

Tags misfolded proteins to be degraded in the proteasome (“kiss of death” protein)



Ubiquitin Chains

Ubiquitin monomers attach to others to make a poly-ubiquitin chain



7 conserved lysine residues can form differently shaped chains depending on which lysine is used to connect the monomers

A Glycine at C-terminal attaches to a lysine on the protein by an isopeptide bond

A chain of at least four ubiquitins is needed to be recognized by the proteasome for protein degradation

VMD Session 1:

ubiquitin

Case Study Ubiquitin <http://www.ks.uiuc.edu/Training/CaseStudies/>

Case Study: Ubiquitin

Eduardo Cruz-Chu and JC Gumbart



1 Introduction

Without a doubt, the most organized and coordinated machine known is the biological cell. Inside its micrometer-scale diameter, a wide variety of macromolecules (DNA, proteins, sugars, lipids, etc.) work together in a co-operative way, balancing energy and matter to keep the cell alive. Within the cell, proteins are the overachievers. They allow the movement of water and ions through the cell membrane, help ATP to store energy, assist DNA during replication, recognize foreign infections, and more. However, all of these functions don't work independently of each other. To maintain harmony and efficiency between various functions, most processes have to be turned on or off according to different cellular stages and changes within the environment.

To this end, together with the mechanisms to assemble functional proteins and to turn on their functions, there should be counterparts to suppress and disassemble proteins when they are no longer needed. The cellular machine depends on assembly and disassembly to regulate the effective concentration of proteins and their corresponding activities [1]. Furthermore, defective

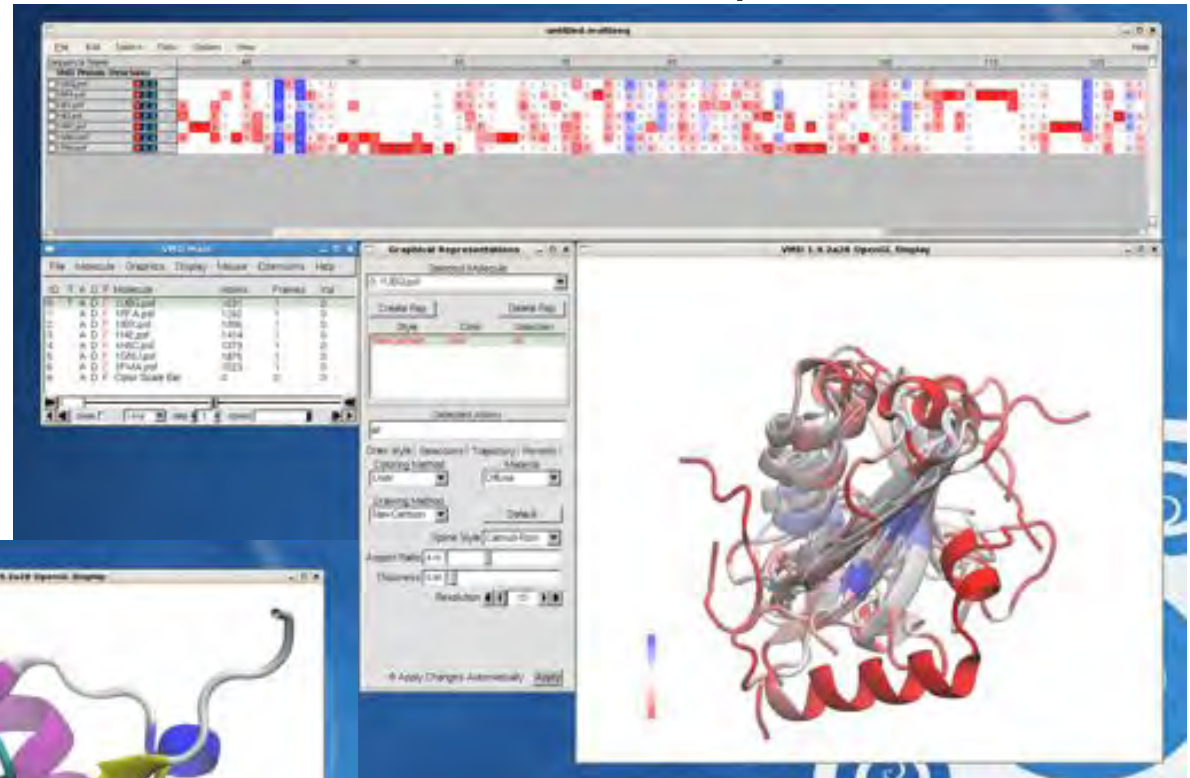
Bioinformatics

MultiSeq

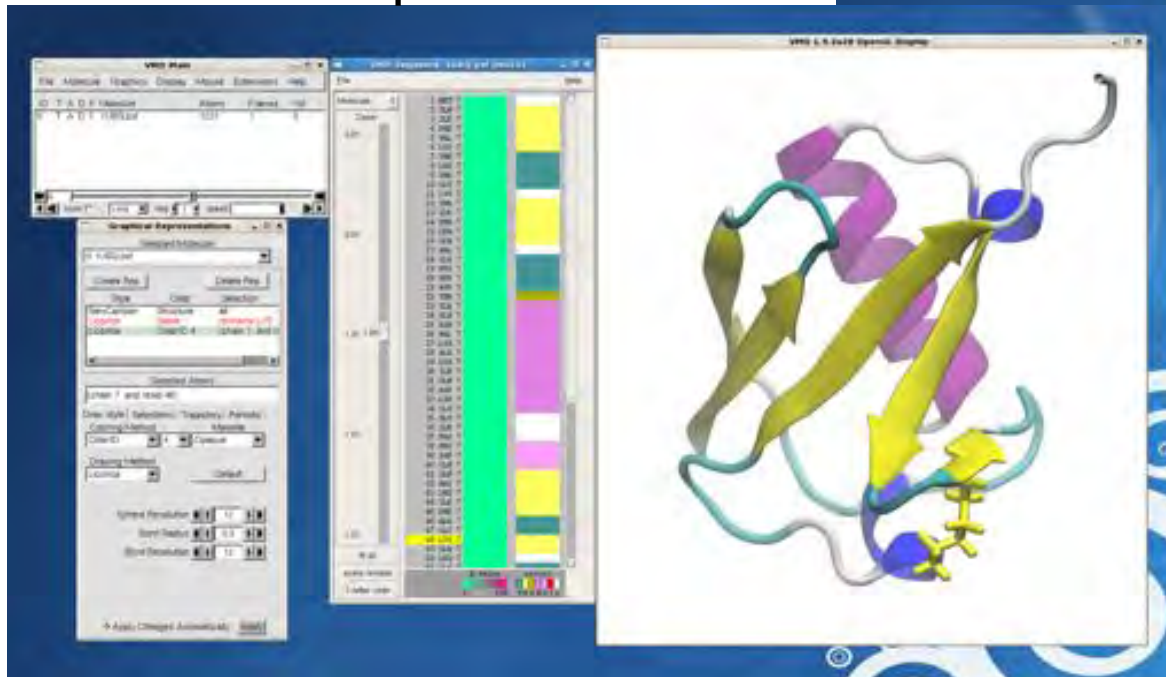
Link sequence to structure

Multiple sequence/
structure alignments

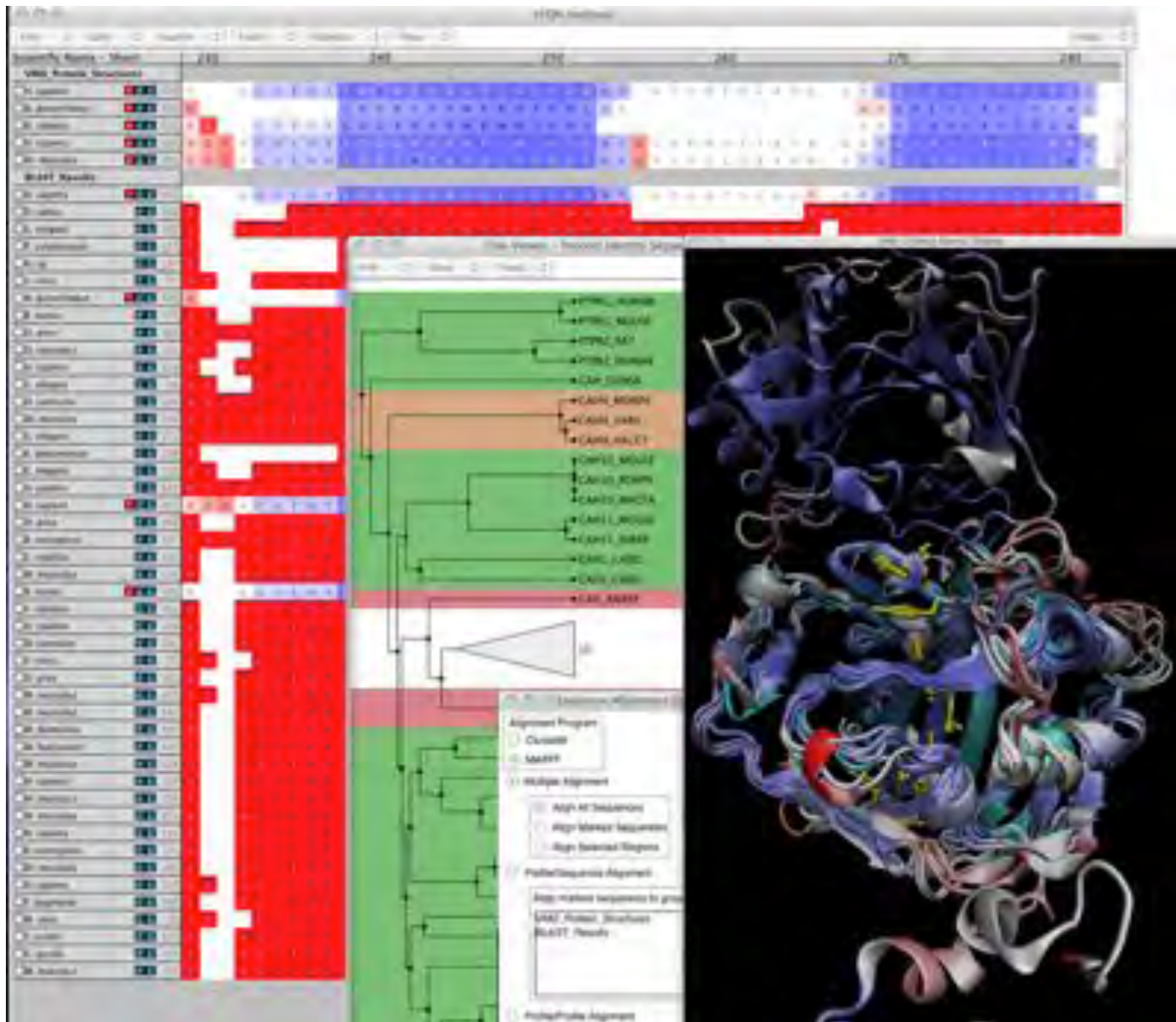
Phylogenetic trees



Sequence Viewer

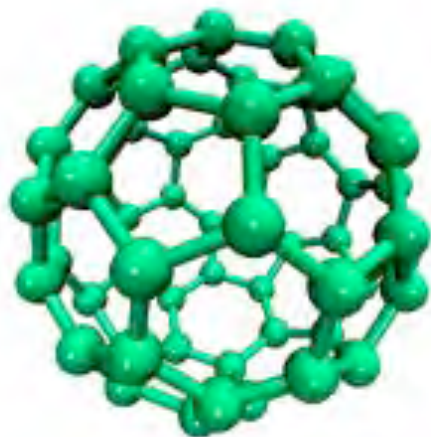


Structure, Sequence and Phylogenetic Analysis with VMD



VMD Handles Volumetric Data

Cryo-EM map of the *E. coli* ribosome at 6.7-Å resolution

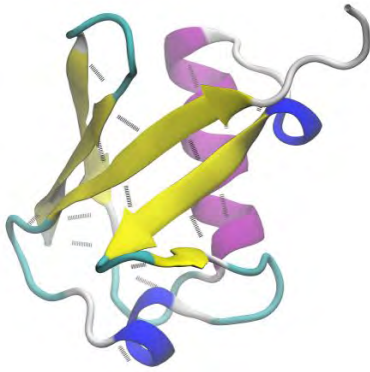


electron density
from QM/MM
calculation
Martinez, Stanford

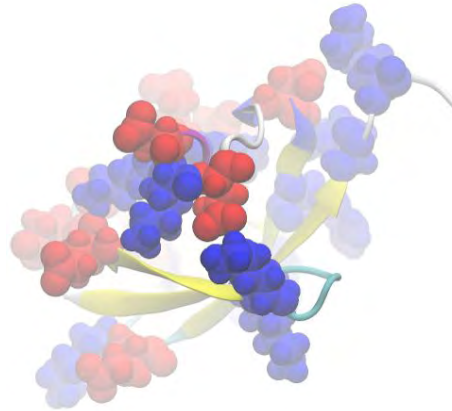


cryo-EM density

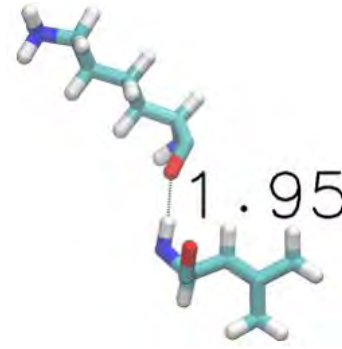
VMD Determines Physical Properties



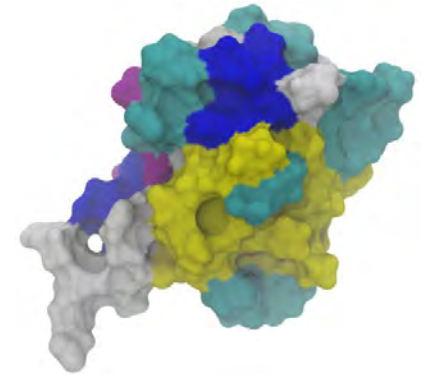
hydrogen bonds



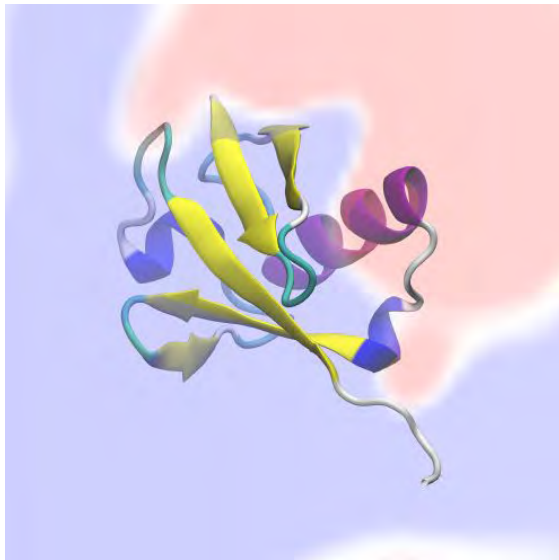
salt bridges



distances



SASA



electrostatics

- SASA
- secondary structure
- interaction surfaces
- hydrogen bonds
- salt bridges
- electrostatics
- distances
- angles
- dihedrals
- RMSD
- RMSF
- interaction energies
- forces
- free energy profiles
- normal modes

Trajectory Graphics/Analysis with VMD

VMD Plugin: Timeline

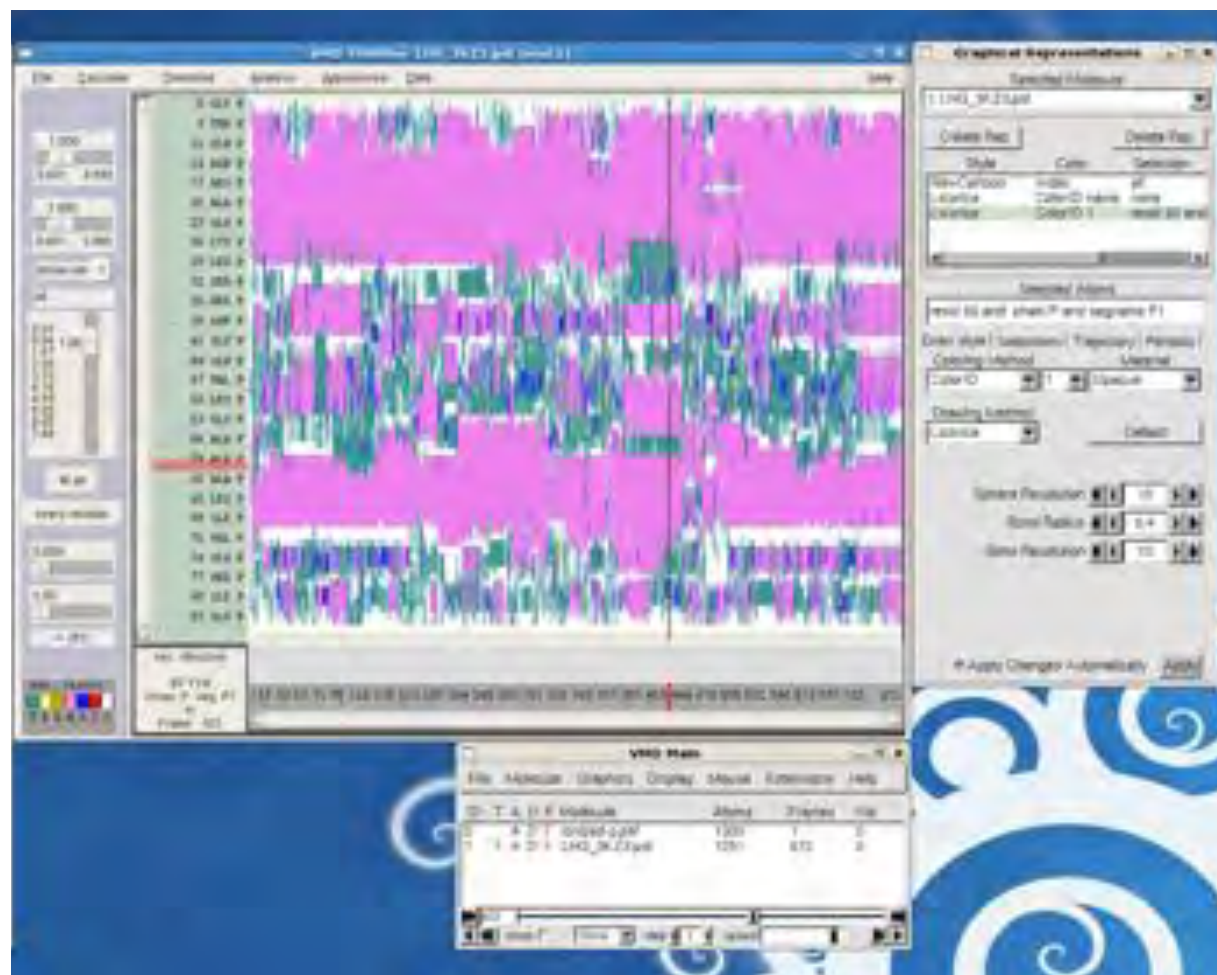
Example: protein folding

plugin to analyze MD trajectories for events
plot properties, e.g. RMSD, secondary
structure, hydrogen bonds, for each residue
across a trajectory



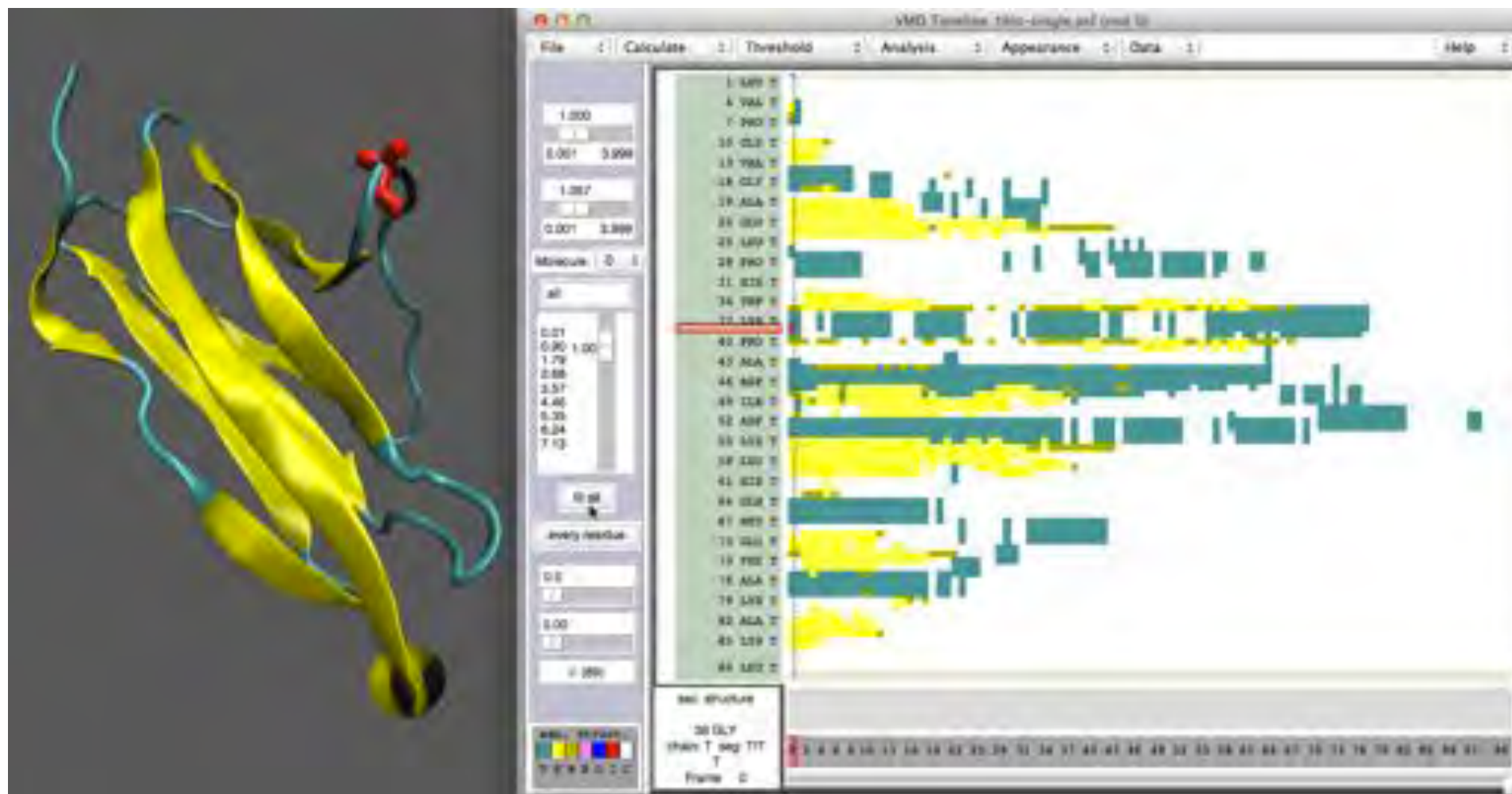
lambda repressor (2012)
80 amino acids, 100 μ s

Journal of Physical Chemistry Letters, 3:1117-1123,
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VMD Session 2:
trajectory of villin head piece

Timeline: a graphing and analysis tool to identify events in an MD trajectory

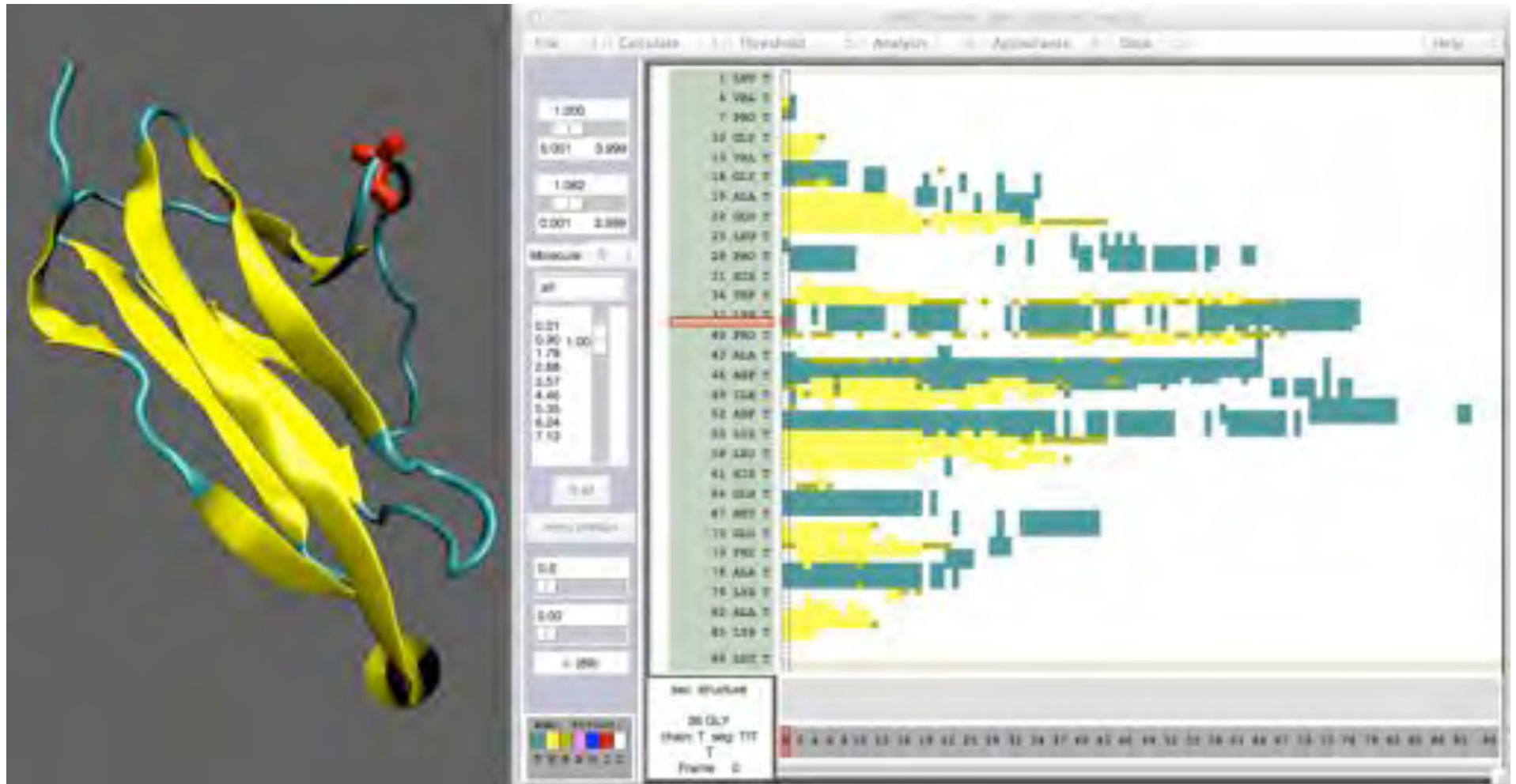


■ Beta turn ■ Extended beta ■ Isolated bridge □ None (coil)

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secondary structure during titin domain extension

Timeline: a graphing and analysis tool to identify events in an MD trajectory

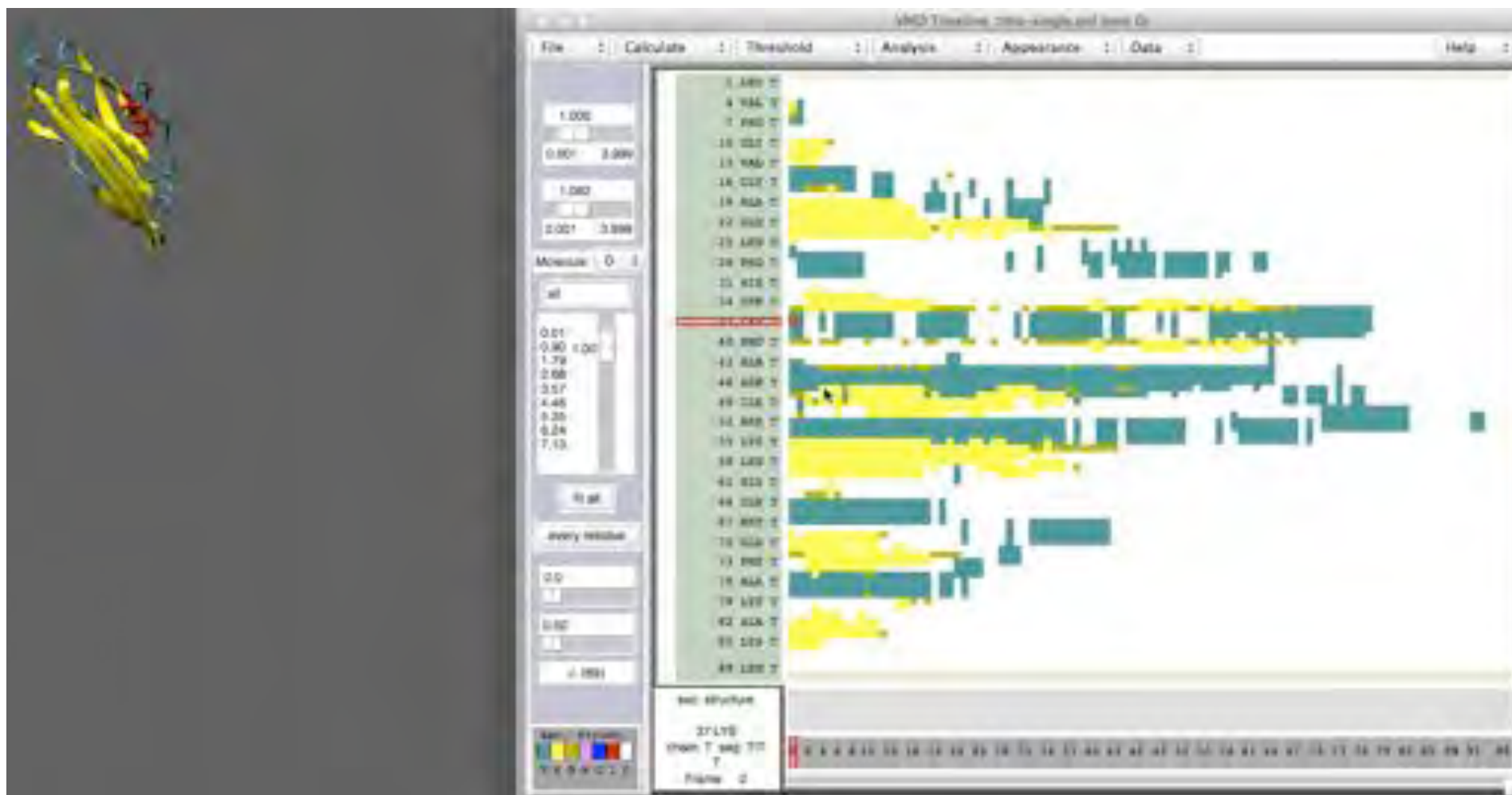


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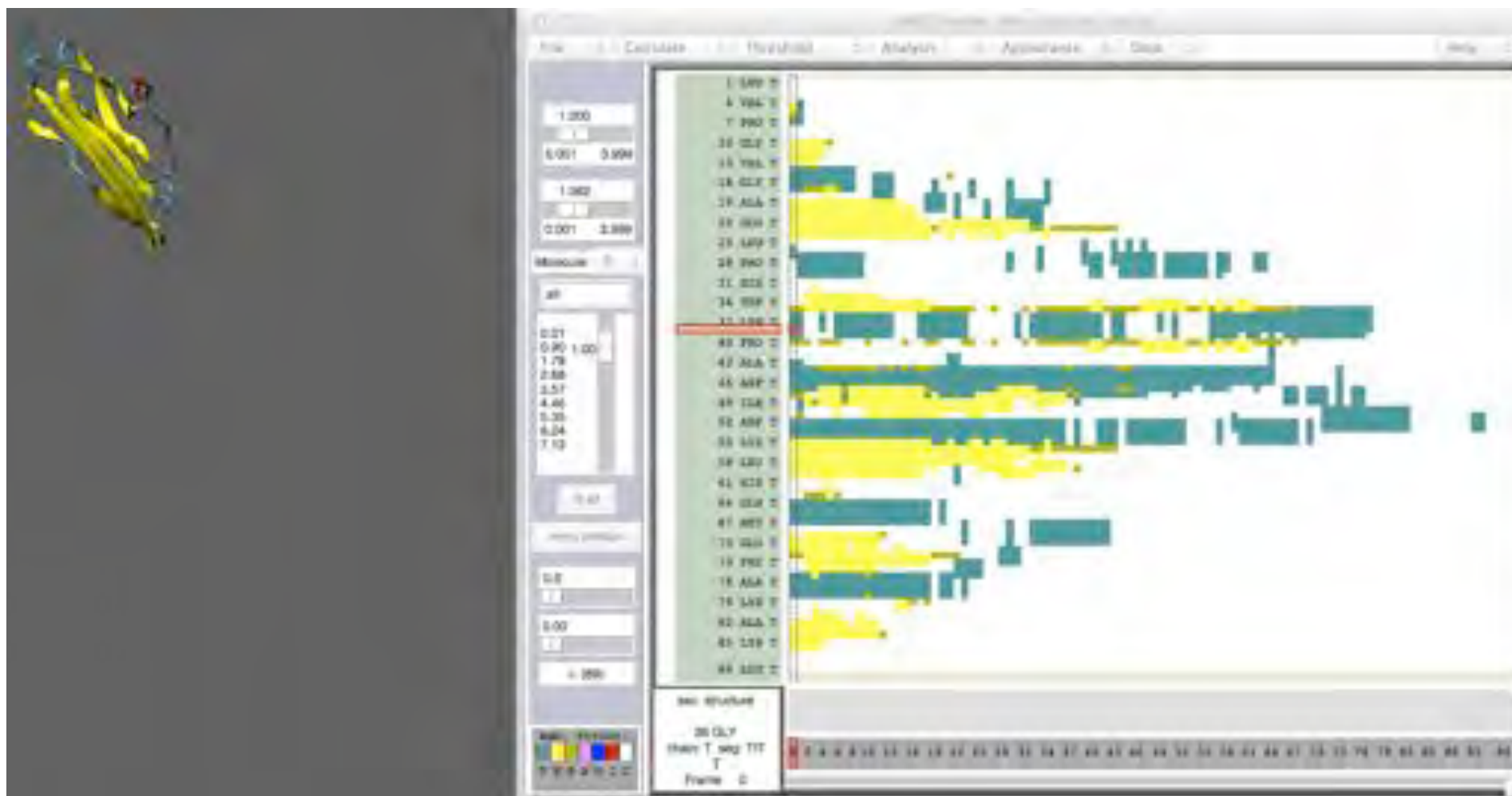


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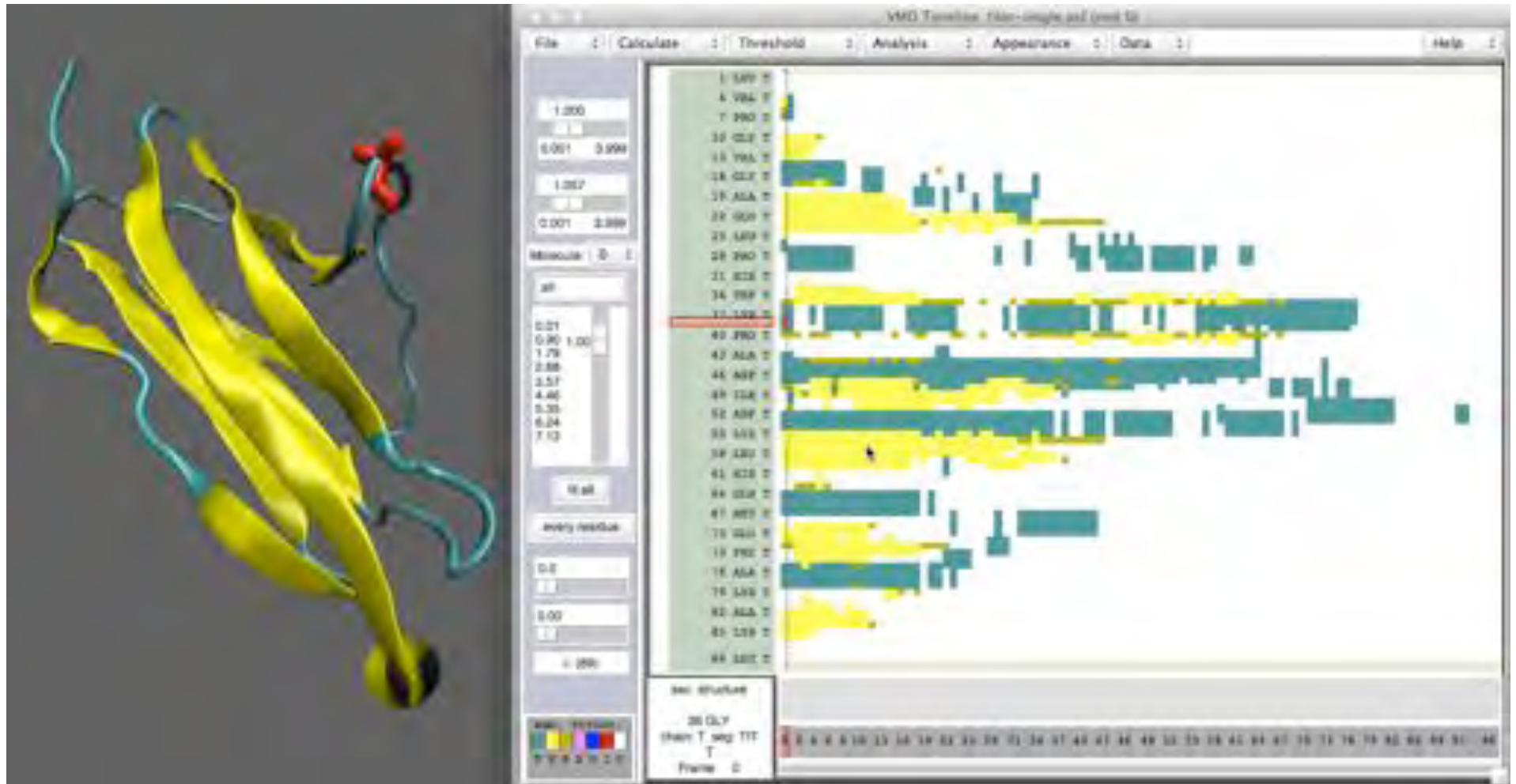


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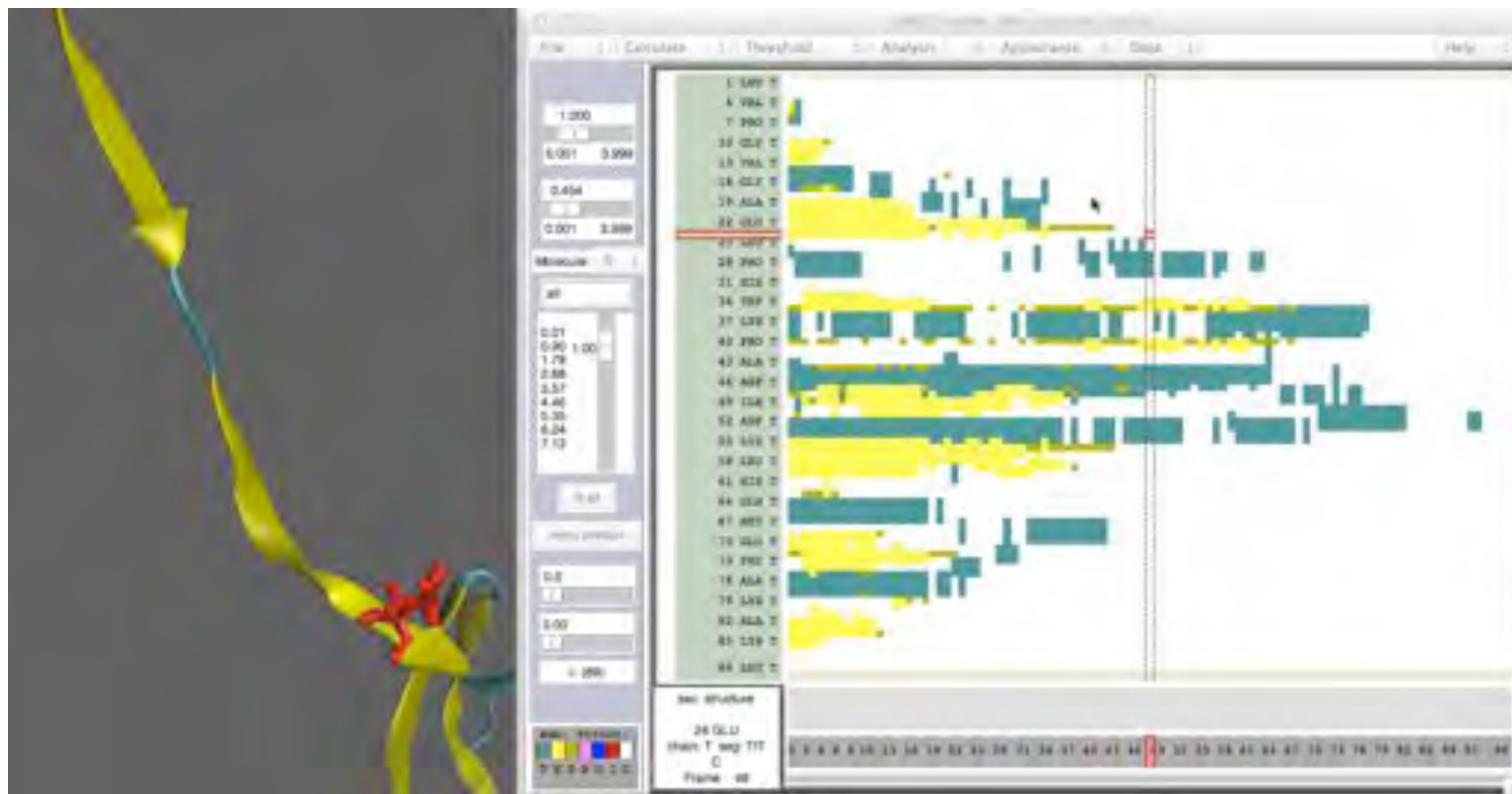


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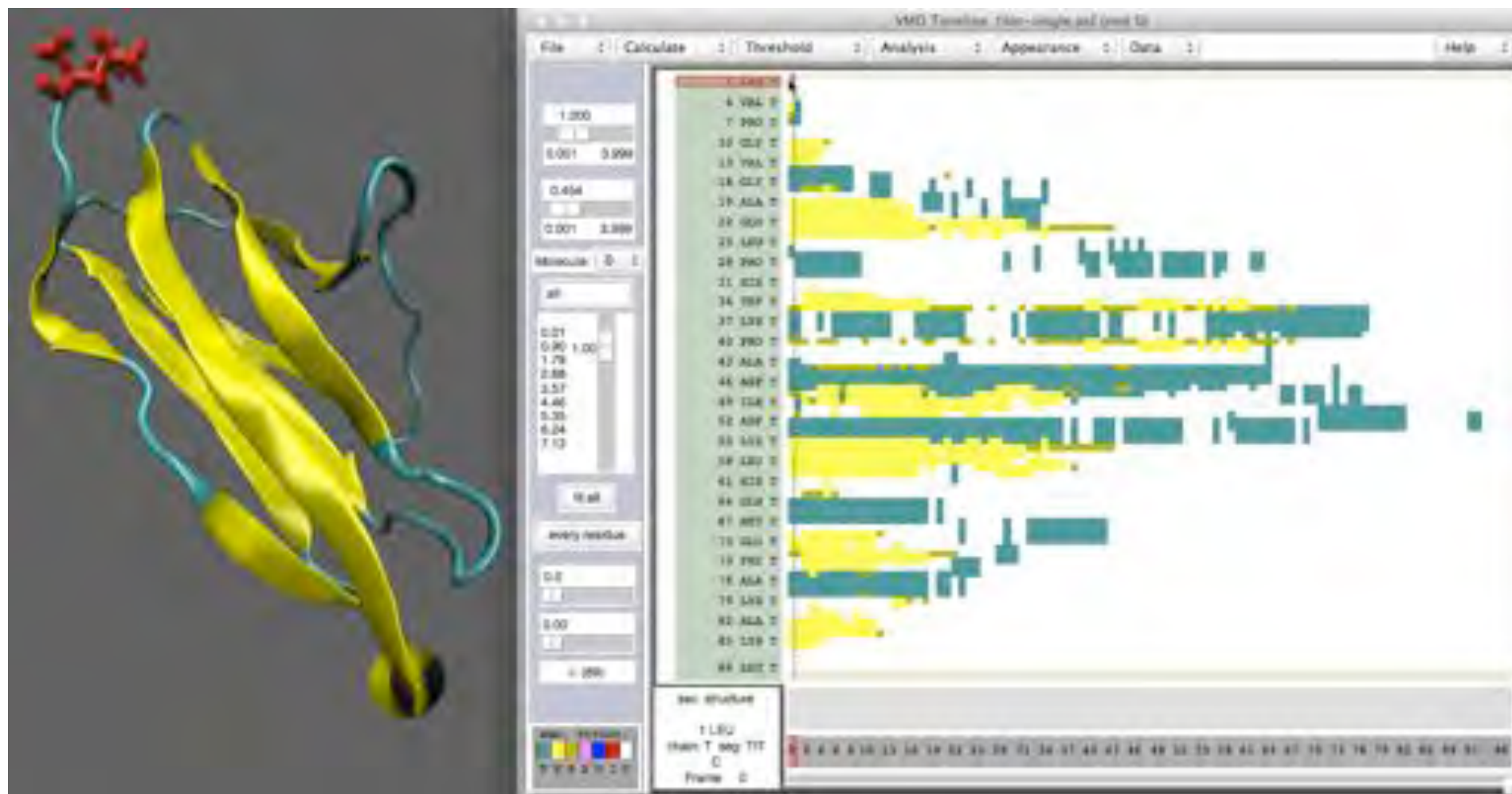


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secondary structure during titin domain extension

Timeline: a graphing and analysis tool to identify events in an MD trajectory



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secondary structure during titin domain extension

VMD Plugins: extensible analysis

Modeling Plugins

- Autolionize
- AutoPSF
- Chirality
- Cispeptide
- CGTools
- Dowser
- FFTK
- Inorganic Builder
- MDFF
- Membrane Builder
- MergeStructs
- Molefacture
- Mutator
- Nanotube
- Paratool
- Psfggen
- Solvate
- SSRestraints
- Topotools

Analysis Plugins

- APBSRun
- CatDCD
- Contact Map
- GofRGUI
- HBonds
- ILSTools
- IRSpecGUI
- MultiSeq
- NAMDEnergy
- NAMDPlot
- NetworkView
- NMWiz
- ParseFEP
- PropKaGUI
- RamaPlot
- RMSD Tool
- RMSD Trajectory Tool
- RMSD Visualizer Tool
- Salt Bridges
- Sequence Viewer
- Symmetry Tool
- Timeline
- VolMap

Visualization Plugins

- Clipping Plane Tool
- Clone Rep
- Dipole Watcher
- Intersurf
- Navigate
- NavFly
- MultiMolAnim
- Color Scale Bar
- Remote
- Palette Tool
- ViewChangeRender
- Viewmaster
- Virtual DNA Viewer
- VMDMovie

Simulation Plugins

- AutoIMD
- IMDMenu
- NAMD GUI
- NAMD Server
- QMTTool

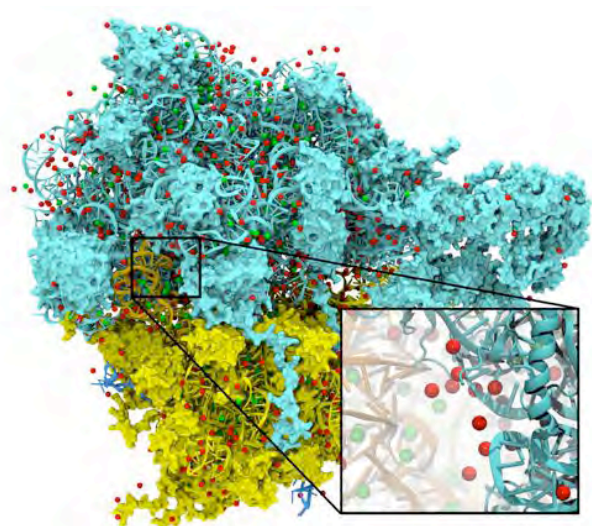
Data Plugins

- Data Import
- Multiplot
- PDBtool
- MultiText

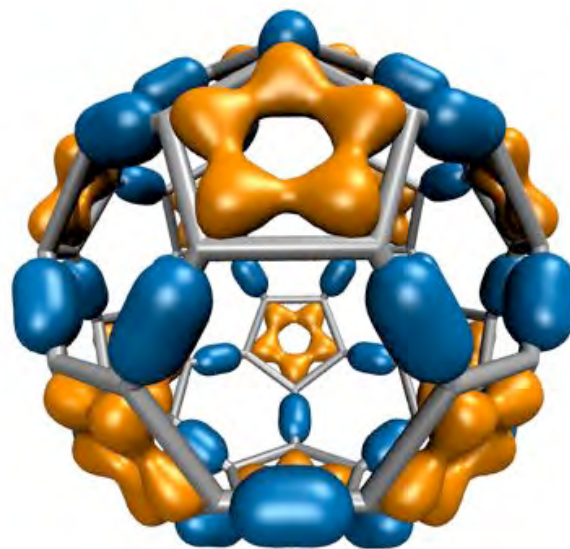
Other Plugins

- AtomEdit
- DemoMaster
- ExecTool
- Hesstrans
- Optimization
- PBCTools
- RESPTool
- RNAview
- SignalProc
- TkCon

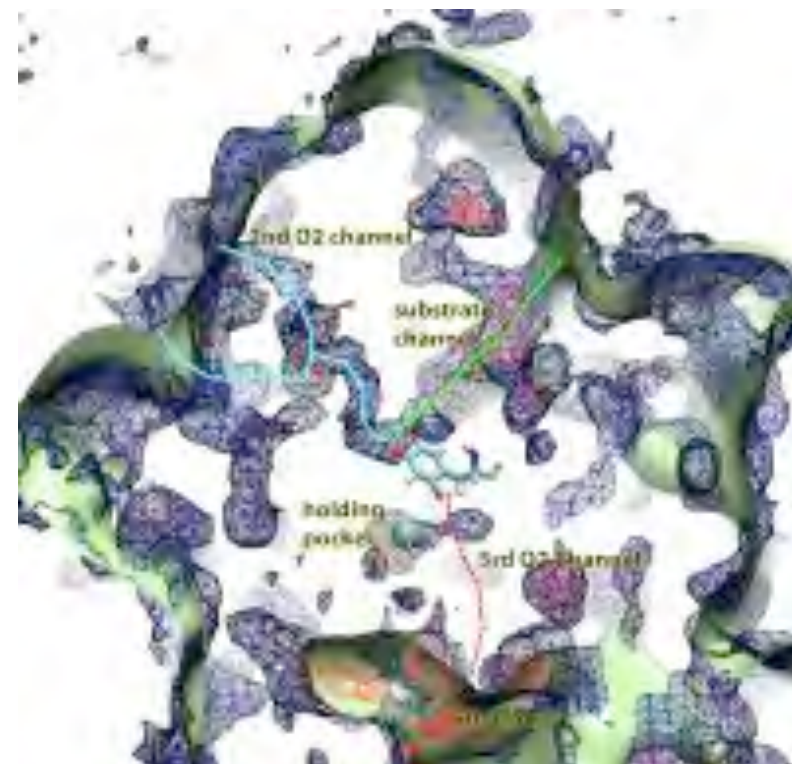
VMD the Compute Engine



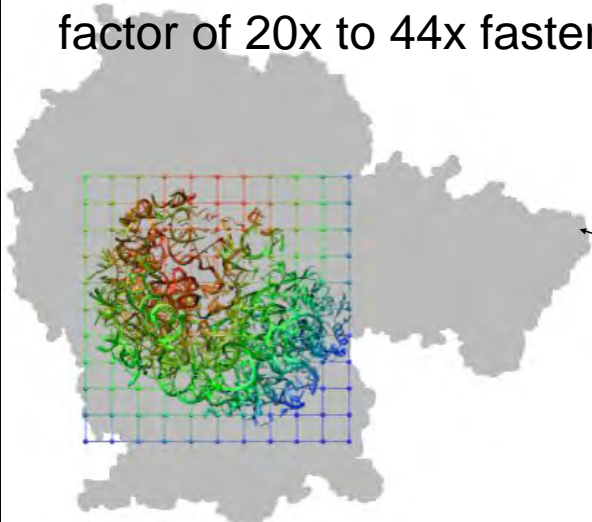
Electrostatic field
calculation, ion placement:
factor of 20x to 44x faster



Molecular orbital
calculation and display:
factor of 120x faster



Imaging of gas migration
pathways in proteins with
implicit ligand sampling:
factor of 20x to 30x faster

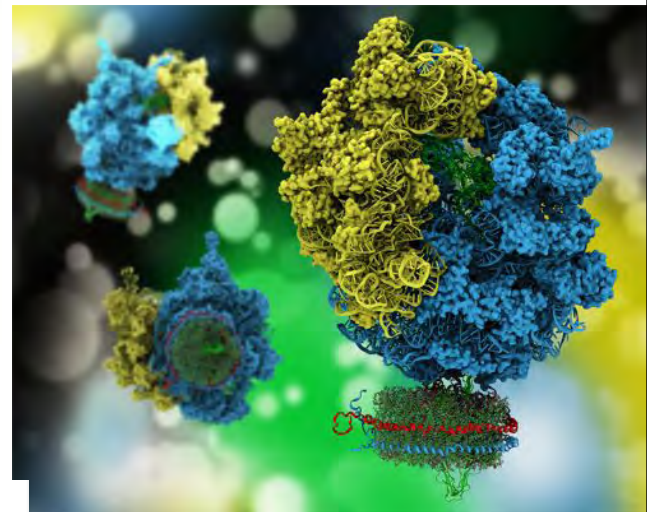
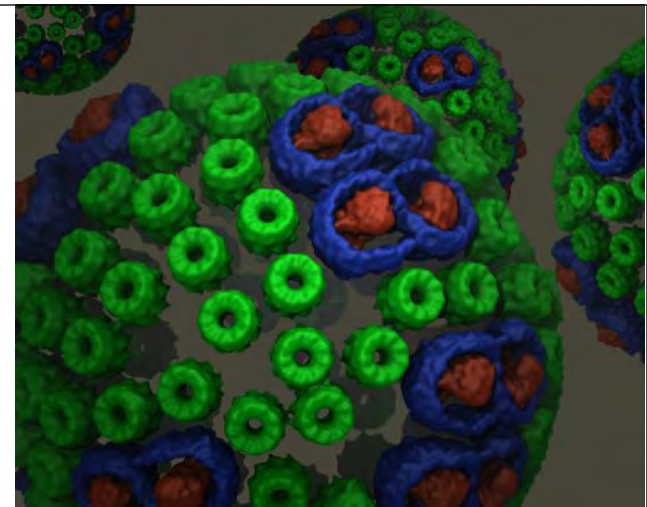


Parallel analysis on GPUs

VMD is first bio-software that is optimized for power consumption!

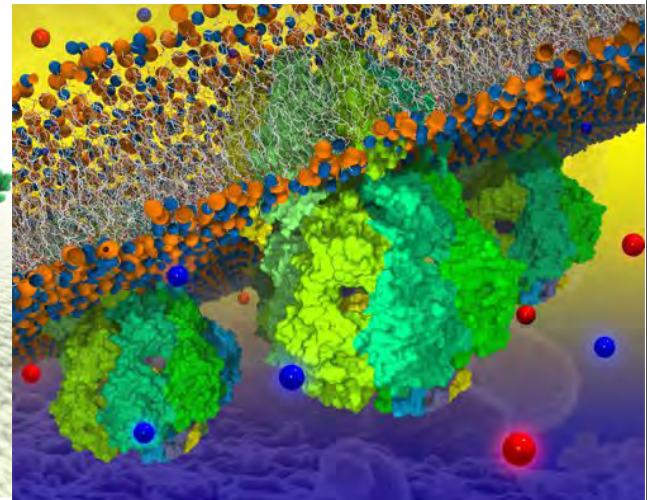
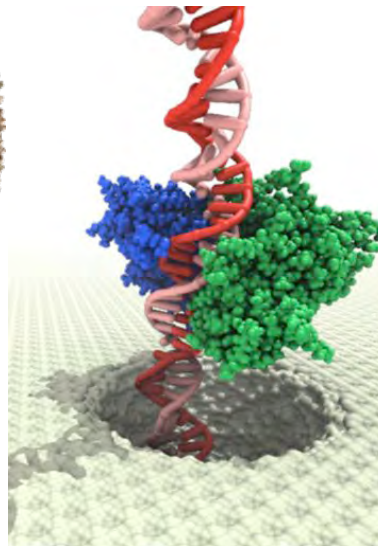
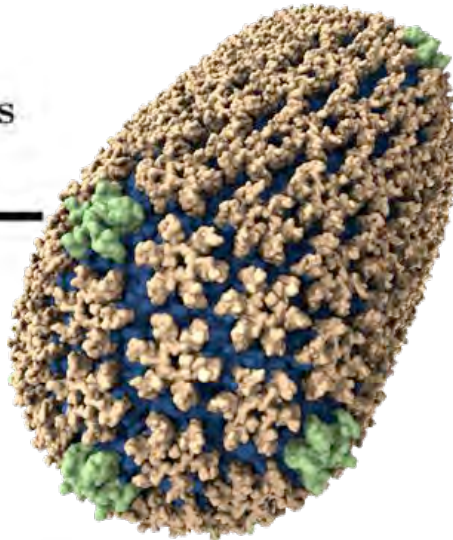
VMD the Artist

Publication-quality images and movies



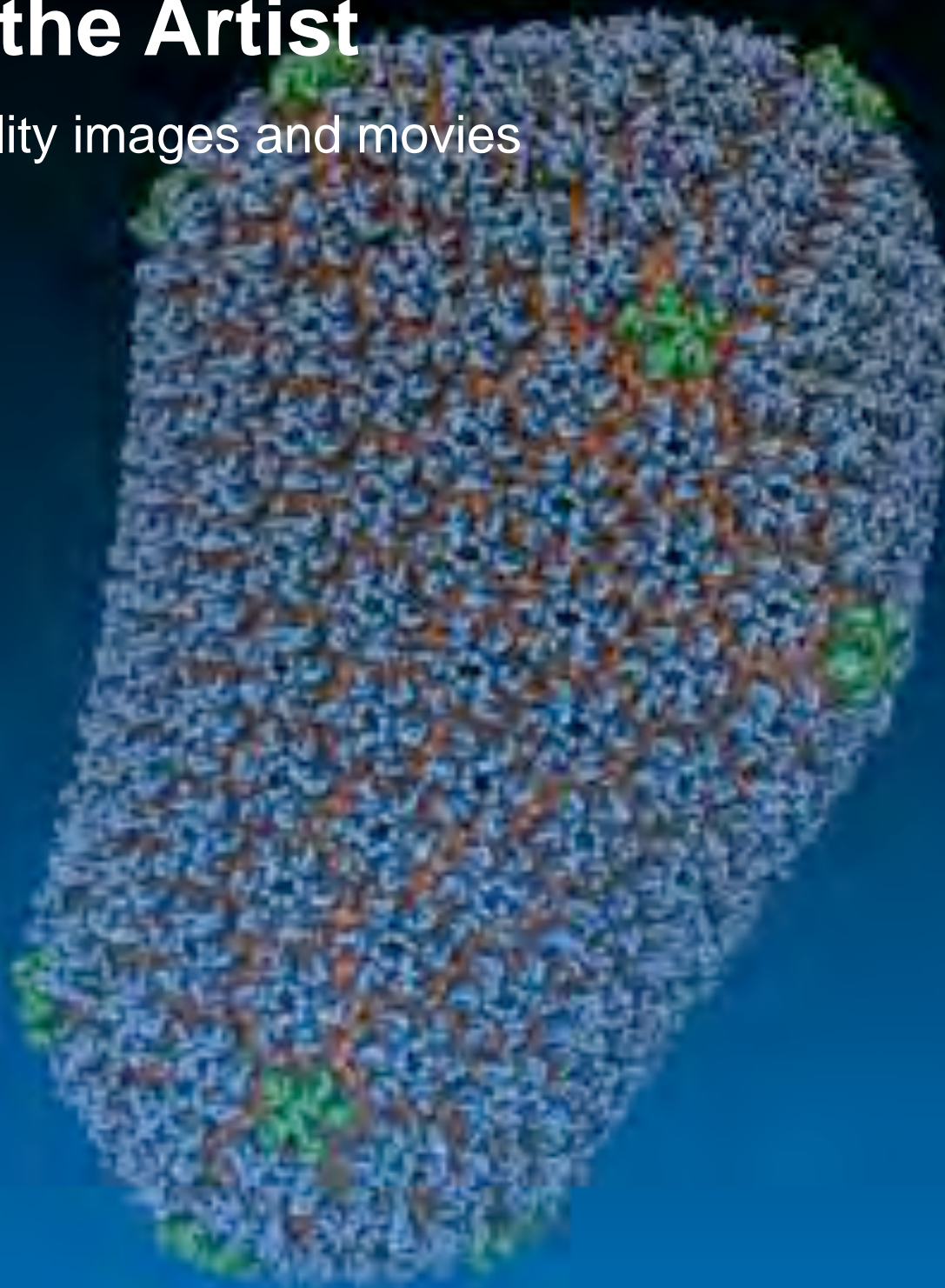
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VMD Images and Movies Tutorial



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Publication-quality images and movies



Section from “Life on Earth” and chromatophore
movie

VMD Session 3:
*exchanging .vmd file
of photosynthetic chromatophore
for joint viewing*

VMD 1.9.1 Released Feb. 4, 2012

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Key Features

- New **NetworkView** plugin for study of allostery, signaling networks
- New **Force Field Toolkit (ffTK)** assists with CHARMM parameter development
- New “**QuickSurf**” surface representation
- New **user-contributed plugins**:
 - Normal Mode Wizard
 - PropKa interface
 - RMSD Trajectory Tool
 - “Heat map” plotting
 - Many others...

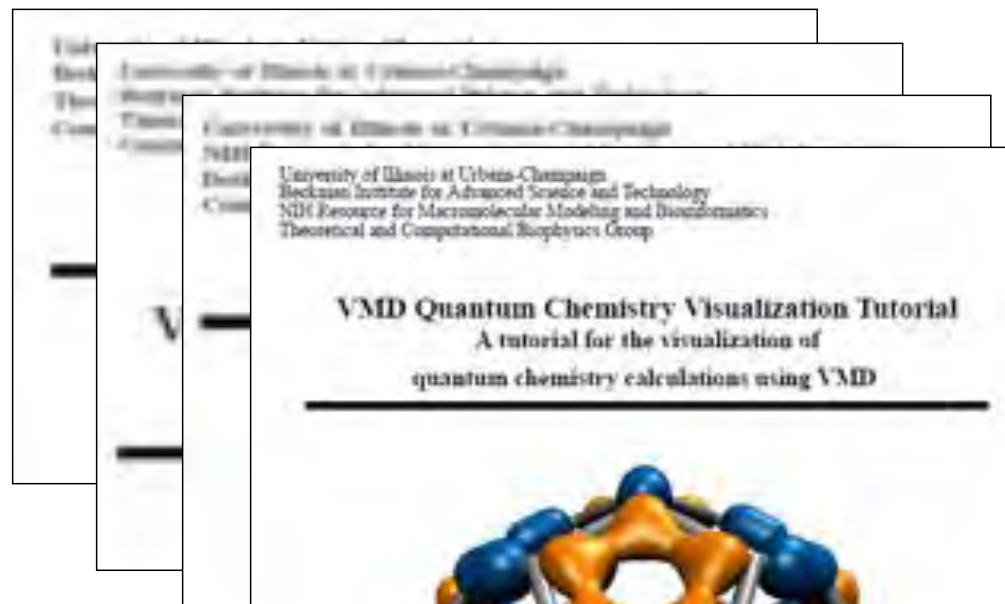


NetworkView: tRNA anti-codon w/
ligand in GluRS active site

VMD and NAMD Work Together



- Over 212,000 registered VMD users
 - 18% (39,000) are NIH-funded
 - Over 49,000 have downloaded multiple VMD releases
- Over 8,000 citations
- User community runs VMD on:
 - MacOS X, Unix, Windows operating systems
 - Laptops, desktop workstations
 - Clusters, supercomputers
- VMD user support efforts:
 - 20,000 emails, 2007-2011
 - Develop and maintain VMD tutorials and topical mini-tutorials; 11 in total
 - Periodic user surveys



The Biomedical Technology Research Center (BTRC) for Macromolecular Achievements Built on People

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- 5 faculty members (2 physics, 1 chemistry, 1 biochemistry, 1 computer science);
- 8 developers; 1 system admin.; 17 post docs; 46 graduate students; 3 administrative staff (assistant director, grants coordinator, training and dissemination)
- Funding/support from NIH and National Science Foundation



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