

Accelerating Convergence of Free Energy Calculation with Replica Exchange Solute Tempering (REST2)

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Outline

1. Multiple Copy Framework of NAMD

Aims & implementation

Popular applications

2. Hysteresis Minimization

λ -Exchange (λ -REMD)

3. Overcome Hidden Barrier with REST2

REST2 Algorithm & Implementation

Straight applications of REST2

Free Energy Perturbation/H-REMD

FEP/REST2

FEP/ λ -REMD/REST2

4. Solvent Sampling Enhancement with REST2

Solvent inaccessible region or Buried pocket

5. Overcome Hidden Barrier of Umbrella Sampling with REST2

US/REMD/REST2

Intelligent sampling with Multiple Copy (Trajectory) Algorithms

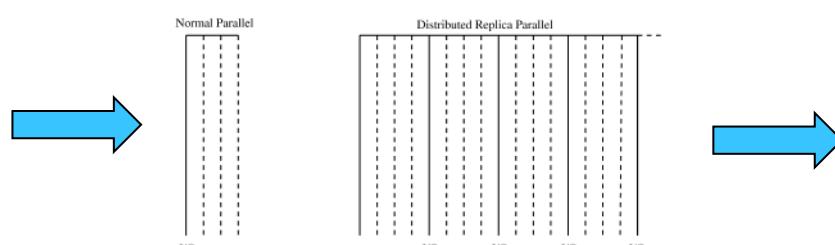
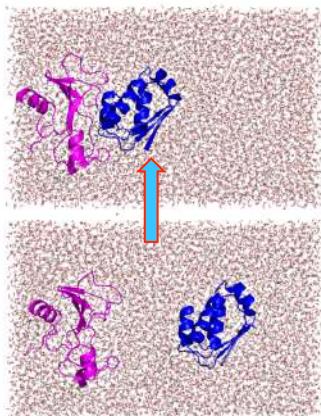
'Problem decomposition' → Many weakly coupled trajectories (Divide-and-conquer)

Each trajectory → molecular dynamics with biased terms

Periodic inter-trajectory communication → Optimal sampling efficiency

Number of trajectories → Controlled with acceptance ratio and replica travel

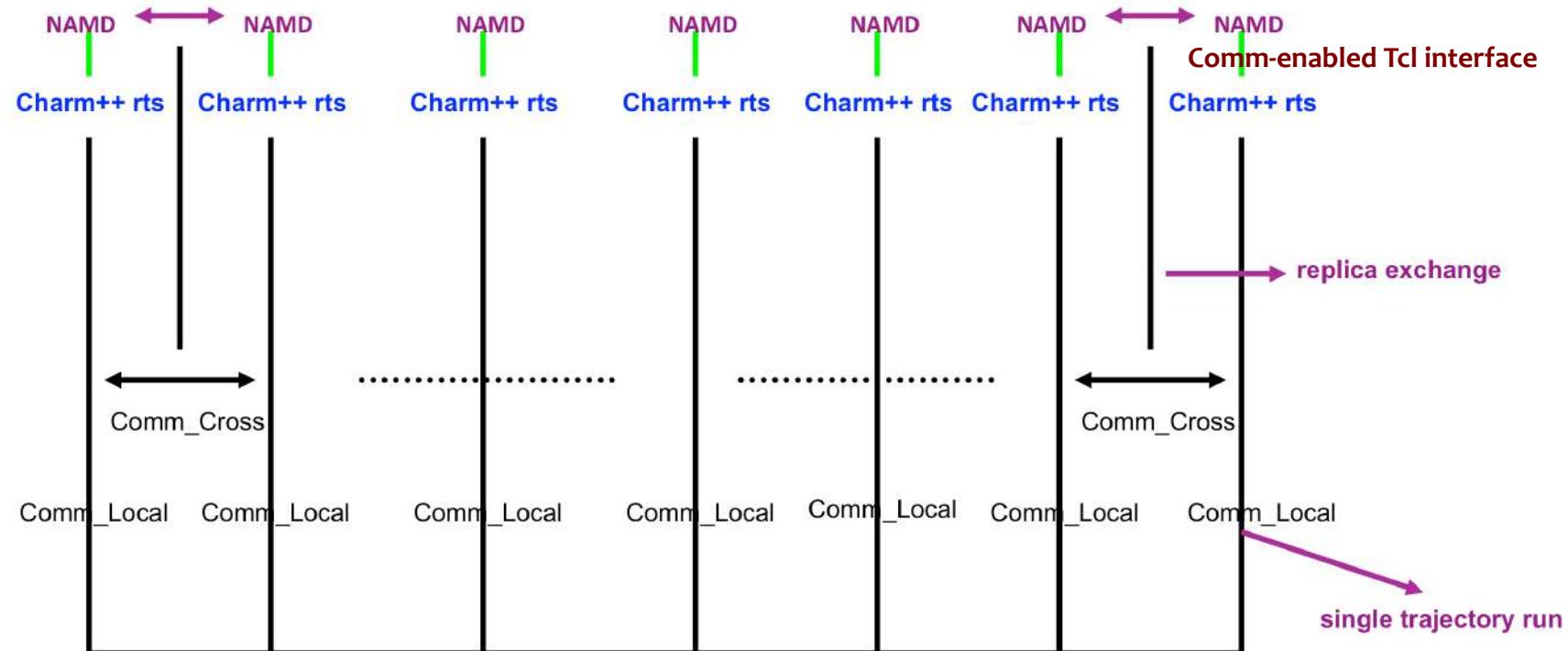
Quantitative info → Free energy, transition path, reaction rate, protein folding/unfolding



Concurrent tasks



Scalable Multiple Copy Framework in NAMD



Multiple Copy Algorithm(MCA) : Coupling multiple trajectories to characterize/accelerate complex molecular processes on massively distributed computer

MCA instances: REST2, T-REMD, AMD/REMD, FEP/REMD, US/REMD, String method, Multi-MetaDynamics, FFM

Communication enabled Tcl scripting interface by which user can arbitrarily design **any** MCA or accelerated sampling algorithm

Major Sampling Difficulties and Solutions in Free Energy Calculations

Hysteresis

Reaction coordinates exchange along reaction path

Enhance window overlapping

Optimizing positions of windows along reaction path

Doesn't overcome large time scale problem

Hidden barrier

Orthogonal to reaction path

Construction of barrier flattening potential

In MCA frame -> Extra boosting windows -> Multi-dimensional

Solvent sampling

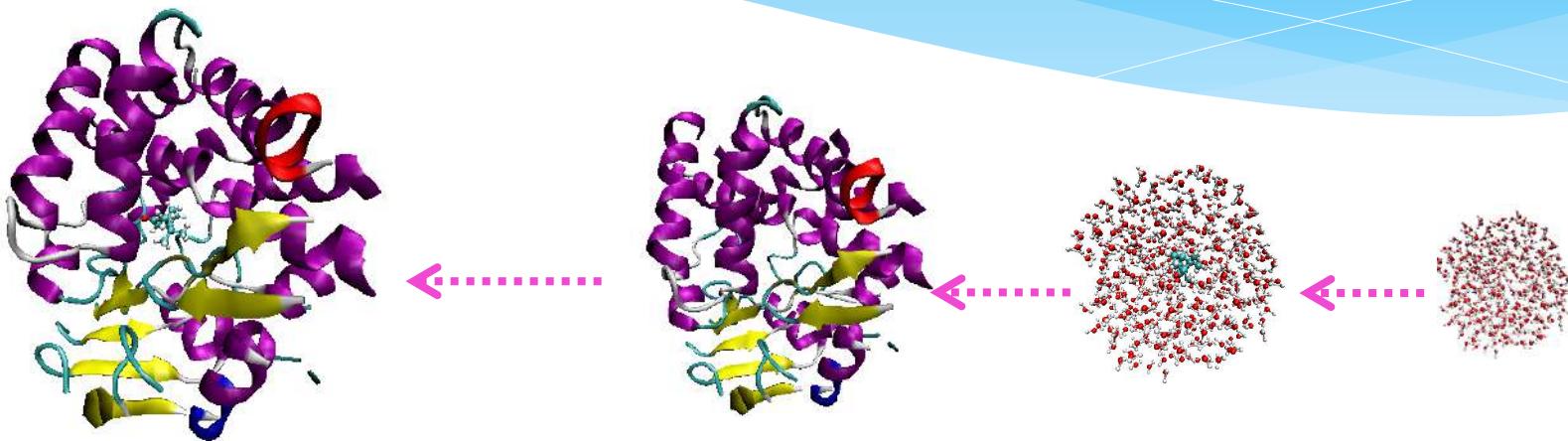
Monte Carlo -> Detailed balance->poor efficiency

Alternative ?

Large length/time scale target structure change

Exceptionally long trajectory

Molecular recognition With Free Energy Perturbation



$$K_b = \frac{\int d(\mathbf{L}) \int d\mathbf{X} \exp[-U/kT]}{\int d(\mathbf{L})_{\text{bulk}} \int d\mathbf{X} \delta(\mathbf{r} - \mathbf{r}') \exp[-U/kT]}$$

$$U(s, \xi, \lambda, \lambda_r) = U_0 + U^{\text{rep}}(s) + \xi U^{\text{dis}} + \lambda U^{\text{elec}} + \lambda_r u_r$$

Theoretical and algorithmic foundation for relative FE
Long reaction path
Complex barrier landscape demanding sampling/FF

$U(s = 0, \xi = 0, \lambda = 0, \lambda_r = 1) \rightarrow U(s = 1, \xi = 0, \lambda = 0, \lambda_r = 1)$
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Quick Application of FEP/λ-REMD

a) FEP/λ-REMD scheme

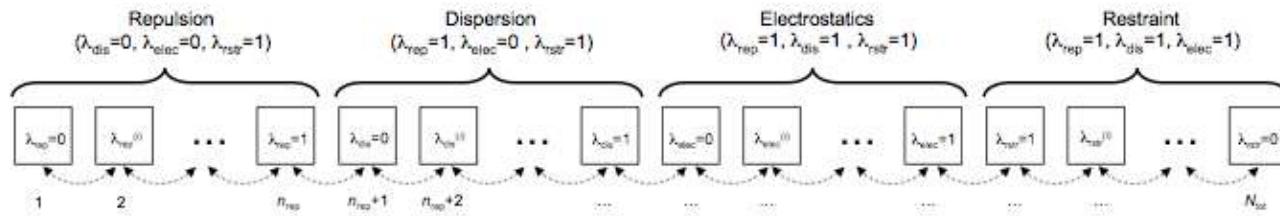
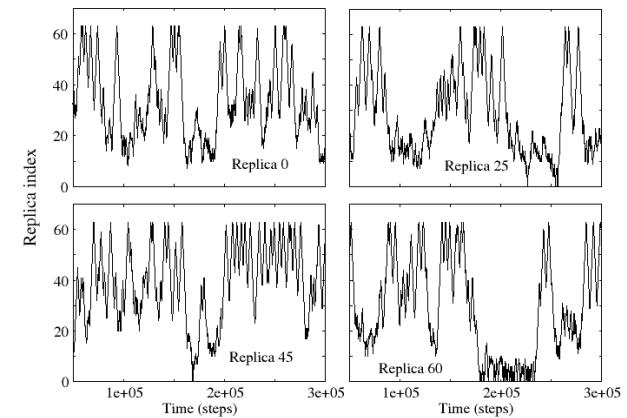


Table 1. Hydration Free Energy and the individual components for TIP3

Prod.	Rep. exchange	ΔG_{rep}	ΔG_{disp}	ΔG_{elec}	ΔG	Expt.
40 ps	0	4.79 ± 0.11	-2.81 ± 0.03	-8.09 ± 0.07	-6.12 ± 0.14	-6.3
	1 /1000 steps	5.10 ± 0.16	-2.87 ± 0.01	-8.20 ± 0.12	-5.97 ± 0.23	
	1/100 steps	5.11 ± 0.15	-2.87 ± 0.02	-8.13 ± 0.08	-5.89 ± 0.18	
100 ps	0	5.12 ± 0.10	-2.88 ± 0.01	-8.20 ± 0.05	-5.95 ± 0.11	
	1/1000 steps	5.11 ± 0.06	-2.87 ± 0.01	-8.21 ± 0.07	-5.97 ± 0.12	
	1/100 steps	5.09 ± 0.07	-2.88 ± 0.01	-8.21 ± 0.06	-6.00 ± 0.12	

Table 2. Hydration Free Energy and Individual Components for Benzene

Prod.	Rep. exchange	ΔG_{rep}	ΔG_{disp}	ΔG_{elec}	ΔG	Expt.
40 ps	0	13.46 ± 0.47	-12.63 ± 0.18	-1.88 ± 0.04	-1.05 ± 0.45	-0.87
	1 /1000 steps	14.41 ± 0.31	-13.07 ± 0.06	-1.89 ± 0.06	-0.55 ± 0.29	
	1/100 steps	14.45 ± 0.39	-13.01 ± 0.07	-1.85 ± 0.05	-0.41 ± 0.39	
100 ps	0	14.67 ± 0.45	-13.07 ± 0.07	-1.90 ± 0.10	-0.30 ± 0.50	
	1/1000 steps	14.47 ± 0.20	-13.06 ± 0.06	-1.87 ± 0.04	-0.45 ± 0.19	
	1/100 steps	14.50 ± 0.21	-13.06 ± 0.04	-1.86 ± 0.06	-0.42 ± 0.18	
	1/10 steps	14.49 ± 0.11	-13.03 ± 0.05	-1.86 ± 0.03	-0.41 ± 0.13	
	1/10 steps	14.49 ± 0.13	-13.03 ± 0.08	-1.86 ± 0.07	-0.41 ± 0.15	



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Co-product of λ exchange: Simple Overlap Sampling

Without λ exchange:

WHAM

BAR

With λ exchange:

Better overlapped windows and correlated data
Instant output of bi-direction potential energies

$$V(\lambda, X_1) \quad V(\lambda + \Delta\lambda, X_2) \quad V(\lambda, X_2) \quad V(\lambda + \Delta\lambda, X_1)$$

SOS is a handy choice -> identical result with WHAM and BAR

$$\exp(-\beta\Delta A) = \frac{\langle \exp(-(V(\lambda + \Delta\lambda, X_2) - V(\lambda, X_1)) / (2.0 * RT)) \rangle_0}{\langle \exp((V(\lambda, X_2) - V(\lambda + \Delta\lambda, X_1)) / (2.0 * RT)) \rangle_1}$$

Receive result in < 5s

λ -Exchange: NOT a real sampling enhancement

Automatic bi-directional \rightarrow minimize hysteresis

Merely an improved computational protocol

No acceleration mechanism introduced each replica

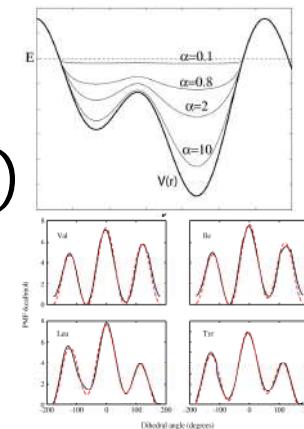
What is a **REAL** sampling enhancement replica exchange?

Boosting mechanism overcoming energy barrier

Boosts kinetic energy (T-REMD) $K = \sum 1/2mV^2$

Lowers potential energy barrier (Accelerated MD)

Lowers free energy barrier (Pre-fitted PMF)



Why Replica Exchange Solute Tempering (REST2)

T-REMD:

#replicas proportional to square root of #atoms

Works only for small/medium size system. <30K atoms

Unable to select interested degrees of freedom

Accelerated MD:

No selection of interested degrees of freedom;

Magic choice of flattening strength

REST2:

User selects interested degrees of freedom;

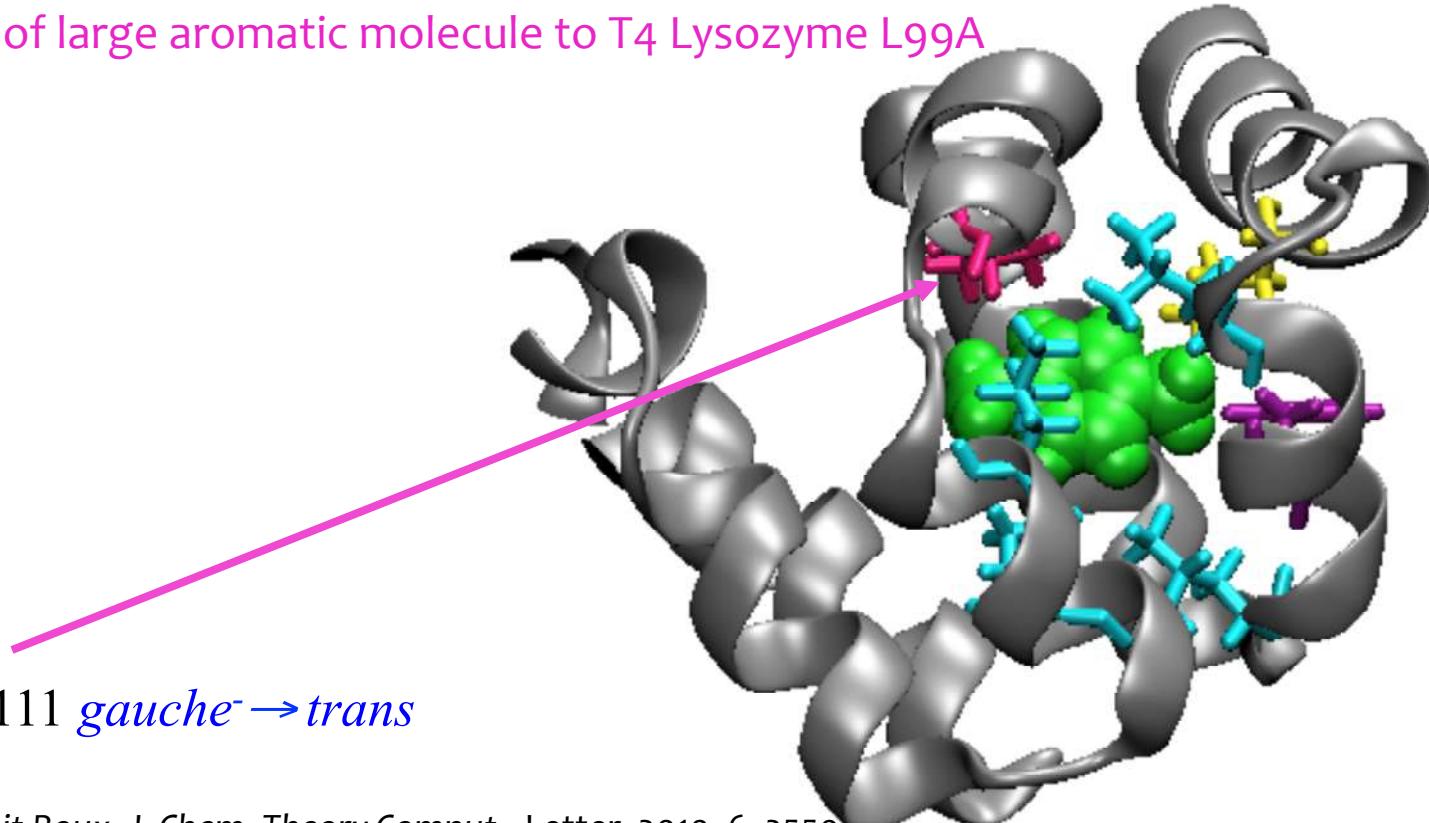
Biasing strength corresponds to an effective $T_{\text{eff}} \rightarrow \exp(-V/kT)$

Enhances energy overlap between neighboring replicas

Kinetically Trapped Conformations in Free Energy calculation

Problems arise when large structural reorganizations happen
Hidden barriers orthogonal to reaction path → Kinetically trapped
Beyond timescale of typical FEP or US/MD trajectory
Efficient flattening potential and quick implementation wanted!

Binding of large aromatic molecule to T4 Lysozyme L99A



Replica Exchange Solute Tempering (REST2)

All replicas are run at the same temperature but the potential energy for each replica is scaled differently;

Lowering energy barrier of small group atoms -> significantly higher efficiency than traditional temperature exchange

$$E_m^{\text{REST2}}(X) = \frac{\beta_m}{\beta_0} E_{ss}(X) + \sqrt{\frac{\beta_m}{\beta_0}} E_{sw}(X) + E_{ww}(X) \rightarrow \text{parameter rescaling}$$

$$\Delta_{mn}(\text{REST2}) = (\beta_m - \beta_n) \left[(E_{ss}(X_n) - E_{ss}(X_m)) + \frac{\sqrt{\beta_0}}{\sqrt{\beta_m} + \sqrt{\beta_n}} (E_{sw}(X_n) - E_{sw}(X_m)) \right]$$

Replica exchange solute tempering:

High transferability;

Straightforward to implement, multiple versions;

The most popular Hamiltonian exchange method.

REST2 in NAMD:

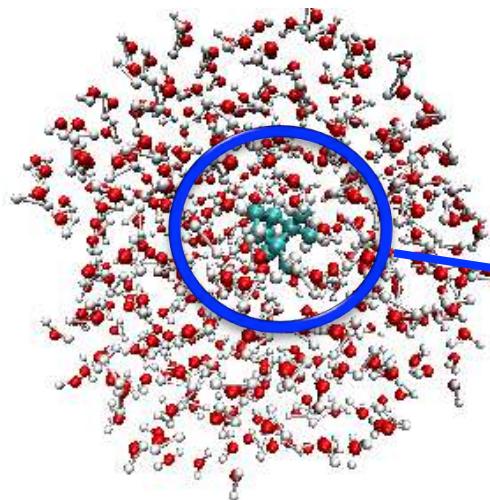
Generic implementation -> free end user preparing customized input files.

Parameter exchange -> high frequency exchange attempt

Communication master -> Tcl script

Ready to employ along with other free energy methods.

Replica Exchange Solute Tempering (REST2)



Surrounding region feels parameter scaling

$$q_1 \text{ is rescaled, } F_1 = F_2 = \lambda * q_1 * q_2$$

Decouples timescale of ‘solute’ and surroundings.

Not a real barrier flattening method

Parameter scaling influences un-tempered particles

Modify hydrophobic/hydrophilic properties -> oversampling

Exchange attempt frequency, highest effective temperature and selection of heated region

Basic Usage and Tips of REST2 in NAMD

Works on CPU and GPU

```
ssFile myfile.pdb # pdb format file, generated with VMD plugin  
ssCol O # with value '1.0' for REST2 atoms  
soluteScaling on # REST2 On  
soluteScalingFactor 0.9 # default scaling keyword  
soluteScalingFactorCharge 0.8 # override soluteScalingFactor  
soluteScalingFactorVdw 0.7 # overrides soluteScalingFactor  
soluteScalingAll off # only dihedral/improper terms are tempered
```

soluteScalingFactorCharge and soluteScalingFactorVdw:
fine-grained implementation
improving acceptance ratio
minimizing nonequilibrium effect of REST2
Flexible for different systems. ie, **soluteScalingFactorCharge** membrane system.

SoluteScalingFactor Setup Per Replica

soluteScalingFactor setup per replica

```
proc replica_sptscale { i }{
    global num_replicasA num_replicasB num_replicasC min_temp max_temp

    if { $i < $num_replicasA }{
        set temp [expr ($max_temp * exp( log(1.0*$min_temp/$max_temp)*(1.0*$i/($num_replicasA-0.0)) ))]
        return [ expr $min_temp/$temp ]
    } elseif { $i >= $num_replicasA && $i < [expr $num_replicasA+$num_replicasB] }{
        return 1.0
    } else {
        set temp [expr ($min_temp * exp( log(1.0*$max_temp/$min_temp)*(1.0*($i-$num_replicasA-$num_replicasB+1.0)/
        ($num_replicasC-0.0)) ))]
        return [ expr $min_temp/$temp ]
    }
}
```

```
proc setup_parameters { ID }{
    global num_replicas restart_root
    soluteScalingFactor [replica_sptscale $ID] # REST2
    set IDN [expr ($ID + 1)]
    if { $IDN < $num_replicas }{ # soluteScalingFactor for each Replica

        set Lambda [replica_lambda $ID]
        set Lambda2 [replica_lambda $IDN]
        alchLambda $Lambda           # Free energy perturbation
        alchLambda2 $Lambda2
    } else {
        alchLambda 1.0
        alchLambda2 1.0
    }
}
```

Master config file

```
set num_replicas 16
set min_temp 300 ;# physical temperature
set max_temp 900 ;# highest temperature where parameters
                  # of selected region is rescaled by 1/3 (300/900)
set TEMP 300
set steps_per_run 100 ;# 0.2 ps #replica exchange frequency
set num_runs 100 ;#total steps_steps_per_run * steps_per_run
                  # num_runs should be divisible by runs_per_frame *
                  #frames_per_restart
set runs_per_frame 10 ;# 5 ps per frame
set frames_per_restart 10 ;# 1000 ps per restart
set namd_config_file "aaqaa3_rest2_base.namd"
set output_root "output_spt_aaqa3/%s/rest2"; # directories must exist
```

Replica Exchange - Communication Enabled Tcl

Potential Energy Exchange

```
if { $replica(index) < $replica(index.$swap) }{
    set POTENTIAL2 [replicaRecv $replica(loc.$swap)]
}
if { $replica(index) > $replica(index.$swap) }{
    replicaSend $POTENTIAL $replica(loc.$swap)
}
if { $replica(index) > $replica(index.$swap) }{
    set POTENTIAL2 [replicaRecv $replica(loc.$swap)]
}
if { $replica(index) < $replica(index.$swap) }{
    replicaSend $POTENTIAL $replica(loc.$swap)
}
if { $replica(index) != $replica(index.$swap) }{
    set replica(ParamID) $replica(index.$swap)
    setup_parameters $replica(ParamID)
```

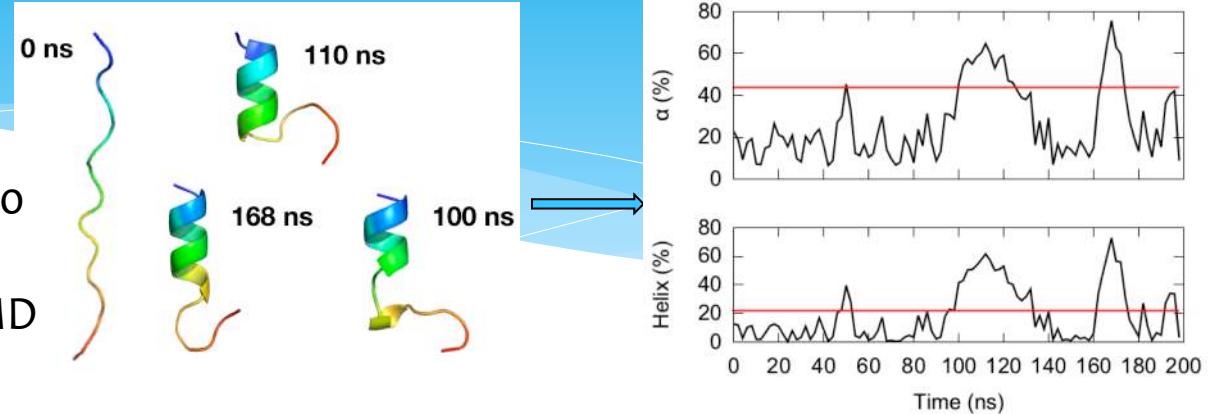
NAMD source tree: lib/replica/REST2/rest2_remd.namd

soluteScalingFactor Exchange

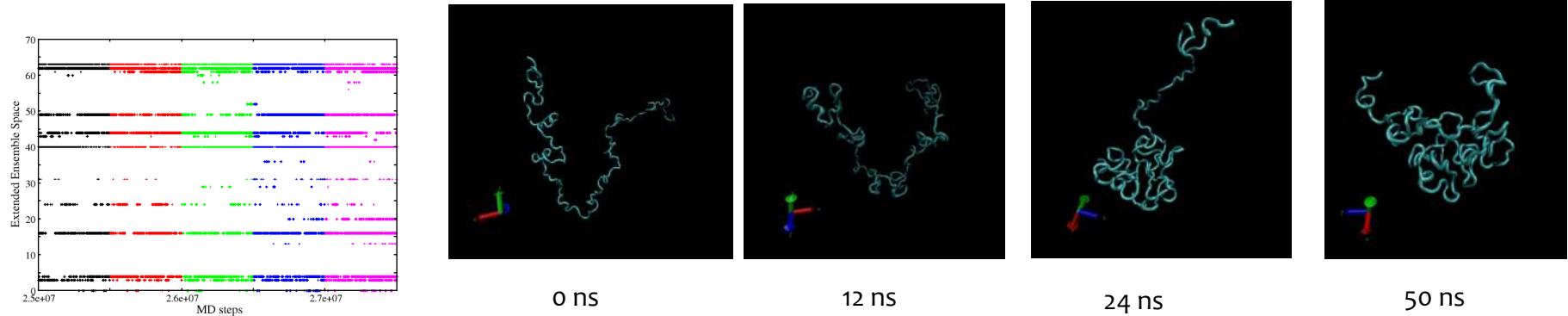
```
if { $replica(index) < $replica(index.$swap) }{
    set BOLTZMAN 0.001987191
    set delta [expr ($POTENTIAL_NEW + $POTENTIAL_NEW2 - $POTENTIAL - $POTENTIAL2)/($BOLTZMAN * $TEMP)]
    set doswap [expr $delta < 0. || exp(-1. * $delta) > rand()]
    replicaSend $doswap $replica(loc.$swap)
    puts $sos_history_file "$i_step $replica(index) $replica(index.$swap) $TEMP $POTENTIAL $POTENTIAL_NEW $POTENTIAL2 $POTENTIAL_NEW2 $doswap"
    if { $doswap }{
        puts stderr "EXCHANGE_ACCEPT $replica(index) $replica(index.$swap) RUN $i_run"
        incr replica(exchanges_accepted)
    }
    incr replica(exchanges_attempted)
}
if { $replica(index) > $replica(index.$swap) }{
    set doswap [replicaRecv $replica(loc.$swap)]
    puts $sos_history_file "$i_step $replica(index) $replica(index.$swap) $TEMP $POTENTIAL $POTENTIAL_NEW $POTENTIAL2 $POTENTIAL_NEW2 $doswap"
}
```

Protein Folding-Unfolding Transitions with REST2

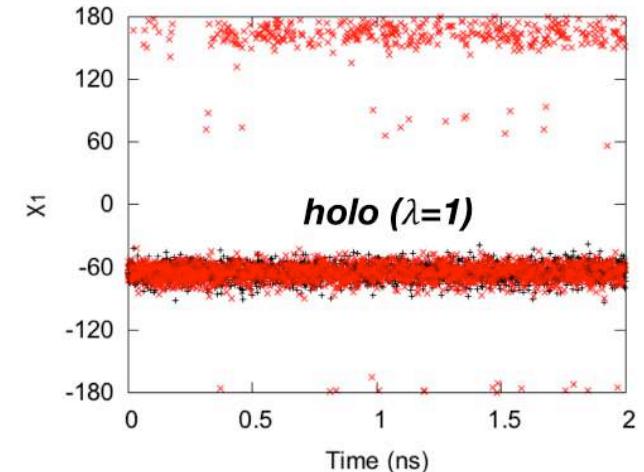
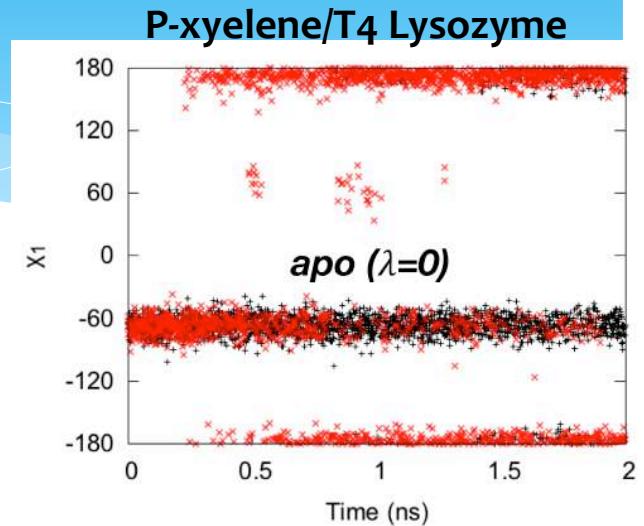
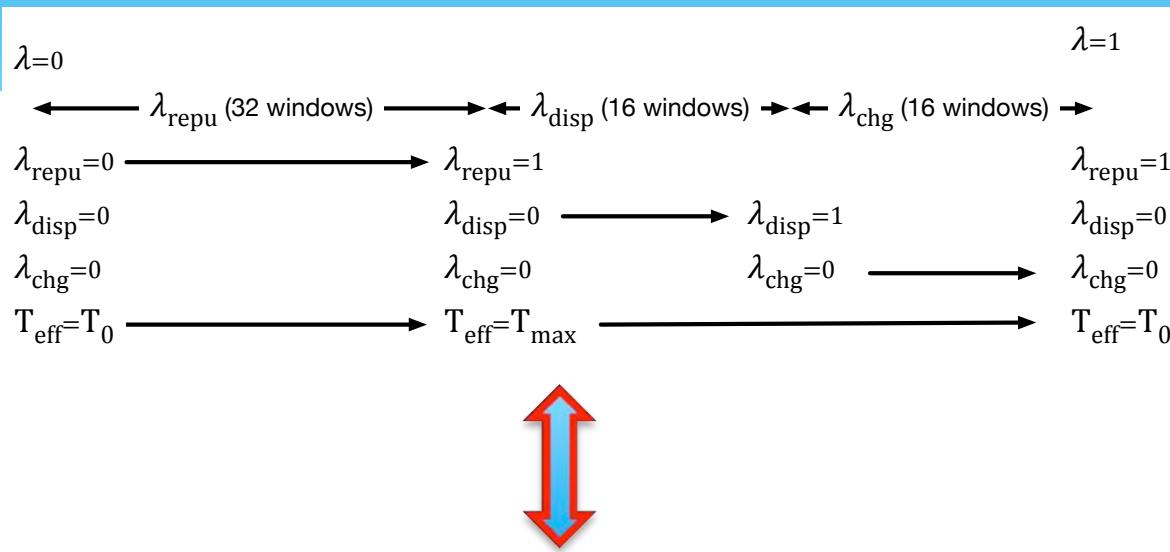
Peptide folding-unfolding,
explicit solvent, 16 replica,
effective temperature range 300
– 600K
Acceptance ratio: 50% >> T-REMD



Large protein folding-unfolding, **explicit** solvent, 64 REST2 replicas, 60% acceptance ratio with exchange attempt frequency 1/20 steps



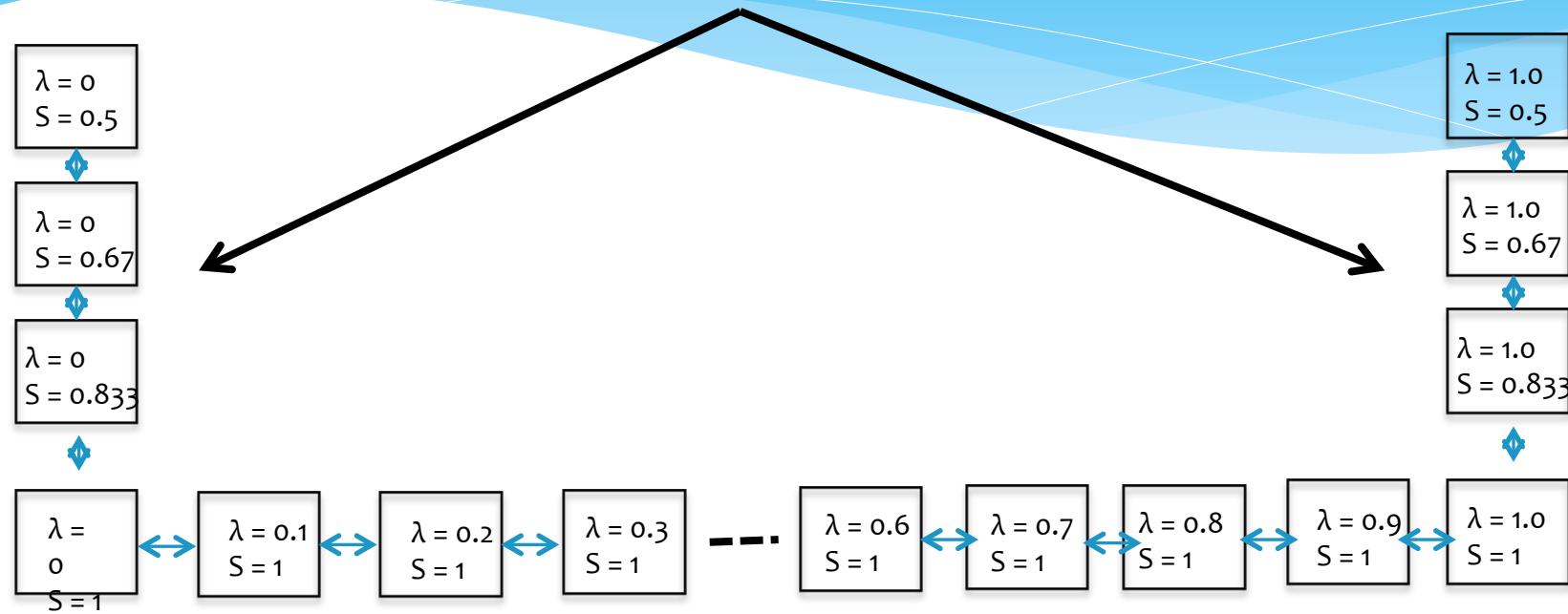
FEP/REST2 (Schrodinger Version)



Cheap solution and easy implementation
 Thermodynamic axis is contaminated by the brutal mixing of REST2 and FEP
 Carefully controlled heated region minimizes nonequilibrium effects.

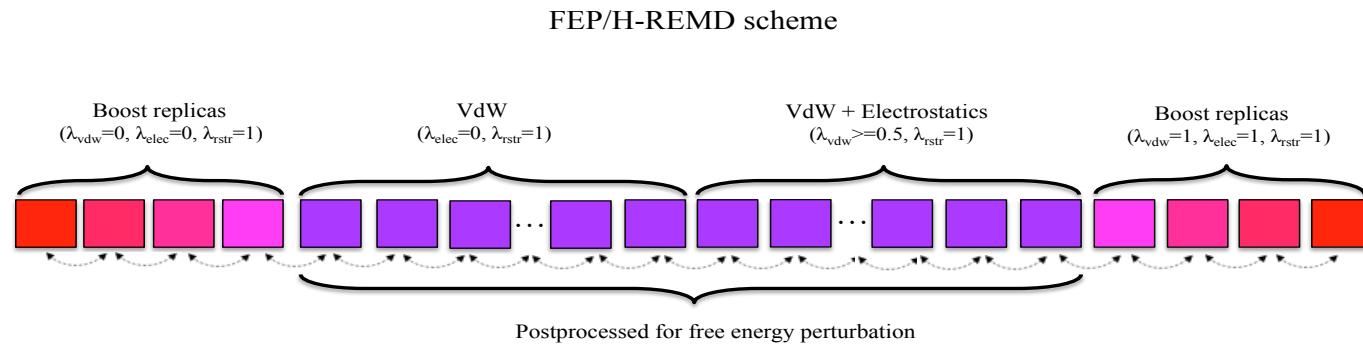
Orthogonal Implementation of FEP/REMD/REST2

End states have deepest hidden barrier



Separation of λ -REMD and REST2, leaving FEP as it is
REST2 windows adjustable with size of heated region
Need slightly more parallel computing resource

Reduced 1D FEP/H-REMD with REST2 in NAMD

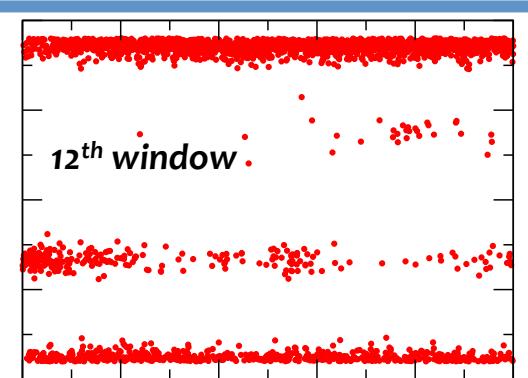
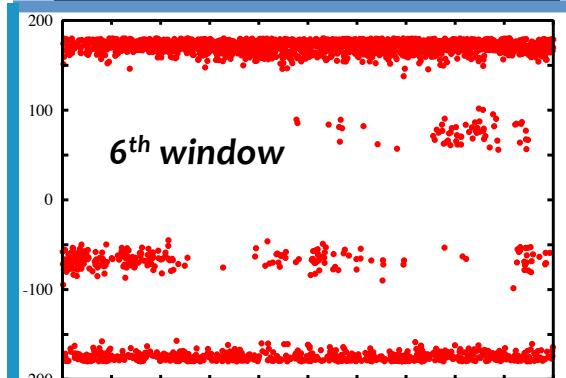
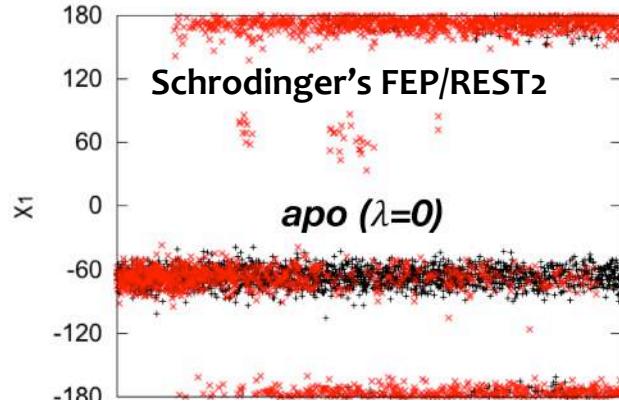
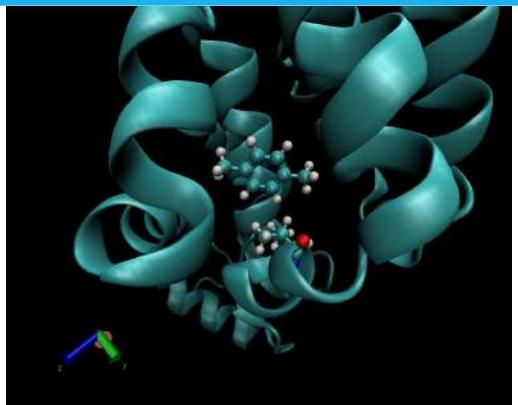
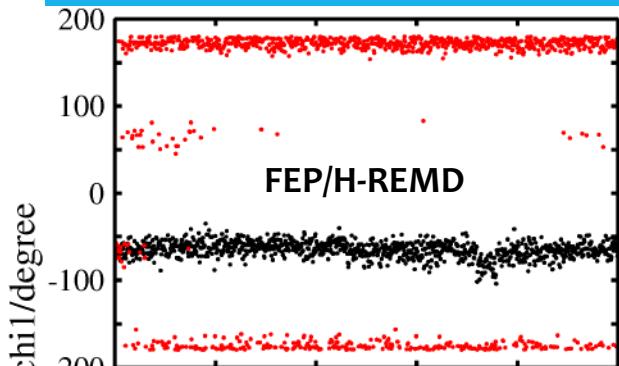


Metropolis MC

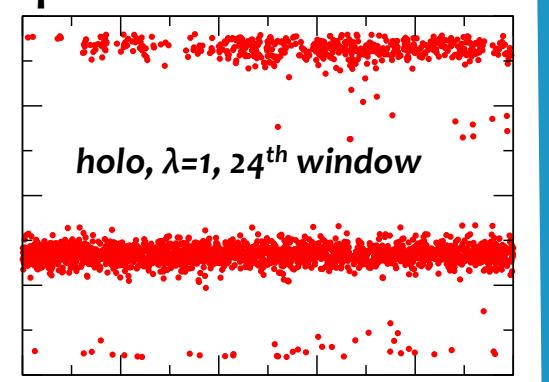
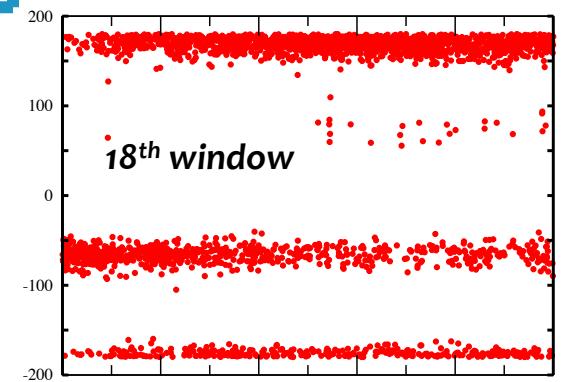
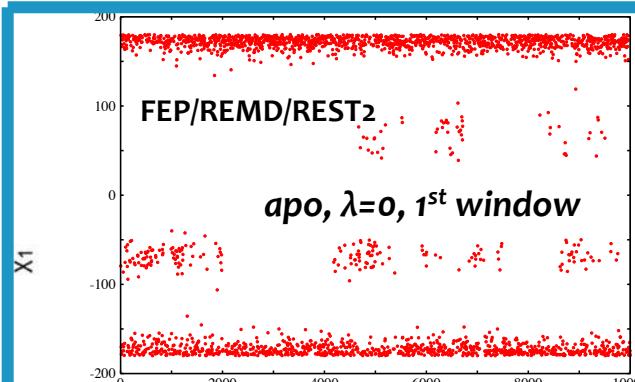
$$P(\lambda_i, b_i \rightarrow \lambda_j, b_j) = \min \left\{ 1, e^{-[U(\lambda_i, b_i, \mathbf{r}_i) + U(\lambda_j, b_j, \mathbf{r}_j) - U(\lambda_i, b_i, \mathbf{r}_j) - U(\lambda_j, b_j, \mathbf{r}_i)] / k_B T} \right\}$$

Two end states involve large time scale
High frequency exchange
Accelerated conformations travel through whole path

FEP/REMD/REST2 and Schrodinger's FEP/REST2

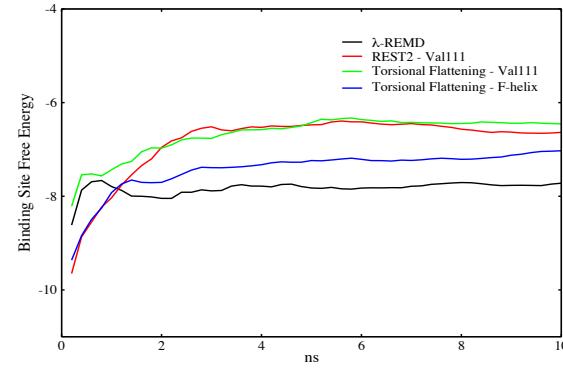
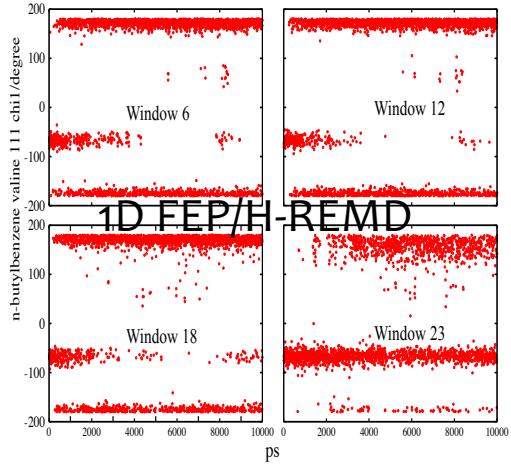
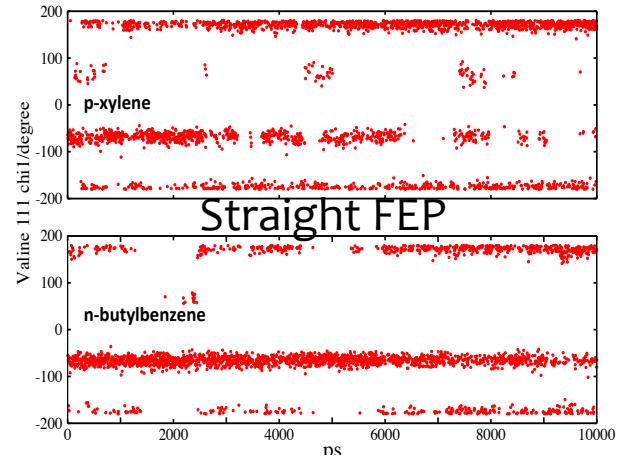
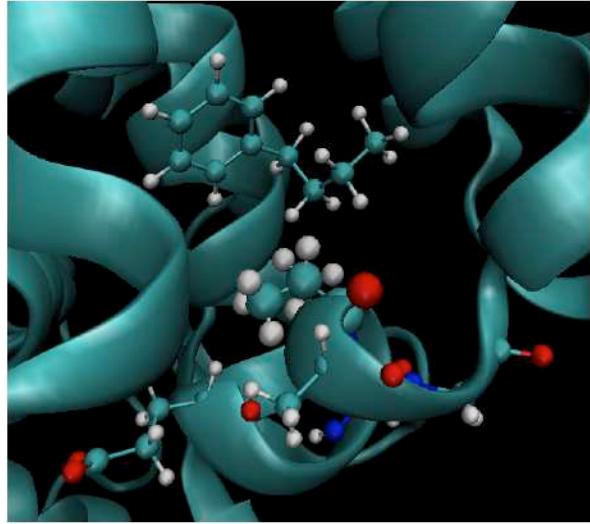


Reasonable evolution from apo to holo state



-5.5 kcal/mol vs exp -4.7 kcal/mol

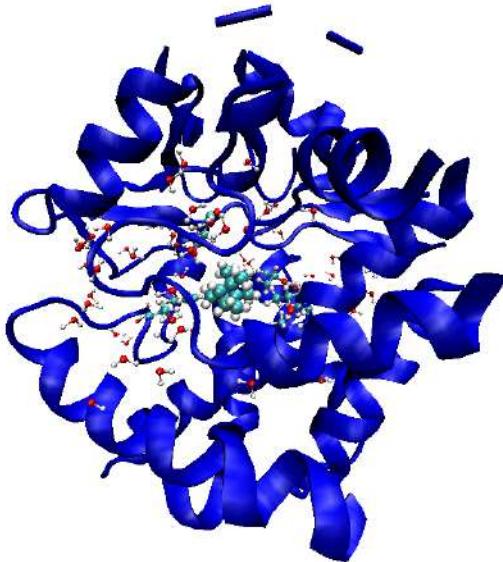
1D FEP/H-REMD to N-Butylbenzene/T4 Lysozyme



Hamiltonian lagging

↔ Accelerated convergence

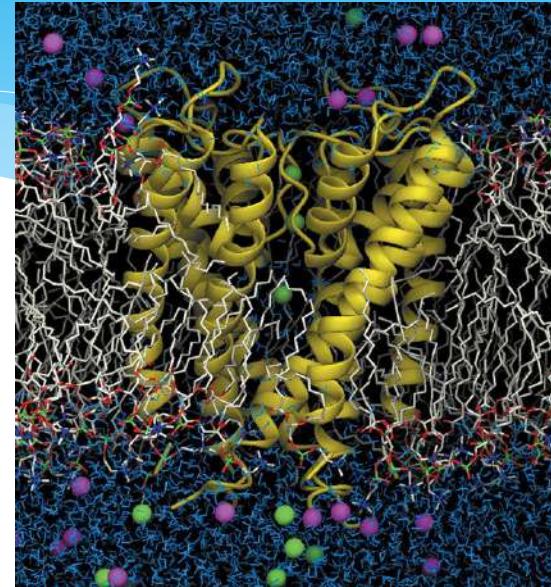
Solvent acceleration with simulated annealing REST2



Camphor/P450 Binding Complex

Buried binding pocket

Interior polar residues



KcSA Ion Channel

Large cavity

Solvent configuration sampling

Demanding sampling of solvent!!!

Many solvent configurations needed

Monte Carlo method is too slow and doesn't match MD trajectory on-the-fly

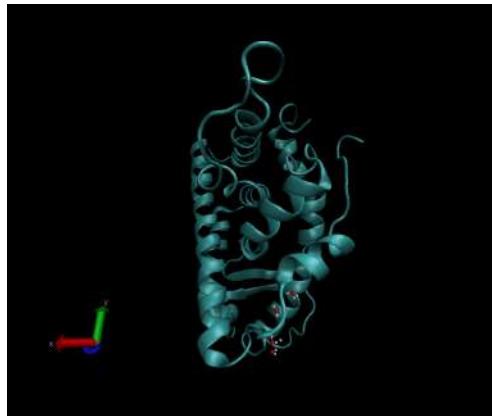
Temperature replica exchange doesn't work efficiently with explicit solvent

Hybrid of Simulated Annealing and REST2 for Solvent acceleration

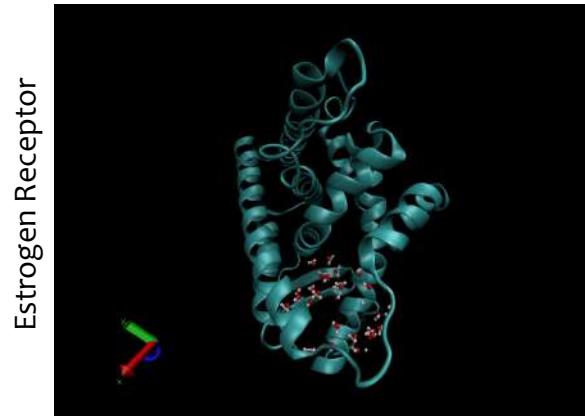
Effective simulated annealing (SA) can replace solvent temperature replica exchange
Re-scale potential energy: (1) scale elec energy of solvent with others fixed.

Good SA schedule of solvent remove bad steric interaction

Periodic SA during FEP -> SA – FEP – SA – FEP Analogous to CHARMM FEP/GCMC



1 ns



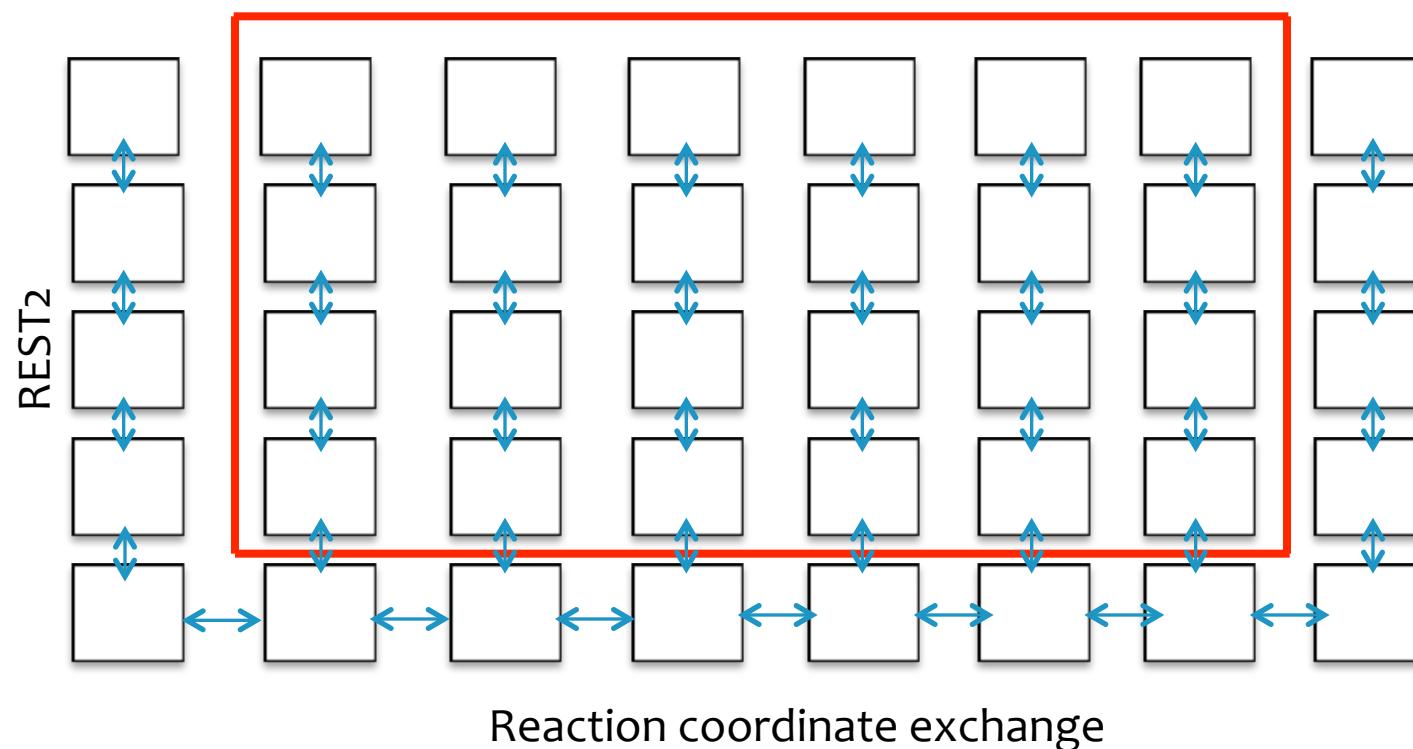
100 ps (scaling factor 0.75) + 100ps 300K

		EXP (kcal/mol)	FEP/SA/REST2
1	DES	-13.2	-14.0
2	OHT	-12.7	-13.5
3	EST	-12.3	-13.3
4	E1T	-10.7	-11.5
5	TAM	-10.6	-11.3
6	NAF	-9.4	-10.6
7	NOR	-8.7	-9.80

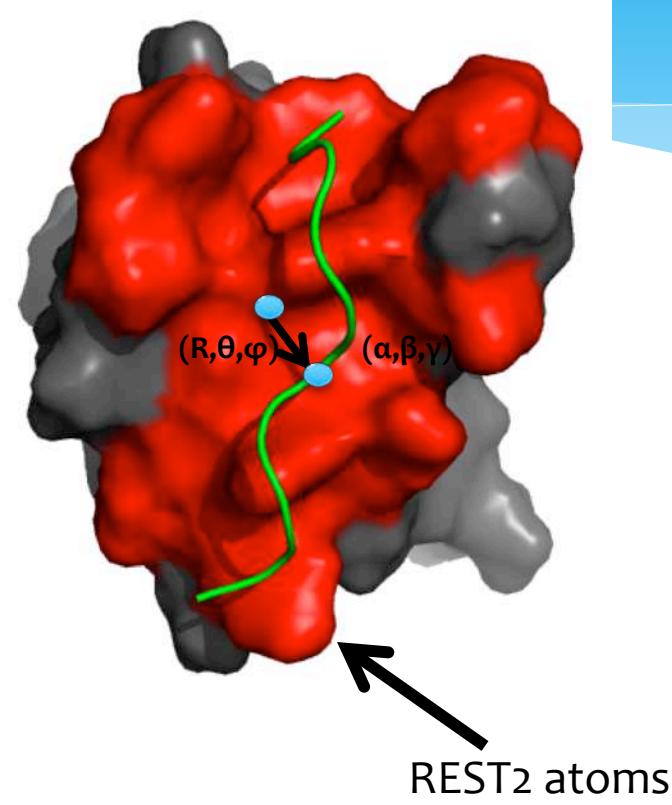
Combination of Umbrella Sampling and REST2

REST2 overcomes Hamiltonian lagging
Multidimensional Hamiltonian exchange
scheme Umbrella biases are exchanged in one
axis

REST2 in another axis

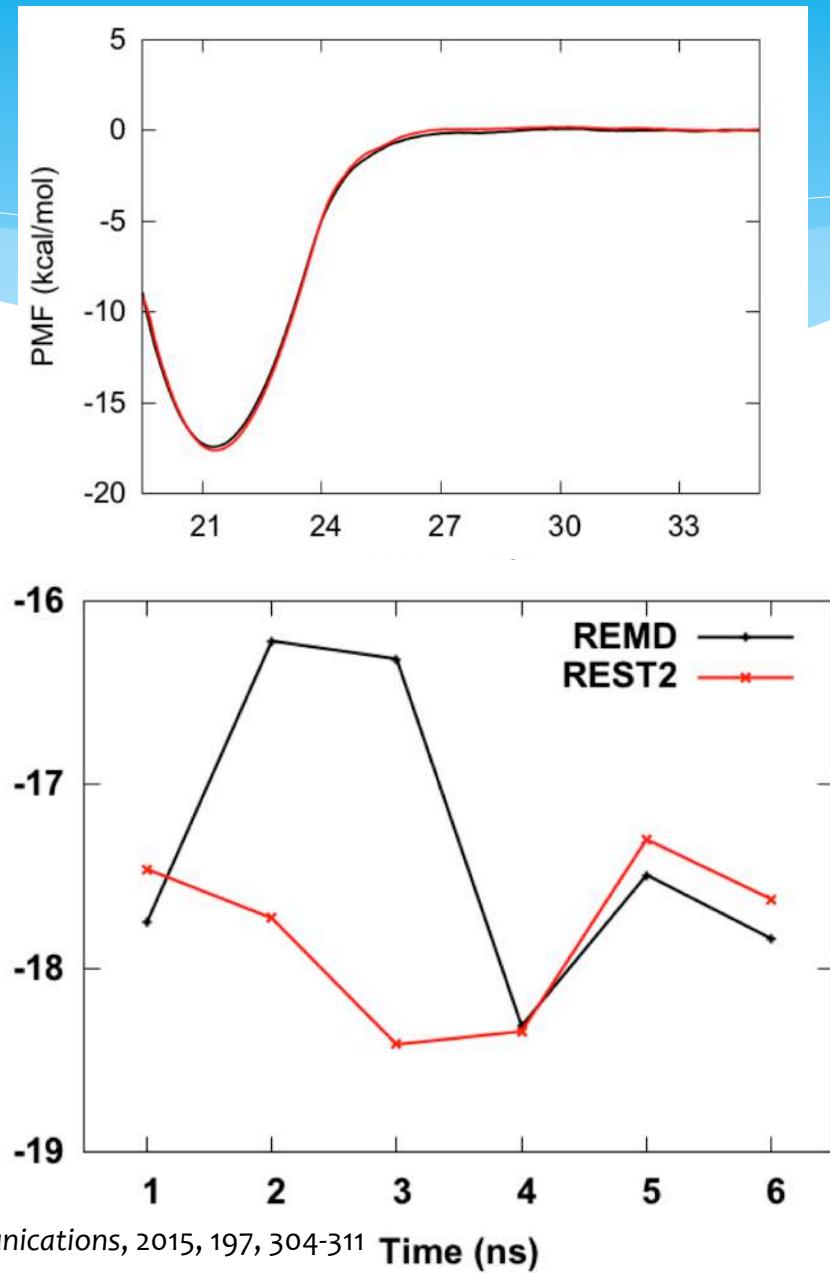


Binding of Peptide to SH3 domain of Kinase

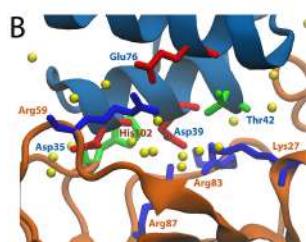
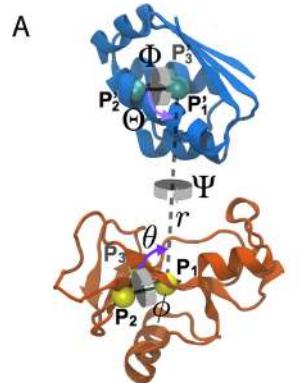
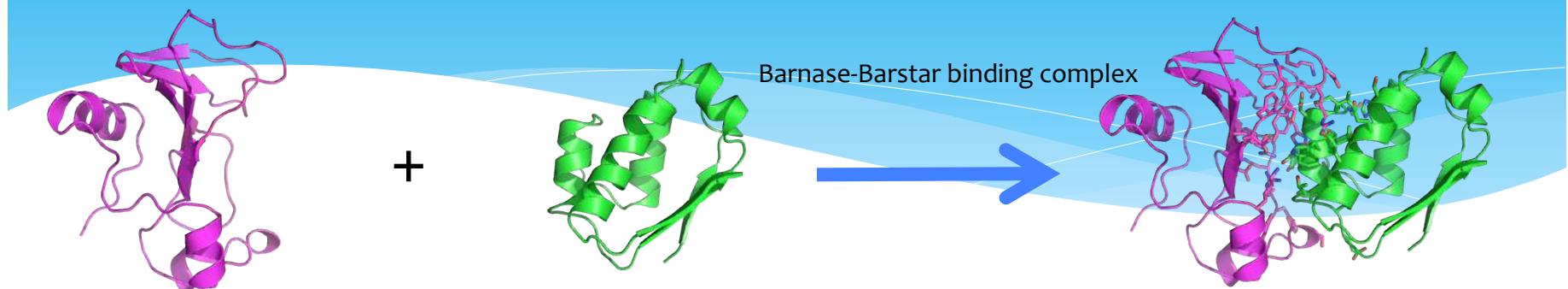


REMD and REMD/REST2
32 and 128 replicas
side chain atoms that are within 4 Å
from the peptide were selected for
tempering

Sunhwan Jo, Wei Jiang, Computer Physics Communications, 2015, 197, 304-311



Quantifying Protein-Protein Binding Energy and Entropy



6 collective variables were used to constraint orientation (Θ, Φ , and Ψ) and translation (r, θ, ϕ)

Barnase binding interface is plastic and selected as tempering
255 umbrella windows \times 8 REST2 replicas = 2040 replicas

Barstar-Barnase Binding Entropy

	WT	ΔH	$-T\Delta S$
$\Delta\Delta G_{Bs,c}$	0.2	-5.0	3.8
$\Delta\Delta G_{Bn,c}$	0.6	-7.3	7.9
$\Delta\Delta G_{Bs,res}$	3.5	-8.3	9.5
$\Delta\Delta G_{Bn,res}$	6.8	-5.7	13.0
$\Delta\Delta G_{orient}$	4.5	1.2	3.5
$-kBT \log(S^* I^* C^\circ)$	-35.0	16.1	-47.3
ΔG_{Bind}	-19.6 ± 0.6	-9.1 ± 10.5	-9.6 ± 10.5
ΔG_{exp}	-19.0	-19.3	0.3

Summary

- (1) Straightforward usage on CPU and GPU
- (2) High transferability
- (3) Potential oversampling -> carefully monitored
- (4) Fine grained tempering -> specific problem
- (5) Hybrid Simulated Annealing and REST2 accelerating solvent sampling
- (6) Free energy calculation with REST2

Sample REST2 usage

Download NAMD 2.13b1

<https://www.ks.uiuc.edu/Development/Download/download.cgi?PackageName=NAMD>

```
cd lib/replica/REST2
```

Single replica test case of REST2: aaqaa3_rest2_test.namd

A REST2 example with parallel computing: rest2_remd.namd,
aaqaa3_rest2_base.namd, init.conf

Submission of REST2 task:

```
... namd2 +replicas 16 init.conf --source rest2_remd.namd +stdout >  
output_rest2/%d/job0.%d.log > test.out
```

You need mk directory 'output_rest2' and 16 subdirectories 0, 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8,
9, 10, 11, 12, 13, 14, 15 inside 'output_rest2'