

# Advanced Building

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# Barriers: BUILD; EQUILIBRATE; PROPAGATE; ANALYZE

What software package(s) and force-fields do I use?

**Starting structure?**

**How do I clean up the structure?**

**How do I set up a trajectory (time or space)?**

**How do I calculate scattering observables correctly?**

# Overview

## Intermediate Building

### Building coordinates for missing atoms/residues

Dealing with domain / domain orientation

SASSIE-web Build

A trick for topological issues

## Advanced Building

FF Development (not in list of “RESI”)

CGenFF (<https://cgenff.paramchem.org>)

FFTK (<http://www.ks.uiuc.edu/Research/vmd/plugins/fftk/>)

CHARMM-GUI (<http://charmm-gui.org>)

Antechamber (Amber)

# Overview

## Missing bits

### Typical scenarios:

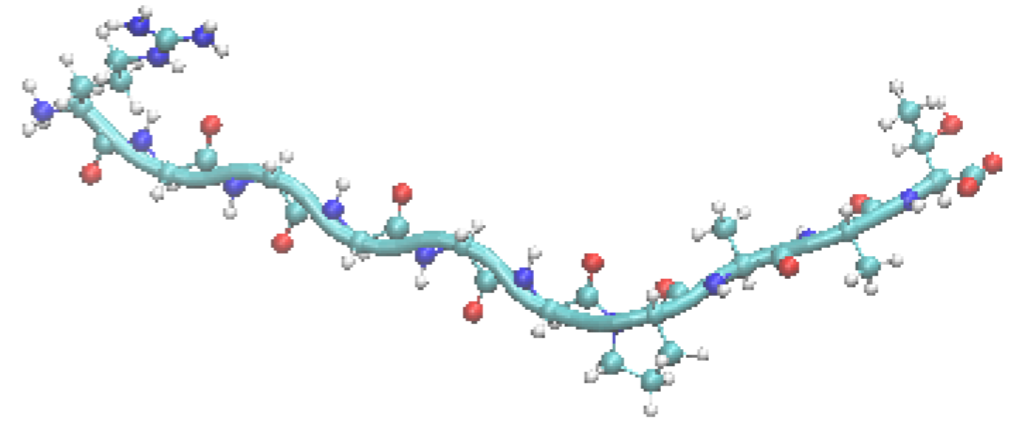
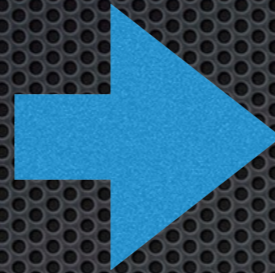
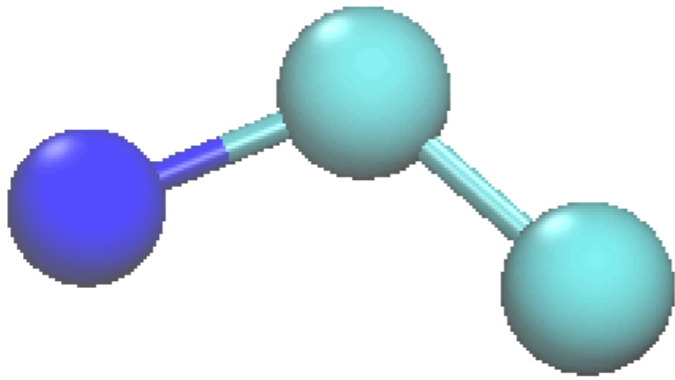
- N-terminus & C-terminus missing (random or cloning artifacts)
- Single amino acid missing (or small loop)
- Large internal loop missing

### Two simple solutions:

- (1) Use psfgen to add internal coordinates to fill gaps & then minimize
- (2) Use CHARMM (MD) to add internal coordinates & minimize
- (3) ROSETTA, Modeller (\$UCSF\$), . . .

**Internal loops: one could run some “simulated annealing” and/or Torsion Angle MD dynamics to sample configurations to relax large manually inserted loops.**

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```

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```

```
segment PEP {  
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  pdb output_building/peptide_sequence_from_fasta.pdb  
  last CTER  
}
```

```
coordpdb output_building/peptide_stub.pdb PEP
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guesscoord
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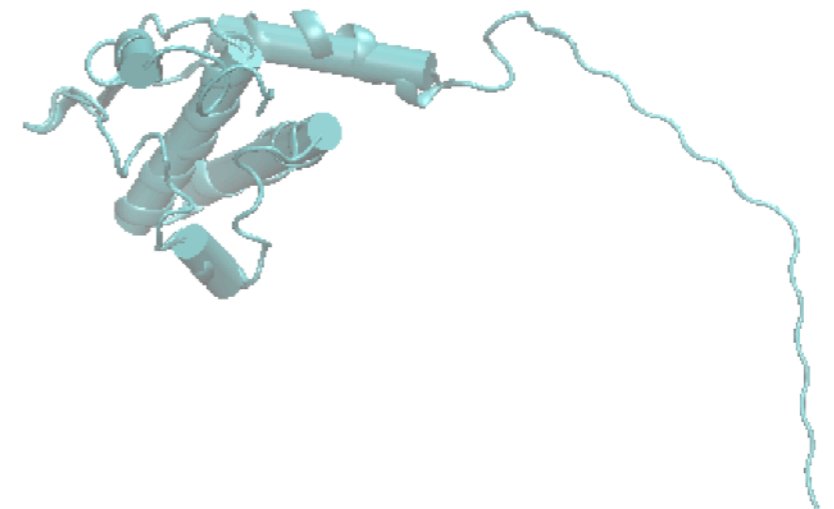
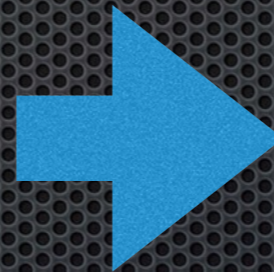
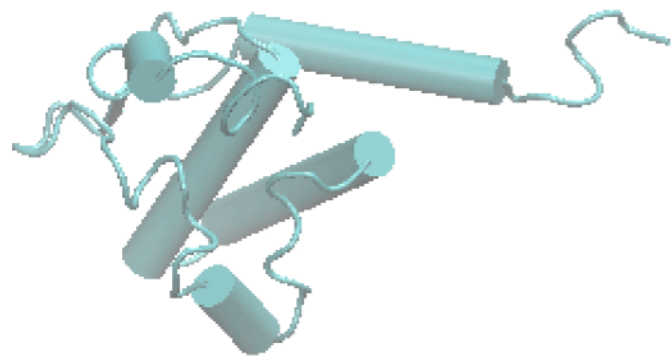
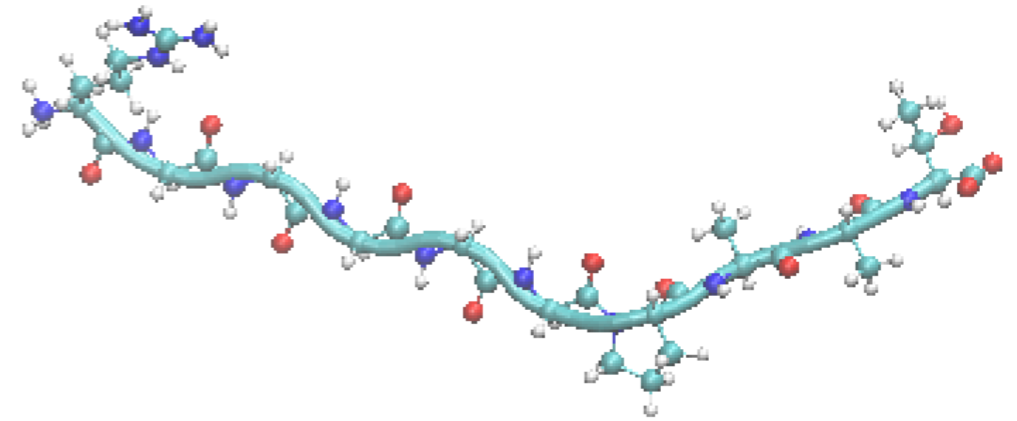
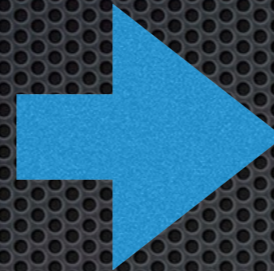
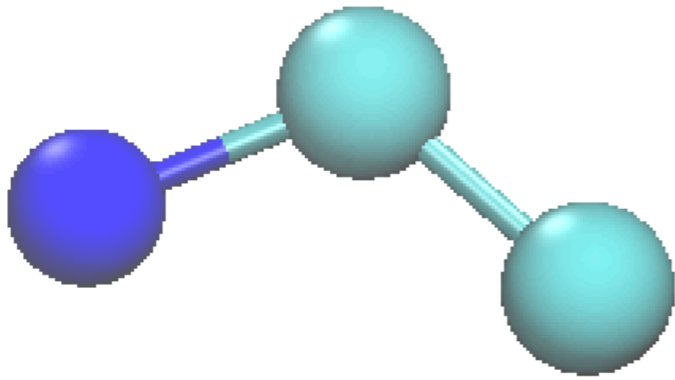
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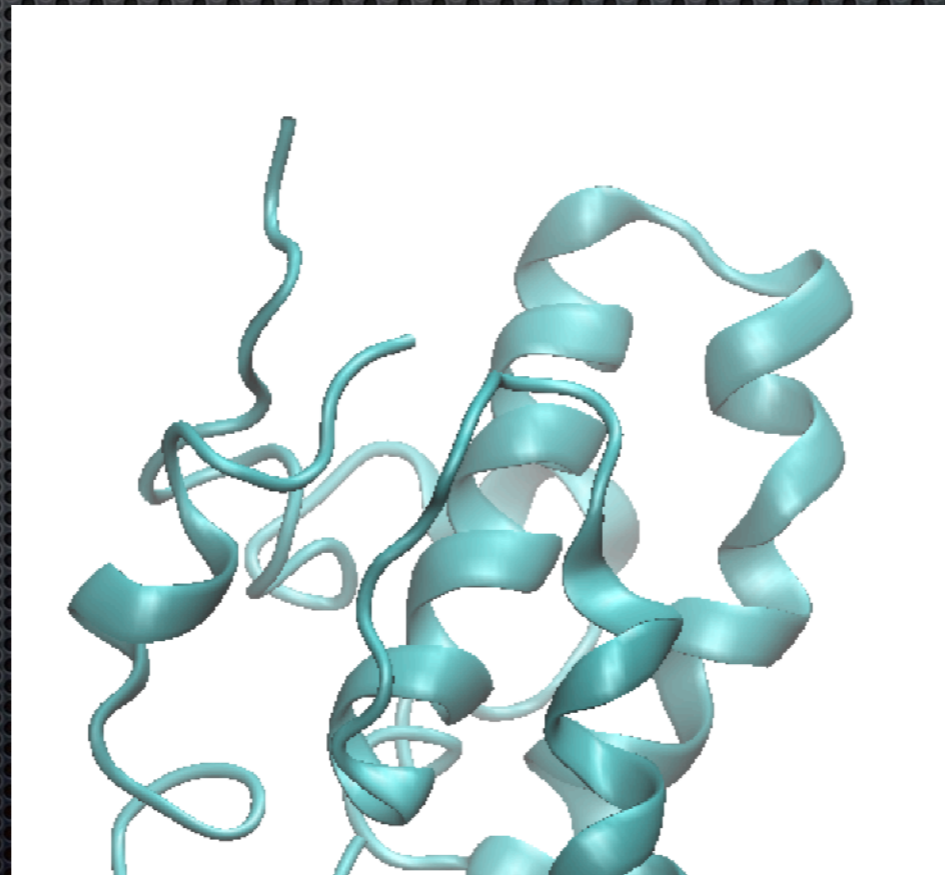
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“missing” residues 21-24 (but we know the sequence)

ATOM	314	C	LEU	X	20	-9.122	-84.992	81.008	1.00	0.00	GAG	C
ATOM	315	O	LEU	X	20	-9.647	-85.603	80.079	1.00	0.00	GAG	O
ATOM	361	N	GLY	X	24	-5.700	-90.839	86.003	1.00	0.00	GAG	N
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```
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```

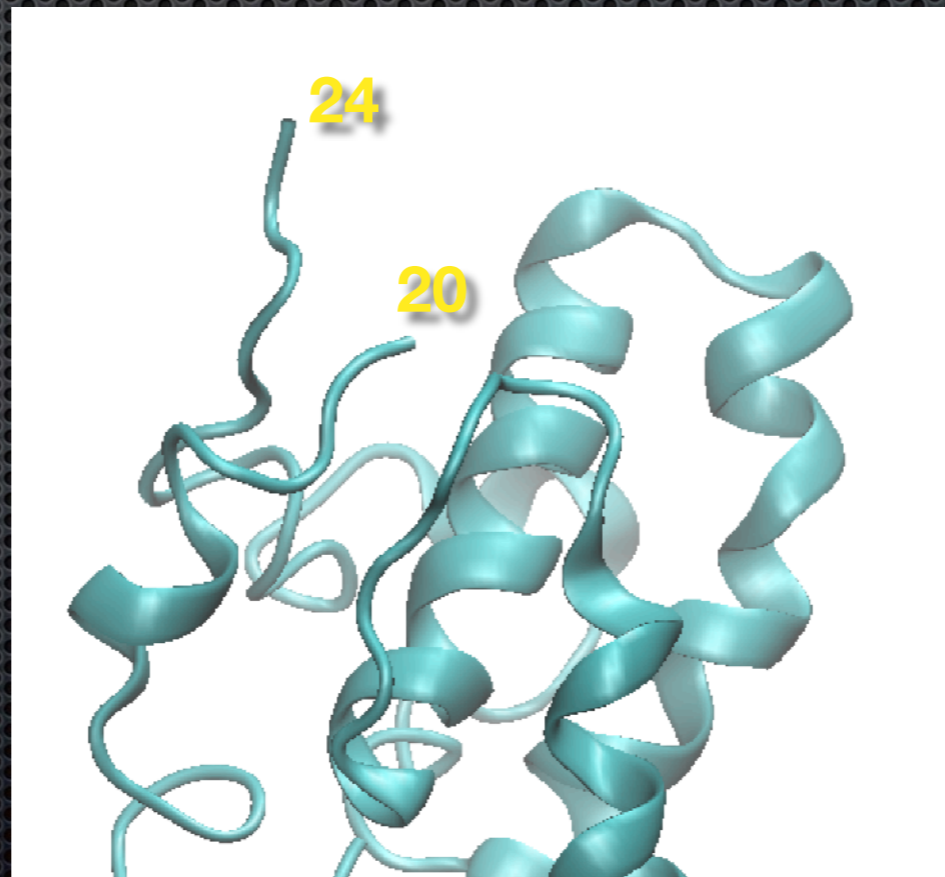
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GARASVLSGGELDKWEKIRLRPGGKKQYKCLKHIVWASRELERFAVNPGLLETSEGCRQILGQLQPSLQGTGSEELRSLYNTIAVLYCVHQRIDV  
KDTKEALDKIEEEQNKSKKKAQQAAADTG
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# PSFGEN to build missing bits

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  last CTER
}

coordpdb output_building/hiv1_gag_matrix_missing_loop.pdb GAG
patch GLYP GAG:1

guesscoord

writepsf output_building/linear_peptide.psf

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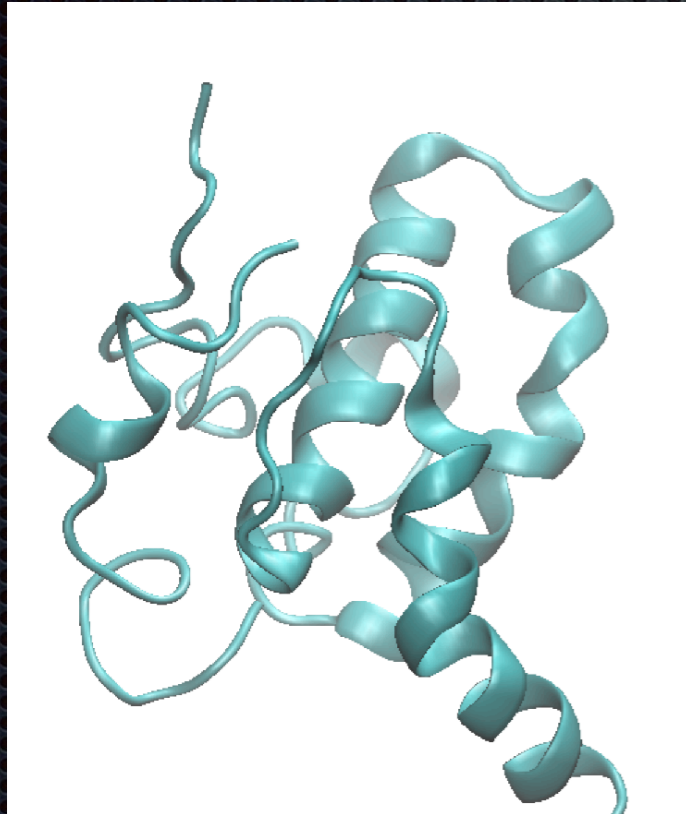
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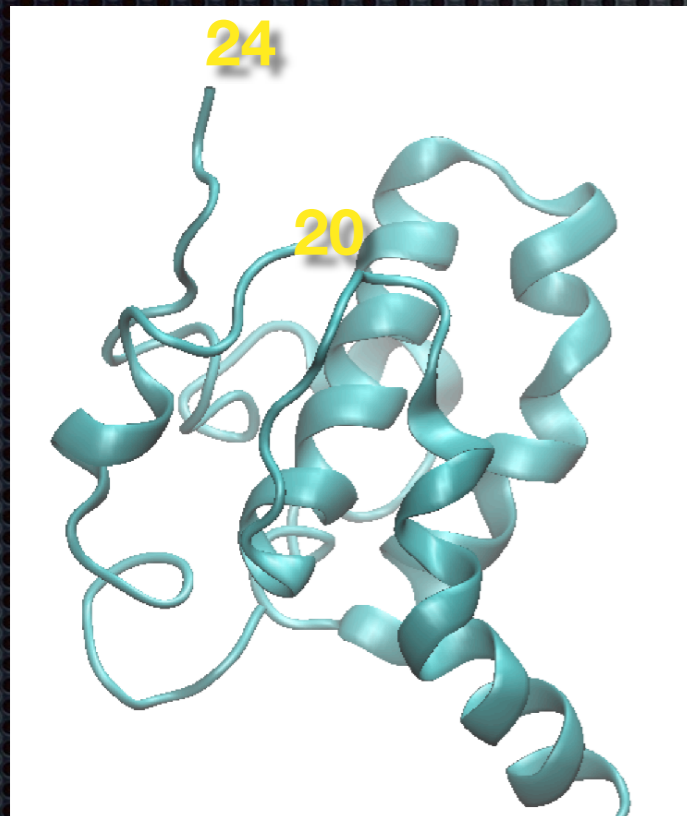
psfgen build (IC)



energy minimization & 10 ps MD



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**Have the sequence at hand . . .**

TSGIHVLDEL	SVRALSRDIM	KQNRVTVHPE	KSVPRTAGYS	DAVSVLAQDR	50
PSLAIVSGQG	GAAGQRERVA	ELVMMAREQG	REVQIIAADR	RSQMNMKQDE	100
RLSGELITGR	RQLLEGMAFT	PGSTVIVDQG	EKLSLKETLT	LLDGAARHNV	150
QVLITDSGQR	TGTGSALMAM	KDAGVNTYRW	QGGEQRPATI	ISEPDRNVRY	200
ARLAGDFAAS	VKAGEESVAQ	VSGVREQAIL	TQAIRSELKT	QGV LGLPEVT	250
MTALSPVWLD	SRSRYLRDMY	RPGMVMEQWN	PETRSHDRYV	IDRVTAQSHS	300
LTLRDAQGET	QVVRISLDS	SWSLFRPEKM	PVADGERLRV	TGKIPGLRVS	350
GGDRLQVASV	SEDAMTVVVP	GRAEPATLPV	SDSPFTALKL	ENGWVETPGH	400
SVSDSATVFA	SVTQMAMDNA	TLNGLARSGR	DVRLYSSLDE	TRTAEKLARH	450

(a) you have one pdb file with known coordinates

(b) make a copy of (a) with only the CA atoms, add in unknown residues to make a “sequence.pdb” file. **Coordinates in the sequence file do no matter.**

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**> cat coords.pdb | grep CA > ca\_sequence.pdb**

**then, copy known coordinate line (say, ATOM 163 CA VAL ...) and manually change the index, rename, and resid fields. Do this for all missing atoms/AA.**

```
ATOM      1  CA THR      1      35.989 -22.055 248.035  1.00  0.00      TRAI C
ATOM      2  CA SER      2      35.989 -22.055 248.035  1.00  0.00      TRAI C
ATOM      3  CA GLY      3      35.989 -22.055 248.035  1.00  0.00      TRAI C
ATOM      4  CA ILE      4      35.989 -22.055 248.035  1.00  0.00      TRAI C
ATOM      5  CA HSE      5      35.989 -22.055 248.035  1.00  0.00      TRAI C
ATOM      6  CA VAL      6      35.989 -22.055 248.035  1.00  0.00      TRAI C
ATOM      7  CA LEU      7      35.989 -22.055 248.035  1.00  0.00      TRAI C
ATOM      8  CA ASP      8      35.989 -22.055 248.035  1.00  0.00      TRAI C
ATOM      9  CA GLU      9      35.989 -22.055 248.035  1.00  0.00      TRAI C
ATOM     10  CA LEU     10      35.989 -22.055 248.035  1.00  0.00      TRAI C
ATOM     11  CA SER     11      35.989 -22.055 248.035  1.00  0.00      TRAI C
ATOM    163  CA VAL    12      35.989 -22.055 248.035  1.00  0.00      TRAI C
ATOM    179  CA ARG    13      39.541 -23.591 248.463  1.00  0.00      TRAI C
ATOM    203  CA ALA    14      41.070 -23.037 251.954  1.00  0.00      TRAI C
ATOM    213  CA LEU    15      42.765 -25.002 254.835  1.00  0.00      TRAI C
```

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```
>psfgen build_system_protein.psfgen >& build_protein.out &
```

```
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alias residue HIS HSE

segment TRAI {
  first NTER
  last CTER
  pdb output_building/ca_sequence.pdb
}

coordpdb output_building/coords_traI_recd_10_481_temp.pdb TRAI
guesscoord

writepsf output_building/temp_traI.psf
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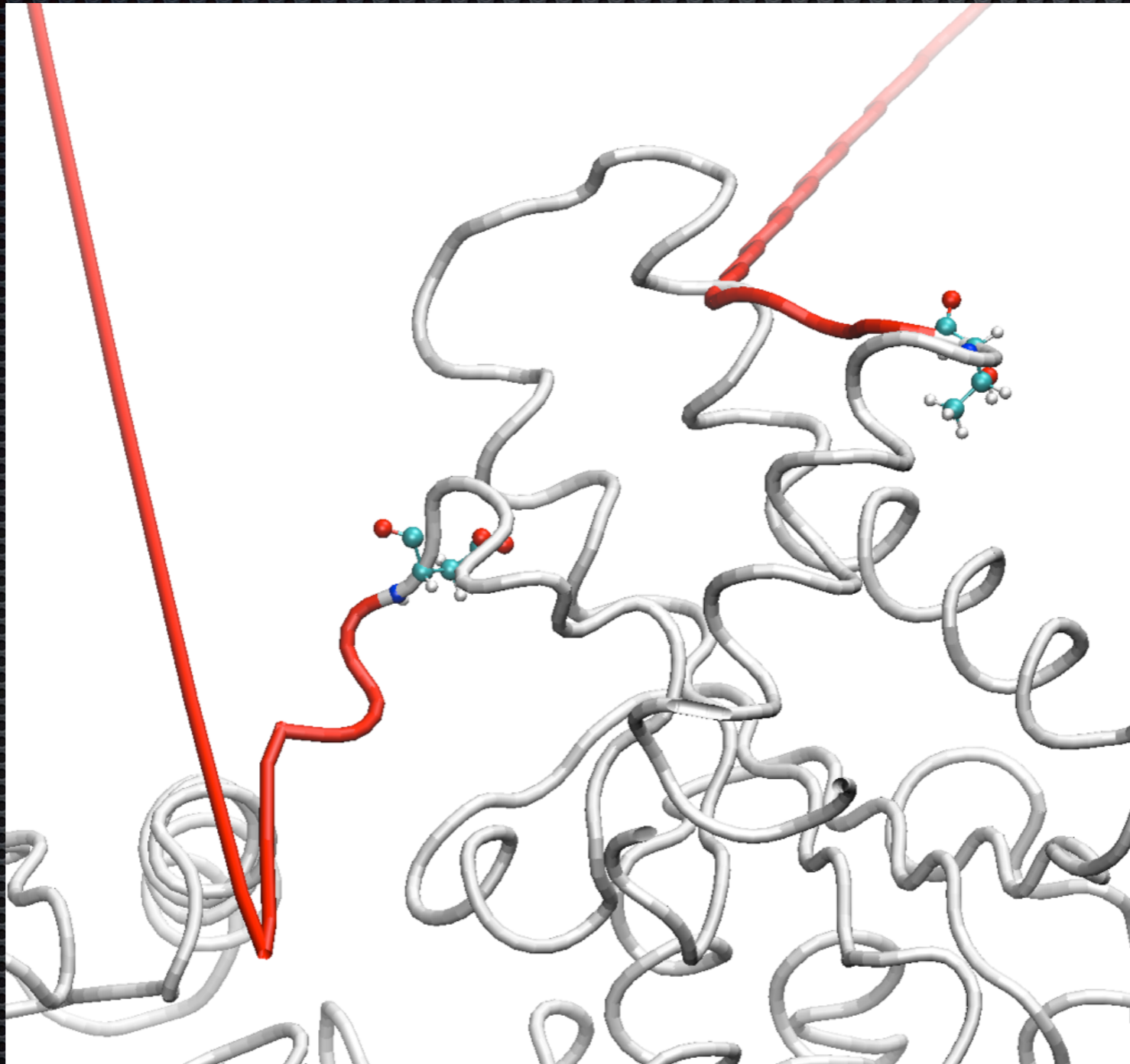
IC will “grow” the  
chain **blindly** . . .





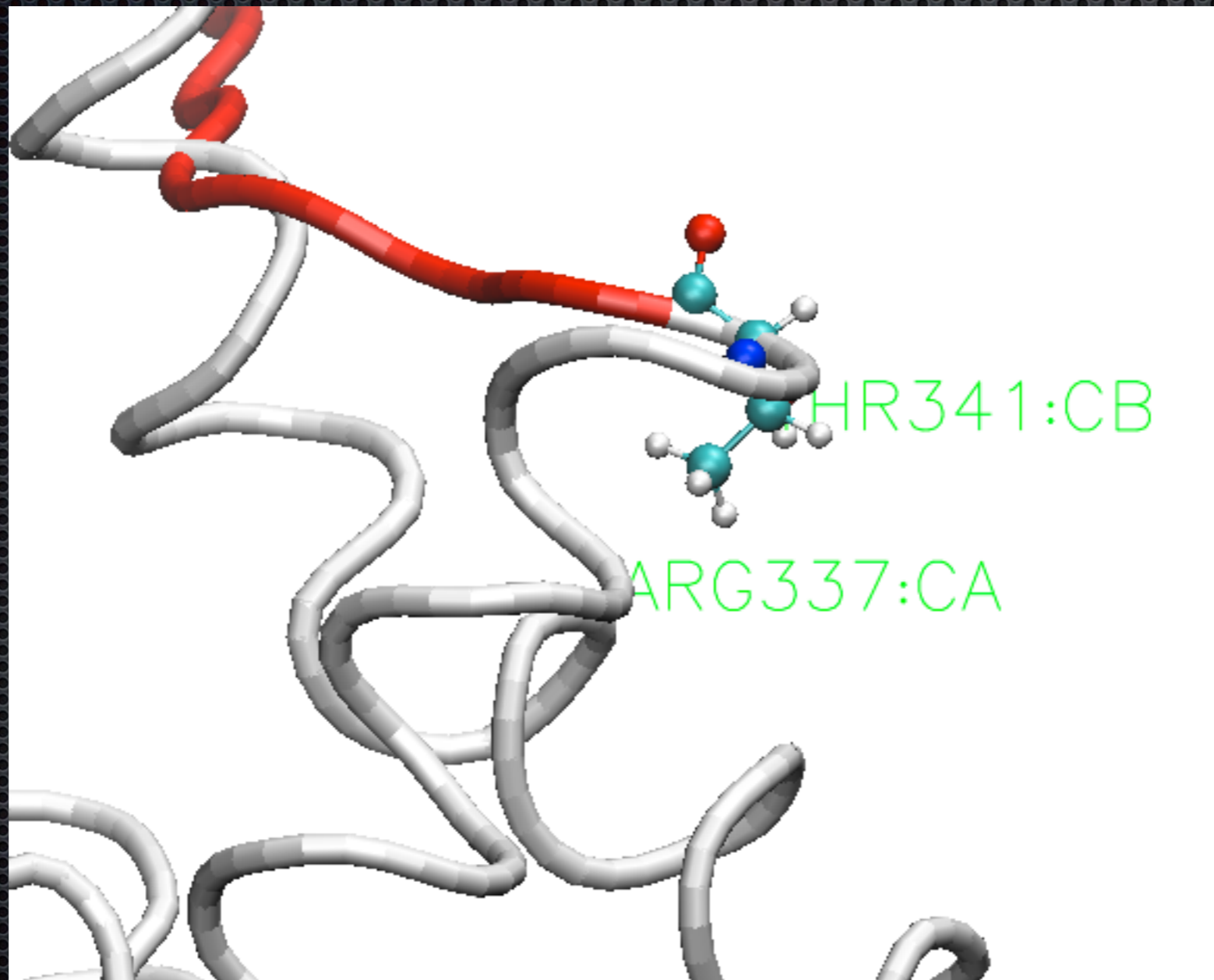
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```
ATOM 1621 N LEU D 338 -62.123 -15.211 -65.673 207.57 N
ATOM 1622 CA LEU D 338 -62.146 -15.489 -64.287 207.57 C
ATOM 1623 C LEU D 338 -62.455 -14.115 -63.597 207.57 C
ATOM 1629 N ARG D 339 -63.258 -13.329 -64.312 274.04 N
ATOM 1630 CA ARG D 339 -63.760 -11.991 -63.952 274.04 C
ATOM 1631 C ARG D 339 -65.237 -12.041 -64.220 274.04 C
ATOM 49 N ALA D 406 -47.335 -18.204 -62.224 192.55 N
ATOM 50 CA ALA D 406 -47.752 -17.411 -63.397 192.55 C
ATOM 51 C ALA D 406 -46.685 -16.573 -64.078 192.55 C
ATOM 59 N THR D 407 -46.016 -17.138 -65.075 244.03 N
ATOM 60 CA THR D 407 -45.050 -16.361 -65.852 244.03 C
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```
guesscoord
```

```
writespf output_building/temp_2_traI.psf
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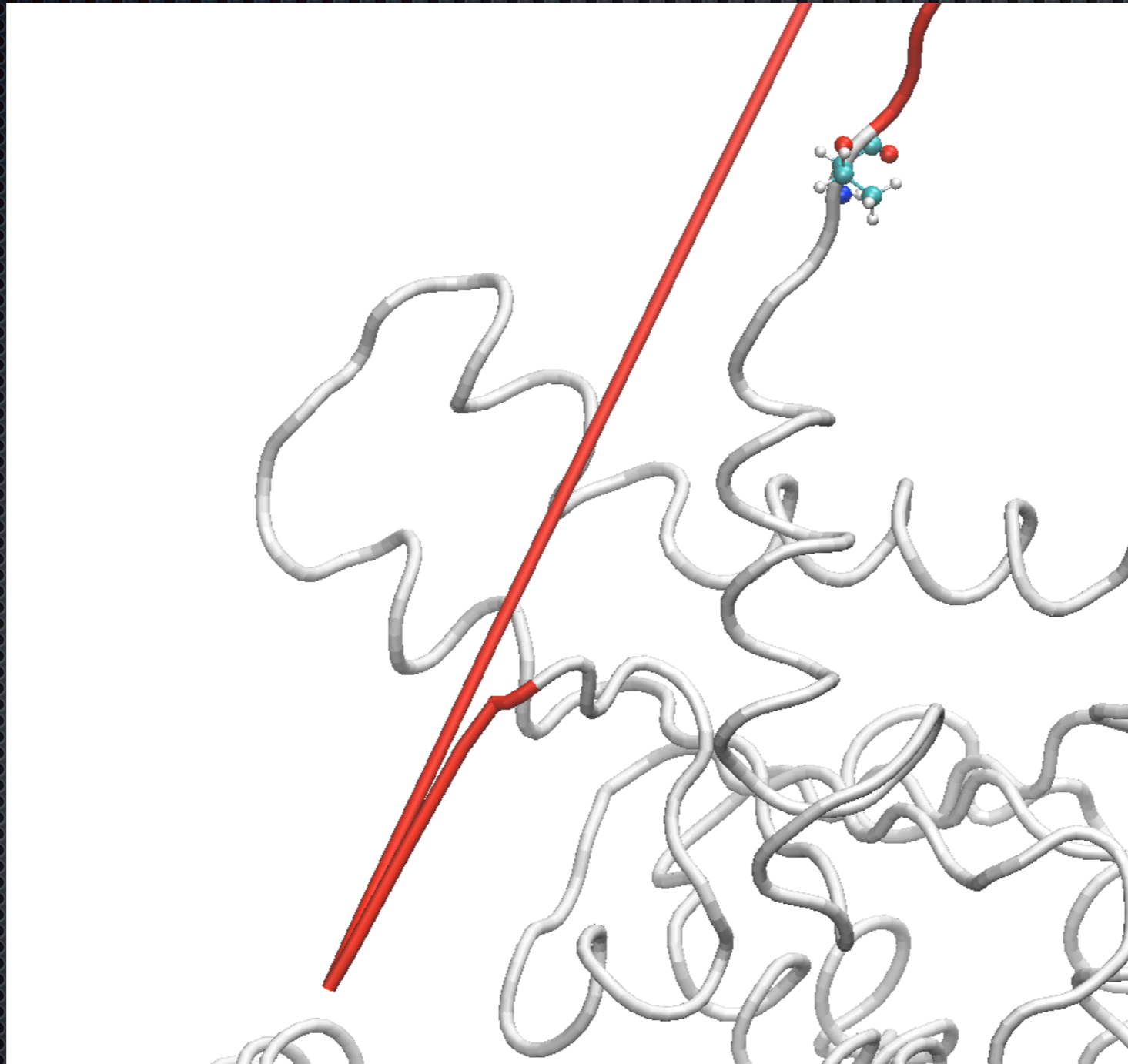
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```
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atomselect32
```

```
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. . .
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ATOM	6204	O	SER	P	405	-45.252	-17.351	-61.914	0.00	0.00	PCLN	O
ATOM	6205	N	ALA	P	406	-47.335	-18.204	-62.224	1.00	1.00	PCLN	N
ATOM	6206	HN	ALA	P	406	-48.017	-18.846	-61.875	0.00	1.00	PCLN	H

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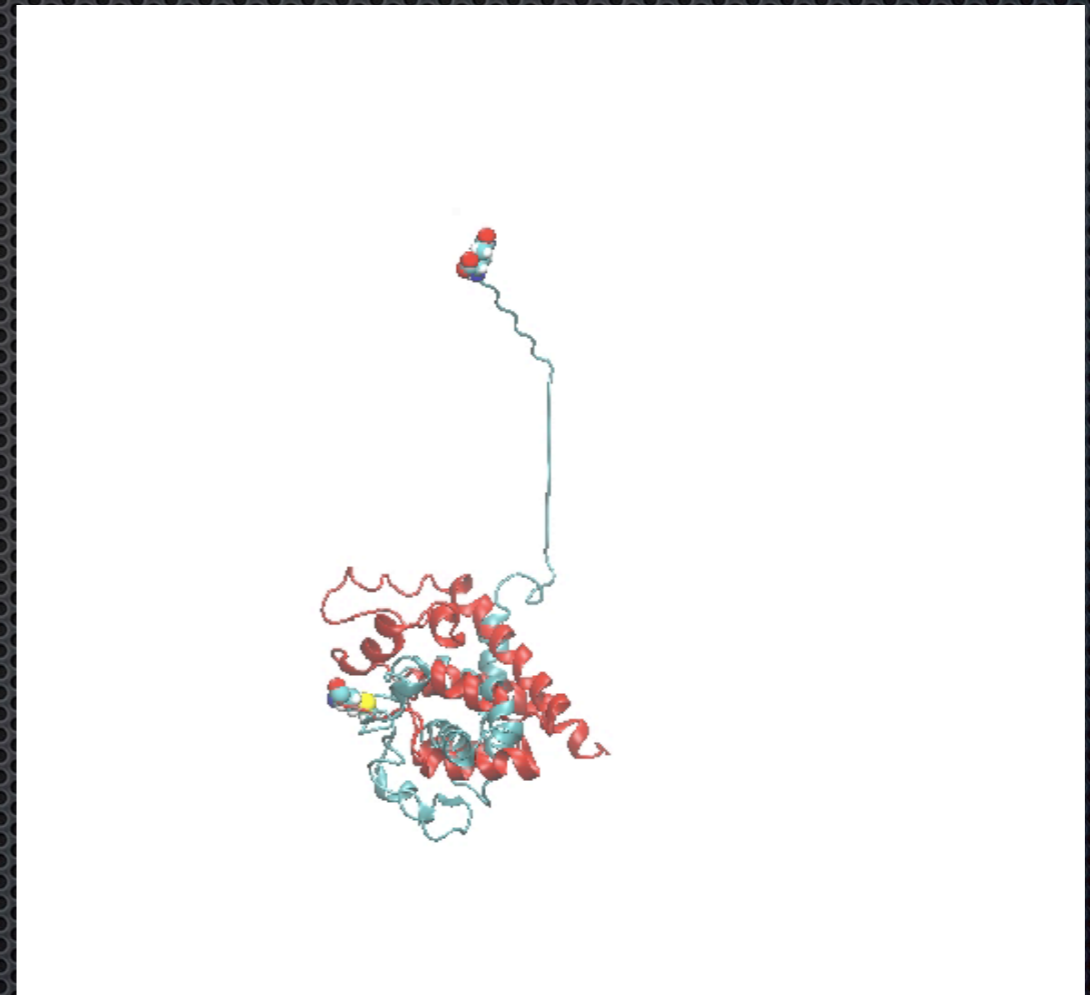
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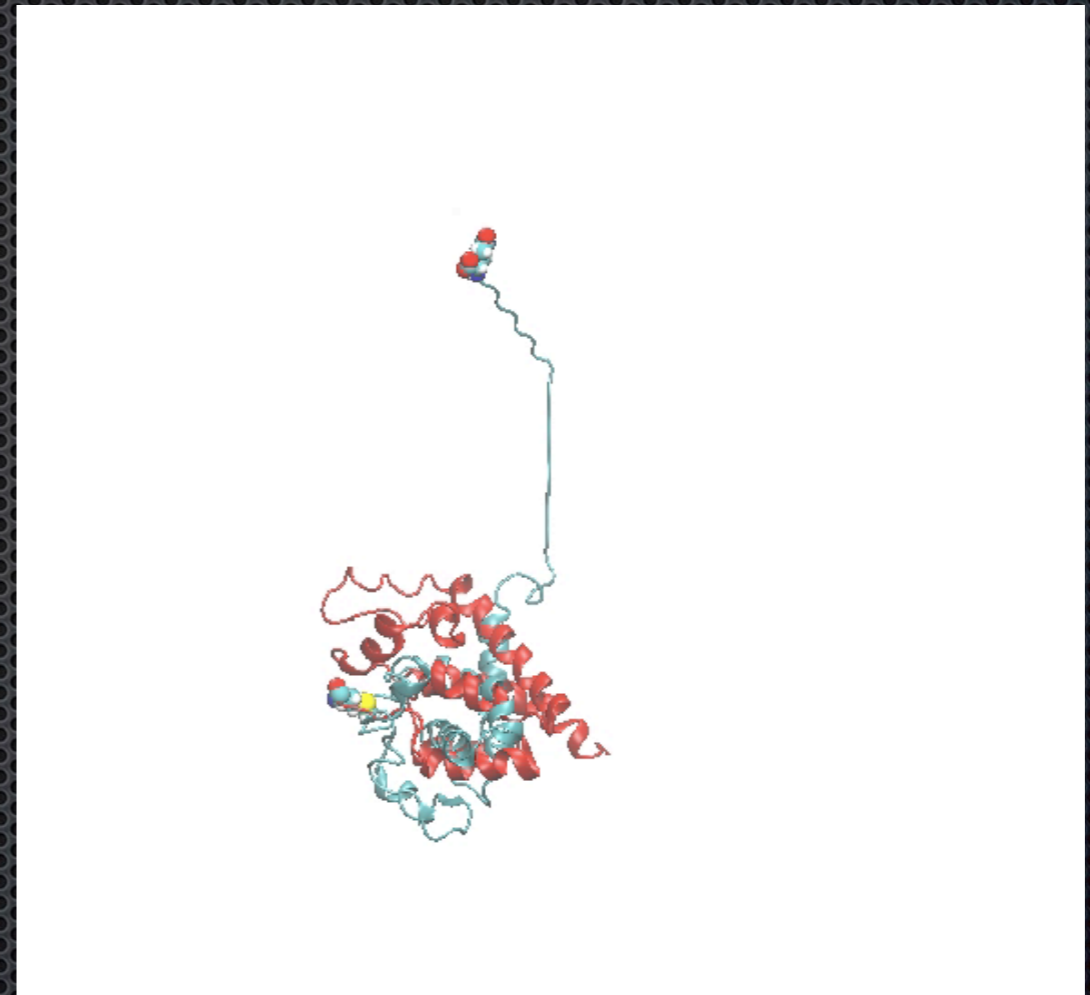
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# vmd matrix operations

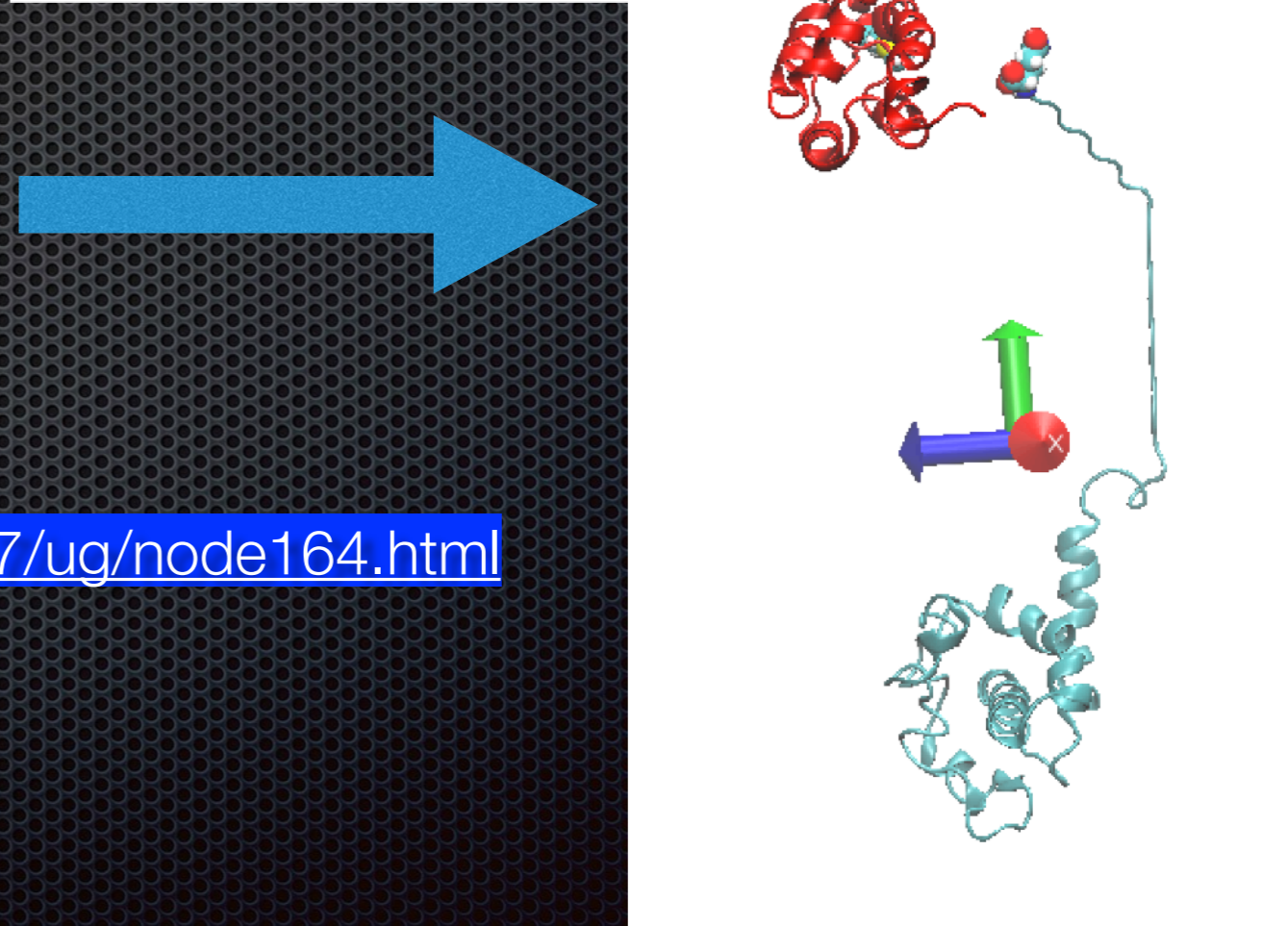
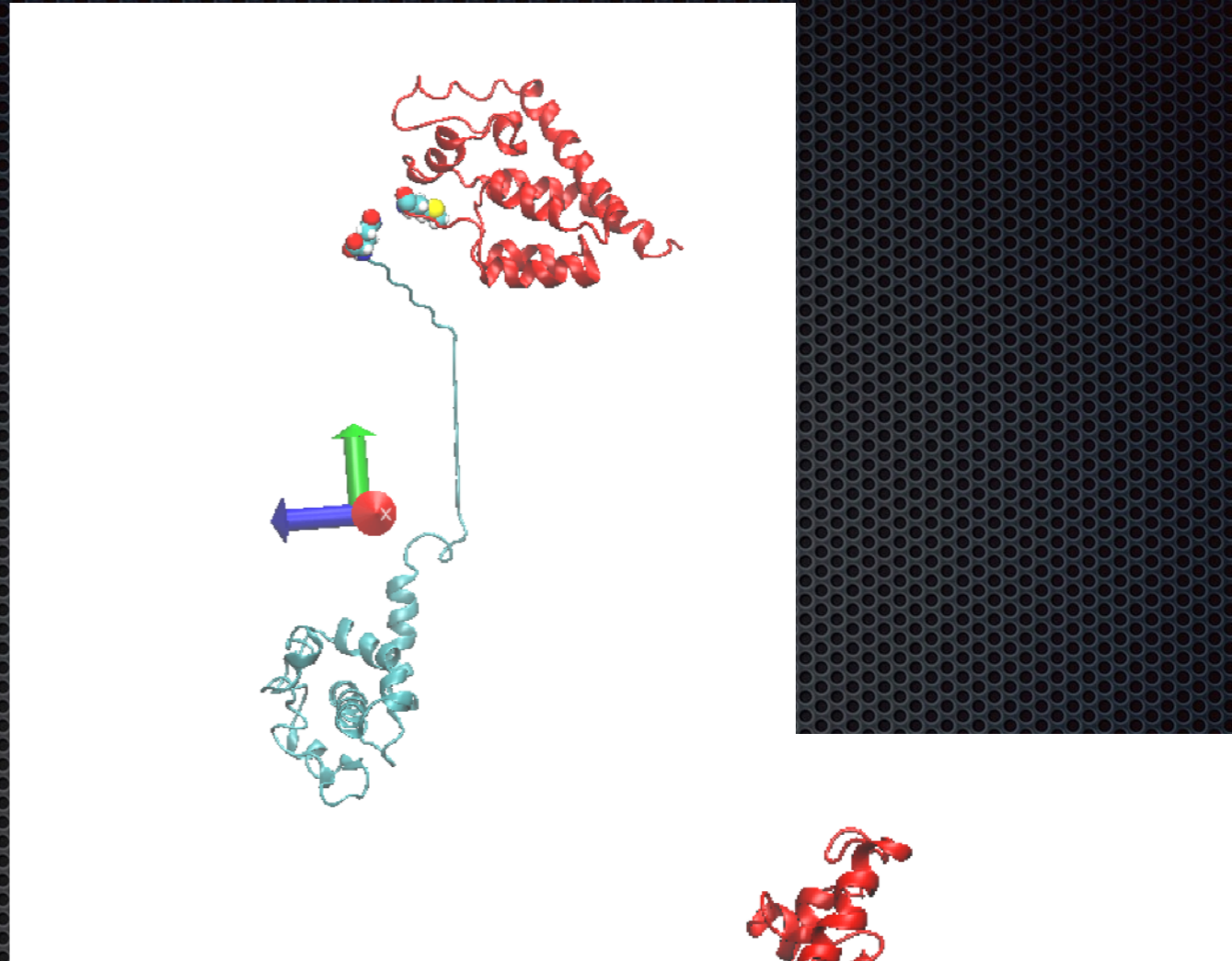
translate:

```
vmd >set sel [atomselect top all]
vmd> $sel moveby {0 60 0}
vmd> $sel writepdb moved_rn_d2_new.pdb
```

rotate -90 degrees:

```
vmd> set sel [atomselect top all]
vmd> set M [transaxis y -90]
vmd> $sel move $M
```

<http://www.ks.uiuc.edu/Research/vmd/vmd-1.7/ug/node164.html>



# IDPs

## Piece structures together ( 1 ) in lab VIII

1. Load individual PDB files into VMD. Use “8” to grab one and sequentially move along X, rotate system, move along Y, rotate system, move along Z. Save coordinates using VMD. (( **will probably have to execute rotate TCL commands** ))

“align by eye” & hope for the best. Concatentate files, renumber amino acids and atoms, make new PDB/PSF pair, minimize, 10 ps NVE MD . . .

2. Add 3 to 5 amino acids to N-terminal of the C-terminal part, then overlap these amino acids (using backbone as a basis).

Then you align the two structures (C-terminal of “A” to modified N-terminal of “B”)

Concatentate PDB files, remove the “bridging” 3 to 5 AA, renumber remaining amino acids and atoms, make new PDB/PSF pair, minimize, 10 ps NVE MD . . .

3. Insert your method here . . . etc. (pymol, mdtools, etc.)

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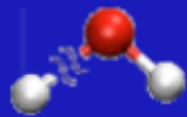
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Beta



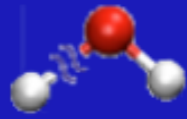
**PDB Rx:** interactive / automatic repair of PDB files  
proteins & nucleic acids  
missing bits w/ PyRosetta

Alpha



**INPUT:** PDB  
**OUTPUT:** new PDB w/ PSF

Build



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Docs / Demo

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## Intermediate Building Tricks

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Simulated annealing  
Building IDPs

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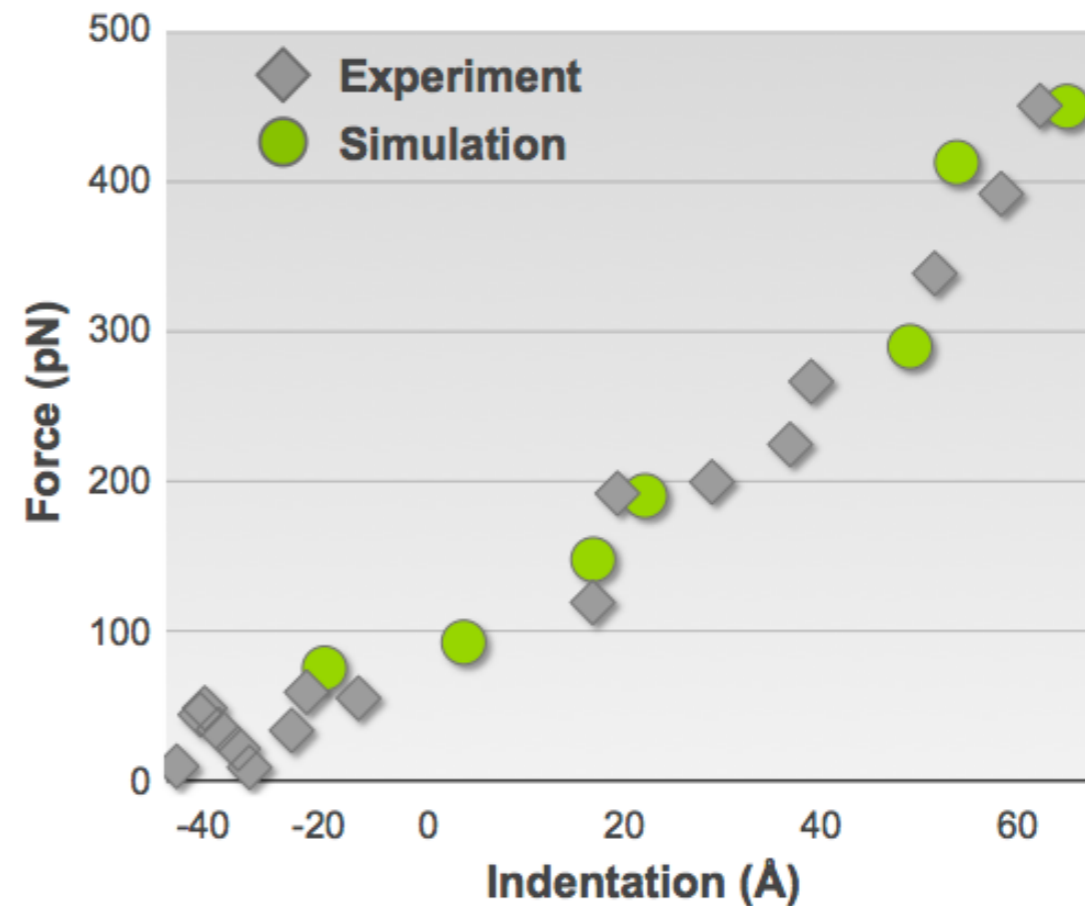
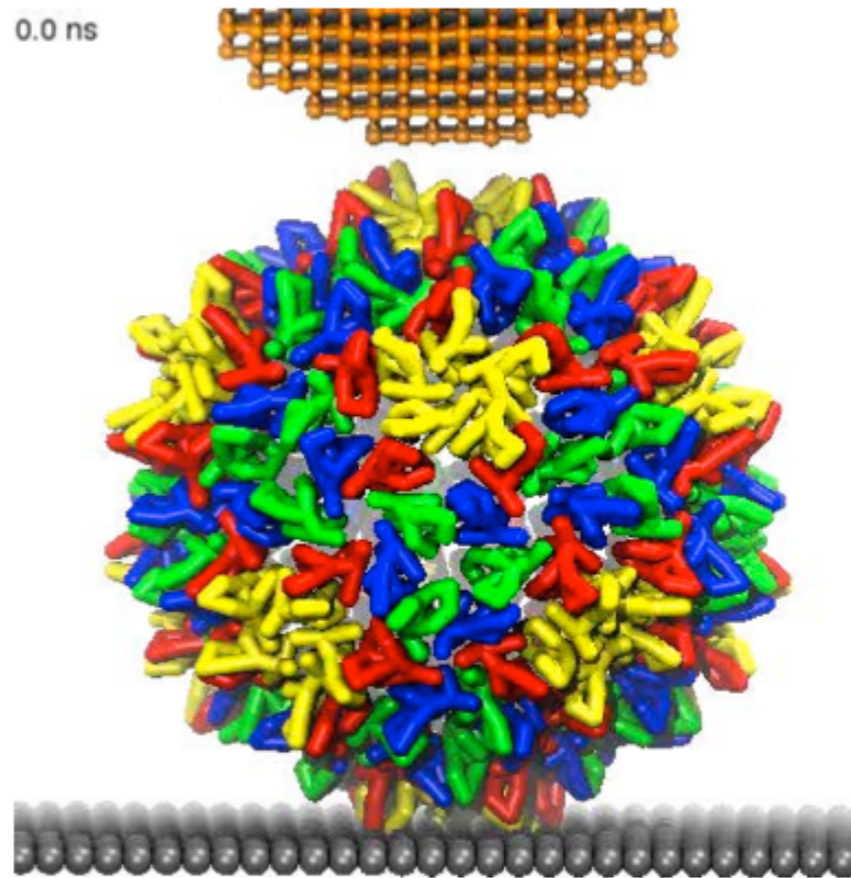
# Steered MD

[http://www.ks.uiuc.edu/Research/smd\\_imd/](http://www.ks.uiuc.edu/Research/smd_imd/)

## Atomic Force Microscope

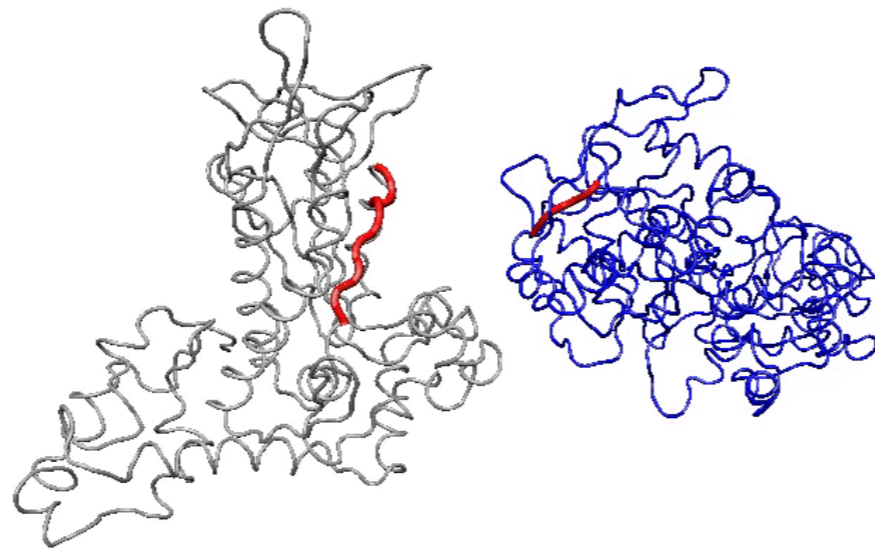
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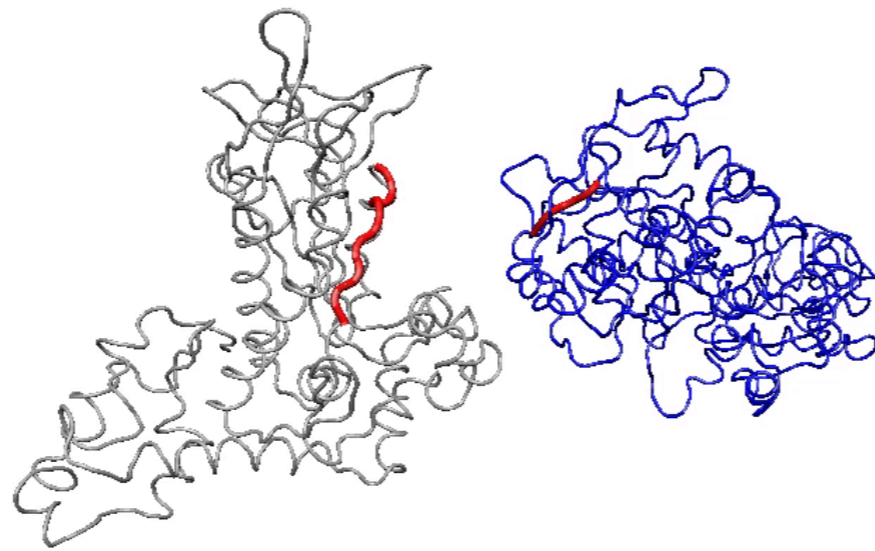
# Steered MD for building

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So, in the following movie you will see:

1. files that we are working with
2. a view of the input file (min0)
3. loading the psf and then pdb into vmd
4. initiating namd2 min0
5. starting the run via IMD in VMD
6. applying the residue specific force to pull the N-terminal out
7. a few thousand steps of MD

## NOTE:

This N-terminal was known **NOT** to be buried and that it was unstructured. The resulting structure was minimized prior to its use in further building steps!

This example was done in the process of building a larger IDP with many known and unknown bits.

It allowed us to overlap the N-terminal AA with the “other” piece etc.





# SUMMARY

What have we accomplished?

We showed some examples of how to complete structures and covered some ways to build larger structures/models from bits of known structure.

What is next?

LAB VIII --> Advanced Building

LABS IX/X & STUDENT PROJECTS

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