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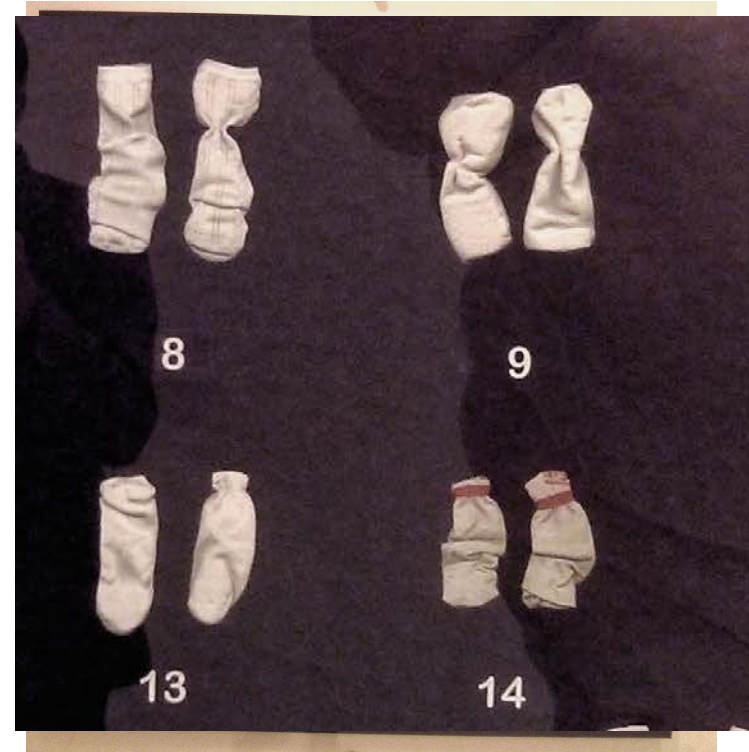
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Genome in 3D

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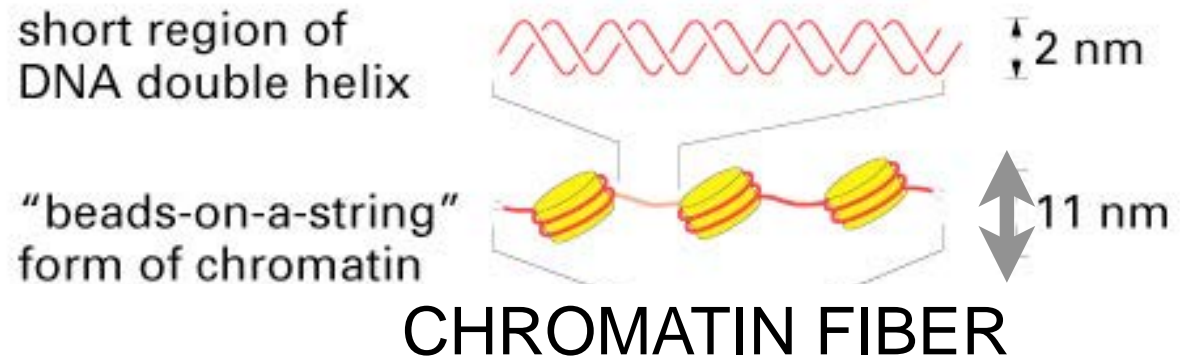
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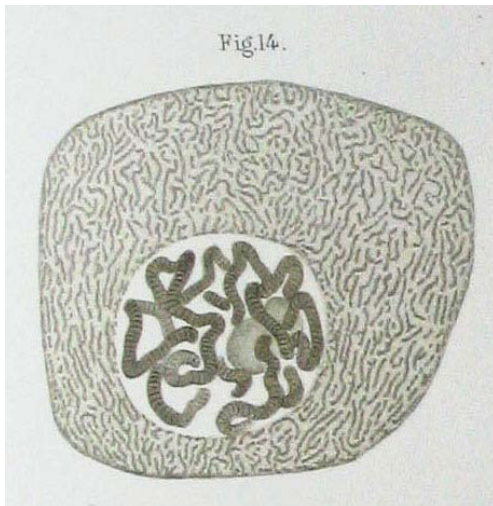
Andrea Duncan (2002)
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What we know

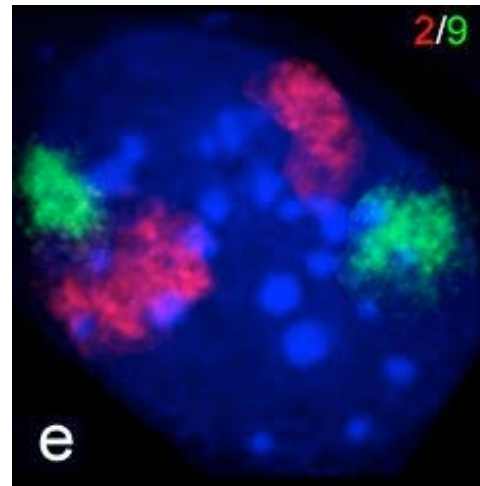
x5 compression



CHROMOSOMAL TERRITORIES



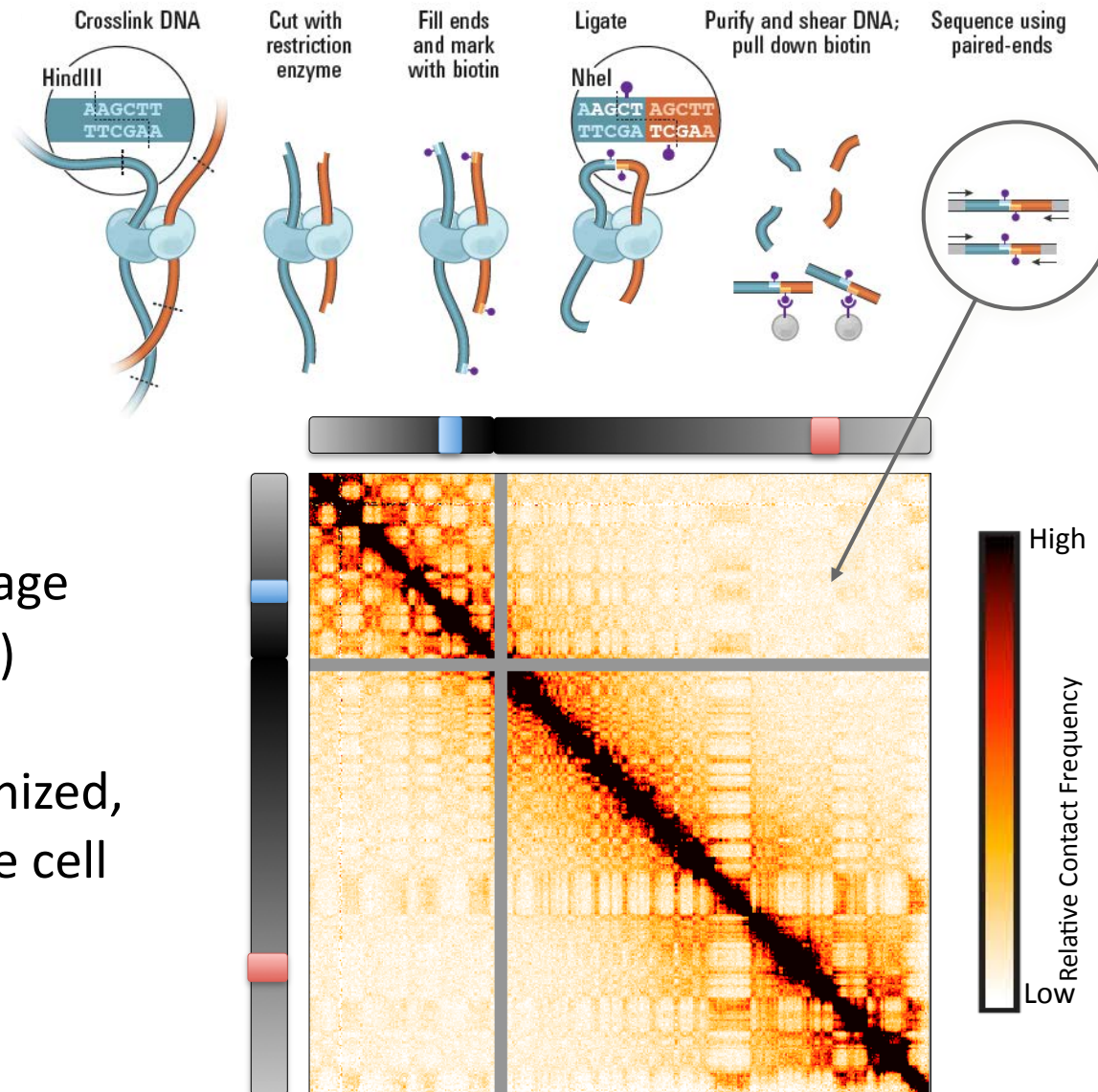
[Walther Flemming](#) in 1882



Thomas Cremer et al in 2005

5000 nm

Chromosome Conformation Capture (Hi-C)



- ensemble average (over 10^7 cells)
- unless synchronized, averages over the cell cycle as well!



Job Dekker

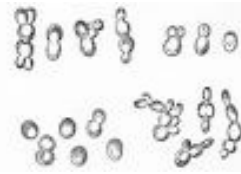
Dekker *et al.* Science 2002

Lieberman-Aiden & van Berkum *et al.* Science 2009

Genome Folding across Kingdoms



C. crescentus



S. cerevisiae



A. thaliana



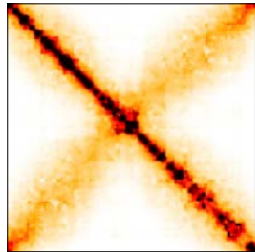
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M. musculus

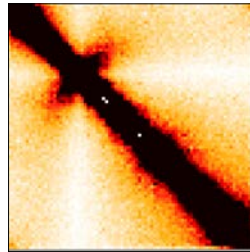


H. sapiens



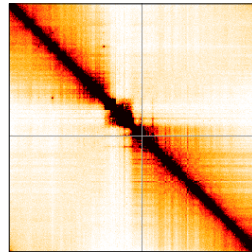
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Bacteria



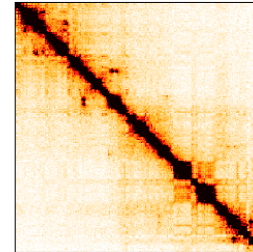
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Fungi



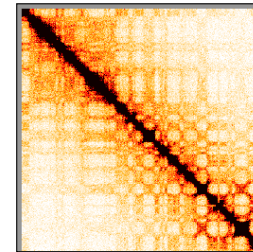
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Plants



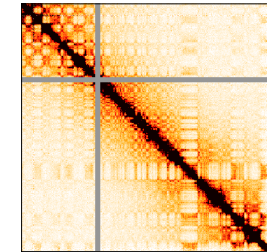
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Insects



2.7 Gb

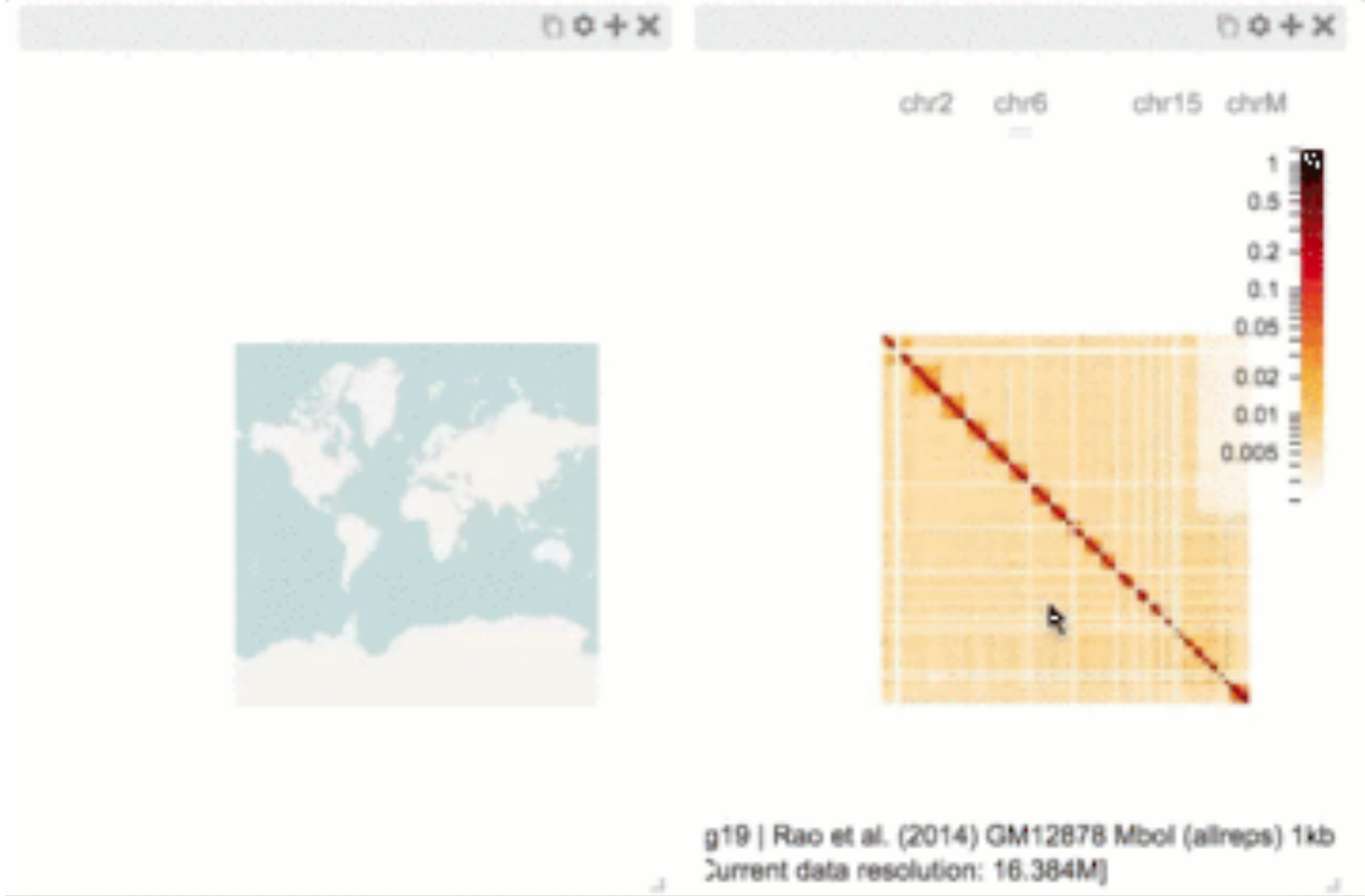
Mammals



3 Gb

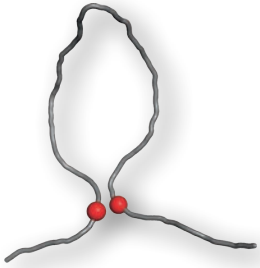
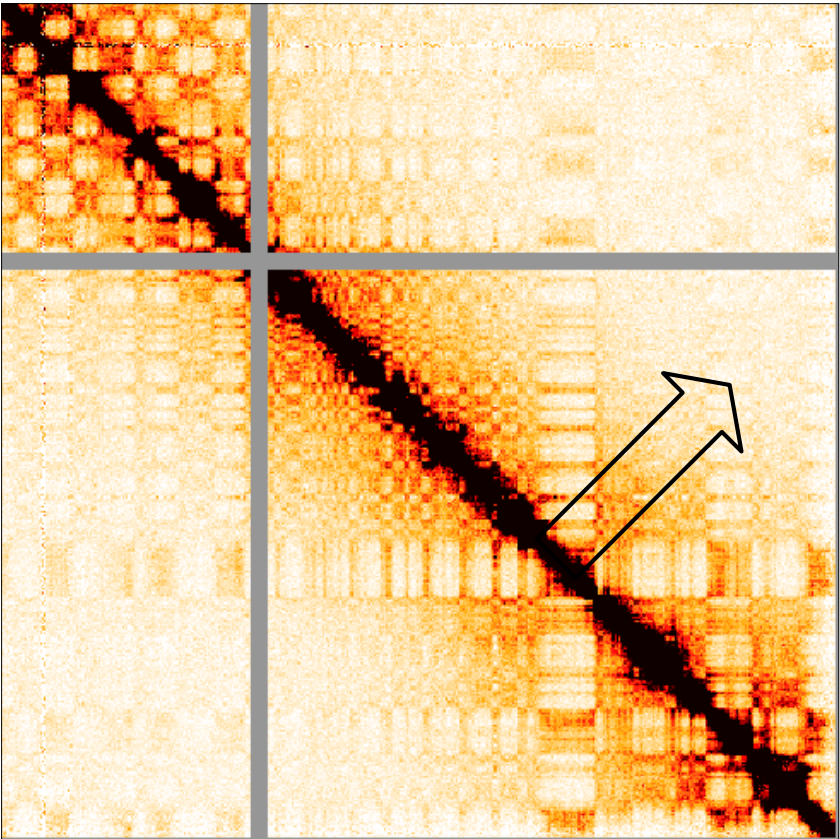
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HiGlass Hi-C browser: higlass.io

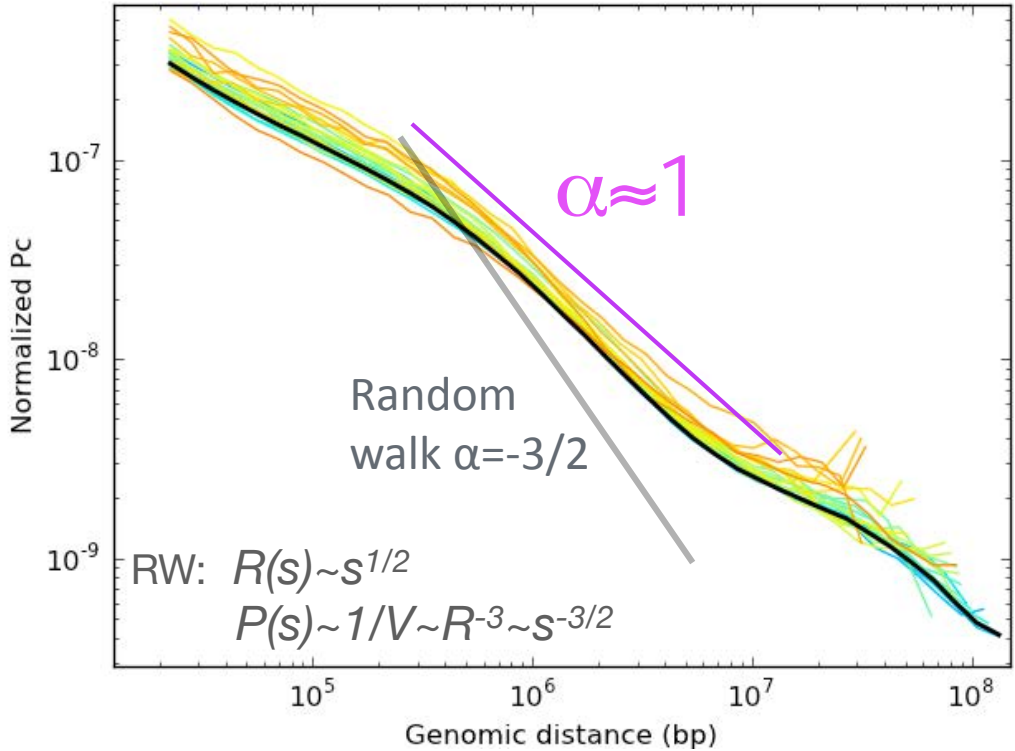


by Nils Gehlenborg and Peter Karpdjiev
bioRxiv (2017) Harvard University

Chromosomes: non-equilibrium polymer system



$$P(s) \sim s^{-\alpha}$$

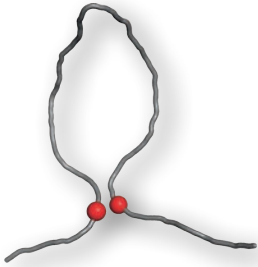
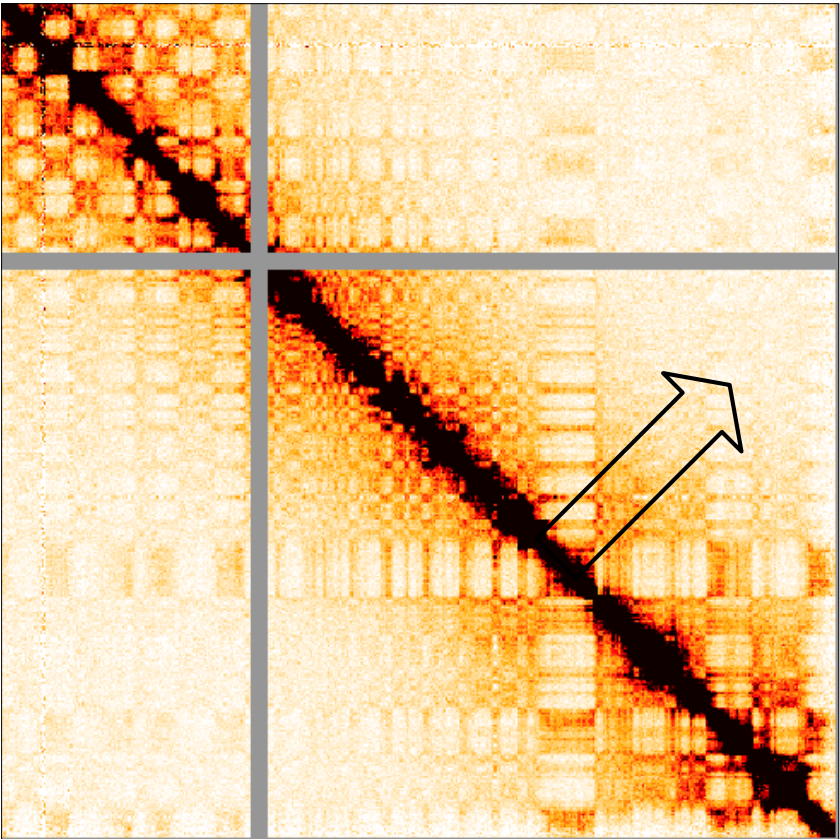


From a melt of rings to chromosome territories: the role of topological constraints in genome folding

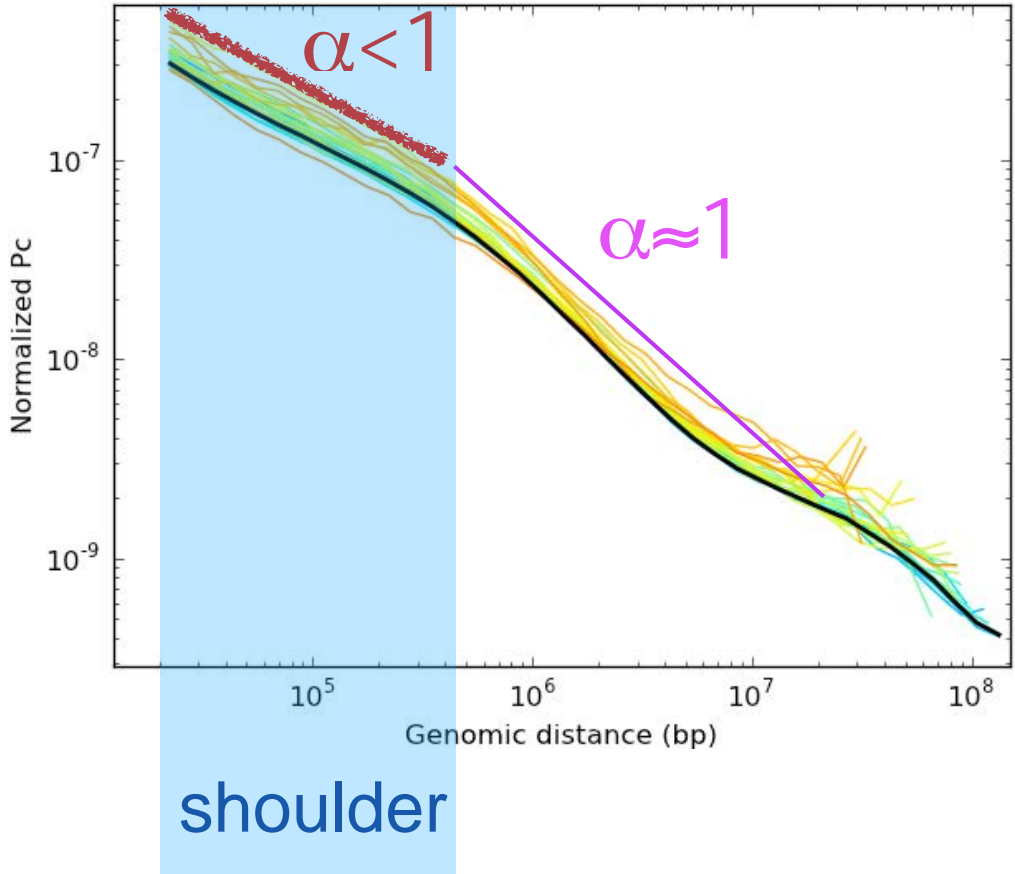
Jonathan D Halverson¹, Jan Smrek², Kurt Kremer³ and Alexander Y Grosberg^{2,4}

$$\alpha \approx 1.15$$

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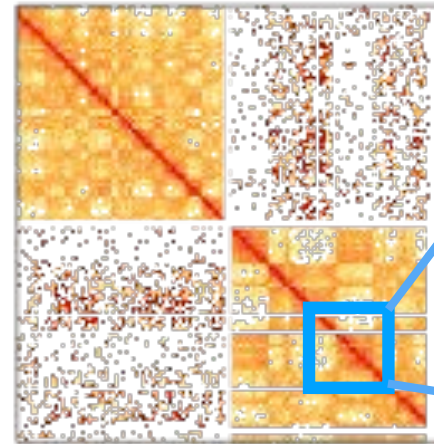
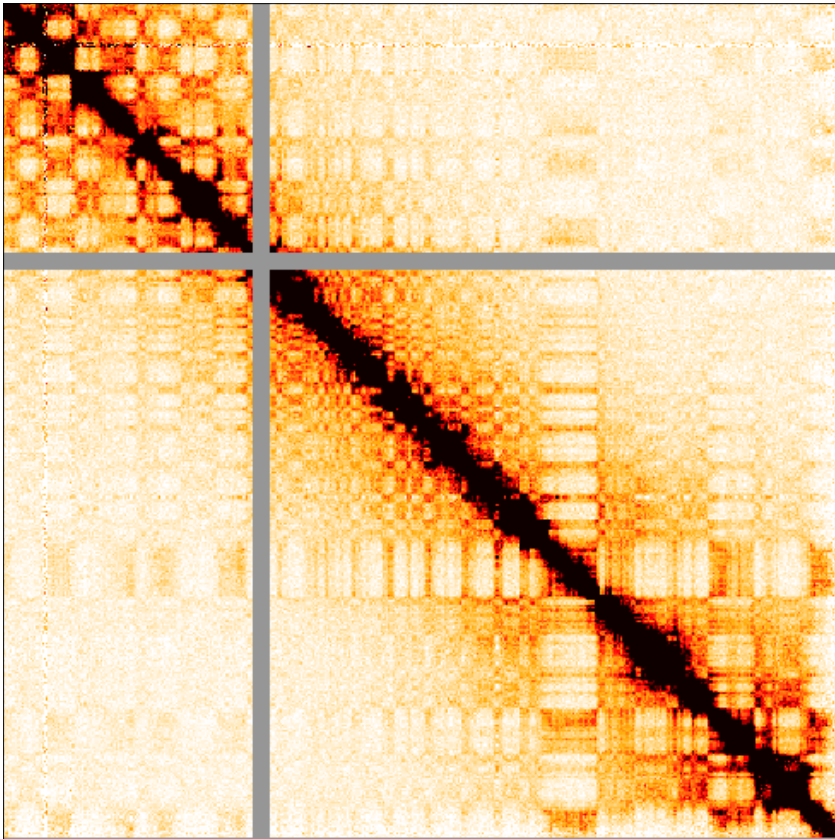


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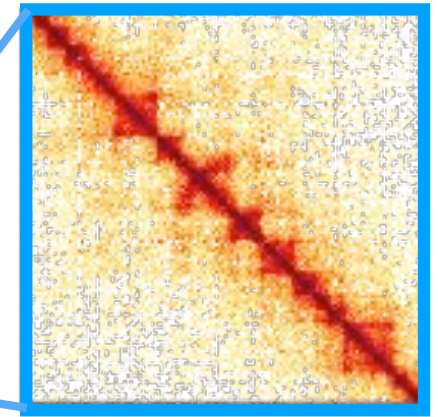


Multiple levels of organization

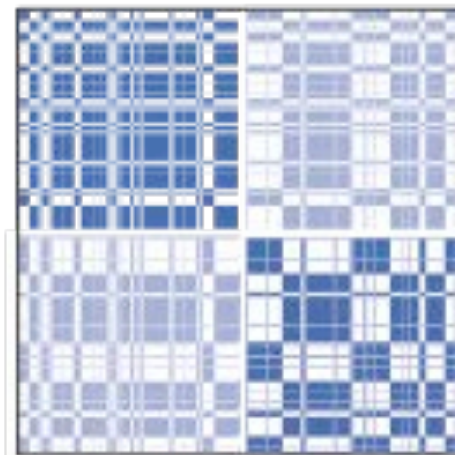
compartments and domains



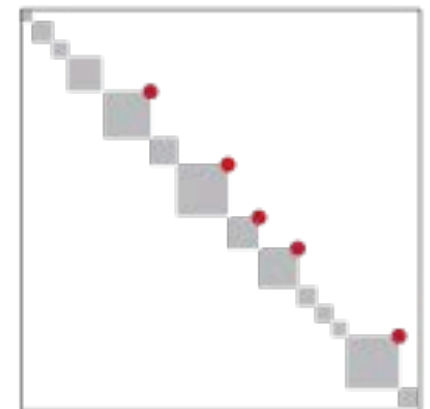
cis+trans Hi-C maps



short-distance (<few Mb)
cis Hi-C maps

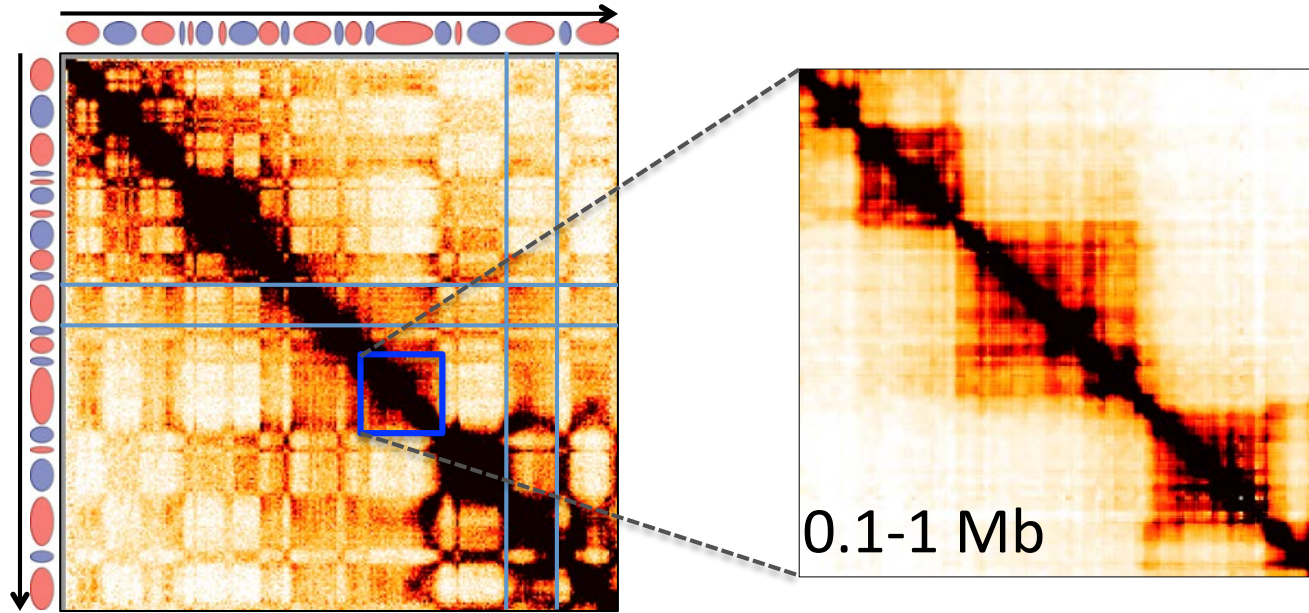


checkered pattern in cis & trans



domains of local
contact enrichment

Mechanisms: **compartments** and **domains**



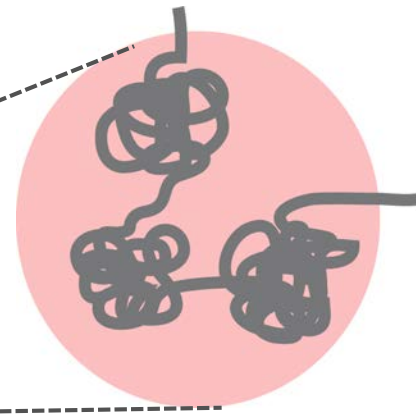
A/B Compartments

Domains

Inactive (B)

Active (A)

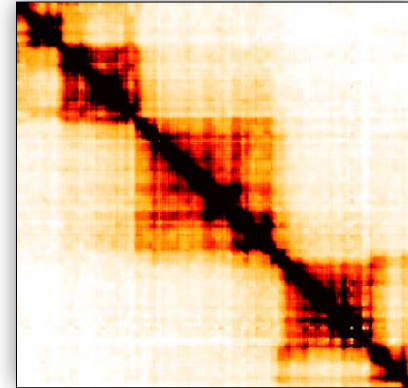
diblock copolymer



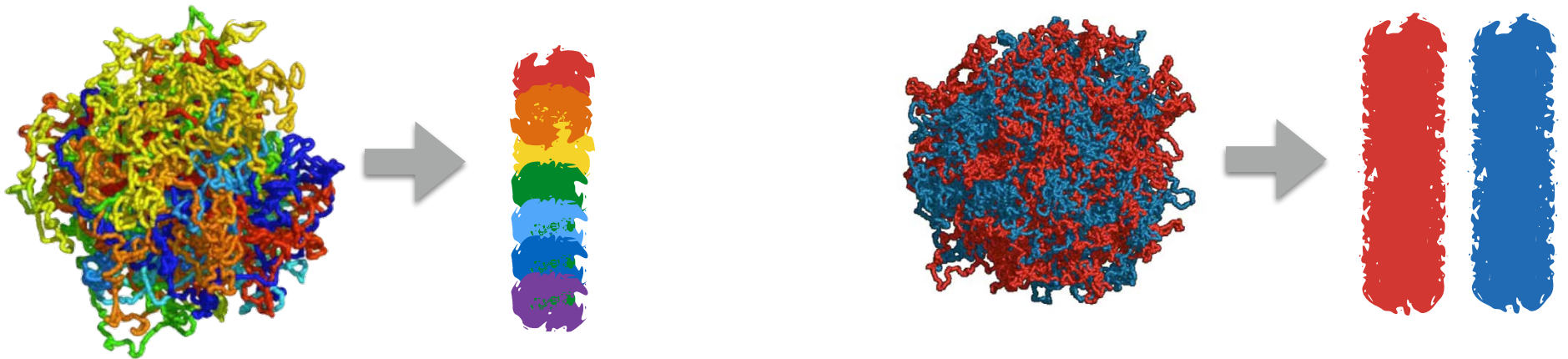
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Problems

- Formation of TAD (domains) in in



- Compaction and segregation of chromosomes in mitosis



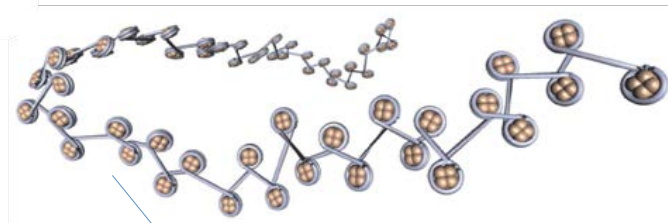
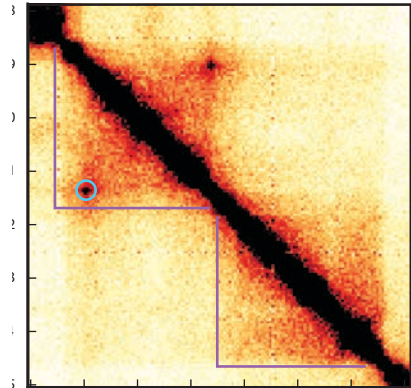
New process: **loop extrusion**

Occam's razor approach

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ensemble
of conformations

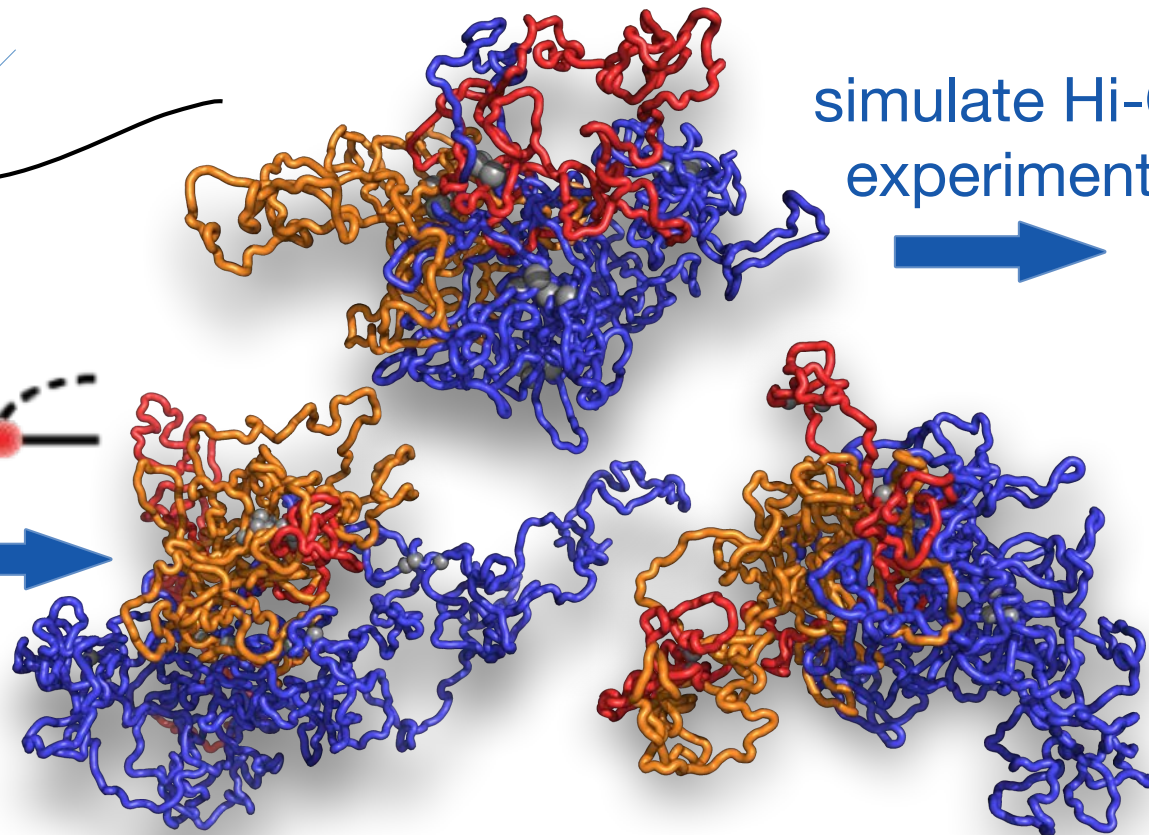
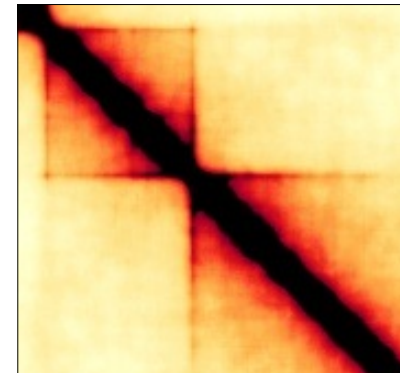
Hi-C data



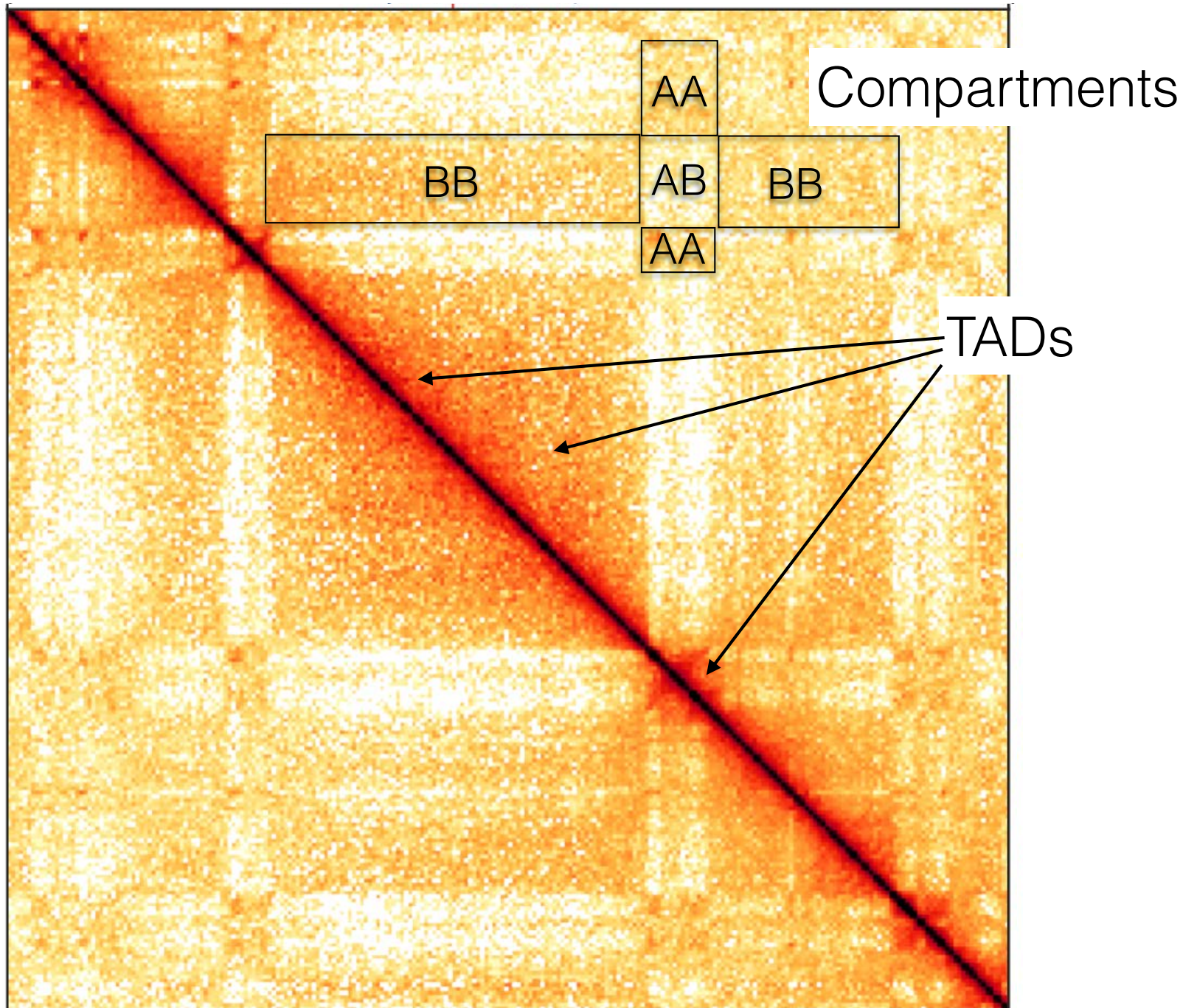
Model-specific
constraints



simulate Hi-C
experiment



Compartments

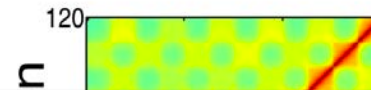


Mechanism of compartmentalization microphase separation in polymers

Attractions (direct or mediated)

A-A

B-B



microphase separation

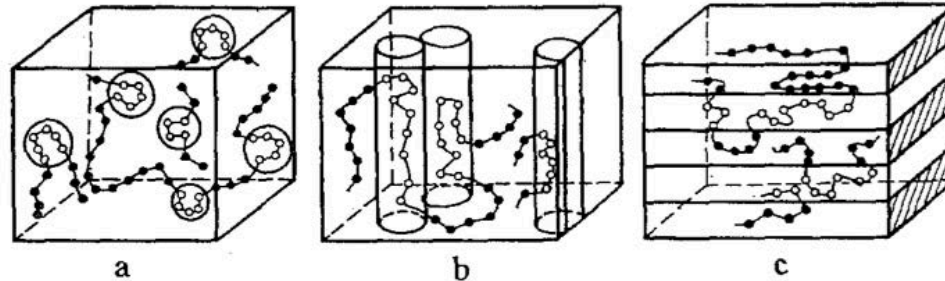
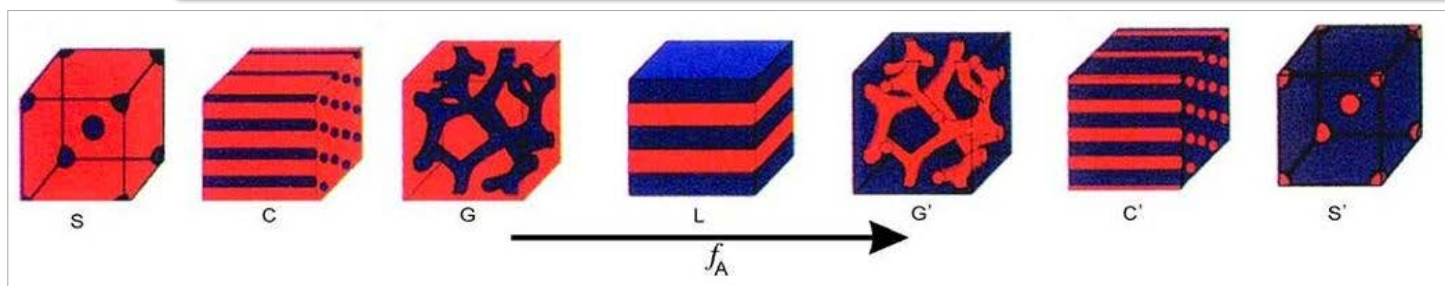


FIGURE 5.1. Microdomain structure in a melt of block copolymers. (a), Spheric A phase micelles in massive B phase. (b), Cylindric micelles. (c), Alternating planar lamellae.

Statistical Physics of Macromolecules 1991



Mechanism of compartmentalization



Attractions (direct or mediated)

A-A

B-B

B-Lamina

Which are more important for compartmentalization?



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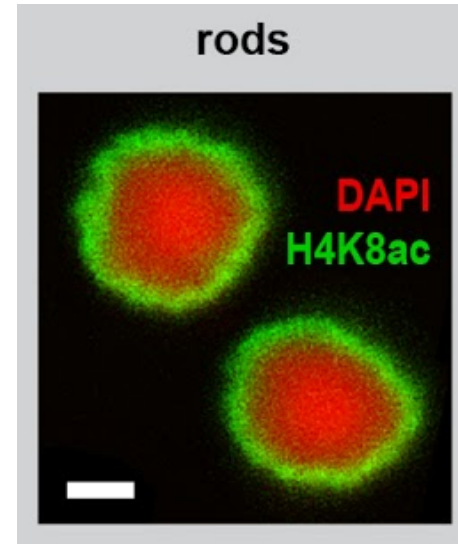
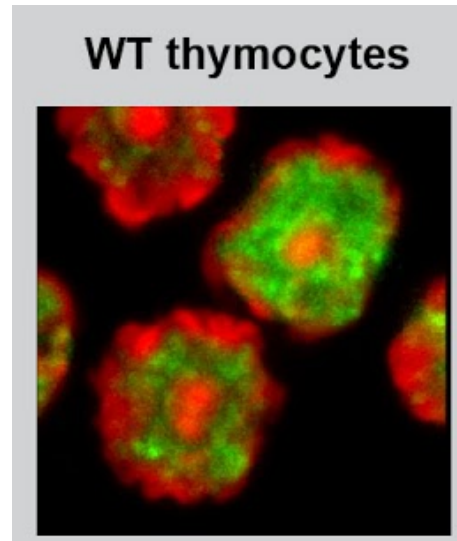
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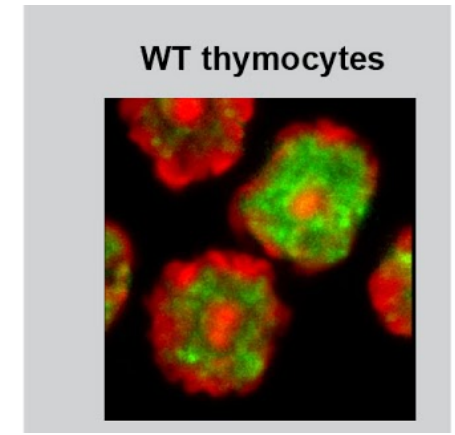
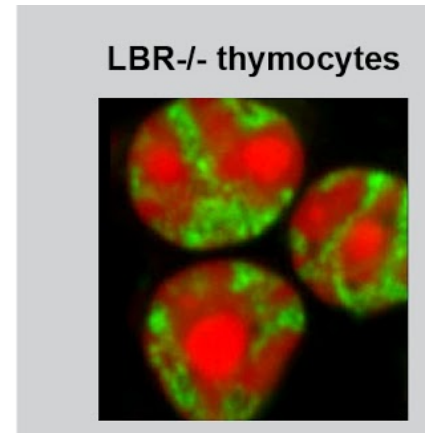
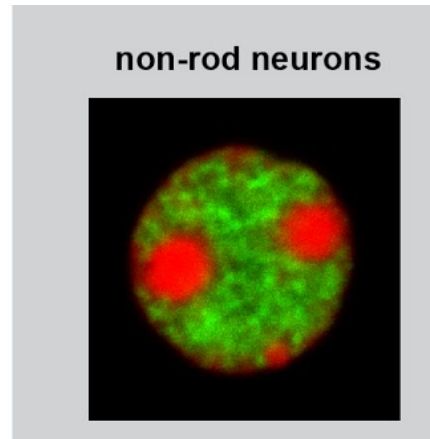
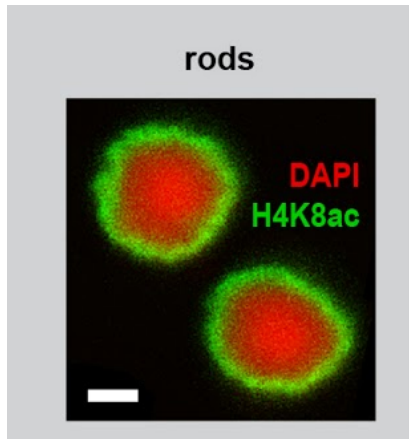
Mechanism of compartmentalization

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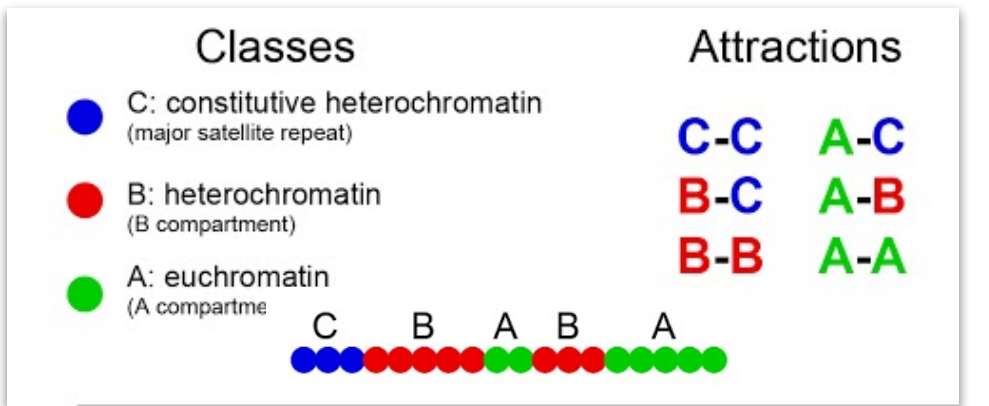
conventional

inverted

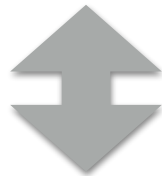
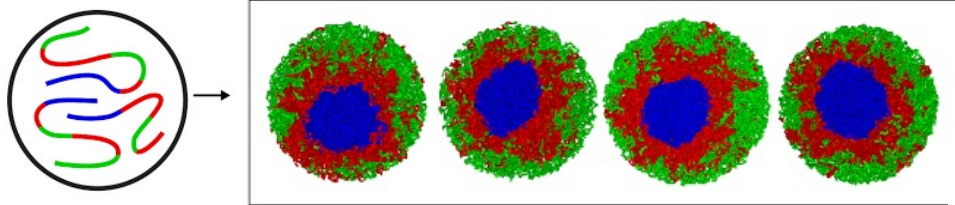
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Mechanism of compartmentalization

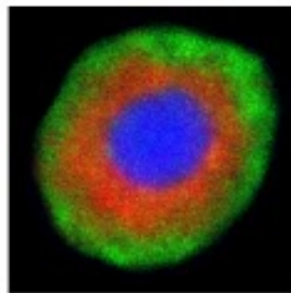
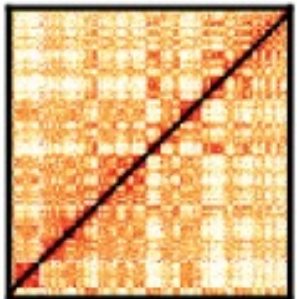


(micro)phase separation in a block copolymer



Hi-C

imaging



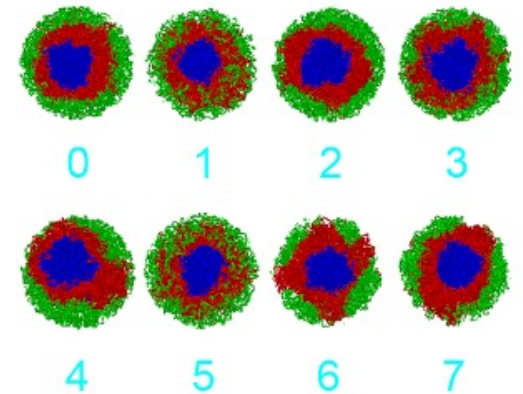
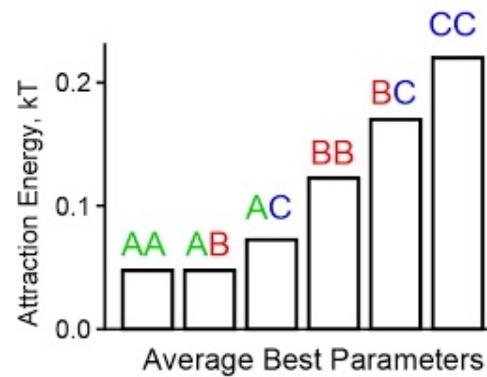
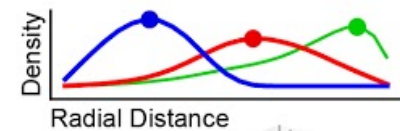
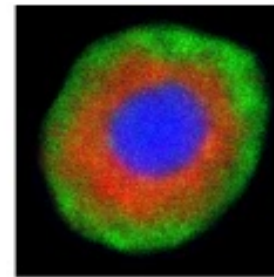
Inverted nucleus

CC < BC < BB < AB < AA

BC < CC < BB < AB < AA

AA < AB < BB < BC < CC

....720 classes of models....



AA < AB < BB < BC < CC

Summary: Mechanism of compartmentalization

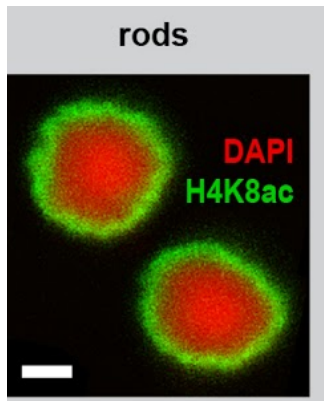


Attractions:



BB ← *for compartmentalization*

B-Lamina ← *for positioning in the nucleus*



inverted is the default state of the nucleus!



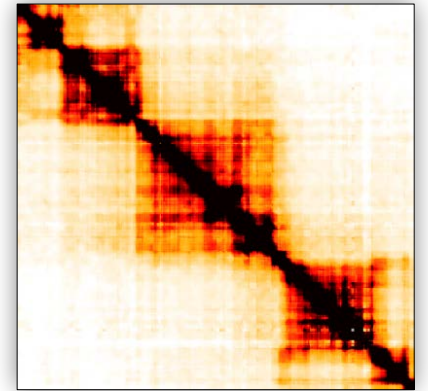
inverted
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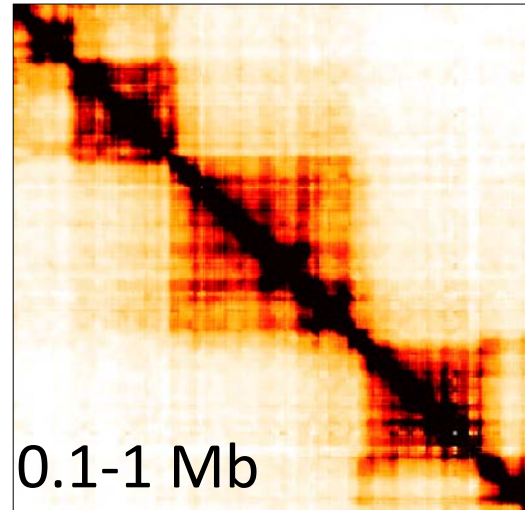
Problem

- Formation of TAD (domains) in

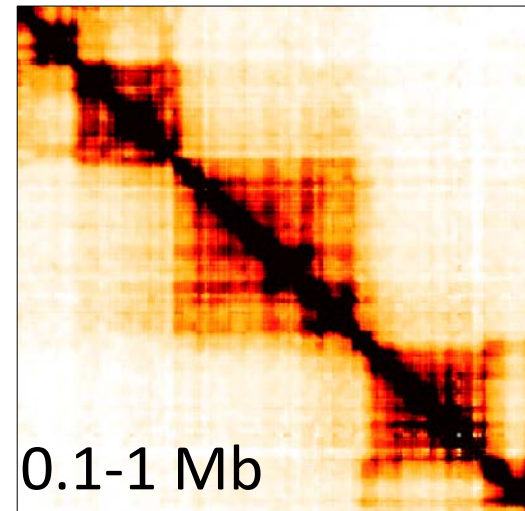
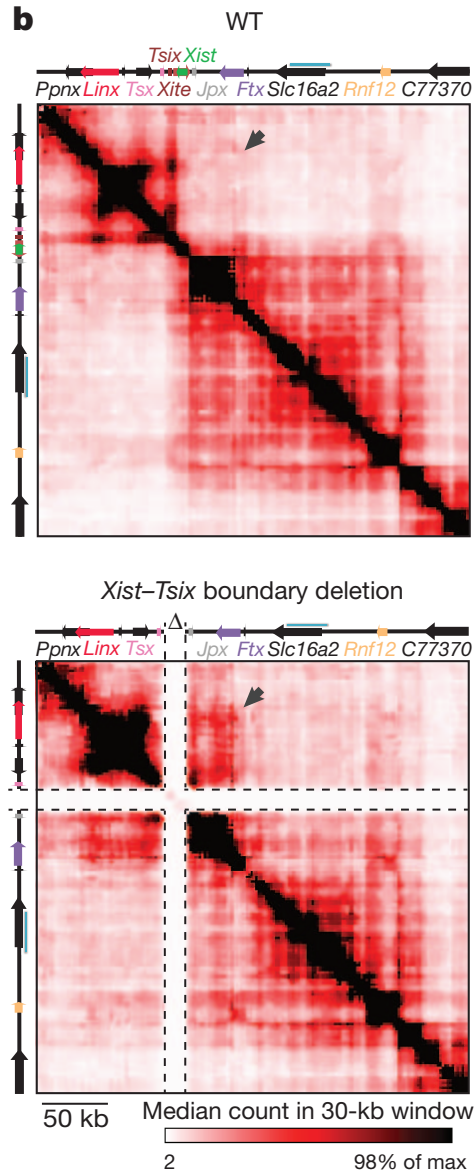


Problem

What's the mechanism of domain formation?



Domains boundaries are essential for domain formation



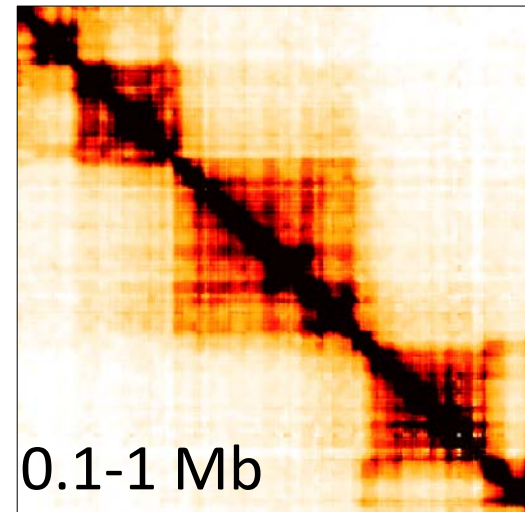
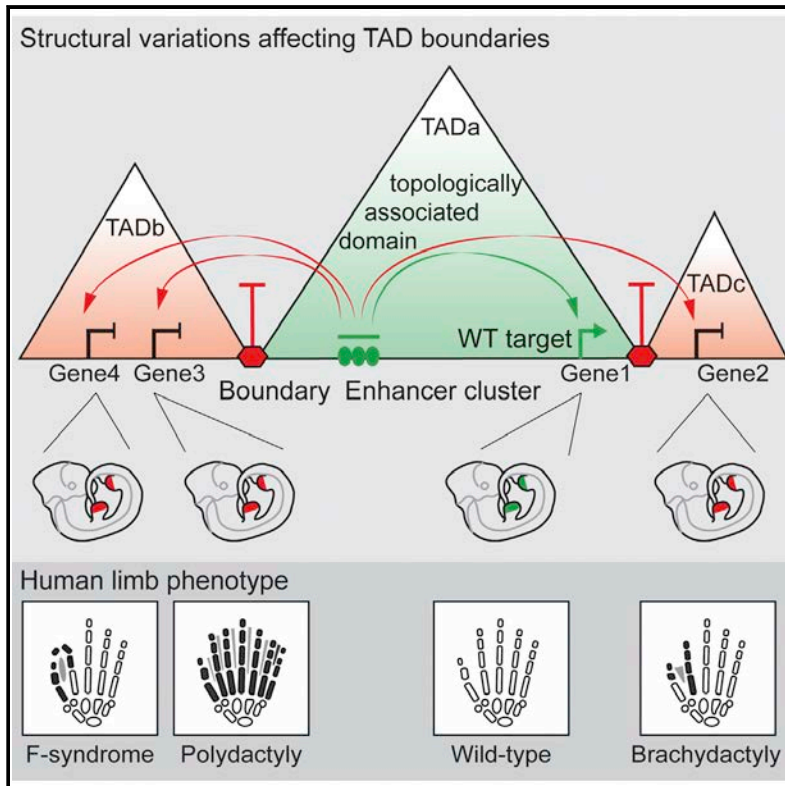
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Narendra V, et al. (2015) CTCF establishes discrete functional chromatin domains at the Hox clusters during differentiation. *Science (New York, NY)* 347(6225):1017–1021.

Guo Y, et al. (2015) CRISPR Inversion of CTCF Sites Alters Genome Topology and Enhancer/Promoter Function. *Cell* 162(4):900–910.

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Domains boundaries controls functional interactions



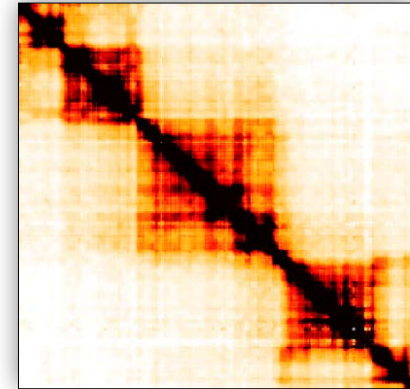
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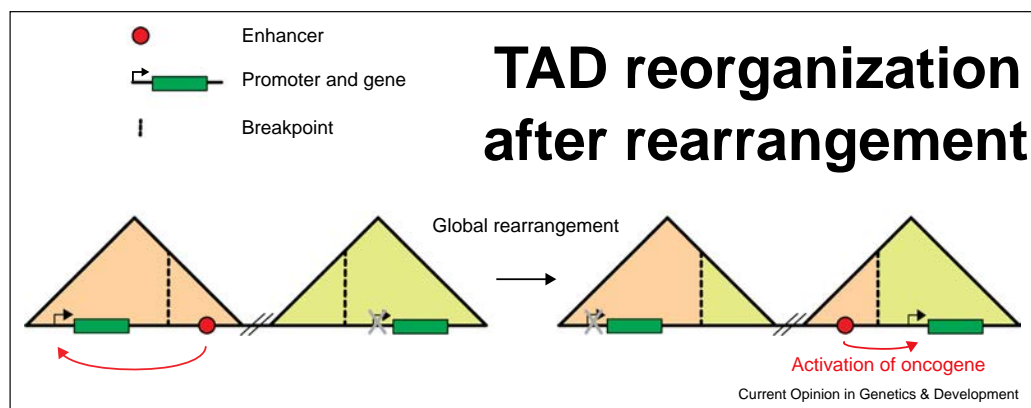
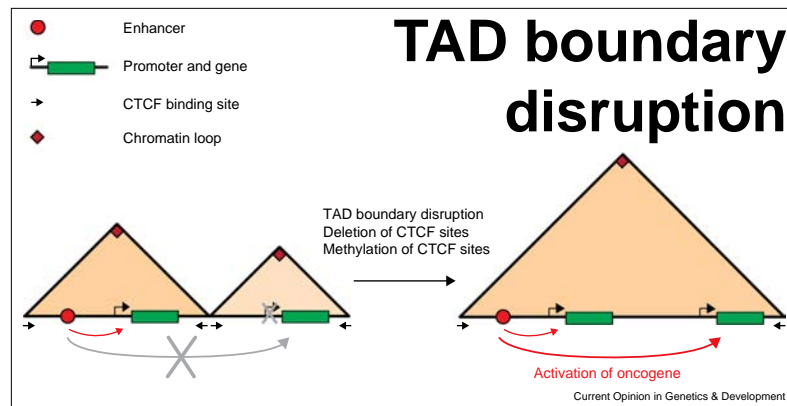
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In cancer...

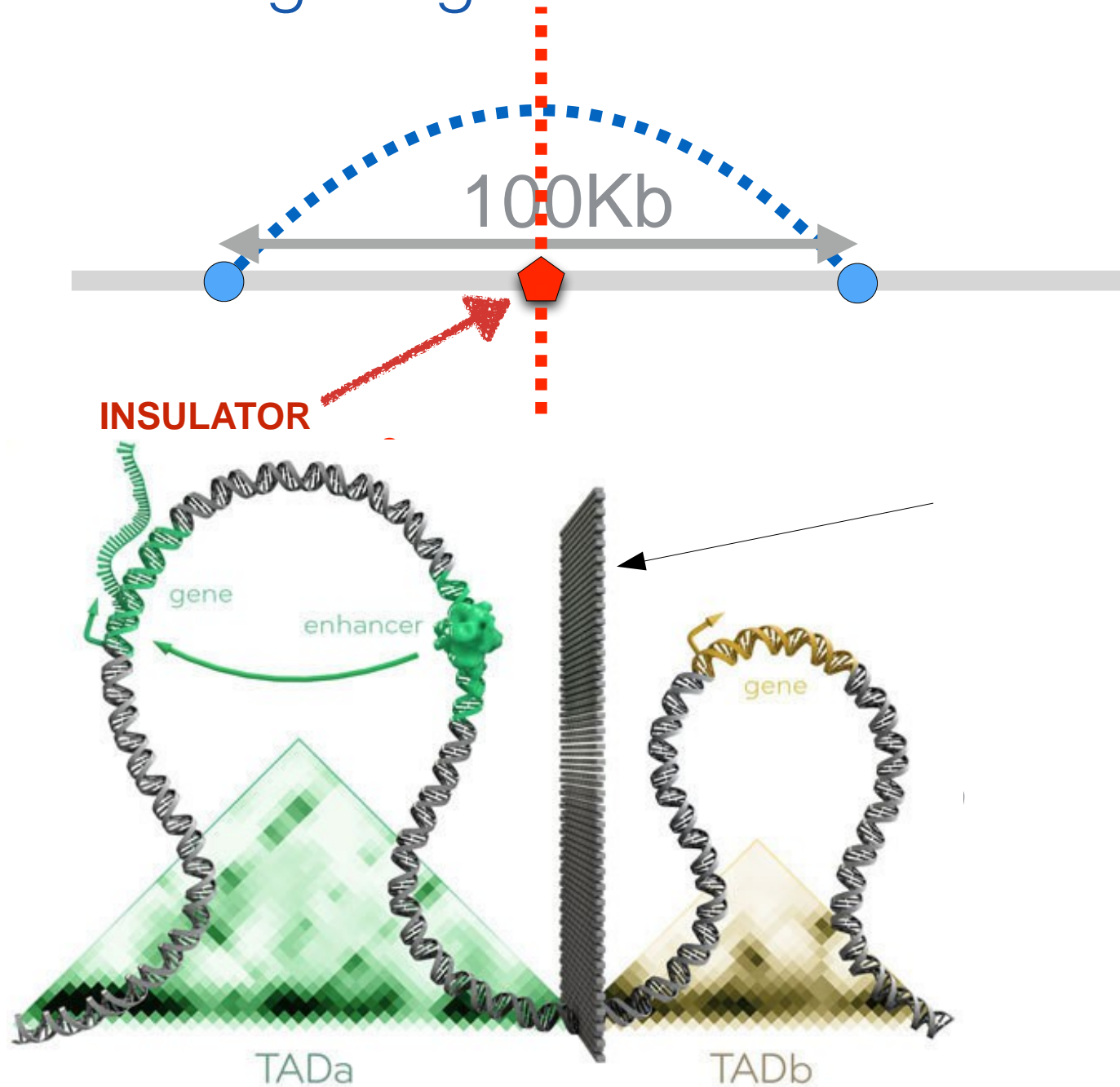
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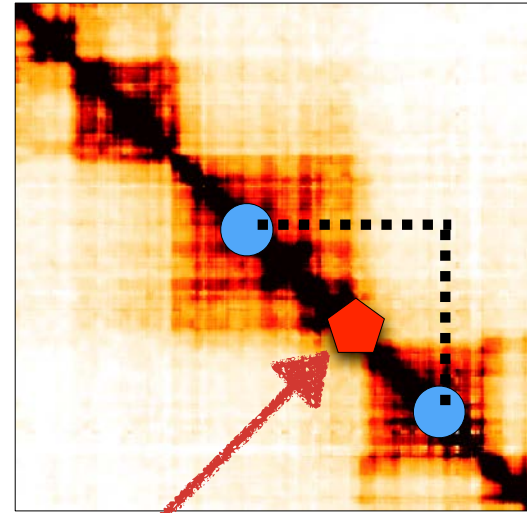
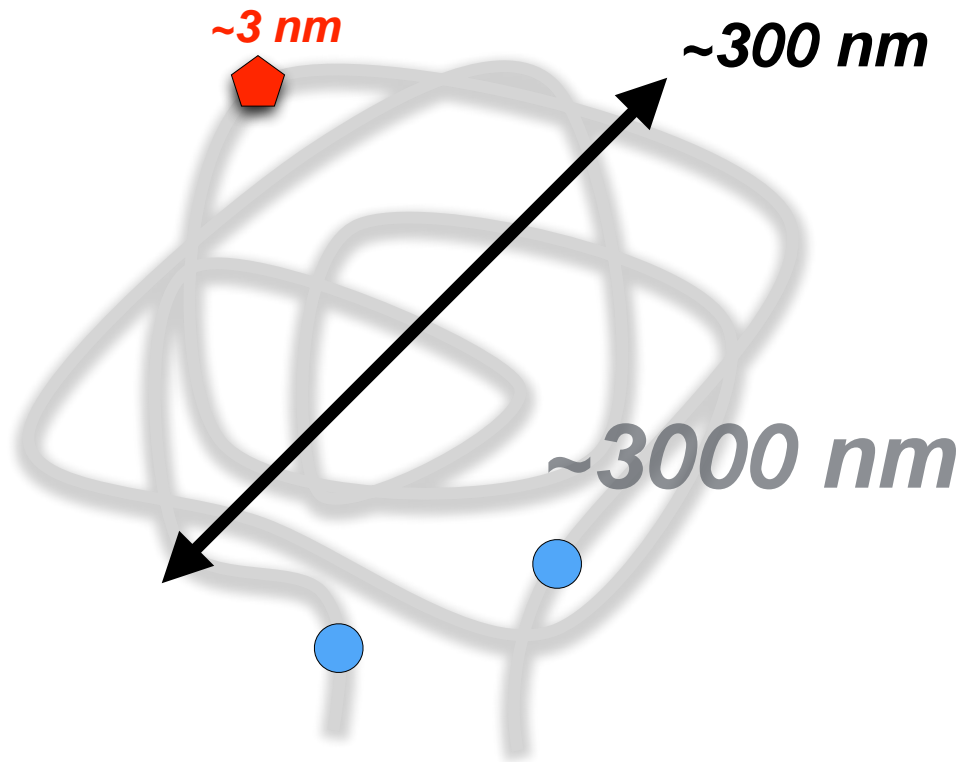
Enhancer hijacking



PROBLEM 1: how can small proteins control long-range interactions?

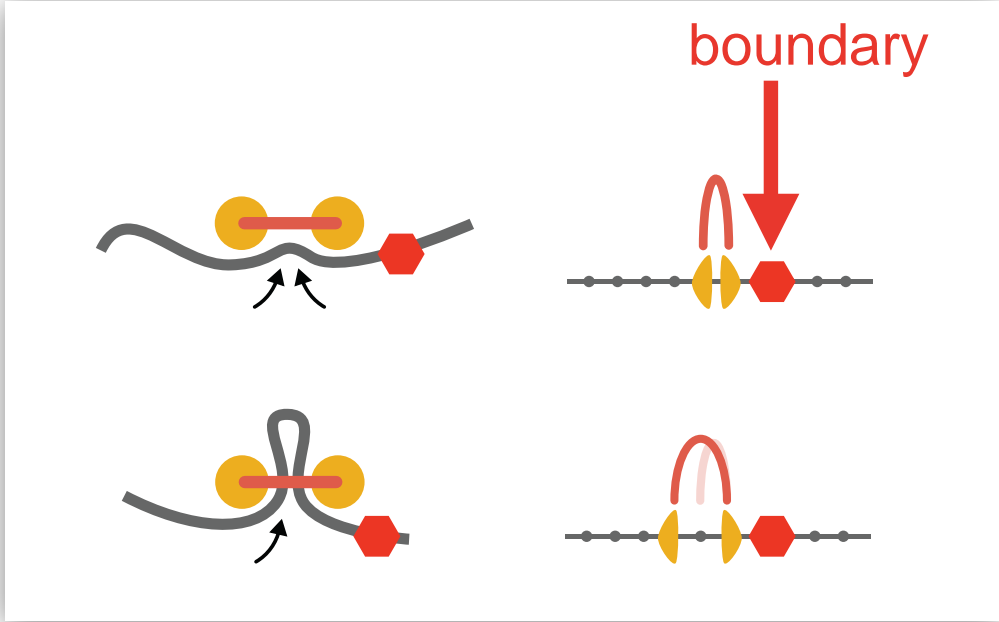
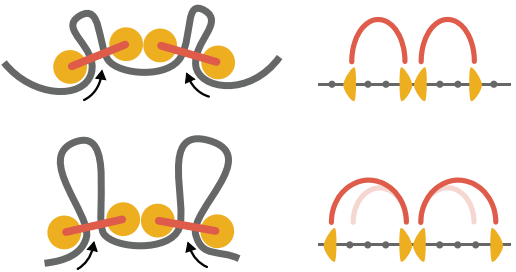
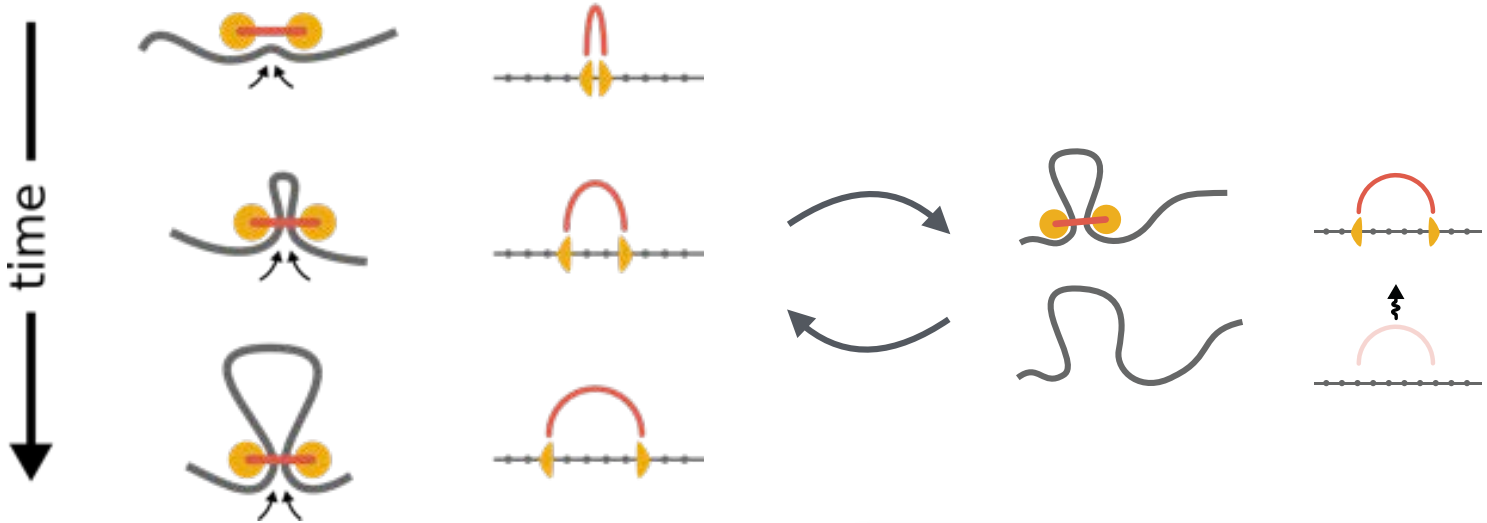


PROBLEM 1: Problem of scales



INSULATOR (~ 2 -fold)

Loop extrusion with boundaries => TADs



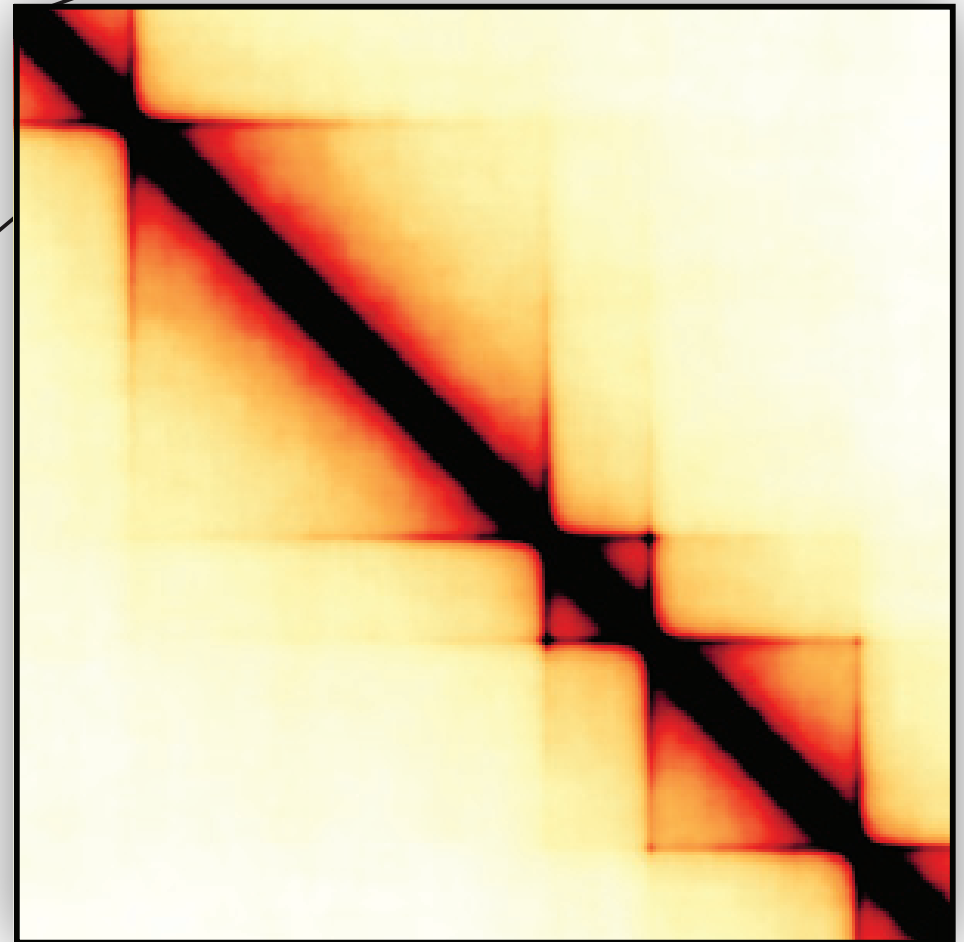
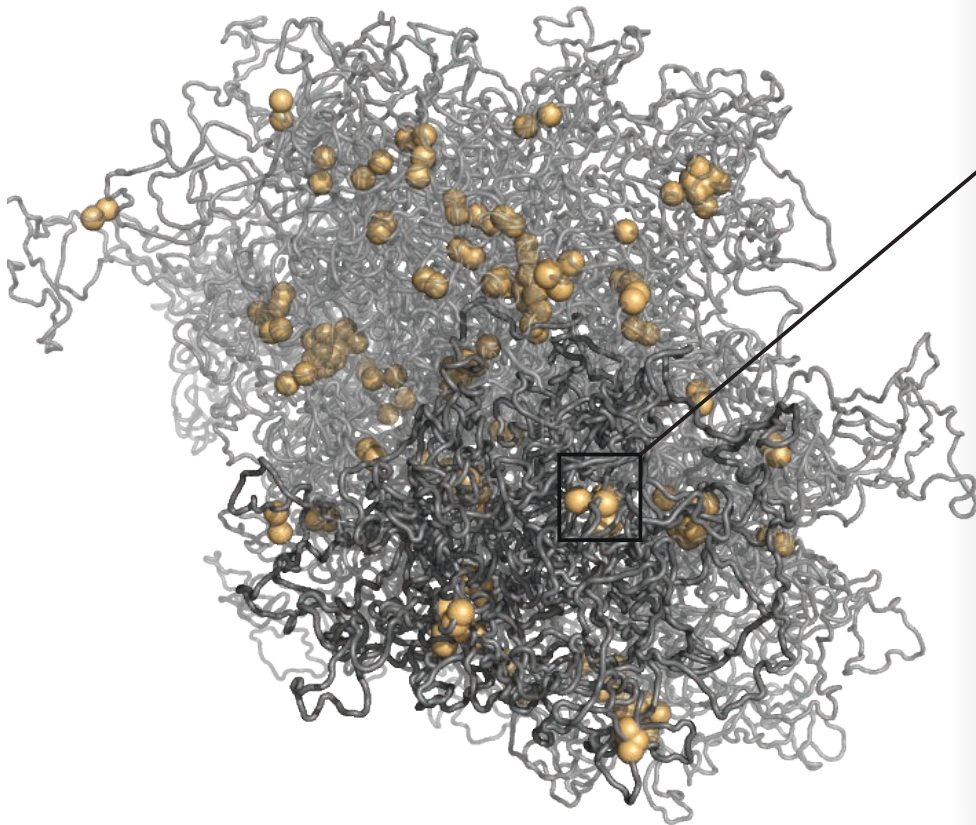
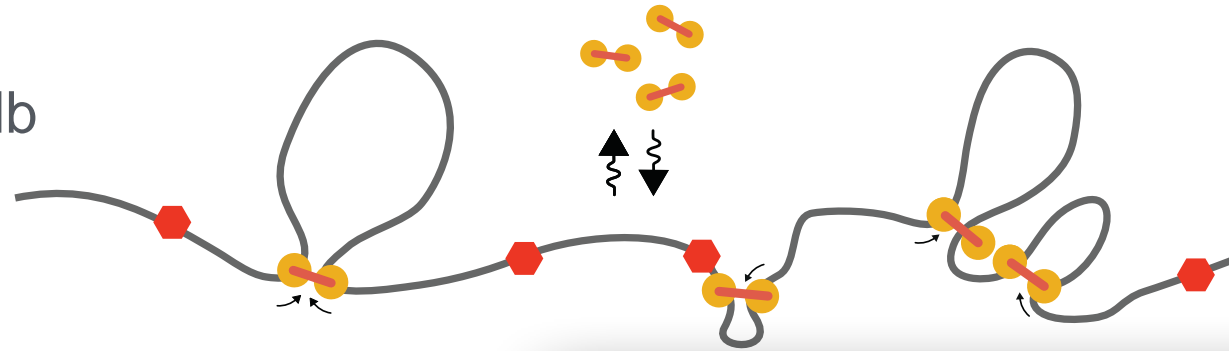
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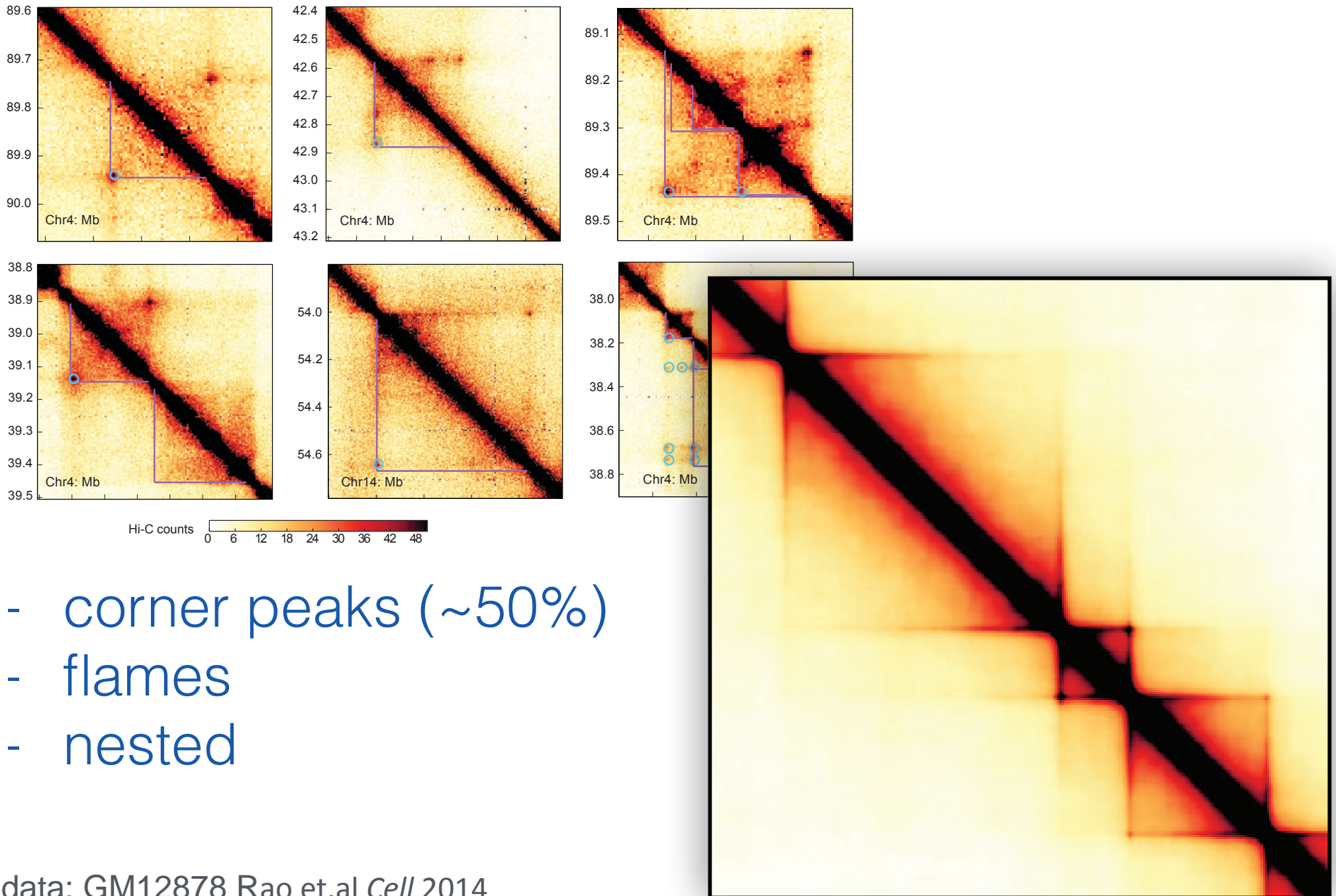
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Model

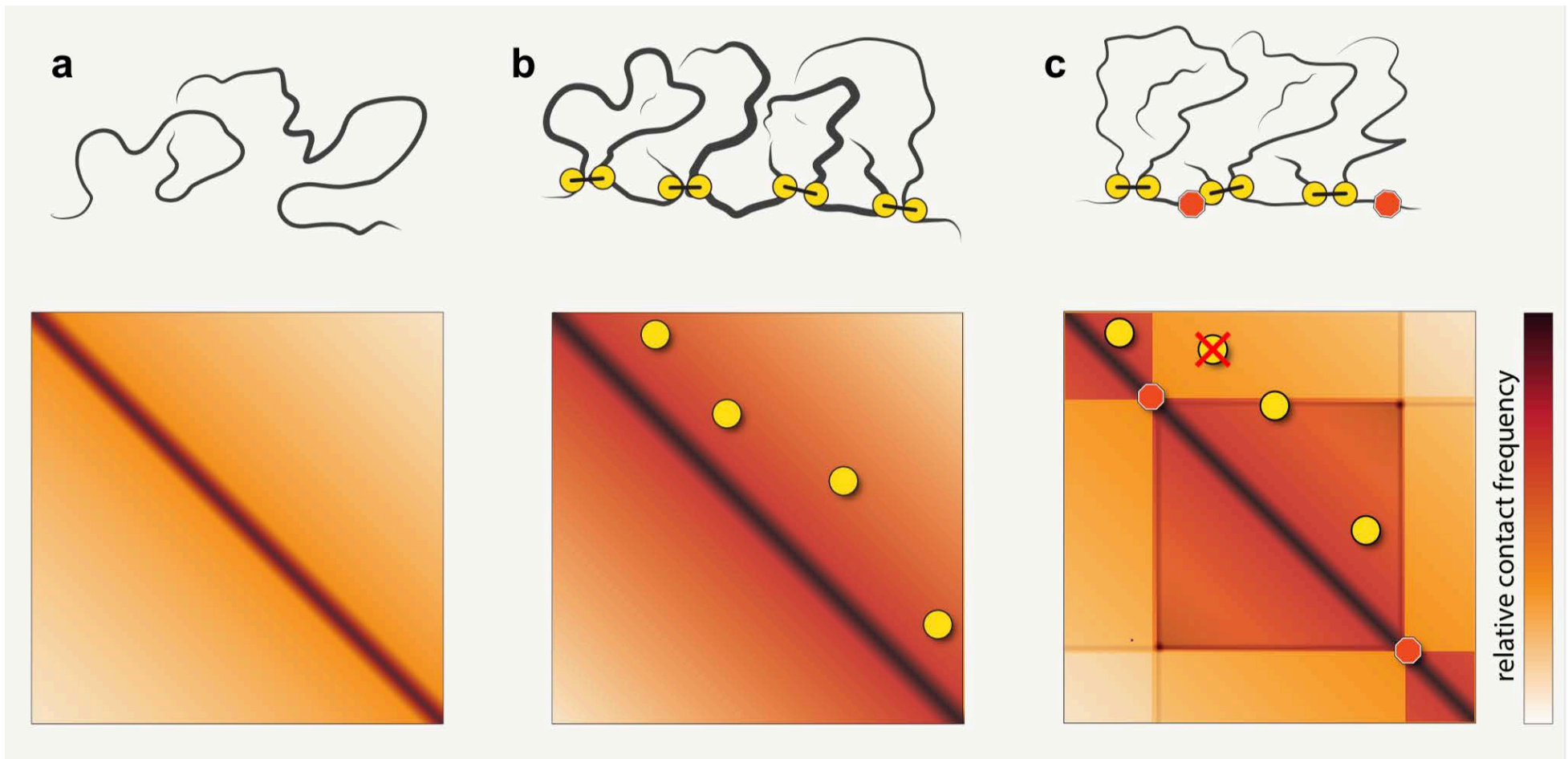
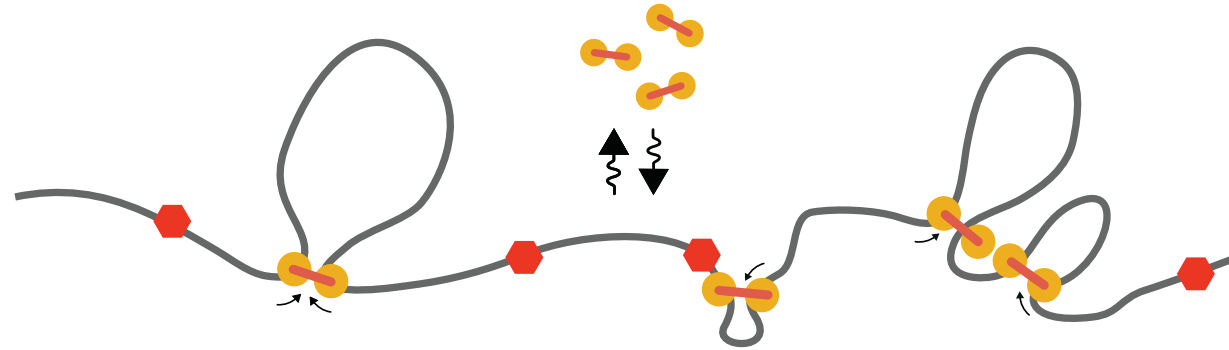
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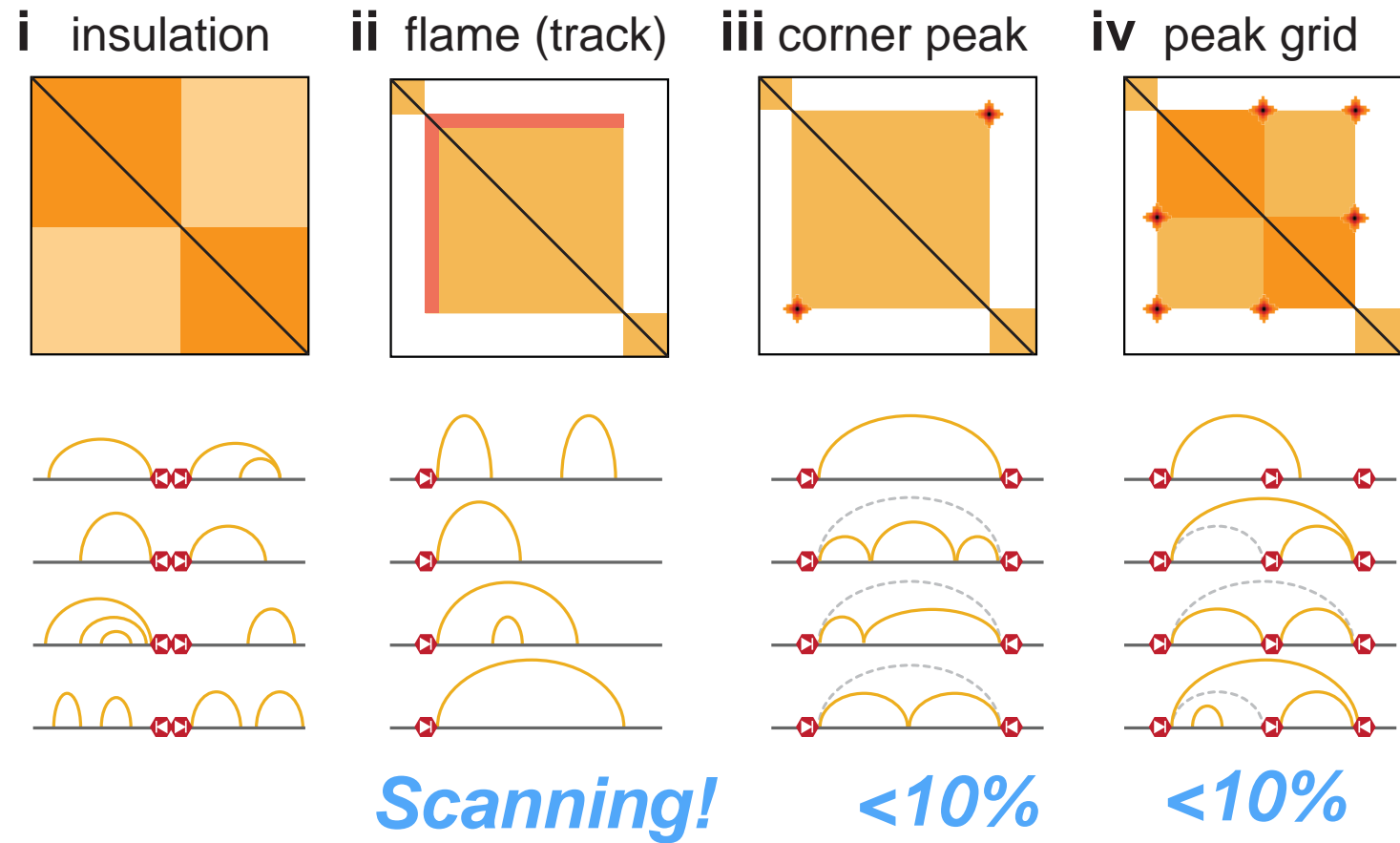
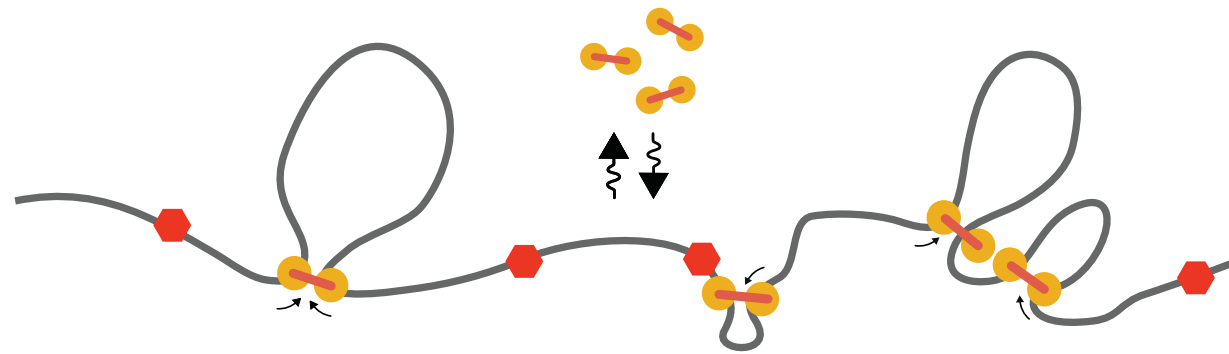
Complex architecture of TADs



Loop extrusion => TADs, flames, dots, grids etc



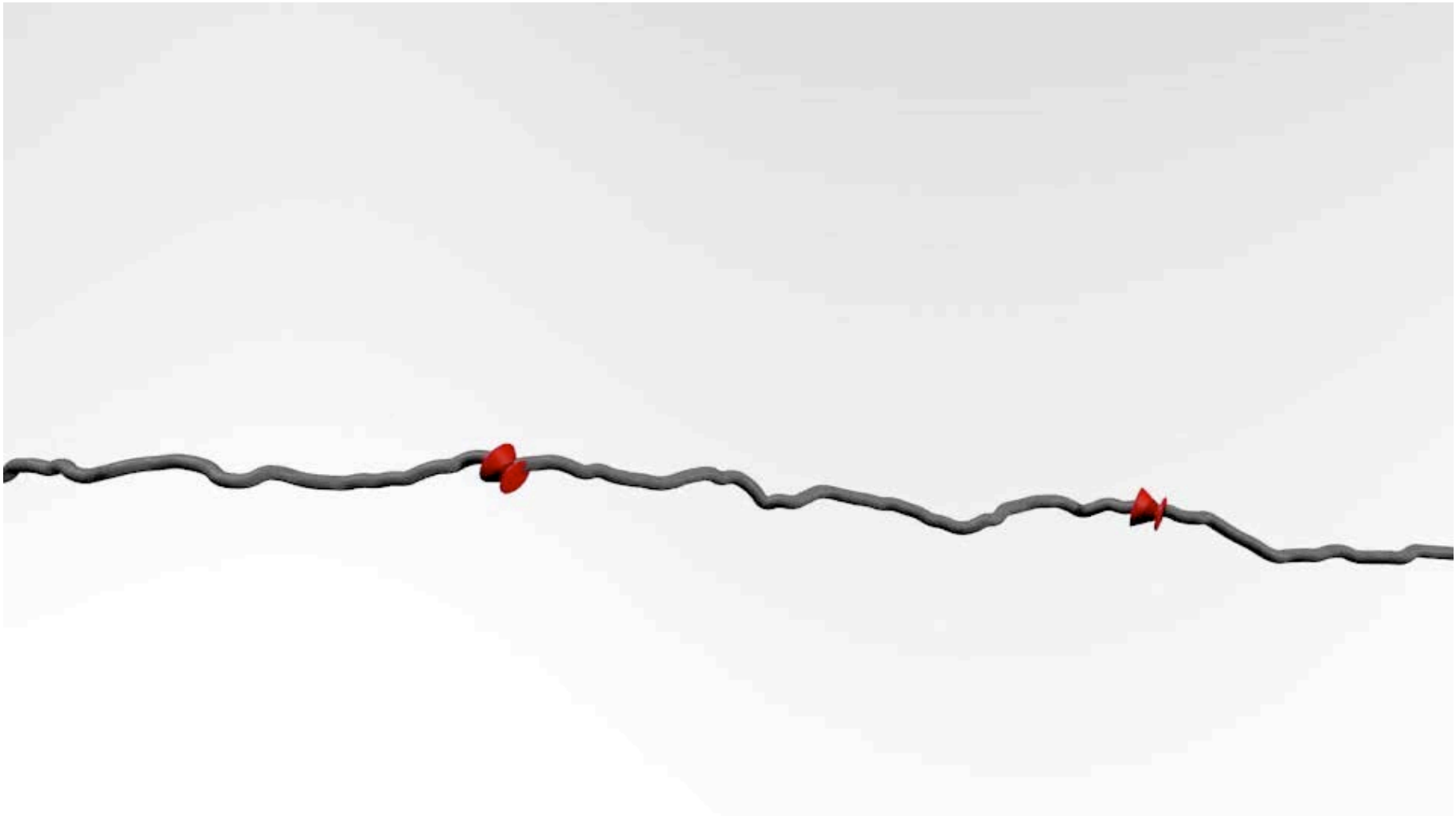
PROBLEM 1: Formation of domains by loop extrusion



Domain — systems of actively extruded loops

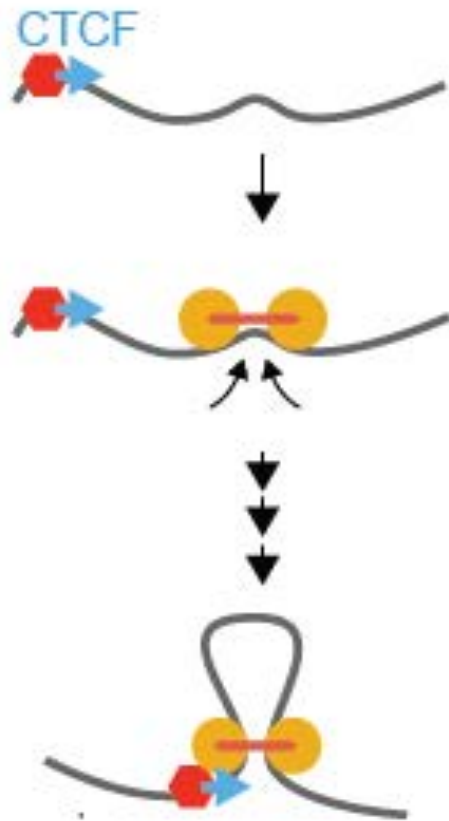


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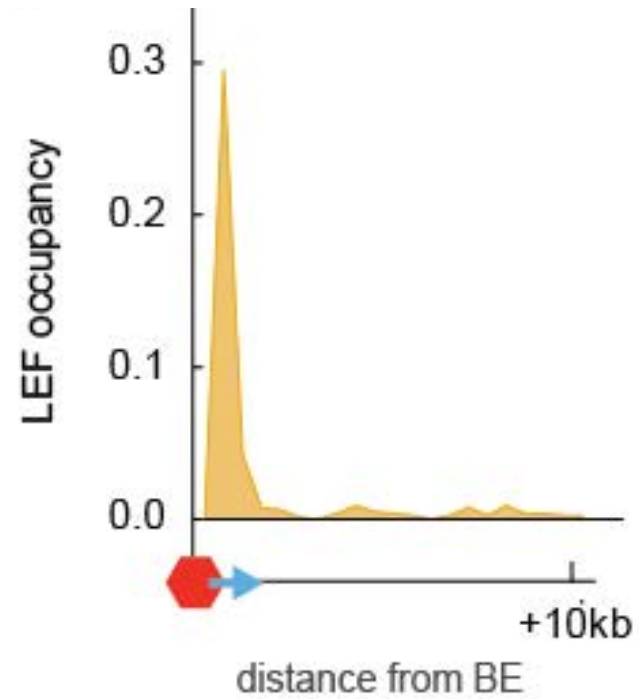


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Cohesin — accumulates near boundaries

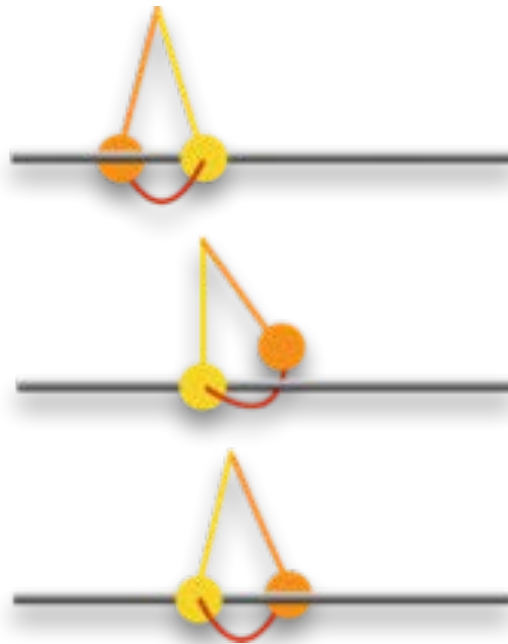
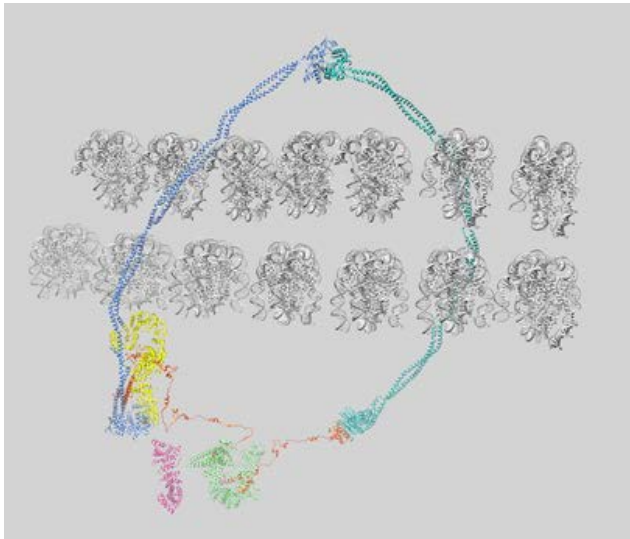


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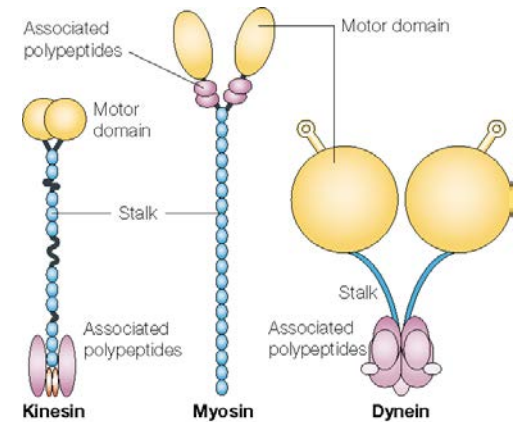


Hypothesis: **cohesin** (and other SMCs) — loop extruding motor

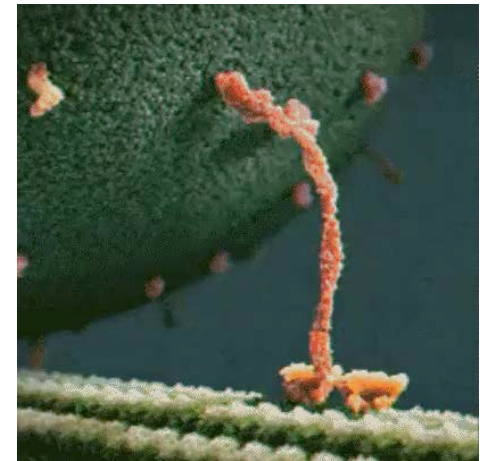
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Known molecular motors



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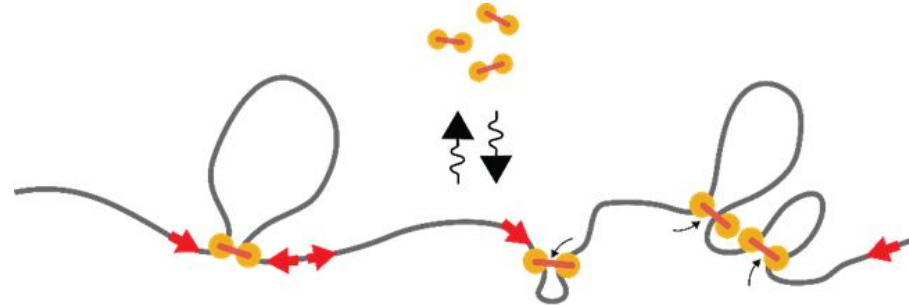


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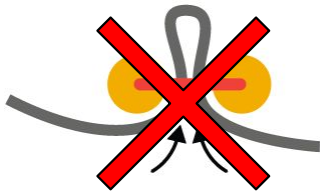
Testing the theory

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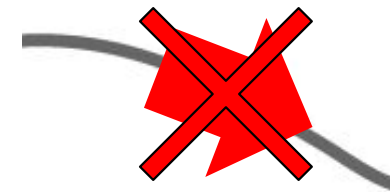
1. loop extruding enzyme (cohesin)
2. boundary element (CTCFs)



Δ Nipbl = no extruders



CTCF-AID = no boundaries



Two independent modes of chromatin organization revealed by cohesin removal

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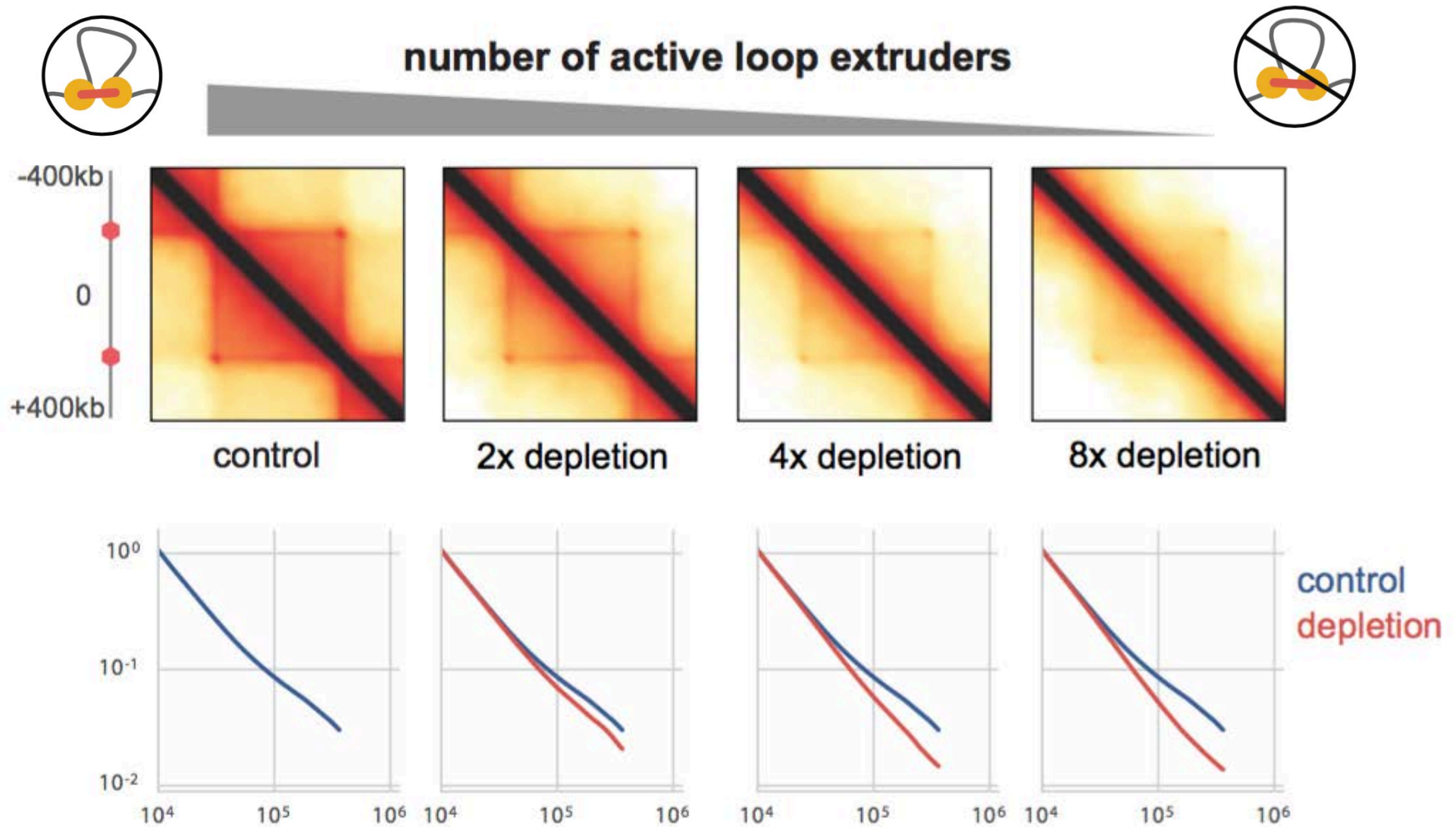
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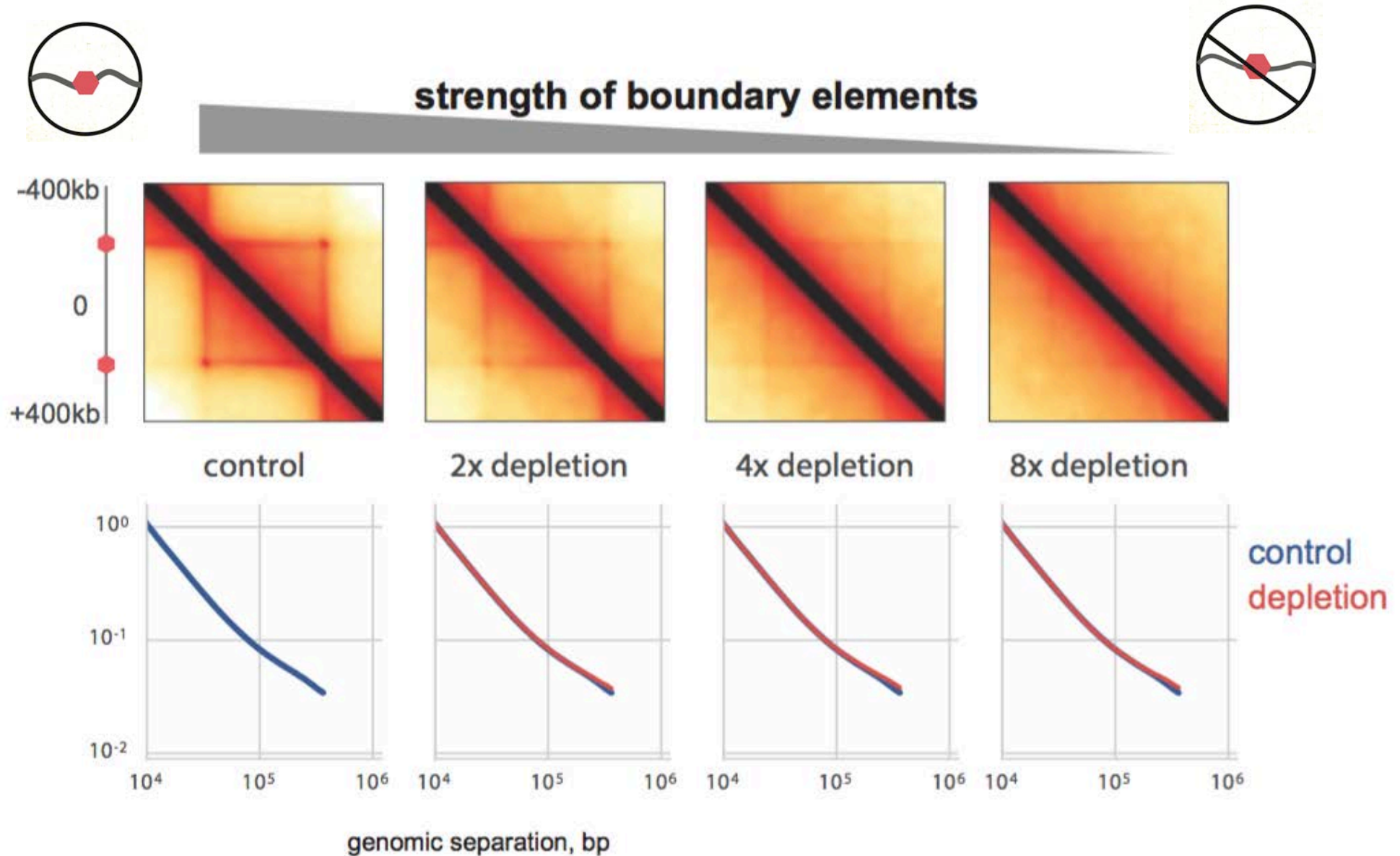
Predictions

1. deplete loop extruding enzyme (cohesin)



Predictions

2. deplete boundary element (CTCFs)

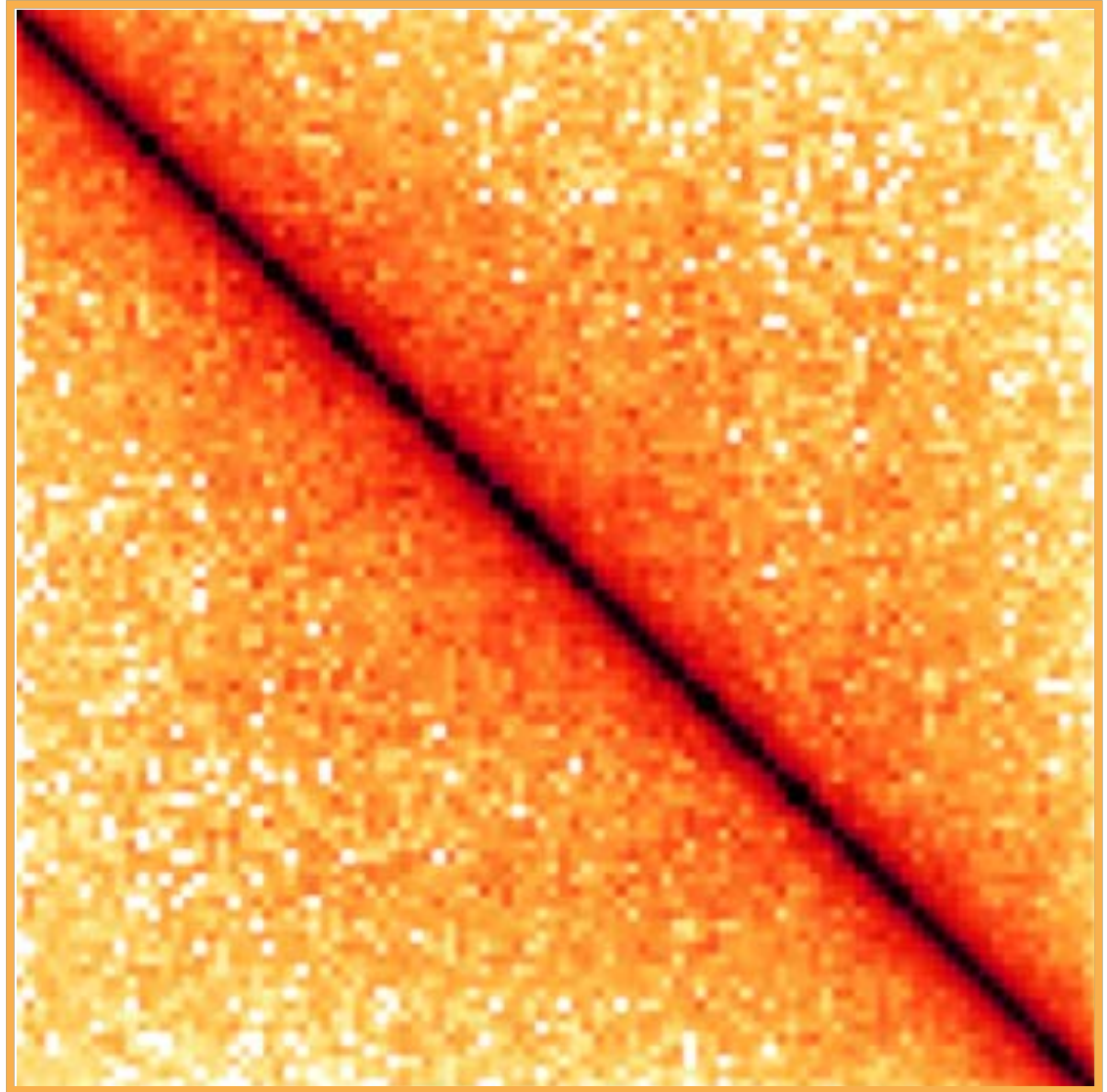
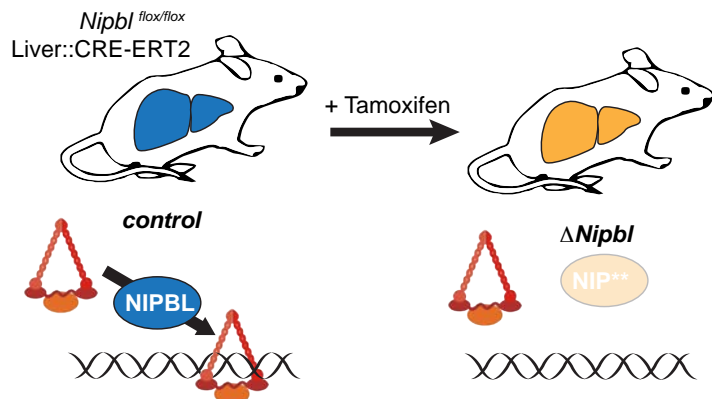


Experiment

Domains disappear when *cohesin* is removed



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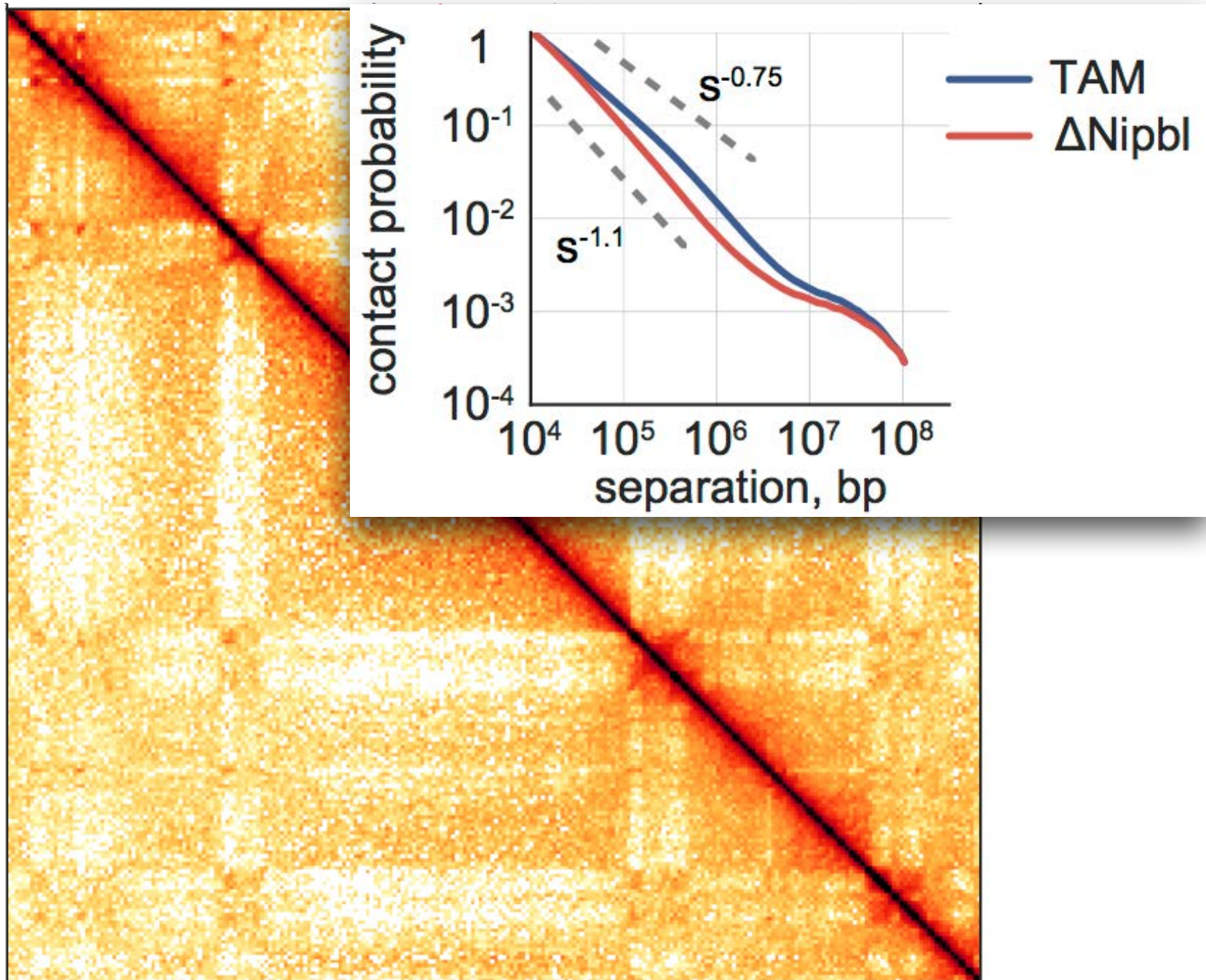


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TADs (but not compartments) are cohesin-dependent



Experiment

Domains merge when **CTCF** is removed

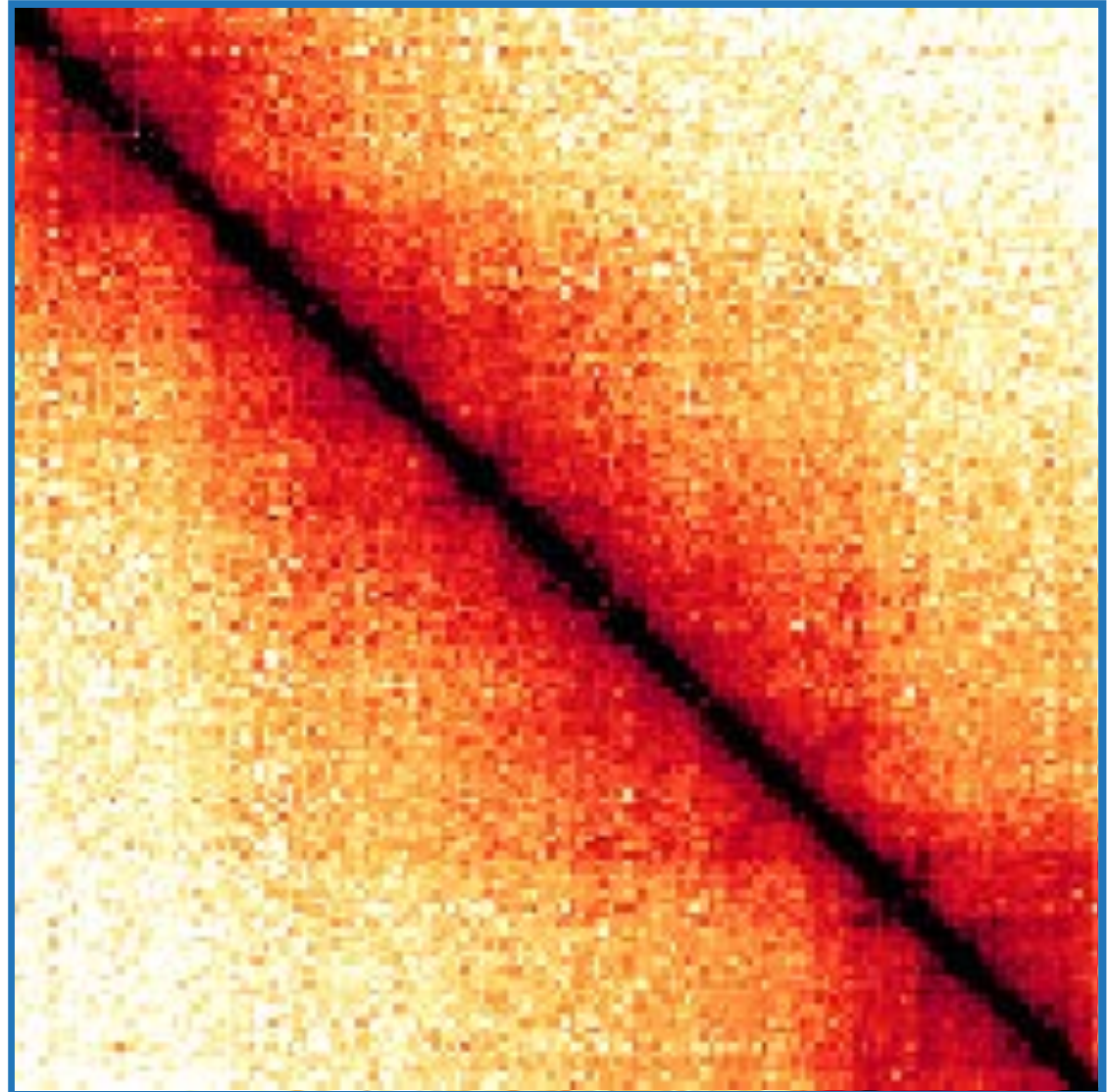
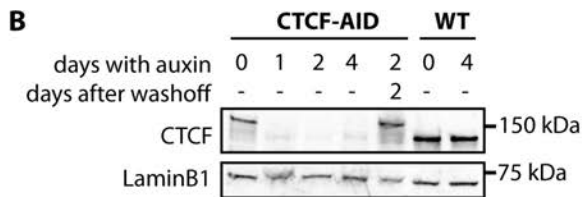
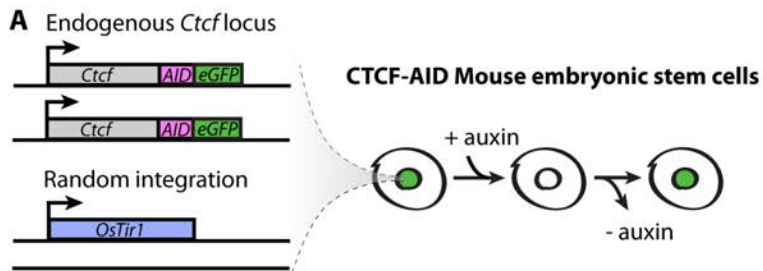


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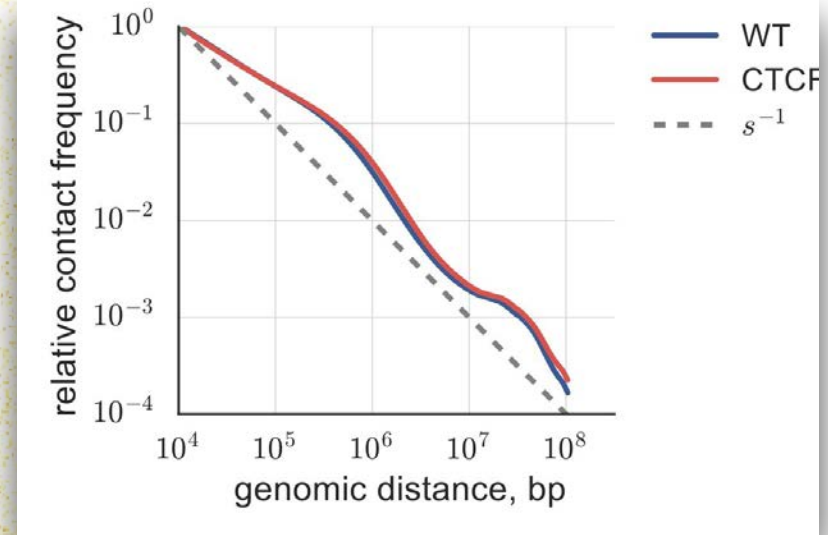
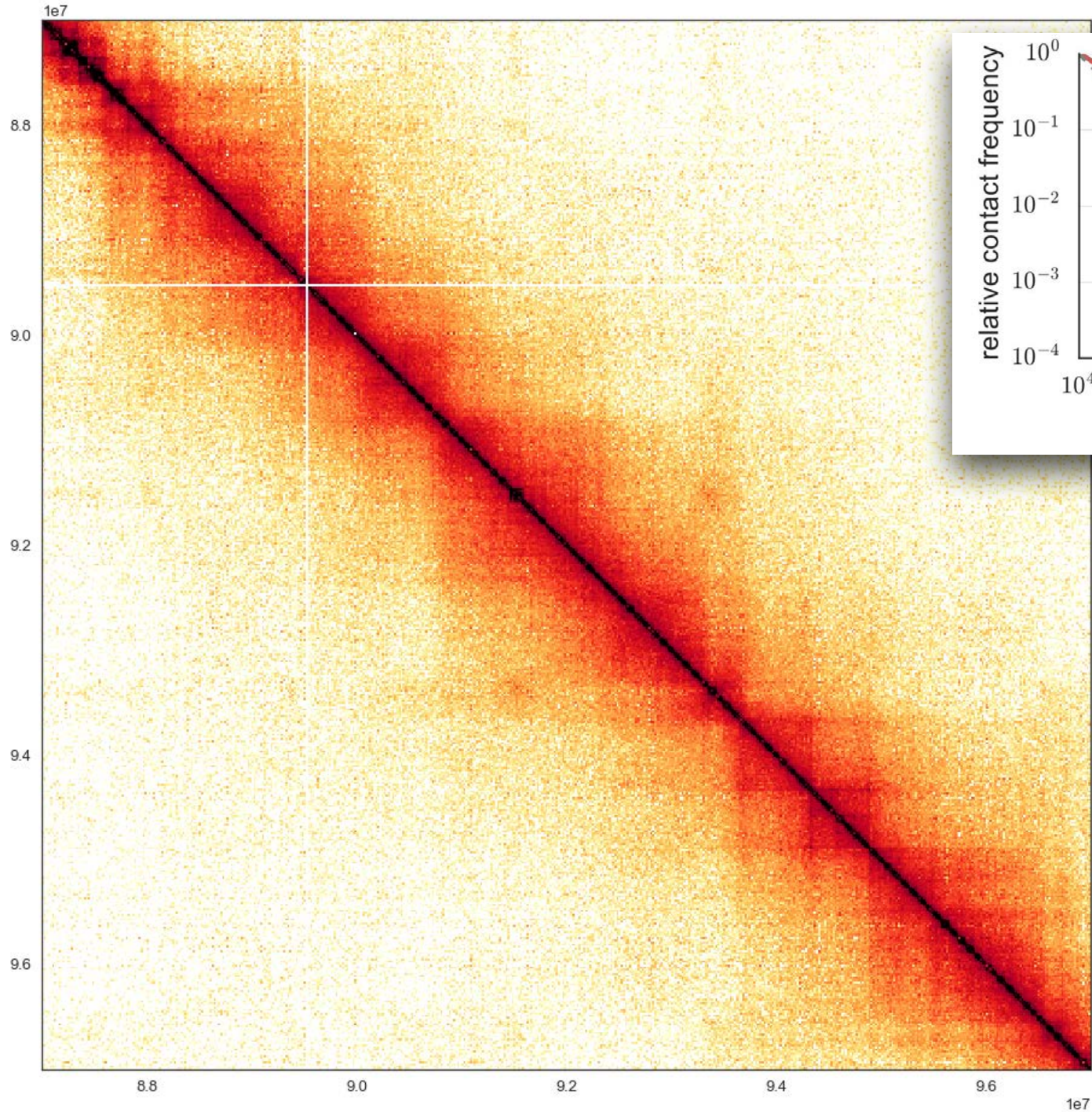
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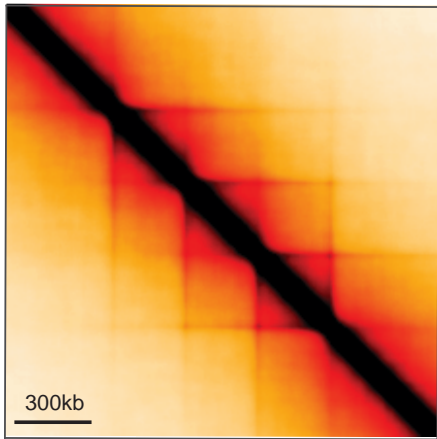


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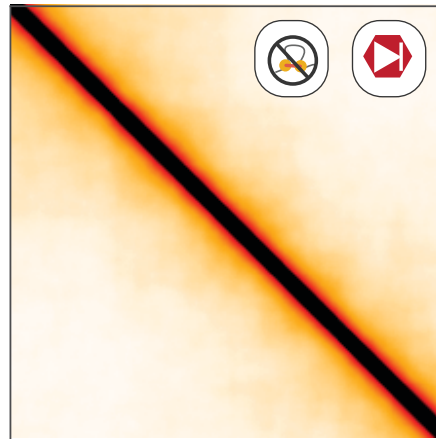


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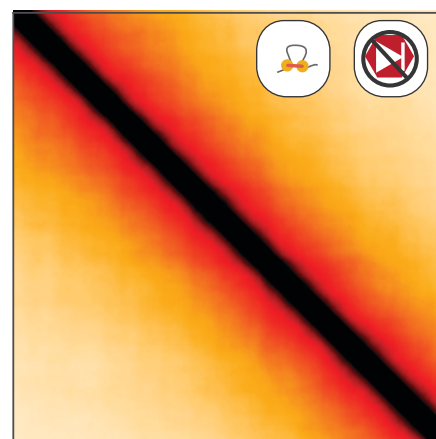
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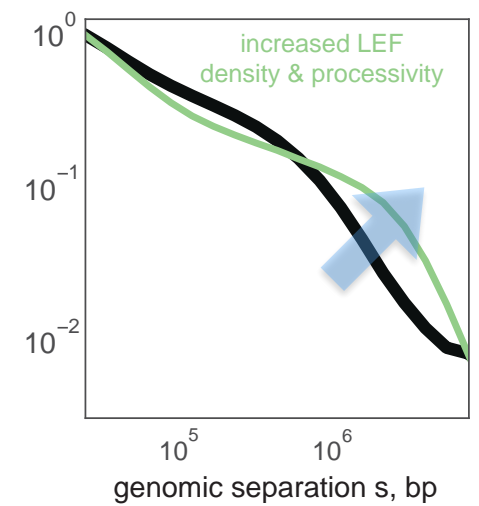
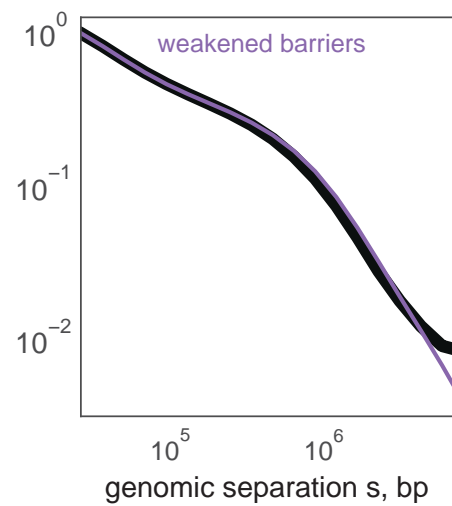
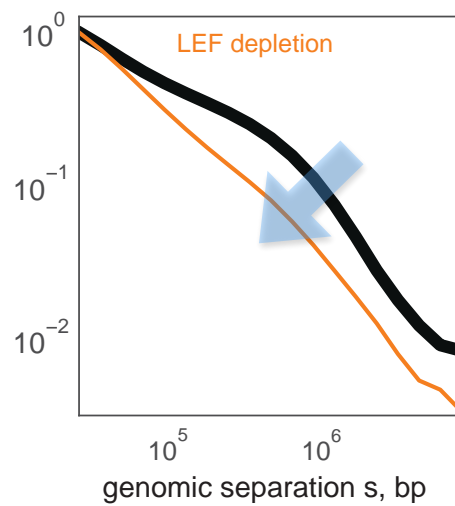
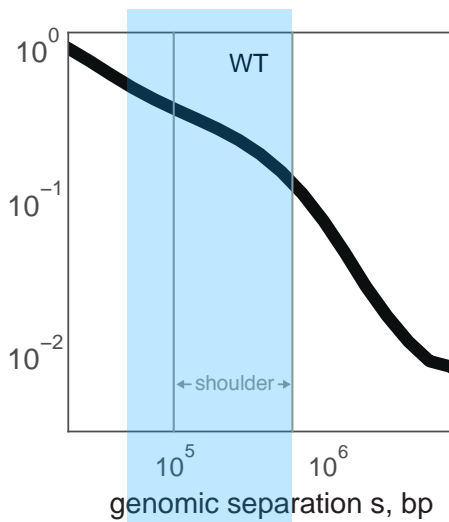
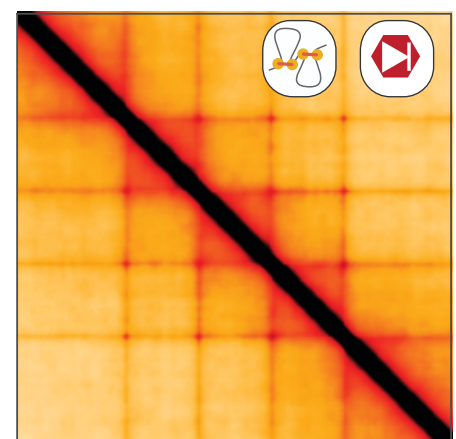
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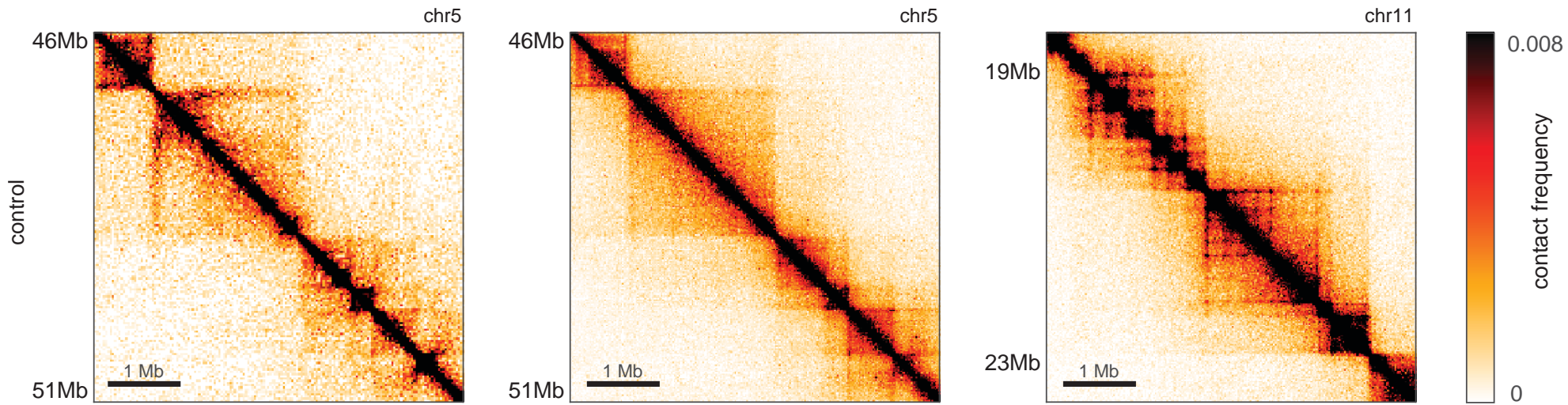


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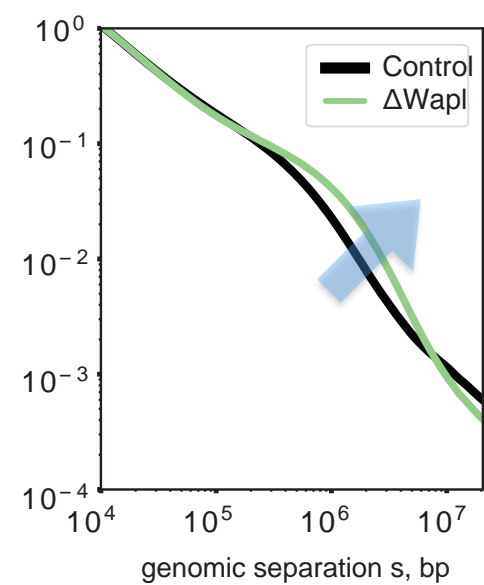
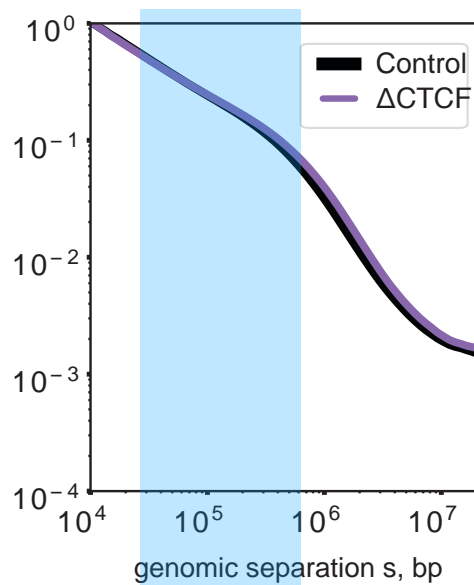
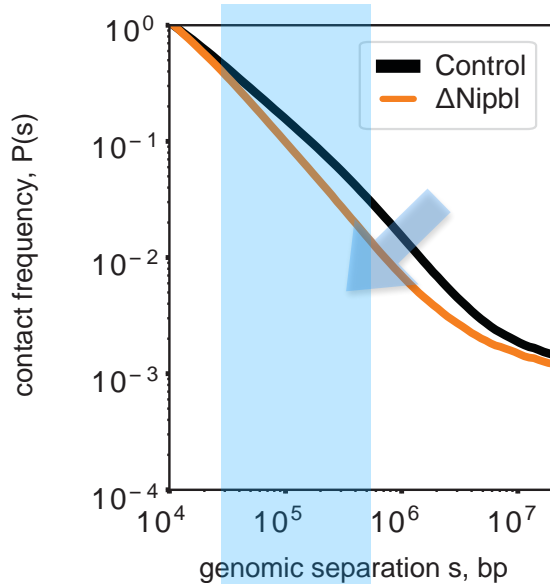
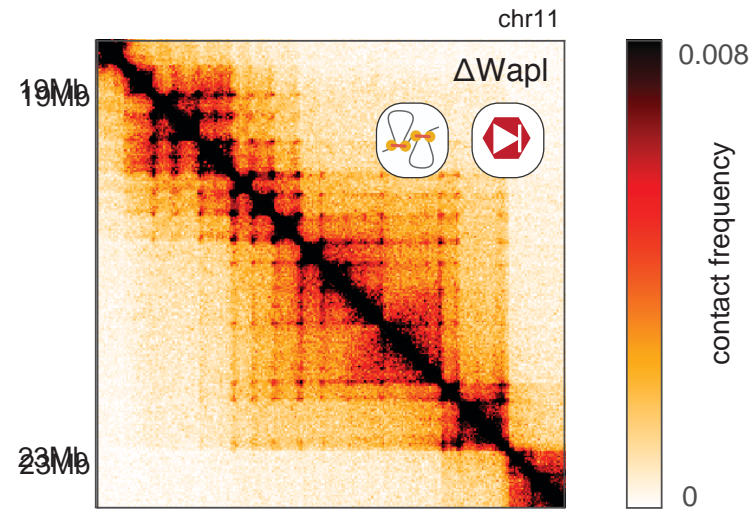
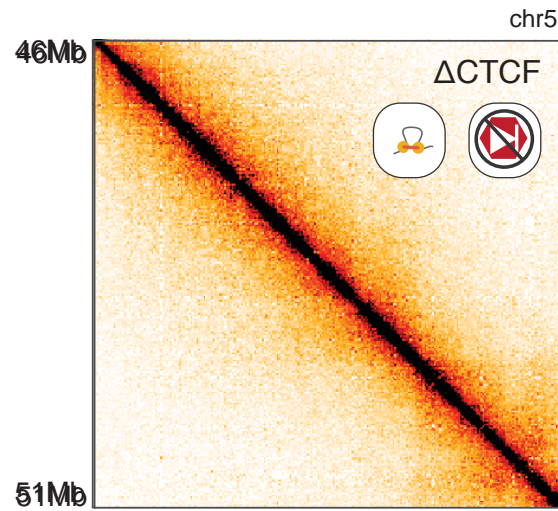
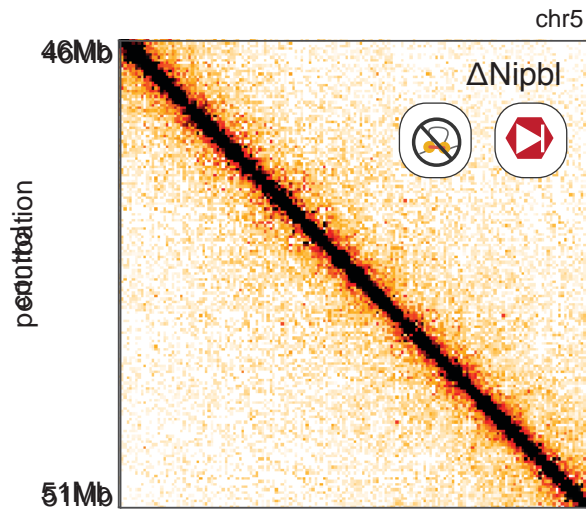
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Single-molecule experiments

Real-time imaging of DNA loop extrusion by condensin

Science

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This video shows how a condensin protein gradually causes DNA to extrude a DNA loop over time.

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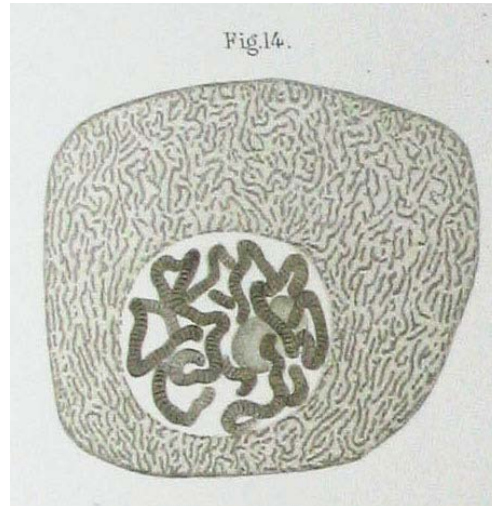
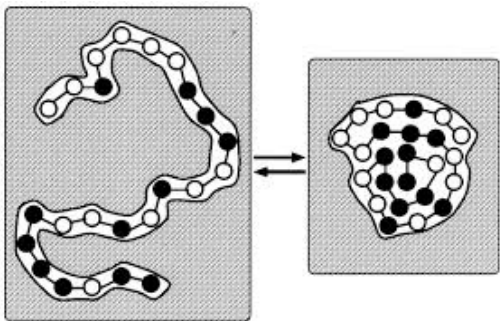
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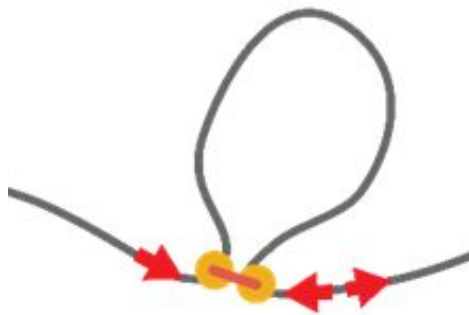


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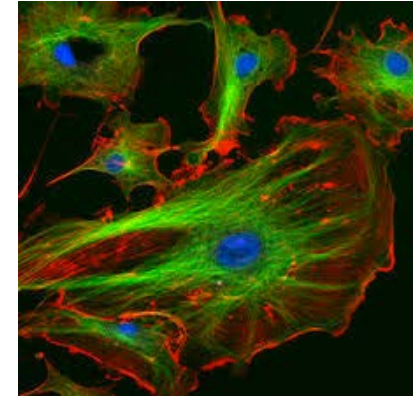


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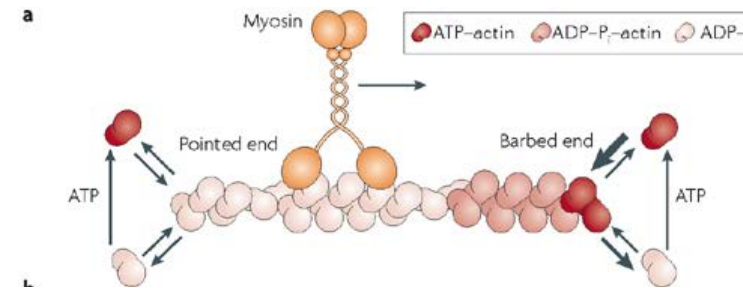
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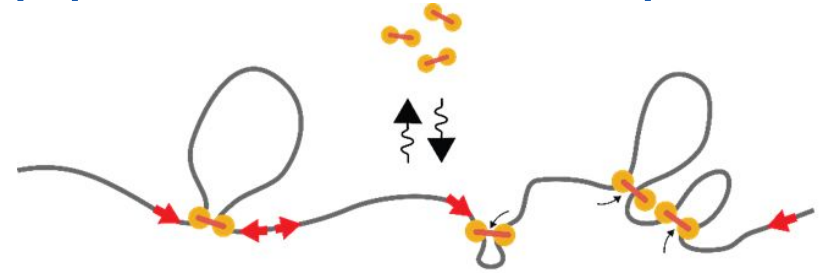


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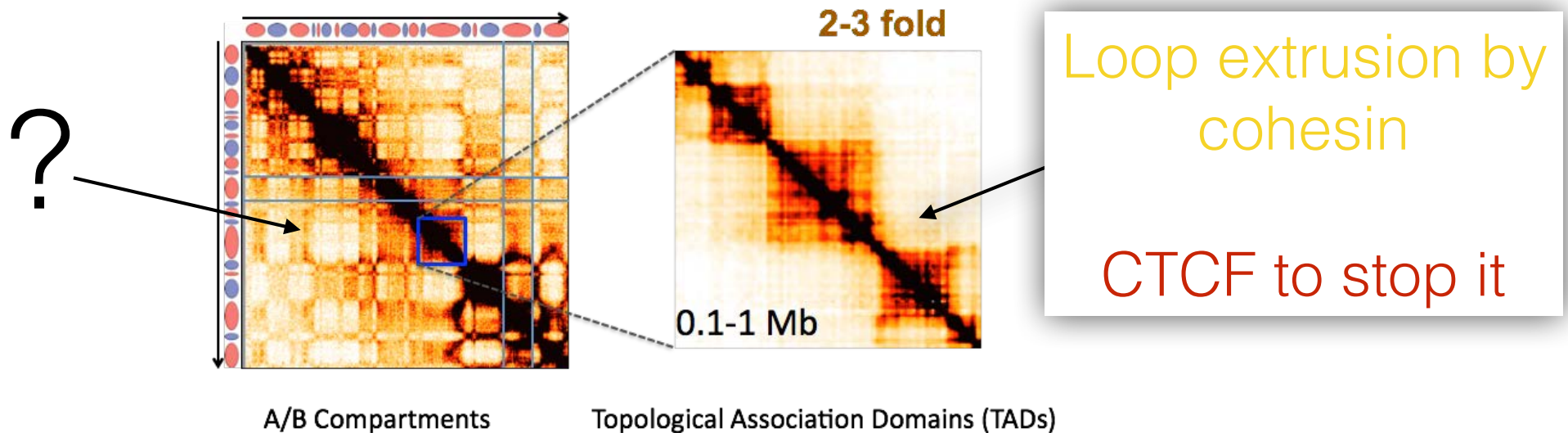


Conclusions

1. Strong experimental support of the loop extrusion hypothesis



2. **Domains** and **compartments** are formed by different mechanisms



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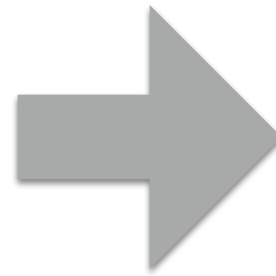
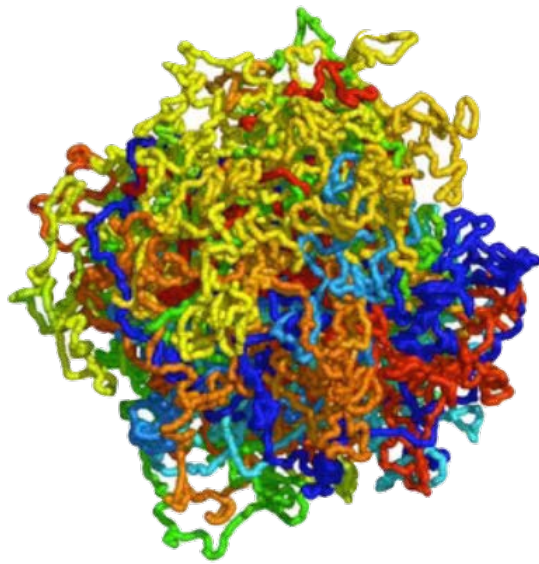
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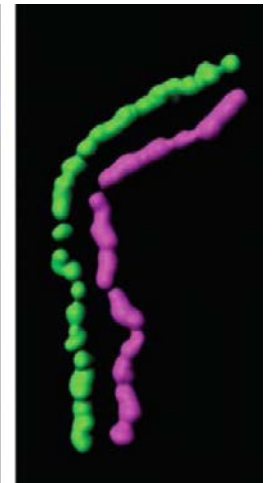
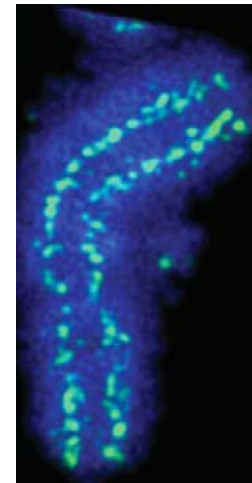
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PROBLEM 2: how can chromosome condense while acquiring elongated morphology and linear order?

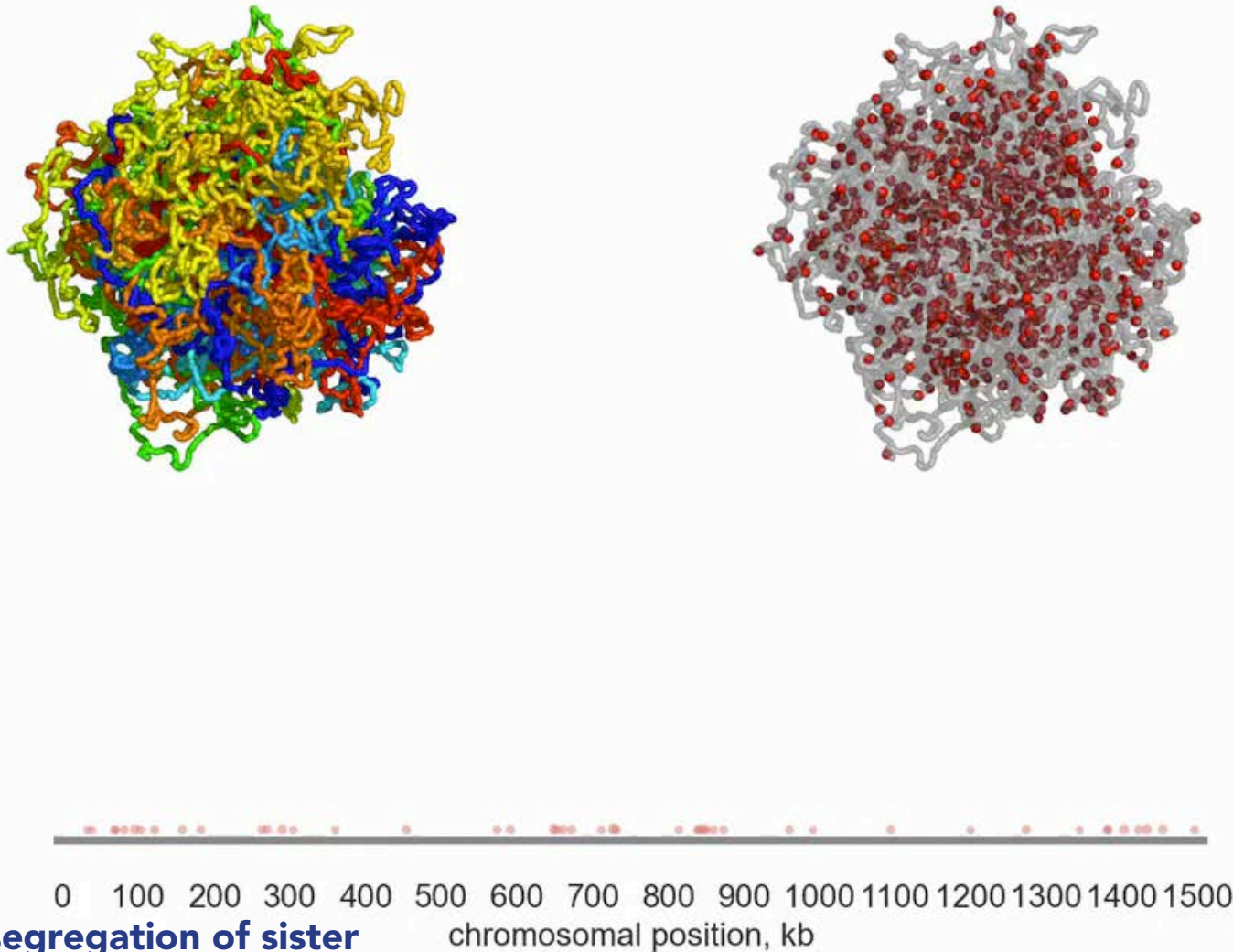


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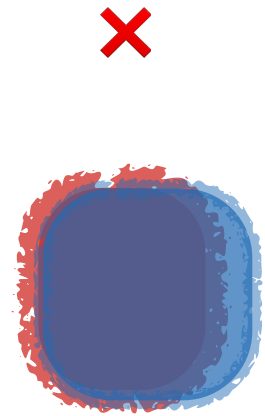
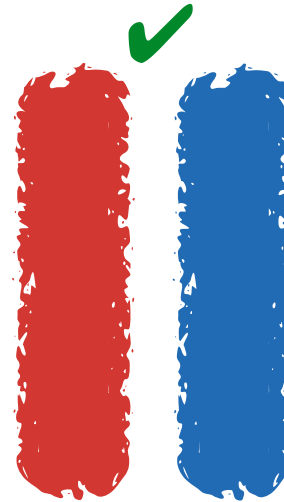
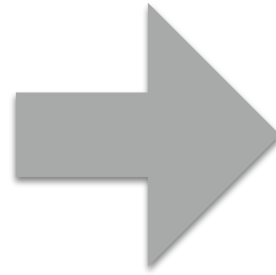
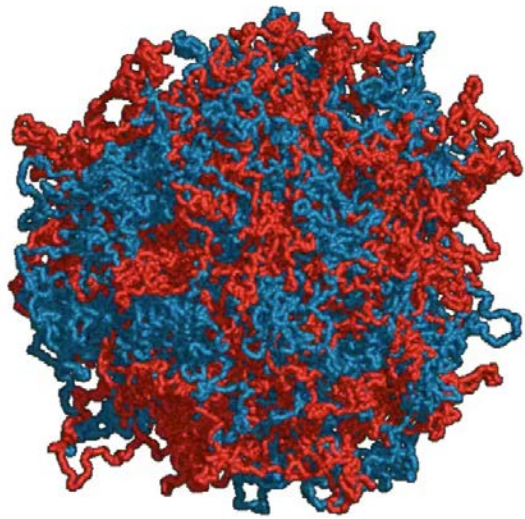


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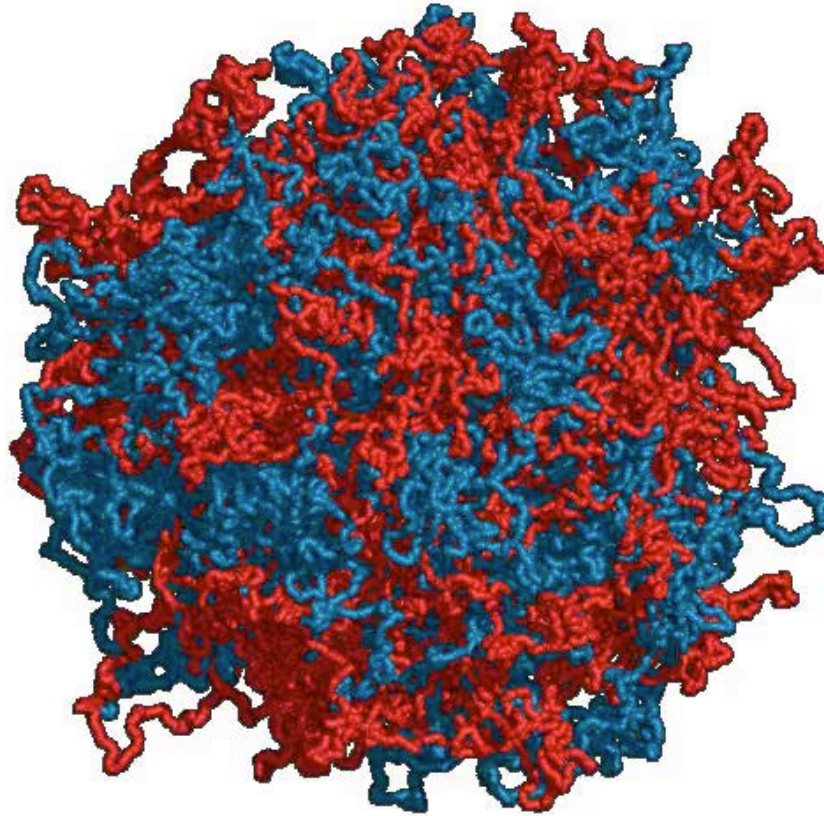
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PROBLEM 3: how can two sister chromatids condense separately, i.e. segregate and disentangle



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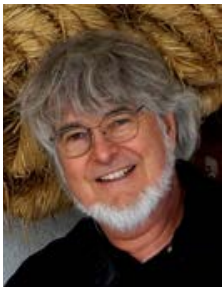
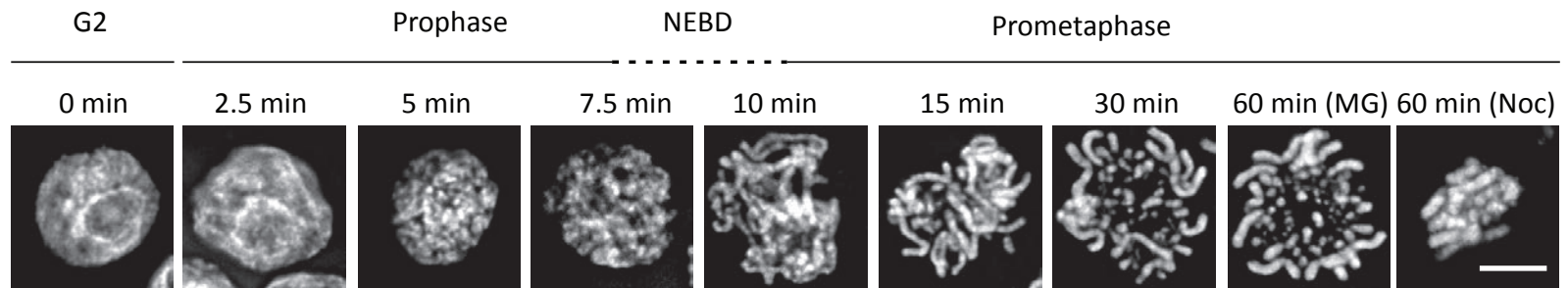
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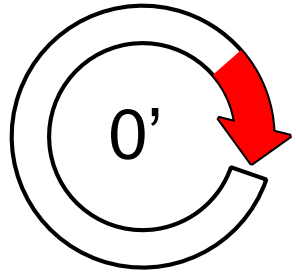
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Hi-C of mitotic condensation

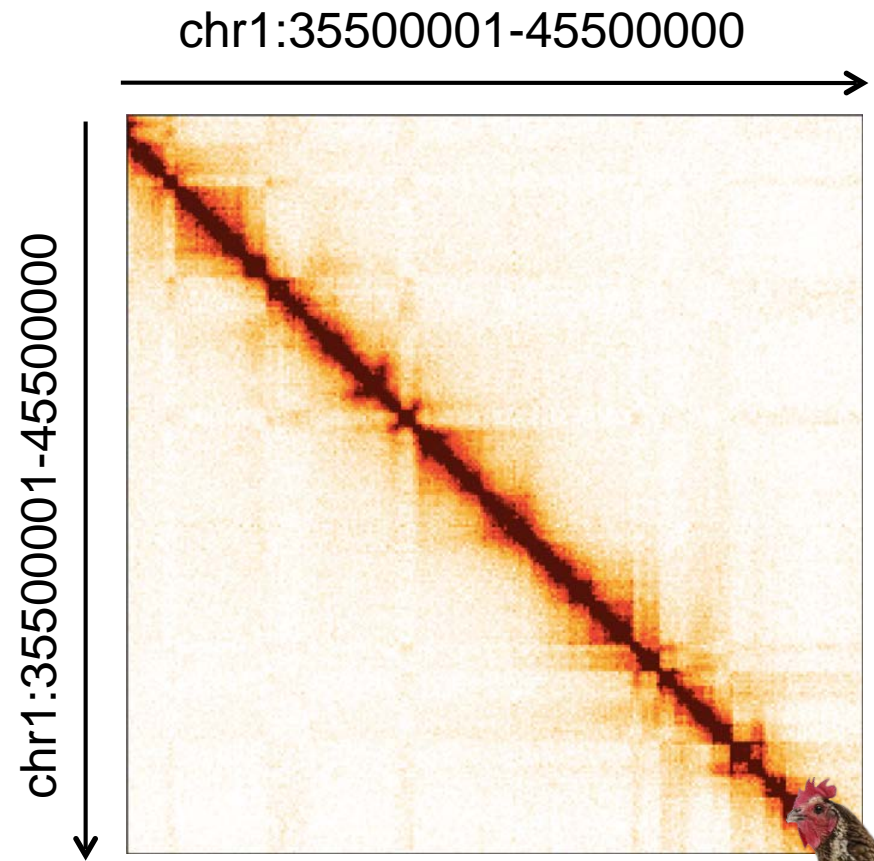
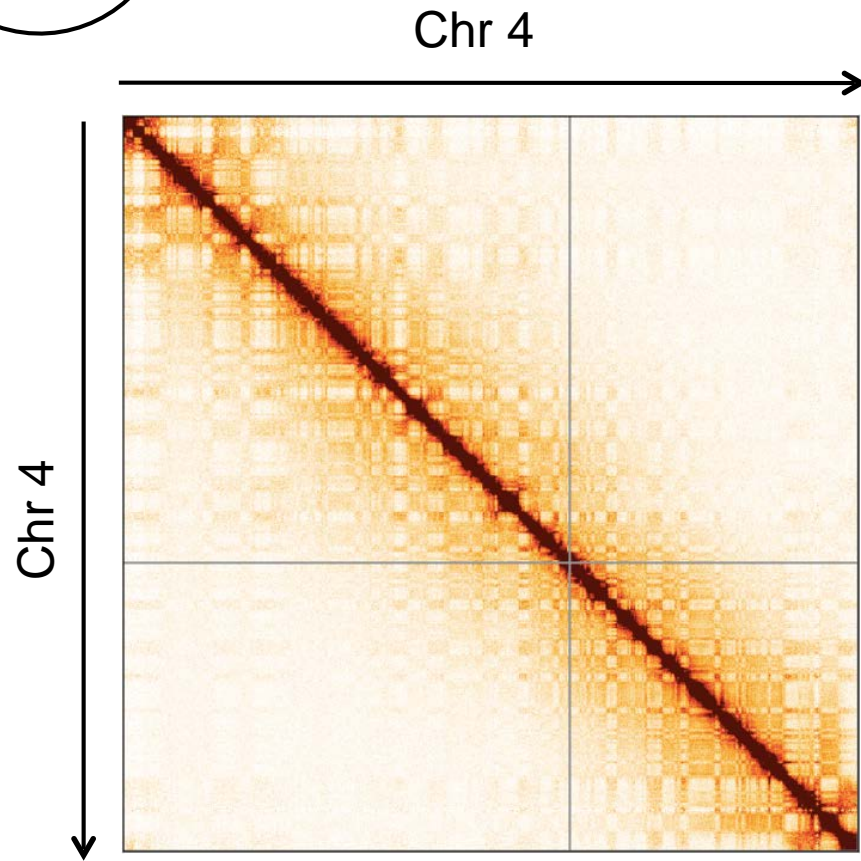


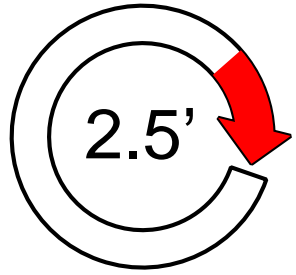
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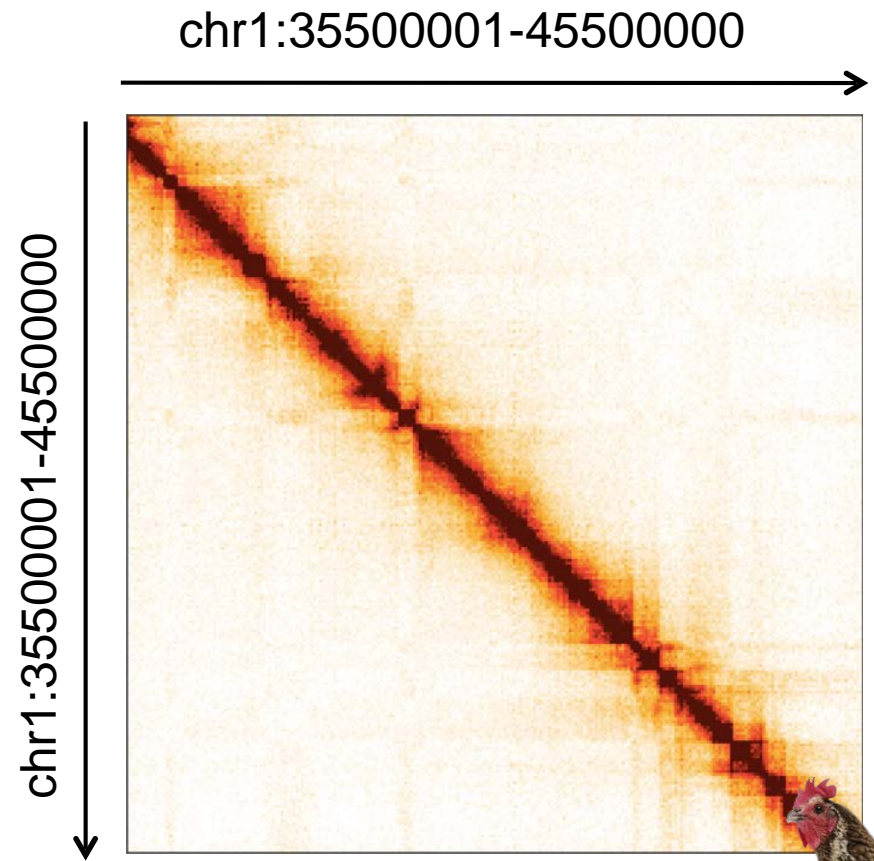
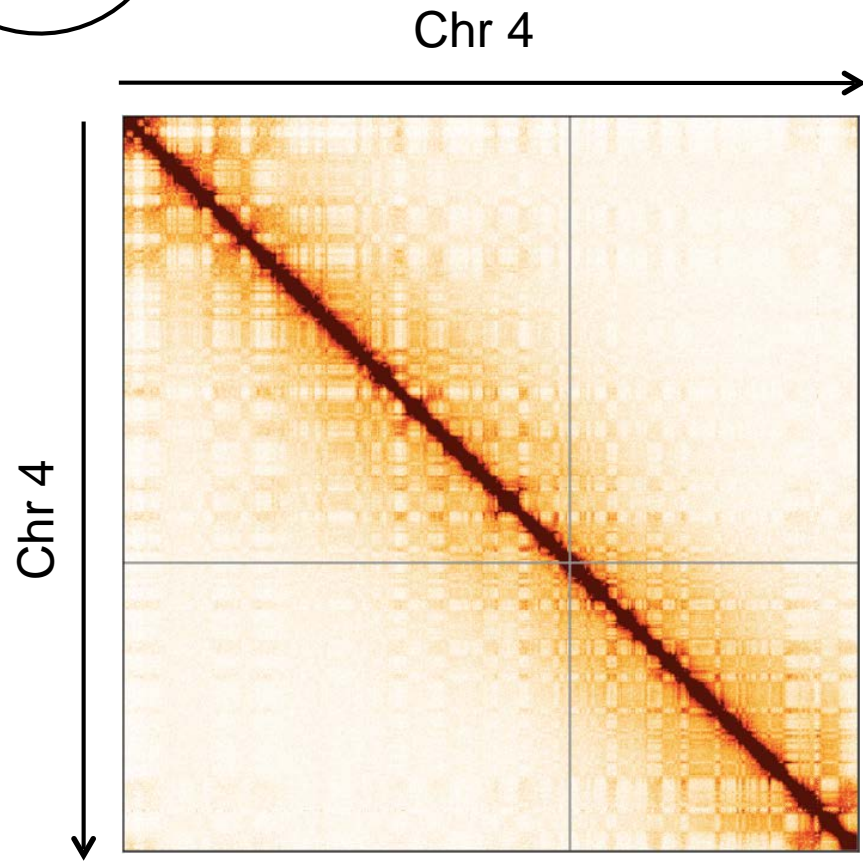


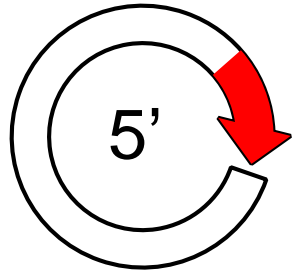
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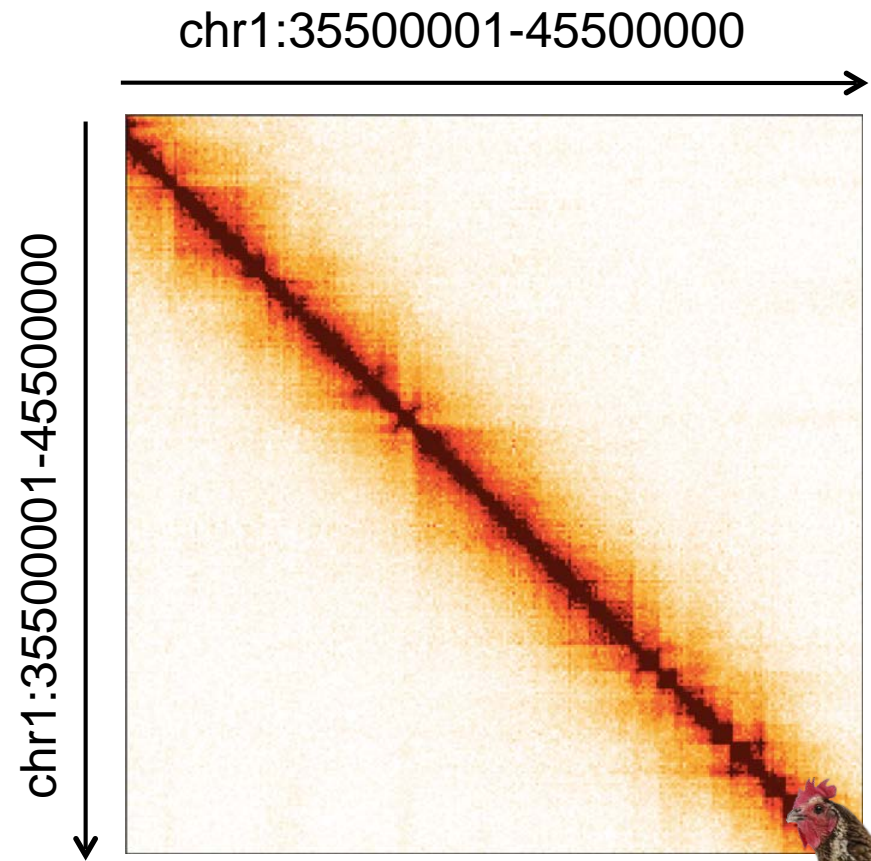
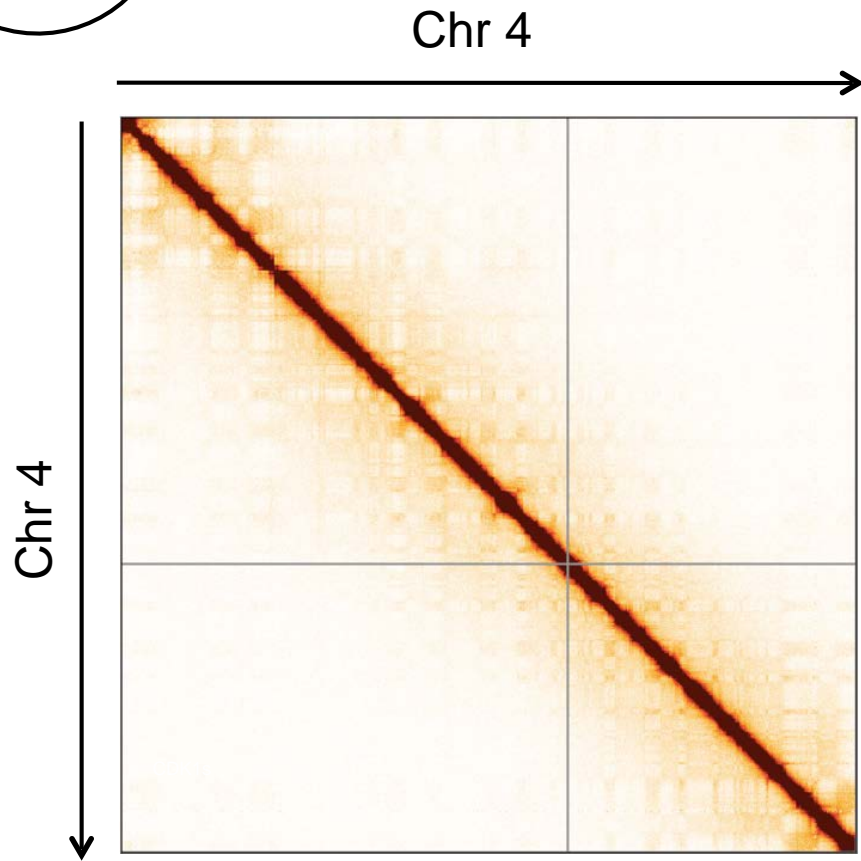


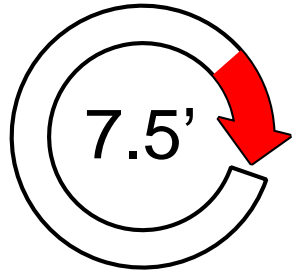
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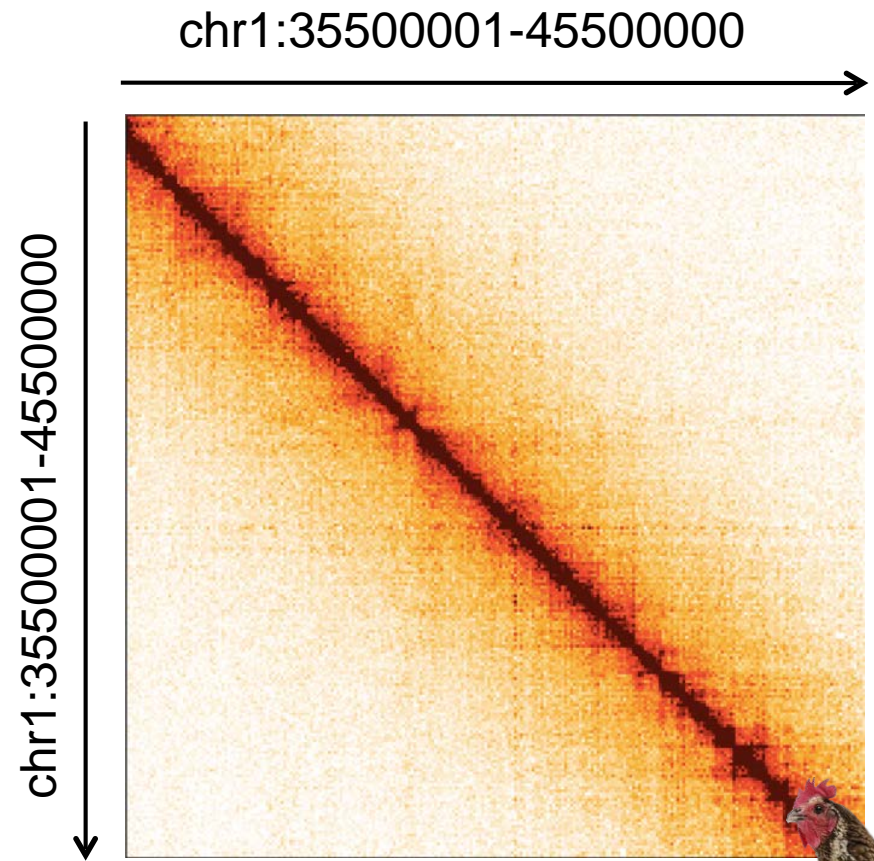
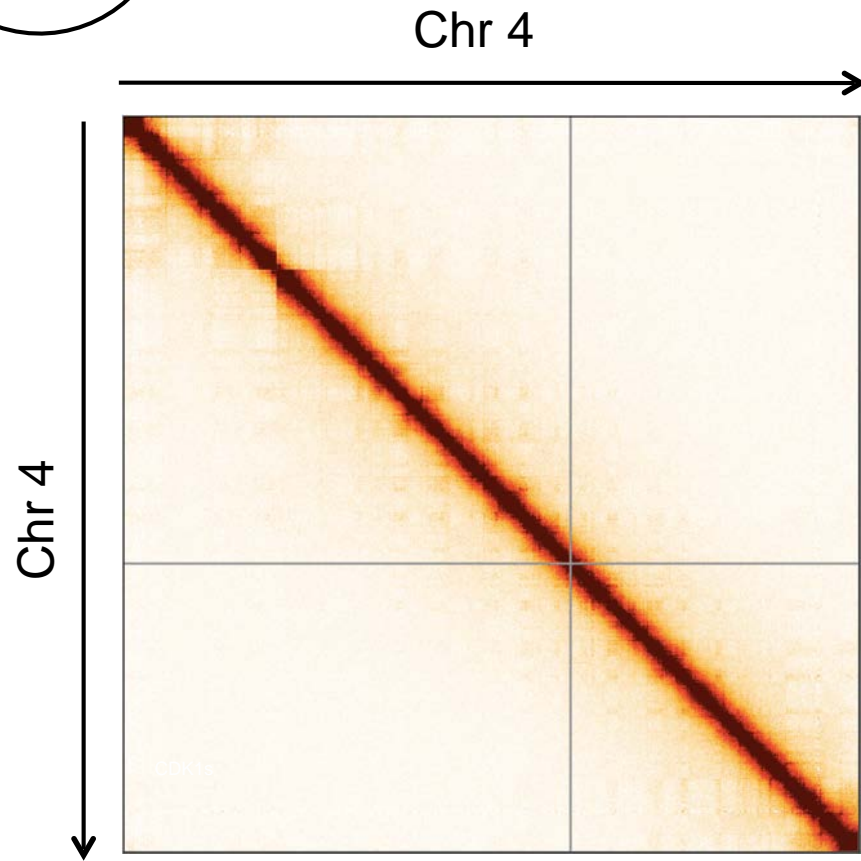


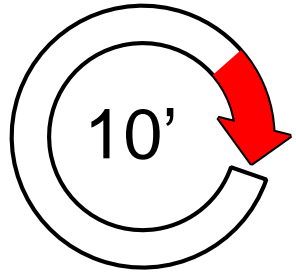
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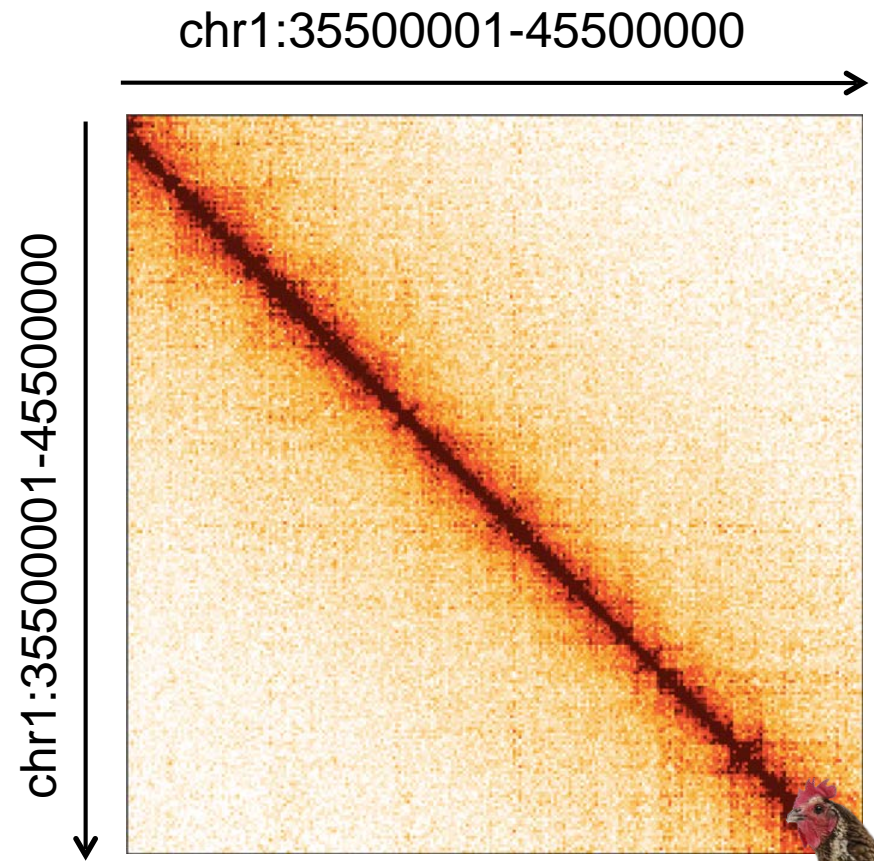
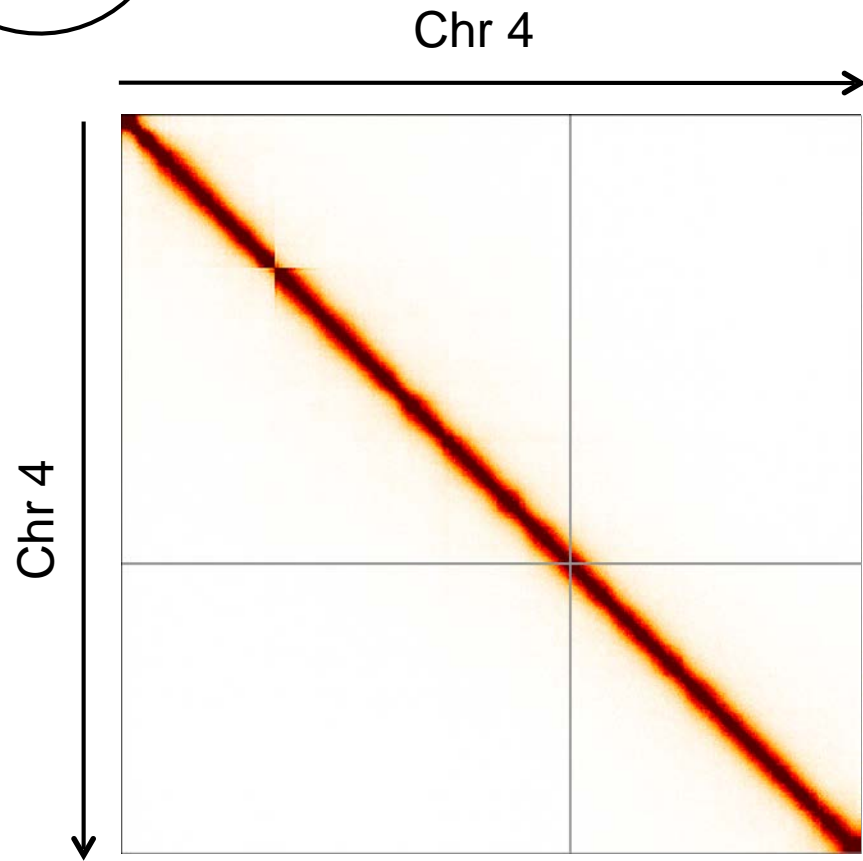


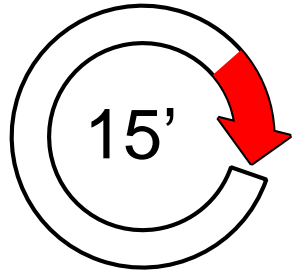
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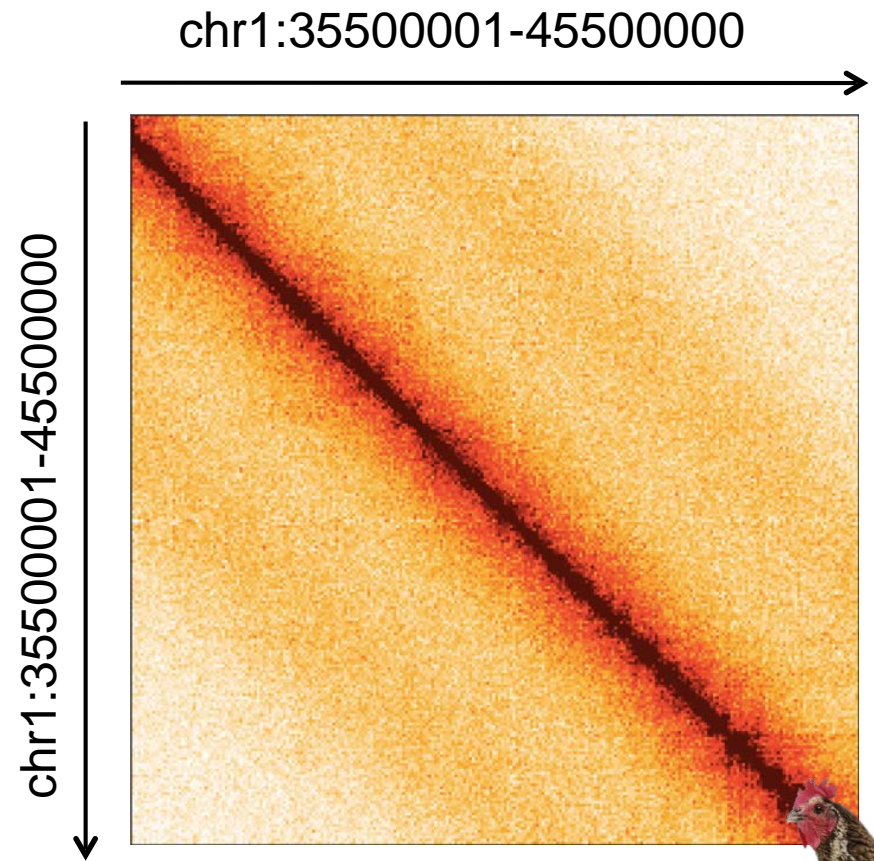
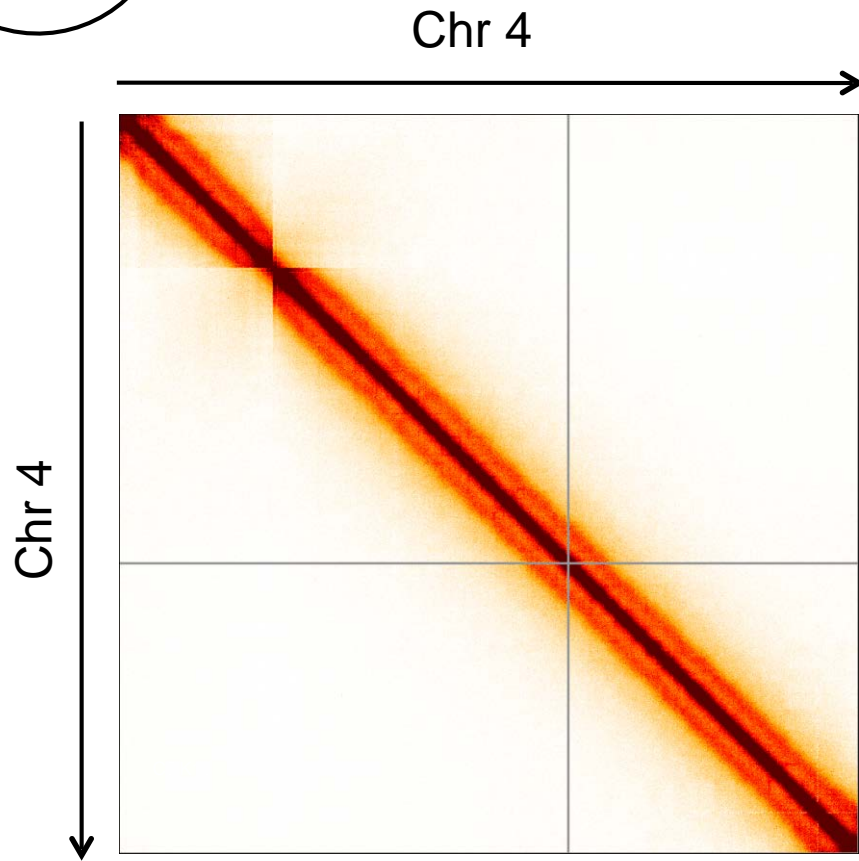


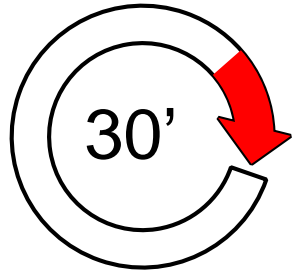
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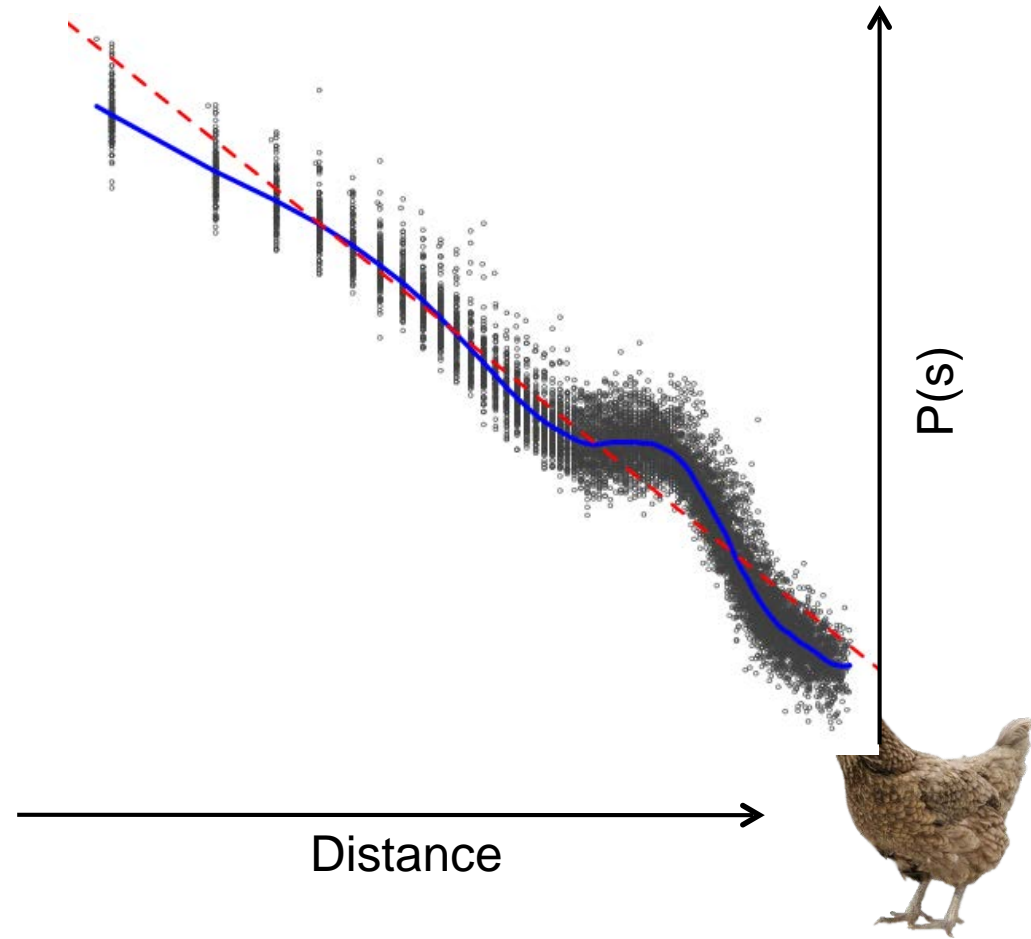
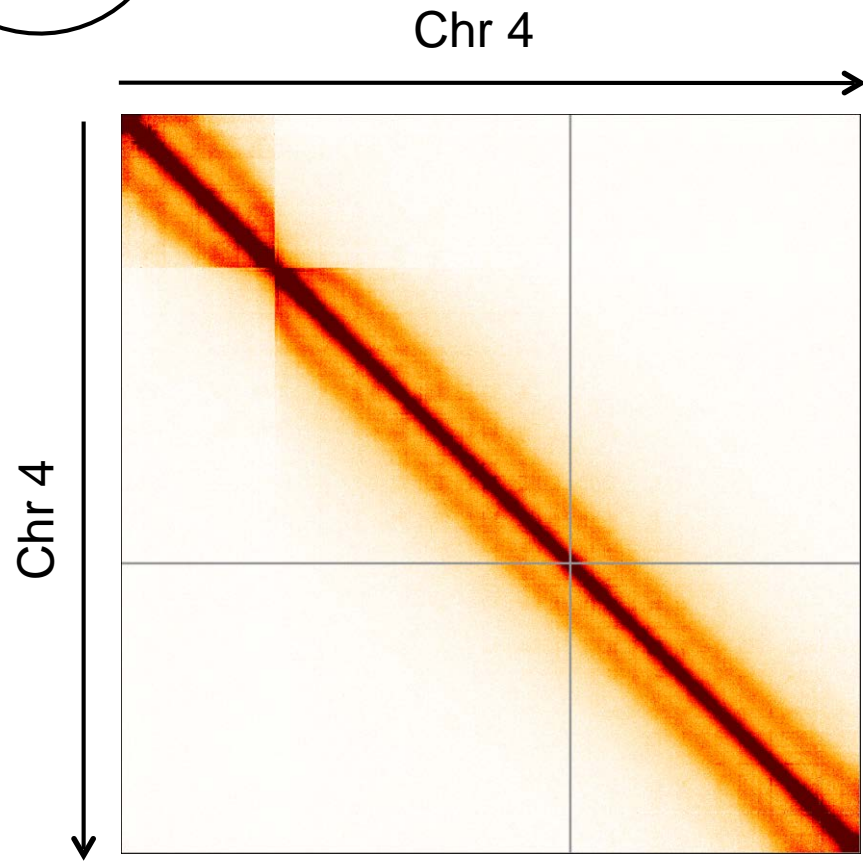


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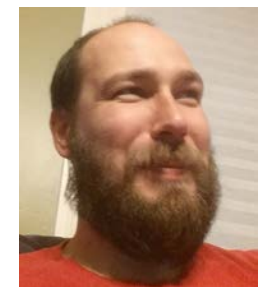
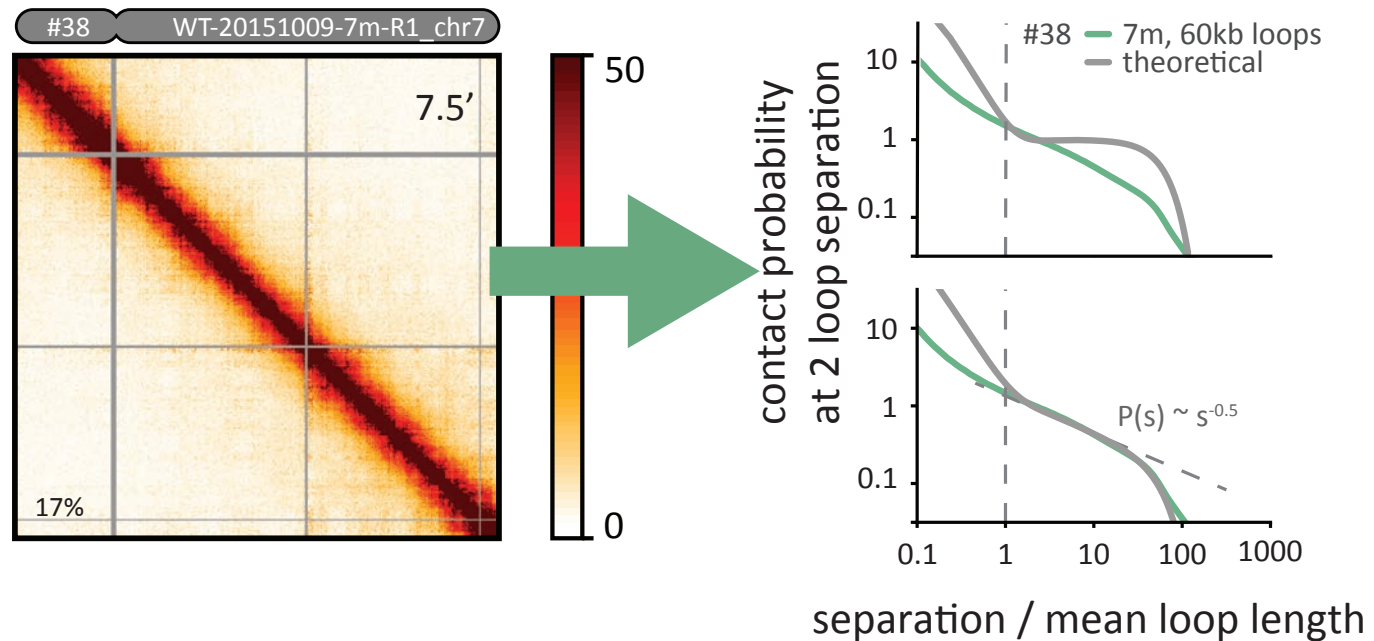
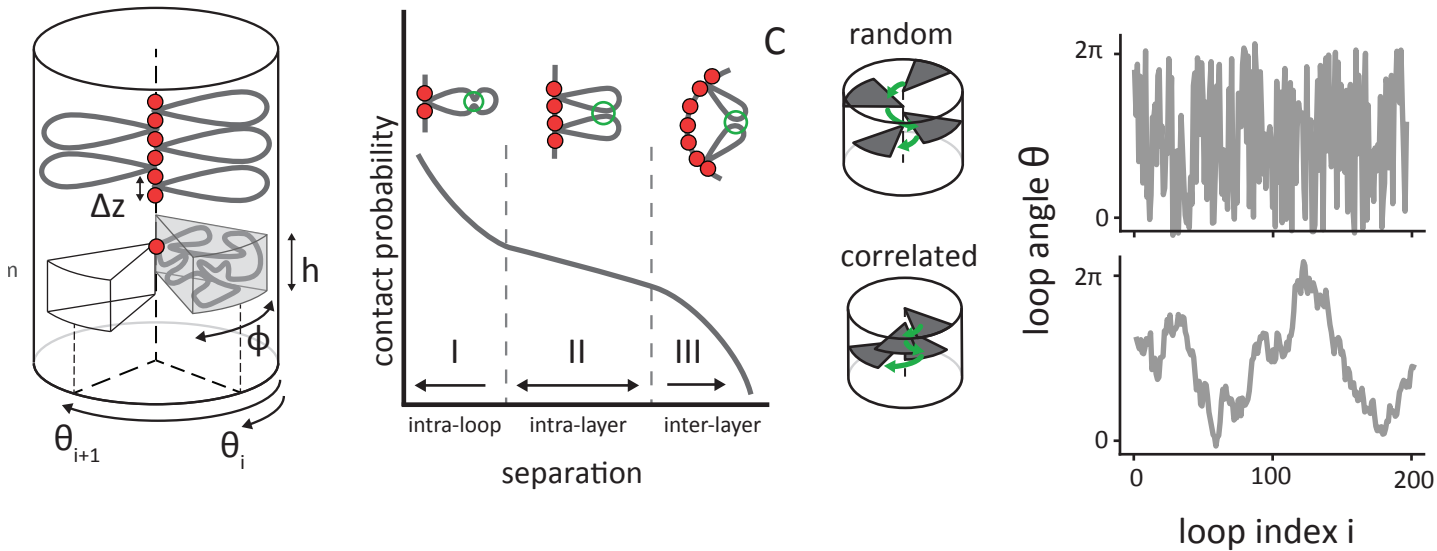




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Model of prophase chromosomes



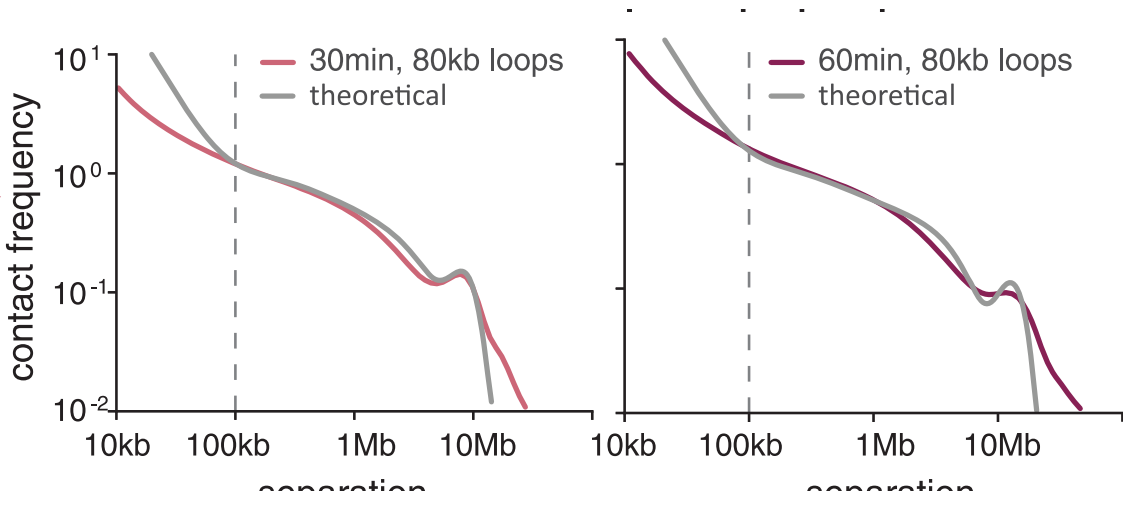
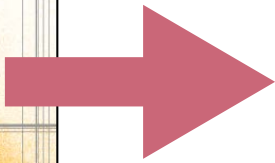
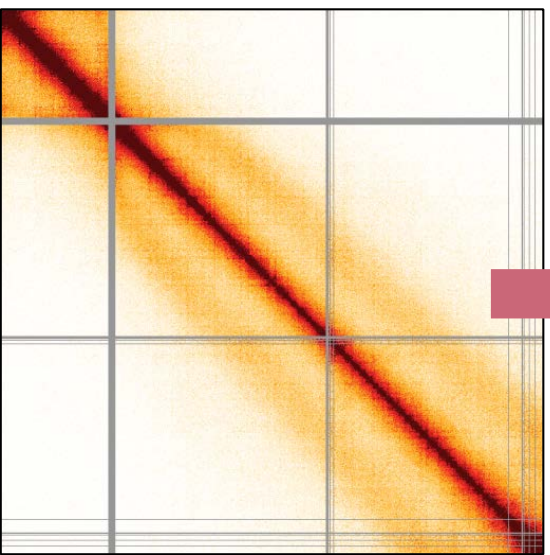
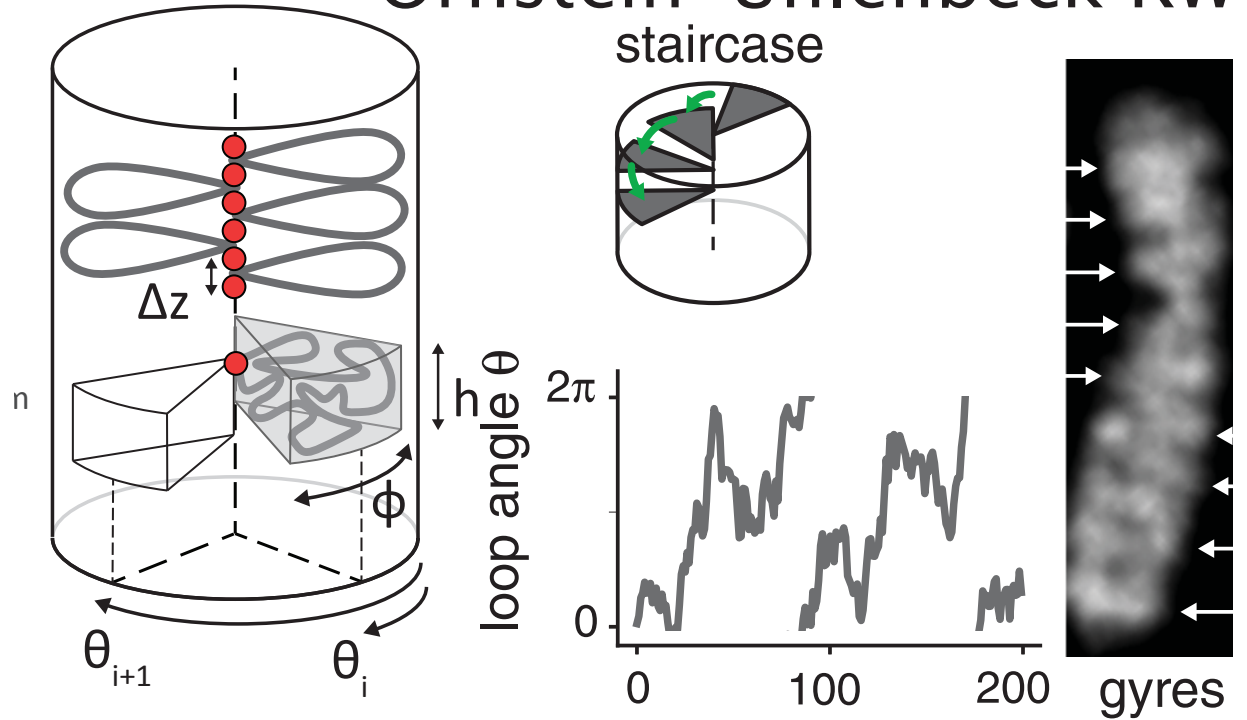
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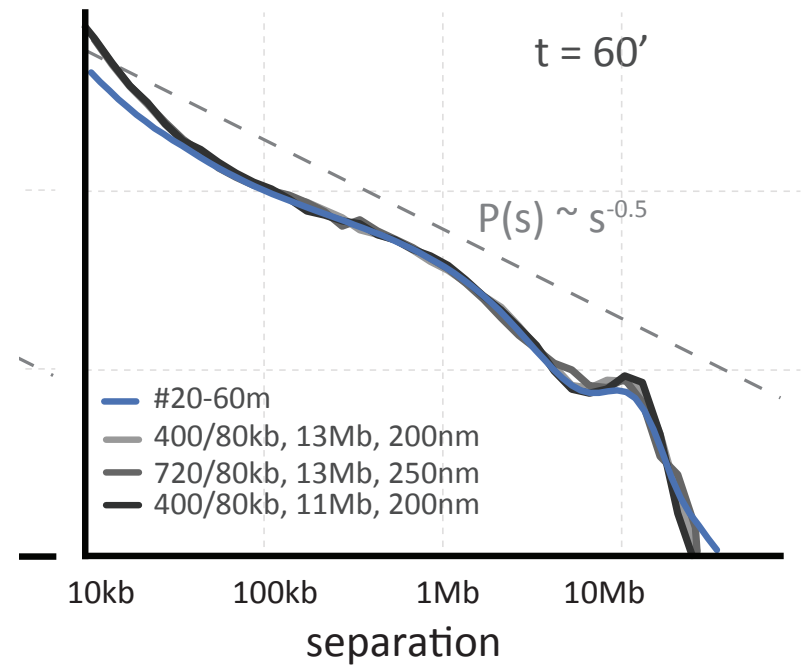
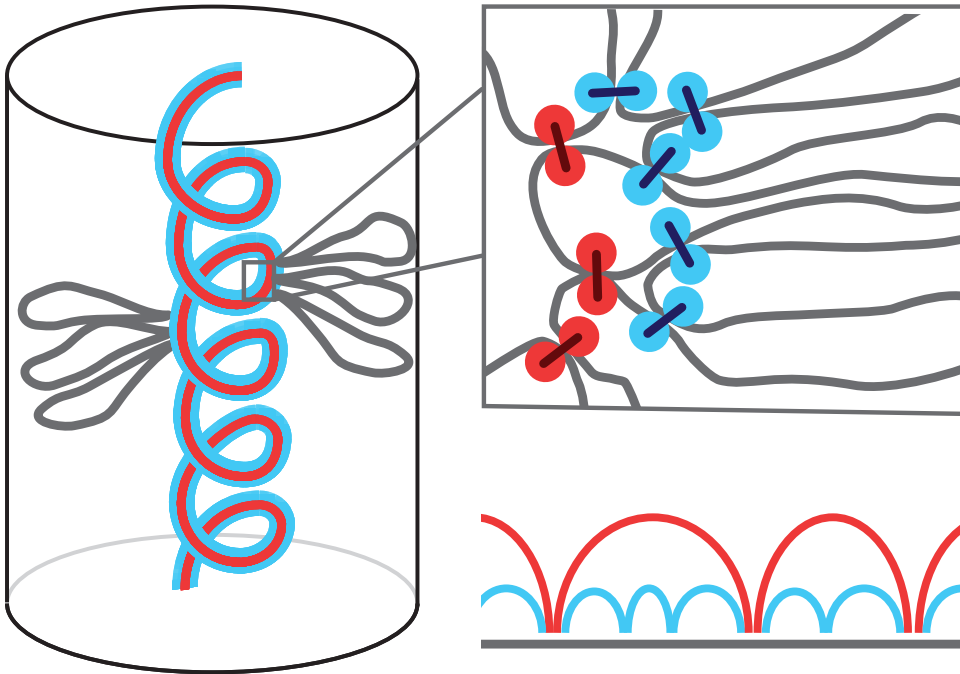
Model: metaphase with spiral scaffold

Ornstein-Uhlenbeck RW

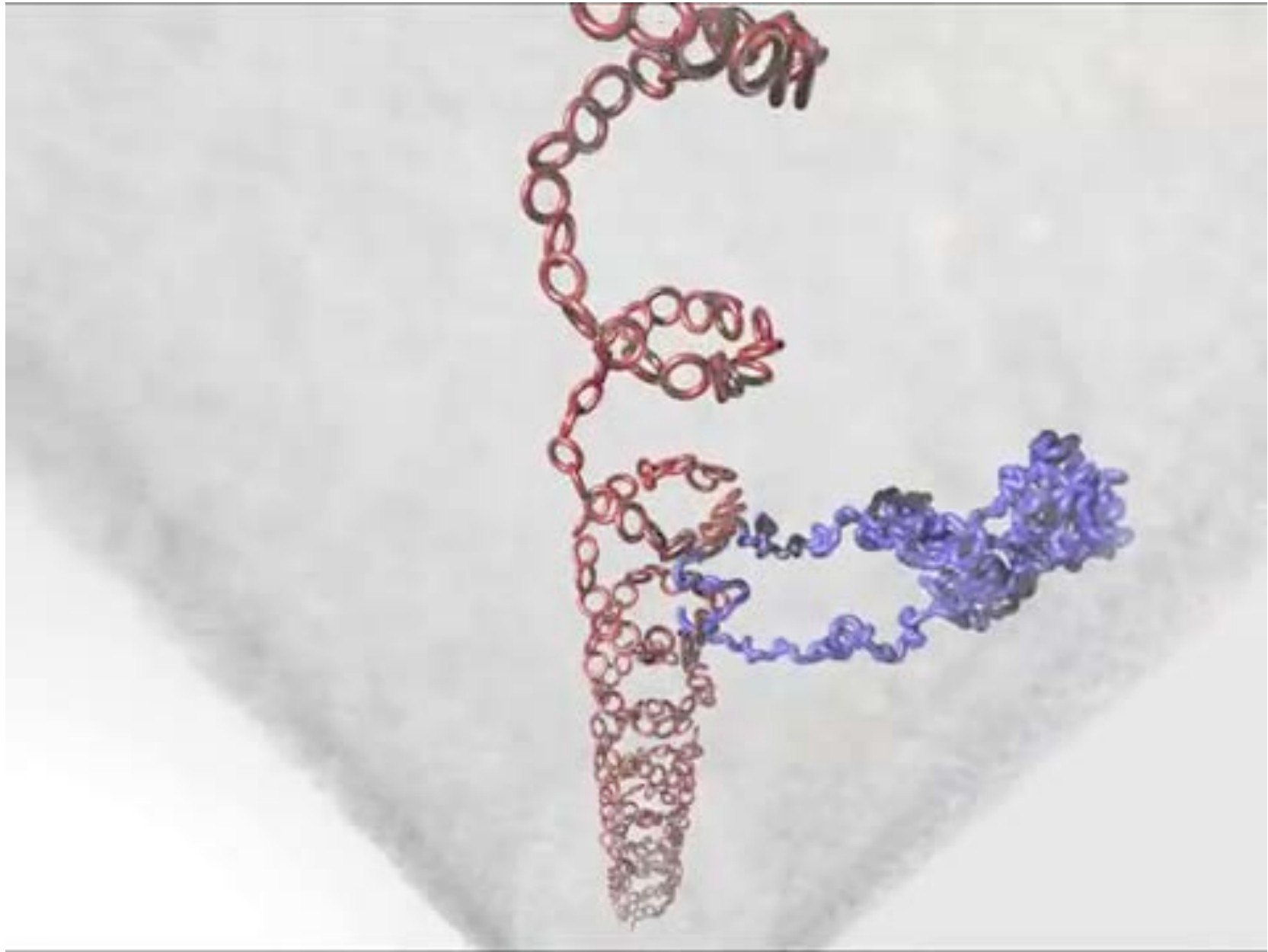


Model: metaphase

Nested loops: **400Kb** and **80Kb** loops
on spiral scaffold

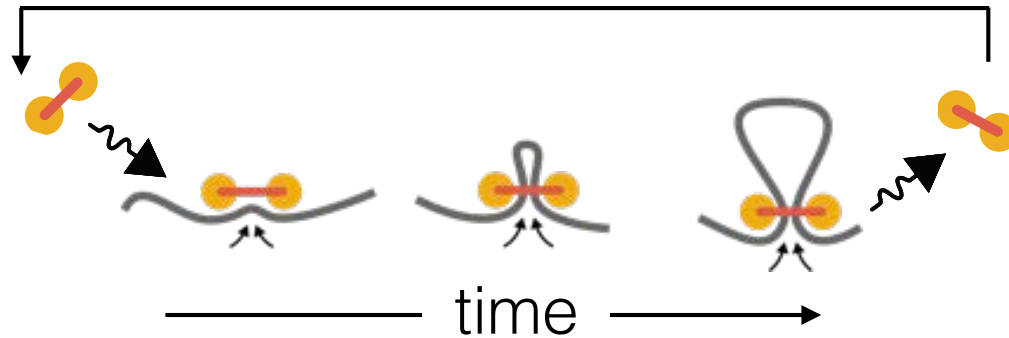


Model of mitotic chromosome

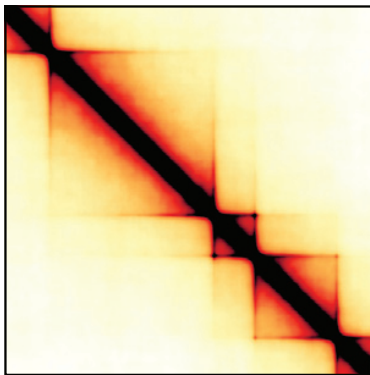
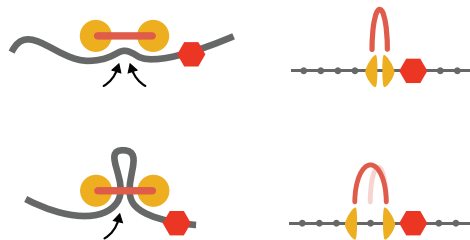


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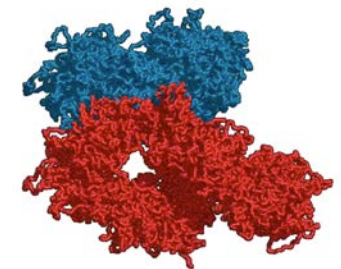
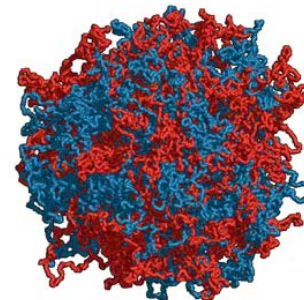
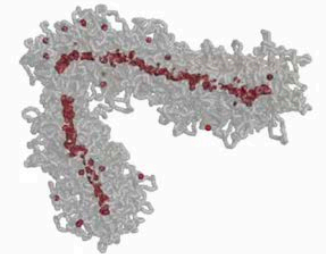
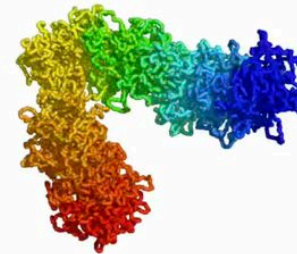
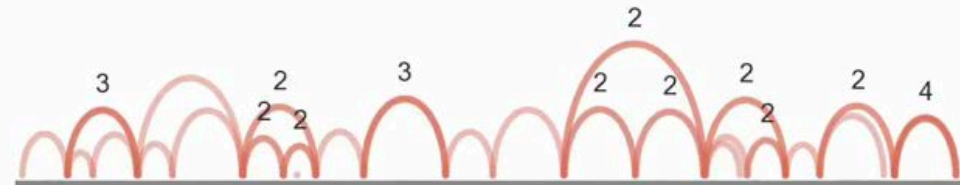
Summary: chromosomes need a motor



sparse
with borders



dense

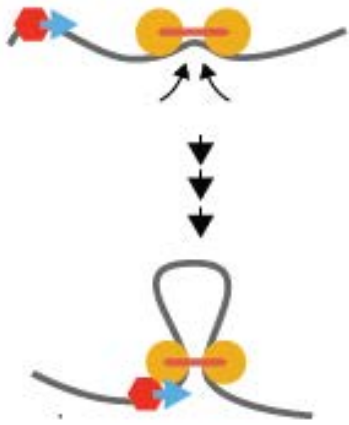


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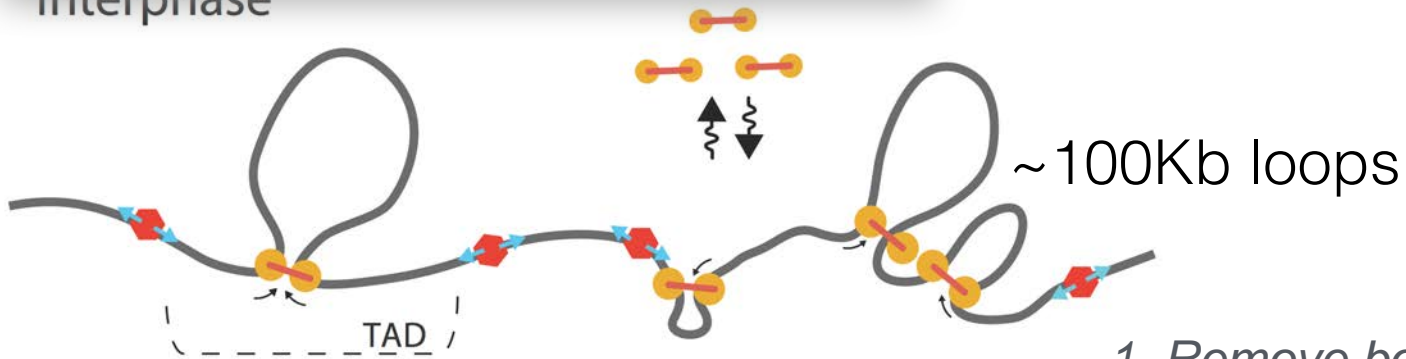
Summary

Active loop extrusion by **cohesin**

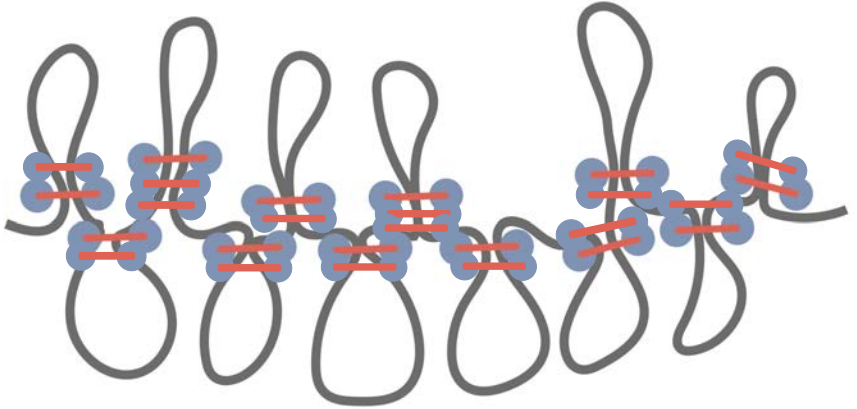


blocked by **CTCF**

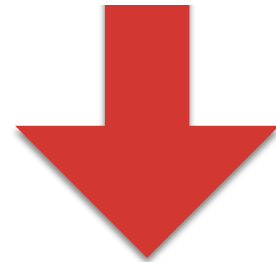
Interphase



1. Remove boundaries
2. More (x5-10) loop extruding factors
cohesin is replaced by **condensins**



60 -> 600Kb

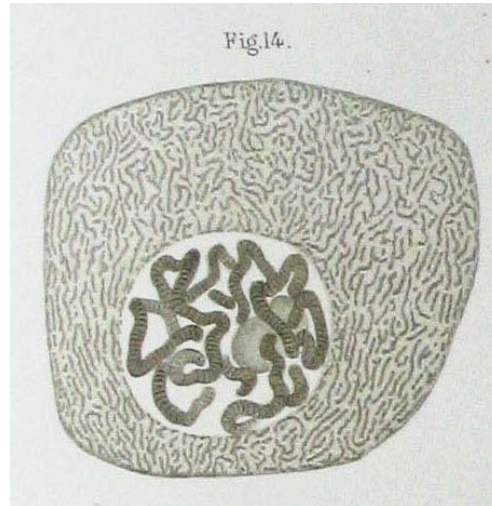
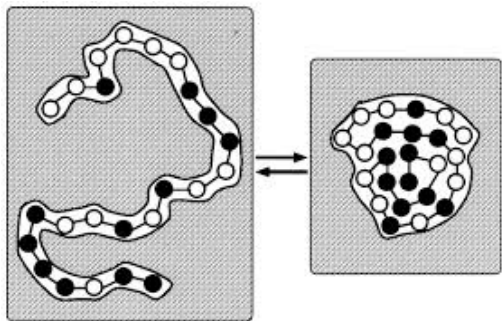


Take home message

protein folding

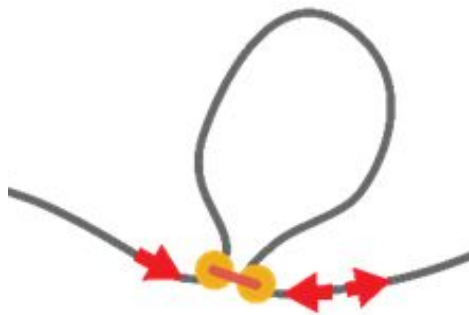


interactions
(energy)

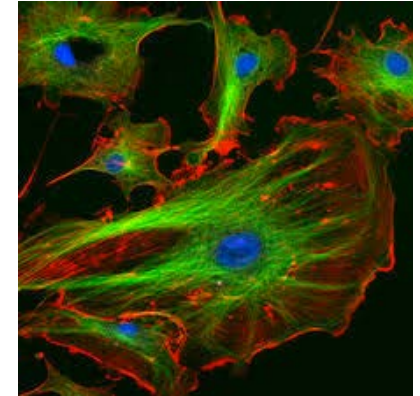


Walther Flemming in 1882

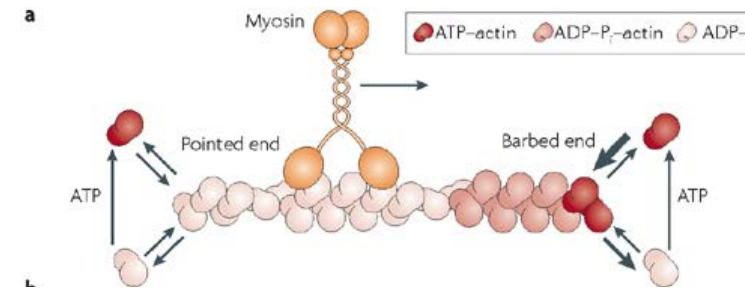
interactions
and
active processes

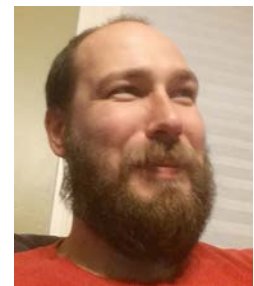


cytoskeleton



active processes

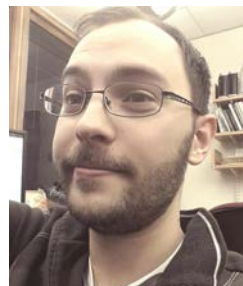




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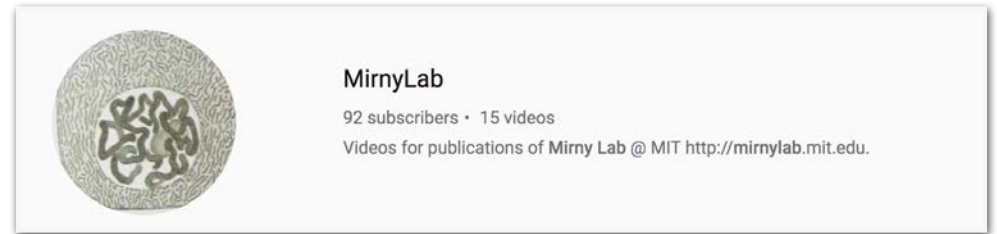
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