

La biologie de l'information, un dialogue entre l'informatique et la biologie

**Cours les mardis de 14h à 15h30
Amphithéâtre Maurice Halbwachs**

Cours

- 29 octobre 2019** 1 – La représentation de l'information biologique :
Aspects statistiques du mappage des séquences aux structures ; le cas de l'ARN
- 05 novembre 2019** 2 – L'héritage de l'information biologique : limites de transmission
- 12 novembre 2019** 3 – Modélisation du traitement de l'information biologique
I - Outils de raisonnement sur les systèmes d'interaction moléculaire : introduction
Approches de la chimie et des interactions protéine-protéine basées sur des règles
- 19 novembre 2019** 3 – Modélisation du traitement de l'information biologique
II - Outils de raisonnement sur les systèmes d'interaction moléculaire : cas d'utilisation
Modèles Kappa petits et grands
- 26 novembre 2019** 3 – Modélisation du traitement de l'information biologique
III - Outils de raisonnement sur les systèmes d'interaction moléculaire :
La quête de renseignements utiles
Analyse statique et causalité
- 03 décembre 2019** 3 – Modélisation du traitement de l'information biologique
IV - Systèmes d'assemblage combinatoire en signalisation moléculaire :
échafaudage combinatoire
- 10 décembre 2019** 3 – Modélisation du traitement de l'information biologique
V - Systèmes d'assemblage combinatoire en signalisation moléculaire : Mécanique statistique
- 17 décembre 2019** 4 – L'acquisition de l'information biologique :
L'apprentissage dans les systèmes moléculaires ?

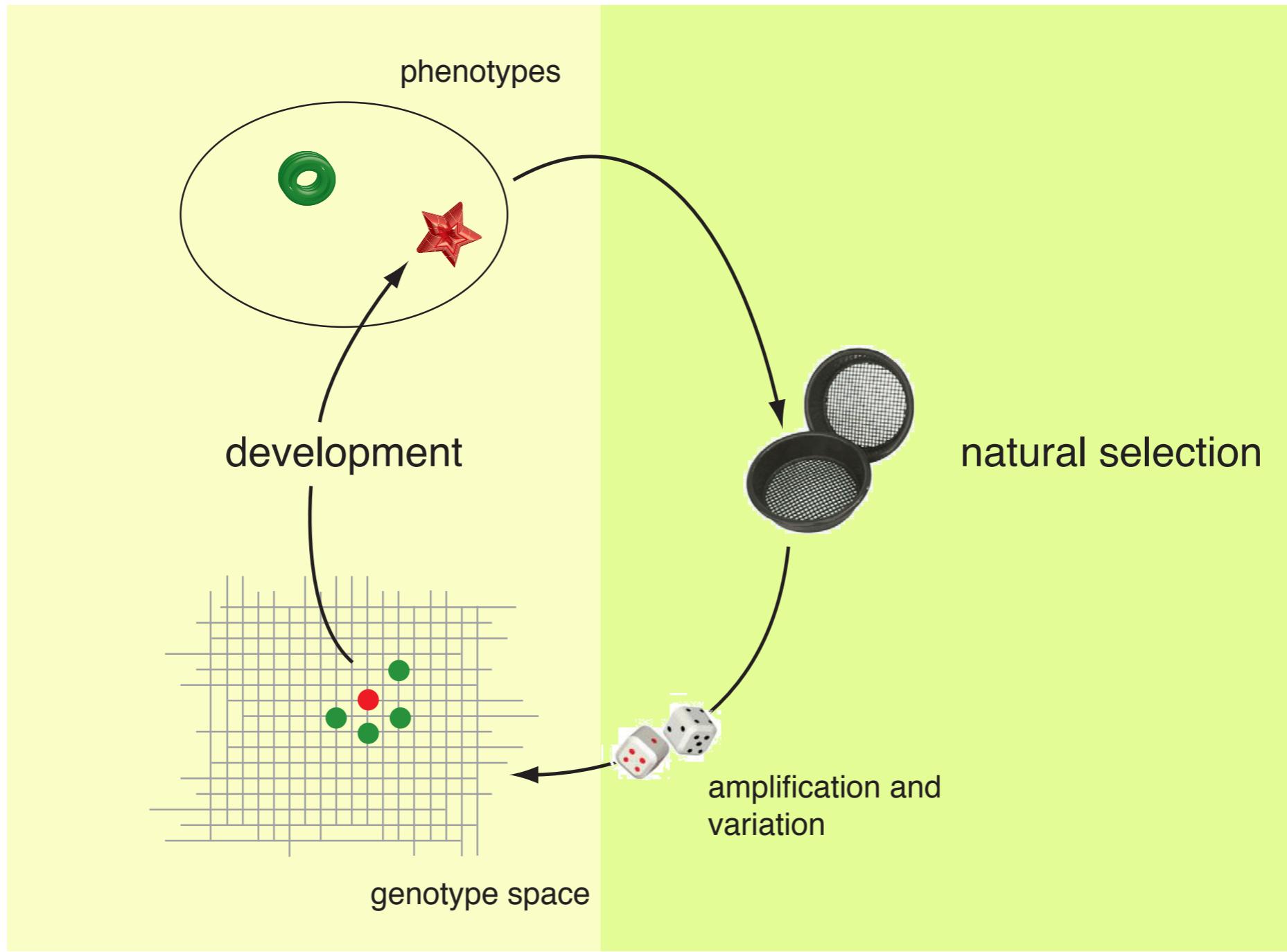
- Nov 8: Eric Deeds, University of California at Los Angeles
"The evolution of cellular individuality"
- Nov 15: Daniel Merkle, University of Southern Denmark
"Graph rewriting and chemistry"
- Nov 22: Jean Krivine, Paris Diderot
"From molecules to systems: the problem of knowledge representation in molecular biology"
- Nov 29: Eric Smith, Earth Life Sciences Institute, Tokyo
"Easy and Hard in the Origin of Life"
- Dec 6: Massimiliano Esposito, University of Luxembourg
"Thermodynamics of Open Chemical Reaction Networks: Theory and Applications"
- Dec 13: Yarden Katz, Harvard Medical School
"Cells as cognitive creatures"
- Jan 17: Aleksandra Walczak, ENS Paris
"Prediction in immune repertoires"
- Jan 24: Tommy Kirchhausen, Harvard Medical School
"Imaging sub-cellular dynamics from molecules to multicellular organisms"

LECTURE ONE

1.

The Topology of the Possible

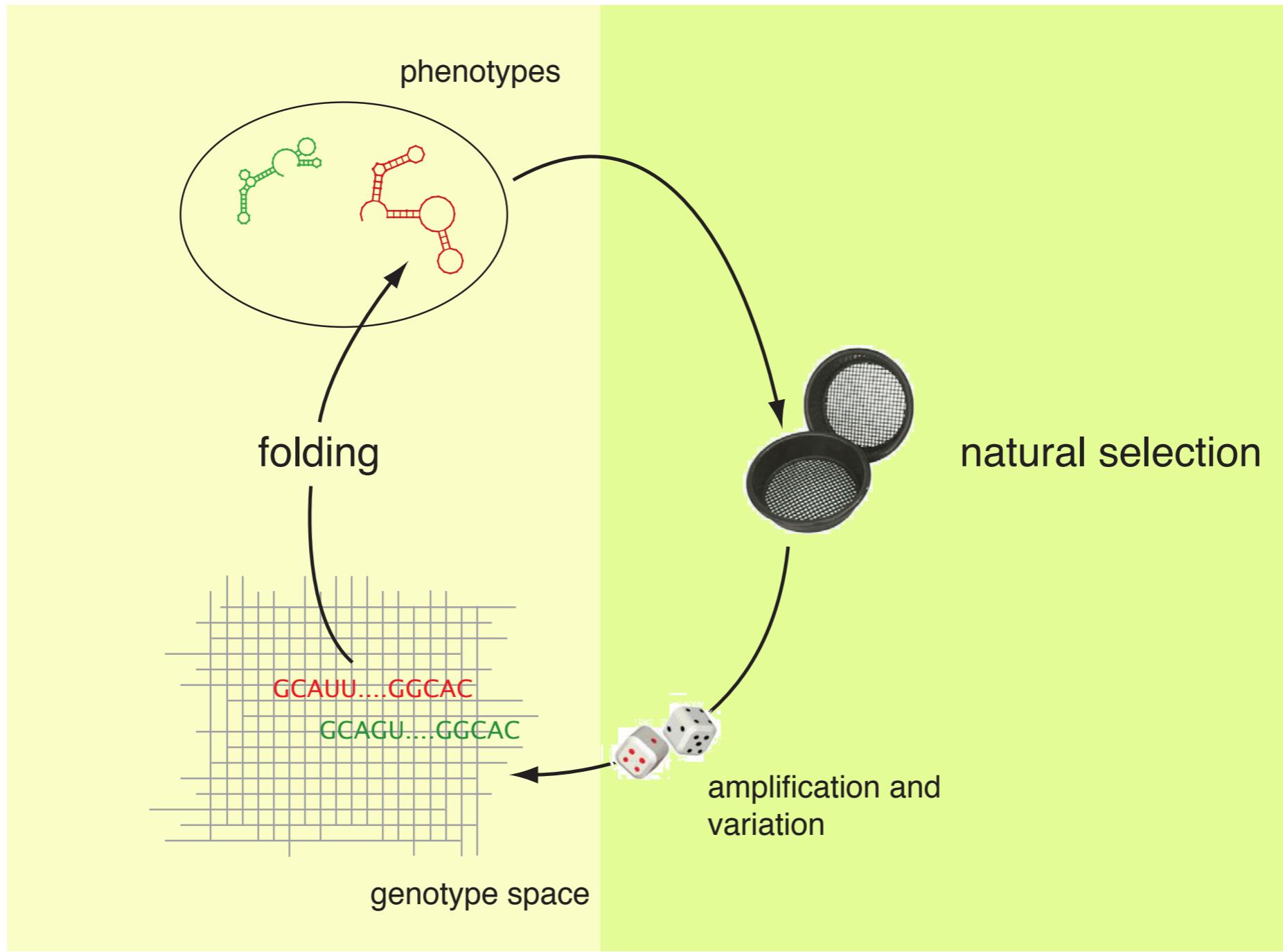
A CARTOON OF EVOLUTION



variation

selection

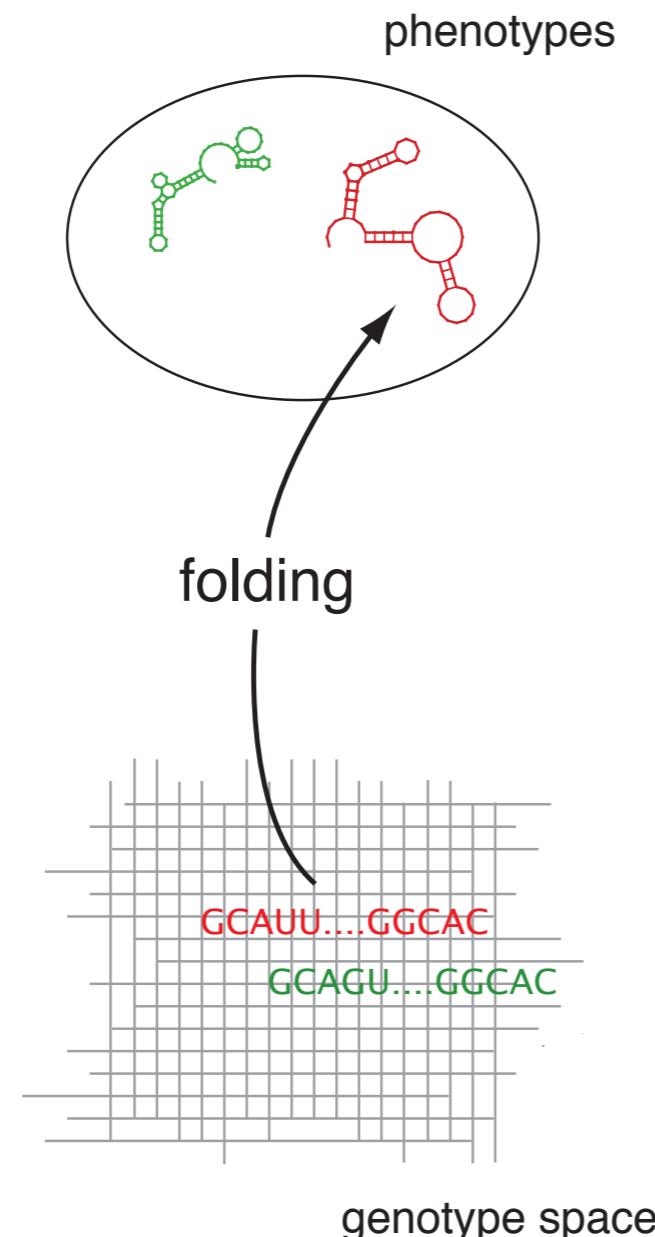
A SMALL SCALE MODEL OF (A CARTOON OF) EVOLUTION



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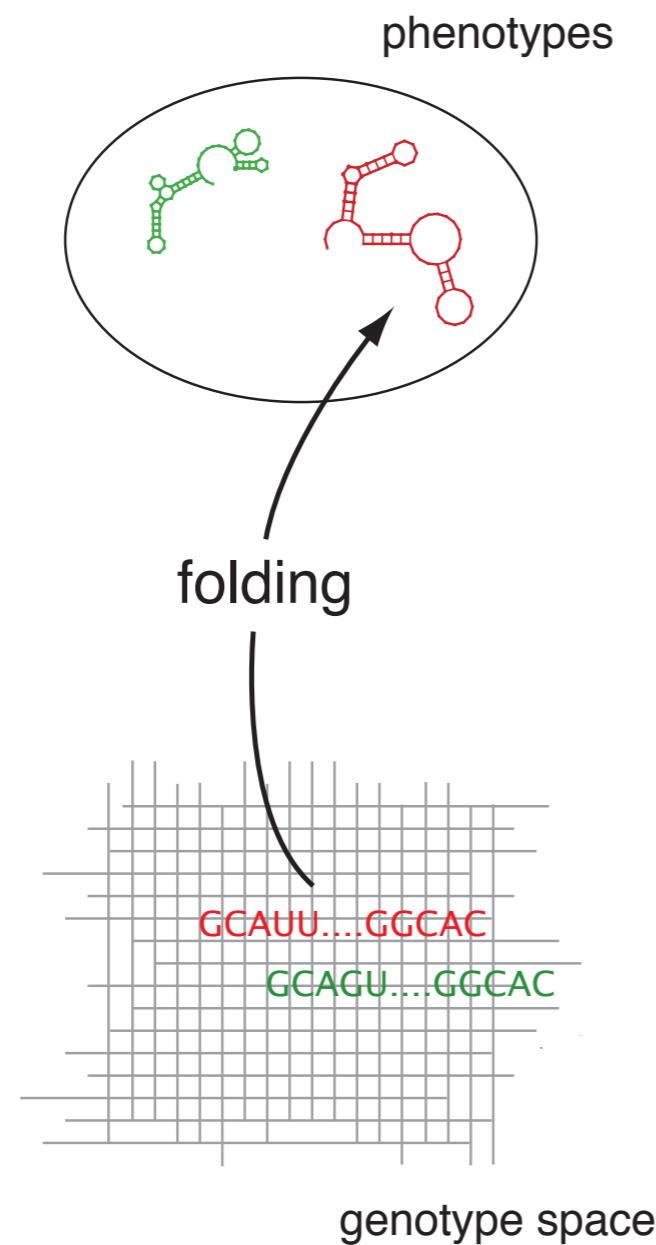
RNA FOLDING



conceptual focus is **not** on
predicting the
structure of a given sequence

conceptual focus is on
predicting the
**statistical signature of the
mapping from sequences to
structures**

RNA FOLDING



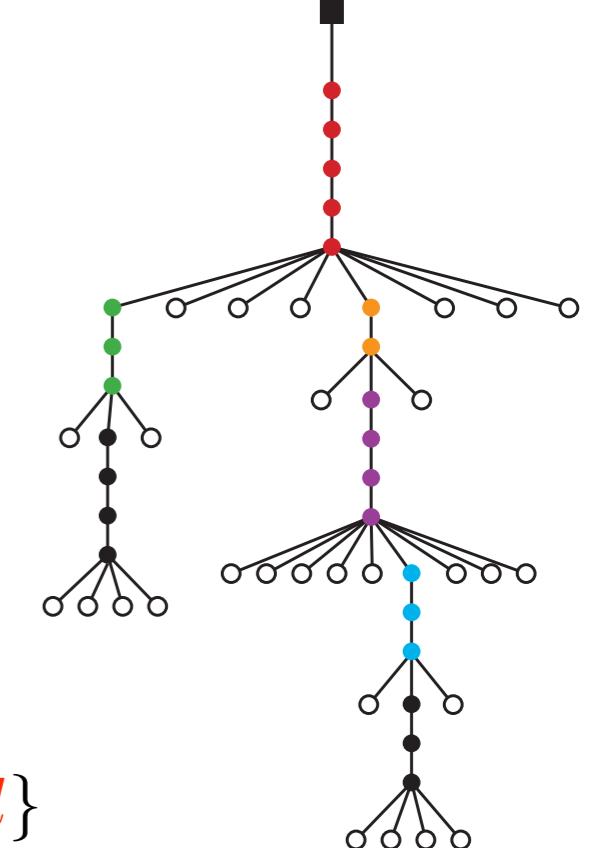
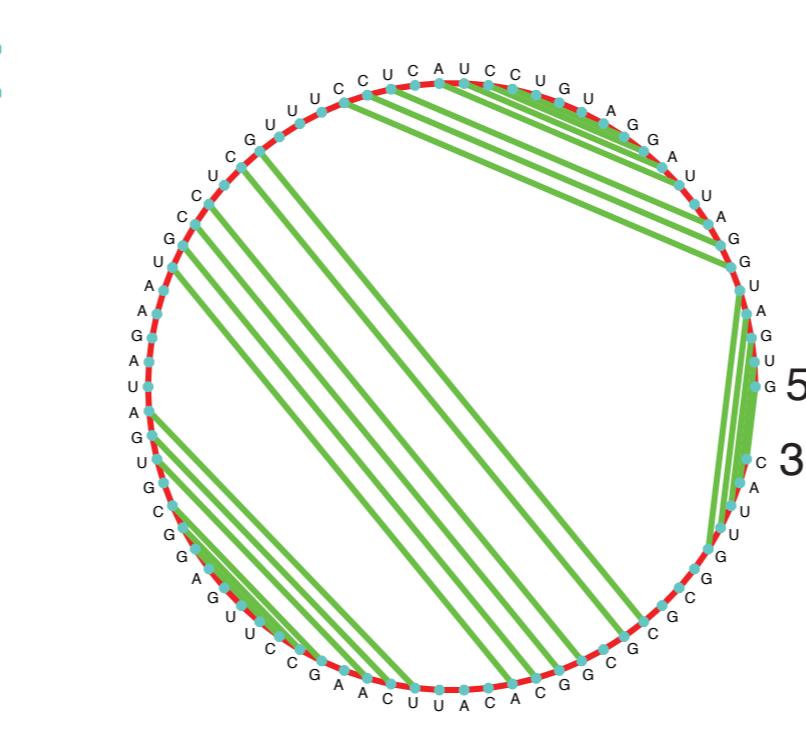
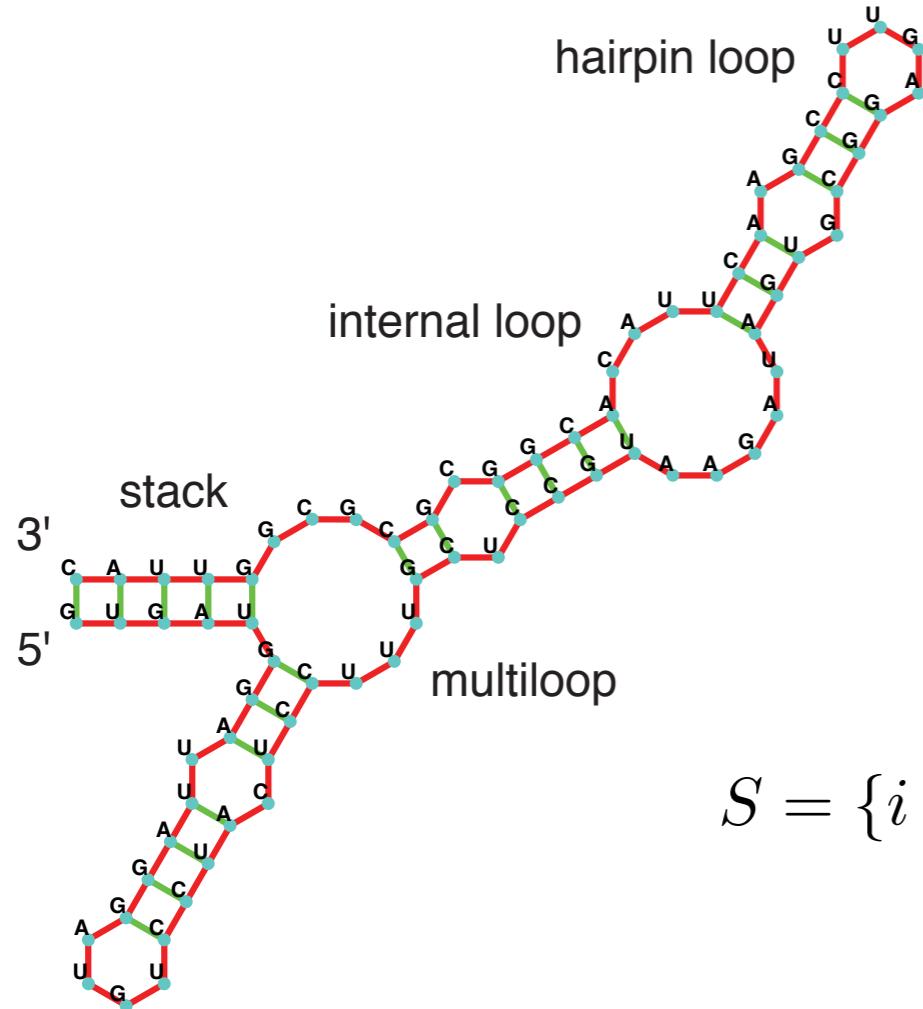
What kind of space is phenotype space?

What do we mean by the “capacity to evolve”?

Does it depend on genotype?

Can it evolve?

RNA SECONDARY STRUCTURE

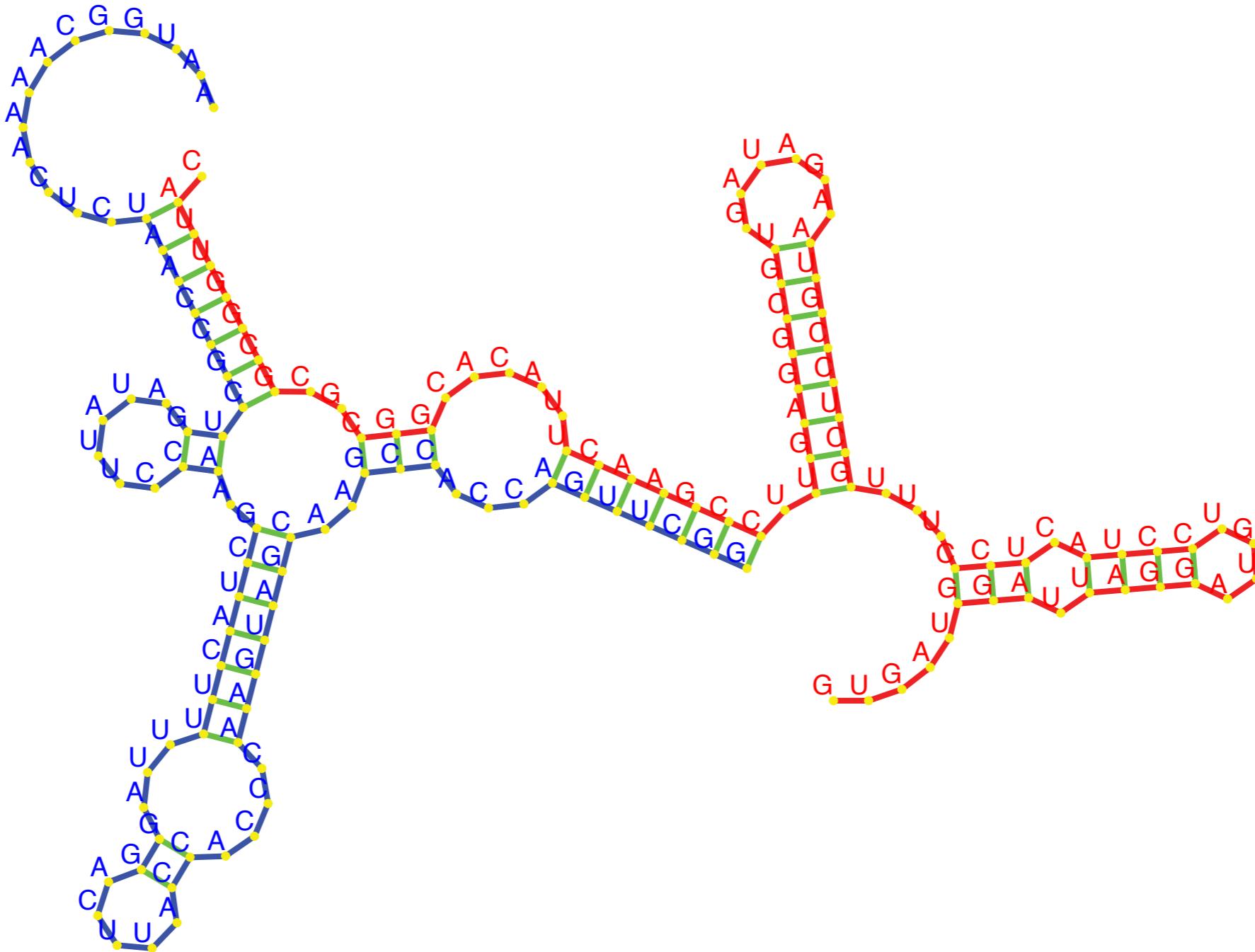


$$S = \{i \cdot j \mid \forall i \cdot j \text{ s.t. } \nexists k \cdot l \quad i \leq k \leq l \leq j\}$$

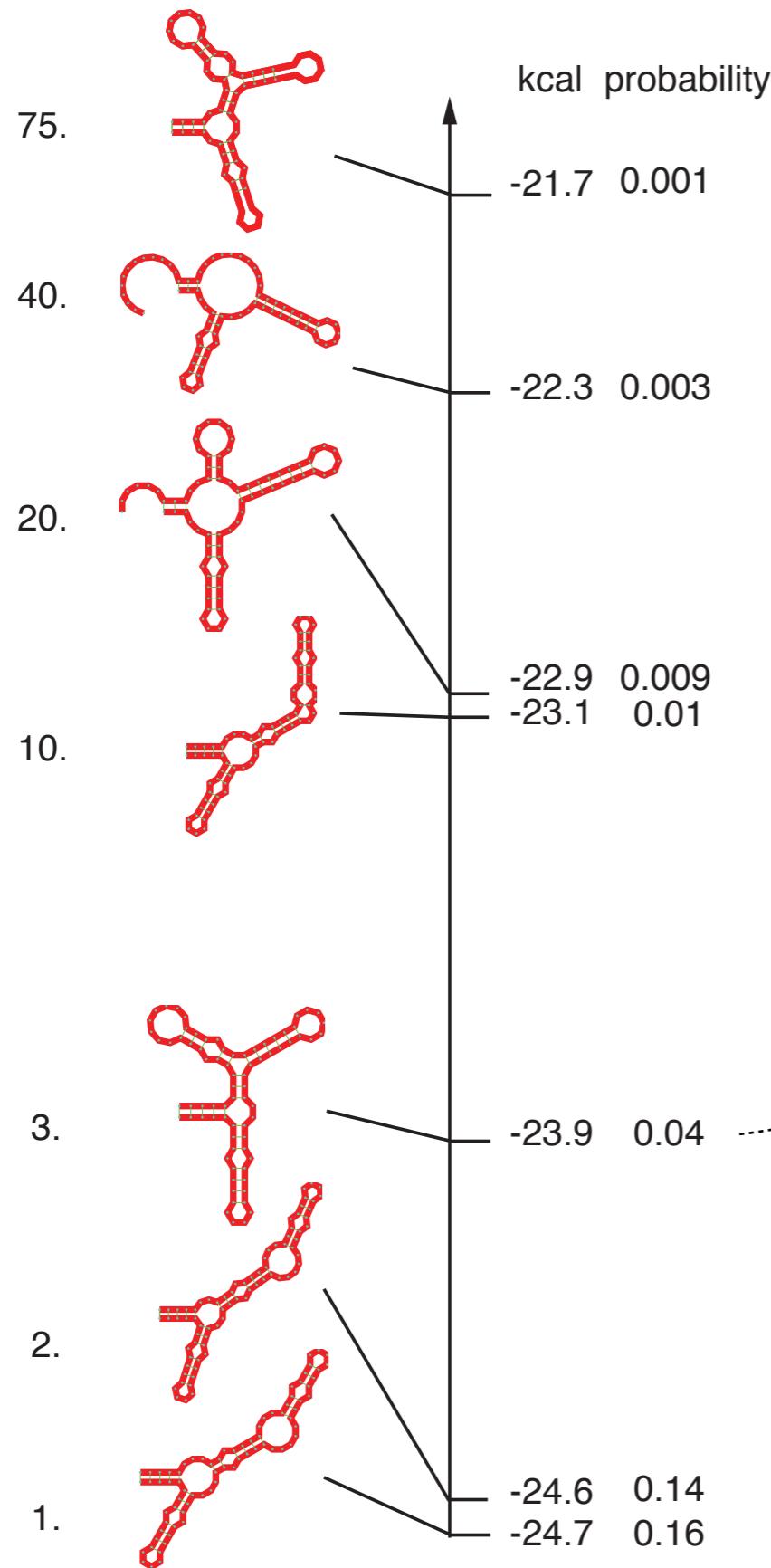
“chords don’t cross”

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RNA INTERACTION



SUBOPTIMAL STRUCTURES



phenotypic plasticity
("microenvironmental")

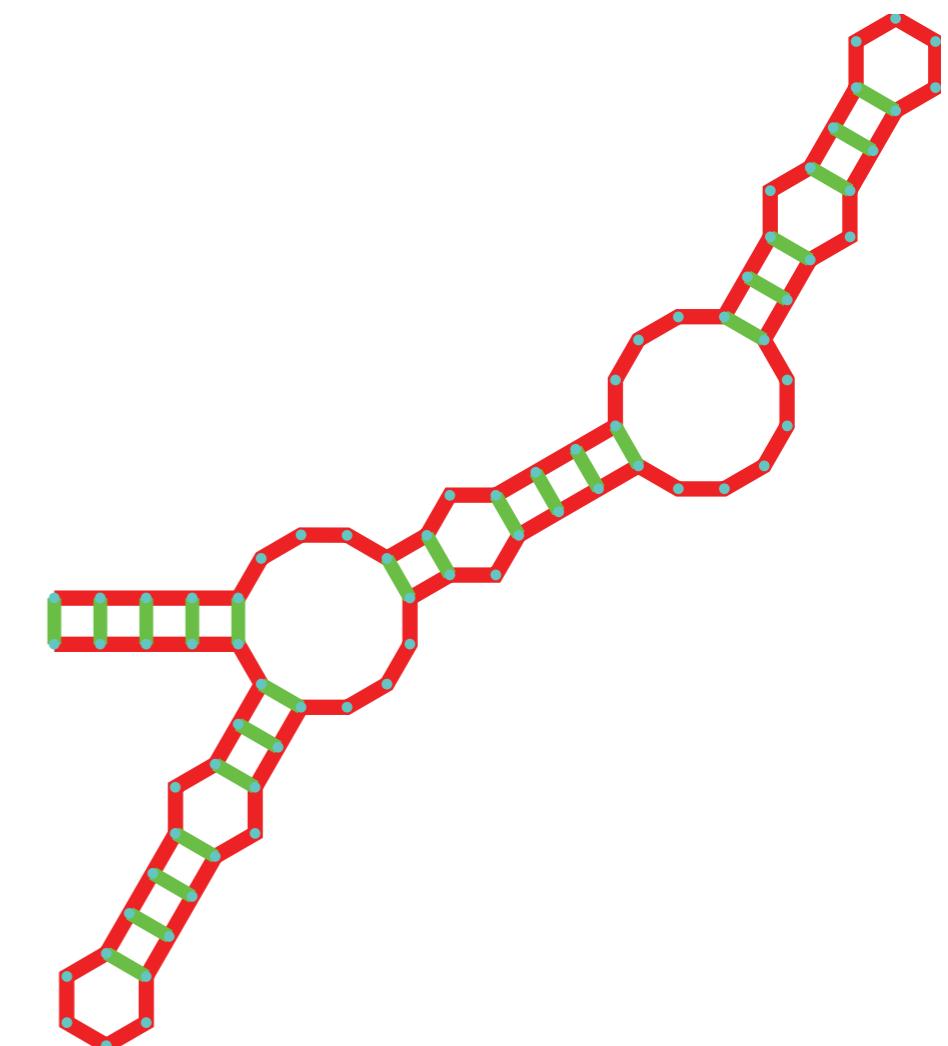
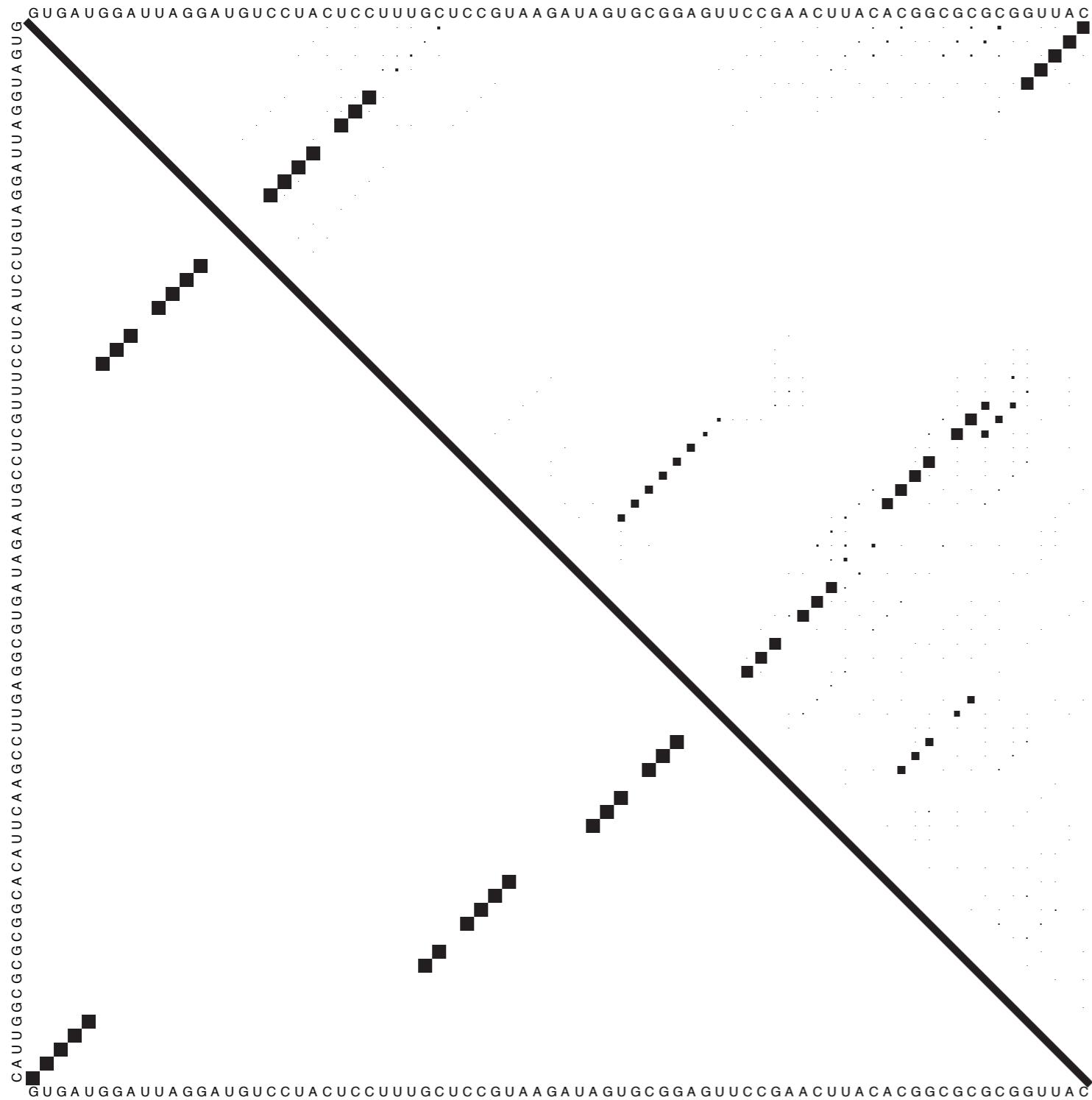
$$P(S_j) = \frac{e^{\Delta G_{S_j}/kT}}{\sum_i e^{\Delta G_{S_i}/kT}}$$



partition function Z

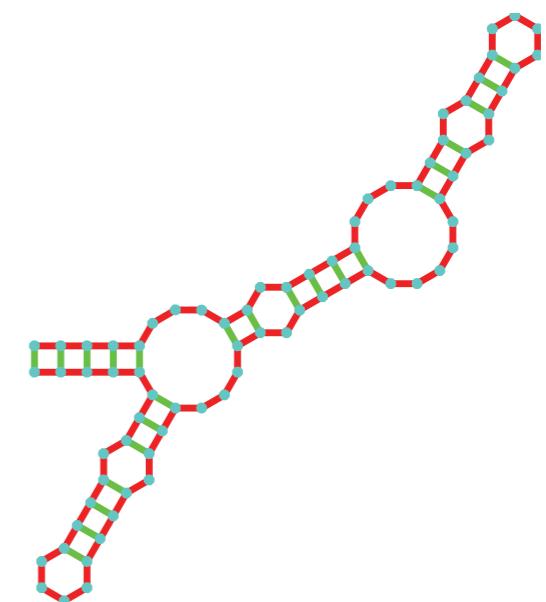
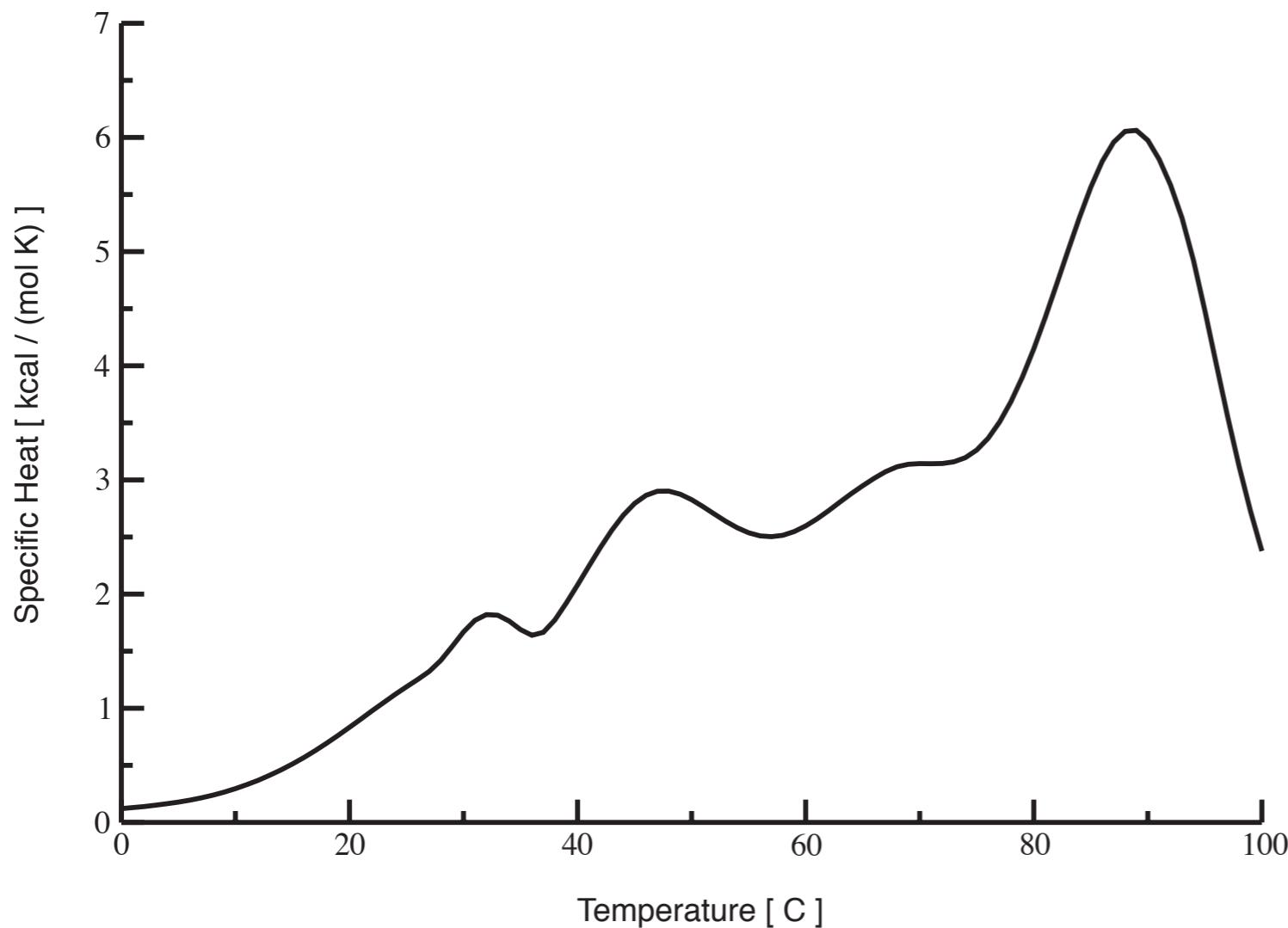
the probability of a structure

BASE PAIR PROBABILITIES



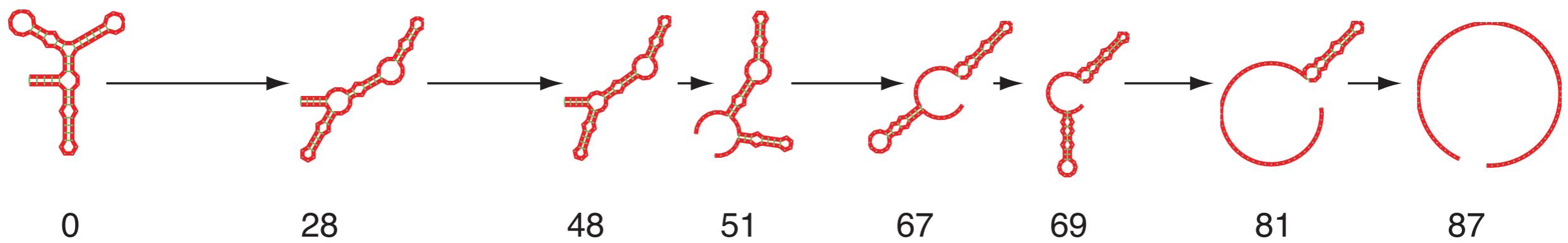
HEAT CAPACITY

$$C_p = -T \frac{\partial^2 \Delta G}{\partial T^2} \text{ with } \Delta G = -RT \ln Z$$



phenotypic plasticity

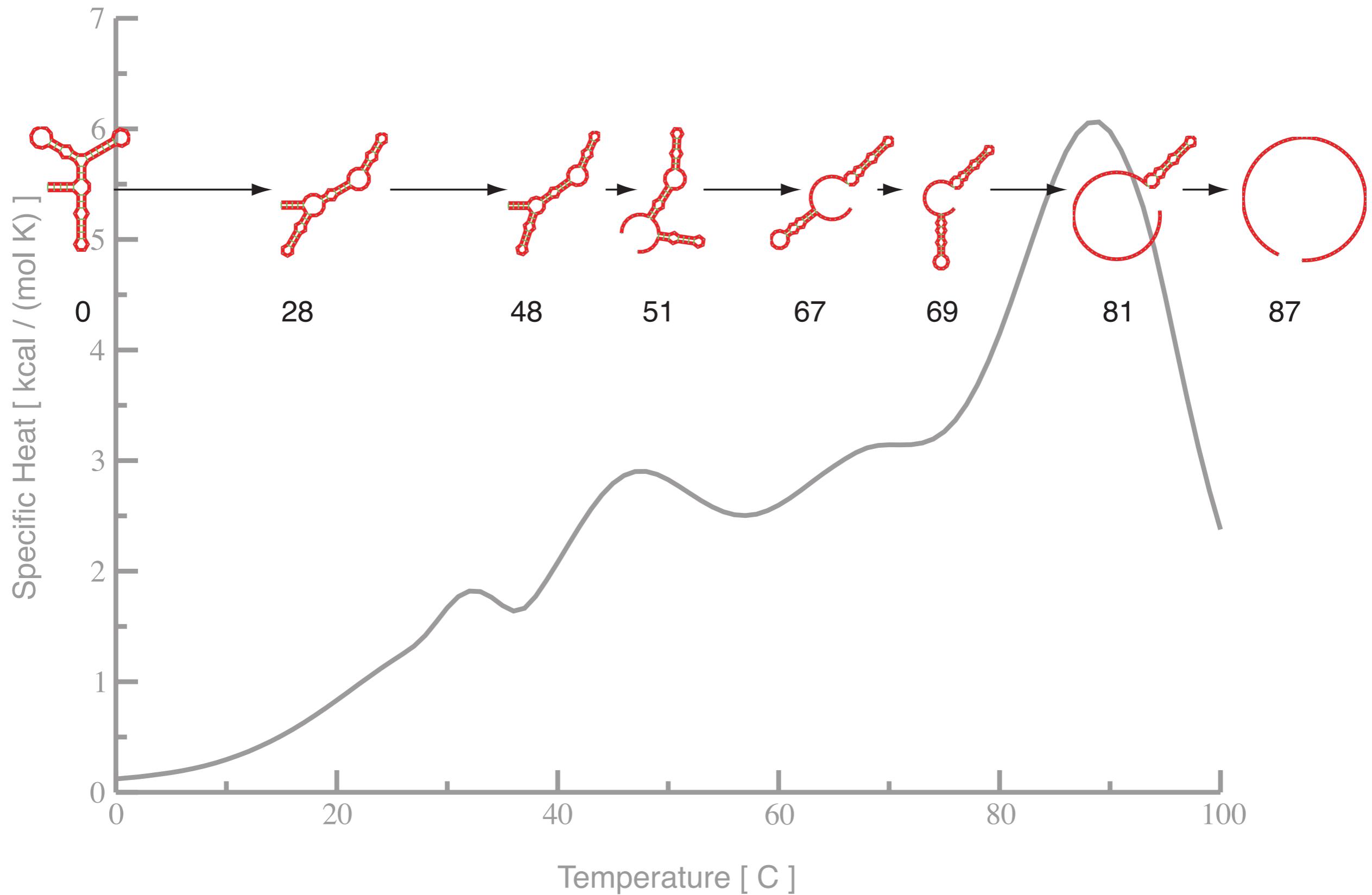
STRUCTURAL MELTING



minimum free energy structure as a function of temperature (C)

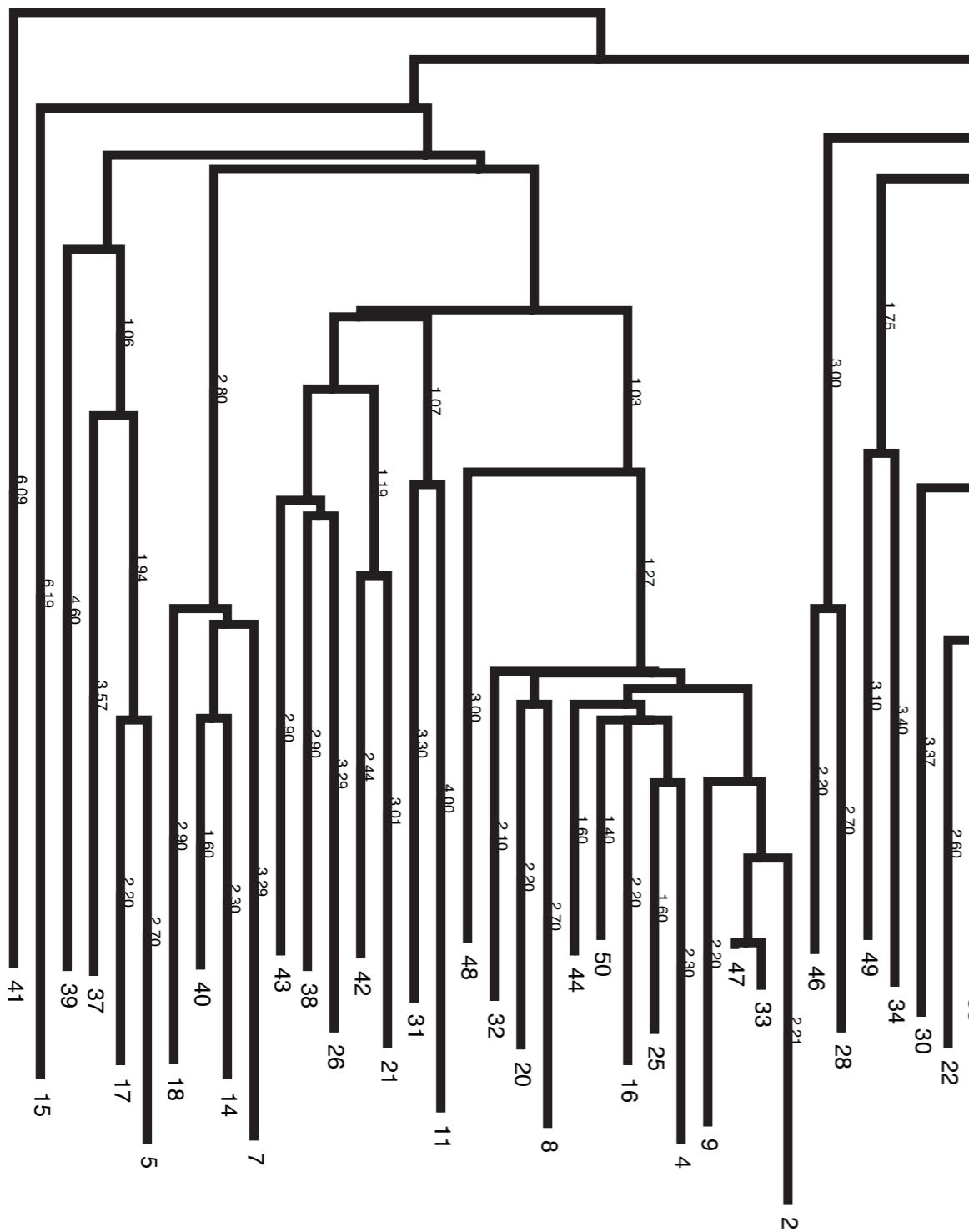
phenotypic plasticity

HEAT CAPACITY & MELTING



FOLDING (PROCESS)

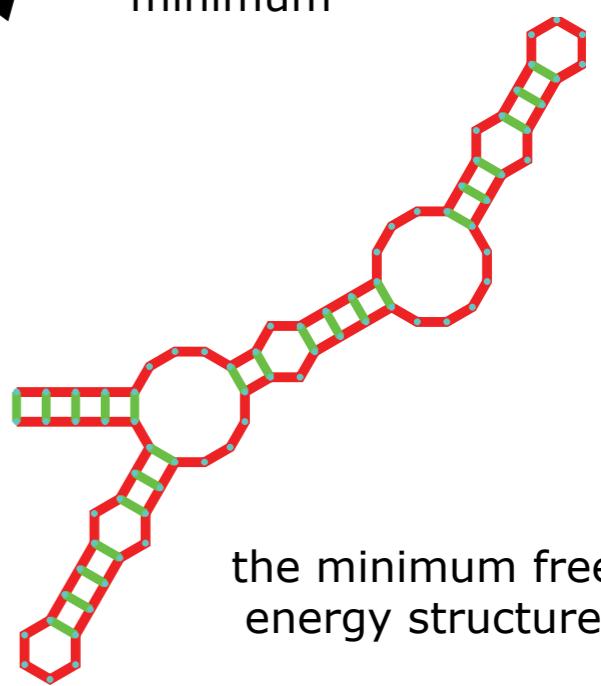
the free energy landscape
of configuration space



a saddle point: the minimum of the maxima along all paths between two energy "basins"

a local free energy minimum

the minimum free energy structure



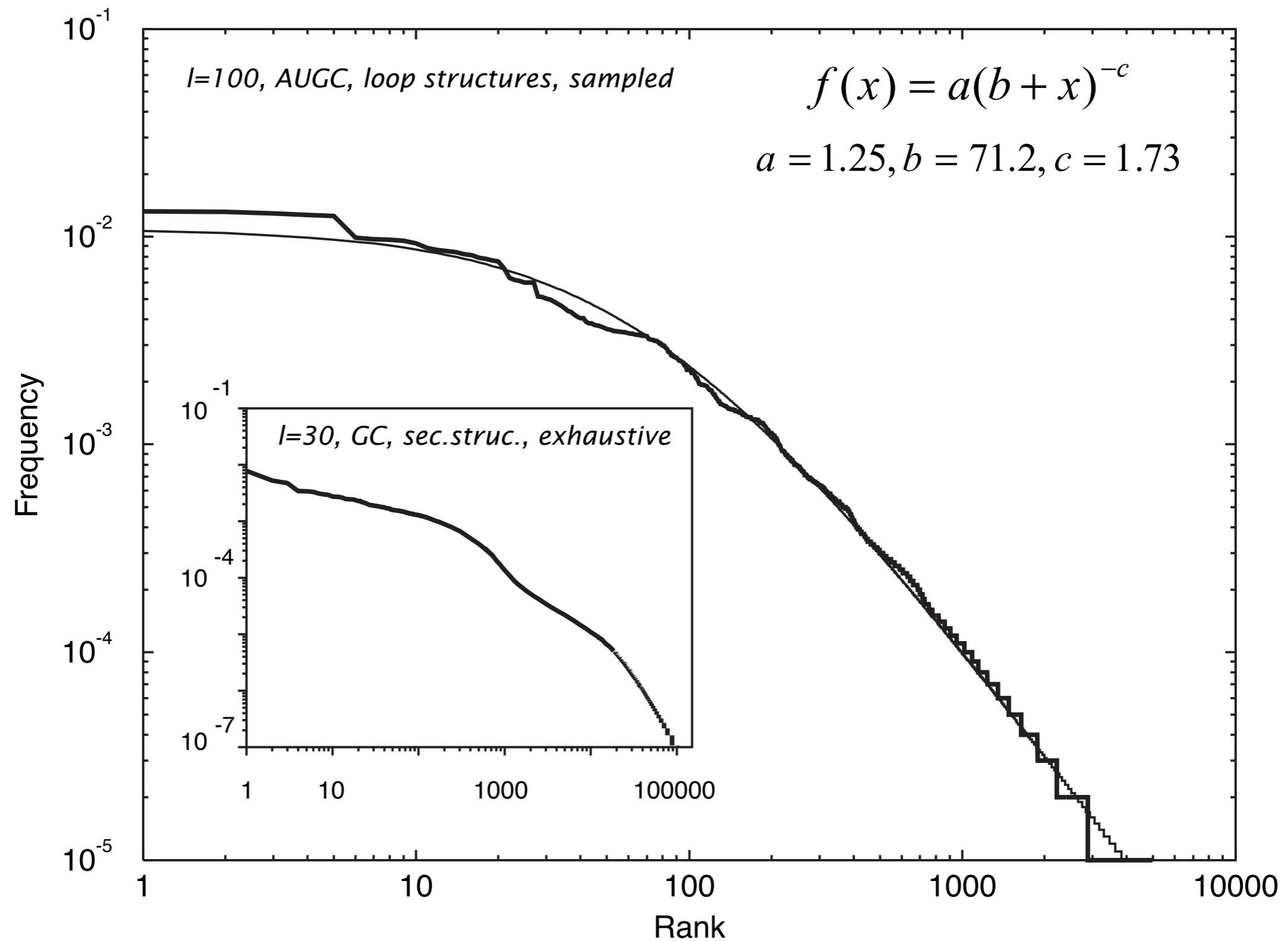
COUNTING STRUCTURES

4^n sequences

fold into

$\sim 2.6^n n^{-3/2}$ (unconstrained!) structures

RANKING STRUCTURES



Example: **exhaustive** folding of GC-sequences of length 30

- ▶ 1 billion sequences
- ▶ 220,000 different shapes
- ▶ 10% of shapes are realized by more than 5000 sequences
- ▶ 93% of all sequences fold into 10% of all shapes

"TYPICAL" SHAPES

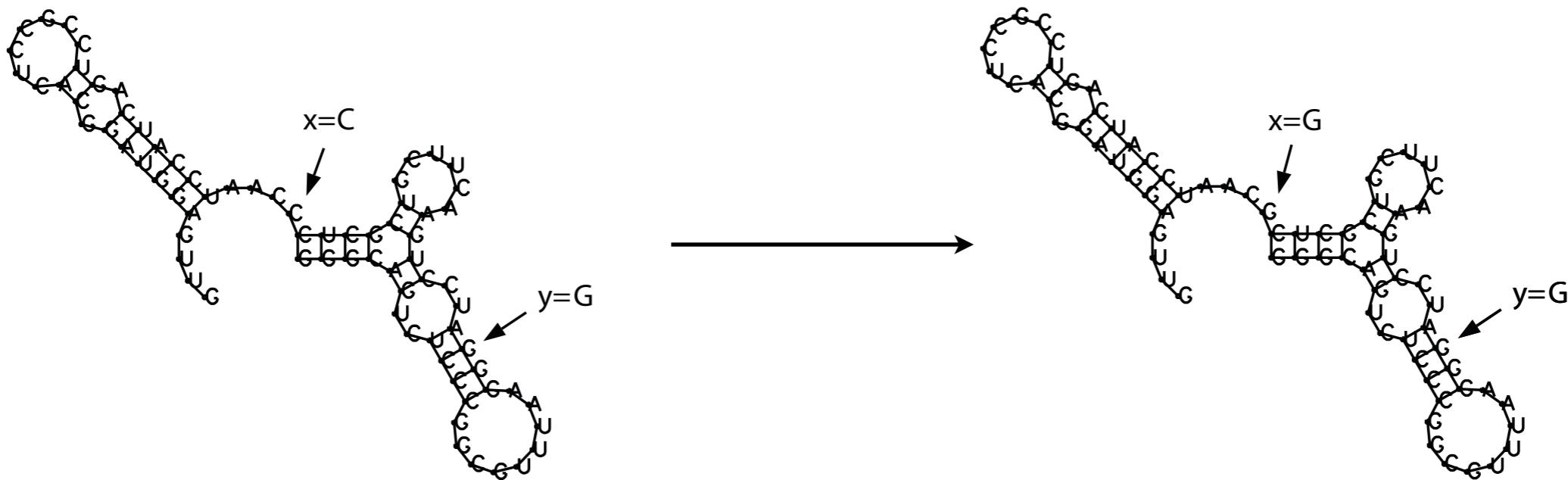
typical shapes Ω

As sequence length tends to infinity,

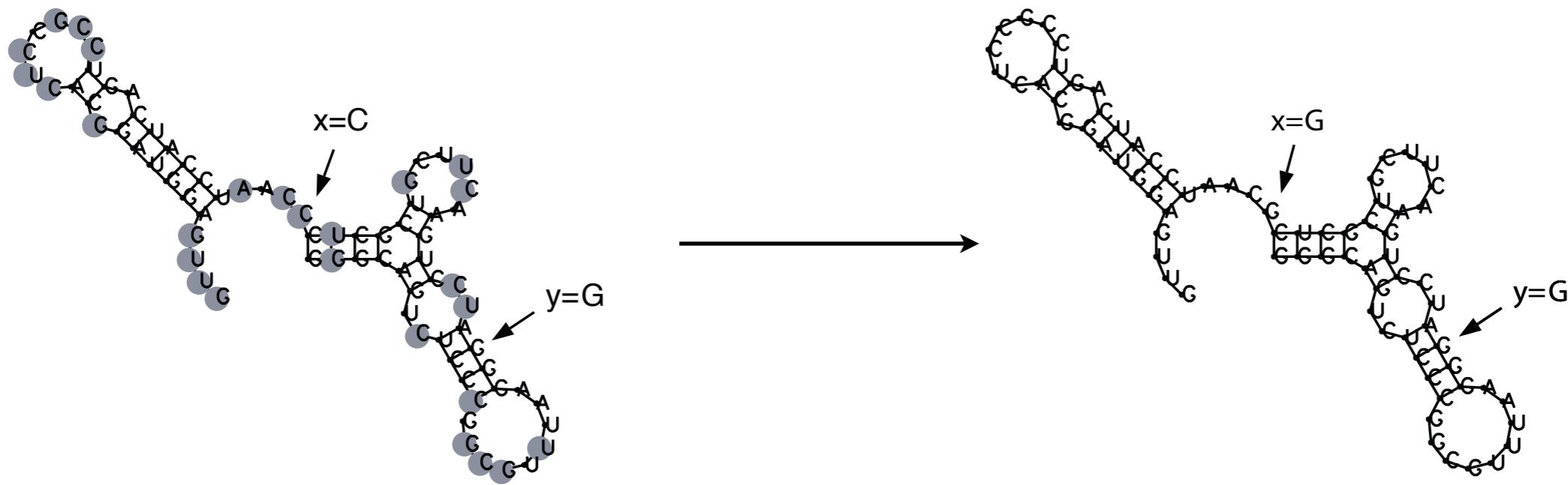
$$\frac{\text{\# of sequences folding into } \Omega}{\text{all sequences}} \text{ tends to } 1$$

$$\frac{\text{\# of shapes in } \Omega}{\text{all shapes}} \text{ tends to } 0$$

NEUTRALITY

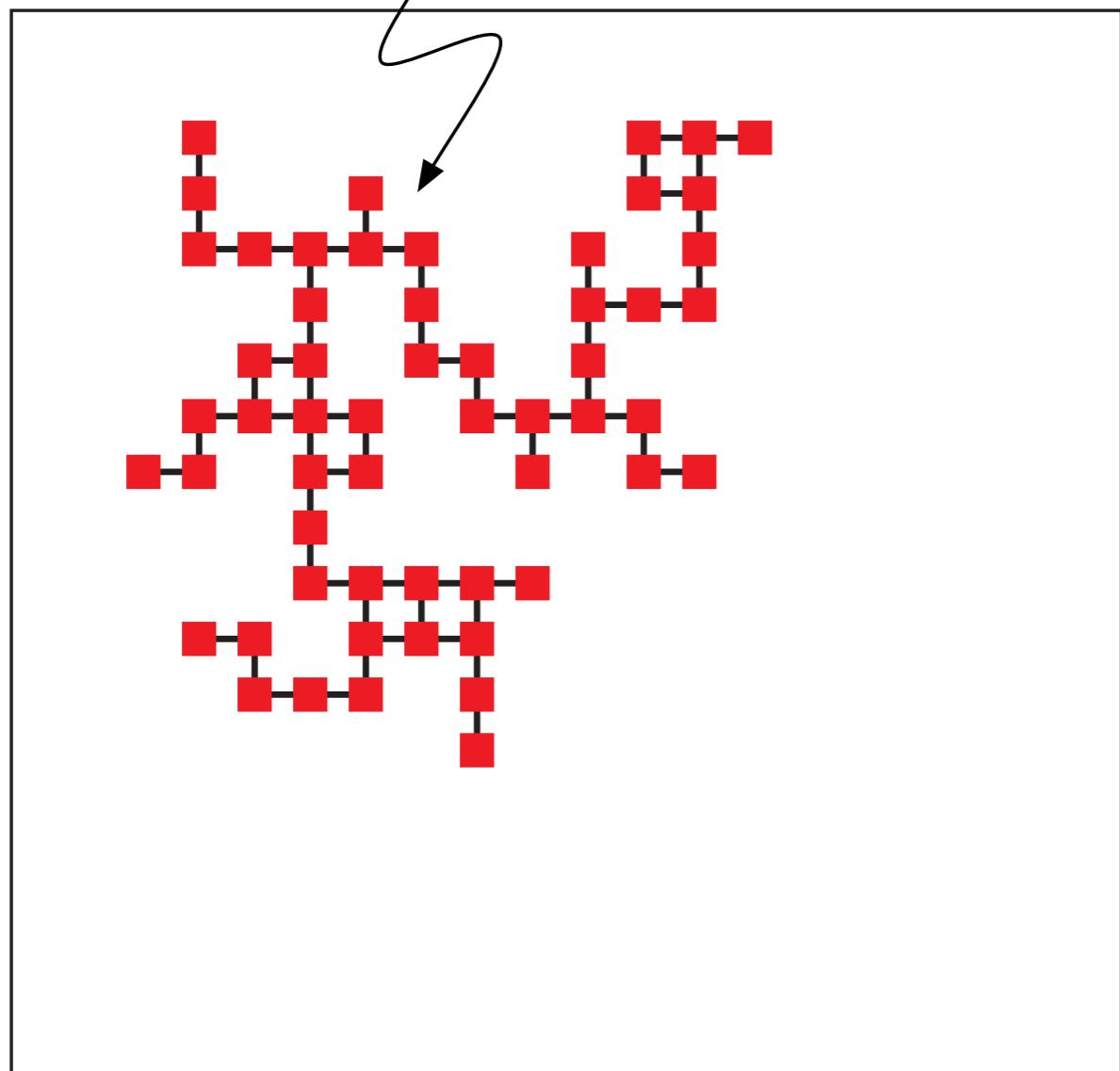


NEUTRALITY

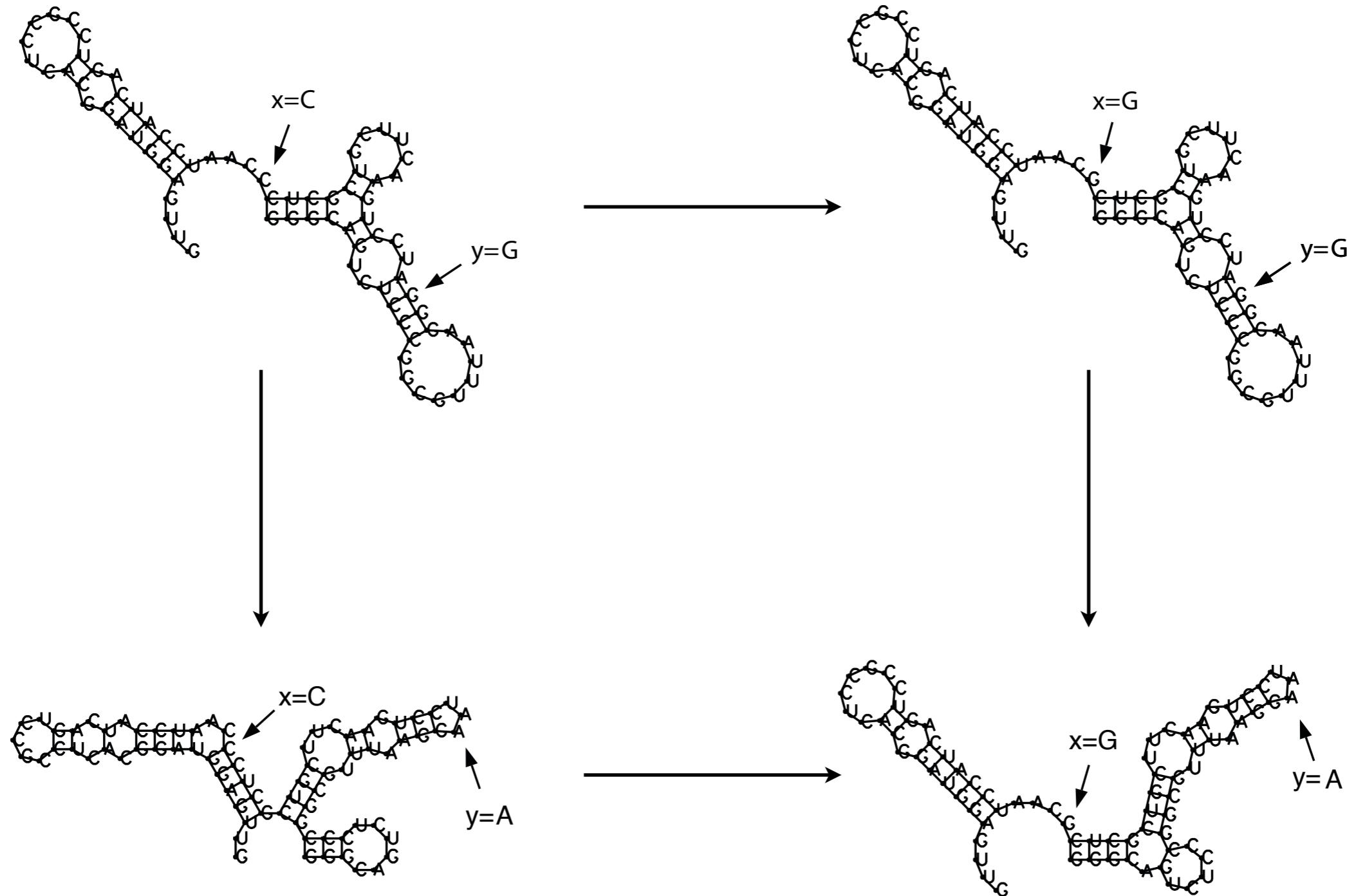


CONNECTED NEUTRALITY

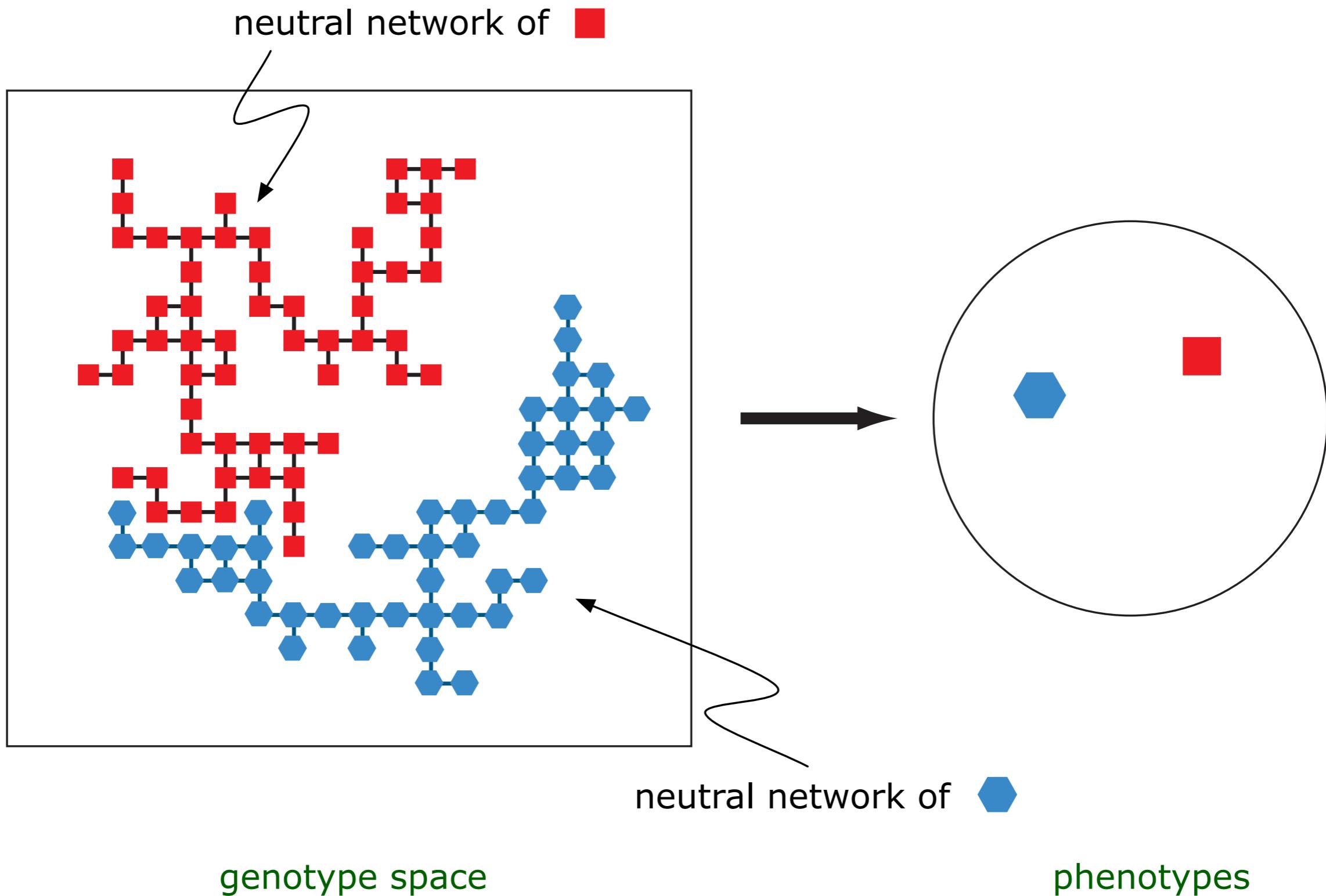
neutral network of ■



EPISTASIS



CONNECTED NEUTRALITY



One Sequence, Two Ribozymes: Implications for the Emergence of New Ribozyme Folds

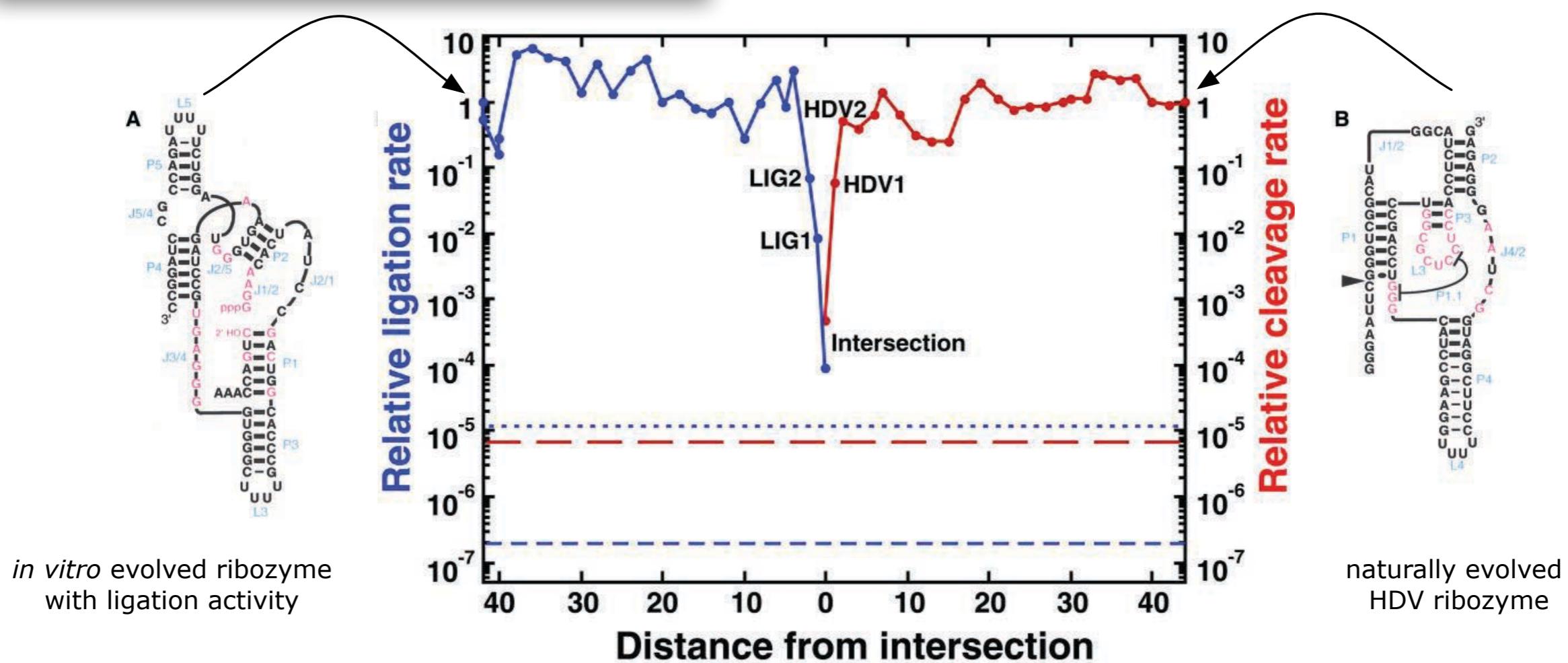
Erik A. Schultes and David P. Bartel*

We describe a single RNA sequence that can assume either of two ribozyme folds and catalyze the two respective reactions. The two ribozyme folds share no evolutionary history and are completely different, with no base pairs (and probably no hydrogen bonds) in common. Minor variants of this sequence are highly active for one or the other reaction, and can be accessed from prototype ribozymes through a series of neutral mutations. Thus, in the course of evolution, new RNA folds could arise from preexisting folds, without the need to carry inactive intermediate sequences. This raises the possibility that biological RNAs having no structural or functional similarity might share a common ancestry. Furthermore, functional and structural divergence might, in some cases, precede rather than follow gene duplication.

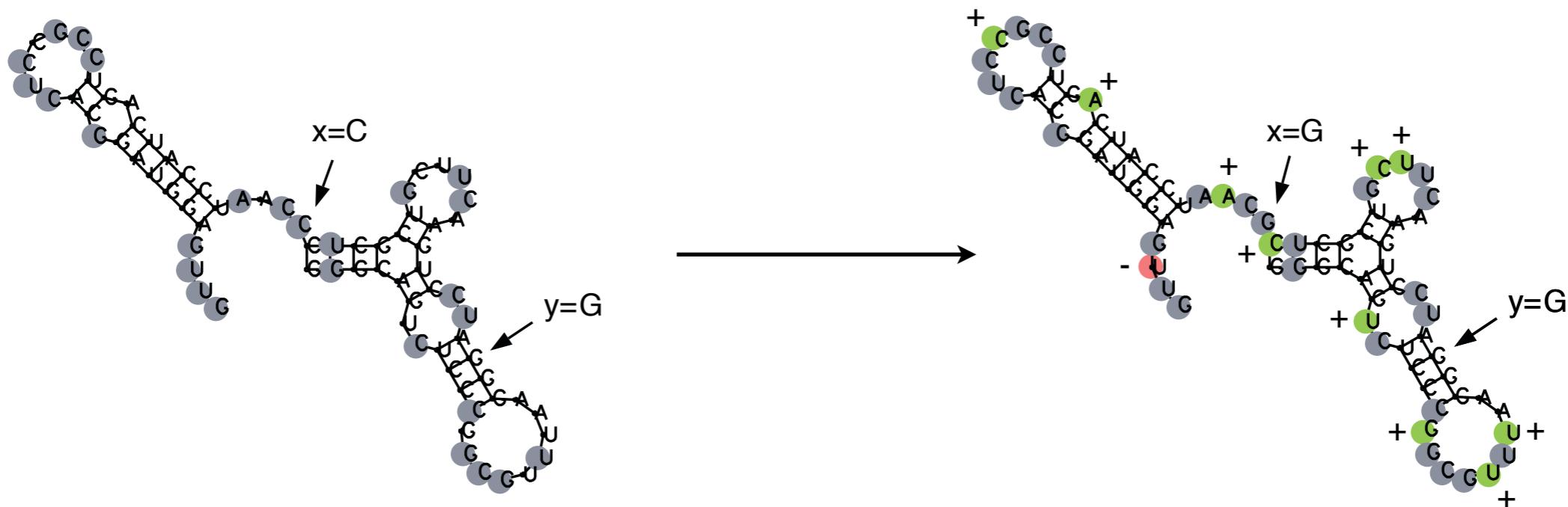
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EXPERIMENTAL NEUTRALITY

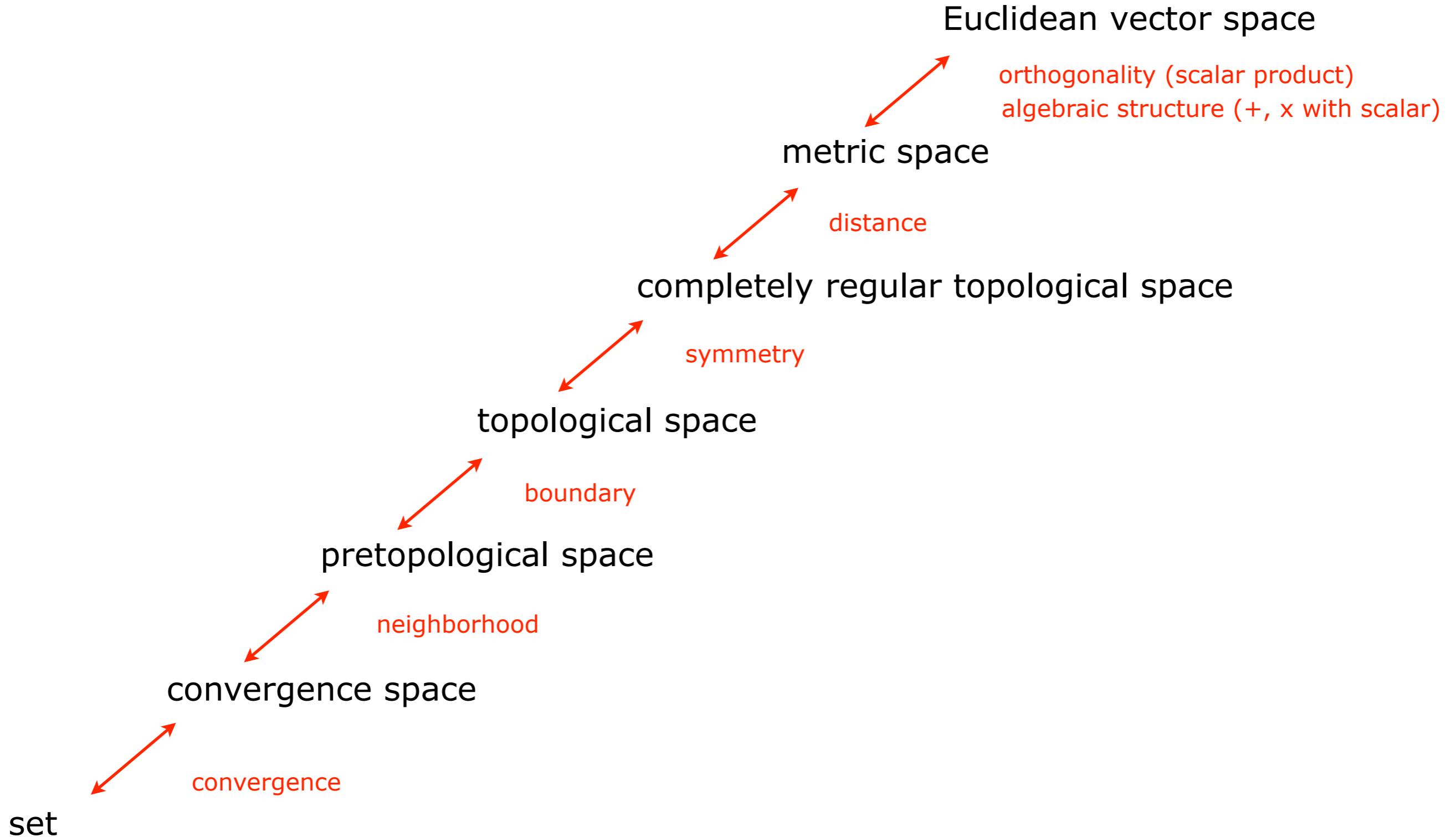
the Schultes/Bartel experiment



GENETIC CONTROL OF NEUTRALITY



SPACE

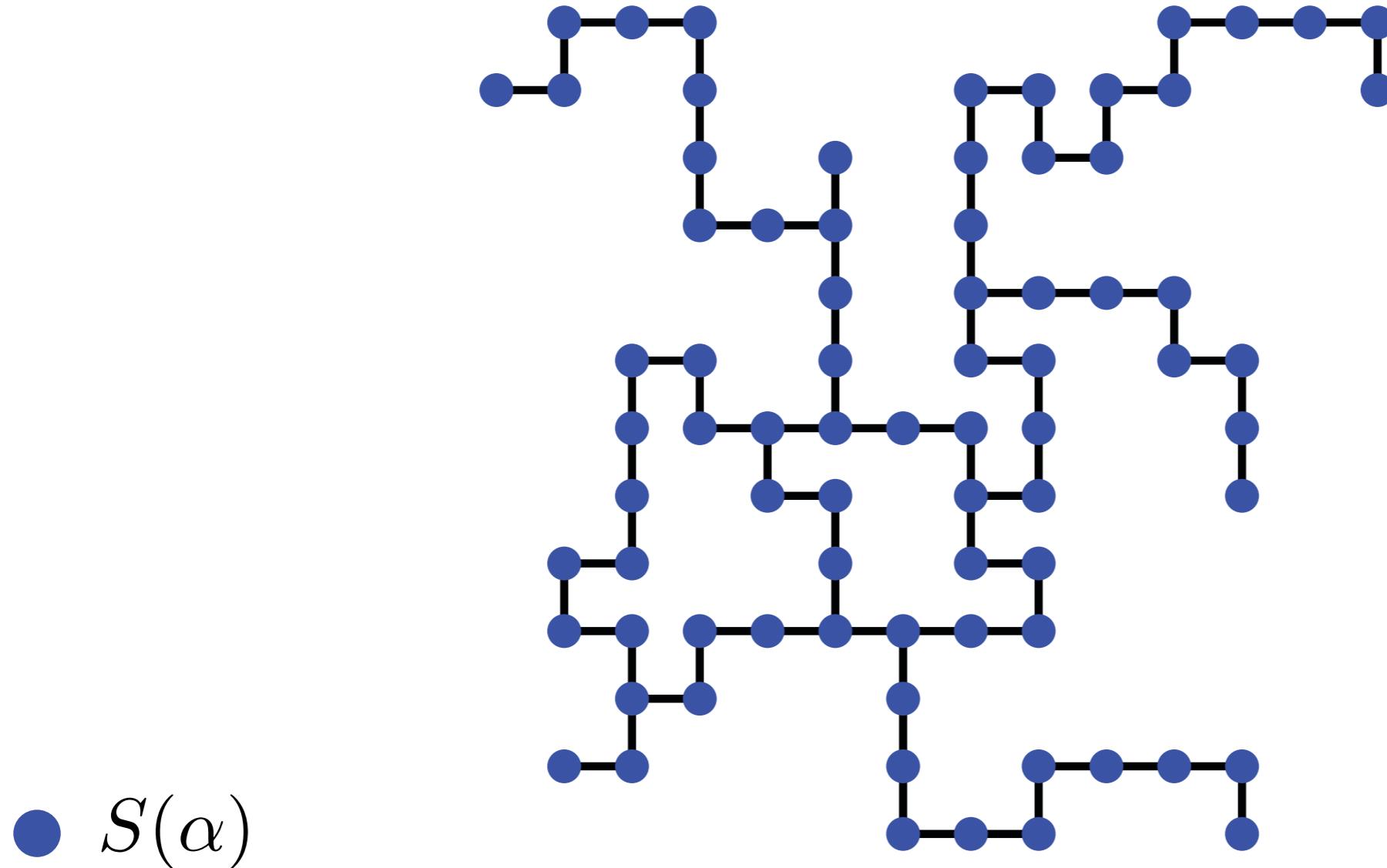


THE CONSTRUCTION OF PHENOTYPE SPACE

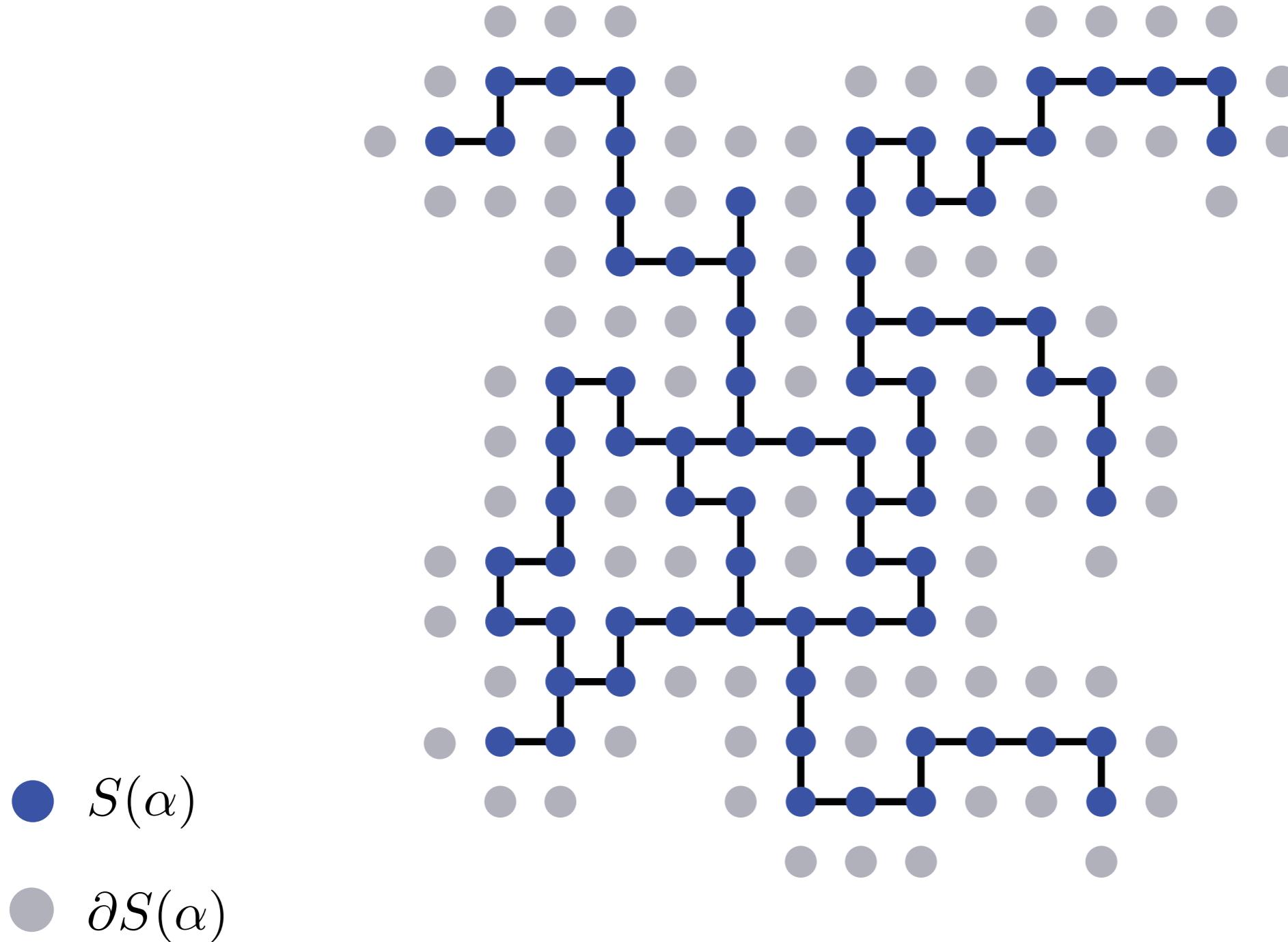
Construction by similarity measure on phenotypes:
independent of the genotype/phenotype map

Construction by “accessibility”:
induced by the genotype/phenotype map

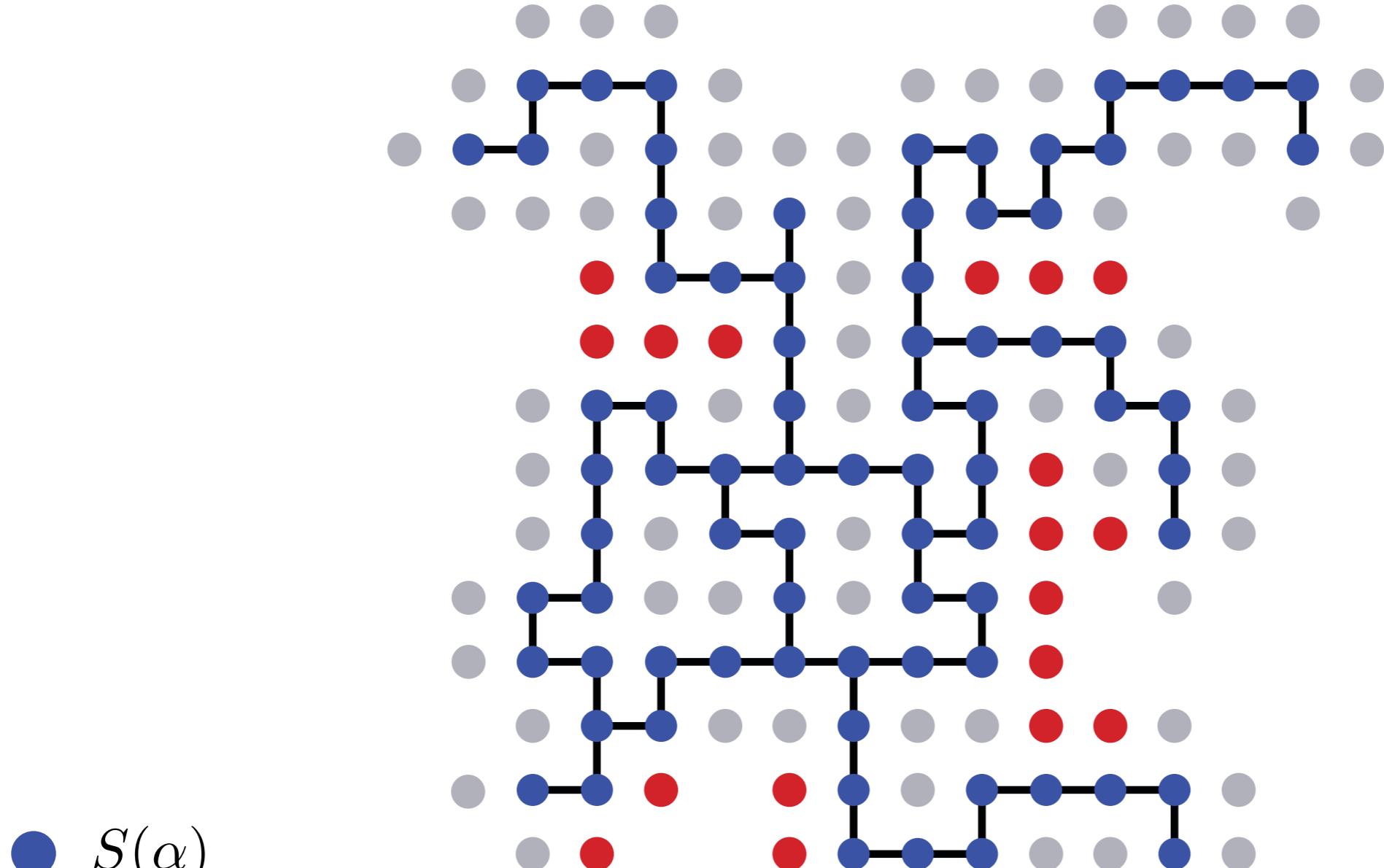
A NEUTRAL NETWORK



THE BOUNDARY OF A NEUTRAL NETWORK



ACCESSIBILITY



● $S(\alpha)$

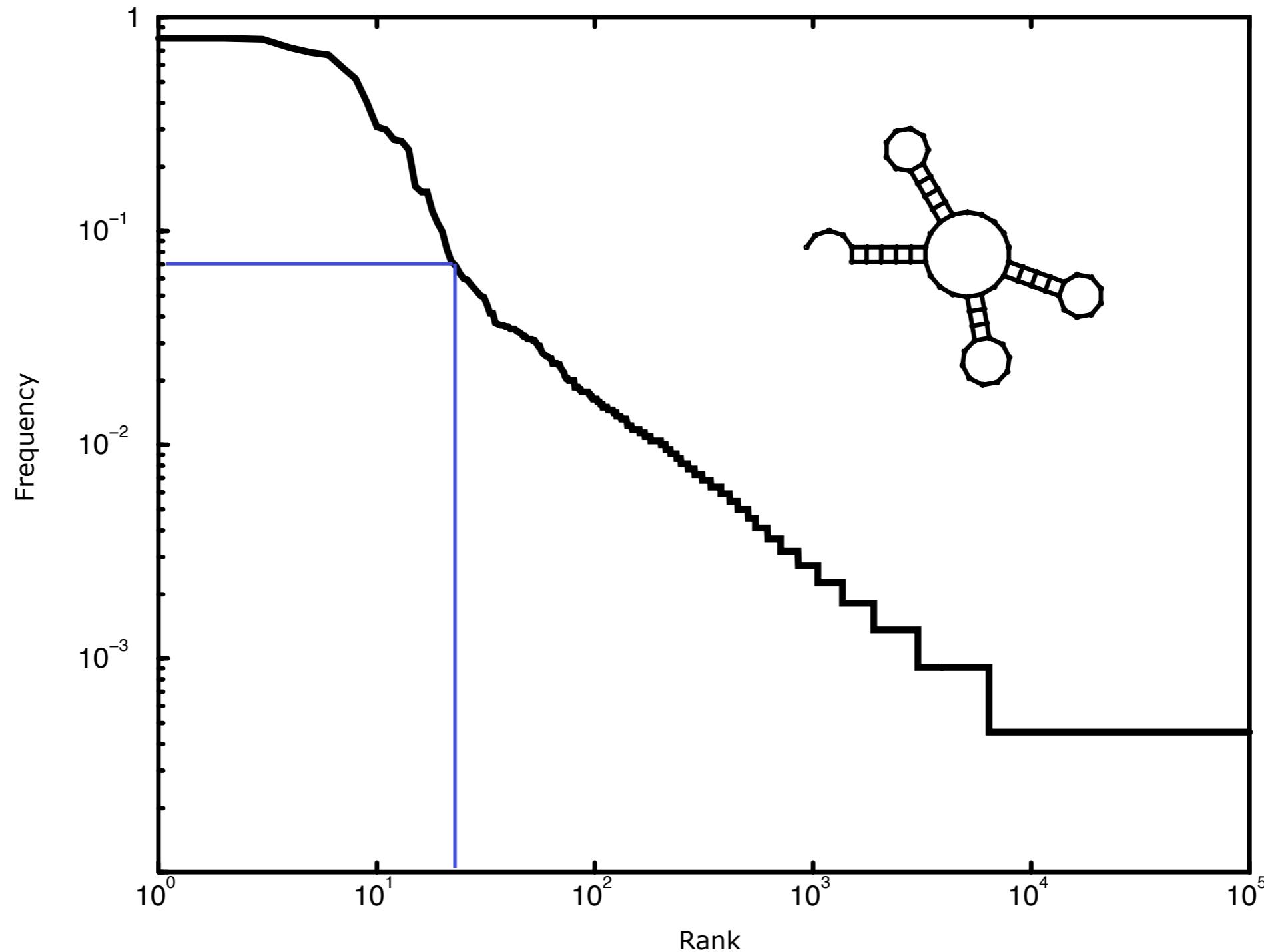
● $\partial S(\alpha)$

● $S(\beta) \cap \partial S(\alpha)$

$$\mathcal{A}(\beta \leftarrow \alpha) = \frac{|S(\beta) \cap \partial S(\alpha)|}{|\partial S(\alpha)|}$$

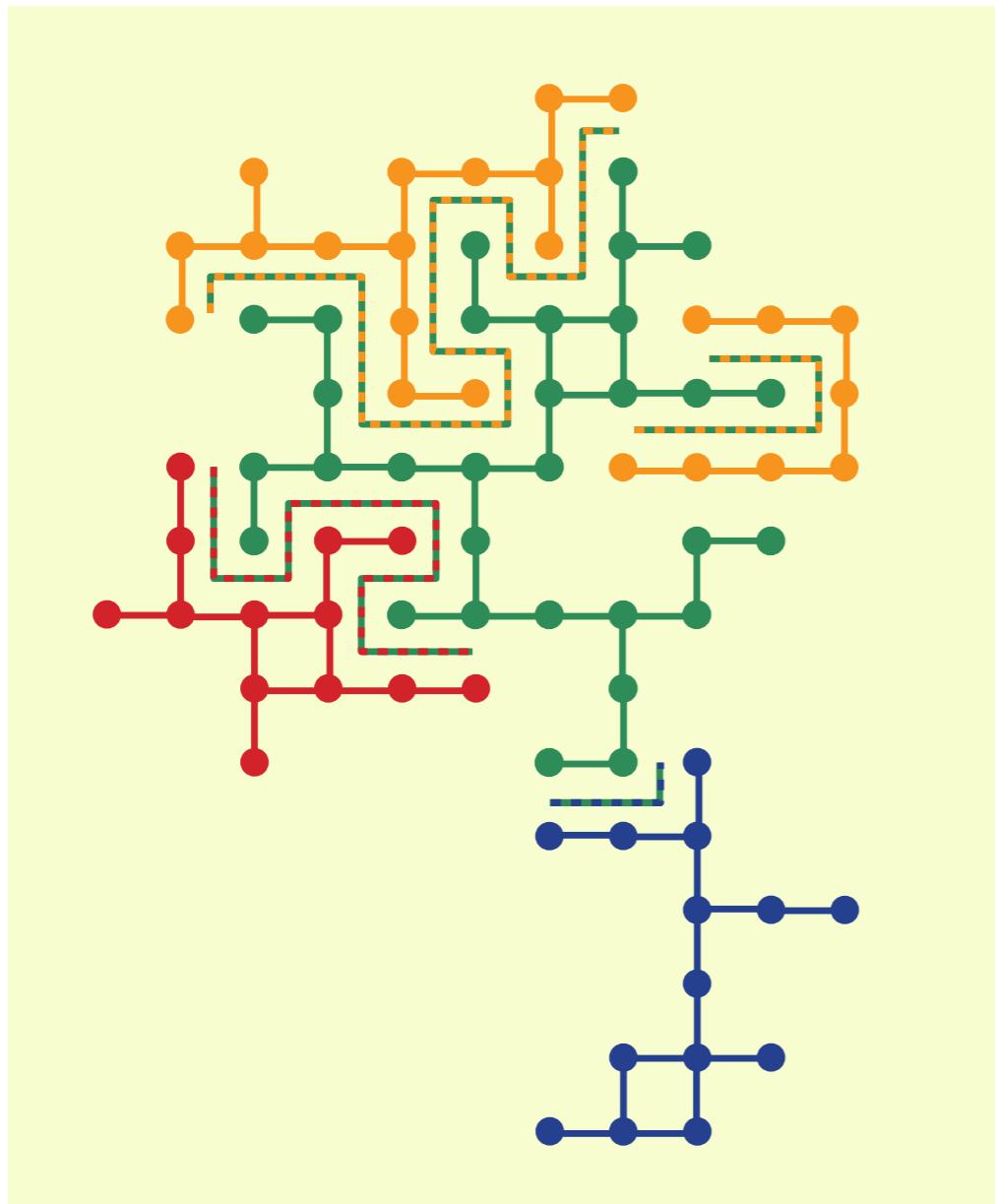
accessibility

DISTRIBUTION OF STRUCTURES IN THE BOUNDARY

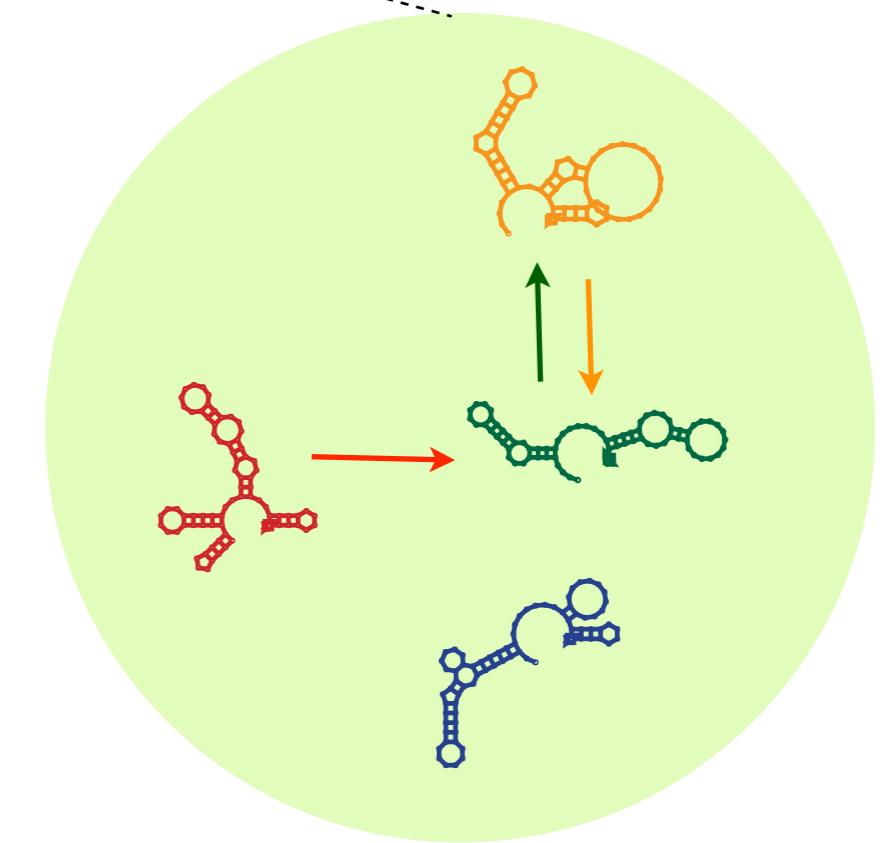


shapes near the tRNA shape

NEARNESS VIA ACCESSIBILITY



genotype space



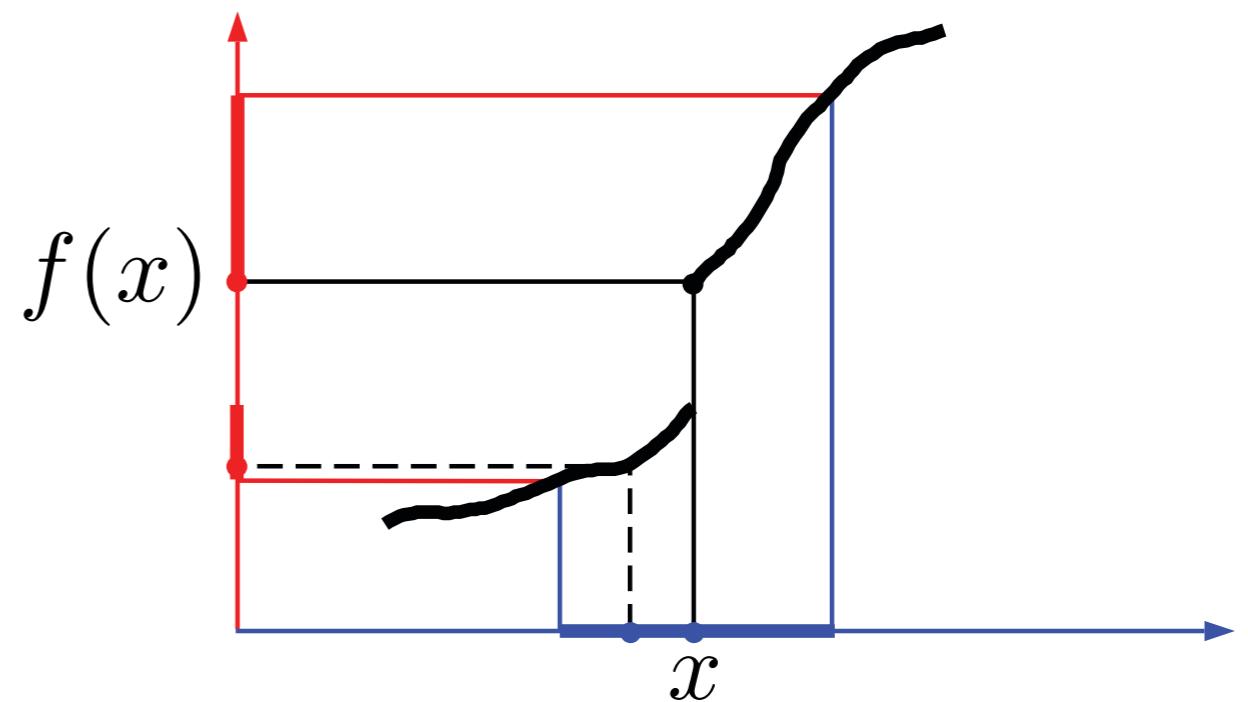
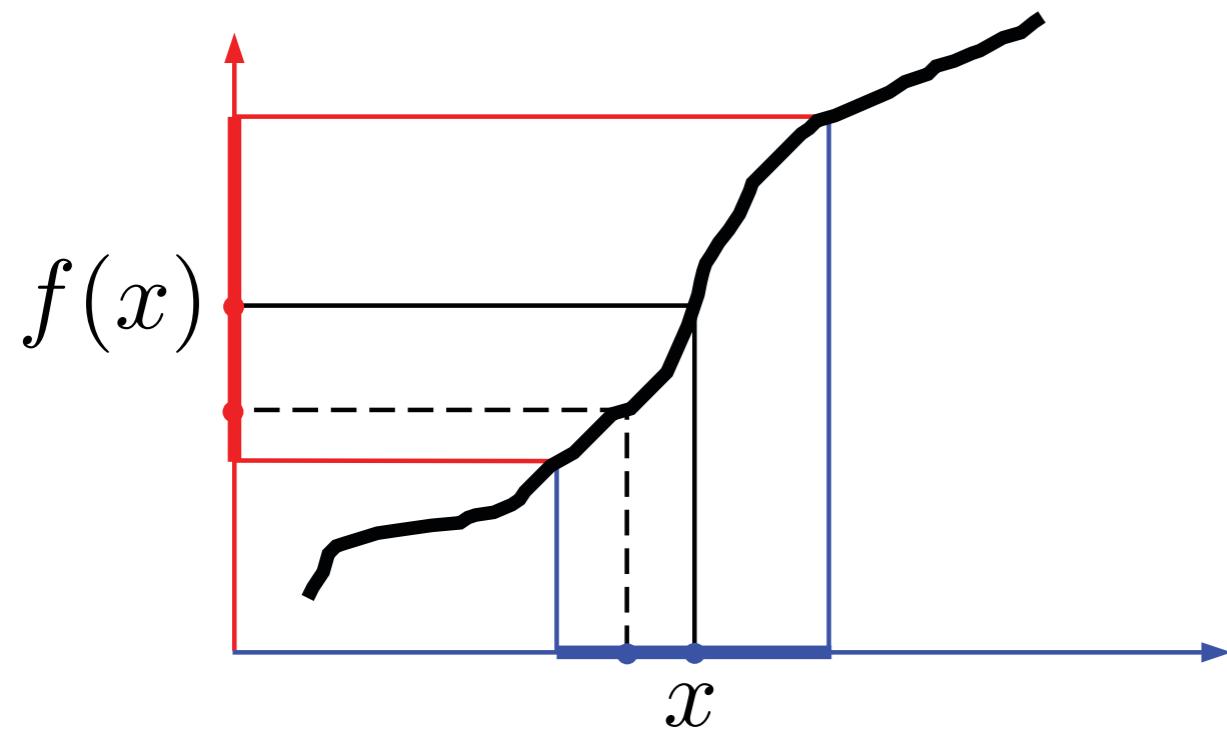
phenotype space

BOUNDARY TOPOLOGY

Pennsylvania is near New Jersey, but New Jersey is not near Pennsylvania

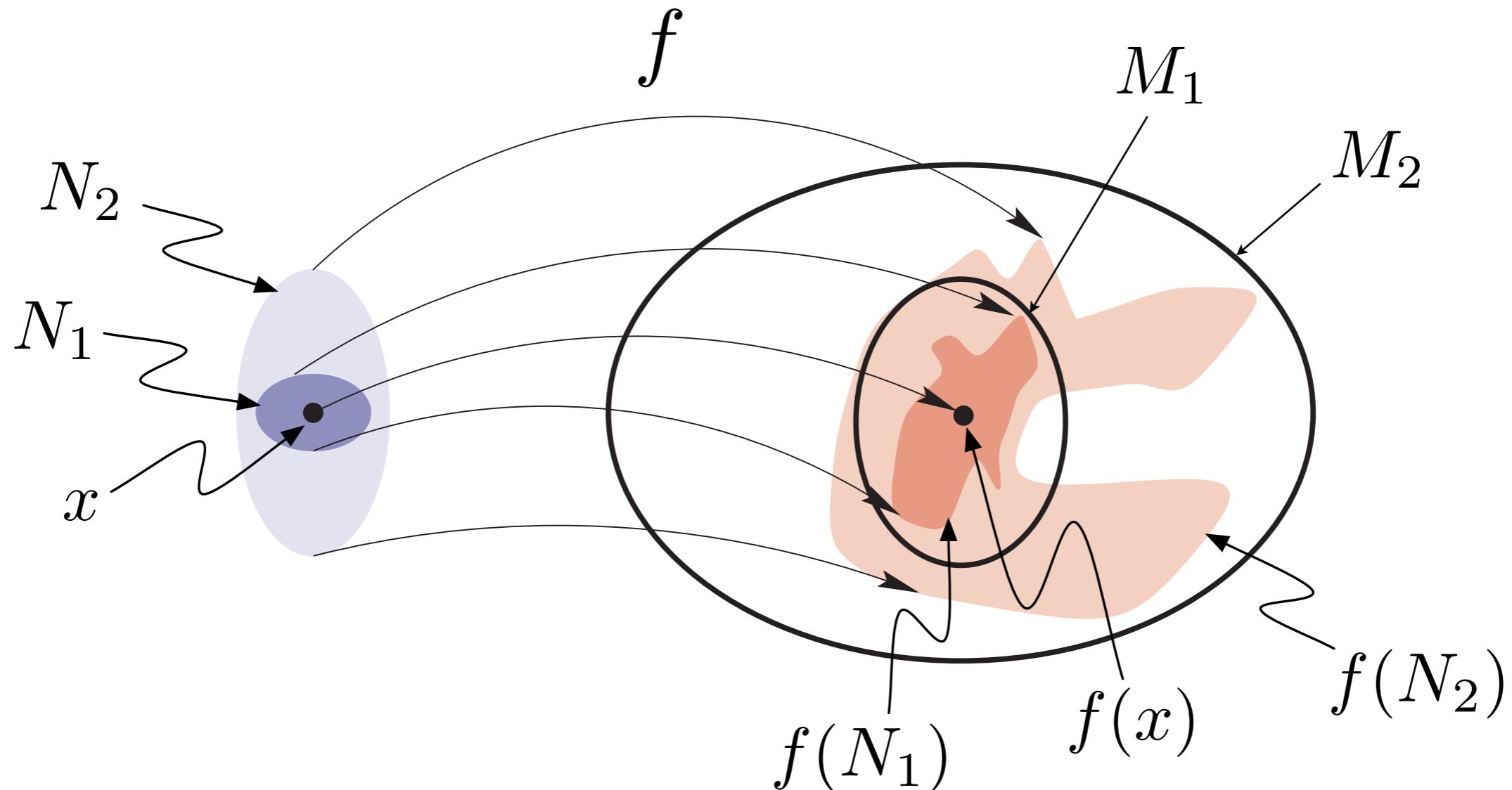


CONTINUITY VIA DISTANCE



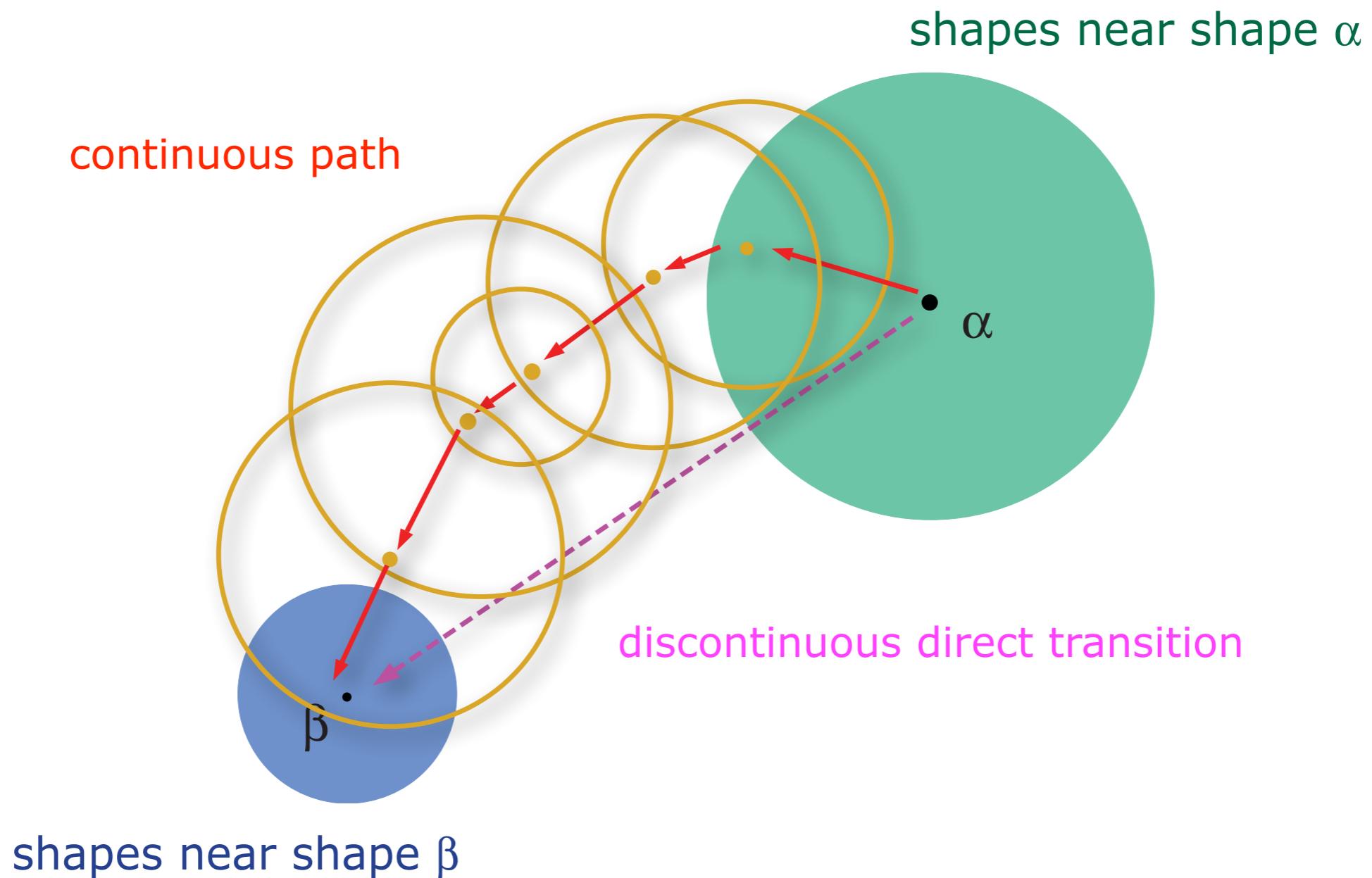
A function is continuous if you don't have to lift the pencil when drawing it.

CONTINUITY VIA NEIGHBORHOOD



For each neighborhood M of $f(x)$, there is a neighborhood N of x , such that $f(N)$ is contained in M .

CONTINUITY VIA NEIGHBORHOOD



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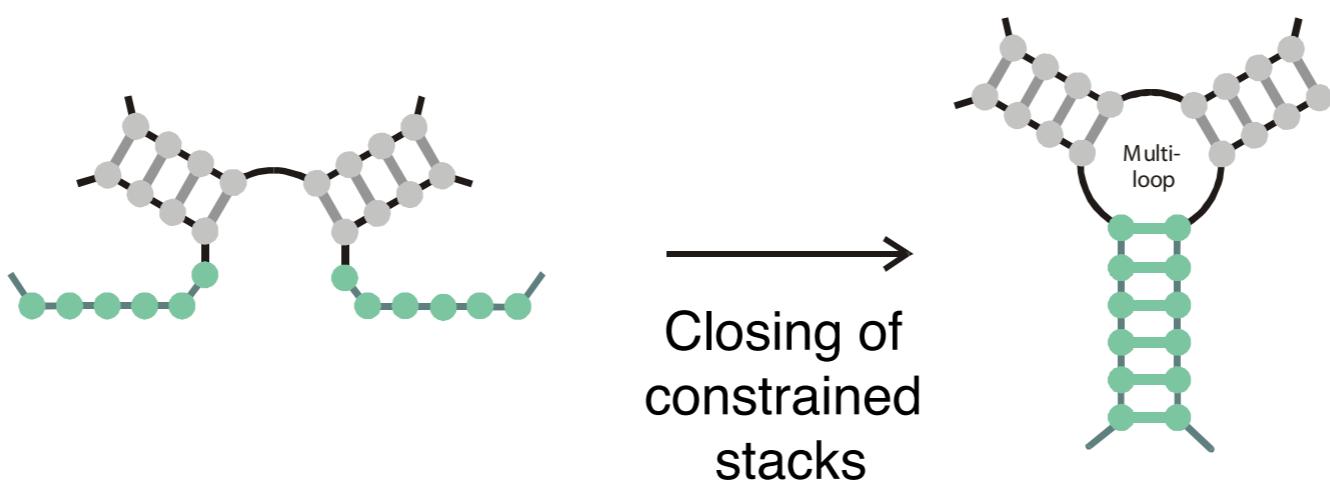
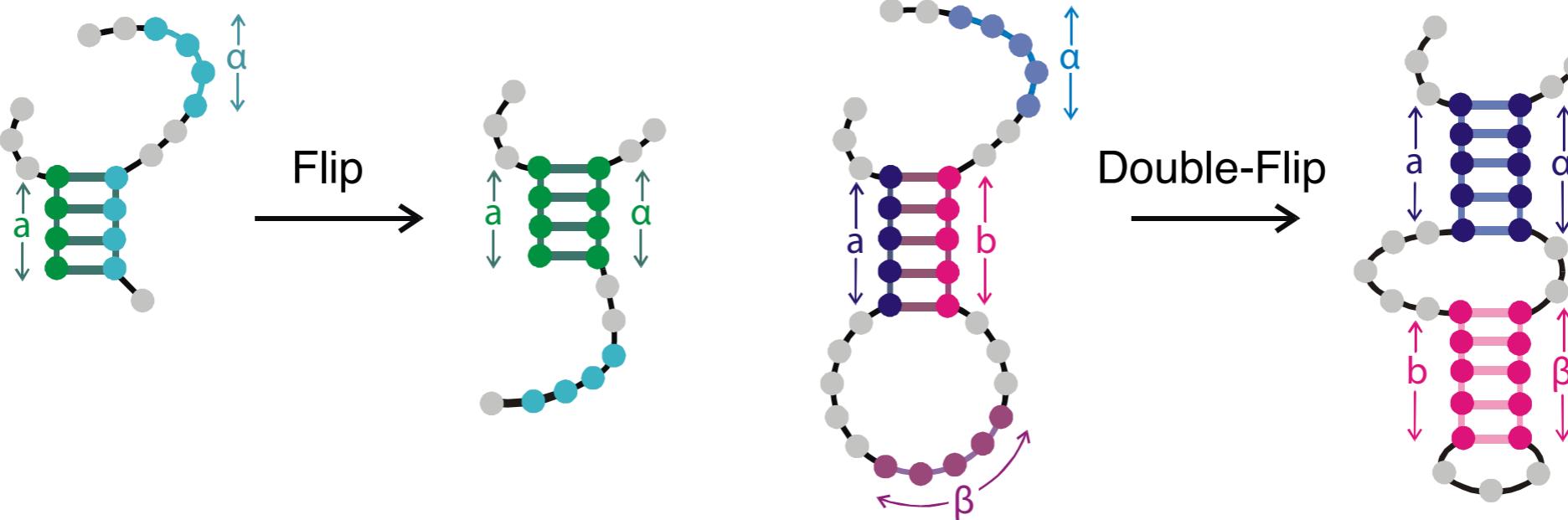
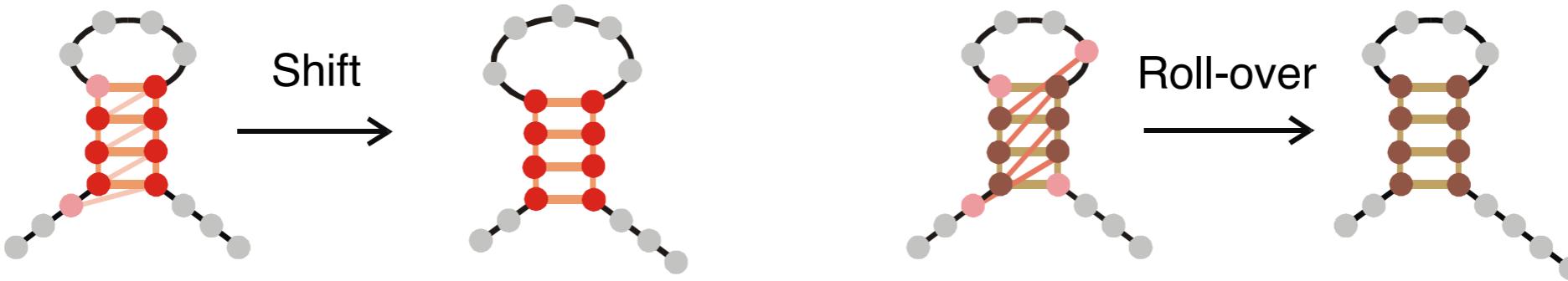
Can any two shapes be connected by a continuous path?

NO.

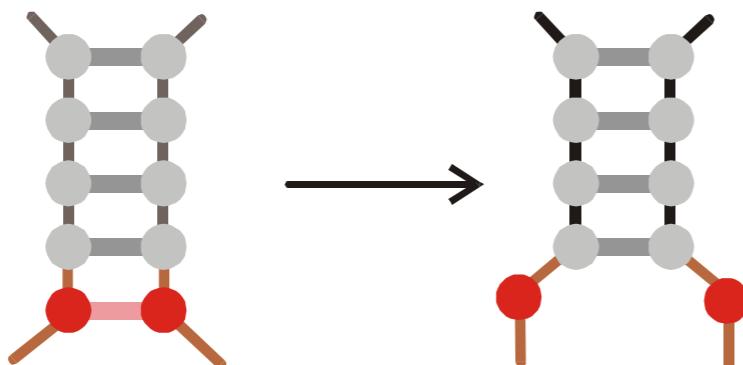
Certain shape transformations require, along any path, a constricted (*) passage from one neutral network to another.

(*) small fraction of shared boundary in the direction of the passage

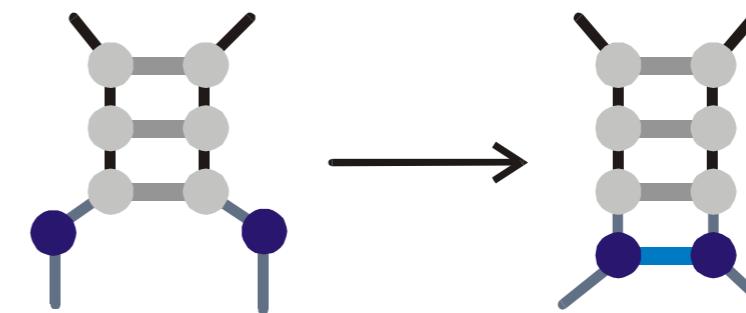
DISCONTINUOUS TRANSFORMATIONS



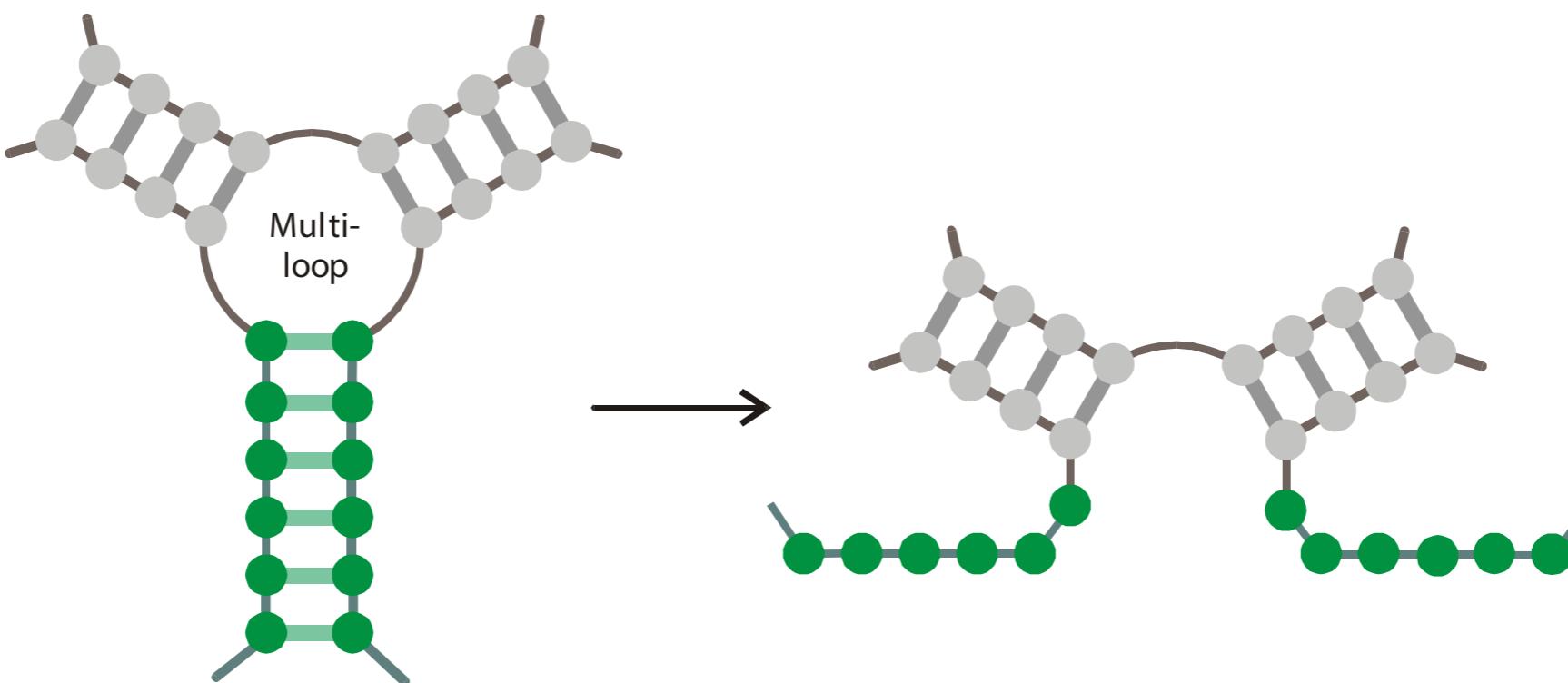
CONTINUOUS TRANSFORMATIONS



Stack shortening

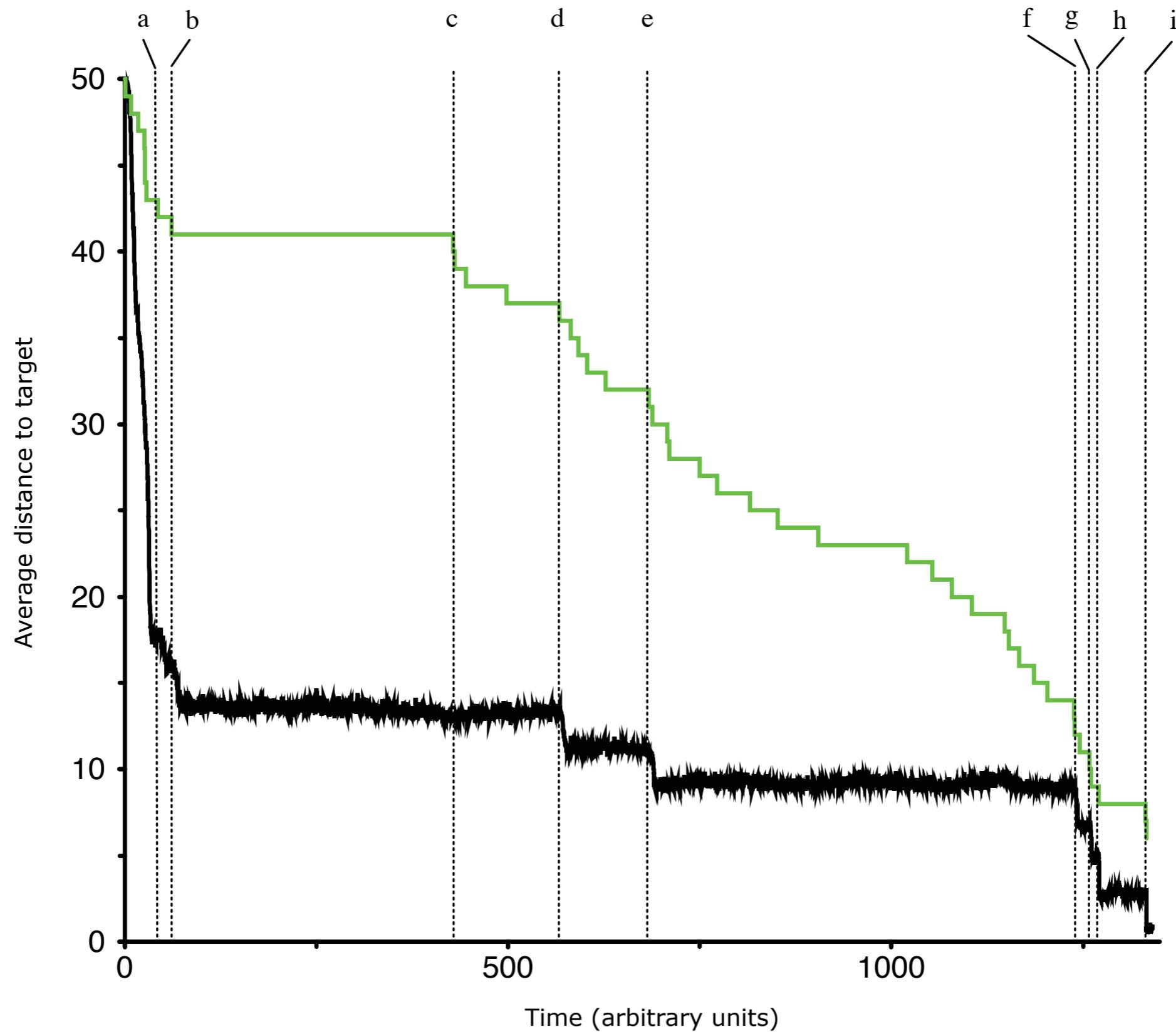


Stack elongation

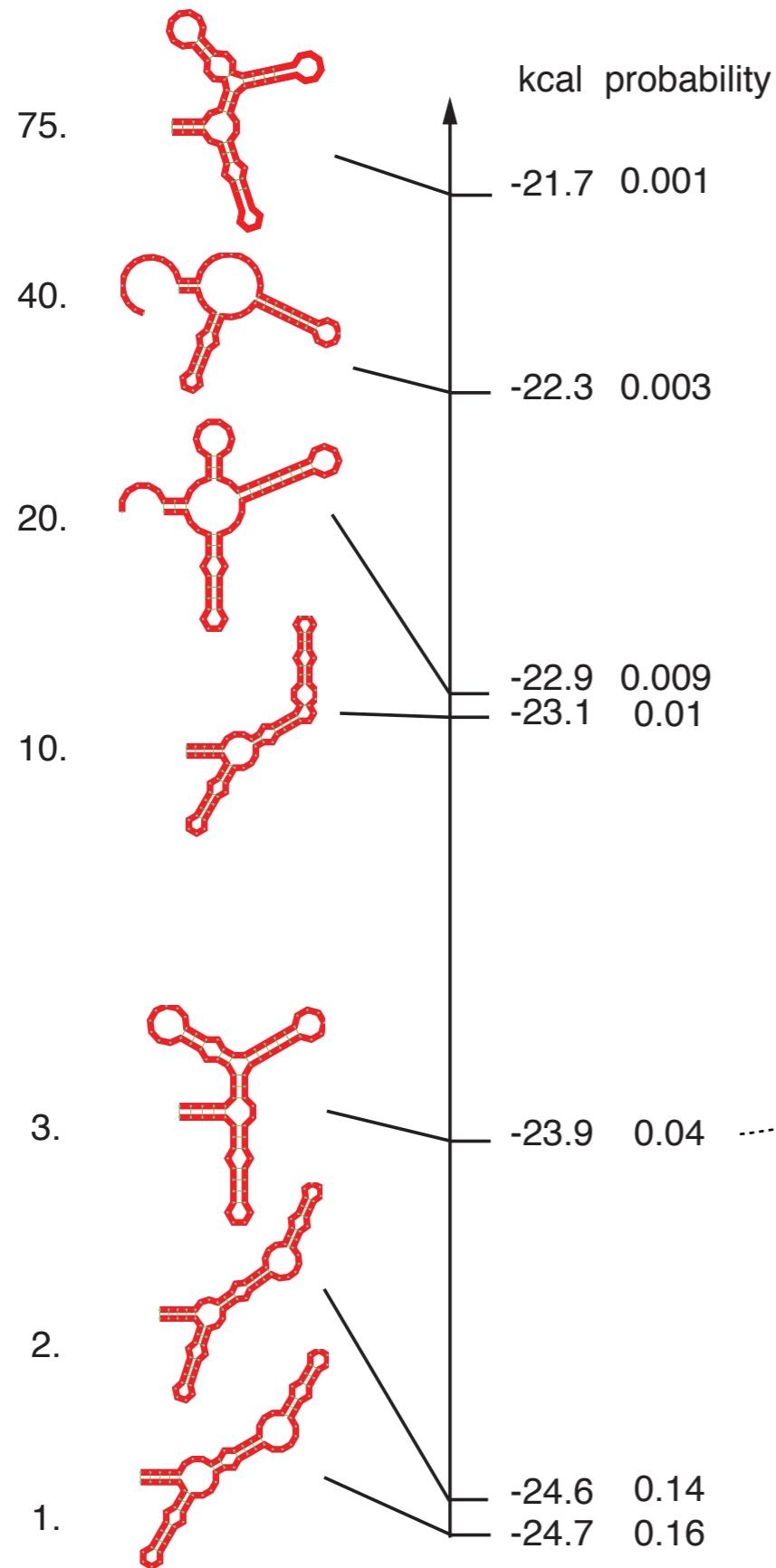


Unzipping of constrained stacks

PUNCTUATION

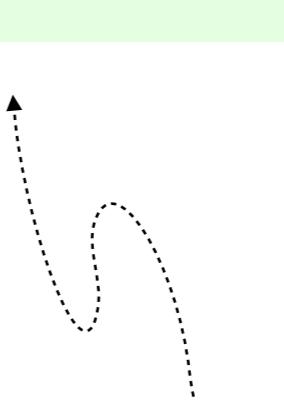


SUBOPTIMAL STRUCTURES



phenotypic plasticity
("microenvironmental")

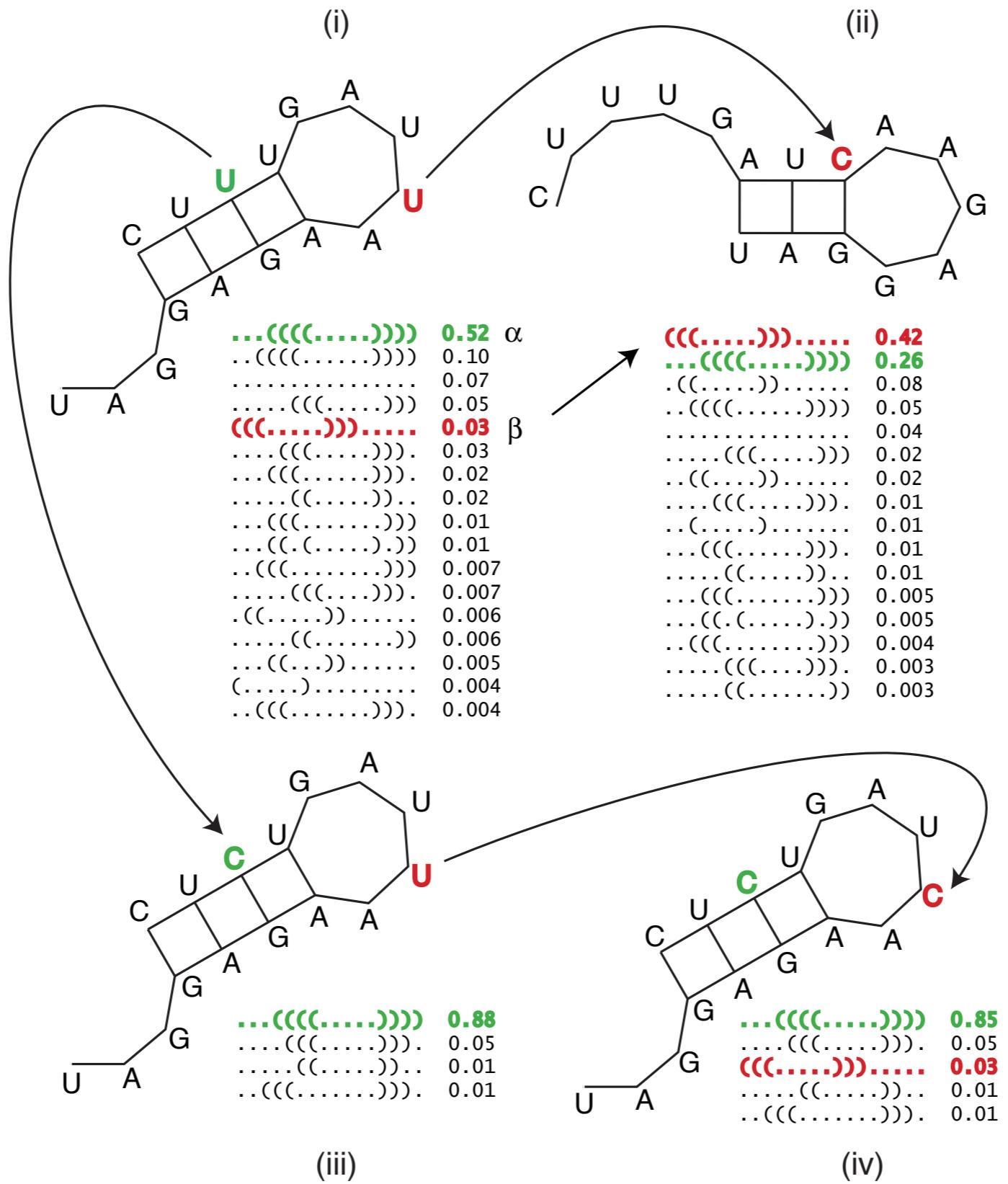
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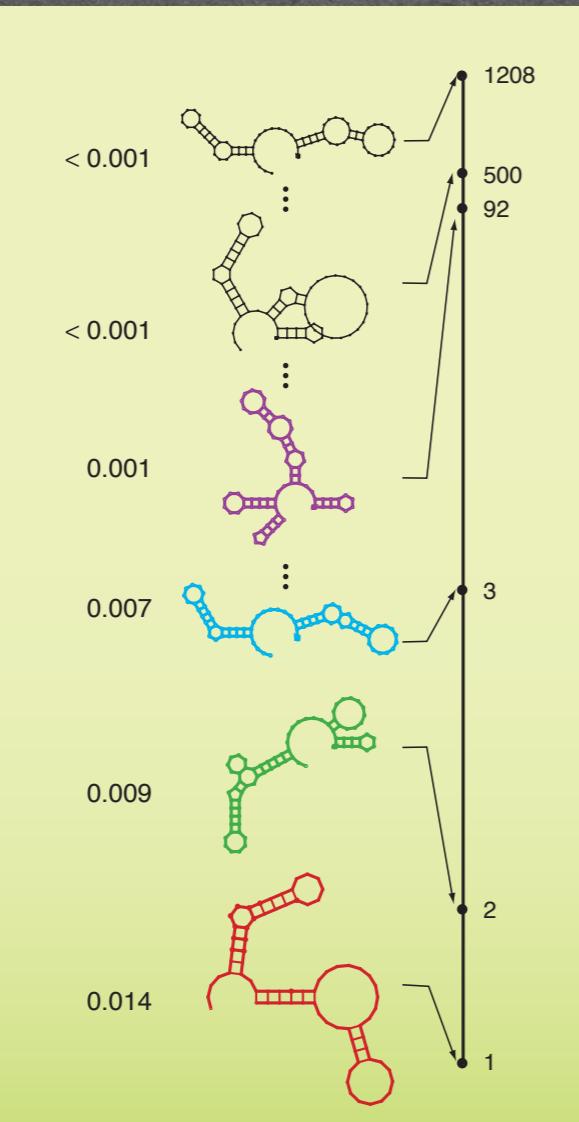
partition function Z

the probability of a structure

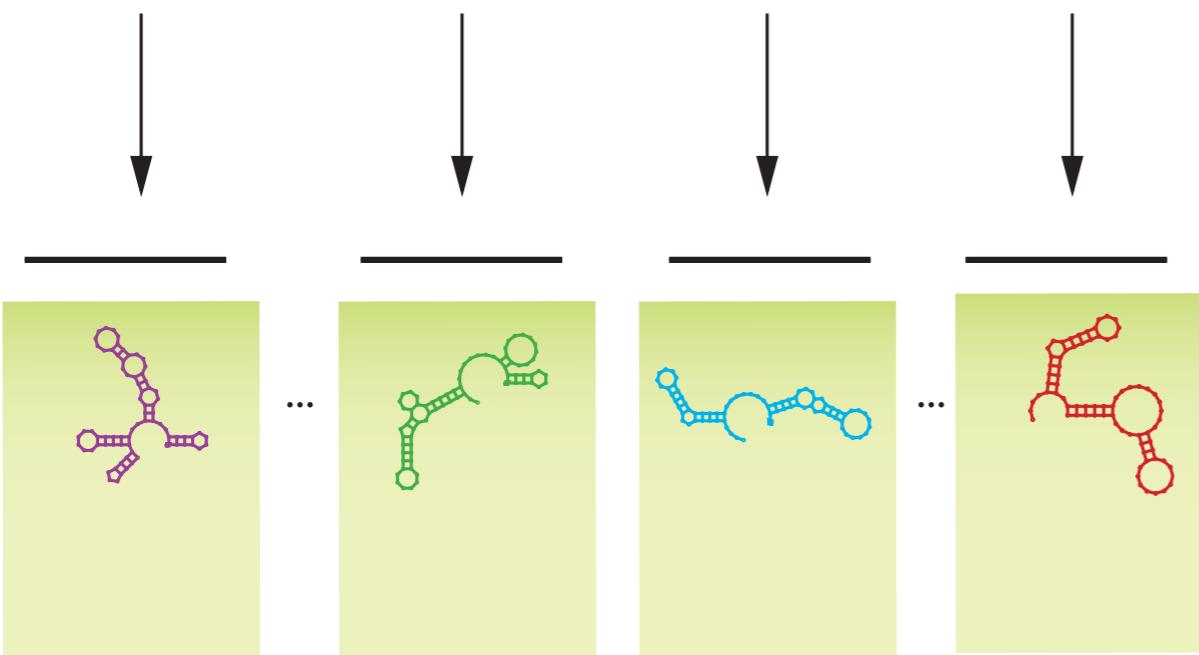
SUBOPTIMAL STRUCTURES AND MUTATIONS



PLASTICITY MIRRORS VARIABILITY



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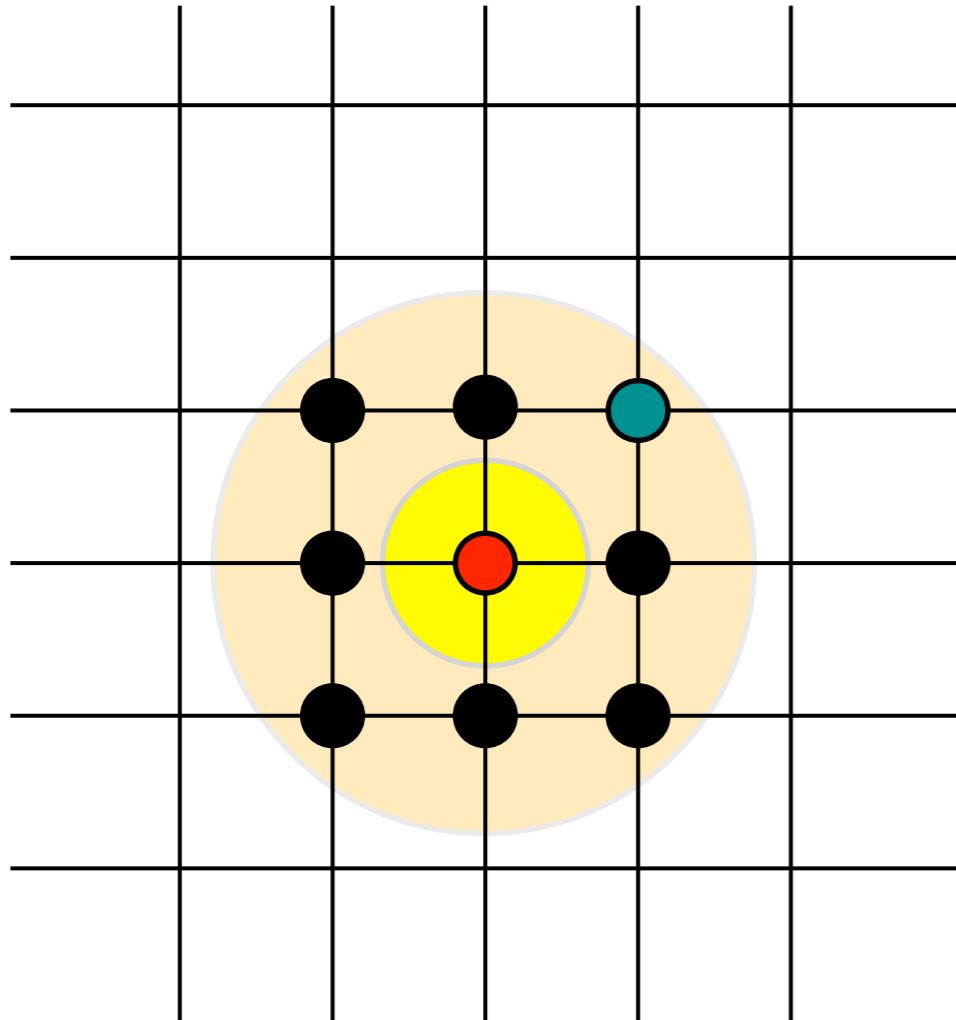


alternative phenotypes
at constant genotype
(plasticity)

min. free energy structure
of reference sequence

min. free energy structures
of neighbors of reference sequence
(variability)

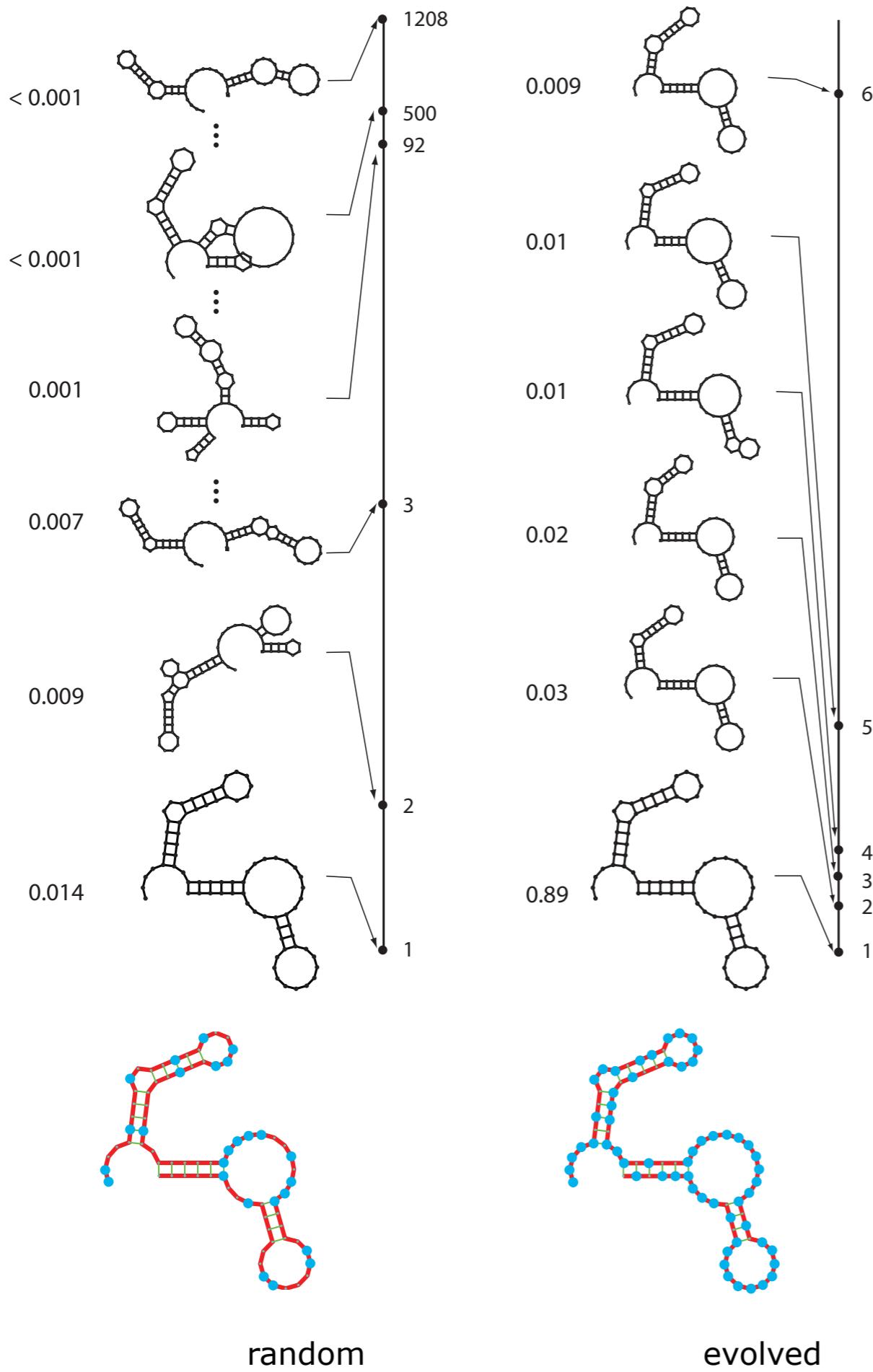
"THE FUTURE IS NOW"



Every sequence adopts a native shape
+ a set of inducible shapes $\{S_1 \dots S_n \dots\}$

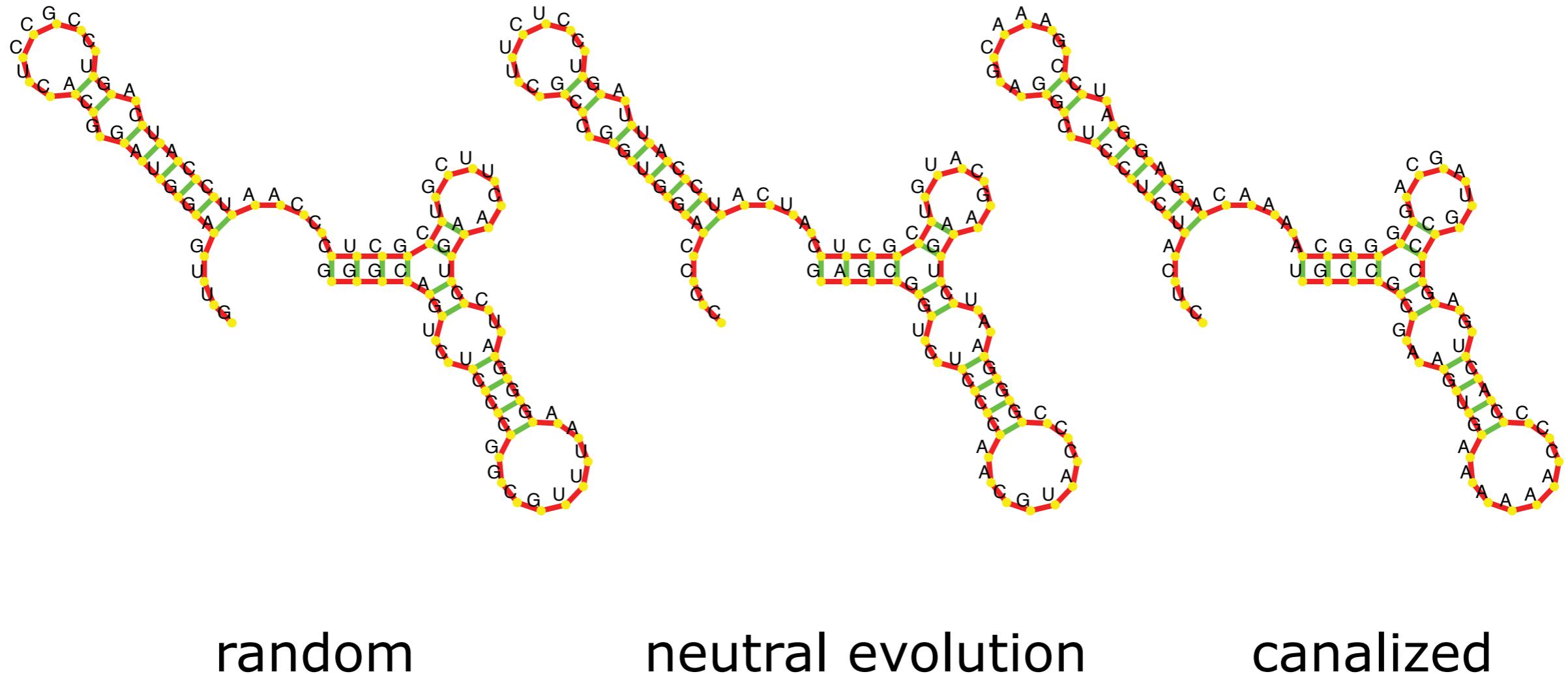
A sequence ● that adopts S_{42} *inducibly*
is only one mutational step away from
a sequence ● that adopts S_{42} *natively*.

CANALIZATION

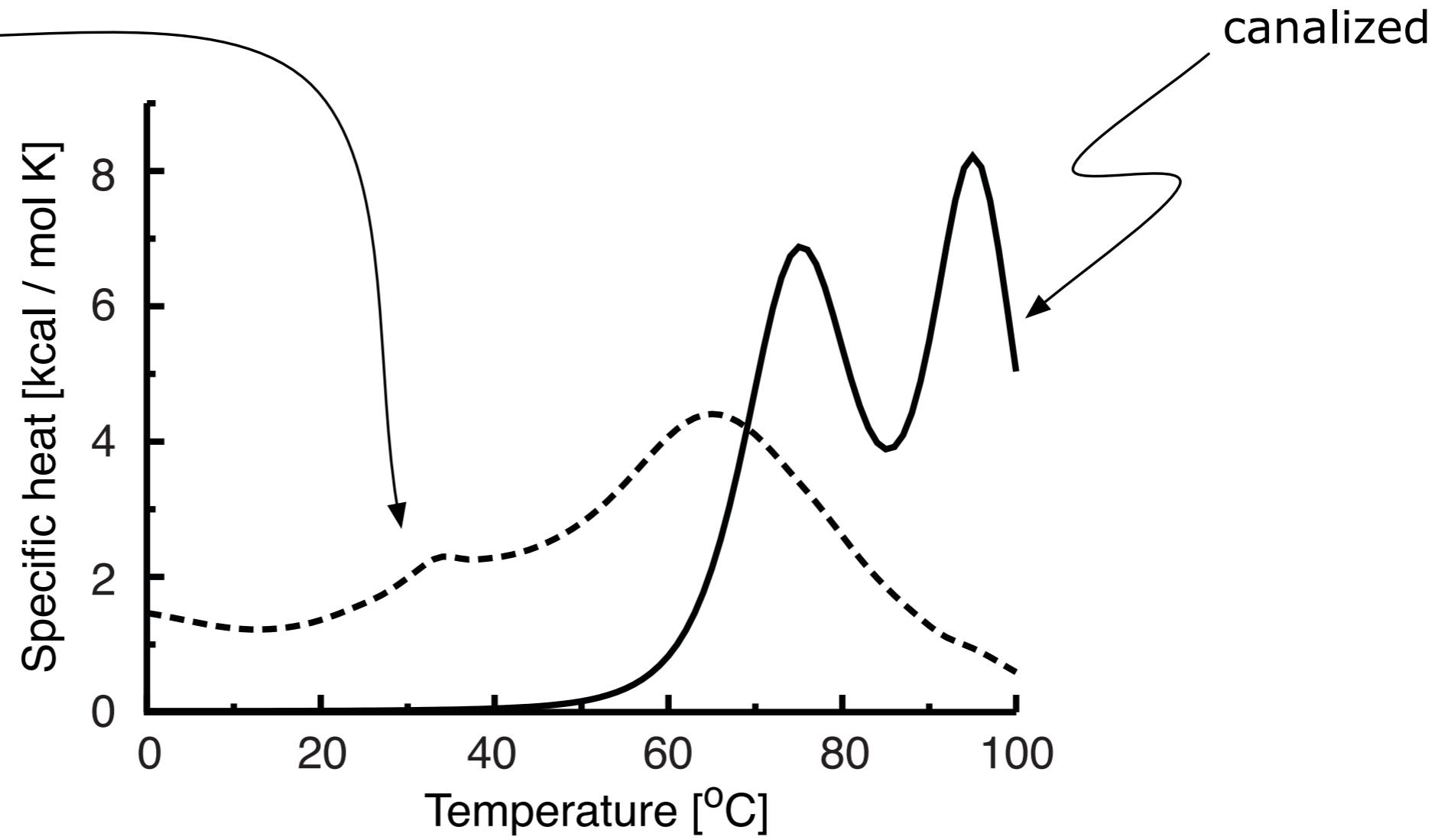
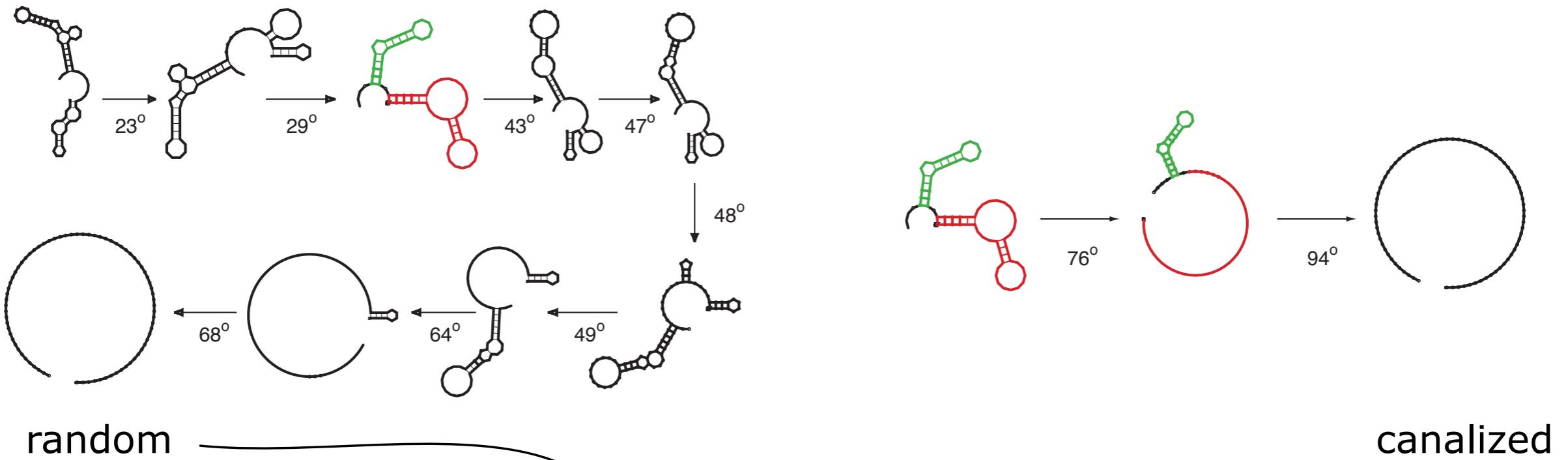


evolutionary reduction of plasticity
in a constant environment

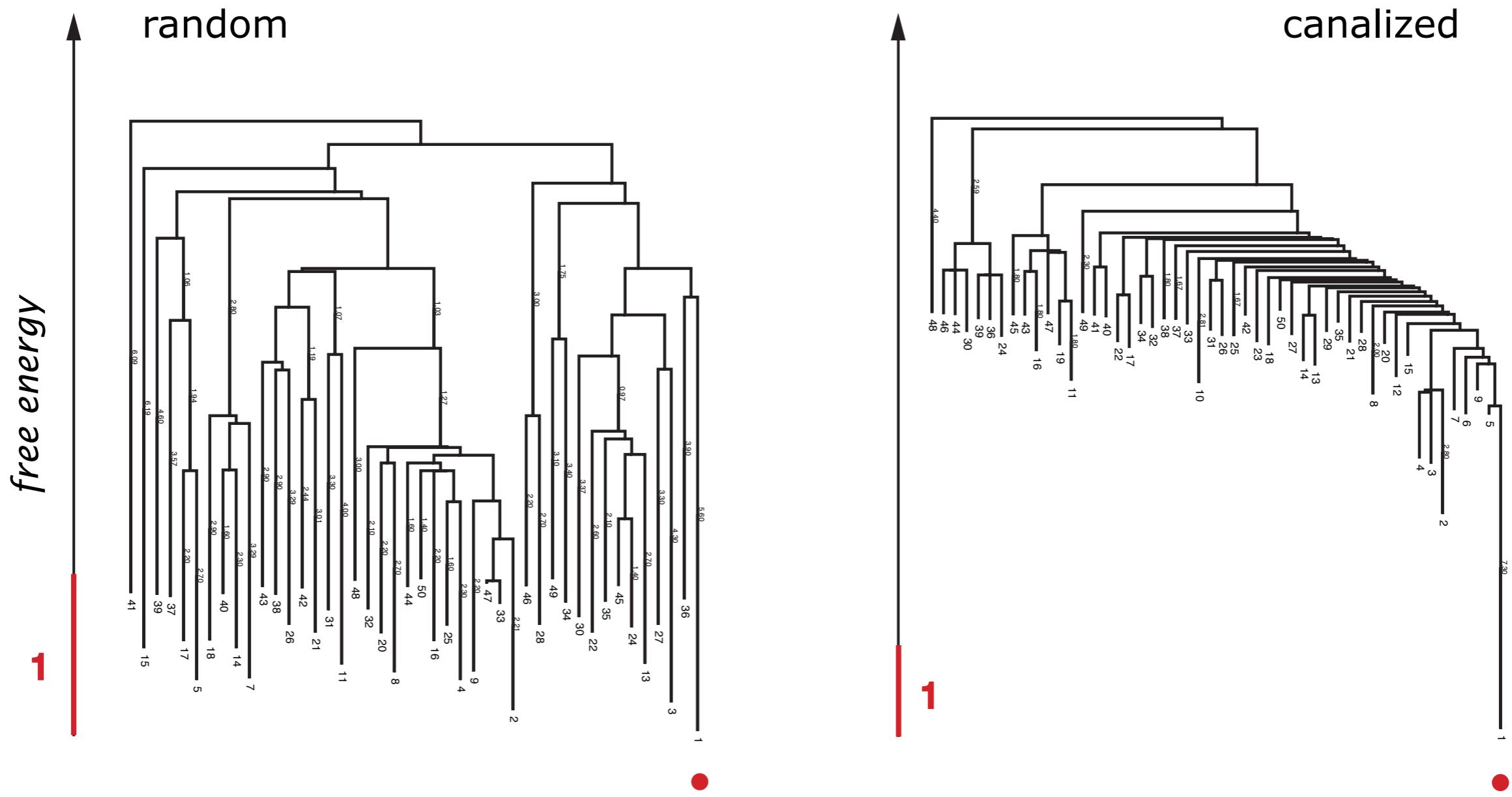
WHICH STRUCTURE IS MODULAR?



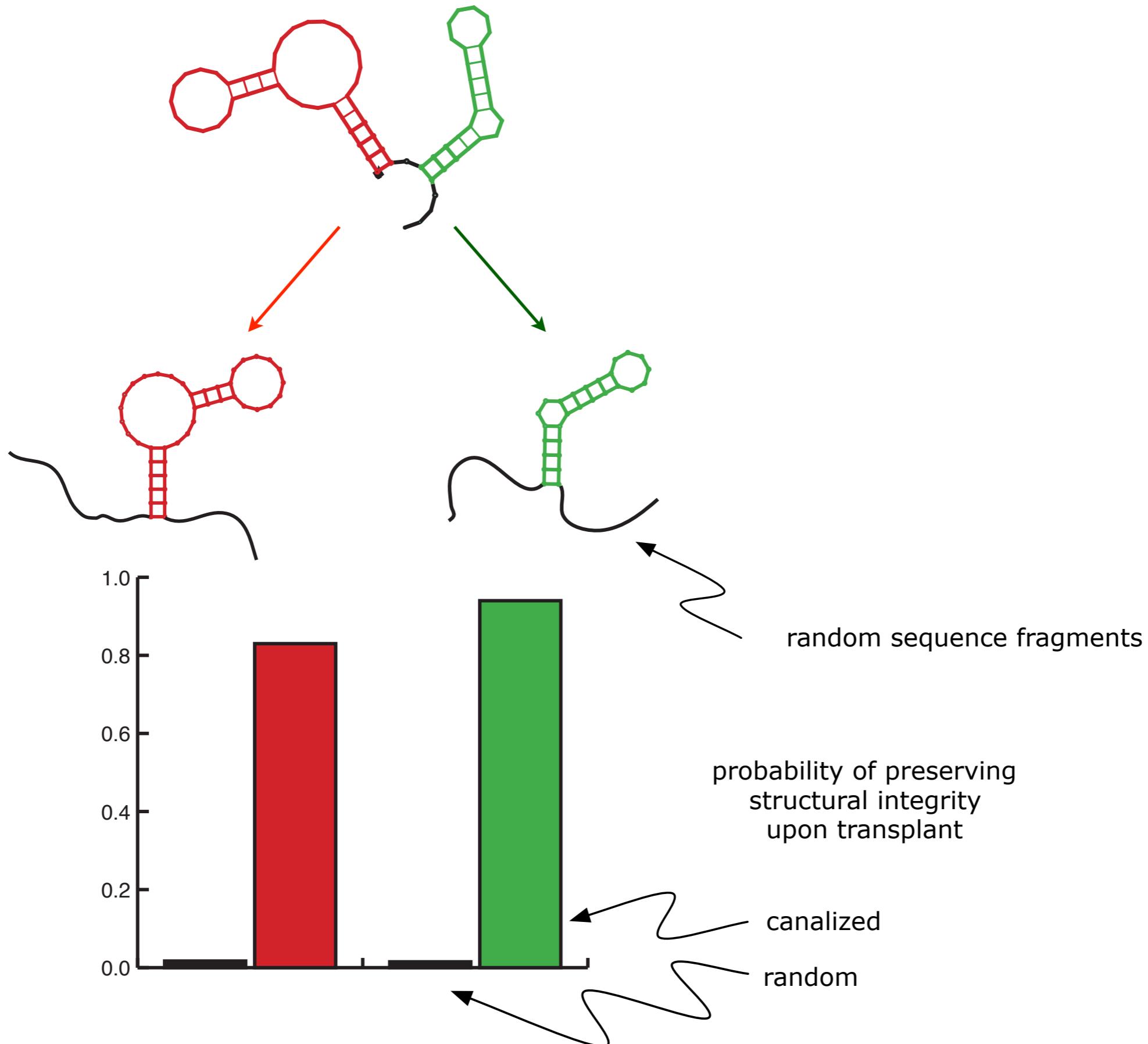
THERMO-PHYSICAL MODULARITY



KINETIC MODULARITY



CONTEXT INDEPENDENCE (AUTONOMY)



NEUTRAL EVOLUTION OF THE PREDECESSOR FUNCTION...

$$\mathbf{pred} \equiv \lambda x_1. \underbrace{((x_1) \lambda x_2. ((x_2) \lambda x_3. x_3) \lambda x_4. \lambda x_5. ((x_2)x_4)(x_4)x_5)}_S \underbrace{\lambda x_6. (x_1) \lambda x_7. \lambda x_8. \lambda x_9. x_9}_A$$

$$(\mathbf{pred})\mathbf{n} = (S)^n A_n$$

$$\mathbf{n} \equiv 0 \quad A_0 \equiv \mathbf{0} \quad \mathbf{n} > 0 \quad A_{n>0} \equiv A'$$

$$(S)A' \equiv \mathbf{0}$$

$$(S)^{n-1}\mathbf{0} \equiv \mathbf{n} - \mathbf{1}$$