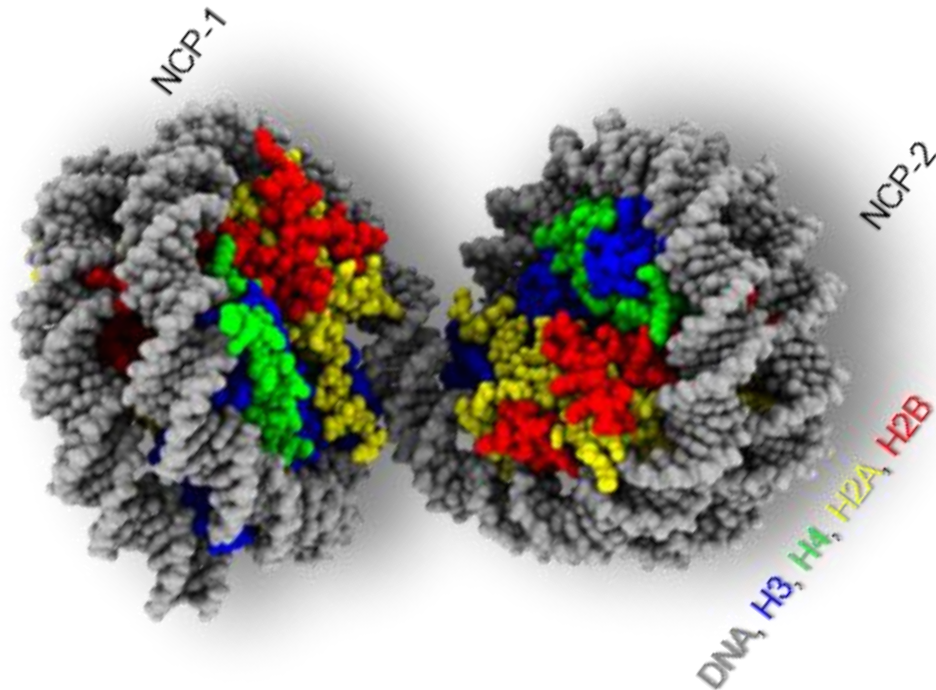


de losse eindjes van ons DNA



Soman et al. 2022 Nature

, en hoe dat zit opgevouwen ...

Voor filmpjes, mail: noort@physics.leidenuniv.nl

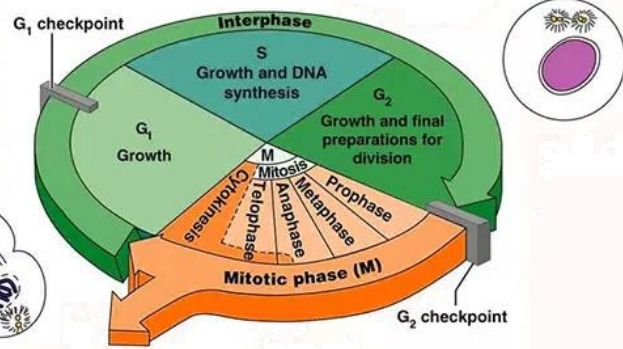
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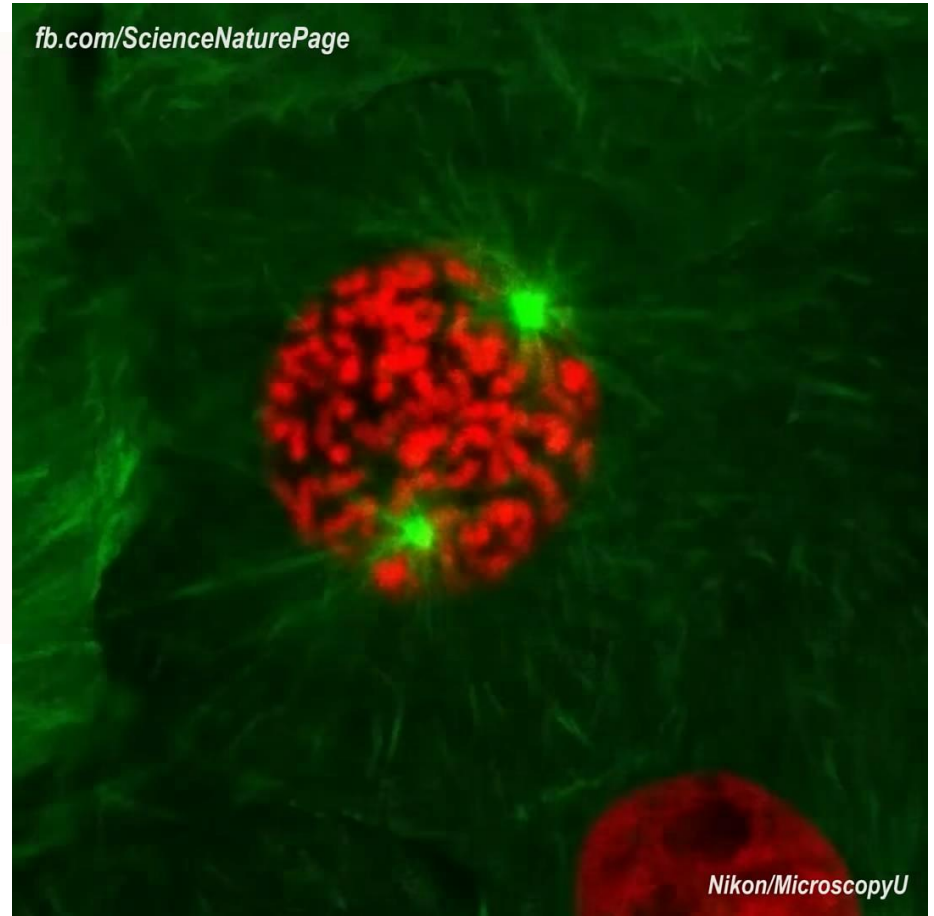


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cell division sets the pace of life

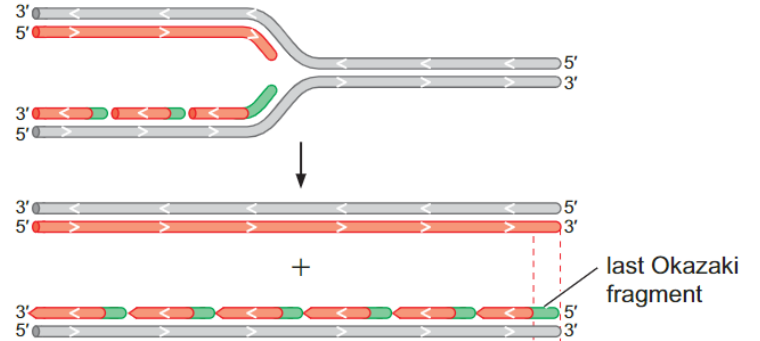


all DNA is replicated in in S-phase



<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=N97cqUqV0Cg>

the end replication problem



<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=I9ArIJWYZHI>

replication shortens the chromosome

telomerase solves the end replication problem

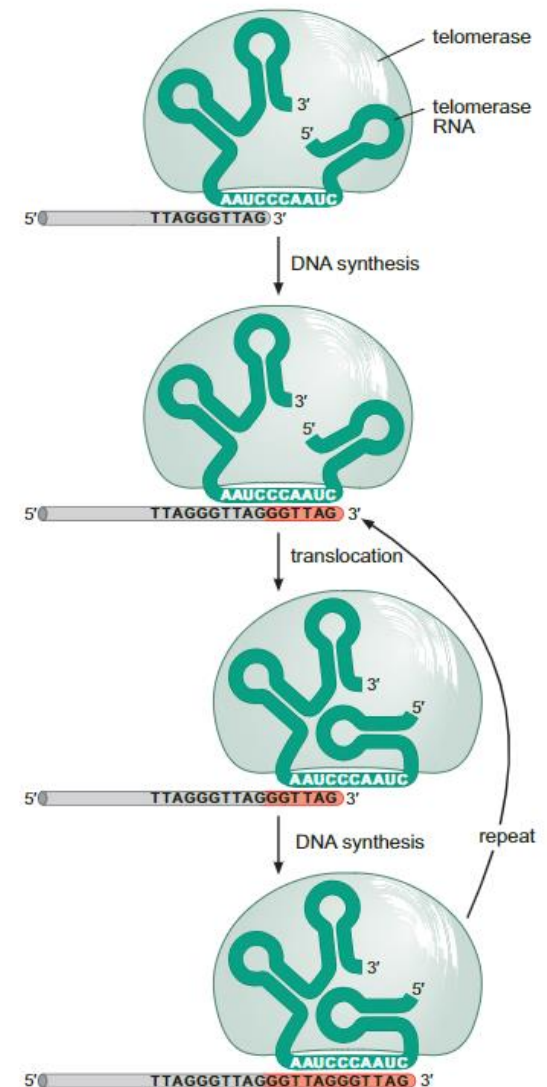
ends of eukaryotic chromosomes are called telomeres

human telomeres consist of many head-to-tail repeats of the sequence 5'-TTAGGG-3'

the 3' end of each chromosome extends beyond the 5' end as ssDNA

it recruits a specialized DNA polymerase called **telomerase**

discovered in 1985 by Elizabeth Blackburn and Carol Greider, who shared the 2009 Nobel Prize in physiology or medicine (with Jack Szostak)



telomerase solves the end replication problem

Telomerase Enzyme (17)

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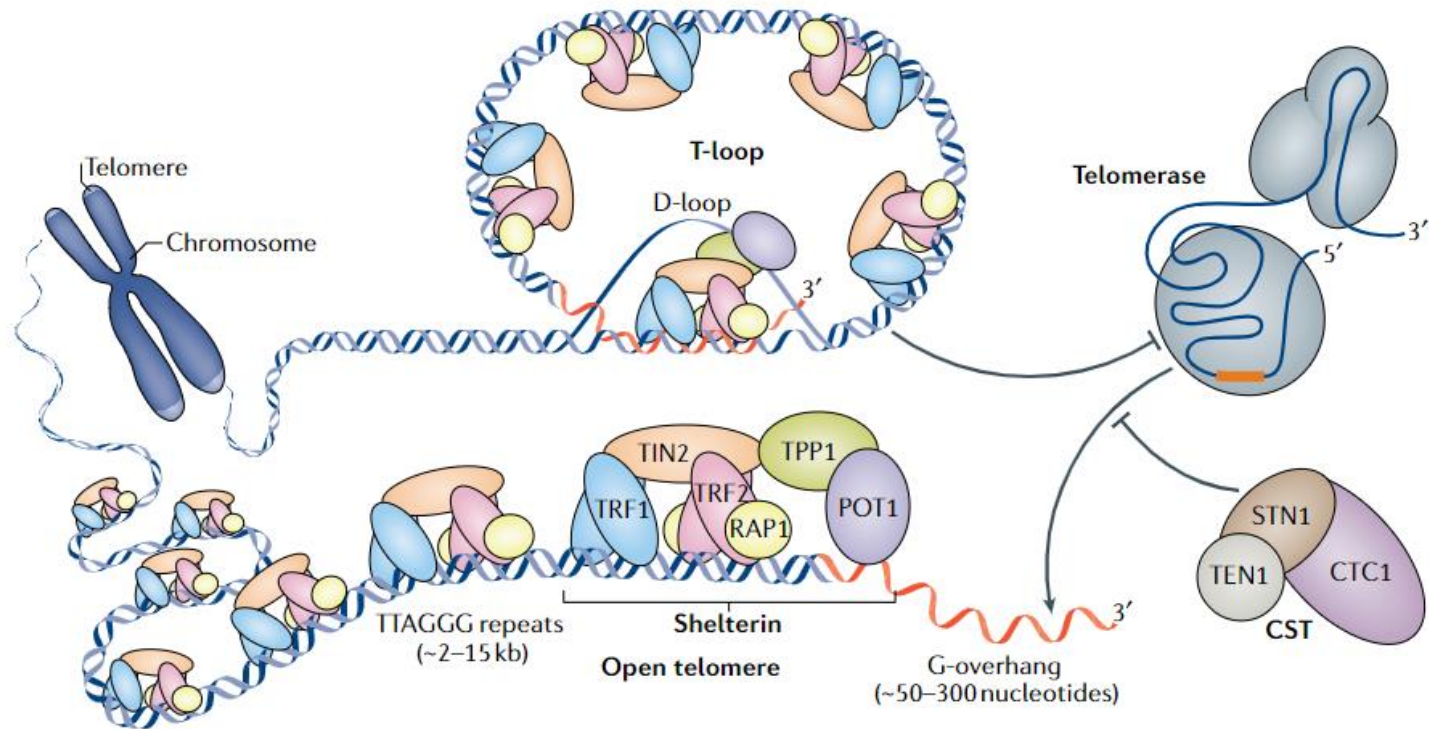
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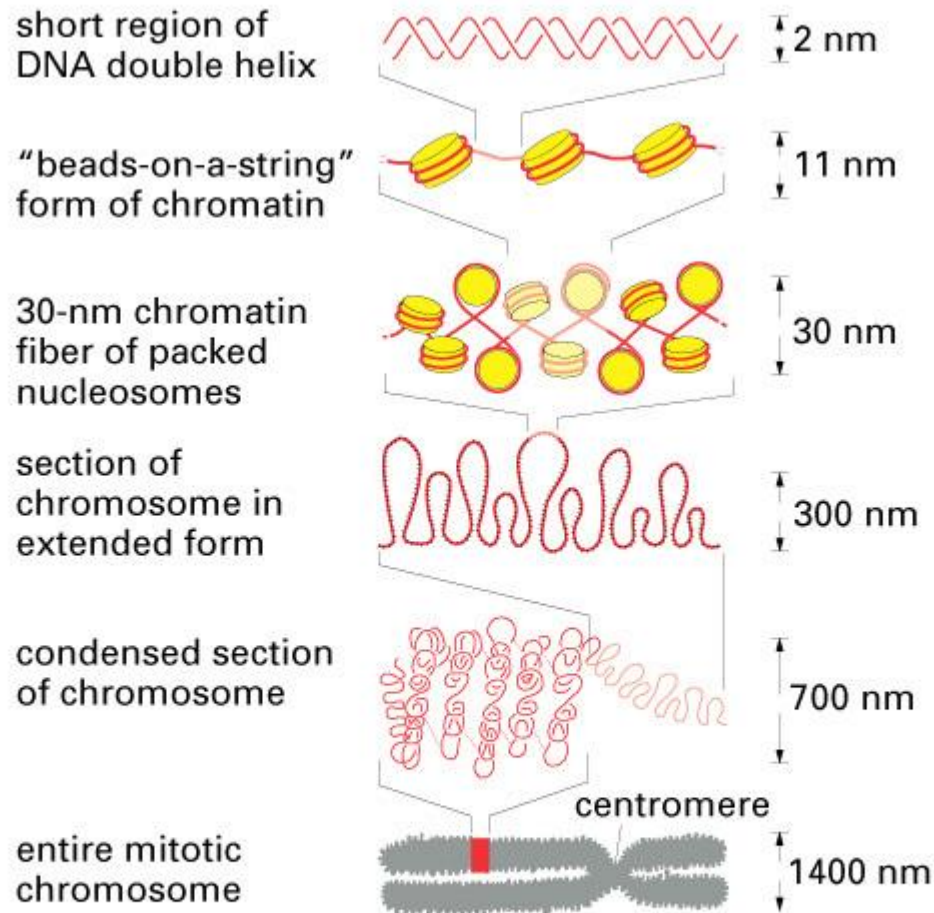
what stops telomerase?



Lim and Chech 2021 Nature Reviews

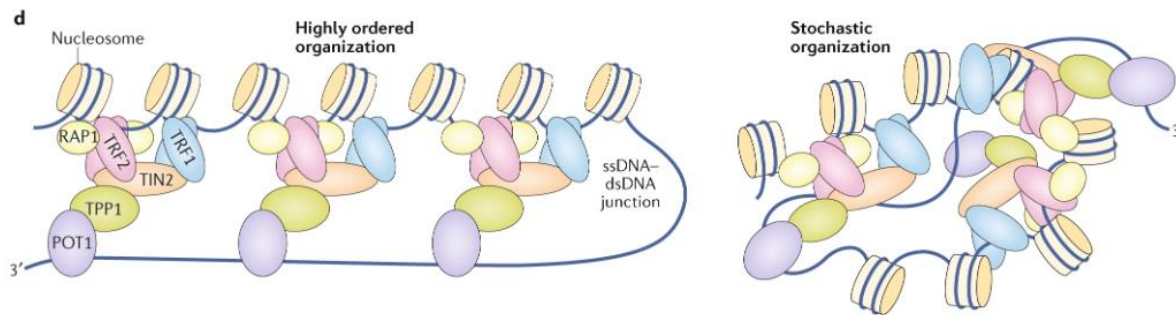
DNA folding into T-loops, assisted by shelterin complex

DNA organization in eukaryotes



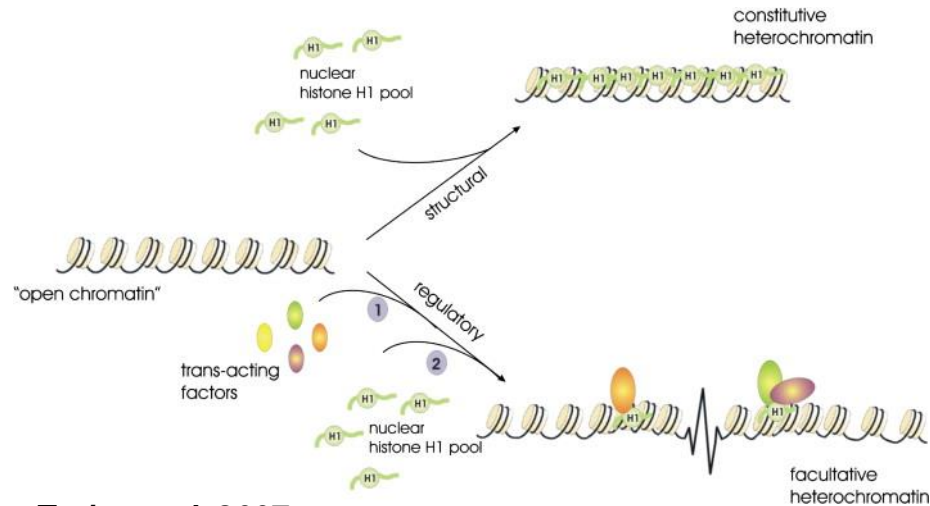
Net result: each DNA molecule in a mitotic chromosome is 10.000 fold shorter than its extended length

telomeric chromatin and the shelterin complex



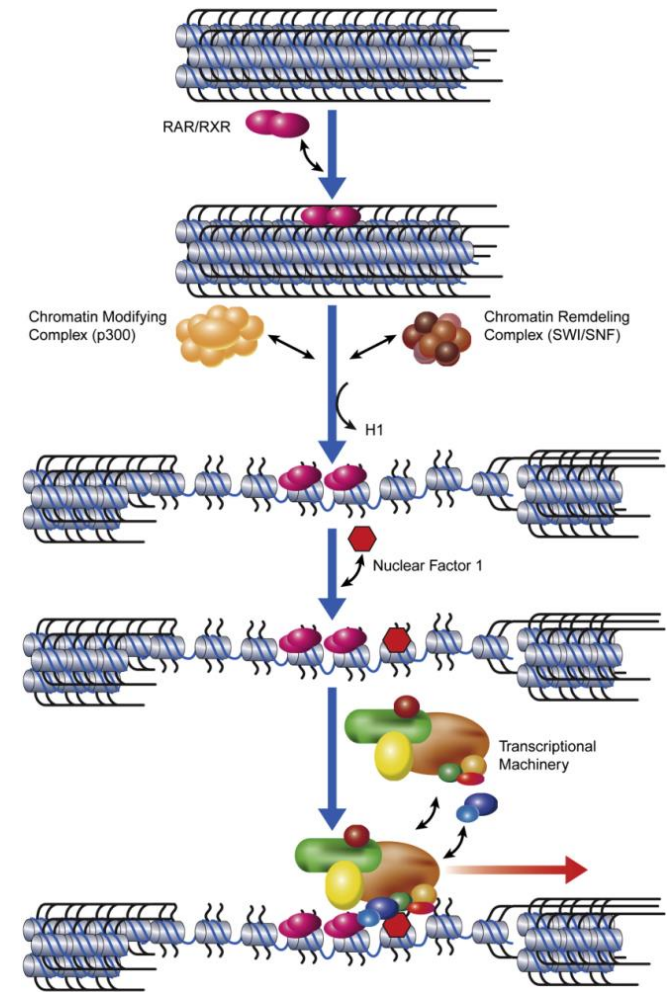
‘two possible and polar opposite outcomes of telomere organization driven by shelterin complexes. A highly ordered shelterin array could result in a **zipper-like folding of the telomere**. On the other hand, a random deposition of shelterin would result in a **disordered telomere architecture**.’

other regulatory roles of chromatin



Trojer et al. 2007

- Structural and regulatory roles of chromatin are tightly connected
- Chromatin structure is poorly defined on the molecular scale



Li et al. 2010 Mol. Cell

35 years of chromatin structure

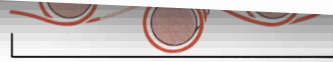
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The 30-nm Fiber Redux

Andrew Travers^{1,2}

25 APRIL 2014 VOL 344 SCIENCE www.sciencemag.org

Do alternating stacking modes of nucleosomes underlie the compaction of chromatin?



Epigenetics 9:5, 653–657; May 2014; © 2014 Landes Bioscience

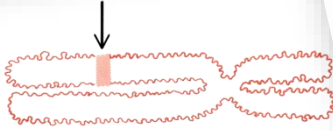
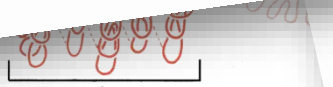
Chromatin without the 30-nm fiber

Constrained disorder instead of hierarchical folding

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Keywords: chromatin fiber, DNA packaging, histone modifications, nucleosome mobility, chromatin domain, 3D genome organization



Alberts et al. 1983

Higher-Order Structures of Chromatin: The Elusive 30 nm Fiber

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DOI 10.1016/j.cell.2007.02.008

Despite progress in understanding chromatin function, the structure of the 30 nm chromatin fiber has remained elusive. However, with the recent crystal structure of a short tetranucleosomal array, the 30 nm fiber is beginning to come into view.

Alberts et al. 2007

Feb 2007

Cell

partially decondensed mitotic chromosomes, tomography

“The lengths of linker DNA in regions resembling the tetrameric unit were similar but not identical, and we find extensive variation of linker length, whereas all published coiling motifs require uniformity.”

Beel et al. 2021 Mol. Cell

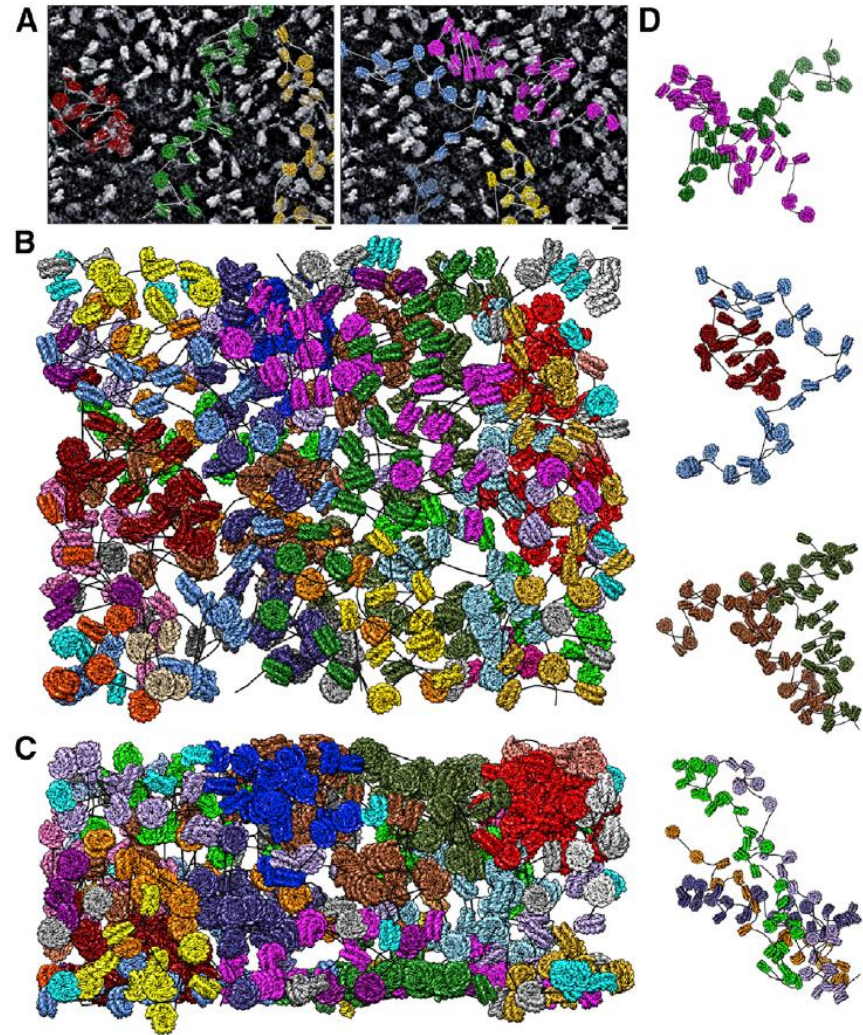


Figure 6. Chromatin fibers in a partially decondensed mitotic chromosome

partially decondensed mitotic chromosomes, tomography

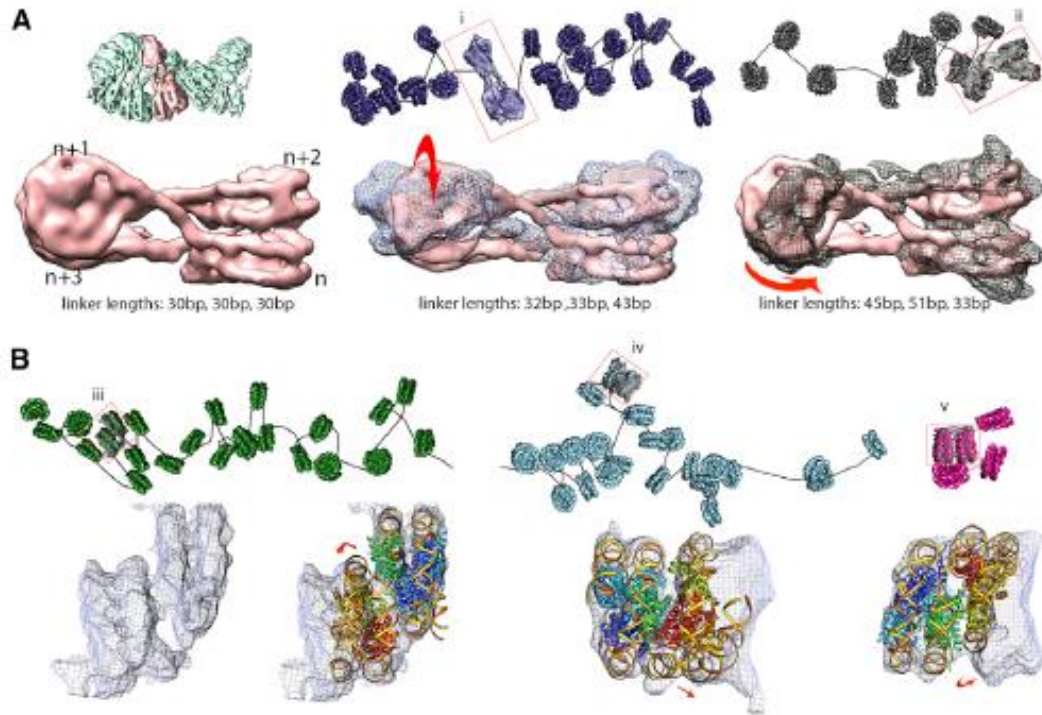
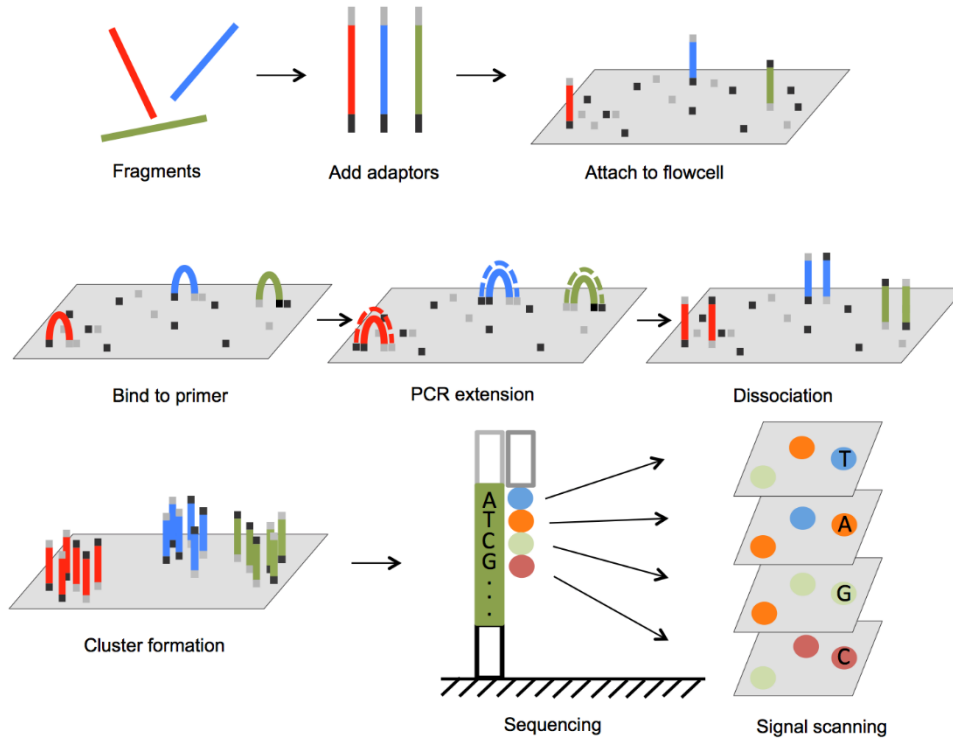


Figure 7. Short folding motifs, similar, but not identical, to those found in structures of reconstituted chromatin, related to Figure 5

Take home:

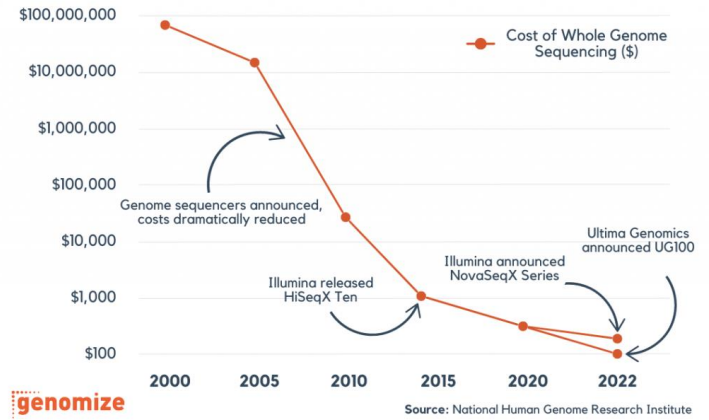
- 1) Nucleosome stacking defines higher order folding
- 2) Linker DNA defines nucleosome stacking

Illumina HiSeq



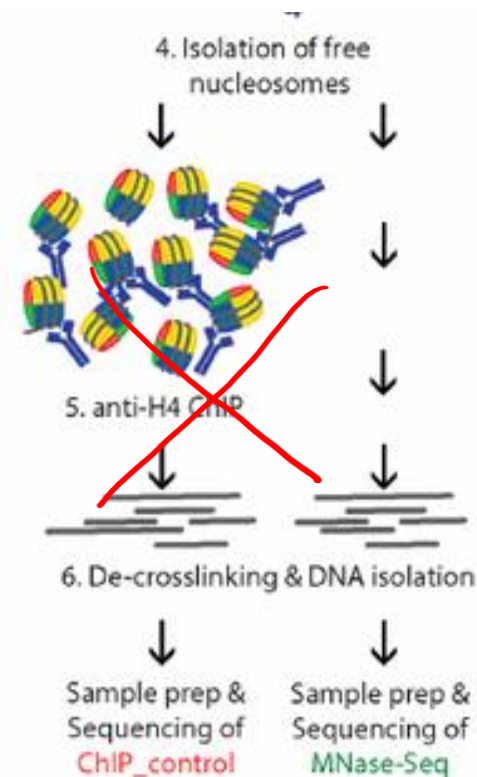
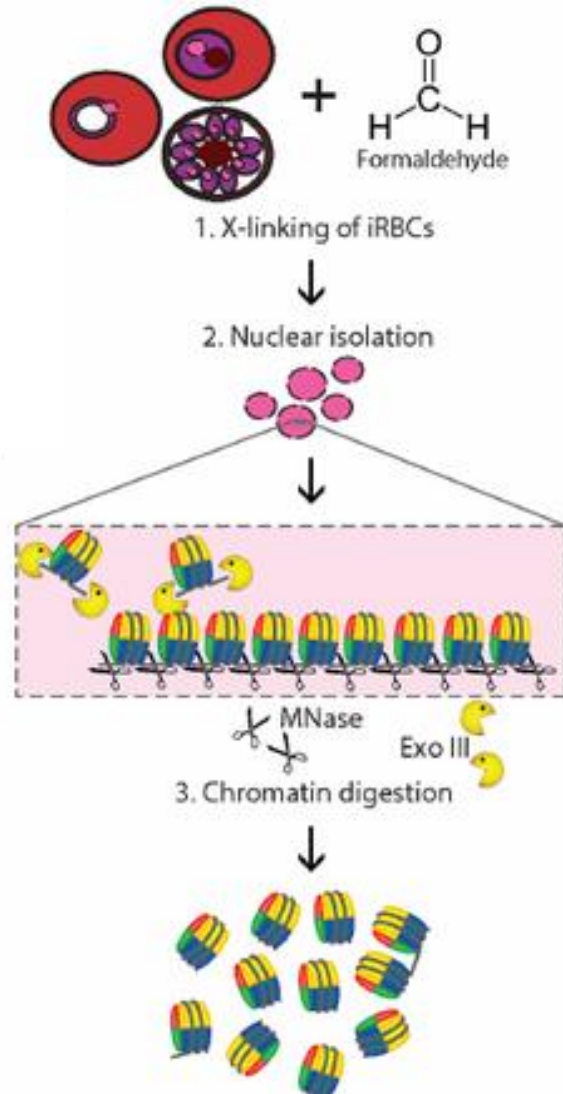
Furlani et al.2021 ActChimSlov.

Decreasing Genome Sequencing Costs



DNA sequencing has revolutionized DNA research

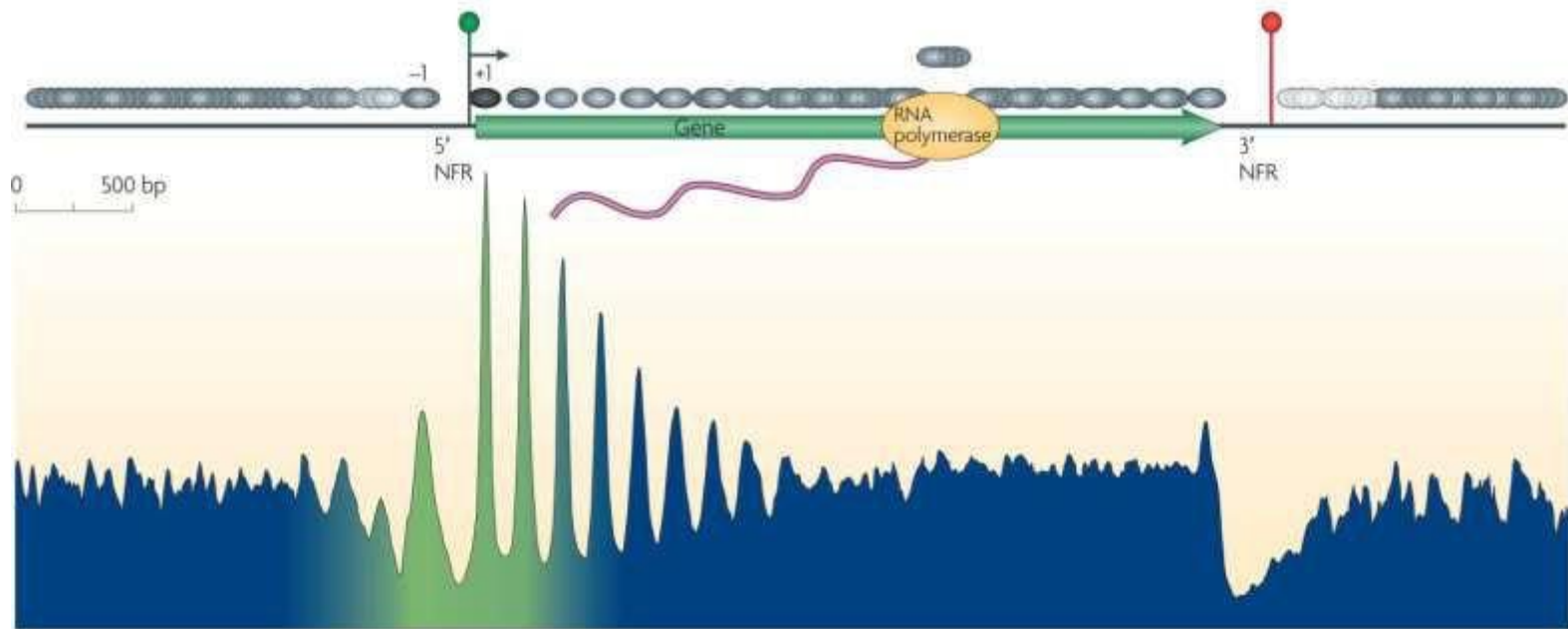
MNase-seq



Adapted from Kensche NAR 2015

Sequencing of nucleosomal DNA maps their positions on the genome

genome wide nucleosome mapping

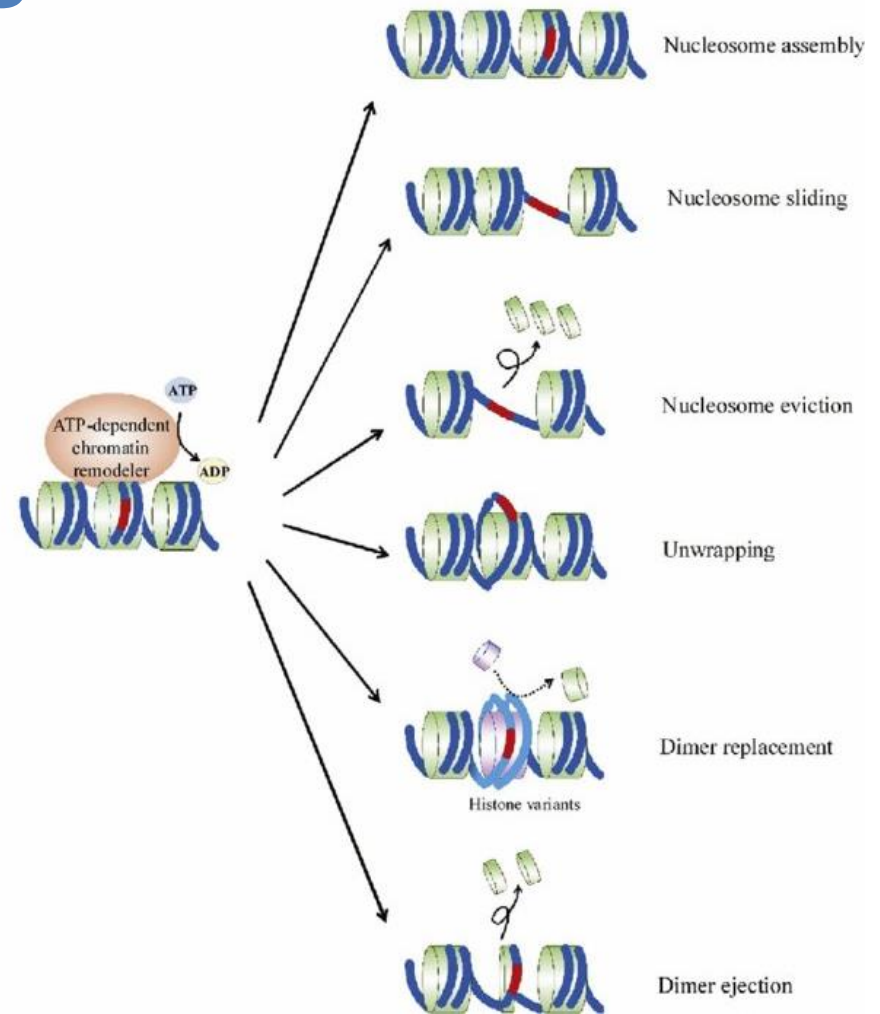


Jiang and Pugh 2009 Nature Rev. Gen.

Nucleosomes can be well-positioned,
especially around transcription start sites

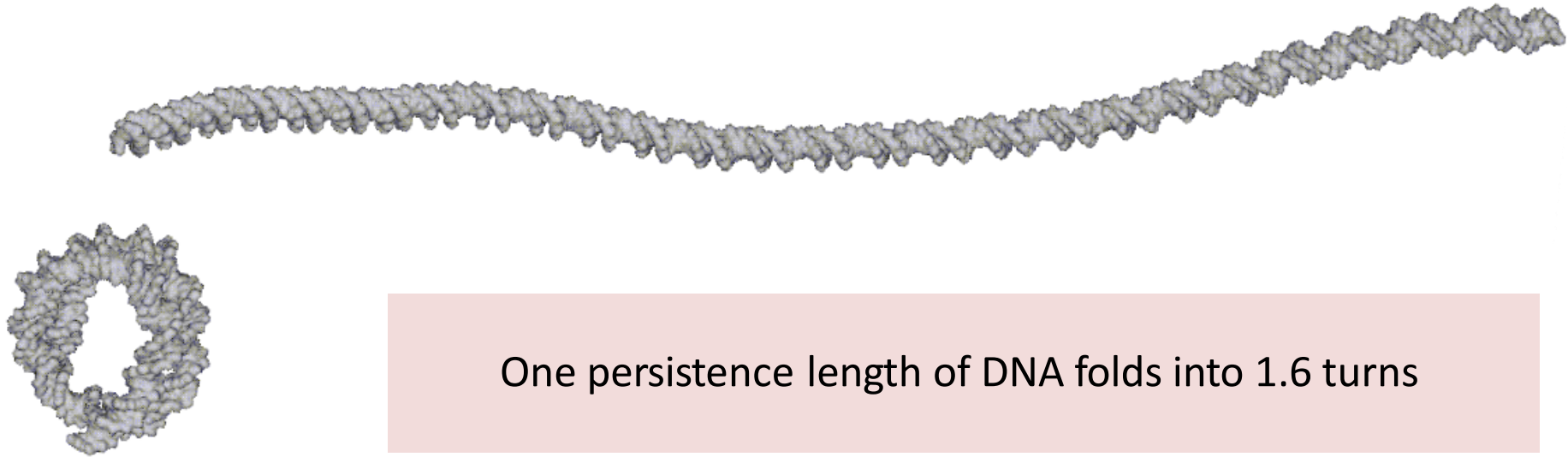
chromatin remodeling

- Host of dedicated enzymes facilitate sliding, (dis-)assembly, modification, etc.
- In yeast: ~1 remodeller per 7 nucleosomes!
- But how do they know where to position the nucleosome?

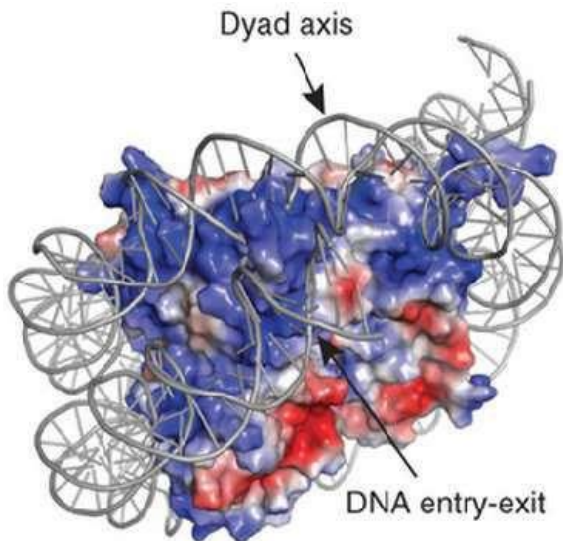


Does DNA sequence guide nucleosome positions?

DNA wrapping into nucleosomes



One persistence length of DNA folds into 1.6 turns



Approximation:	
pure adsorption	-85 $k_b T$
<u>bending</u>	<u>58 $k_b T$</u>
free energy	-27 $k_b T$

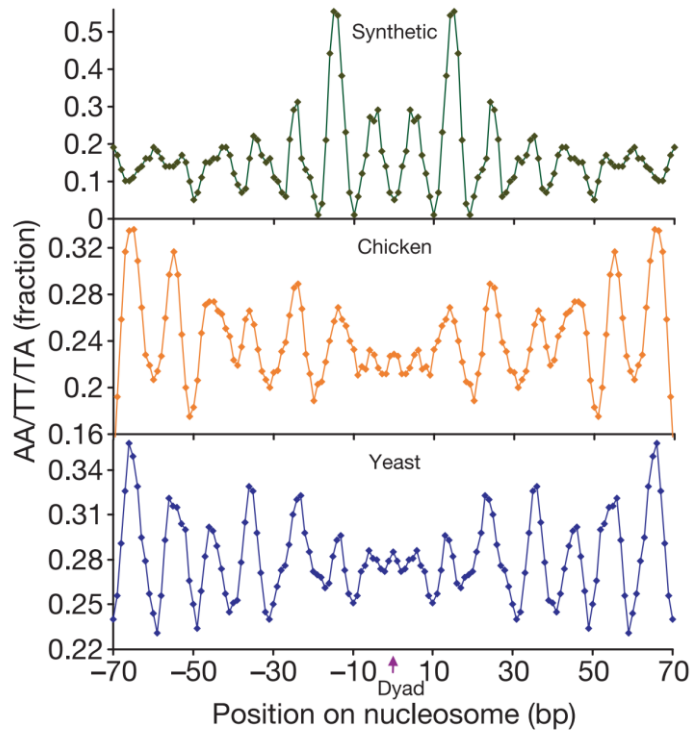
Schiessel 2003 J. Phys. Condens. Matter

“short runs of (A, T) are preferentially positioned with minor grooves facing in, while runs of (G, C) tend to have their minor grooves facing out.”

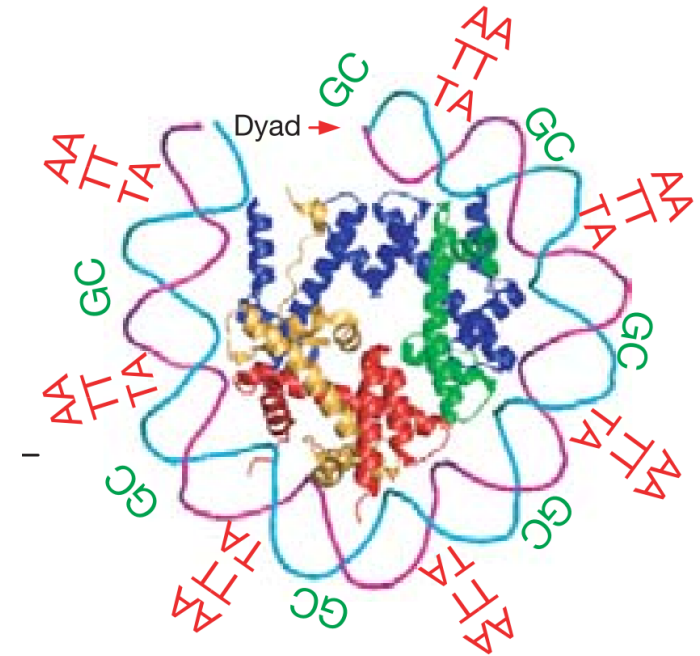
DNA sequence

“the periodicity of this modulation in sequence content (10.17 base-pairs)”

Drew and Travers 1985 JMB



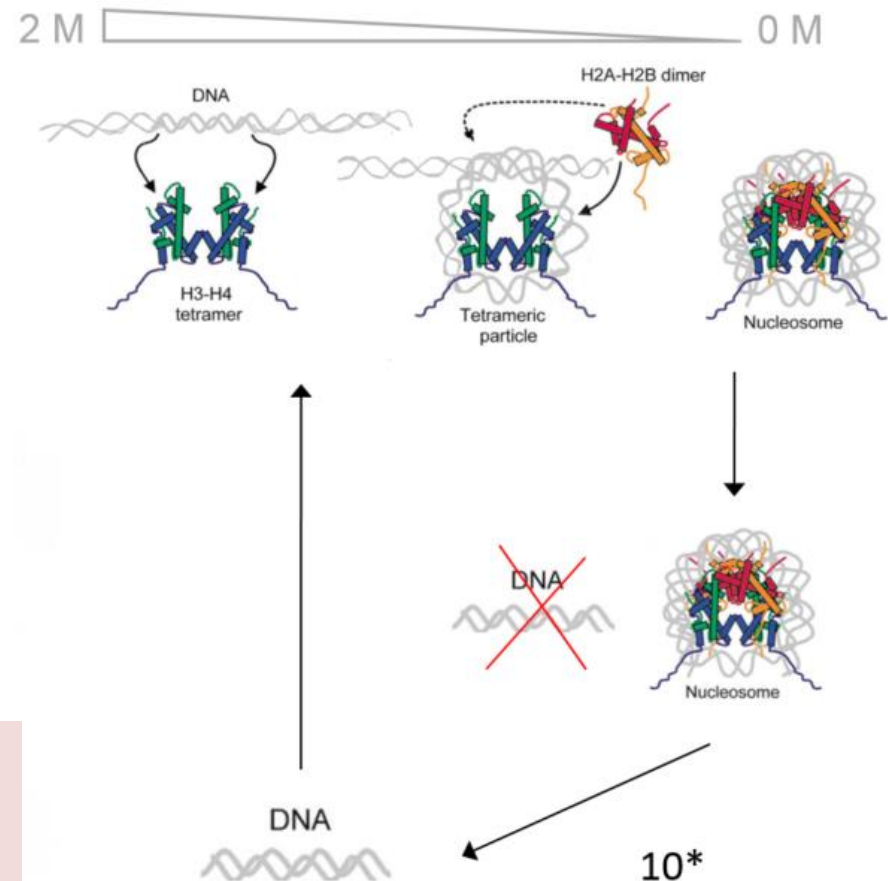
Segal et al. 2004 Nature



SELEX experiment

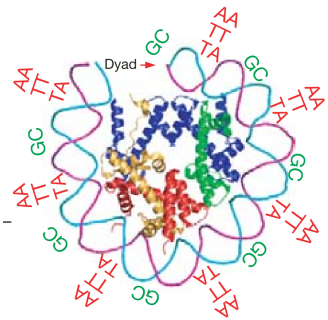
Lowary and Widom 1998 JMB

- 1) reconstitute nucleosomes with large pool of random DNA sequence
- 1) select properly folded nucleosomes
- 1) remove histone proteins, PCR
- 1) iterate steps 1-3 multiple times
- 1) sequence remaining DNA: clone 601,

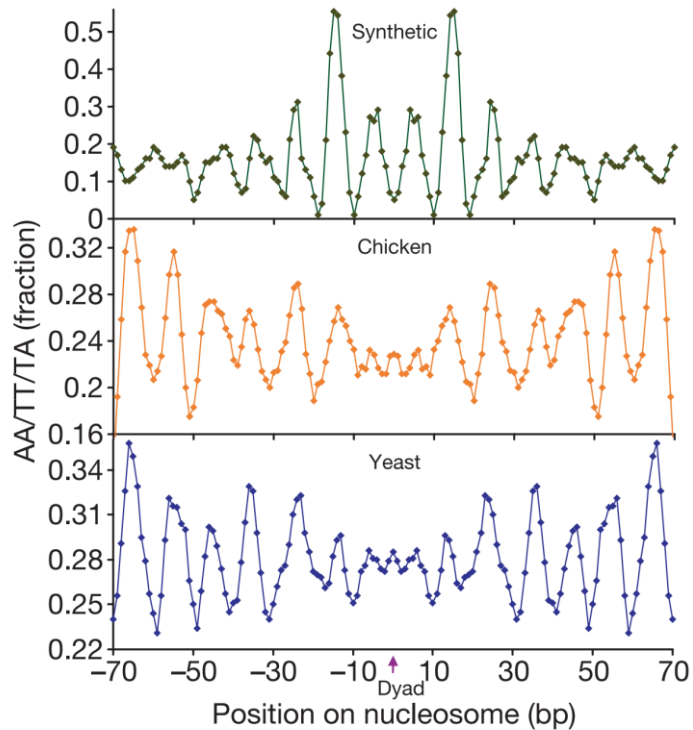
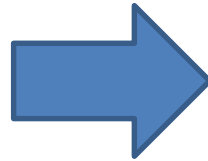


nucleosomes are typically reconstituted on non-natural, synthetic DNA

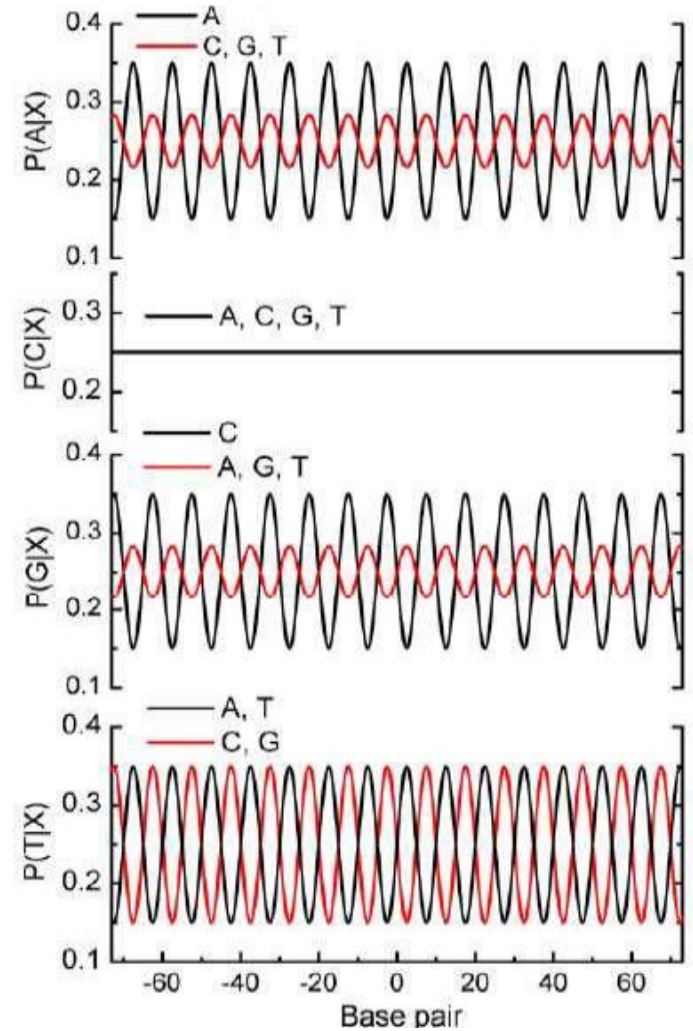
statistical physics



Remove position dependence within the nucleosome



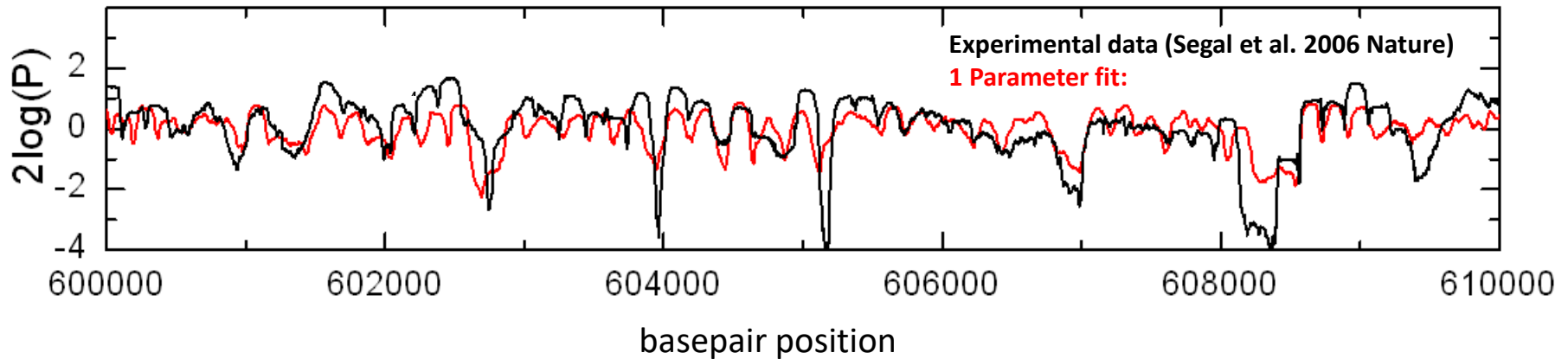
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$$P_{YY}(S_i|S_{i-1}) = \frac{1}{4} + B \sin\left(2\pi \left(\frac{i}{p} + \frac{1}{2} \delta_{GC}\right)\right)$$

Van der Heijden, JvN et al. 2012 PNAS

in vivo sequence dependence



$$\Delta\Delta G(i) = -k_B T \ln P(i)$$



probability that bp is occupied:

$$\ln P(i) = -\frac{\mu + \Delta\Delta G(i)}{k_B T} - \ln \left[1 - \int_x^{x+l} P(x) dx + \int_{x-l}^l \frac{P(x) dx}{1 - \int_x^{x+l} P(x') dx'} \right]$$

Vanderlick, et al. 1986 PR A, Vaillant et al. 2007 PRL

Nucleosome positions are largely defined by DNA sequence

DNA sequence and chromatin

- Specific di-nucleotides facilitate DNA bending into a nucleosome
- DNA sequence can largely explain nucleosome positioning in vivo ('the mechanical genome')

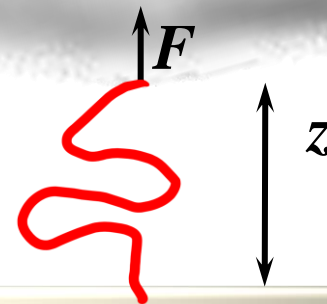
But how does this affect the structure of chromatin?



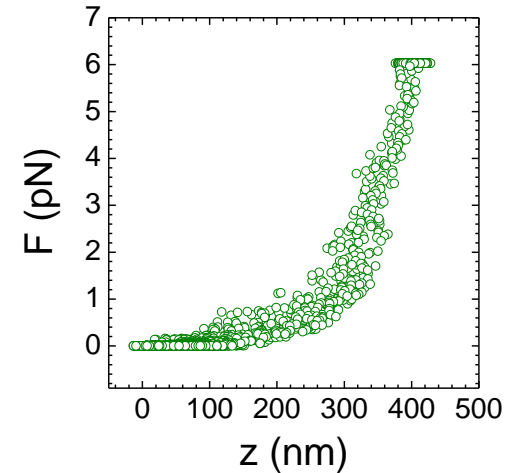
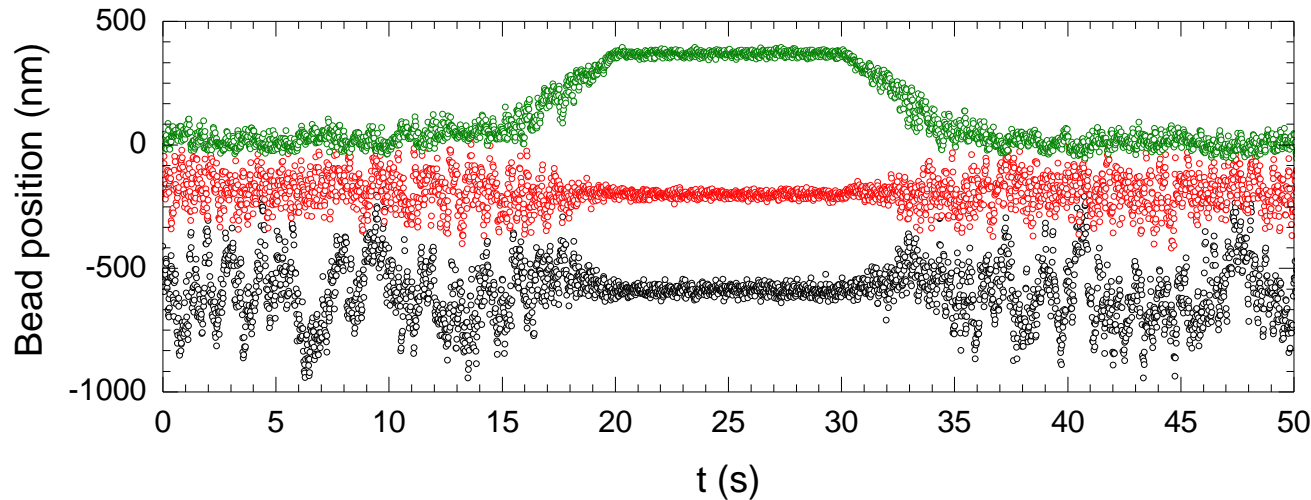
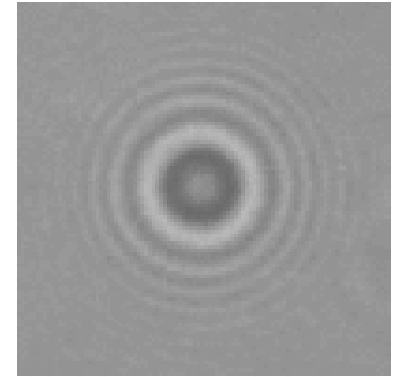
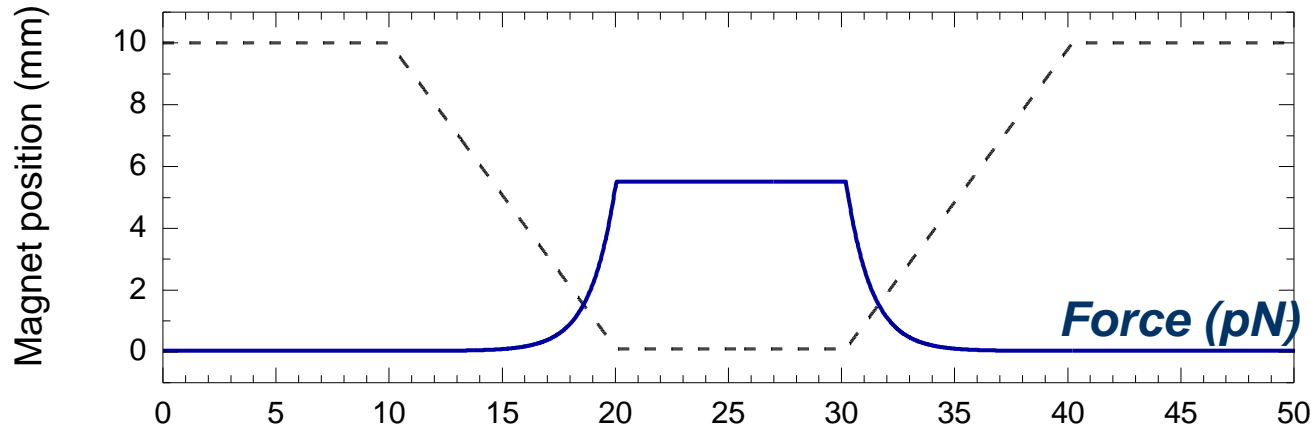
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magnetic tweezers

- fiber is tethered between glass slide and a paramagnetic bead
- By moving a magnet above the bead the force can be varied
- (Brownian) motion of the bead is measured by video microscopy/image processing
- Bead position represents the end-to-end distance of the fiber

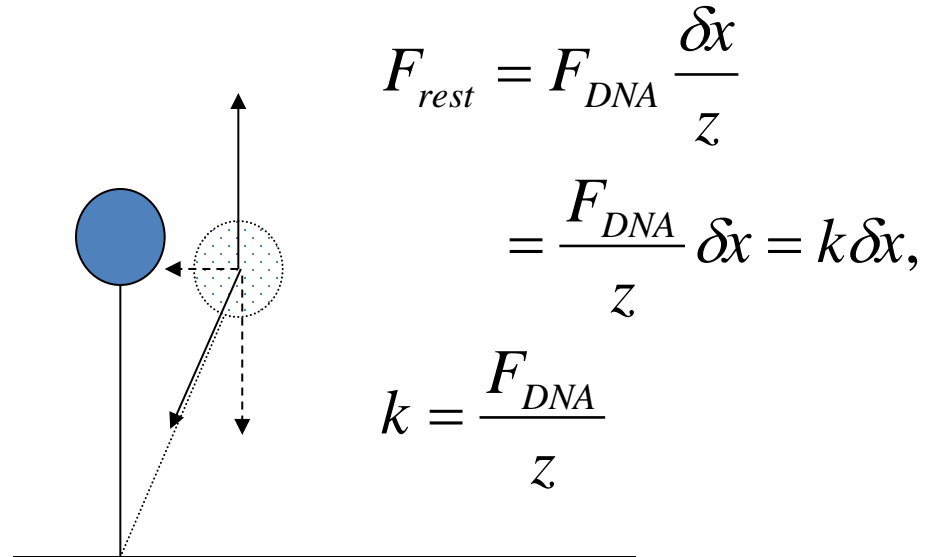
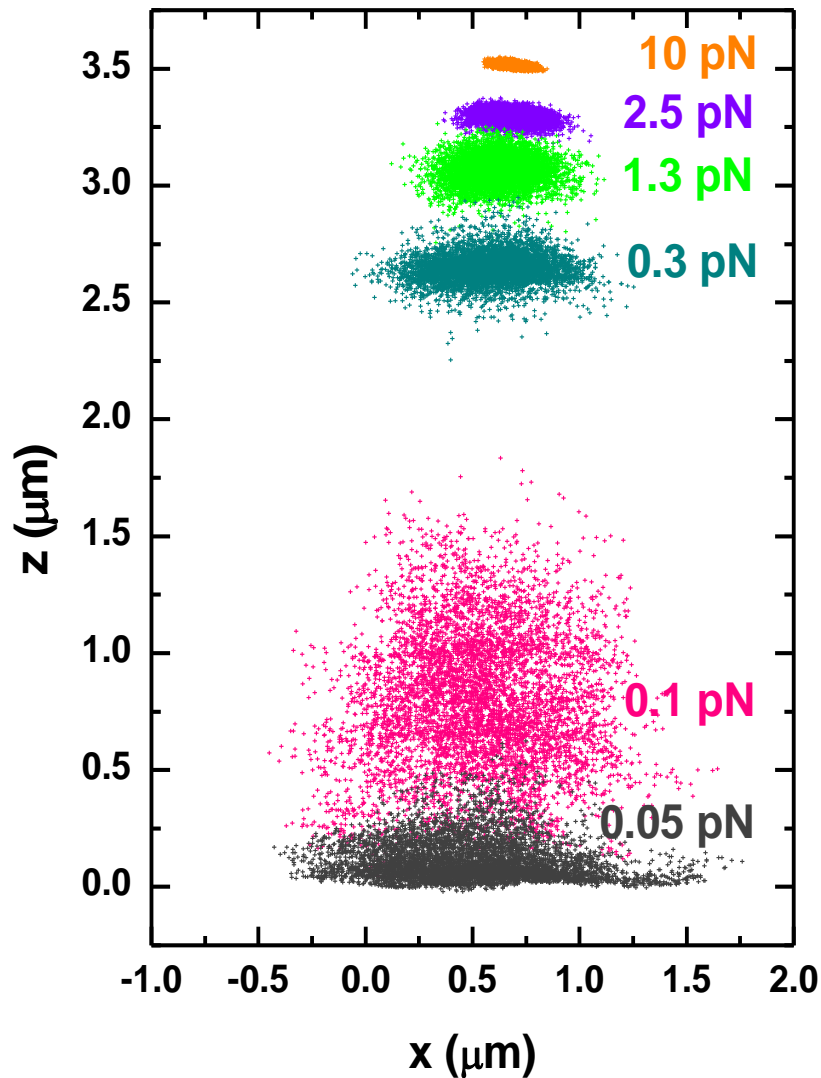


dynamic force spectroscopy



- Magnet is moved down and up
- Image processing to recover bead position

force measurements

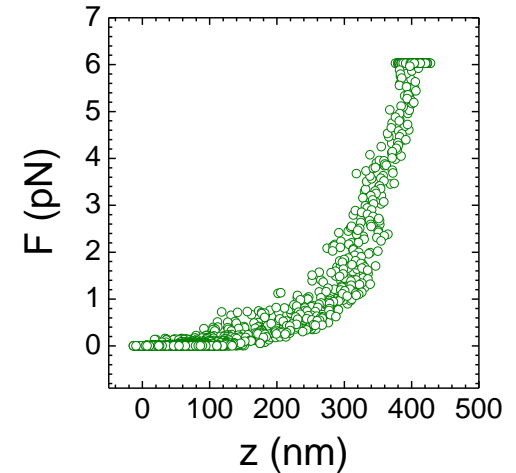
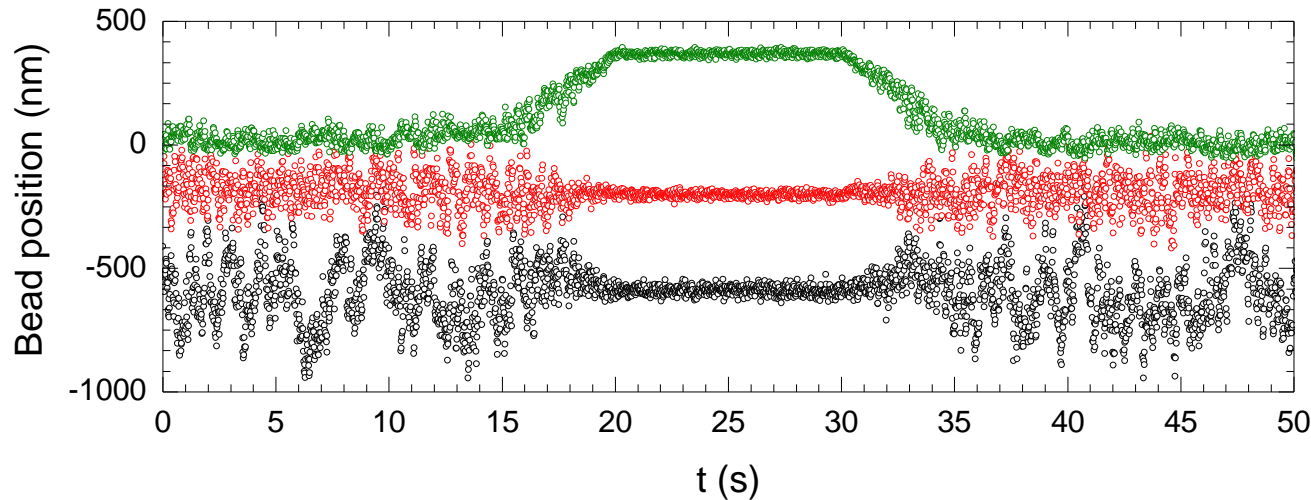
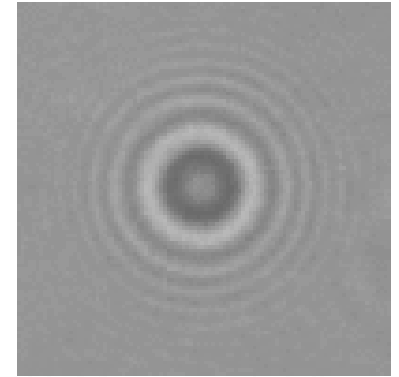
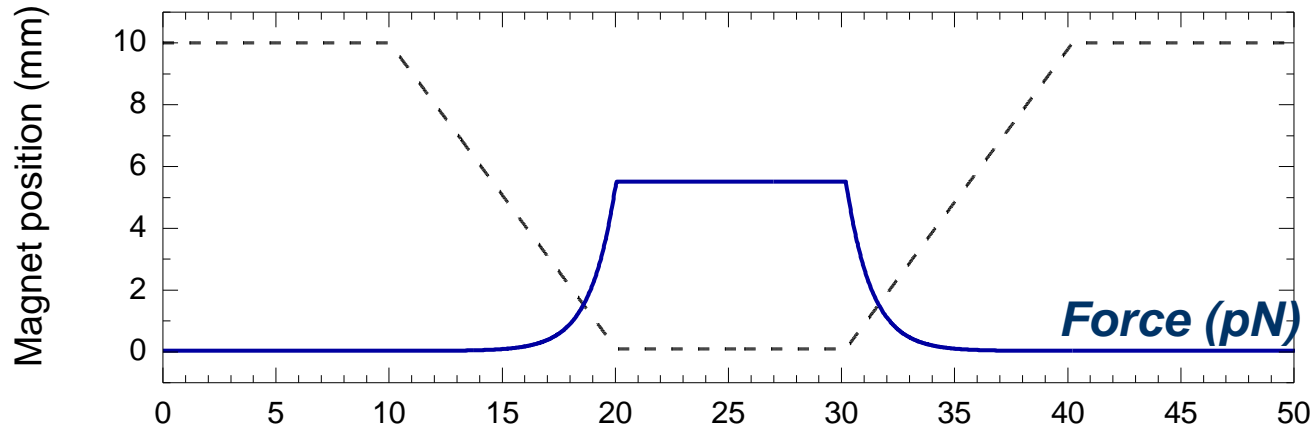


- Equipartition theorem:

$$\frac{1}{2} k_b T = \frac{1}{2} k x^2$$

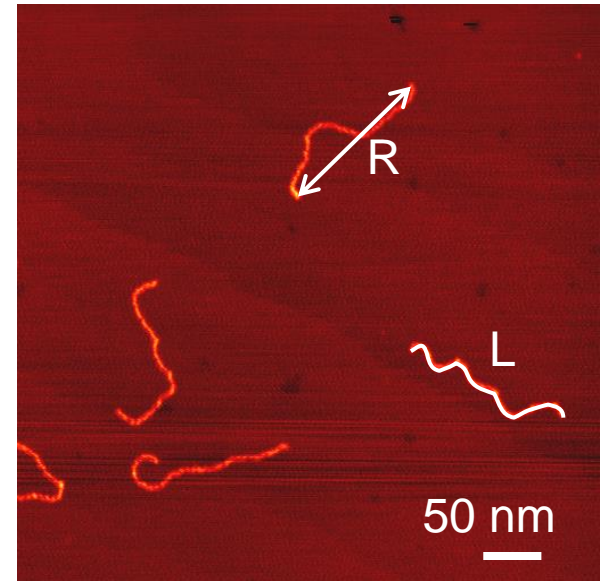
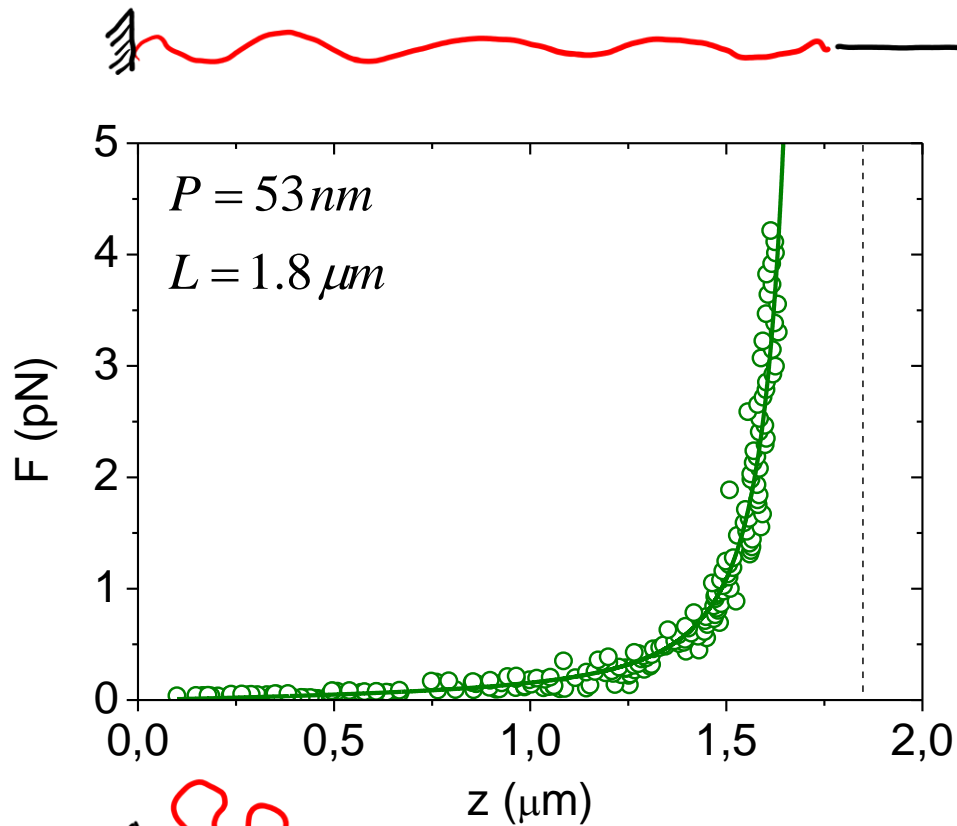
$$F_{DNA} = \frac{k_b T z}{\delta x^2}$$

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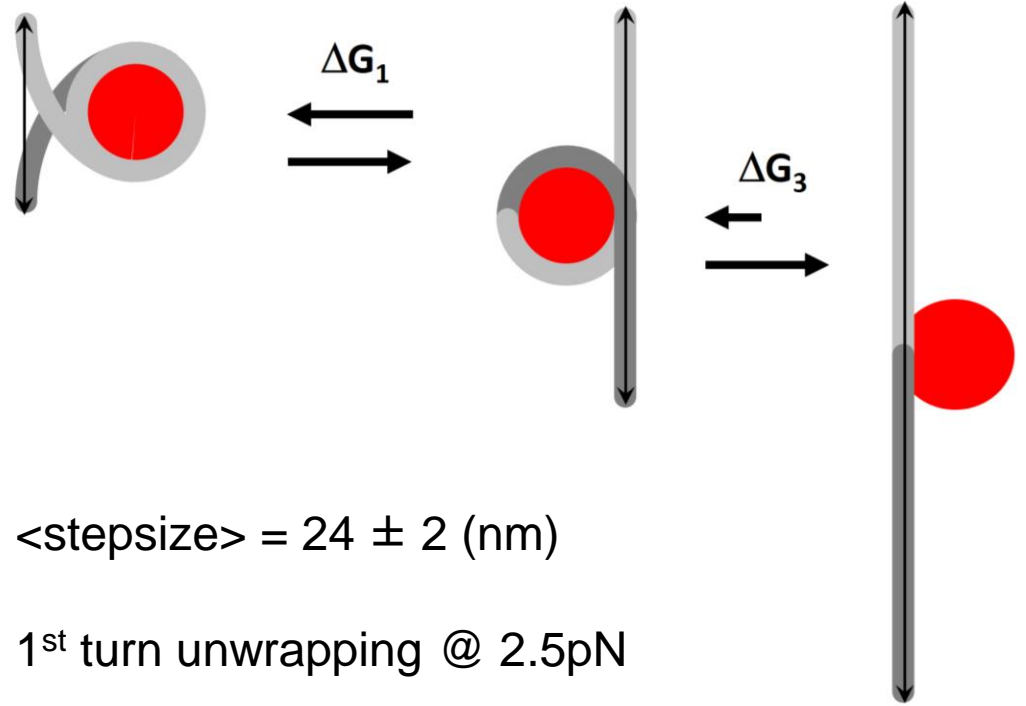
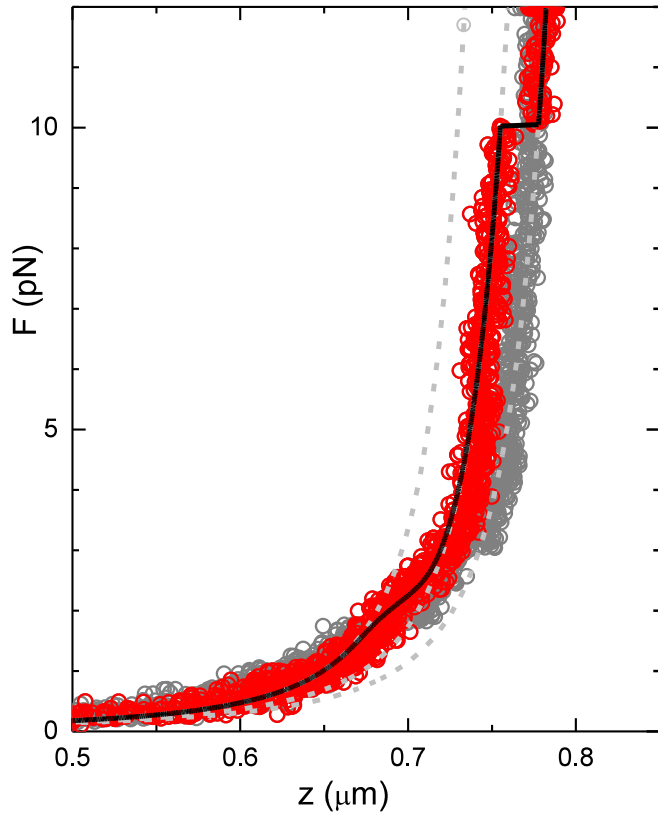
force-extension curve



Worm-Like Chain:

$$F(z) = \frac{k_B T}{P} \left[\frac{1}{4(1 - z/L)^2} - \frac{1}{4} + \frac{z}{L} \right]$$

forced unfolding of single nucleosomes

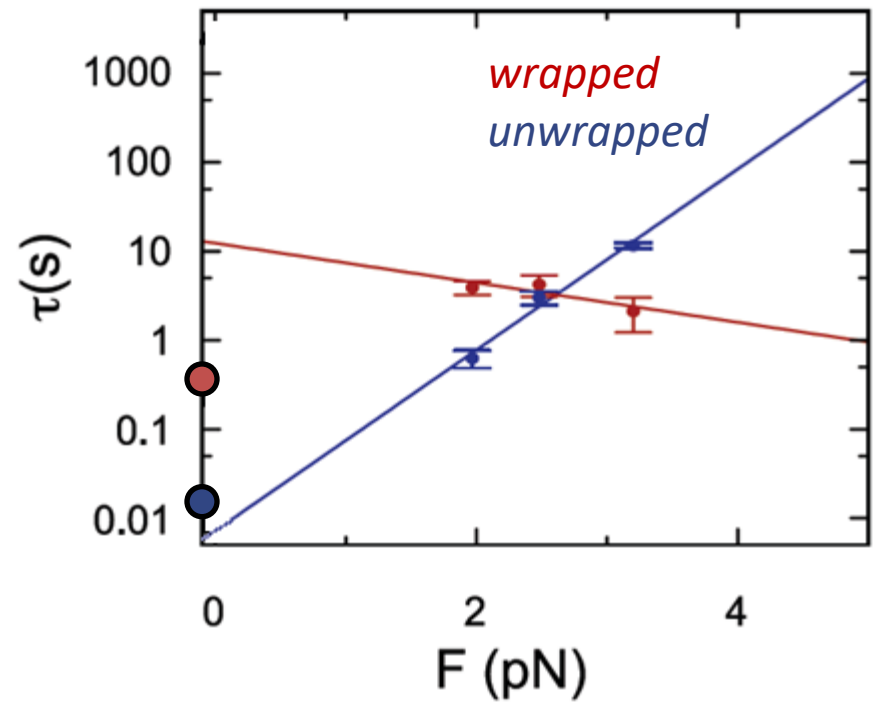
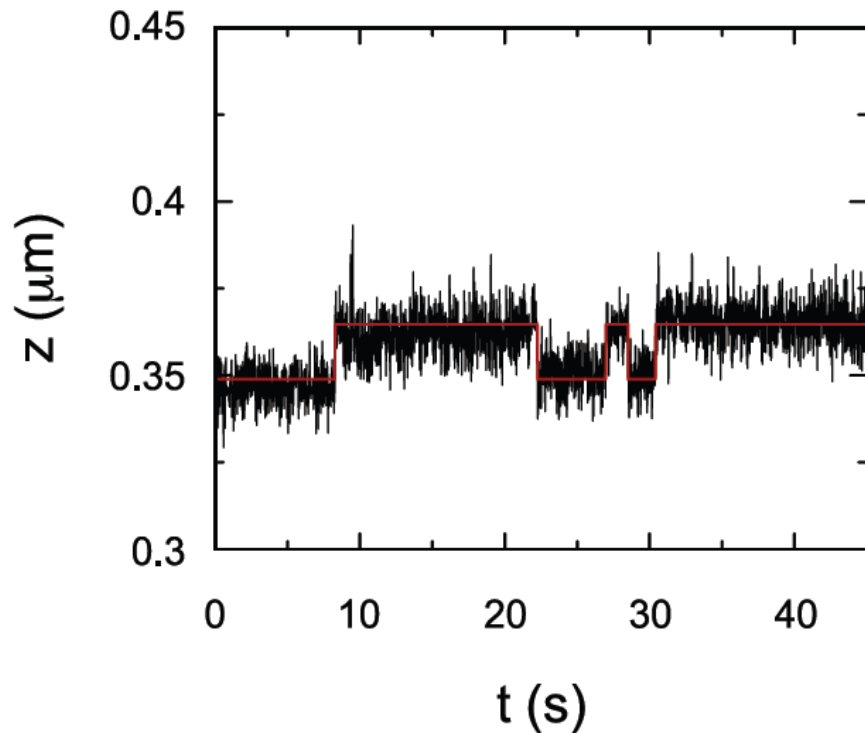


$\langle \text{stepsize} \rangle = 24 \pm 2$ (nm)

1st turn unwrapping @ 2.5pN

Forced nucleosome unwrapping features two transitions

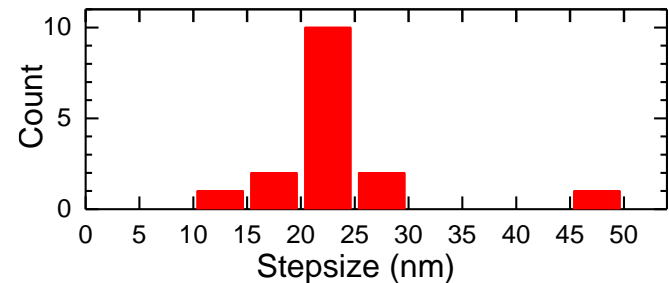
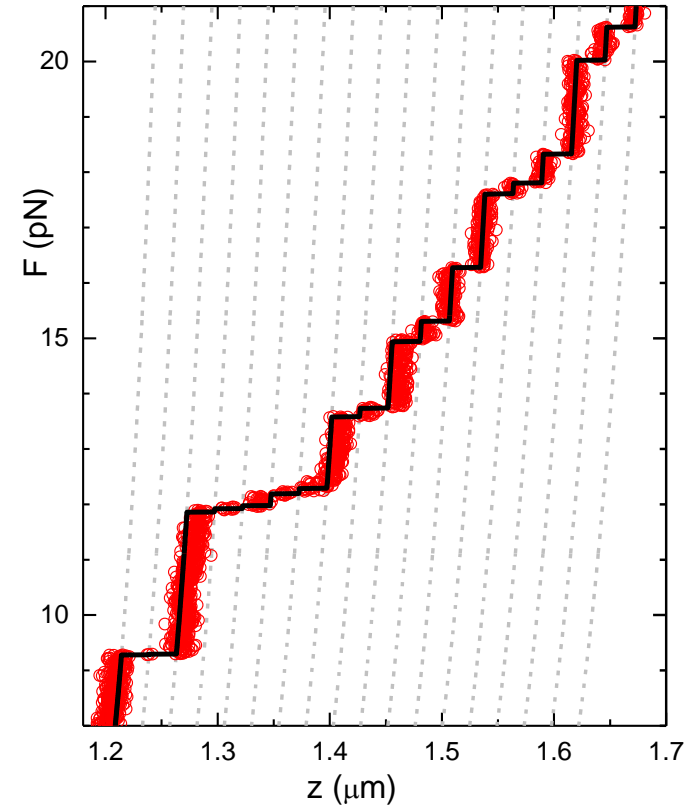
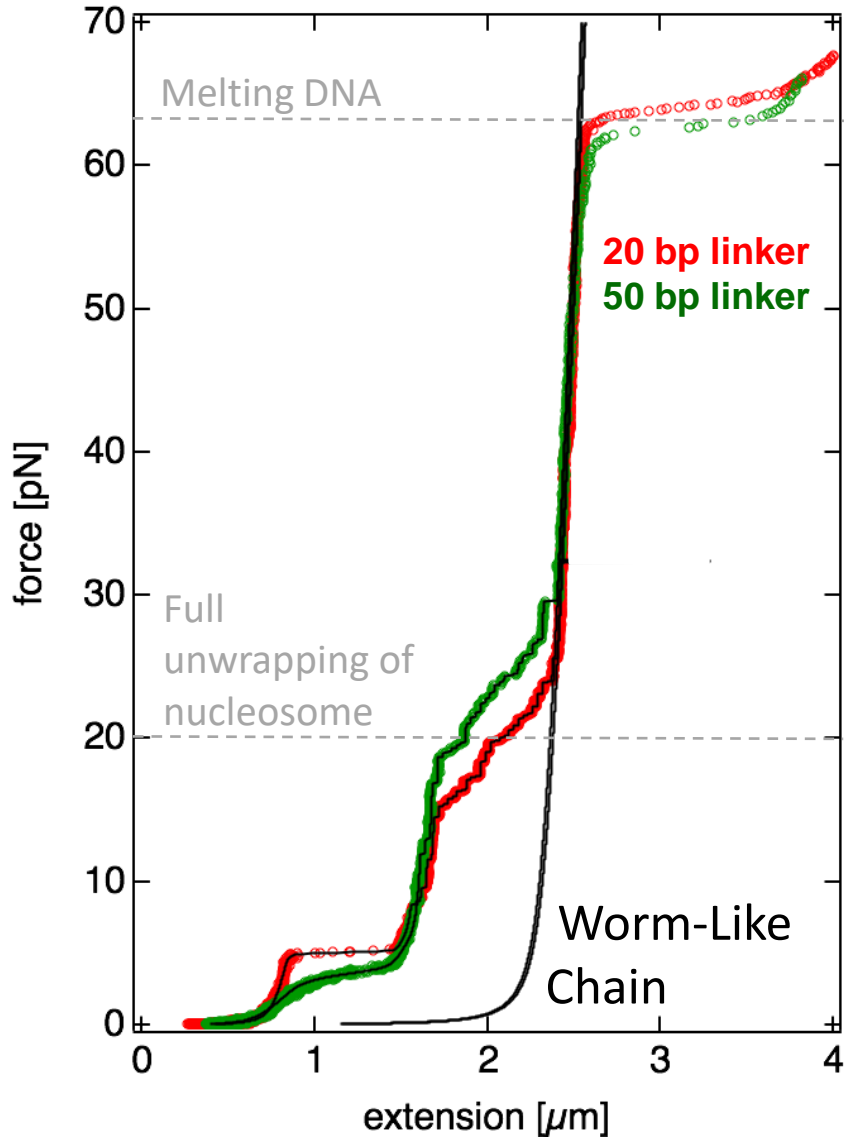
time traces at constant force



- Lifetimes decay/increase exponentially with force
- Lifetimes do not match spFRET measurements

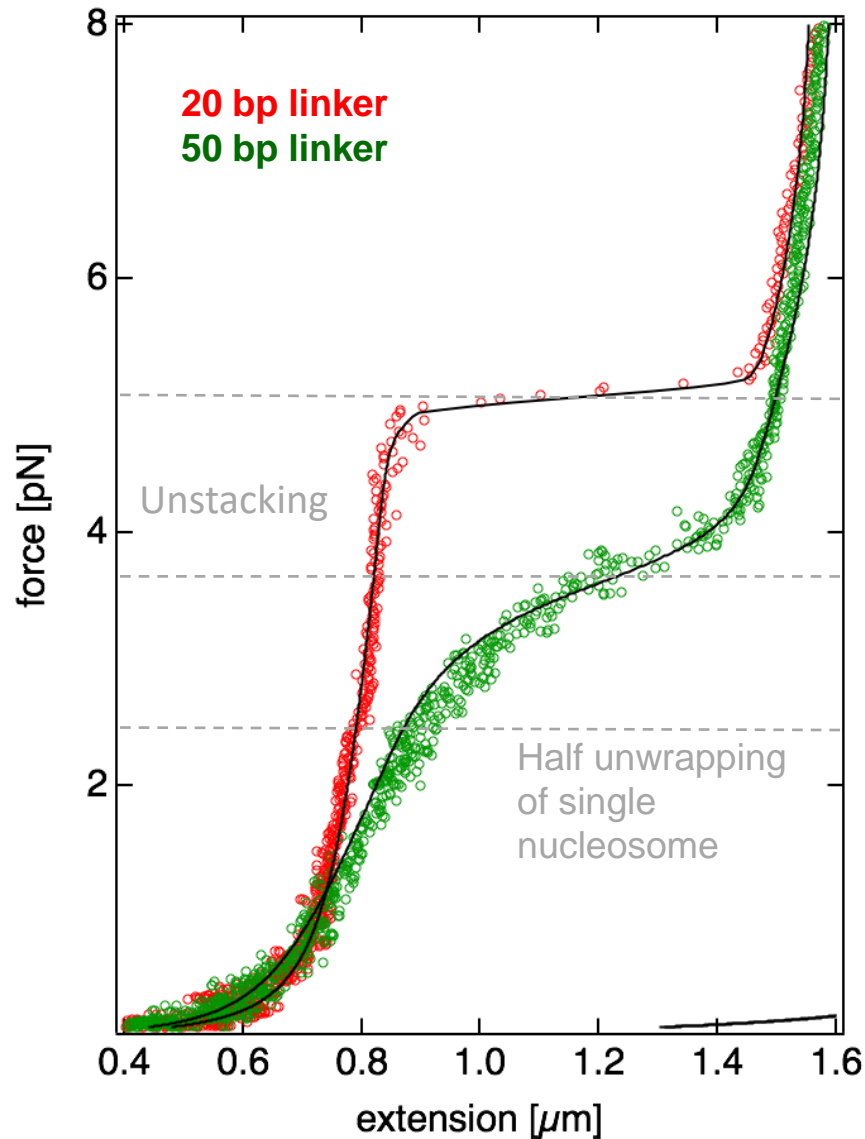
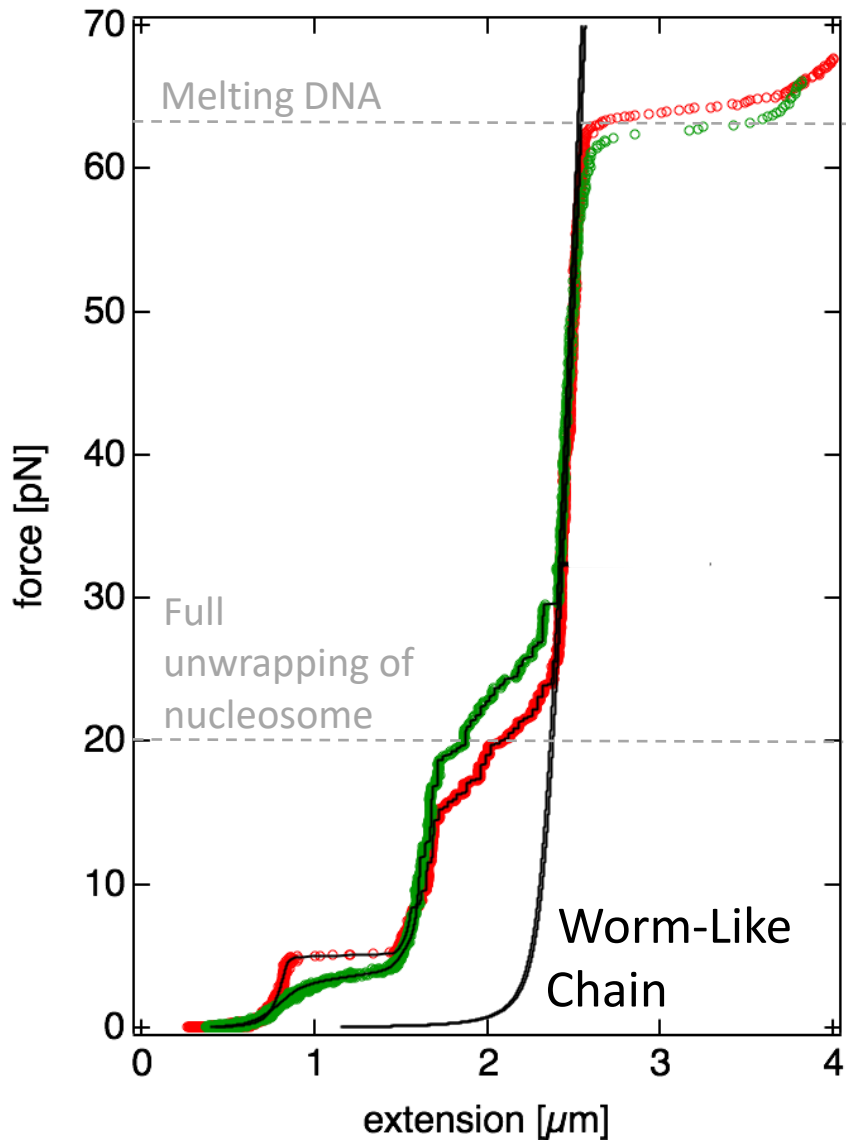
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fiber unfolding

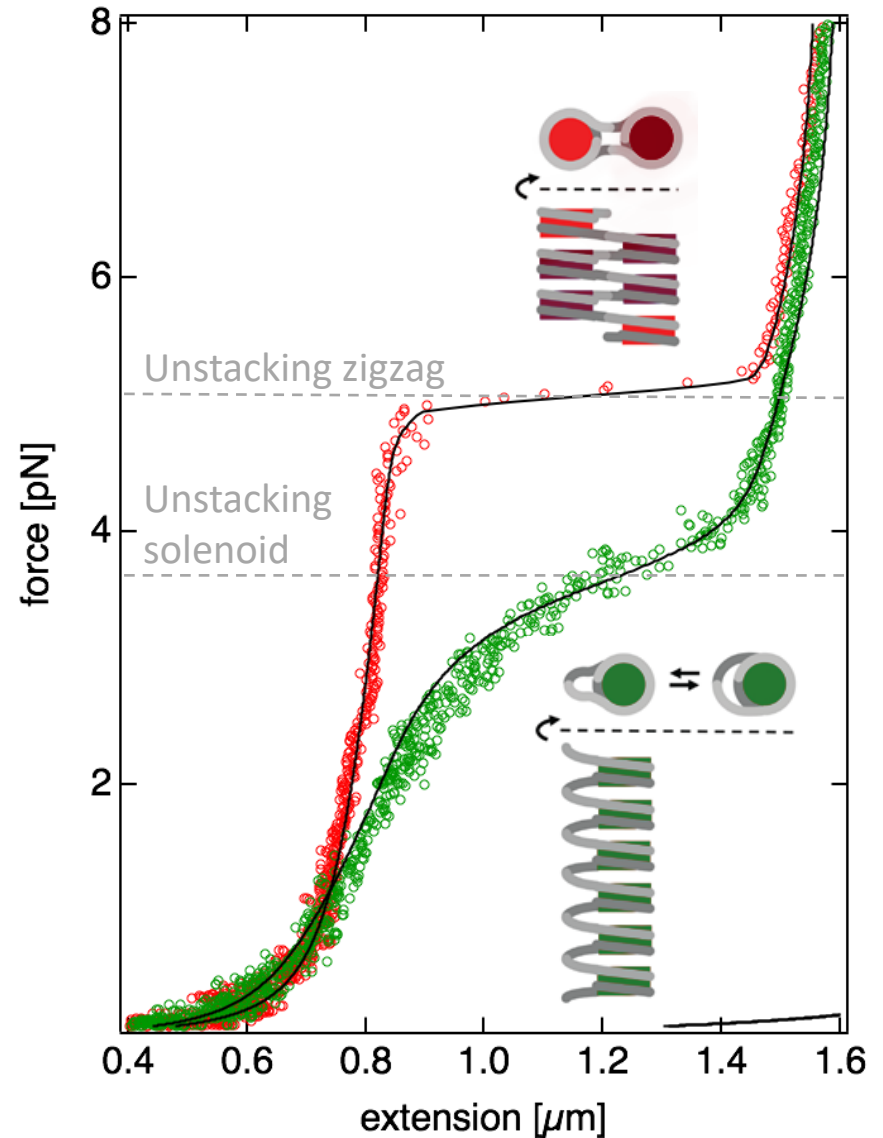
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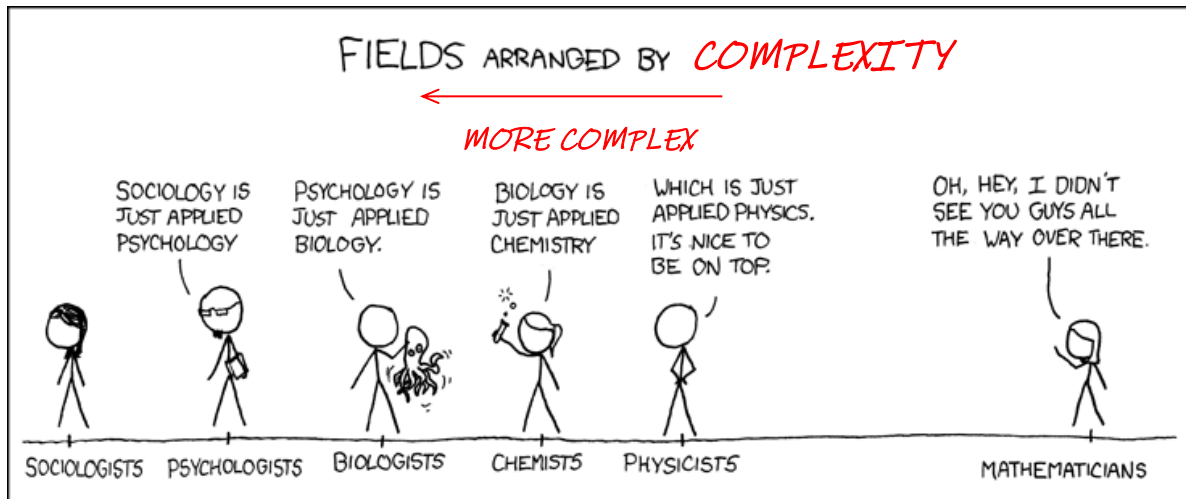
NRL (bp)	20 bp	50 bp
Stiffness (pN/nm)	1.1	0.3
ΔG_1 (k _B T)	19	17
Cooperativity	yes	no
Z_{rupture} (nm)	5	10



197 NRL fibers feature a non-cooperative unfolding mechanism, consistent with a one-start solenoid structure

intermezzo

order in disciplines?



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