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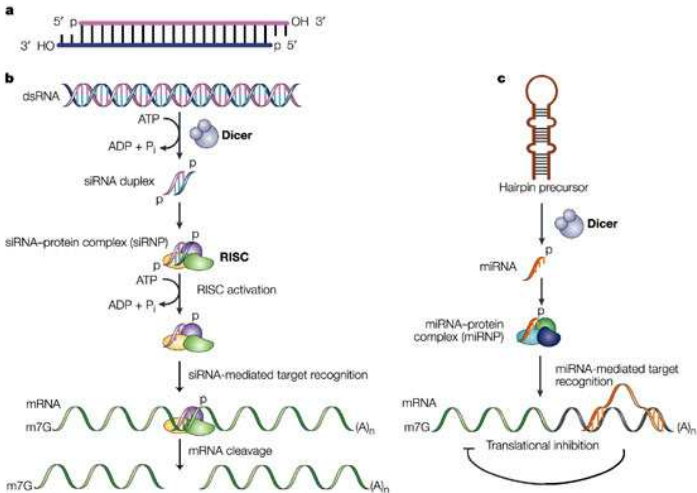
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Why fold 2 RNA molecules

- ▶ Many RNA functions mediated by intermolecular RNA interactions
 - ▶ miRNA-siRNA pathway
 - ▶ RNA editing
- ▶ Design of custom-made RNA molecules
 - ▶ e.g. “openers” for binding sites

Intermolecular interactions of RNA molecules



Nature Reviews | Molecular Cell Biology

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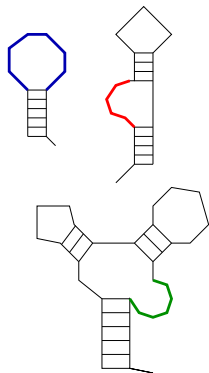
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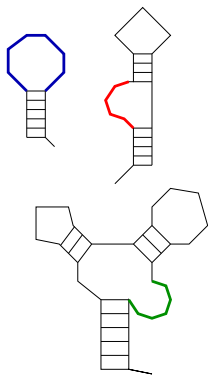
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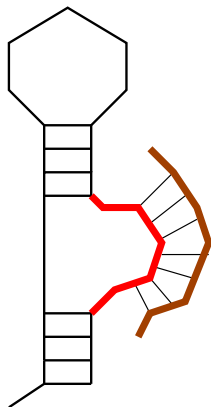


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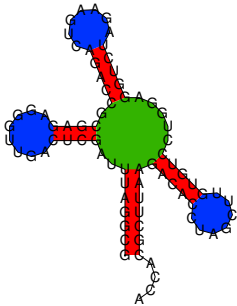
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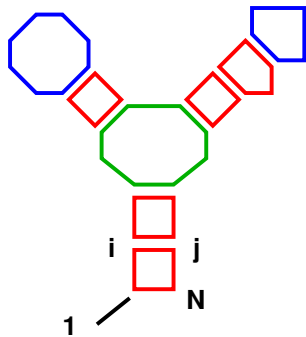
RNA Secondary Structure



- ▶ Hairpin Loops
- ▶ Interior Loops
- ▶ Multiloops
- ▶ Exterior Loops

Loop decomposition of RNA Secondary Structure

► $F(S) = \sum_{L \in S} F_L.$



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- ▶ $Q = \sum_S e^{-[F(S)/kT]}$
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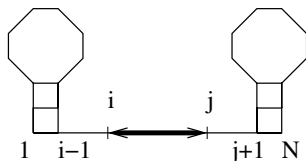
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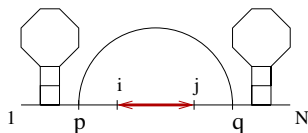
trivial case: region i, j is exterior to all loops.



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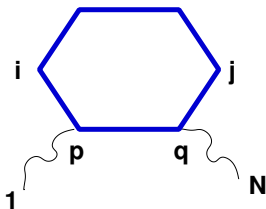
region i, j is spanned by a basepair (p, q) .



$$Pr_u[i, j] = \sum_{\substack{p < i \\ j < q}} Prob[p, q] \frac{Qpqu[i, j]}{Qb[p, q]}.$$

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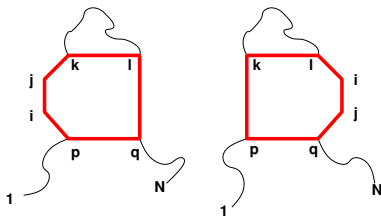
base pair (p, q) closes a **Hairpin loop**:



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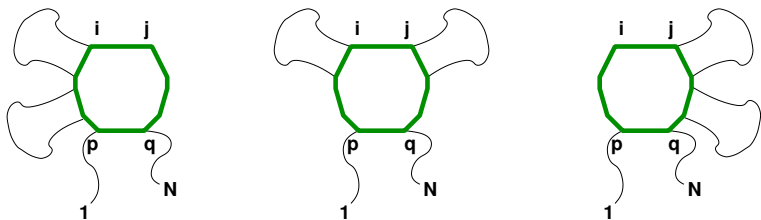
base pair (p, q) closes an **Interior loop**:



$$Q_{pq_u}[i, j]_+ = \sum_{\substack{p < i \leq j < k \\ l < i \leq j < q}} e^{-\beta l(p, q, k, l)} Q_b[k, l] + \dots$$

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base pair (p, q) closes a **Multiloop**:



$$Q_{pq_u}[i, j]_+ = \sum_{p < i \leq j < q}$$

$$(Q_{m2}[p+1, i-1]e^{-\beta u(j-i+1)} + Q_m[p+1, i-1]e^{-\beta u(j-i+1)}Q_m[j+1, q-1] + e^{-\beta u(j-i+1)}Q_{m2}[j+1, q-1]).$$

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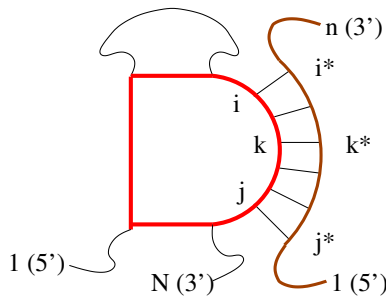
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unstructured region i, j is paired to i^*, j^* :



$$Q_{up}[i, j, i^*, j^*] = Pr_u[i, j] \sum_{\substack{i < k < j \\ i^* > k^* > j^*}} Q_p[i, k, i^*, k^*] e^{-\beta l(k, k^*; j, j^*)}.$$

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$$Q_{up} = \sum_{i, j, i^*, j^*} Q_{up}[i, j, i^*, j^*].$$

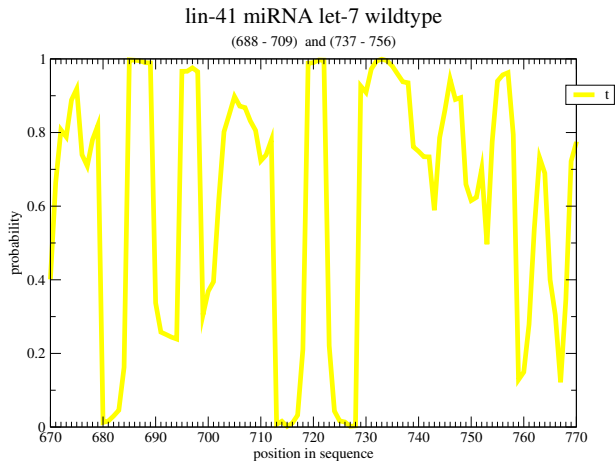
position i is contained in a target site for a small RNA

$$Pup[i, j] = \sum_{i^*, j^*} Pup[i, j, i^*, j^*].$$

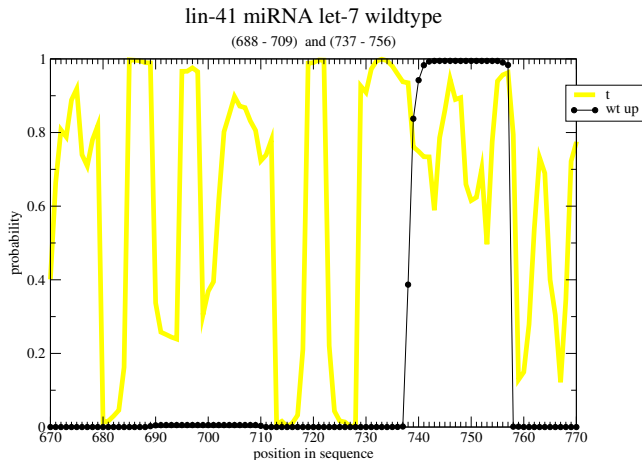
and

$$Pup[k] = \sum_{i \leq k \leq j} Pup[i, j].$$

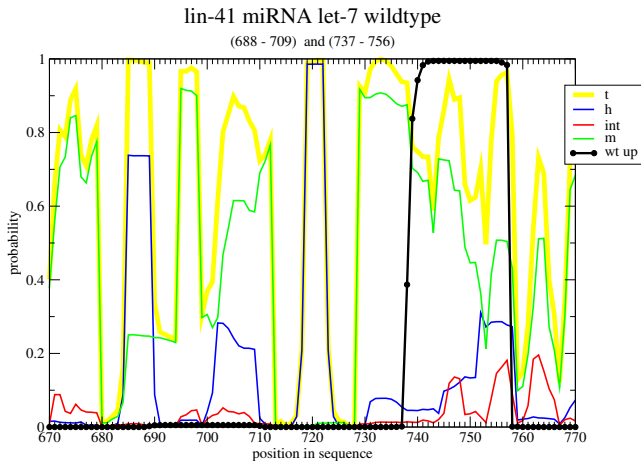
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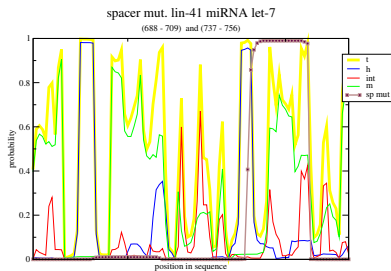
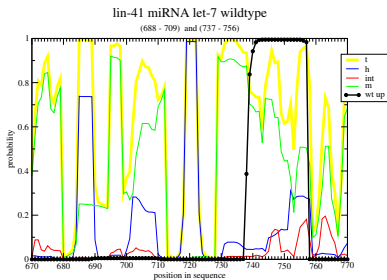
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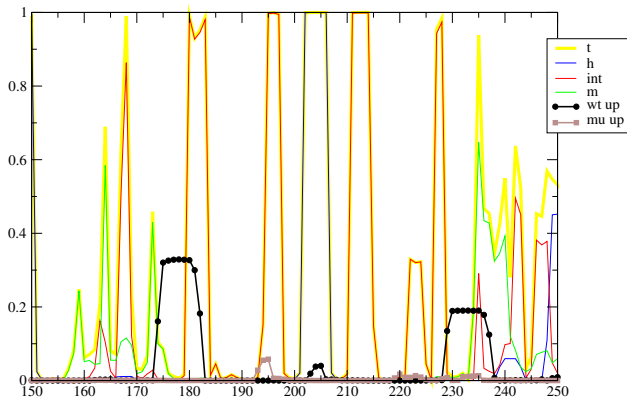


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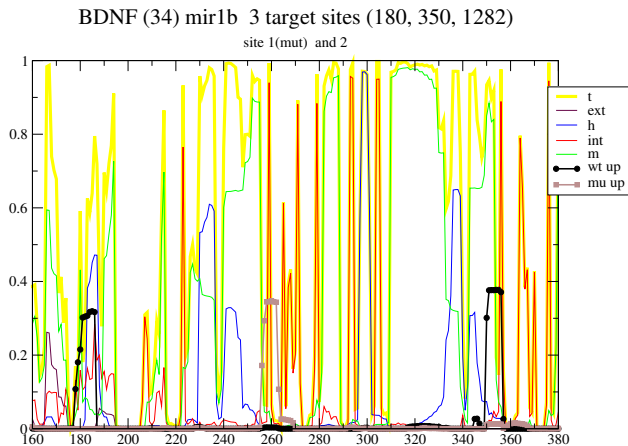
Interaction of human enx-1 with miRNA mir101

ENX-1 (22) mir101 2 target sites (178, 232)



Interaction of human bdnf with miRNA mir1b

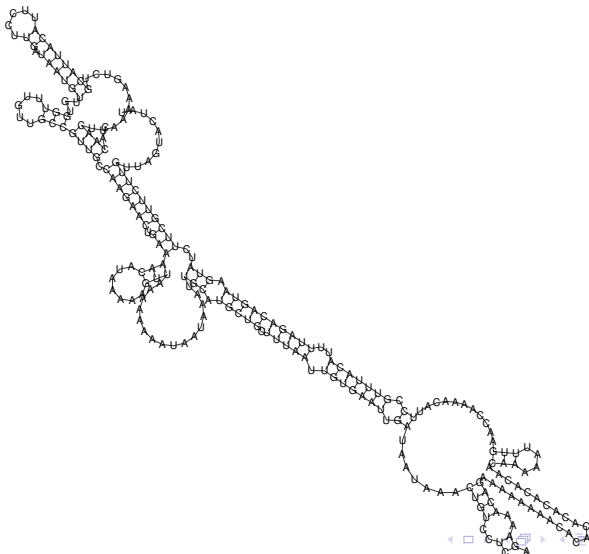
176-185 $p=0.99$, 348-358, $p<0.01$



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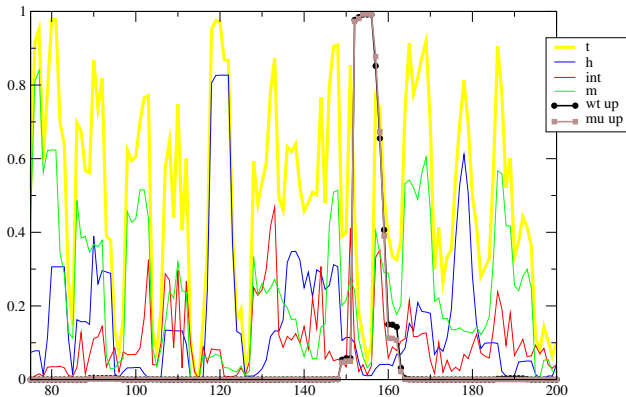
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seed sequence: ACATTCC



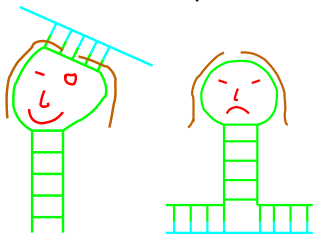
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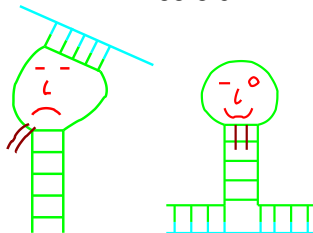


2 Parts of one Solution

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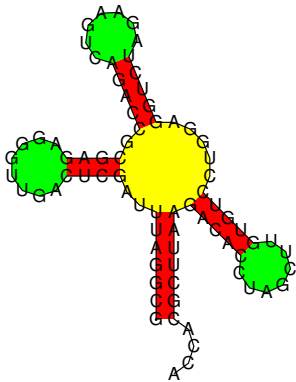
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- ▶ Variant of RNAfold
- ▶ Concatenate the 2 molecules
- ▶ Define cut between molecules

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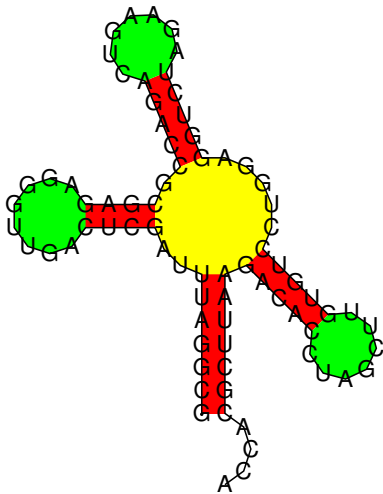
Free Energy

Free Energy is sum of Loop contributions:

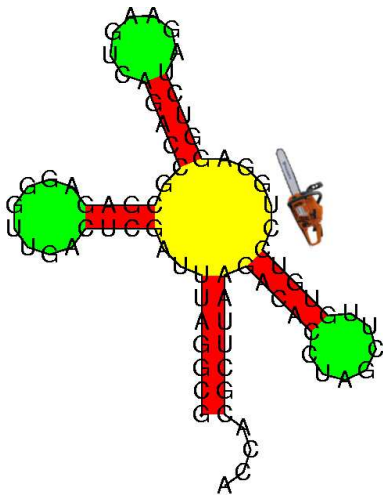


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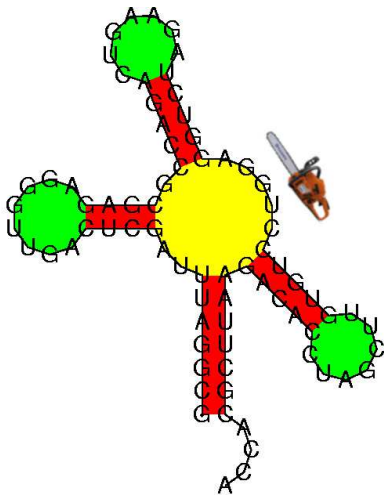
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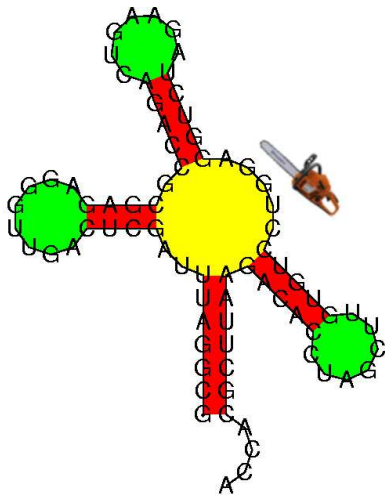
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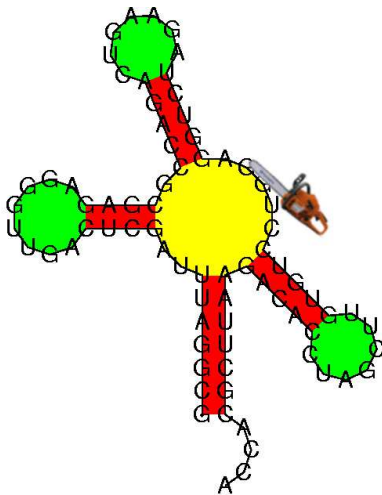
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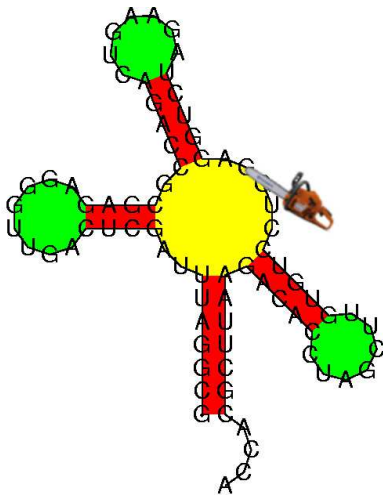
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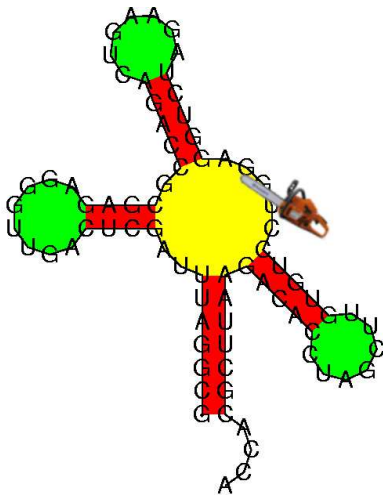
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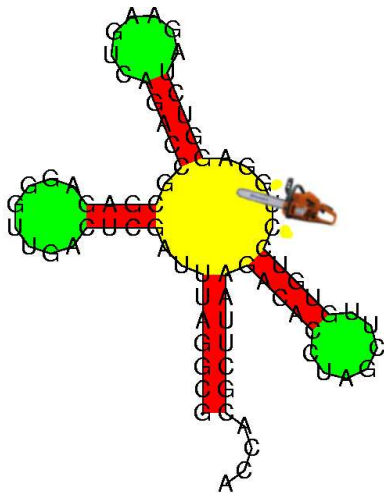
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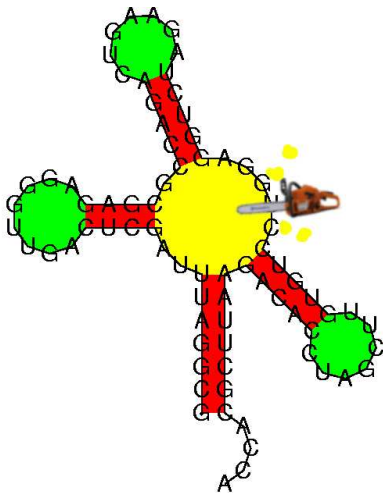
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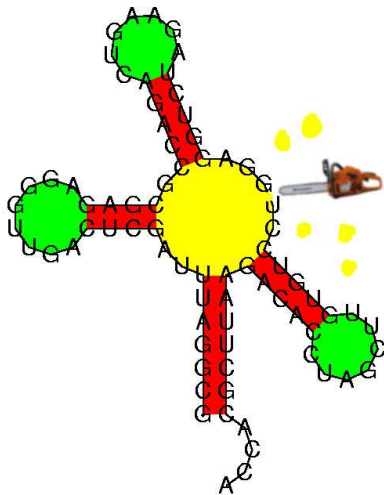
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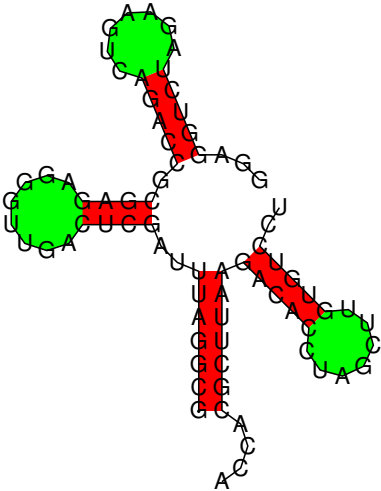
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Partition Function

recursion

Partition function of segment i, j

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Parts to be checked when cofolding

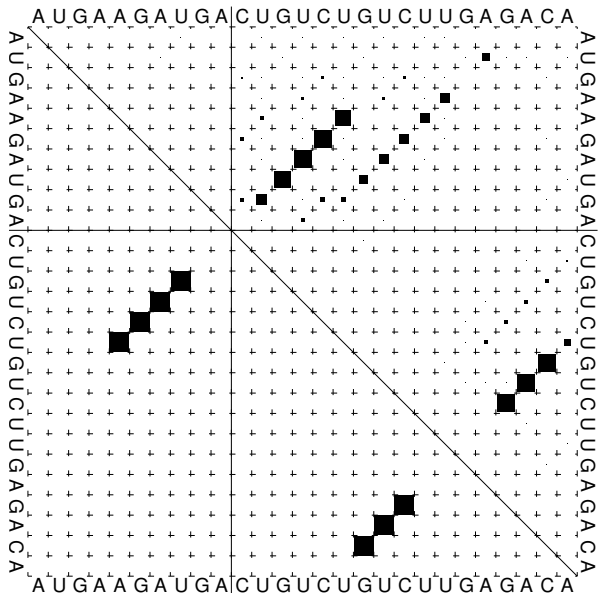
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Output: Dot Plot



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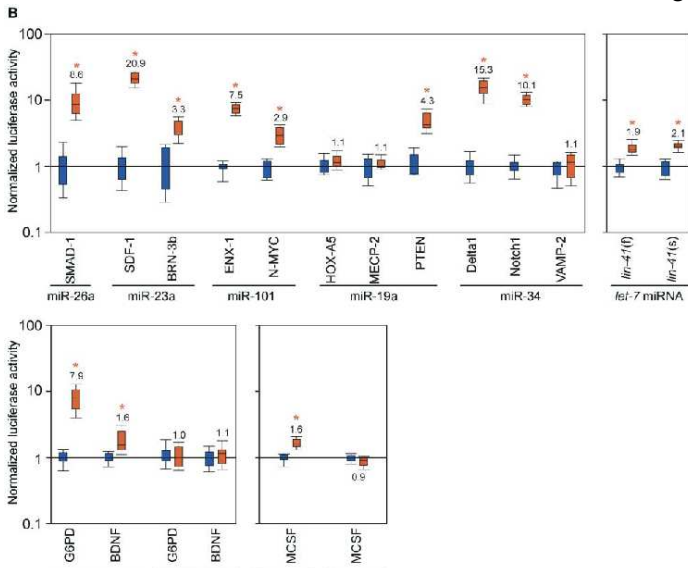
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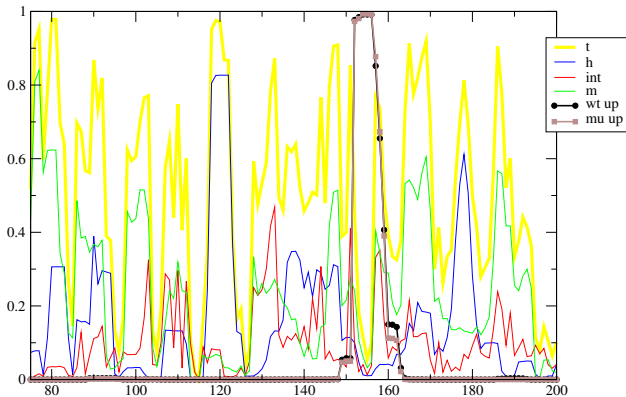
Wenn du nicht überzeugen kannst, stifte Verwirrung

Lewis et.al, Prediction of Mammalian MicroRNA Targets

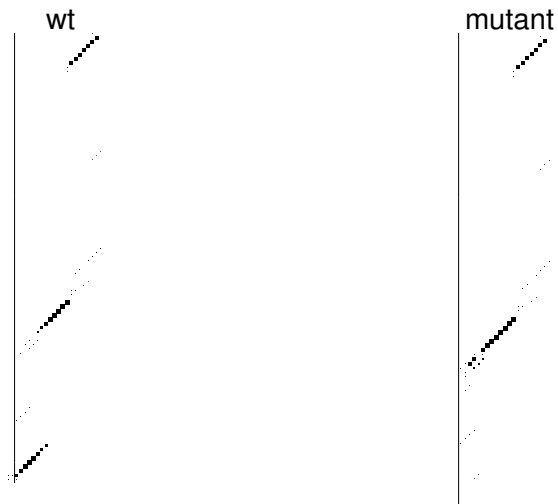


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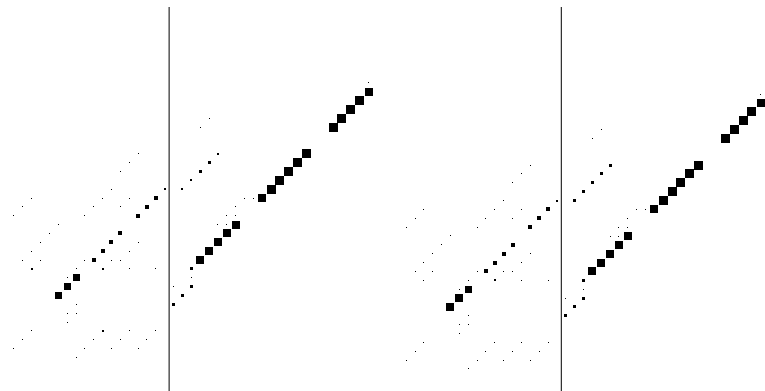


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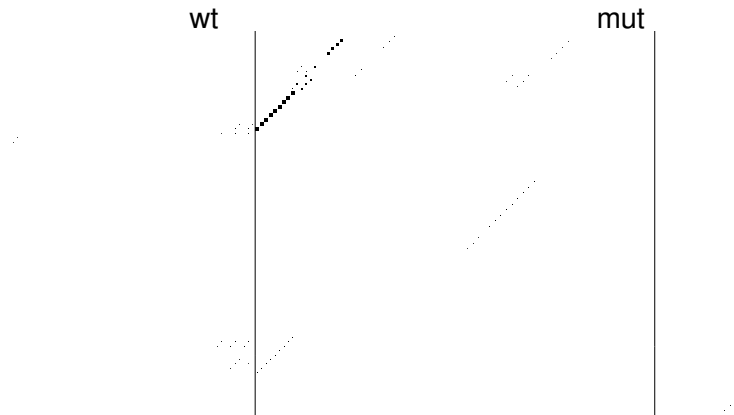
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HoxA5, position 185-230

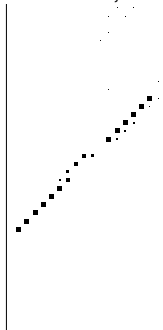


Enx1, position 150-235

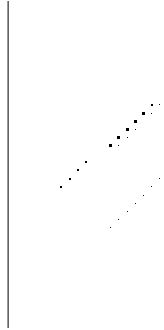


BRN3-b

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132-171, 30%

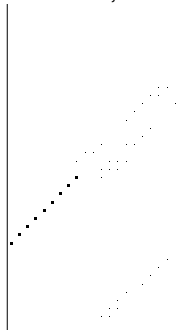


mutant
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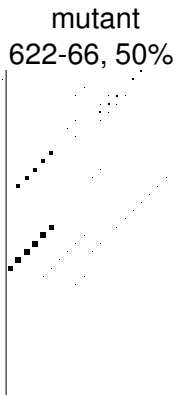
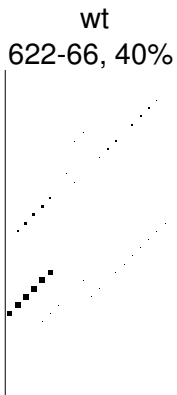
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492-531, 12%



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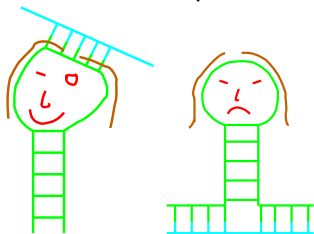
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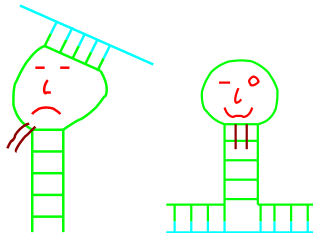
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Problems

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Solution?

- ▶ Great Unified Cofolding Algorithm
- ▶ Cofolding including intermolecular Pseudo-knots and pair probabilities
- ▶ Will be expensive computationally and in memory requirements

Unification of RNACofold and RNAup

First assume no intramolecular base pairs in smaller molecule

- ▶ Start with Cofold $\mathcal{O}((n_A + n_B)^3)$ proc. $\mathcal{O}((n_A + n_B)^2)$
- ▶ Use RNAup routines, compute intermolecular partition functions ($\mathcal{O}(n^3)$)
- ▶ Use RNAup routines, compute partition functions given that pair i, j is innermost base-pair enclosing a binding site. ($\mathcal{O}(n^3)$)

Unification II

- ▶ Compute partition functions given duplex between i and j (Like Fold, ($\mathcal{O}(n^3)$))
- ▶ Compute partition functions for intra-molecular pairs given Pseudo-knot. $\mathcal{O}(n^3)$
- ▶ Run modified RNAup to get the partition functions of intermolecular pairs given Pseudo-knot. $\mathcal{O}(n^3)$

Unification III

- ▶ Will take up to six times longer than a simple Cofold
- ▶ Will take four to six times more memory.
- ▶ Still has time complexity of $\mathcal{O}(n^3)$ in processor time and $\mathcal{O}(n^2)$ in memory.

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