

Design with ProteinMPNN

Intro



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PROTEIN DESIGN

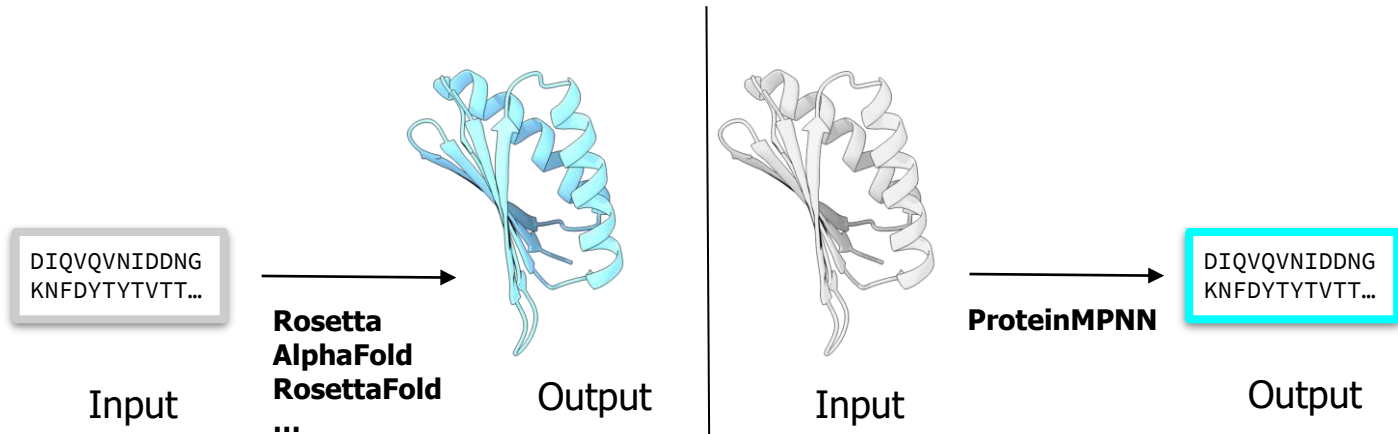
**Robust deep learning–based protein sequence design
using ProteinMPNN**

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ProteinMPNN generates a sequence from a backbone



Structure prediction tools predict a protein structure from an input sequence, whereas...

ProteinMPNN tries to map a sequence onto a given protein structure. This is used for **protein redesign**.



Design with Rosetta vs ProteinMPNN

Rosetta Design

(remode, fastdesign, packrotamers ...)

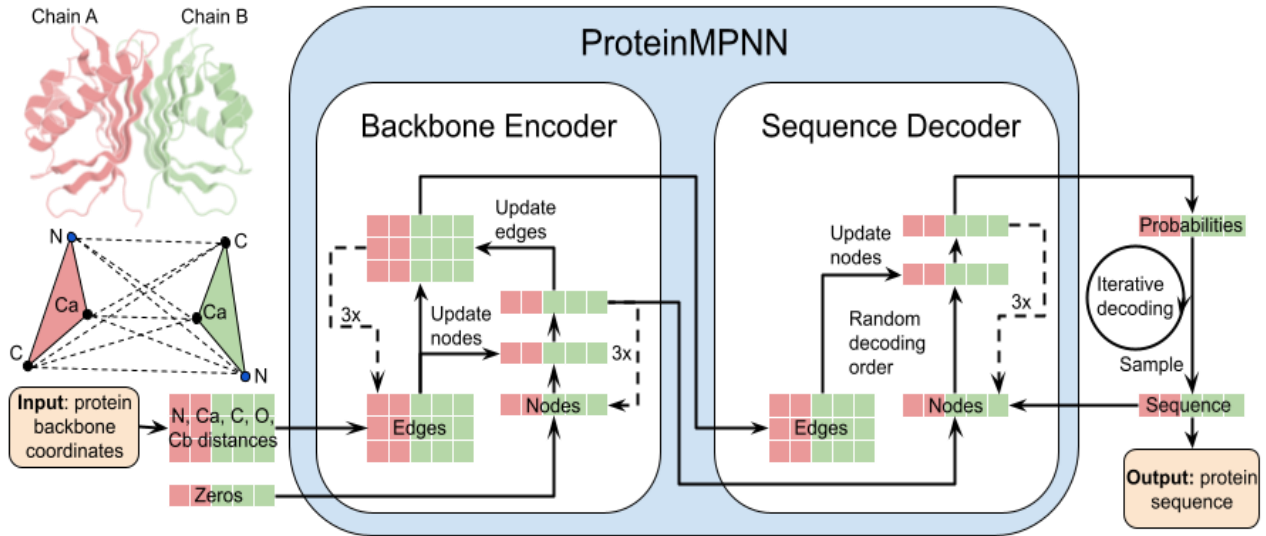
- Physics based; tries to optimize energies
- Slow (due to rotamer search and energy minimization steps)
- Can handle monomers, multimers and symmetry
- Excellent for special design challenges; e.g. sidechain modifications, peptide cyclization, ligand pocket design, antibody design, etc.)

ProteinMPNN

- Deep learning model
- Fast (few seconds per sequence)
- Can also handle monomers, multimers and symmetry
- Excellent for rescuing de novo designs and improving expression



Design with Rosetta vs ProteinMPNN



Input: encoded distances of backbone atoms

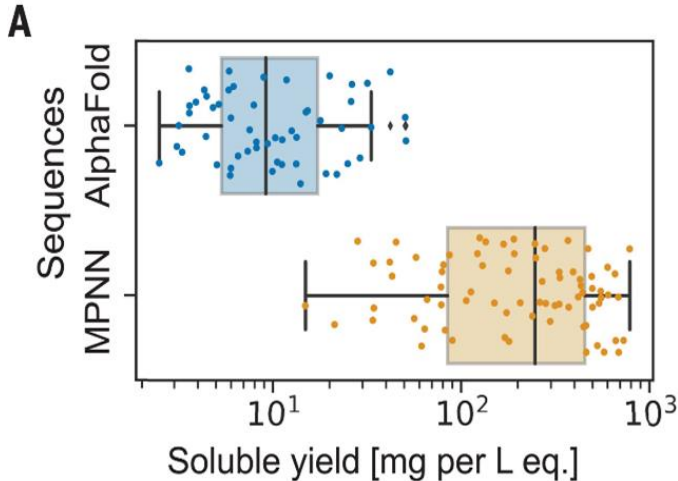
MPNN: message passing neural network

Output: Sequence and probability estimate (score)

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ProteinMPNN increases the soluble yield



The Example:

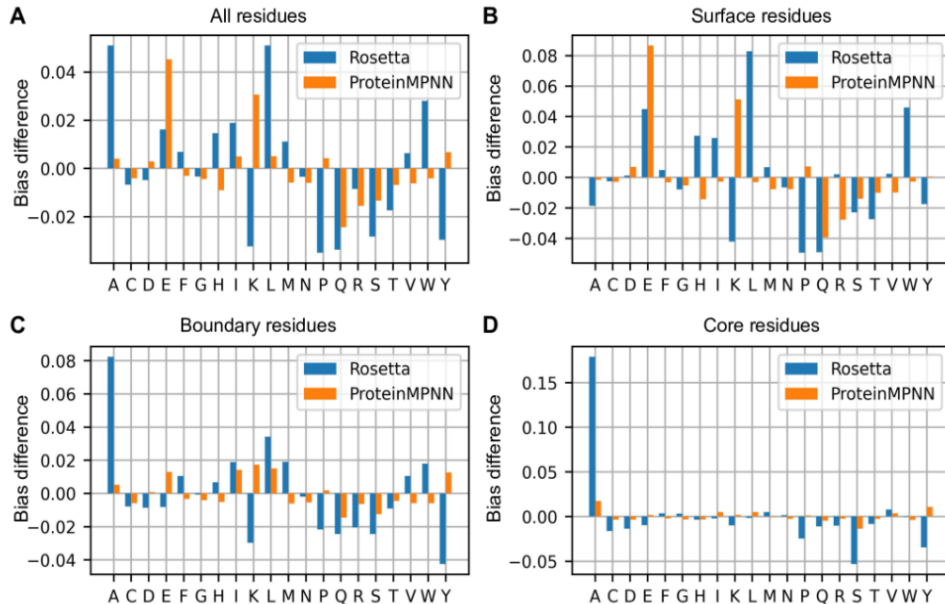
Rescuing by AlphaFold hallucinated proteins with ProteinMPNN.

By redesigning the de novo designed proteins with ProteinMPNN the soluble yield could be significantly improved

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Amino acid bias Rosetta vs ProteinMPNN



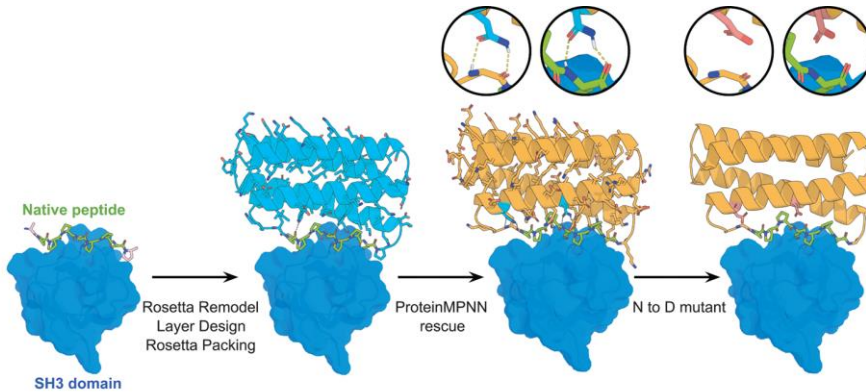
With Rosetta design usually a slight bias towards hydrophobic residues can be observed, whereas ProteinMPNN tends to Glu and Lys on the surface of proteins.

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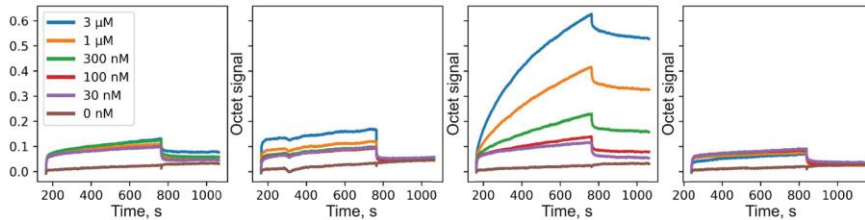


ProteinMPNN rescue example

A



B



The Example:

To stabilize the native peptide ligand, helical scaffolds were docked to the peptide-protein complex and connected to the peptide via Rosetta Remodel. But the de novo designs showed no binding to SH3.

After redesigning the helical bundle and loops with **ProteinMPNN** binding could be rescued.

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How do I run ProteinMPNN

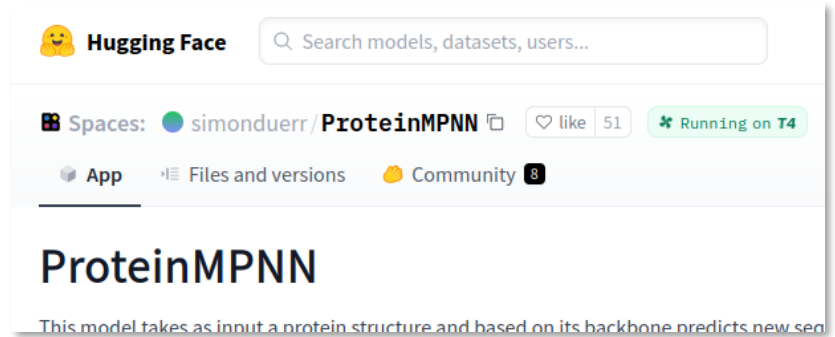
In the browser:

- Easy to use graphical interface
- Offers main functionalities and options
- Great for redesigning a small number of structures

Via command line:

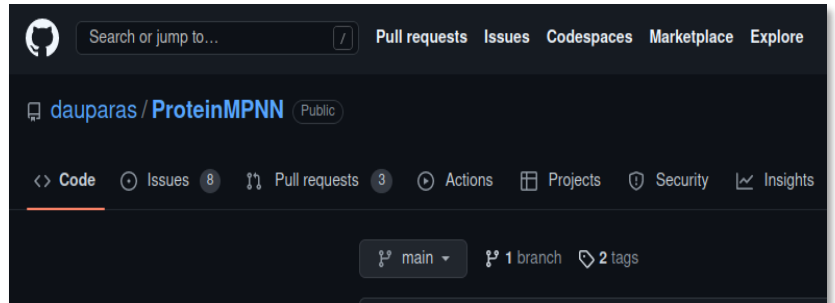
- Locally or on a HPC
- Offers some applications that are not available on huggingface
- Great for redesigning a large number of structures

huggingface.co/spaces/simonduerr/ProteinMPNN



The screenshot shows the Hugging Face interface for the ProteinMPNN space. At the top, there is a search bar and the Hugging Face logo. Below that, the space name "simonduerr / ProteinMPNN" is displayed, along with a "like" button showing 51 likes and a "Running on T4" badge. Navigation options include "App", "Files and versions", and "Community" (with 8 notifications). The main title "ProteinMPNN" is prominently displayed, followed by a brief description: "This model takes as input a protein structure and based on its backbone predicts new sequences".

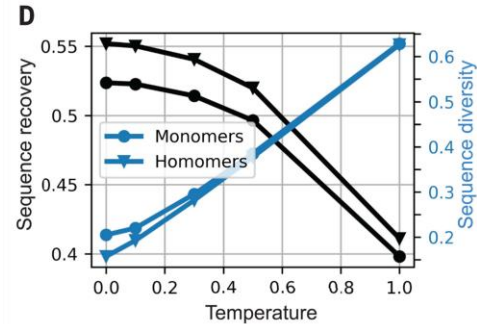
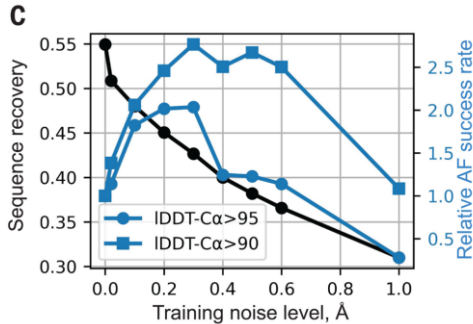
github.com/dauparas/ProteinMPNN



The screenshot shows the GitHub repository page for ProteinMPNN. At the top, there is a search bar and navigation links for "Pull requests", "Issues", "Codespaces", "Marketplace", and "Explore". The repository name "dauparas / ProteinMPNN" is displayed, along with a "Public" badge. Below that, there are navigation options for "Code", "Issues" (8), "Pull requests" (3), "Actions", "Projects", "Security", and "Insights". At the bottom, there is a dropdown menu for "main" and information about "1 branch" and "2 tags".



ProteinMPNN settings: Model and Temperature



Model (--model_name)

- default: v_48_020 (version with 48 edges and 0.2 Å backbone noise)
- models trained with more noise are more robustly decoded into 3D coordinates by AlphaFold

Temperature (--sampling_temp)

- default: 0.1; can be increased for more sequence diversity
- slight change in temperature gives more sequence diversity but only small decrease in sequence recovery

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Running ProteinMPNN



Input: one or
multiple pdb
files

`protein_mpnn_run.py`

Options

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Output:
Sequences
with scores

Important options:

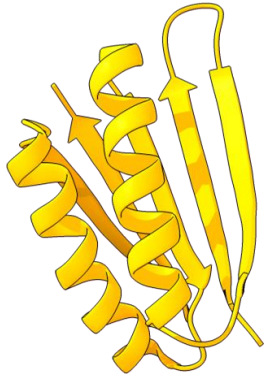
- Model: selection of models with different noise levels
- Temperature: to increase sequence diversity
- Tying positions: for symmetric design of Homooligomers
- Fixing positions: to only design selected residues
- Omit amino acids: to not design with certain amino acids
- Bias design: to bias design to select certain amino acids with a higher or lower probability. Can be limited to selected positions.

...more in the tutorial



ProteinMPNN Tutorial

How to run ProteinMPNN via command line



1. We will redesign the small de novo designed monomer Top7 (pdb:1QYS) and explore how to set an amino acid

2. We will redesign the interface of the small SARS-CoV-2 spike binder LCB3 and explore how to restrict the design to certain positions.

