

Project Proposal

Deep Learning Guided Complex Refinement

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Protein
Complex



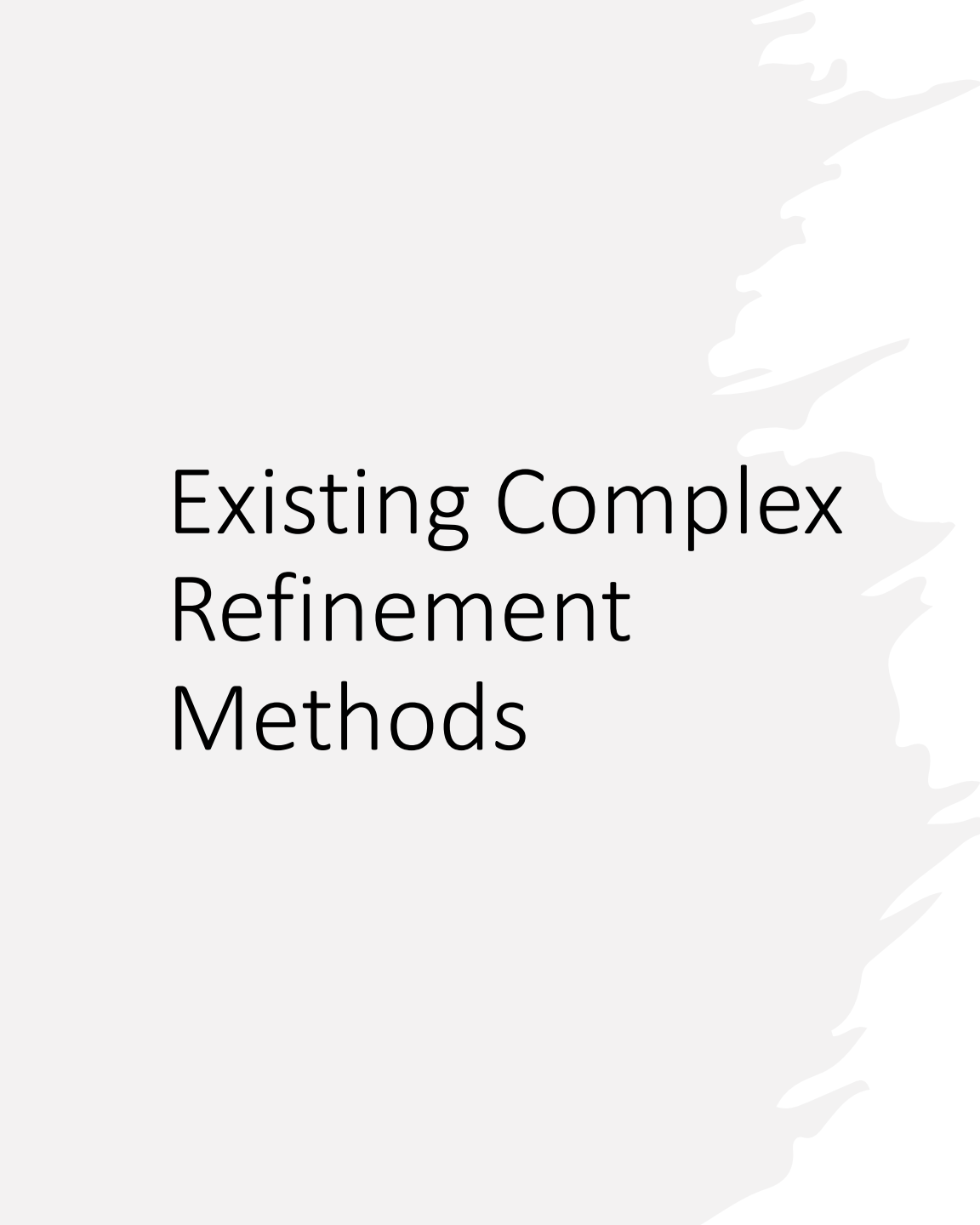
Background



- Understand protein-protein interaction to understand biological function
- Know protein complex structure to understand protein-protein interaction
- Different experimental methods to determine complex structure
 - X-ray crystallography
 - Nuclear magnetic resonance
- Problems
 - Time consuming
 - Expensive

Background

- Rigid body docking approach
- Underlying assumption
 - No conformational change upon binding
- Problem
 - Inaccuracy in the interface contact
 - Atomic clashes
- Hence, refinement is needed



Existing Complex Refinement Methods

- Some of the existing complex refinement methods
 - RDOCK
 - HADDOCK
 - GalaxyRefineComplex
- Dependent on
 - Energy minimization
 - Molecular dynamics simulations

Our Hypothesis

- Leverage deep learning prediction to guide protein complex refinement
- Hypothesis
 - Our deep learning prediction will perform well which will guide the complex refinement and improve the quality of the protein complexes

Our Approach

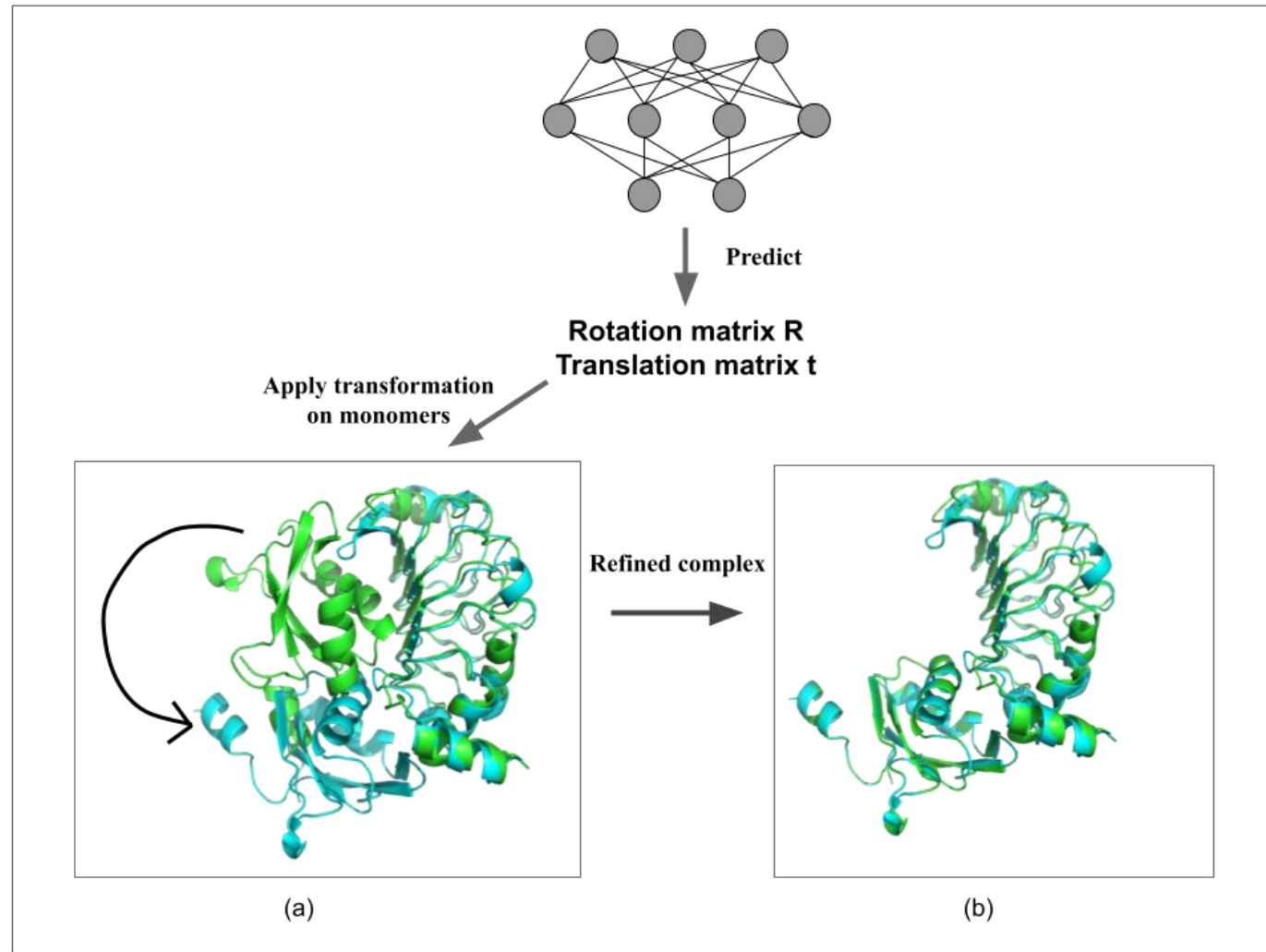
- Develop a protein complex refinement method powered by deep learning
- Predict rotation and translation matrix for individual monomers of the near native complex
- The metrics can be used to orient the individual monomers of the complex in a correct formation

Basic Mathematical Idea

- The positions of the atoms in an individual monomer of the near native complex: X
- The positions of the atoms in the corresponding individual monomer of the native complex: X'
- The rotation and translation matrices required to bring the individual monomers closer to the native: R (rotation), t (translation)
- Predict R , t and apply to X so that

$$X' = RX + t$$

Overview of
our method



Evaluation Metrics

- Mean squared error (MSE), as our prediction is going to be a regression problem
- TM-score
- Global Distance Test – Total Score (GDT_TS)
- Interface RMSD (I-RMSD)



List of Tasks

Timeframe

Collect dataset

March 05, 2022

Calculate transformation matrix for a few complexes and check the validity of the proposed approach by applying the matrix on the complexes

March 06, 2022

Automate the calculation of transformation matrix for all complexes

March 14, 2022

Generate features from the dataset

March 21, 2022

Prepare deep learning model for prediction

March 28, 2022

Train the model and predict the transformation matrices

March 29, 2022 – April 10, 2022

Translation and rotation matrix

$$\begin{matrix} 1 & 2 & \dots & n \\ 1 & a_{11} & a_{12} & \dots & a_{1n} \\ 2 & a_{21} & a_{22} & \dots & a_{2n} \\ 3 & a_{31} & a_{32} & \dots & a_{3n} \\ \vdots & \vdots & \vdots & \vdots & \vdots \\ m & a_{m1} & a_{m2} & \dots & a_{mn} \end{matrix}$$

Deep learning



Refined structure

