

Chapter 2 continued

no-sharing of electrons

Noncovalent Bonds in polypeptide folding

- amino acids can form a variety of non-covalent bonds that influence how polypeptides fold **all weaker than covalent**

- Vander Waals:

fleeting

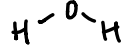
• weak **weakest**

- caused by momentary dipole moments, fleeting charges that **unequally** move
- collectively can be strong



weakest

- Hydrophobic Effect:



- not really a bond as in attraction, but a **repulsion** **repulsion from water**

- hydrophobic, water fearing, groups clump together to get away from polar solvents

permanent

- Electrostatic:

polar-covalent partial or full charges

- Strongest non-covalent bond

- ionized groups will have full positive or negative charges **permanent charges, not changing**

- opposites attract + likes repel

strongest

- Hydrogen Bonds:

- type of electrostatic bond where groups are not ionized but have dipole moments

- an electronegative (N, O) draws electrons away from an electropositive atom (C, H) to create a partial charge δ^+ δ^-

- partially positive H is attracted to partially or fully negative O



Hydrogen Bond Donor

(N-H group)

Hydrogen Bond Acceptor

(C=O group)

all peptides = amides
not all amides = peptides

2.23 Special Properties of Peptide Bonds

- Peptide bonds are rigid + planar (type of amide bond)

- bond between C + N no rotation

- planar in C, O, H, N all 2D

Not a single but not double bond

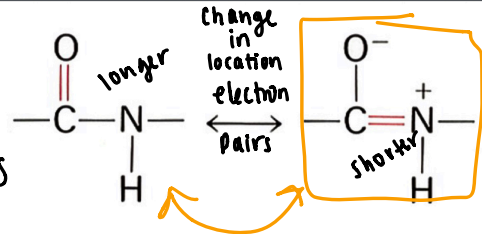
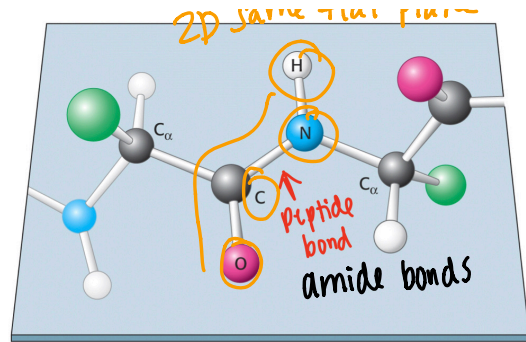
↳ can rotate

↳ cannot rotate

- rigid nature due to **resonance** double bond character

same flat plane

- provides partial single/double bond character
- this prevents rotation
- limits # of 3D configurations the polypeptide can fold into
- the peptide bond is shorter than single bond but longer than double
- resonance state = locked in rigid
- Flips back and forth
- all aa linked by peptide bonds



THE FOUR LEVELS OF Protein structure

Primary all polypep

- every polypeptide / protein has a primary structure
- simply the amino acid sequence in order from N → C terminus
- positive + negative ends
- each AA = residue

Secondary (only H bonds)

- optional structure, doesn't always form
- folding of the polypeptide chain only by hydrogen bonds between main chain groups (H + backbone)
- two types = α helix β sheets only backbone

Tertiary backbone + R groups all polypep

- every polypeptide folds into tertiary
- folding the polypeptide into its final 3D form
- this also involves the R groups as well as the main chain
- if it is functional here, then it is the final form + a functional protein

Quaternary

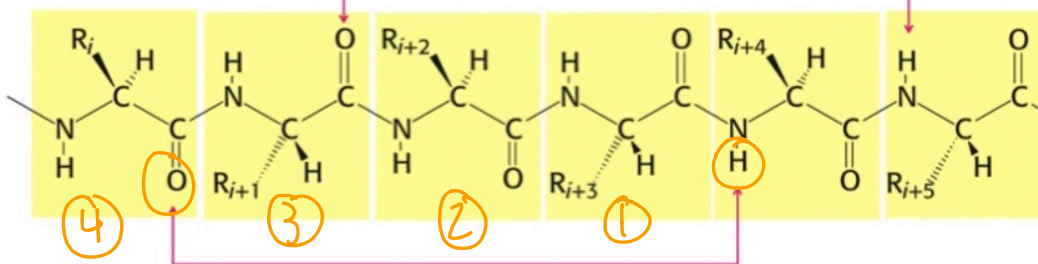
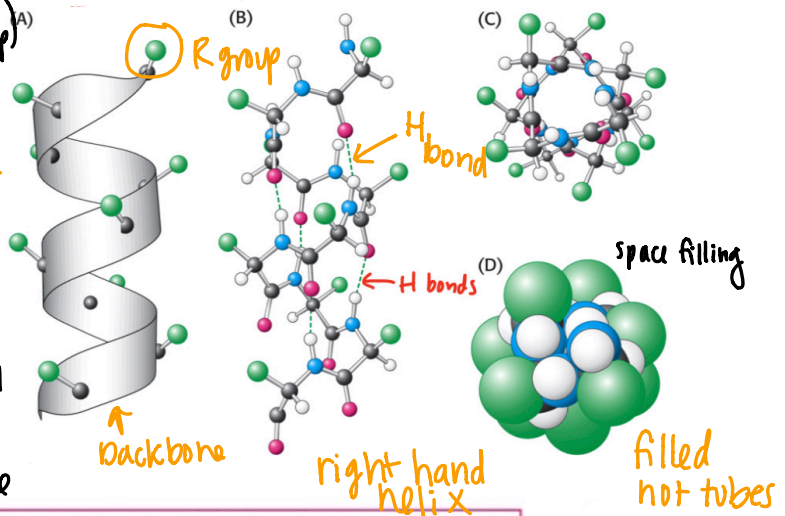
- two or more tertiary peptides together as one unit
- individual polypeptides are the subunits of the protein ^{don't work alone}
- subunits can be held together by covalent or non-covalent bonds
- homomeric (homodimer) = all polypeptide subunits are the same ^{same 2}
- heteromeric (heterodimer) = if there are two or more kinds of polypep subunits in the functional protein ^{diff 2}

(only H-bonds)

2.29 + 2.30 Secondary Structure α helix

Alpha Helices (only 1 polypep)^(A)

- α helices form by hydrogen bonds at backbone
- H of peptide bond group interacts with O of another group 4 amino acids away
- proline does not fit in well (could be at start or end)
- α helix is one polypeptide chain on itself

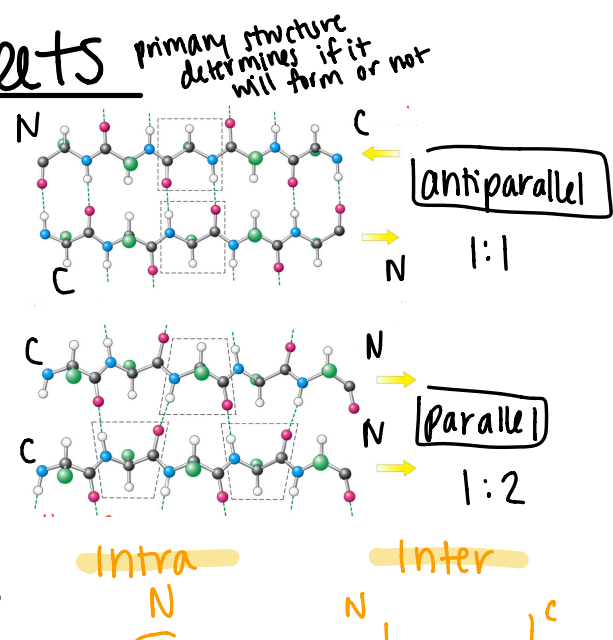


- R groups either hydrophobic/hydrophilic on a section of the polypeptide chain determine if it will fold into this form or not

2.36 + 2.37 β -Sheets

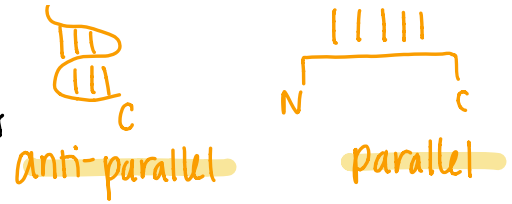
Beta sheets

- β -sheets are a very open type of secondary structure
- held together by Hydrogen Bonds between the main chain groups that are far apart in primary sequence
- can be two polypeptides or one
- can be parallel or antiparallel
- Flat Structures, not rigid, flexible



- R groups determine if β -sheet will form or not

- bonds between H-donors + H-acceptors
- β turns = twists in sheets stabilised by H-bonds

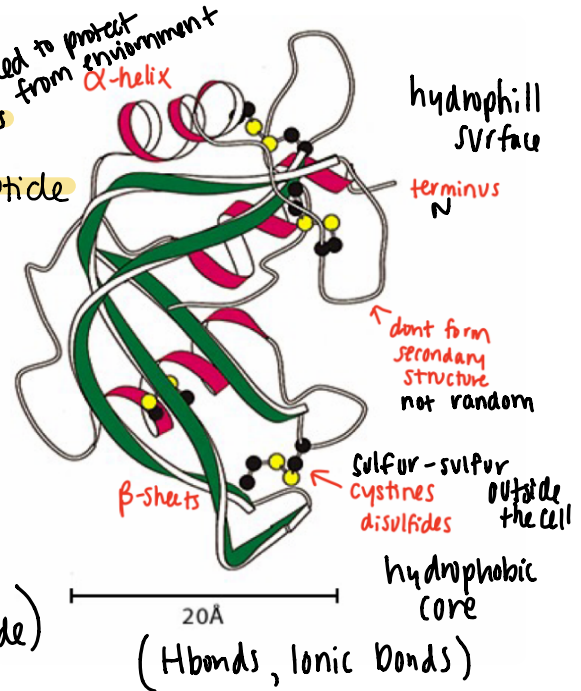


Tertiary Structure

driving force is hydrophobic interactions

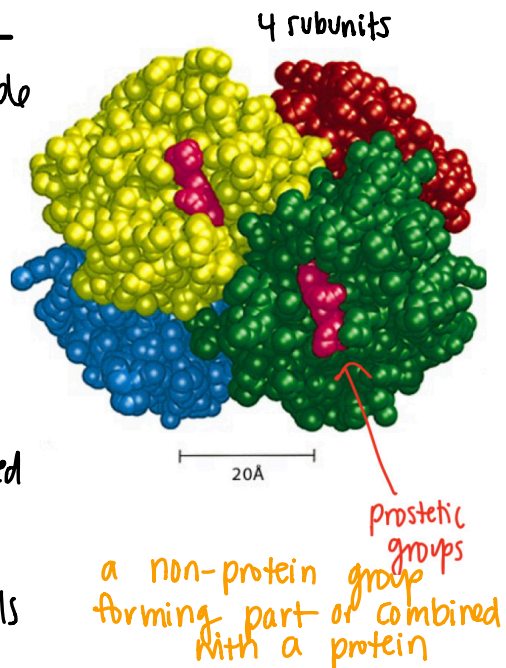
- Final folded 3-D form of polypeptide
- If it is the functional form then it is a protein
- this example is RNase A that degrades RNA
- has both α -helix + β -sheet
- some regions without secondary structure

(van der Waals interactions inside)



Quaternary Structure

- many proteins consist of multiple polypeptides
- such proteins have quaternary structure
- each polypeptide is a subunit
- this example is hemoglobin which consists of four subunits
- the individual subunits have limited or no function by themselves
- held together by van der Waals disulfide ionic bonds



Chapter 1 Portrait of Allosteric Proteins

- Allosteric: different shapes have different functions
- building a molecular computer with a few billion years of evolution
 - ↳ all random mutations through evolution ^{physiological need for biochemistry} needs to vary
- In response to physiological changes / needs in the body
 - ↳ how does change in hemoglobins structure change its affinity for oxygen
 - Lungs
hemoglobins affinity for O_2 is highest
 - Peripheral tissues
hemoglobins affinity for O_2 is lowered

can Hemoglobin + Myoglobin storage

- Hemoglobin = transporter protein in RBCs carries oxygen
 - also involved in transport of CO_2 + protons
 - can vary its affinity
 - red protein
 - not an enzyme
- Myoglobin = stores oxygen in fast twitch muscle tissue
 - keeps it available for quick sprint activity
 - does not vary its affinity, fast twitch muscle

why are they good model allosteric proteins?

- ① both complete 3-D tertiary structures that are known
 - 1st proteins whose atoms positions have been determined
- ② Myoglobin is structurally a subunit of hemoglobin
 - has extra stuff
 - hemoglobin is an allosterically regulated heterotetramer (different subunits)

Allosteric Regulation

- allosteric regulation = binding of one ligand at one site influences the binding of another ligand at another site
- one molecule binding to a protein at site A controls the affinity

of another site B^0 on the 'same' protein

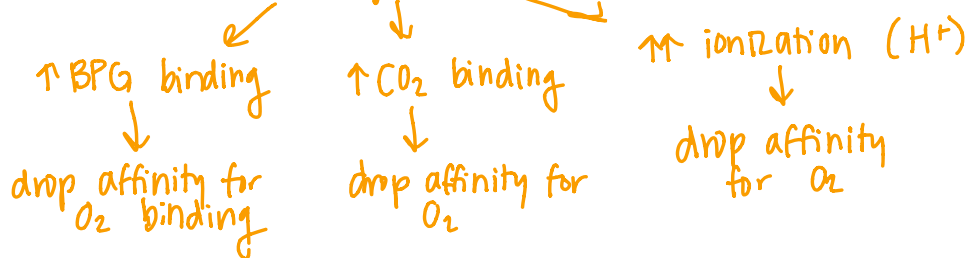
- the second site may bind the same ligand or a different one, in this way the protein can vary its binding of molecules based off of different parameters

evolutionary driven

- substrate connection
- product concentration
- pH

} binding influences function later

example: hemoglobin



Heme Groups helper groups

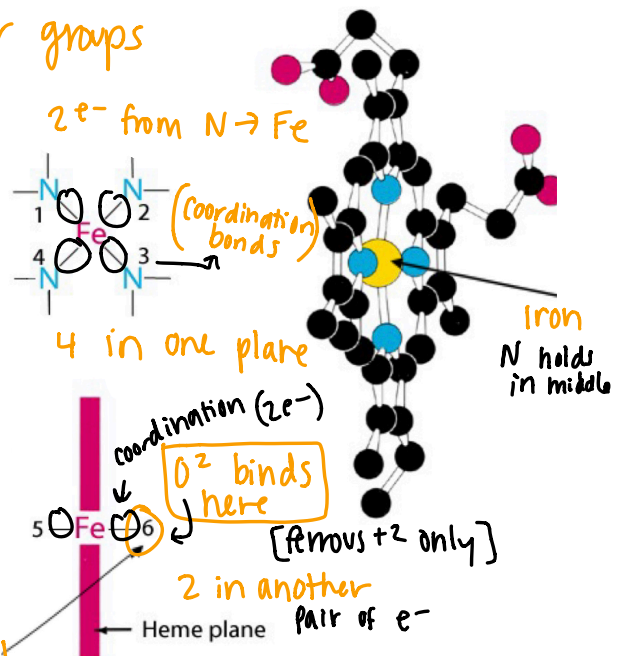
- heme: a prosthetic group a non-protein segment needed for function
- protein w/out a prosthetic group is apoprotein

- heme contains Fe ion

- $+2$ (ferrous) can bind O_2
- $+3$ (ferric) cannot bind O_2
- Fe has 6 coordination sites
- O_2 binds in 6th

- contains protoporphyrin ring = holds metal ions in the middle

6 coordination bonds



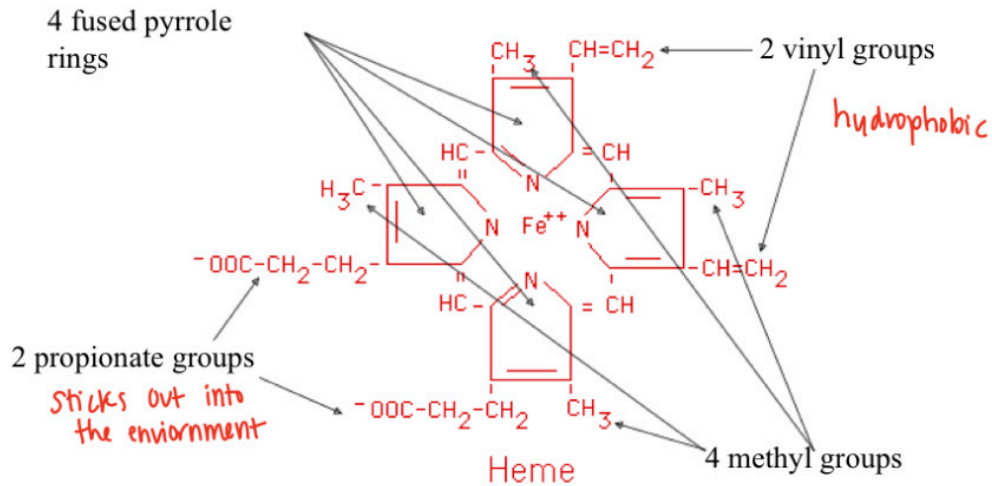
Iron w/ partially filled orbitals have coordination bonds = both e^- from one atom (N)

Heme Structure:

- don't memorize

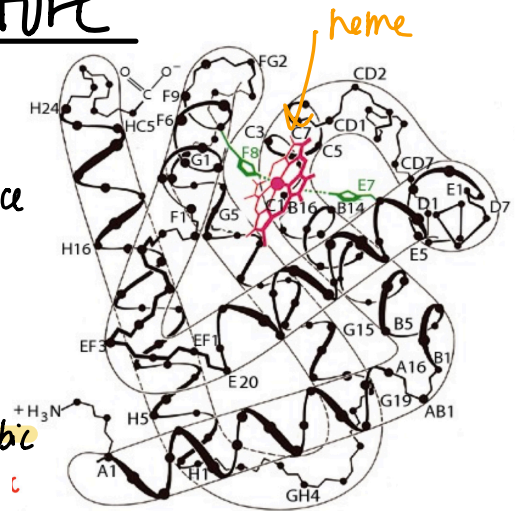
toaster analogy: protoporphyrin ring = toast
myoglobin = slot

(covalent = sharing e^-
coordination = share $2e^-$)



Myoglobin 3-D structure

- Single polypeptide chain in tertiary structure
- Very compact, little empty space
- 75% is folded into α helices
8 total (A-H)
- 4 helices broken by prolines
- all interior residues are hydrophobic
- except 2 histidines that are hydrophilic
- the heme is oriented so 2 propionate groups stick out of the top of the cleft
- Outside is polar/non mixed hydrophob/phil



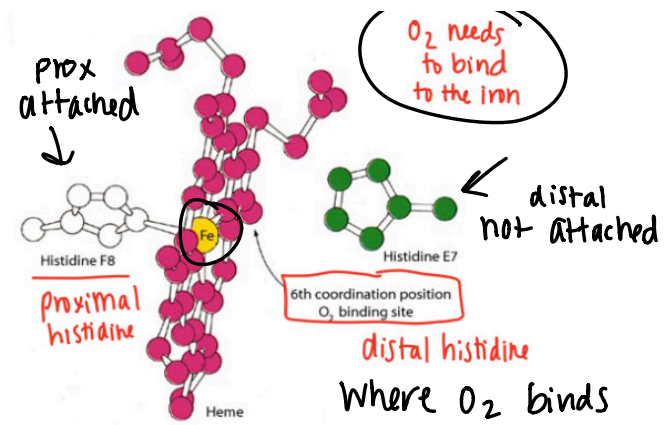
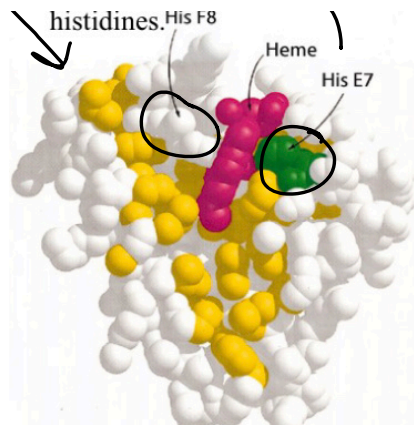
The internal Histidines create a "hindered heme"

- The cleft in which the heme group sits is lined w/ non-polar residues except the two histidines

non-polar
hydrophobic
residues

Polar hydrophilic
histidines

- One his (F8 proximal) is coordinated to the 5th site on the iron ion. The other is (E7 distal) is near 6th position but not bonded



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