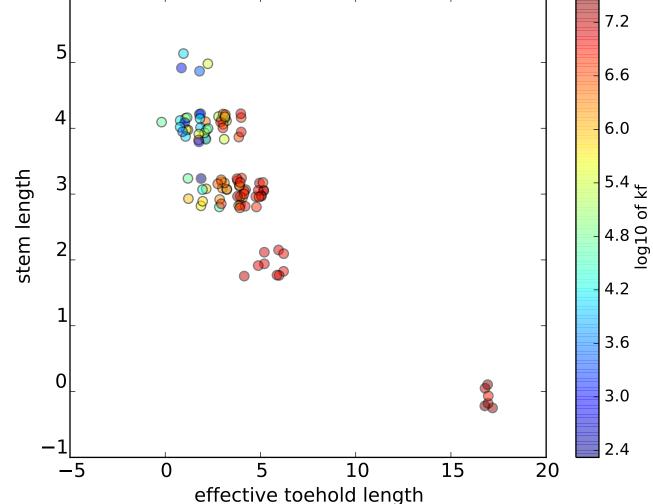


Association rates plotted in toehold-length vs stem-length space 6 7.2 5 6.6 4 6.0



Disassociation rates plotted in toehold-length vs stem-length space 6 -1.65 -2.44 -3.2stem length 3 -5.6-6.40 -7.2-8.0 20 0 10 15 effective toehold length