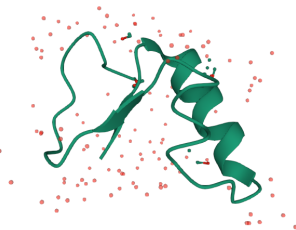
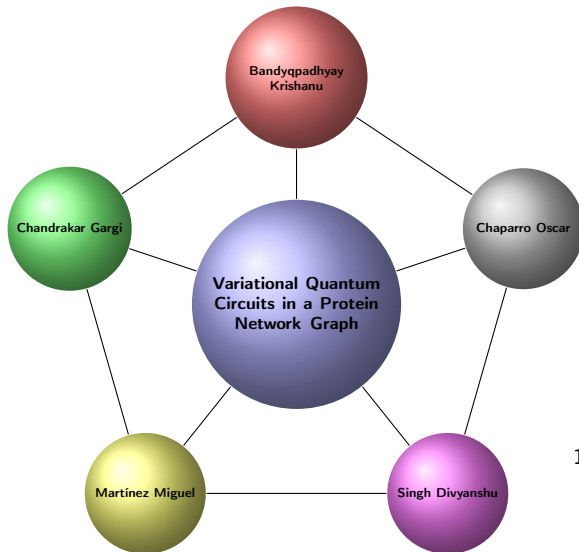


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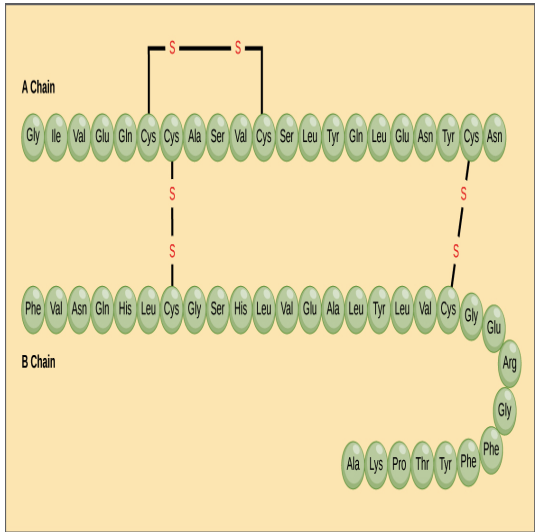
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- To find **bounding amino acids function** on a delimited **network graph** approach that characterized a chemical structure using a **variational quantum circuit**.
- To apply **quantum circuits** used in **graph theory** and **optimization** problems to map **3D-protein structure** into chemical interaction network.
- Using the **QAOA variational form** to find an approximate solution for the **protein folding** quadratic program.
- To encourage people to push into quantum computing and solve real molecular biology problems faster than classical methods.

Introduction to the protein-protein interactions

- Protein are made of amino acids chain, which are biomolecules that have several biochemical interaction between them.
- 3D-protein structure depends on the the biochemical bondings between the structure to reach their functional form.
- Detect and found the portion of the chemical interaction that stabilize the molecule have several application as pharmacology, biology and bioinformatics.



Bonding energy function

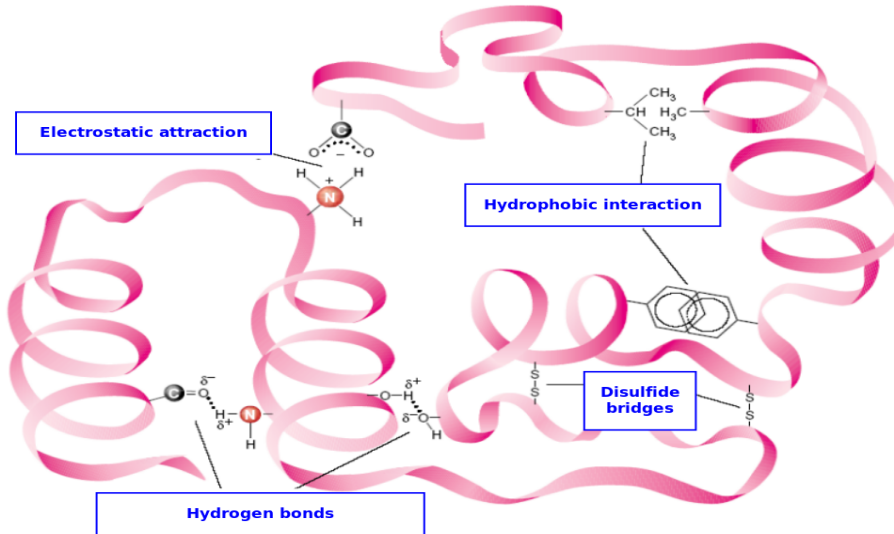
$$E_{total\ potential} = E_{structure} + E_{bonding} \quad (1)$$

$$E_{bonding} = \sum_{i=0}^n \sum_{j>i}^n \left(-\frac{A_{ij}}{r_{ij}^6} + \frac{B_{ij}e^{-C_{ij}r_{ij}}}{k_1} \right) + \sum_{i=0}^n \sum_{j>i}^n \frac{332q_iq_j}{k_2\epsilon r_{ij}} \quad (2)$$

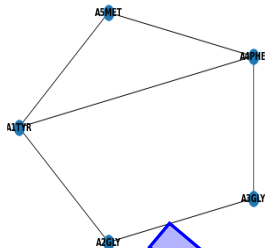
With n number of atoms in the molecule (YA., A., and HA, 2006).

- Hydrophobic.
- Disulfide (bridnge).
- Hydrogen bonds.
- Ionic and aromatic (partial).
- Cation- π .
- Peptide bond.

Main chemical bonding inside a protein-protein 3D-structure



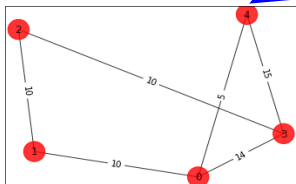
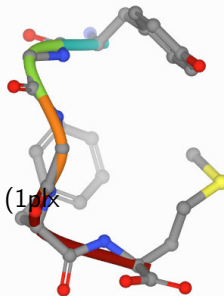
Graph network methodology



Amino Acids as nodes of graph network.

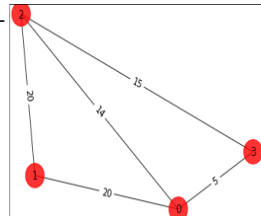


3D-protein structure (1plx (Harano, 2012)).



Weighted by the interacting potential function.

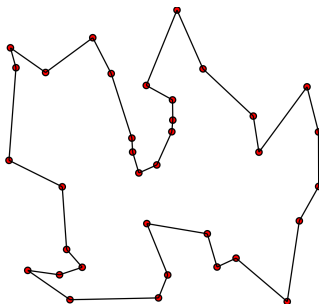
Graph reduction.



Introduction to the protein-protein interactions

Classic solution

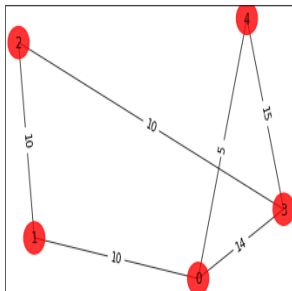
We implement a classical solution using the algorithm [traveling salesman](#) as an [NP-complete problem](#). for protein folding problem based on a [protein network graph](#) to find bounding amino acids, the main objective is to find the nodes with more interactions or weights ([proteins with more connections](#)).



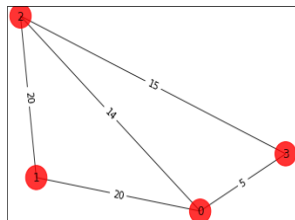
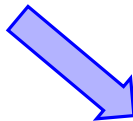
Protein network graph representation

Grouped amino acids =
node value:

- A1TYR = 0
- A2GLY = 1
- A3GLY = 2
- A4PHE = 3
- A5MET = 4



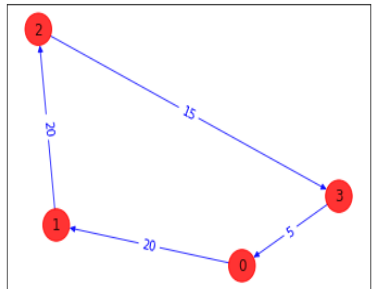
The weighted protein graph can be reduced and grouped with [Bounding energy function](#) (ANIS et al., 2021) [2]



Brute Force Approach

```
a=list(permutations(range(1,N)))
last_best_distance = 0
for i in a:
    distance = 0
    pre_j = 0
    for j in i:
        distance = distance + w[j,pre_j]
        pre_j=j
    distance = distance + w[pre_j,0]
    order = (0,) + i
    if distance > last_best_distance :
        best_order=order
    last_best_distance=distance
    print('order = ' + str(order)
        + ' Weight of protein folding = ' +
        str(distance))
```

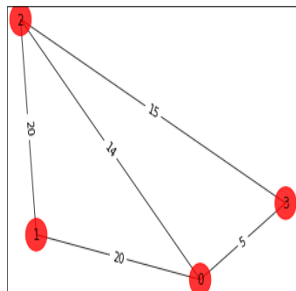
order = (0, 1, 2, 3) Weight of protein folding = 60
Best order from brute force = (0, 1, 2, 3) with total weight = 60



Quantum computing approach

Protein folding problem base on the travelling salesman.

$$Weight_{matrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 20 & 14 & 5 \\ 20 & 0 & 20 & 0 \\ 14 & 20 & 0 & 15 \\ 5 & 0 & 15 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$



Cost function:

$$C(\mathbf{x}) = \sum_{i,j} w_{ij} \sum_p x_{i,p} x_{j,p+1} + A \sum_p \left(1 - \sum_i x_{i,p}\right)^2 + A \sum_i \left(1 - \sum_p x_{i,p}\right)^2, \quad (3)$$

Quadratic program to QUBO

Qubo matrix and vector:

$$Q_{ij} = W_{ij} \quad c_i = \sum_{i=1}^n i.$$

In this case we need to maximize the cost function:

$$\begin{aligned} & \sum_{i,j} w_{ij} \sum_p x_{i,p} x_{j,p+1} + A \sum_p \left(1 - \sum_i x_{i,p}\right)^2 + A \sum_i \left(1 - \sum_p x_{i,p}\right)^2 \\ &= \sum_{i,j} \sum_p x_{i,p} w_{ij} x_{j,p+1} + A \sum_p \left(1 - \sum_i x_{i,p}\right)^2 + A \sum_i \left(1 - \sum_p x_{i,p}\right)^2 \\ &= A \sum_p \left(1 - \sum_i x_{i,p}\right)^2 + A \sum_i \left(1 - \sum_p x_{i,p}\right)^2 + \sum_{i,j} \sum_p x_{i,p} w_{ij} x_{j,p+1} \\ &= c^T x + x^T Q x, \end{aligned}$$

Running on a Quantum Computer

Qiskit provides automatic conversion from a suitable *QuadraticProgram* to an *Ising Hamiltonian*, which then allows to leverage all the *MinimumEigenSolver*.

Solving a QUBO with the minimum eigen optimizer based on VQE

```
spsa = SPSA(maxiter=300)
ry = TwoLocal(qubitOp.num_qubits, 'ry', 'cz', reps=5,
entanglement='linear')
vqe = VQE(ry, optimizer=spsa, quantum_instance=quantum_instance)
```

```
result = vqe.compute_minimum_eigenvalue(qubitOp)
```




energy: -2417.052734375

time: 454.48226857185364

feasible: True

solution: [2, 3, 0, 1]

solution objective: 60.0

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