

Application of DNA self-assembly “from origami to computer”

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1-1. What is DNA Nanotechnology? (1)

DNA:

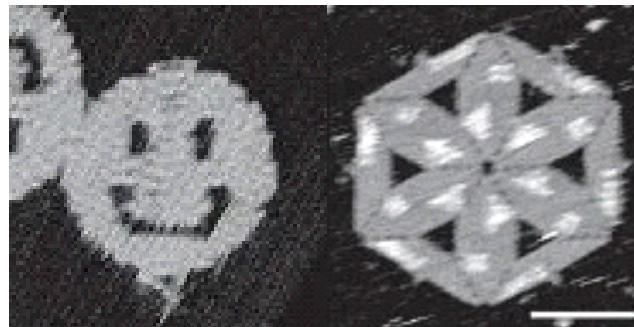
- Carrier of genetic information
in the form of sequence of 4 bases (ATGC)
- DNA →(transcription)→ RNA →(translation)→ proteins

In DNA nanotechnology,

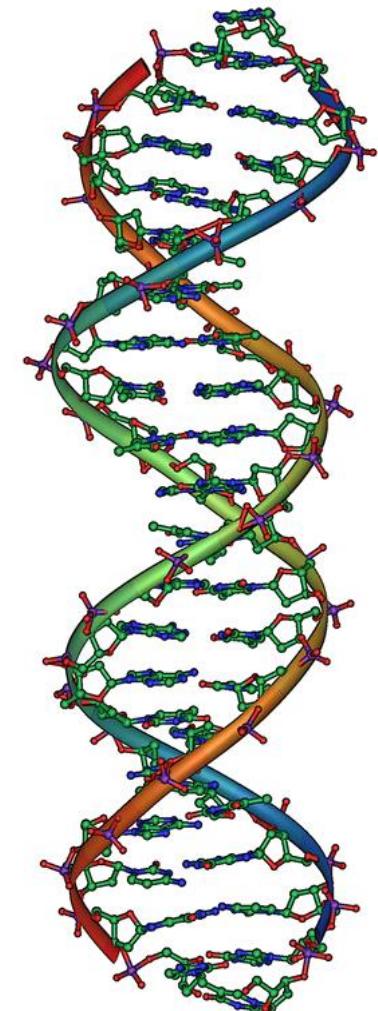
- DNA: **non-biological** functional molecule
- Various systems or structures are designed in nano scale
using DNA as engineering materials.



DNA computer*

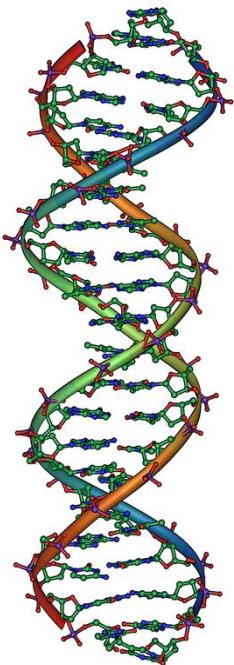


DNA nanostructure

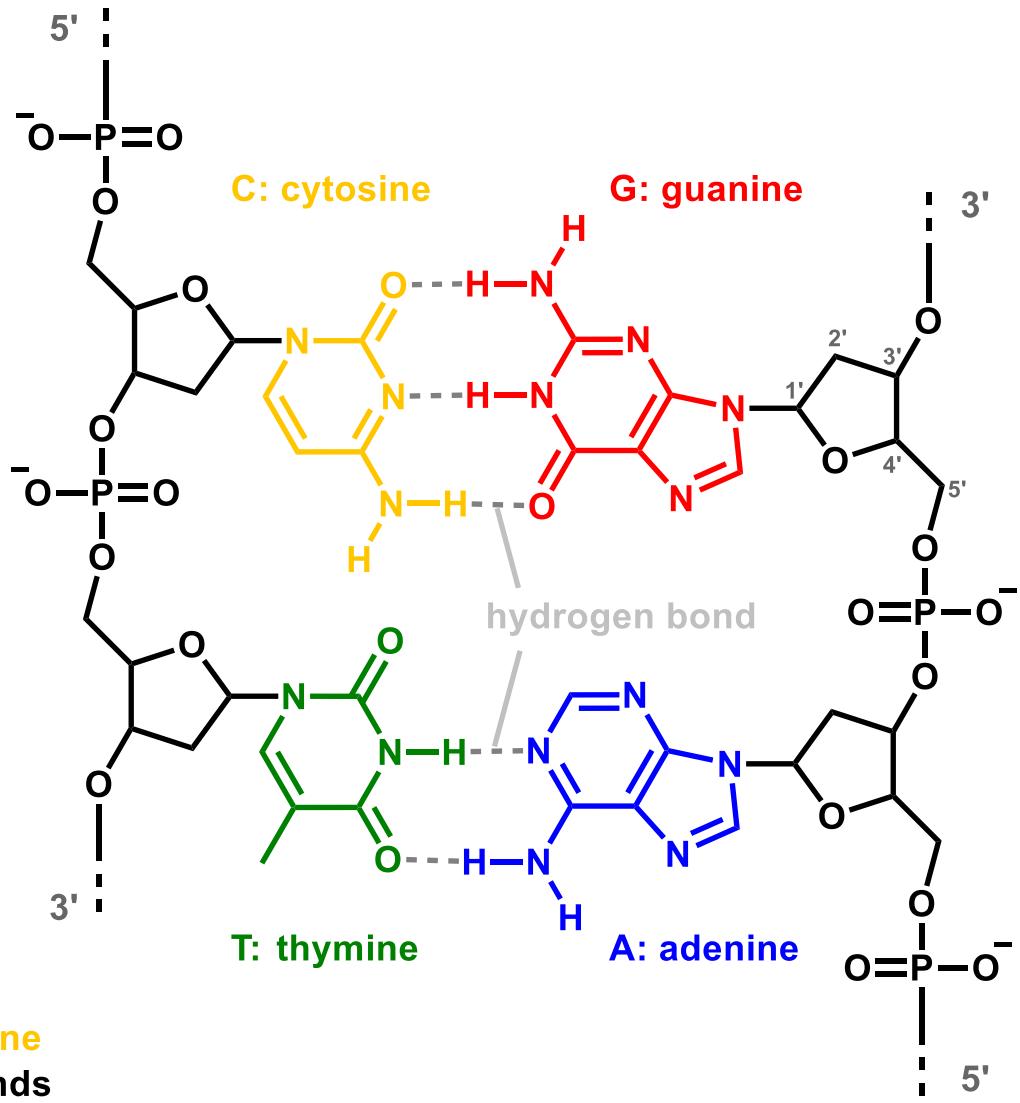


* Please also refer to
151114_LS_Keisuke_MASUDA_Information_containing_molecules

1-2. What is DNA Nanotechnology? (2)



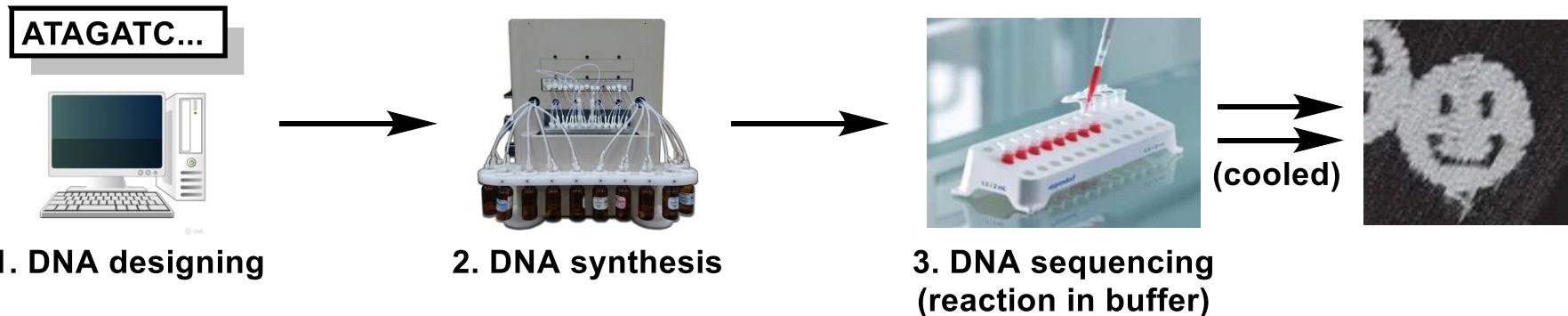
≡



- 2 antiparallel chains form "double helix" structure.
- Adenine and Thymine / Guanine and Cytosine are bounded to each other by hydrogen bonds complementarily.
→ This base paring rule constrains the behavior of DNA

1-3. What is DNA Nanotechnology? (3)

General experimental procedure



Why is DNA suitable for material?

1. Programmable design information

- DNAs include design information (base sequence) in themselves.
= Information is equivalent to products.

2. Unnecessity of processing devices (other than DNA synthesizer)

- Nowadays DNA is easily available, provided by DNA synthesis service.

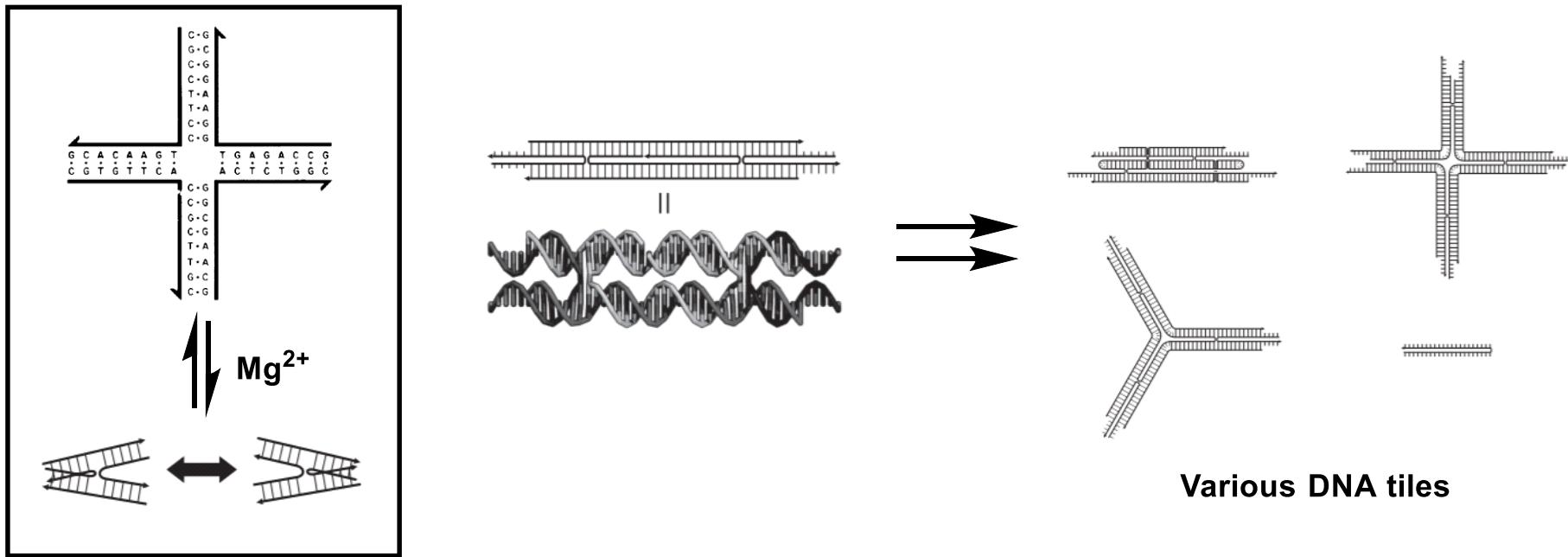
3. High processing accuracy

- DNA chains hybridize or self-assemble according to design information.
- Functional expression requires specific sequence design to avoid undesired hybridization.
- technical development of calculation

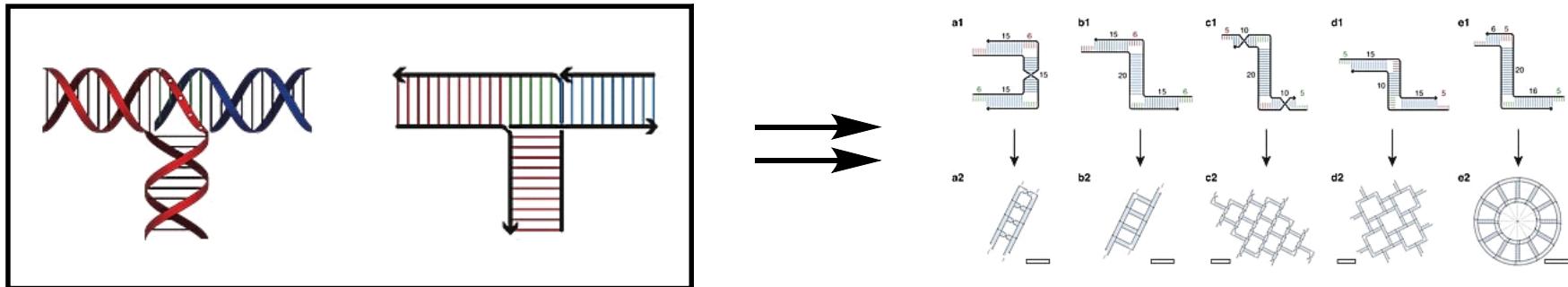
→ Various fields on science have been supplying research projects

1-4. DNA Nanostructure (1) – Junction –

Crossover junction by Seeman¹⁾



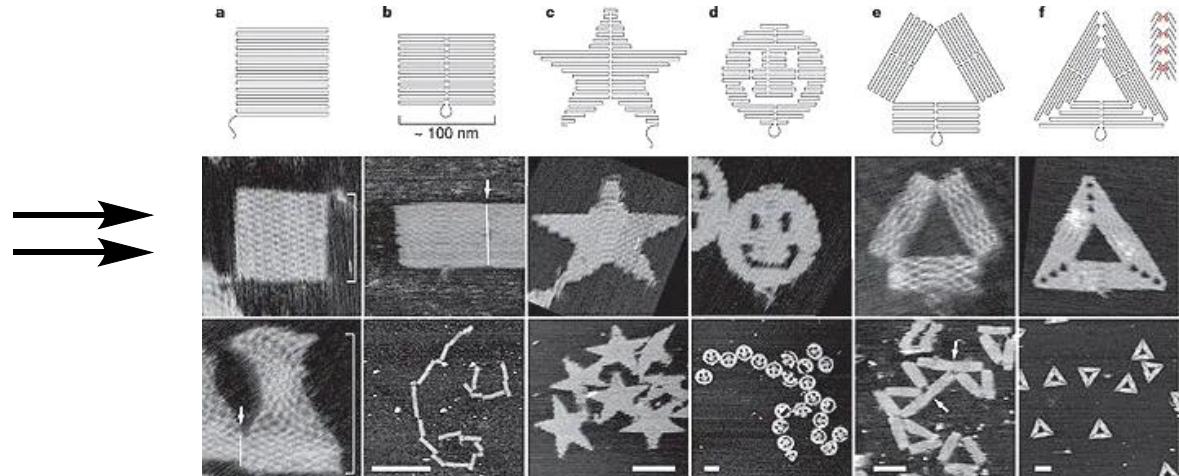
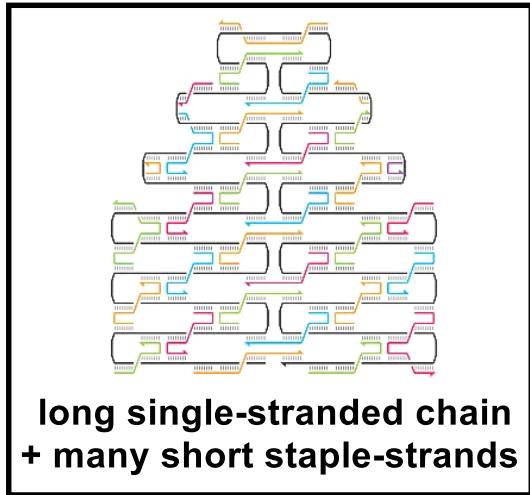
T-junction by Hamada and Murata²⁾



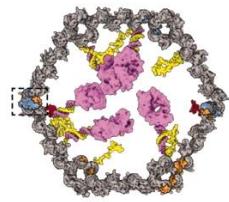
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1-5. DNA Nanostructure (2) – DNA Origami –

DNA origami by Rothemund¹⁾



Example of application:



unlock DNA aptamer
by target molecules



Douglas invented a drug-delivering nanorobot using DNA origami as a body material.²⁾

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2) Douglas, S. M.; Bachelet, I.; Church, C. M. *Science* **2012**, 335, 831.

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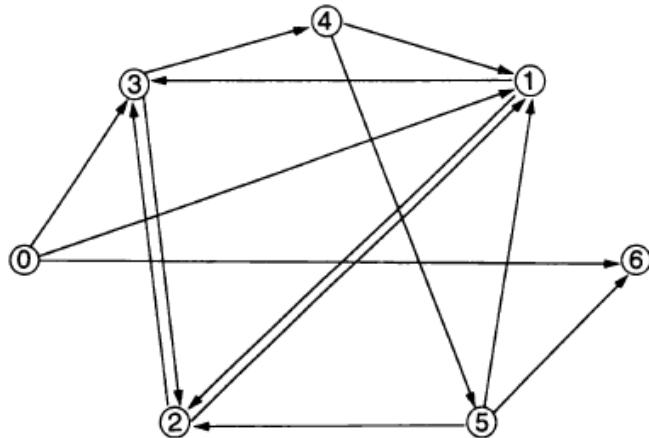
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2-1. Dawn of DNA-based Computing

The first study on data processing by DNA



Q. Does this directed graph
have **Hamiltonian path**?

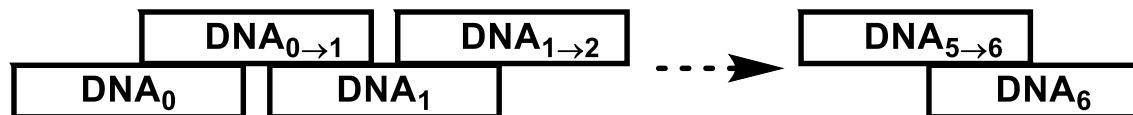
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 O_3 GCTATTGAGCTTAAAGCTA
 O_4 GGCTAGGTACCAAGCATGCTT
 $O_{2 \rightarrow 3}$ GTATATCCGAGCTATTGAG
 $O_{3 \rightarrow 4}$ CTTAAAGCTAGGCTAGGTAC
 \bar{O}_3 CGATAAGCTCGAATTCGAT

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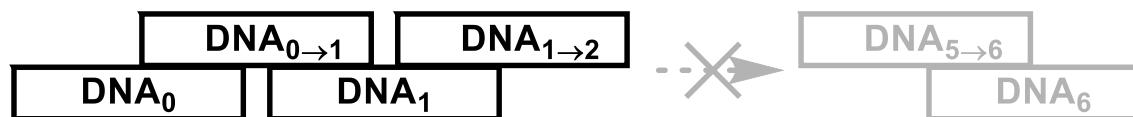
Leonard Adleman:
inventor of RSA

- If **yes**,



All DNAs would
be bound straight.

- If **no**,



All DNAs would not
be bound straight.

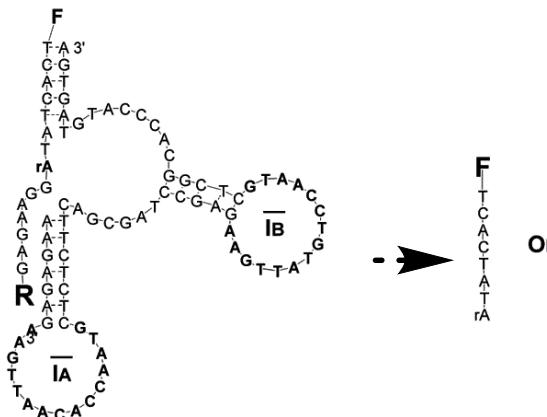
2-2. Development of DNA-based Computing

Adleman's DNA computer,

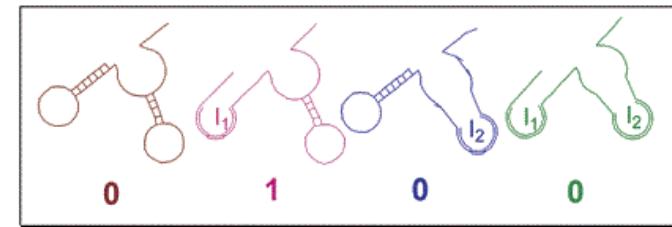
- would need the more DNAs, the more information was processed.
- could not process **multi-step calculation**.

Autonomous DNA computer for multi-step calculation

- Finite automaton using Class II restriction enzyme ¹⁾
- "Whiplash PCR": a chain reaction using DNA polymerase ²⁾
- Logic gate using E6 DNAzyme ³⁾
e.g. ANDNOT ($A \wedge \neg B$) gate



I _A	I _B	OF	I ₅₂₀
0	0	0	<30
1	0	1	>50
0	1	0	<30
1	1	0	<30



NOT input DNA $A \rightarrow$ E6 DNAzyme is inactive.
input DNA $B \rightarrow$ E6 DNAzyme become inactive form.

1) Benenson, Y.; Paz-Elizur, T.; Adar, R.; Keinan, E.; Livneh, Z.; Shapiro, E. *Nature* **2001**, *414*, 430.

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2-3. Prof. Erik Winfree

career:

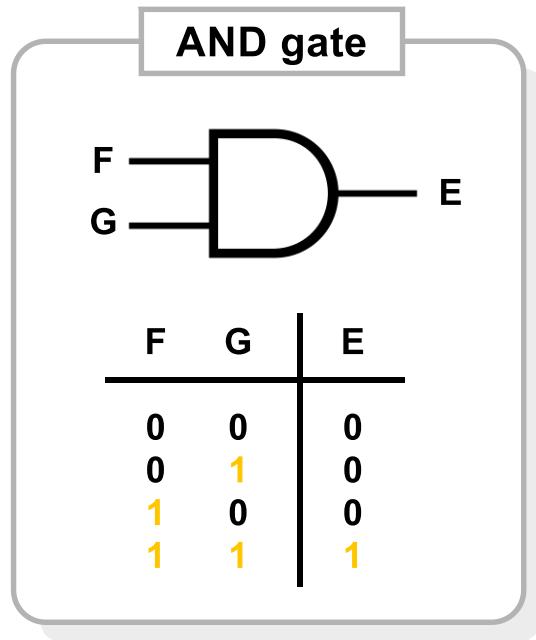


- 1991 B.S. @University of Chicago
- 1991-92 working with Stephen Wolfram and Matthew Cook
- 1992-94 Graduate student @Caltech
(Prof. AI Barr)
- 1998 Ph.D in Computation and Neural Systems program @Caltech
(Prof. John Hopfield)
- 1998-99 P. D. study on molecular biology @Princeton University
(Prof. Lewis Thomas)
- 2000- Assistant professor @Caltech
- 2006- Associate professor @Caltech
- 2010- Professor @Caltech

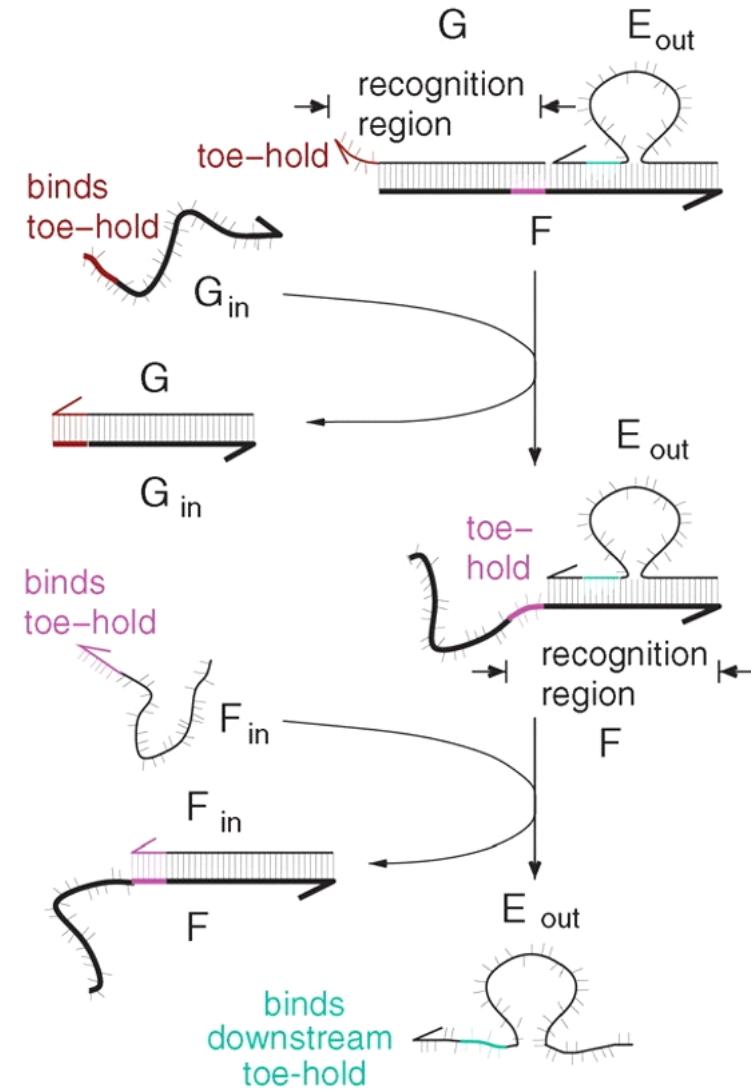
Research Projects:

- DNA computation: Enzyme-free DNA logic gates (→ section 2)
- DNA nanotechnology: Algorithmic self-assembly using DNA tiles (→ section 3)
- Molecular Programming:
Self-replicating molecular systems, evolution, and the origin of life

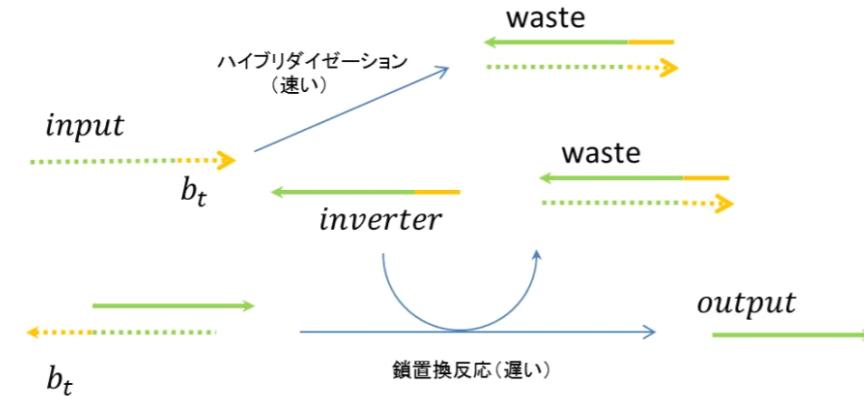
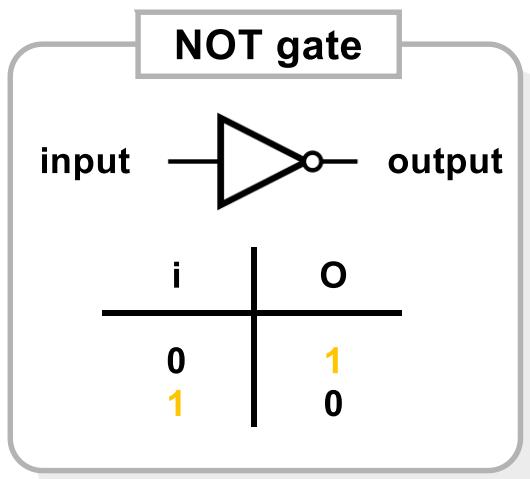
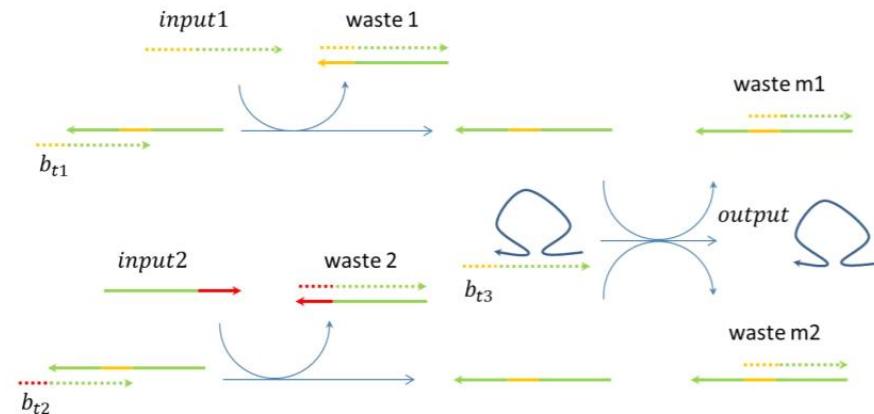
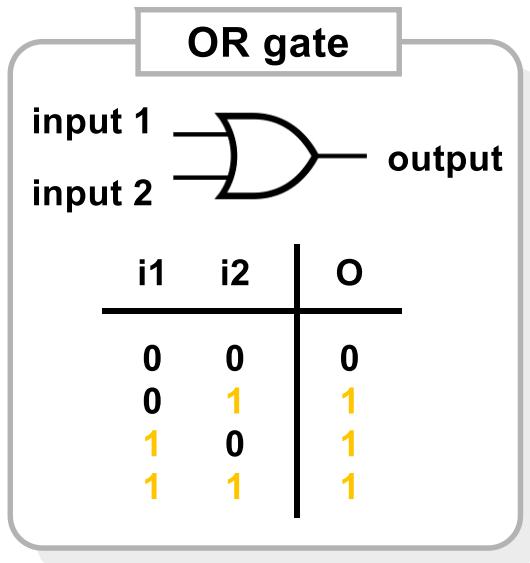
2-4. Enzyme-Free DNA Logic Circuits (1)



	REACTANTS	PRODUCTS
1	EFG, NO INPUTS	SAME AS REACT.
2	EFG + F _{in}	SAME AS REACT.
3	EFG + G _{in}	EF + GG _{in}
4	EFG + F _{in} + G _{in}	E + FF _{in} + GG _{in}



2-5. Enzyme-Free DNA Logic Circuits (2)



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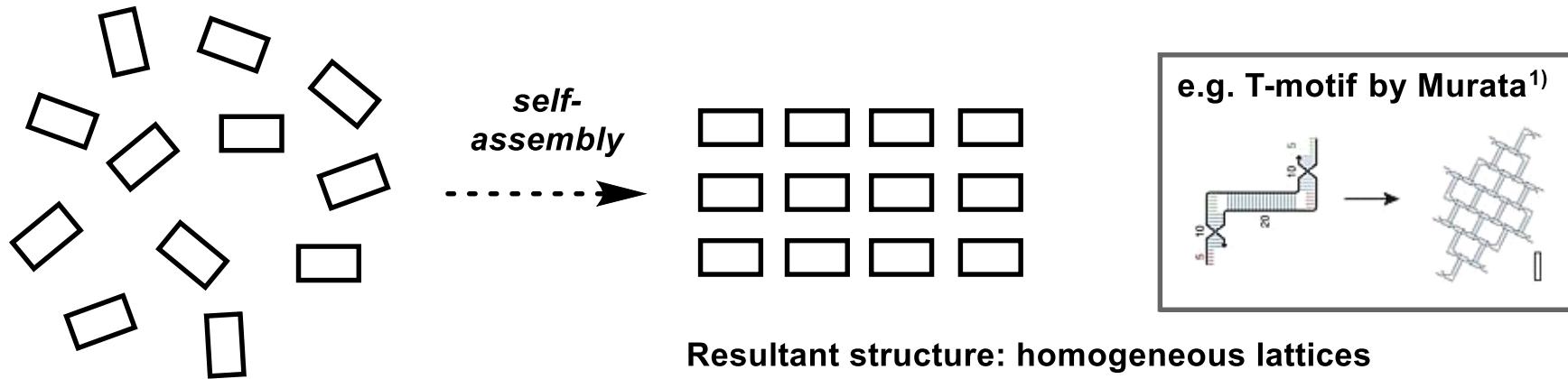
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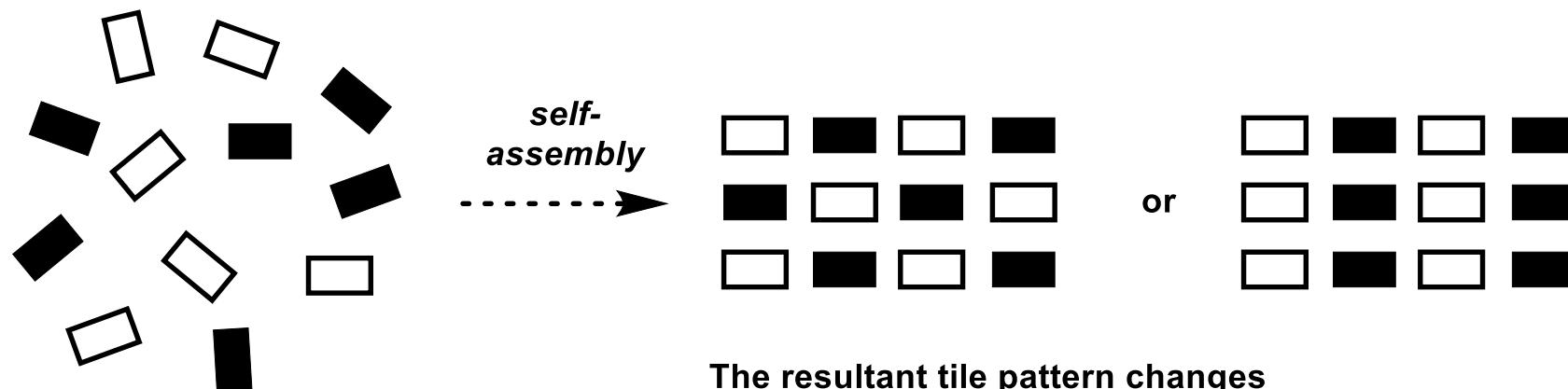
3-1. “Algorithmic” Self-Assembly

Self-assembly of one type of motif



Resultant structure: homogeneous lattices
→ A tile is bound to a tile of the same structure

Algorithmic self-assembly of motifs

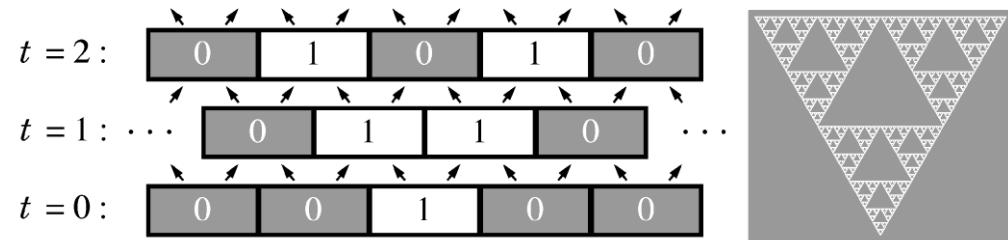


The resultant tile pattern changes
depending on the assembling rule

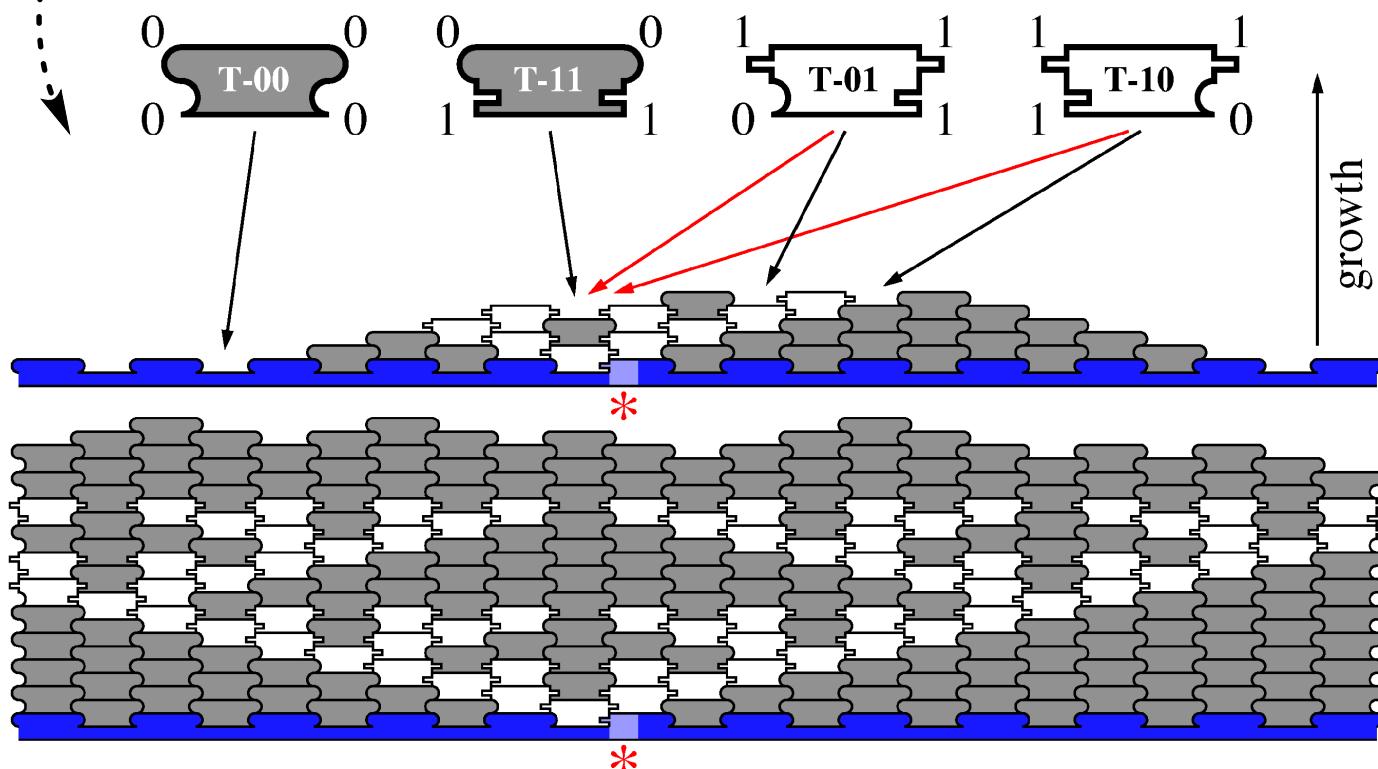
3-2. Previous Work: DNA Sierpinski Triangles (1)

Sierpinski Triangles:

fractale which contains
infinitely repeated equilateral triangle



implemented
by DNA tiles

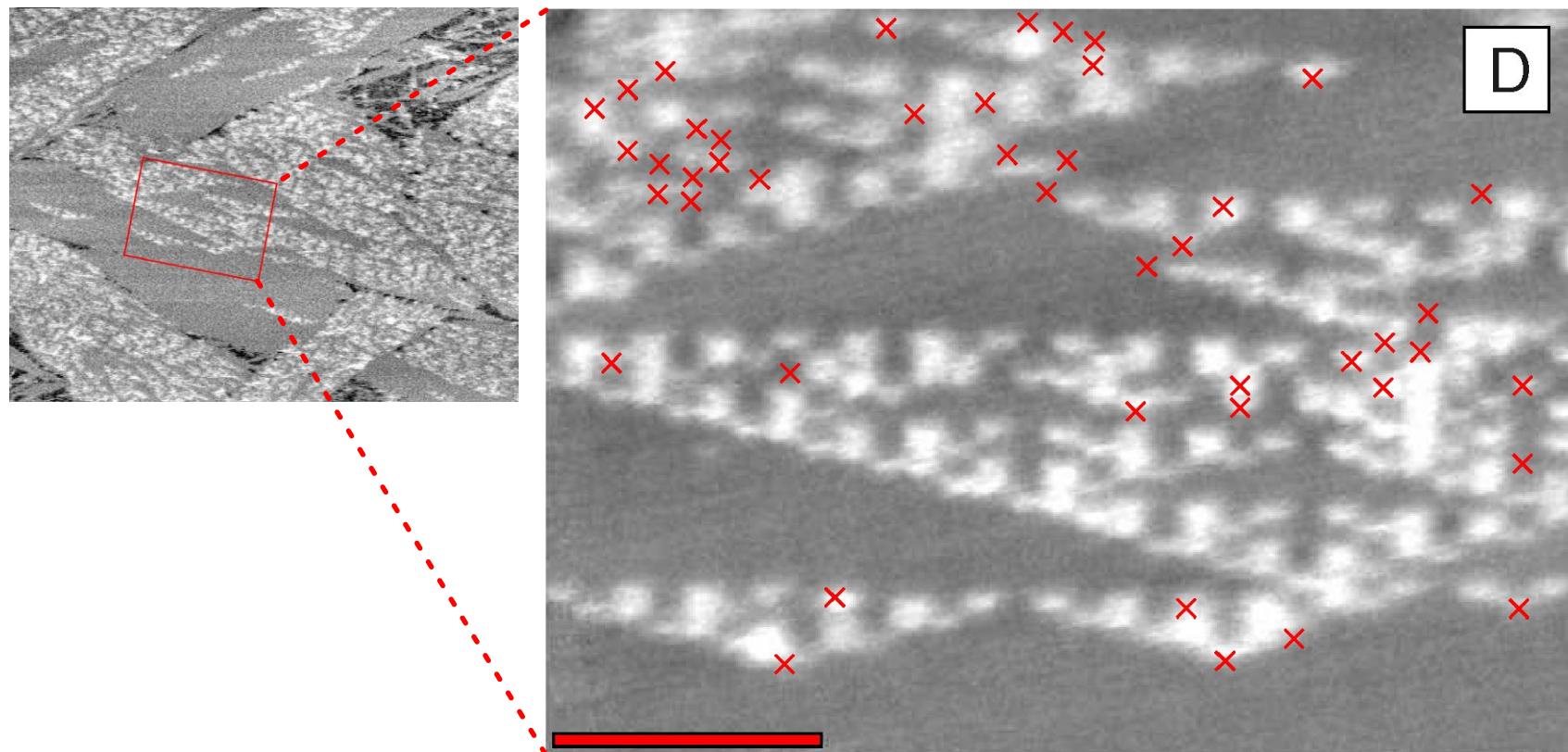


* 4 tiles function as
XOR gate.



A	B	Z
0	0	0
0	1	1
1	0	1
1	1	0

3-3. Previous Work: DNA Sierpinski Triangles (2)



Desired pattern was successfully obtained.

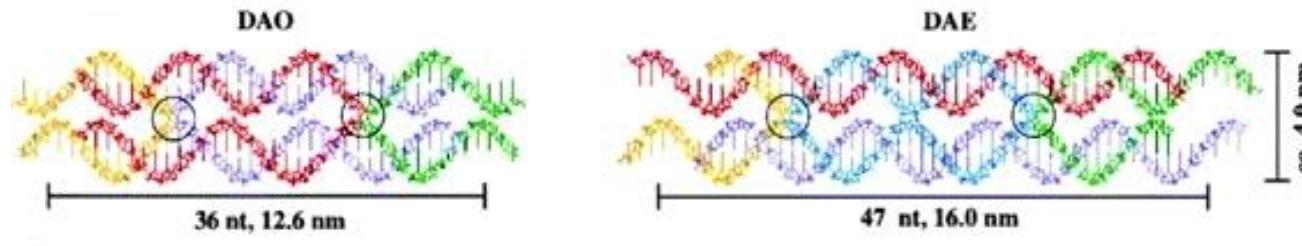
Error rates: 1%~10%

- controlling temperature and concentration
- tile design
- a floppy and slowly straightening nucleating structure

3-4. “Reprogrammable” and Single-Stranded Tile

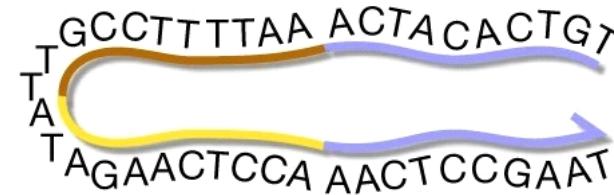
Sierpinski Triangles consist **DX tiles**

- DAO tile and DAE tile
- consisting **four strands of DNA**
 - difficult for tile systems to scale up (necessary for reprogrammable tile system)



Single-Stranded tile (SST) for scaling up

- instead of DX or triple-crossover tiles

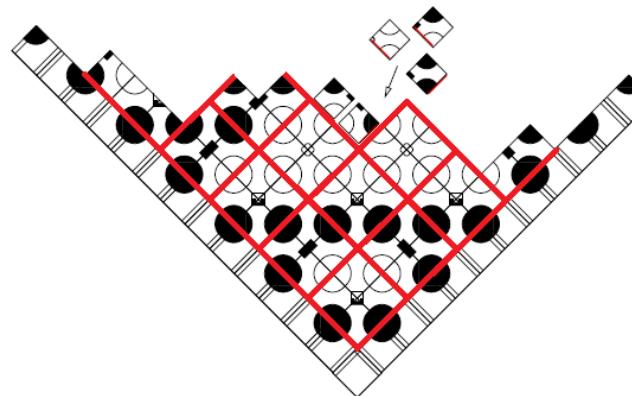
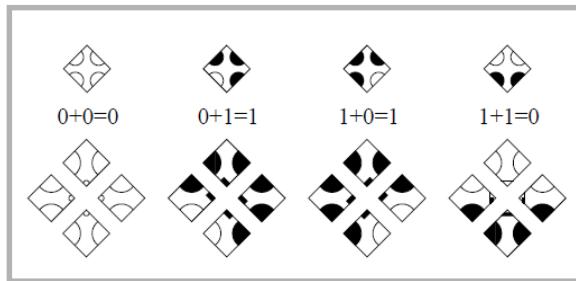


→ However, there are substantial challenges in terms of SST using.

- = SST is much more floppy than DX or TX tiles and would be effected by undesired interactions.
 - Tile-attachment errors
 - Disordered spurious nucleation
 - binding to itself

3-5. Approaches toward Reducing Errors

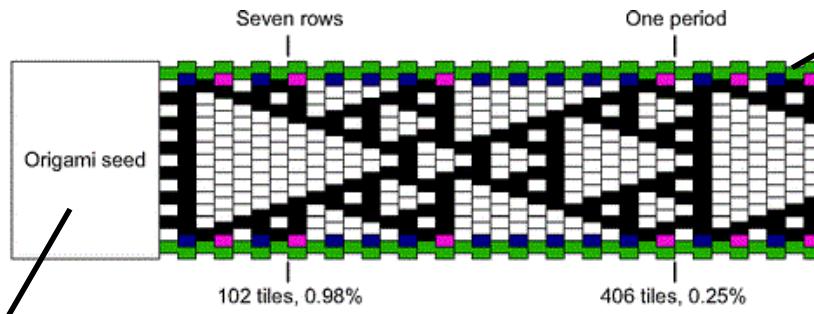
Proofreading tile¹⁾



One tile error requires
two times of continuous
tile mismatches
→ Tile binding would be
more specifically.

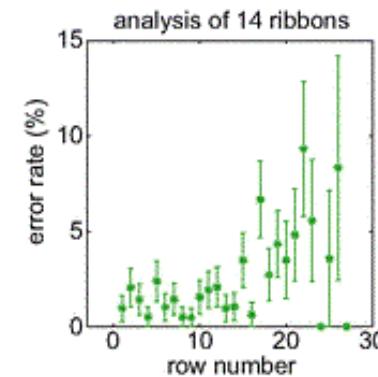
DNA tile devide into $N \times N$
(e.g. 2×2)

Fixed-width ribbon using DNA origami seed²⁾



Boundary tiles keep the width of the ribbon.
→ enabling quantitative evaluation of error rates

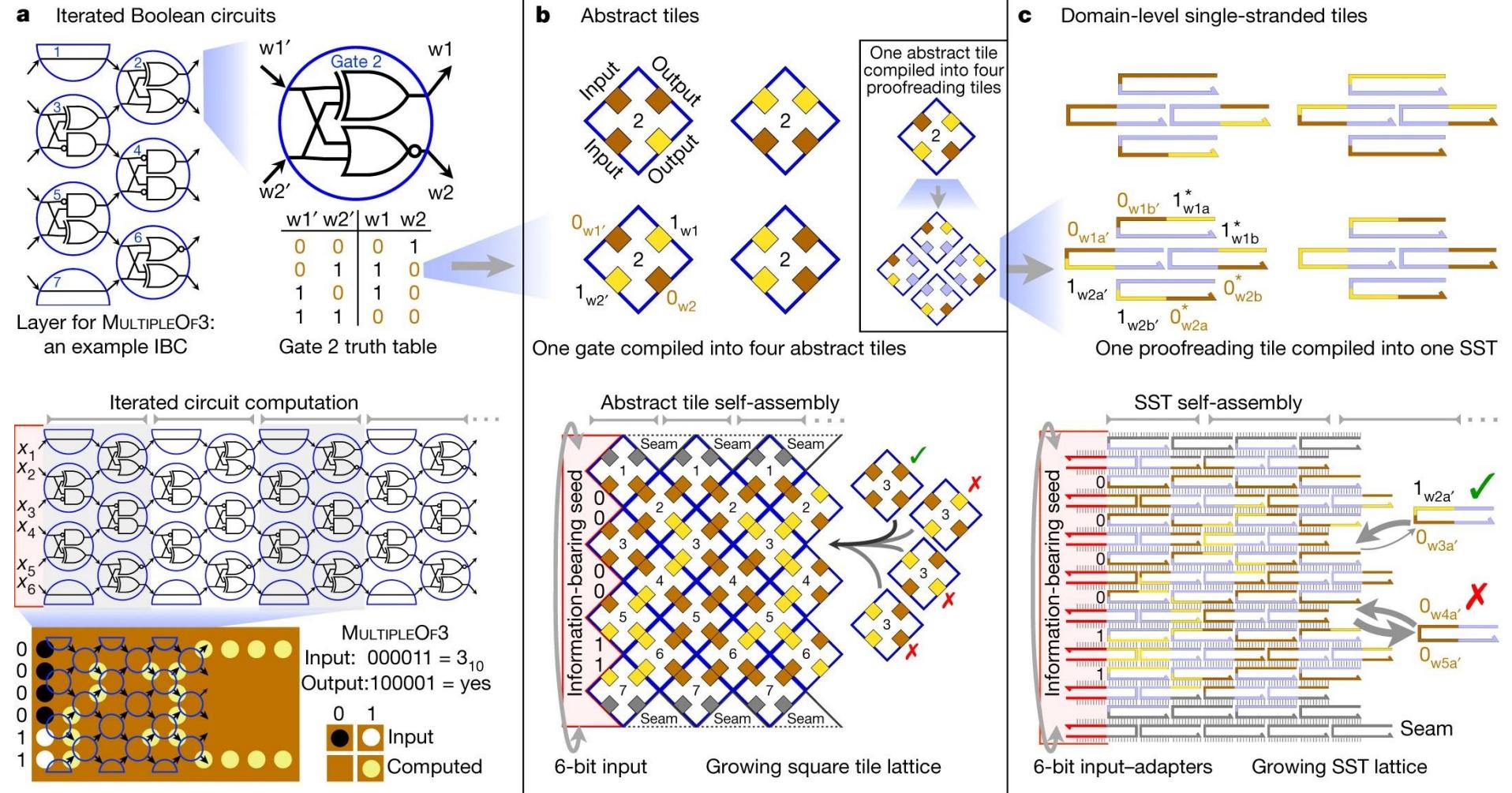
Seed structure was made by DNA origami.
→ more rigid than the single-stranded scaffold strands
→ excellent control over arbitrary nucleation bit patterns



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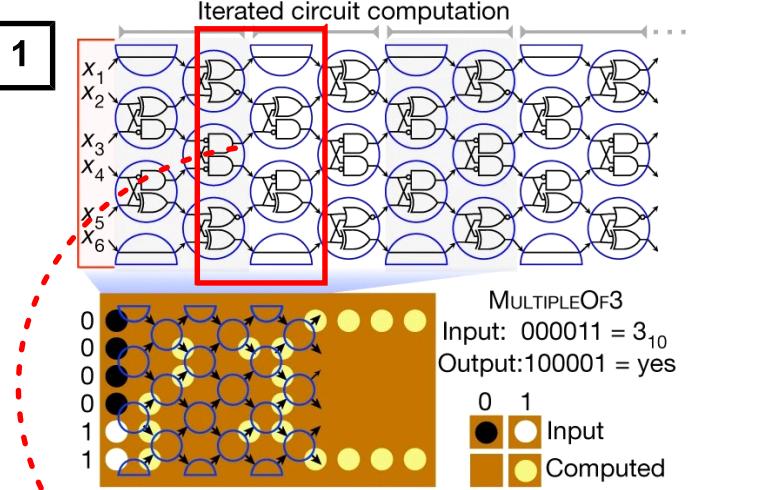
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3-6. Conception of Algorithm Design

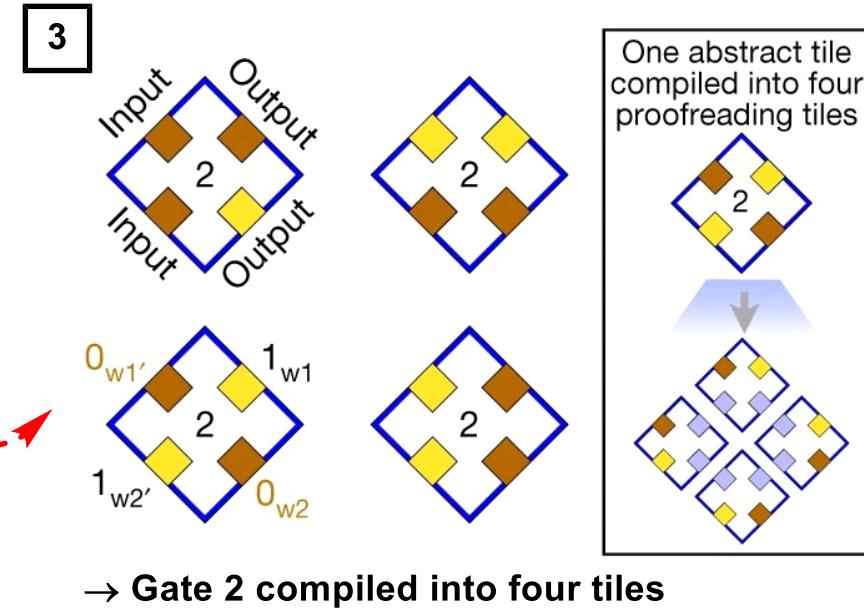
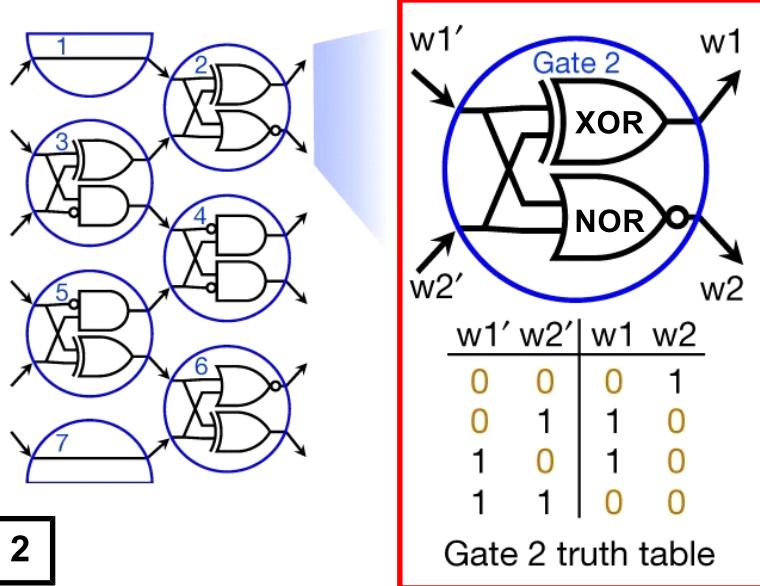


3-7. Design of Circuits and Logic Gates

(e.g. MULTIPLEOF3 circuit)

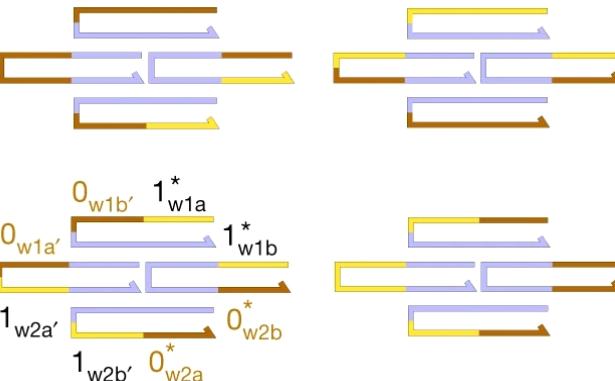


1. **6-bit 1-layer Iterated Boolean Circuit was chosen for molecular implementation.**
2. One layer contains **five logic gates**.
3. Each gate was compiled into **four abstract tiles**.
(further devided into 2×2 proofreading tiles)



3-8. Design of Each Single-Stranded Tile

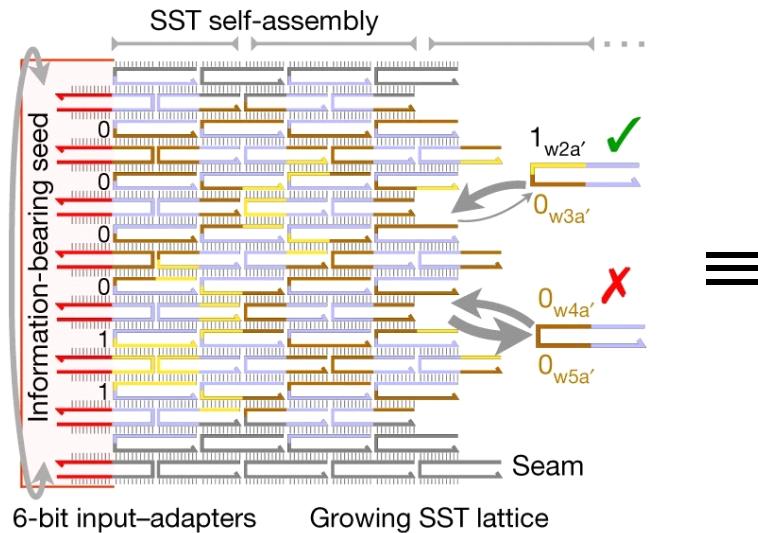
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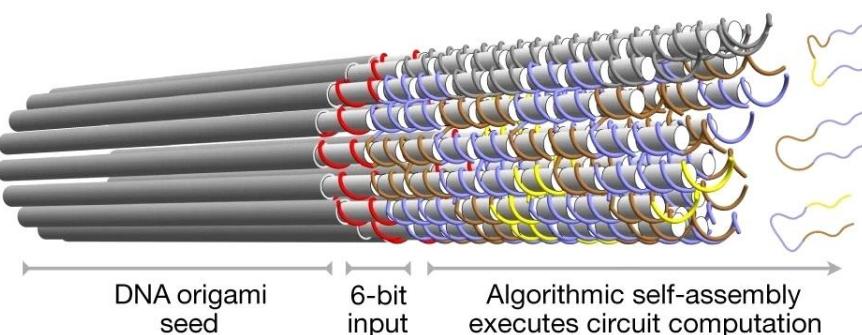
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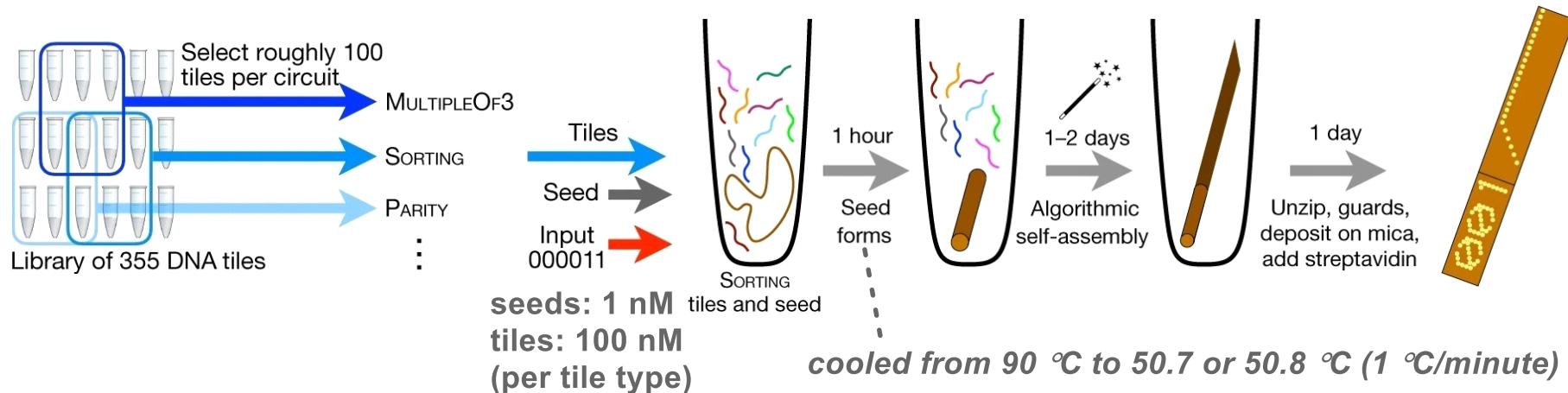


4. One proofreading tile was compiled into one single-stranded tile (SST).
5. SSTs were divided into four distinct binding domains, and **42(10+11+11+10)-base DNA sequences were designed.**
* Thymine bases placed on proofreading blocks were biotin-modified for analysis.
6. Designed SSTs would self-assemble.



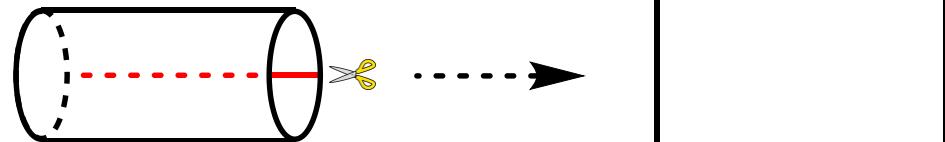
3-9. Experimental Protocol

Experimental protocol (e.g. SORTING circuit)



- **Unzip = adding unzipping strands**

→ removing the seam strands
and opening up nanotubes



- **Guards = adding guard strands**

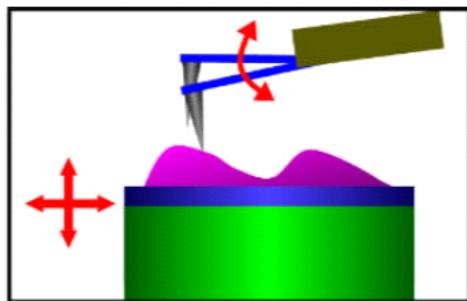
→ shutting down the assembly
by inactivating any remaining tiles in solution

- **Streptavidin binds to biotin which modifies "1" bits in tiles.**

* Input adaptor strands did have biotin modifications.

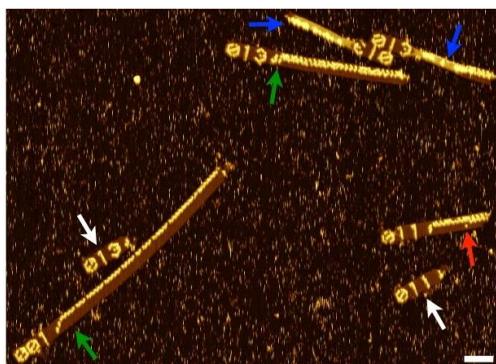
3-10. Final Analysis by Atomic Force Microscope

The Atomic Force Microscope (AFM)



AFM measures atomic force by detecting the motion of the cantilever
- In observation of DNA nanostructure,
"tapping mode" is most frequently adopted.

Analysis by AFM



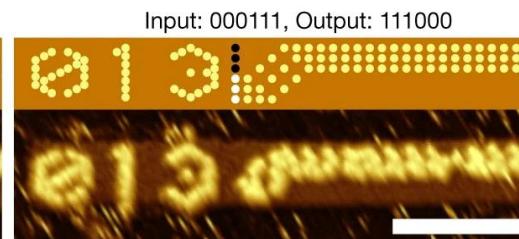
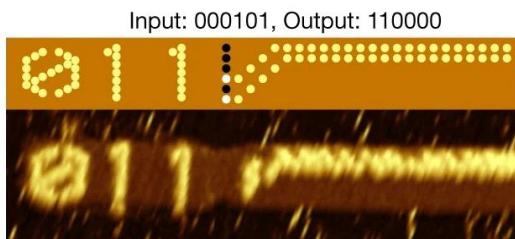
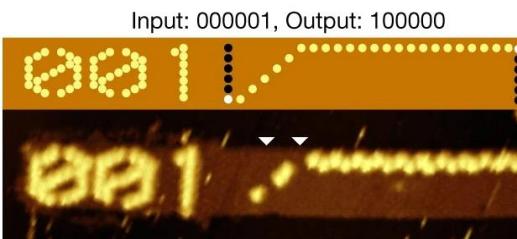
green arrows: nanotubes with correct growth

white arrows: failed to grow nanotube (63.3% of 1,299 analyzed)

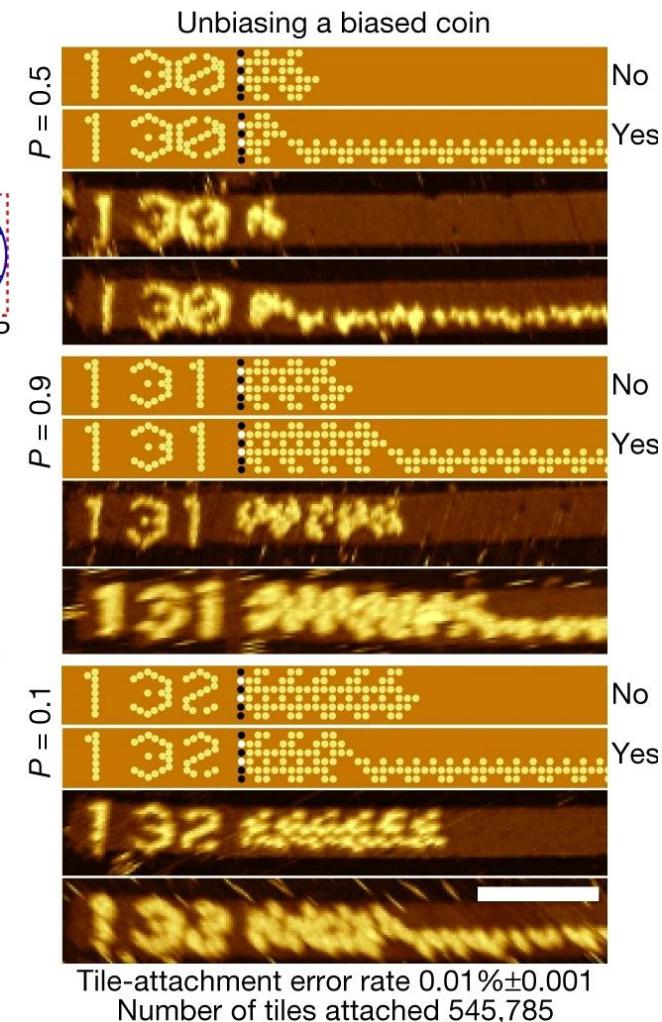
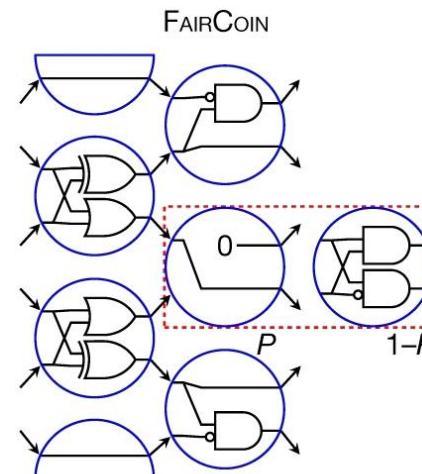
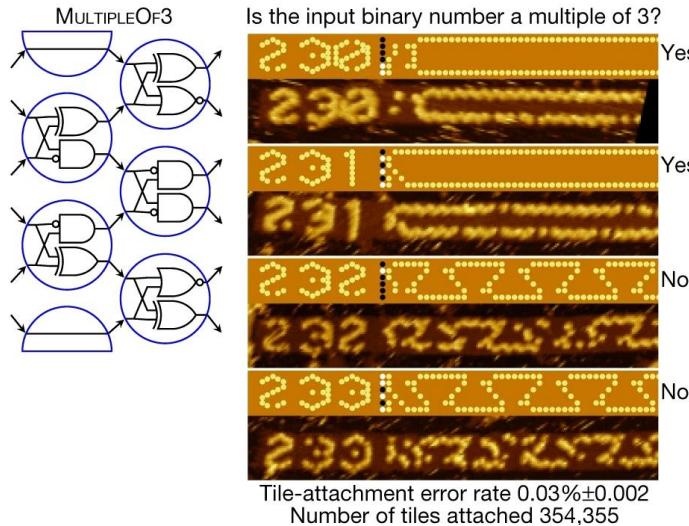
blue arrows: failed to unzip and could not be read

red arrows: logical errors

→ Tile-attachment error rate was estimated to be 0.03%
(counted 77 errors/estimated 269,028 attachments)



3-11. Randomized Algorithm Using Self-Assembly



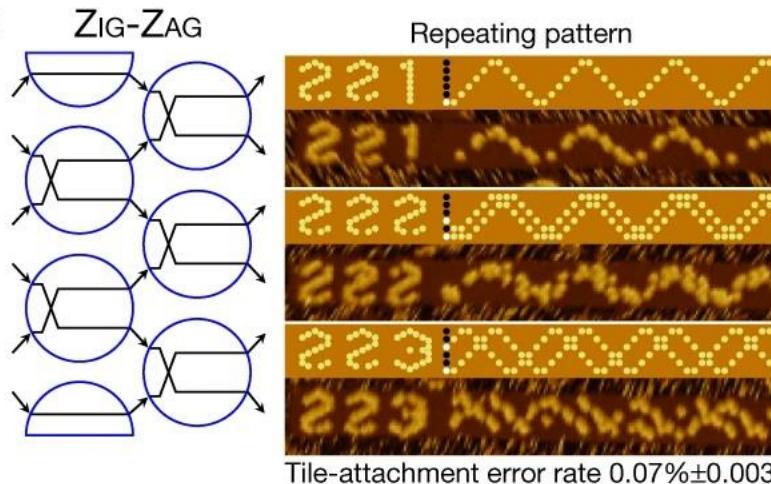
In addition to deterministic computation (e.g. MULTIPLEOF3), randomized computation* can be implemented (e.g. FAIRCOIN**).

* Outputs of randomized gates change depending on the relative concentrations of tile types.

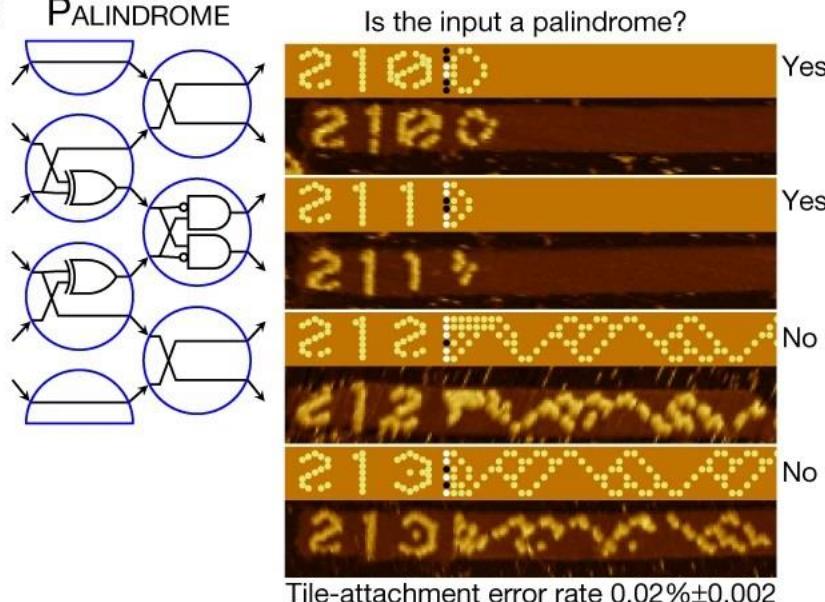
** $P = 0.1 \sim 0.9$. so FAIRCOIN is biased coin to be exact.

3-12. Realized Algorithms by 6-bit IBC Tile Set

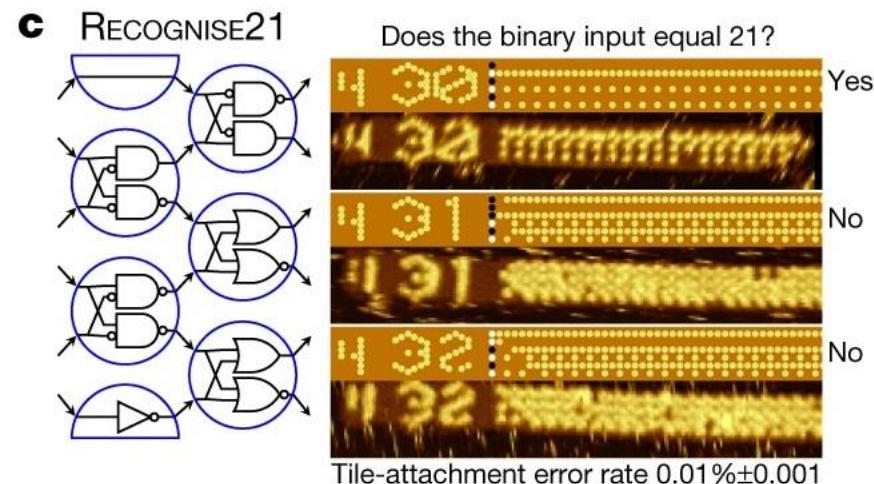
a ZIG-ZAG



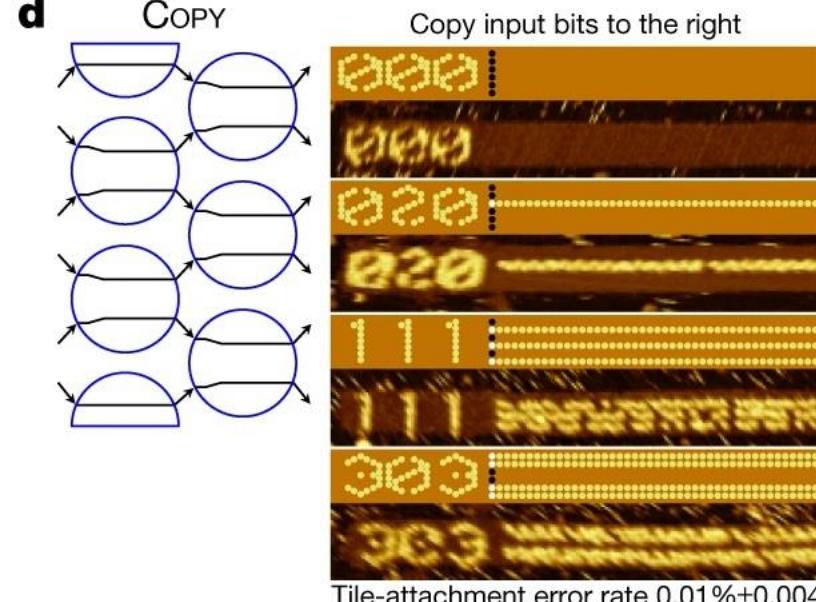
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c RECOGNISE21

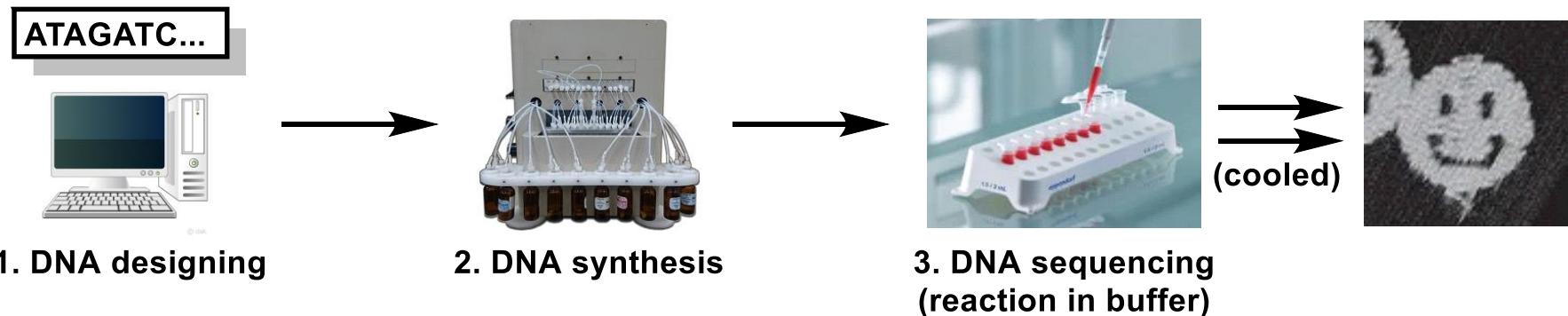


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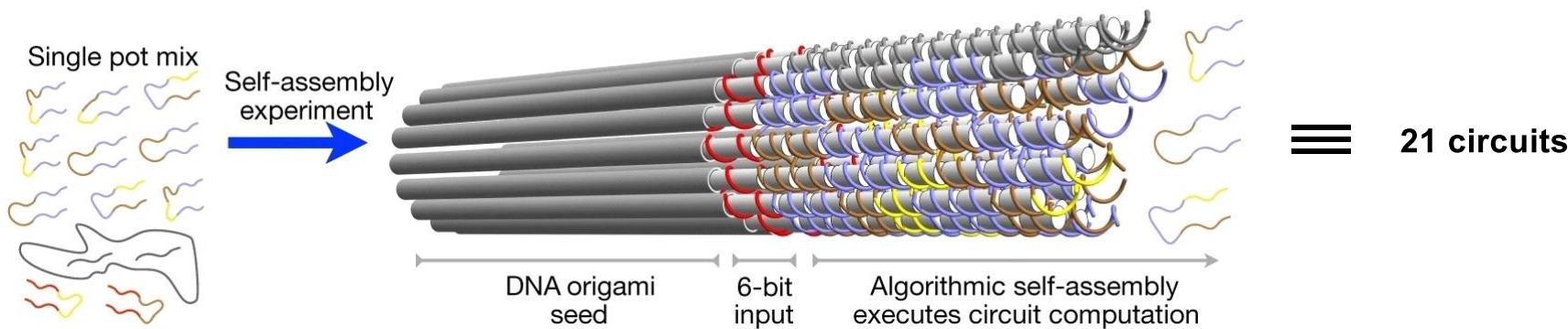


Summary

- DNA can be **freely designed** and construct **various nanosystems/nanostructures** by autonomous reaction



- Prof. Winfree accomplished to create **a reprogrammable self-assembly system** containing 355 types of DNA tiles and implement 21 circuits.



Appendix

Determination of Reaction Temperature

